

# ***Spackenkill Rowing Club***

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[www.SpackenkillRowingClub.org](http://www.SpackenkillRowingClub.org)

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2018 Spackenkill rowing season!

The function of the Spackenkill Rowing Club (SRC) is to support the Spackenkill Rowing Team. SRC is a 501(c) (3) non-profit, separate from the school and district. Crew is a club sport and is not fully funded by the school district. The Spackenkill School district pays coaches' salaries, team transportation to practices, transportation to and from regattas, regatta entrance fees, league fees, half of USRowing membership fees, half of the usage fees at HRRR boathouse, and one quarter of the HRRR lease fees. The Spackenkill Rowing Club provides everything else that is necessary to put the team on the water. We purchase, own, and maintain and insure the boats, oars, launches, launch motors, safety equipment, boat trailer, and food trailer.

Dues for the 2018 rowing season have not changed this year and are \$550 for rowers and coxswains. If your family has a second rower will cost \$250. Dues for 7<sup>th</sup> graders will also be \$250. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row that we have not raised dues! The wreath sale and erg-thon are fund raisers that provide an opportunity to help offset the cost of dues.

## **Registration for Spackenkill Rowing Club**

- This year the club will be getting registration information from the FamilyID system used by the Athletic Department – no need for an additional form!
- Each participant will need to have a USRowing Basic Membership and sign the waiver (\$9.75 processing fee). This must be complete before first practice at HRRR (insurance requirement).
- Payment may be given to the SCR Treasurer (or other Board Member) or mailed to the PO Box. Please do not give any checks or money to the coaches. Payment of Dues must be completed by March 12, 2018.

**Swim Test** – All first-time rowers – swim a short distance underwater, swim the rest of the length of the pool plus 3 more laps. Put a sweatshirt on, tread water for 5 minutes and put on a life vest in the water. Details to follow.

**Racing Shirts** – Required (except Novice who will wear team tee shirt). Shirt will be same as last year (JL Racing) details on fitting, order and cost to follow.

SRC is only able to accomplish all that we do with the support and help of the parents and the community. ConstantContact is used to send out a newsletter - [please sign up for the newsletter](#), there is a link at bottom of website. Parent meetings will be held weekly during the season, **please sign up for the newsletter**. Join us on Facebook and Instagram. Your involvement and ideas are critical to the success of our club and we hope that you will join us.

Our website should have all the forms, links, information, and announcements:

[www.spackenkillrowingclub.org](http://www.spackenkillrowingclub.org)

Thank you,

SRC Board

Joe Gagliardi, President

Claudia Ackerman, Vice President

Catherine Monian, Treasurer

Molly Renfroe Katz, Secretary

Kathy Izold, Food Committee