

2011 Rowing Report

2011 was another successful year for the SARP rowing program. Peter McLean was hired as our Learn to Row and recreational rowing coach. Peter did a great job and the feedback on his coaching was very positive.

The weather was challenging in 2011 with cool weather and lots of windy mornings and choppy water.

The following is a summary of the rowing events for 2011.

- May 14 2011 – SARP open house at Canoe Beach. This event was well attended by prospective rowers and we took out many people for the 'Try a Row' session
- June 6, 2011
 - Start of Coached Recreational Rowing
 - Start of Learn to Row sessions
- Learn to Row
 - We ran 7 Learn to Row Sessions (each session consists of 8 lessons, a total of 12 hours of instructional time)
 - A total of 21 individuals took part in the Learn to Row sessions
 - 4 youth (all female)
 - 17 adults (15 female, 2 male)
- Recreational Rowing
 - 12 people took part in the Recreational rowing program
 - 2 youth (female)
 - 10 adults (8 female, 2 male)
 - Punch cards were the most popular choice for recreational rowers with 10 rowers buying punch cards (10 rows for \$100) and 2 rowers buying an unlimited rowing pass
- Income from Learn to Row and Recreational Rowing

SARP memberships	\$420.00
Learn to Row	\$3450.00
Recreational Rowing	\$1350.00
Total	\$5220.00

- As of May 2012, the rowing quad that was purchased on a lease to purchase program will be paid for (monthly payments have been \$570.80/month).

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- I did some minor repairs on some of the older rowing shells this summer
- Currently SARP owns:
 - (1) 2008 Hudson Double
 - (1) 2008 Hudson Touring Quad
 - (1) Single rowing shell (circa 1980's) – donated to our club
 - (1) Double rowing shell (circa 1990's) – donated to our club
 - (1) Quad rowing shell (circa 1980) – donated to our club
 - (1) Straight 4 rowing shell (circa 1990) – donated to our club
- The donated shells are mostly in 'delicate' condition. They are older shells and will need some ongoing repairs. The single is in big demand to be rowed, but is in poor shape. In 2010 & 2011 Ray (my husband) and myself did quite a bit of work on this shell to make it more rowable.
- Any future purchases of rowing shells should focus on singles since they are very popular with rowers once they finish the Learn to Row program.

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