



EVERETT ROWING ASSOCIATION

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SUPPORT ROWING IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY!

The Everett Rowing Association is holding their annual auction on Saturday, March 1, 2008. We are asking your help for donations to support our auction. We will be having both live and silent auctions. The proceeds from the event help fund our Junior program, scholarship efforts, and keep new equipment coming into the boathouse. ERA is a nonprofit organization with the tax identification reference 91-1325075.

ERA has a year round rowing program with approximately 125 young people rowing during the major spring season. Our team competes in local and national events, from British Columbia to Boston. Approximately 80 athletes participate in the fall season where the focus is on endurance style racing. In addition to our high school age program, there are 60 adults that row with ERA, training to compete in a variety of races on the West Coast.

Our program draws students ages 14-18 from over 15 high schools in Snohomish County. The team is composed primarily of students from Everett, Cascade, Snohomish, Lake Stevens, Kamiak and Marysville-Pilchuck schools.

We recognize that our young athletes are totally committed to success, and the goal of ERA is to provide all the tools necessary to achieve that success. Our most significant challenge is our ability to provide competitive rowing equipment. An eight oared shell costs \$34,000, and oars are about \$250 a piece. We've come a long way with community support, and understand the support to be a determining factor in providing the best experience possible.

For the last 10 years the Everett Rowing Association has sent athletes to the National Championships in Cincinnati, OH. This past year Everett Rowing qualified more athletes for the National Championship than any other team in the country! Our Lightweight Varsity Men finished 2nd at the event, and Alex Japhet was selected for the Jr. National Women's team. Of all this success, what our rowers have done after their high school career makes us most proud. Over 48 athletes in the last 6 years have moved on to compete in collegiate rowing.

We are proud to build a tradition of success here in Everett. Please help us to continue offering the very best in rowing experiences to young athletes in Snohomish County. A donation to the Everett Rowing Auction is an easy way to have an exciting and positive impact on an exciting group of young men and women.

Matthew Lacey
Director

Lissa Knox, Mary Eichinger
Auction Committee Co-Chairs

"Catch the Spirit of Rowing!"