

Salt Springs Sprints Information Sheet

My name is Chris Frick and I am the president of the Saline Rowing Club. On May 9, our club will host the inaugural Salt Springs Sprints regatta at Ford Lake in Ypsilanti. This is the first regatta we have hosted out of our newly built boathouse. Here is some information we hope you can share with your teams.

There are 2 locations you will need to know about.

- The first location is our boathouse, located at 9999 Textile Road, Ypsilanti. This location will be the rower drop-off point and will be used for the boat trailers, rower and coaches only (no parents or spectators).
- The second location is Ford Lake Park, located at 9075 S Huron Drive, Ypsilanti. This location will be for parents and spectators.
 - Here is a link to the map for Ford Lake Park:
<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Ford+Lake+Park/@42.20976,-83.576491,15z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x0:0xb7d1308d0ae35f69>
 - Here are directions from the boathouse to Ford Lake Park:
<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/9999+Textile+Rd,+Ypsilanti,+MI+48197/Ford+Lake+Park,+9075+South+Huron+River+Drive,+Ypsilanti,+MI+48198/@42.2062911,-83.5751234,16z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m13!4m12!1m5!1m1!1s0x883b583b2d29ad8f:0xe5e13c32b994d657!2m2!1d-83.5634819!2d42.203633!1m5!1m1!1s0x883b581c18e061a5:0xb7d1308d0ae35f69!2m2!1d-83.576491!2d42.20976>

The boathouse site is not large enough to accommodate rowers, coaches, spectators, boats, boat trailers and all of the associated vehicles. Also, there is no place to view the race at the boathouse. Ford Lake Park is less than a mile from the boathouse and has space for parking for all the vehicles and, more importantly, is located at the finish line of the race and has lots of space to view the rowing competition. Please respect that the boathouse location is for rowers and coaches only.

Rower drop-off will begin at 8:00 am, coxswain meeting at 8:15 am, and races are set to begin at 9:00 am. All races will be finals only and medals will be given out to first place finishes. There is a maximum of 24 races and we anticipate finishing around noon. Heat Sheets will be sent out in the next few days. Because this is a relatively short regatta, the Saline Rowing Club is not going to be having tents, cooks and food for our rowers and we are only providing them with a table for a light breakfast (bagels, cream cheese...) and water. There will not be concessions at Ford Lake Park, but you are welcome to bring coolers, etc., inside the park.

We hope this is the first of many Salt Springs Sprints. We ask for your patience next week as we work out bugs at our new site, and we would welcome feedback to improve in the future.

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We look forward to seeing you May 9.