

WRRA

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Mission Statement

Western Reserve Rowing Association provides and promotes adult competitive and recreational rowing for the Northeast Ohio community through quality programming.



Agenda

1. President's Welcome
2. CRF update
3. Introduction & Election of Directors

Reports:

- President
- Corporate/LTR
- Sweeps
- Sculling
- Coaching/Coxing
- Veterans
- Equipment
- Volunteer
- Treasurer
- Merchandise
- Program Director



Welcome!

Sharon Romilly
President

Board of Directors Elections



Molly McDonnell



Robin Murphy



Sharon Romilly



Board of Directors Elections

Candidates – Please vote for up to three (3)

Sharon Romilly

Molly McDonnell

Robin Murphy



Corporate Rowing & Learn to Row

Maria Coyne

WRRA Director of Corporate/LTR



Learn to Row

- Spring LTRs were scheduled for two/day sessions on April 5, 12, 13, 19, 26, and 27. We had to cancel sessions on April 5 & April 26 due to weather. April 27 was our make-up day.
- In all we had 214 registrants participating
- Of those participating , we had 40% (80 new rowers) sign-up for SRL
- There was an attempt to schedule several Fall LTR sessions, however they had to be cancelled due to difficulty in finding coaches, coxes and volunteers



Corporate Rowing

2025: Year in Review

- Two Corporate Rowing/Private LTR sessions were held with Connected HR (June 26) and In Counsel With Women (July 26)
- Numerous other inquiries were received for Corporate/Private LTR Sessions - but never materialized for a variety of reasons
- Inquiries were received and followed-up from:
 - Progressive Insurance
 - Warrensville Hts Fire Dept
 - HH Associates for a hospital client
 - Key Bank
 - NOPEC
 - Adcom
 - MetroHealth
 - All Forward



Corporate Rowing Promotion

- Please let people know that if they are interested in securing a date, the more advance planning the better
- Each event is highly customized and tailored to the organization's priorities (Nestle for example...HR team involved)
- Like no other team building event that a team can participate in!



Sculling

Monica Wagner
WRRA Director of Sculling

Sculling

- General Sculling: 18
- Private Sculling: 32



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Sculling:

New Scullers on the water: Jennifer Goodman, Eric Paquin, James Murrer and Bill Rickman

Mentors and Mentoring

A big thank you to those mentors that gave time to scullers working towards their certification. Without you, these folks would not have been able to get certified.





Learn to Scull programs

8 learn to scull participants taught by Patty Wolford and Tom Hornick

Thank you to Sharon Romilly for doing refresher sculling clinics.



Coaching/Coxswains

Tim Marcovy

WRRA Director of Coaching/Coxswains



2025 presented some successes and challenges for coaching at WRRRA. Among these were:

- With another record high number of SRL crews, WRRRA continued one coach-to-one crew coaching for all teams in 2025. This was due to the usual coaching heroes who took more than their share of the coaching burden, and to the new coaches recruited from out of the ranks of the new U30 Program. Everyone who coached SRL should receive the membership's thanks for a great 2025 season.
- Consistent coaching was again provided for the 2025 Mens' Masters Program by Charles Richardson, the new SRL+ Program (thank you Ellie Townsend and Lincoln Luzar) and the Reserve Master's Program. The Learn to Scull Program was kept on track through the efforts of Patty Travis and Tom Hornick among others.



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- Providing coaching for the 2025 Women's Masters Program proved to be a challenge, with once a week coaching supplied by Kate Krengel beginning about mid-season. Delivering consistent coaching for this program in 2026 is a priority for the Coaching Committee.
- WRRRA was able to provide coaching for a Fall Rowing League Program as well as a HOTC Prep Program in 2025. We hope to be able to build on this success for 2026.

Coaching

For 2026:

Coxing and coaching clinics will be scheduled for throughout 2026. When they are announced, please consider them.

We will continue to focus on identifying, recruiting and training new coaches and coxswains in 2026. If you have not already done so, please consider taking coxswain or coach training and testing. We get fewer and fewer participants from the high school and college programs each year, and must continue to look within our own organization to supply the need.

A survey is going out to seek your feedback on the programming, and on the coaching and coxing experience you had in 2025. Please complete it and return it. It is anonymous, and your feedback is crucial to the Board's programming and budgeting process for 2026.



Outreach/Veterans

Robin Murphy
WRRA Director of Outreach

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Regattas:
SRL Regatta
Midwest Sprints
Music City

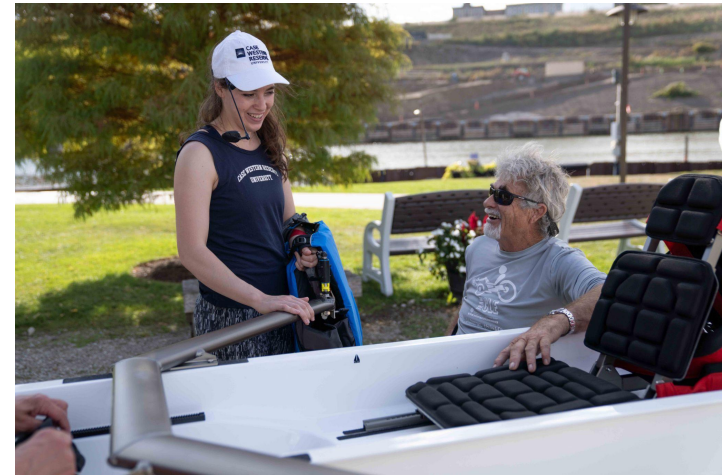


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Adaptive Rowing





Equipment

Chris Cole

WRRA Director of Equipment



2025 WRRA VOLUNTEERISM

Leah Livermore

WRRA Secretary and Director of Volunteerism



2025 WRRA Volunteer Hours

218 Amazing Volunteers!

2,234 Total Volunteer Hours!

39% of the WRRA paid membership volunteered this year!

1. CRF 29th Annual HOTC: 135 Members-784 Hours
2. WRRA Learn to Row & Learn to Cox Events: 59 Members-444 Hours
3. Equipment Maintenance: 74 Members-382 Hours

THANK YOU!!!

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2025 WRRA Super Volunteers!

Members who have reached the 20(+) hours of volunteer service through November 1, 2025. Super Volunteers will receive a WRRA logo fleece vest this year!

Karen Abbott

Melissa Bach

Gary Clark

Janet Clark

Karin Connor

Michael Costanzo

Julie Criscione

Sally Fahrenholz

Michelle Lundon-Fox

Dick Halda

Teresa Hooper

Jamye Jamison

Michael Livermore

Rachel Margulis

Michelle Pingor

Nancy Pirrone

Josie Platt

Shari Plazak

Chuck Postel

Terri Postel

Barb Rauhe

William Rickman

James Ryan

Suzanne Ryan

Cara Sieberth

Leslie Thomas

Sue Tyler

Chuck Zerman

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The WRRA Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes individuals who volunteered and went above and beyond to advance the mission of WRRA: To provide and promote adult competitive and recreational rowing for the Northeast Ohio community through quality programming.

Past WRRA Volunteer of the Year Award recipients:

2015 Bob Gannon and Mark Silverstein

2016 Tom Hornick

2017 Paul Kopp and Scott Labuda

2018 Bill Rickman

2019 Nancy Pirrone

2020 James Ryan and Tom Hornick

2021 Michelle Kozelka

2022 Cara Seiberth

2023 Dick Halda and Charles Postel

2024 Suzanne Ryan



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2025 WRRA Volunteer of the Year



Terri Postel!!



Program Director

Learn to Row: 214 rowers

SRL: 451, (up from 415 members in 2025)

- 7 novice crews, 39 experienced crews

SRL+: 9 rowers

Reserve Masters: 16 rowers

General Sweeps: 37 rowers

Vets: 29 rowers

Masters: 17 rowers

General Sculling: 18 rowers

Private Sculling: 32 rowers

HOTC prep: 90 rowers

FRL: 56 rowers

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Big Thank you to our SRL Sponsors!





2025 WRRA Merchandise

Mary Wright
Director of Merchandising

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I just sell the t-shirts.

This year, our merchandise operations achieved remarkable results. With two regattas, five pop-up events, reorders, special orders and sell outs, we experienced a banner year in merchandise. Each initiative contributed to our success, showcasing your dedication and the strong demand for WRRA products.

Key Highlights

Regattas: Participation in two regattas helped drive visibility and significant merchandise sales.

Pop-Up Events: Including today, we had 5 pop-up shops throughout the season. This provided opportunities to connect with members and boost sales.

Reorders/Special Orders: High demand led to multiple reorders, ensuring inventory levels matched member's interest enhancing overall satisfaction.



In other words...

**YOU SHOWED
UP!!!**

Holiday
Online Pop-Up Shop
11/17 and 12/1
Limited Items available:
Crewneck, Hoodie,
Joggers Men's &
Women's

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WRRA invites all of you to consider getting involved through committees, coaching, volunteering and presenting your ideas on how we will adapt for the future.

WRRA needs your support. Please consider giving a little of your time!

WRRA can't survive without coaching and coxswains for our PROGRAMS.

To everyone who contributed this year, Thank you again for all you did to support WRRA.

Best regards,
Sharon Romilly