



ORIENTATION FOR ORC NEW SCULLING ROWERS

- It is required for each rower to use the Log Book. Record your name, type of equipment (club or private), time you are launching, when you expect to be back and finally record when you have returned to the boathouse with equipment returned safely. This is important so others will know that someone is still on the water and won't lock you out.
- The traffic pattern is clockwise on Lake Fairview. A poster showing the lake and traffic pattern is posted near the center bay door for more clarity.
- Become familiar with ORC club-owned equipment, available for use by ORC members using the ORC Reservation System. There are many privately owned boats and oars in the sculling bay stored alongside club gear. Please refrain from using private equipment unless you have prior authorization from the owners.
- If you are using club equipment; doubles, singles, quads; determine from the ORC Reservation System that the equipment is available, reserve the equipment and return it to the boathouse in a timely fashion for others to use.
- While on the water, set out a pair of slings as another visible sign to others that a boat is still on the water in order that you are not locked out. If you are locked out despite the precautions, there is a punch key door operator at the left jamb of the center bay door. Obtain the code from an authorized ORC member.
- If using club equipment, take care to return the equipment in good order back to the house. Please wipe down the tracks and hull after each use of Club equipment. Towels for this purpose are located on the shelving next to the Lakeside bay door. If there is damage discovered or equipment that may be in need of attention, please record the information in the Equipment Repair Log Book.
- Singles, doubles and Quad go into the boathouse, bow end first. ORC Quad is located on the rack against the exterior wall in the far bay.
- Observe the safety considerations of threatening weather. If lightning is spotted in the area while on the water, proceed as quickly and safely as possible back to the boathouse, getting off the water until the threat has cleared. Same with heavy fog.
- It is suggested that scullers carry a whistle when on the water. This would be to alert an oncoming water craft headed directly for you that may not be aware of your position.
- If you are rowing prior to dawn or after dusk, you must have lights on your person and or the boat. The club has a limited number of lights so please invest in your own.
- If you find yourself the last person in the boathouse (all boats in the Log Book are signed back in, all boats appear to be on the rack, all coaches' launches are in the center bay, no slings set up in the boat yard, no cars remaining in the parking lot), make sure all the boathouse overhead bay doors are closed and locked before leaving. This means the doors toward the water and toward the parking area. Turn out the lights before leaving.