

Messages

I am happy to learn that you are organizing the first “Chennai Schools Regatta” at your rowing facility at Koovathur near Chennai from 20th to 22nd November, 2009.

I wish this regatta all success and wishes for many more to come in future.

May the best school's team win.

Warm Regards,
M.V. Sriram
Secretary-General, Rowing Federation of India



We are pleased to note that Mr. Farid Husain has started a Rowing Center in the village of Koovathur, located about 80 kms south of Chennai. This will certainly help in popularizing the sport in the region.

We have been informed that they are planning to hold a Schools Regatta at the venue in the third week of November 2009 as a maiden venture.

We wish them all success and we hope to see many more such events from this center in the future.

Chacko Kandathil
President, Tamilnadu Amateur Rowing Association



Dear Friends,

The children of Madras Boat Club finally have an opportunity to row a school Regatta in their own city. An event of this nature has been long overdue in Chennai and kudos to the Rowing Centre and the members behind the venture for making the event a reality. I understand that children from schools in Calcutta, Bangalore and Kodaikanal are expected to participate, which should make the event a competitive and well contested one.

The scenic surroundings and sparkling waters should make rowing at the Rowing center an enjoyable and unforgettable experience. And with quality rowing equipment being provided by the Rowing Center, the participants are sure to perform at their best.

Organizing a regatta on the scale being done is never easy. The management of the Rowing center deserves praise for putting this Regatta together and leaving no stone unturned in their effort. I am delighted that several member parents of the Madras-Boat Club are involved with the Regatta as volunteers, which is wonderful because at the end of the day, sport is all about team work.

On behalf of the Rowing fraternity at MBC, I would like to wish the Rowing center and its team all success in the conduct of the first “Chennai School Regatta”. I take this opportunity to wish the participants a productive outing on the scenic backwaters. Do your best and let each race be an experience that you take away with you and benefit from as you strive for excellence on the water.

Sanjeev Kesu
Captain of Boats, Madras Boat Club

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I am delighted at the initiative taken by you to set up a rowing centre and for organizing a schools regatta.

A new rowing centre in the vicinity of Chennai will only increase the chances of more young people taking to the wonderful sport of rowing, and eventually perhaps representing the state and the country.

I wish the new centre all success and also hope the schools regatta will bring many young people into the fold.

All the very best
Gopal Madhavan
President, Madras Boat Club



I had the fortune of visiting The Rowing Centre a few weeks ago and was simply amazed on seeing the location and the infrastructure that has come so fast.

My first reaction was one of awe and my next response was that, this would be an apt location for a major national regatta.

On behalf of the rowing fraternity of MBC, I wish The Rowing Centre all the very best in conducting this Chennai School Regatta and urge them to next organise a national school regatta.

A. Venkat
Hony. Secretary, Madras Boat Club

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CHENNAI SCHOOL REGATTA 2009

20th to 22nd November, 2009



The Rowing Centre

An hour's drive from Chennai down the East Coast Road, located along the backwaters of the Coromandel Coast, is the Rowing Centre – an entertaining, healthy escape from stressful city life.

The Centre aims at inculcating a passion for rowing in active young minds and nurturing the spirit of rowing across a wide section of the public.

Rowing is a sport that spells fitness and fun in the same breath. It is a sport where one races without an eye on the finish line, challenging the waters as well as the limits of one's self. It also fosters excellent conditions for cultivating team spirit.

Apart from rowing, the picturesque Centre provides other facilities such as indoor rowing, kayaking, leisure rowing, volleyball, and beach tennis.

The School Regatta

The Rowing Centre's UNIFI Chennai School Regatta 2009 seeks to promote rowing in Schools and encourage healthy competition. The event will help to identify talented oarspersons at a young age and mould them to best prepare for interclub, national and international meets.

The Centre is proud to host the first Chennai School Regatta with events for students of all ages, including children less than 12 years of age. Participants will be rowing for the Overall UNIFI Championship and individual age-group trophies.

The Regatta is organized in a residential format to provide a suitable atmosphere that will help develop the cooperation and camaraderie necessary for healthy competition and the true spirit of sportsmanship. Participants will arrive at the venue as a team, and spend the duration interacting with other teams while striving to maintain the levels of fitness and concentration required for competitive rowing.

The organisers have taken every effort to ensure that the accommodation, food and facilities provided meet the requisite standards. For those accompanying the teams, special packages are offered at attractive rates. (Contact : therowingcentre@gmail.com for more details)

Sponsorship

The Rowing Centre is happy to announce that UNIFI CAPITAL PVT LD will be the title sponsors for this year's Regatta.

Adequate sponsorship is essential for the development of any Sport. We seek the support of sponsors to help meet other costs.

Sponsorship: Banners – Rs. 5,000/- . Stall – Rs. 20,000/- . Trophy – Rs. 25,000/-



Regatta Events & Categories

There are three age categories (under 12, under 15 and under 18 years) for boys and girls each with 3 events on water and 3 Indoor events.

EVENTS ON WATER		
Under 12 <i>Born on or after 1-1-1997</i>	Under 15 <i>Born on or after 1-1-1994</i>	Under 18 <i>Born on or after 1-1-1991</i>
Boys and Girls	Boys and Girls	Boys and Girls
(1x) - Single Sculls	(1x) - Single Sculls	(1x) - Single Sculls
(2x) - Double Sculls	(2x) - Double Sculls	(2x) - Double Sculls
	(4+) - Coxed Four	(4+) - Coxed Four

EVENTS ON INDOOR ROWING MACHINE		
Under 12	Under 15	Under 18
Boys and Girls	Boys and Girls	Boys and Girls
250 Metres	500 Metres	1000 Metres
	Team of four - 6 min.	Team of four - 8 min.
	Team of two - 3 min.	Team of two - 4 min.

The regatta fee will be Rs.500/- per participant.

Please refer to the annexure for the Rules and Regulations.

Captains/team managers are responsible for scheduling / reserving practice sessions in advance. Captains / team managers must also ensure that participants are present for events 30 minutes prior to start of races.

Participants / teams are requested to bring their school flags for the regatta.

Schedule of Events

Tuesday, 10th Nov	Acknowledgement of invitation
Thursday, 12th Nov	Last date for entries
Thursday, 19th Nov	6.30 pm - Organising and Race officials meeting
Friday, 20th Nov	6.30 am - Departure from city 8.00 am - Arrival of teams at venue 8.30 am to 4.00 pm - Practice sessions 5.00 pm - Managers' meet and draws 6.30 pm - Welcome evening and subscription dinner
Saturday, 21st Nov	7.00 am - Opening ceremony and flag hoisting 8.00 am to 5.00 pm - Heats
Sunday, 22nd Nov	7.00 am to 4.00 pm - Heats and Finals 5.00 pm - Prize distribution 6.00 pm - Departure of teams

Note : Schedule of events is subject to change without prior notice.