



# Regatta Guide

## Whatcom Friendly

Whatcom Rowing Association

Robert C Diehl Boathouse, Lake Whatcom

2202 Electric Avenue, Bellingham WA 98229

Saturday, April 25th, 2026

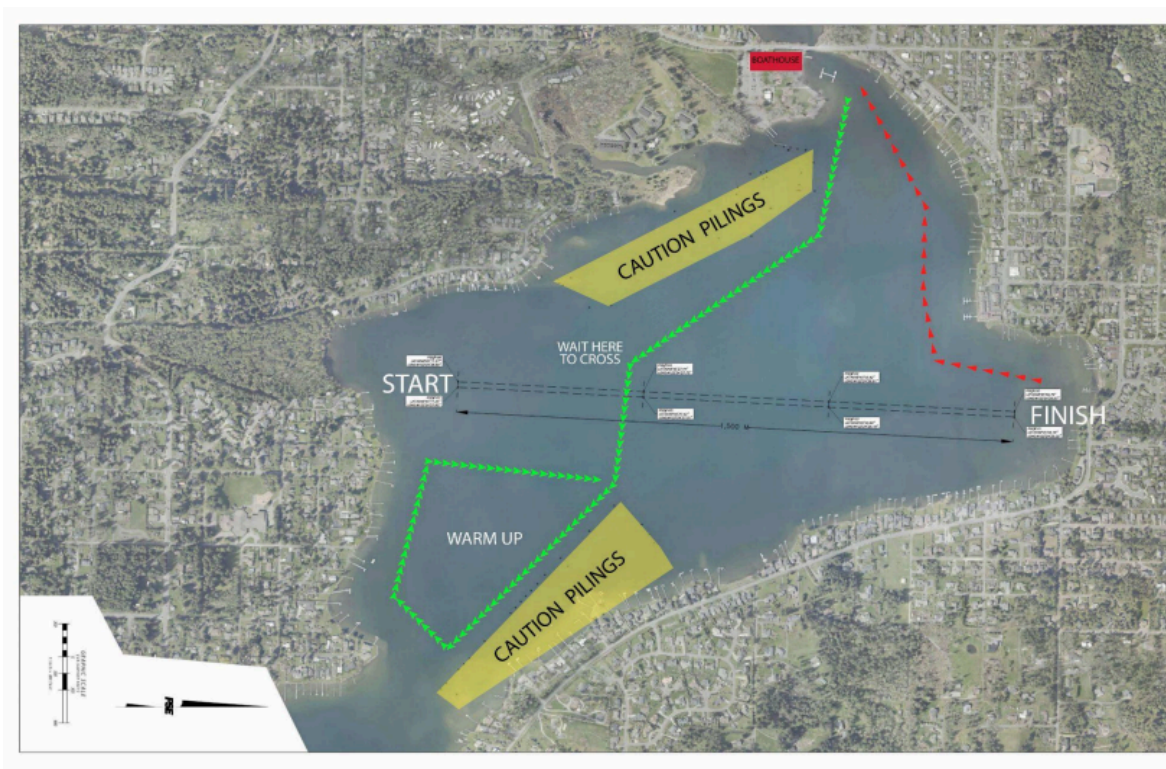
Welcome Northshore Rowing families to the Whatcom Friendly! This is by no means a complete guide to everything to expect but we are hopeful that it will help prepare you for the upcoming regatta. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask! Email: [board@inglemoorcrewbooster.org](mailto:board@inglemoorcrewbooster.org) or reach us on the TeamLinkt app.

### WHAT TYPE OF RACE IS THIS?

Hosted by the Whatcom Rowing Association, this friendly regatta is a 2000m sprint scrimmage.

### WHAT IS THE COURSE?

The organizers are placing yellow buoy markers at the start and finish lines. There will be red buoy markers at the 500m and 1000m marks. See map below for details.



## HOW DOES MY CHILD GET THERE?

As per School policy, rowers and coxswains are not allowed to drive themselves to this race. We do have two vans leaving from Inglemoor for this race, and coaches have created a [Sign Up Genius](#) for those who need a ride. PLEASE NOTE it is critical that your athlete arrives when they are expected—failing to arrive on time not only jeopardizes their own race but affects an entire boat. Do not be late.

## WHO IS PARTICIPATING AND WHEN DO THEY RACE?

Lineups and events are coach prerogative and subject to change. Please check your email for lineups from coaches. Double check race times on the day of, in case race organizers change the order of events and times.

### Tentative Race Day Schedule

#### Saturday April 25th:

6:45 Arrive at Inglemoor HS Parking lot for vans to Bellingham

7:00 or a bit before, vans depart Inglemoor HS Parking Lot

8:15 am Arrive at Whatcom Rowing Association Boathouse (Everyone who is racing, regardless of transportation method)

9:00 Coach & Coxswain meeting at WRA Boathouse

10:00am – 12:30pm Racing

~3:00 or 3:30? unload trailer at Kenmore Boathouse (estimate)

Coaches have asked that rowers arrive **no later than 8:15 am to the venue. 6:45 am to Inglemoor if you are catching a van.** Race times are subject to last-minute changes due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances—make sure to give yourself adequate time for transportation, parking, and locating your boat and unloading/rigging as necessary, as well as warmup.

## HOW CAN I WATCH & WHERE DO I PARK?

See map below, showing Whatcom's plan for parking, where the restrooms can be found, and where spectators can set up chairs and watch the races. Pack a pair of binoculars, as per usual! There is a parking lot at the boathouse. Be mindful of designated areas that are parking for trailers only, and do not block access to the boathouse, or access to the trailers. Keep an eye out for boats portaging in the parking lot. If overflow parking is necessary, you can try parking on Electric Avenue or the surrounding neighborhood and walking in.



## HOW CAN I EXPERIENCE THIS WITH MY KID?

As you can see from the map above, it looks like boats will be beach launching, so you might have an opportunity to connect with your child throughout the day. Rowers will not have their phones on them in the boat. It is uncertain if there will be any official timing (ie, via Herenow or Crewtimer) so it might be difficult to track the progression of events.

## WHO WON?!

Again, real time results might be difficult to track. The race coordinators will be tracking times one way or the other, but official results might not come until after the end of the day. "Flow like water..."

## WHERE ARE THE TOILETS AND CAN I BUY FOOD OR MERCHANDISE?

There are public flush toilets, see map. There is no merchandise for sale for this race. Our friends at Whatcom will be having some breakfast options, and a hot dog bar w/vegetarian options, for our athletes, after this race. Whatcom is accepting donations for this effort, but it is not required.

## WHAT DO I BRING?

A suggested [Regatta packing list](#) can be found on our Booster Club website. Please look it over and check the weather for conditions.

Rowers should dress for the weather, eat a nutritious light breakfast, and pack snacks for pre-race and post-race munchies. Pack a reusable water bottle as always. There will be **no** Inglemoor Crew Booster comfort station for this event. Whatcom Rowing Association will have breakfast items available in the morning, and a hot dog bar with vegetarian options post-regatta. Athletes should pack something to sit on (chair, blanket). They might also want to pack a blanket since they might need to warm up depending upon the weather. Also, each boat will determine what outfit they plan on racing in. If your athlete is not sure what to wear, have them contact someone else in their boat.

## HOW CAN I HELP?

- Come on up to Bellingham and cheer for all the boats! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact: [board@inglemoorcrewbooster.org](mailto:board@inglemoorcrewbooster.org).
- Everyone can purchase, or can sell raffle tickets for the Concept2 Erg Raffle!! See Anna to get some tickets to sell or email her at [fundraising@inglemoorcrewbooster.org](mailto:fundraising@inglemoorcrewbooster.org) Boosters will have tickets at the Whatcom Friendly as well. Last year, a relative of one of our athletes bought some raffle tickets, won, and donated the erg back to the program. Always an option! The drawing for the raffle will be May 20th, at our Spring Crew Banquet. Inglemoor Crew Boosters is a 501(c) 3 organization, and your financial donation is appreciated and also tax deductible. Several companies such as Boeing and Microsoft will also match your cash donation! Our PayPal link is [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=S7SPFHDRDJKPU](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=S7SPFHDRDJKPU)
- **We also take checks and Zelle, and these methods of donation allow our organization to retain more of your financial contribution! Contact [treasurer@inglemoorcrewbooster.org](mailto:treasurer@inglemoorcrewbooster.org) for more information.**
- **If you aren't going to this regatta, please do help take care of**

Northshore/Inglemoor Crew's Boathouse home! KCRC is hosting the annual Earth Day Boathouse Area/Waterways/Park cleanup from 11 am to 1 pm. They'll provide gloves and trash bags. They would appreciate the help and support, and if your student needs volunteer hours, this is an excellent opportunity to knock out some hours!

- 4/26 is our CarWash Event in Bothell at Les Schwab Tire Center! Let's all pull together to help raise money for our team.

Sign up here: [CarWash SignUp!](#)

#### HOW ELSE CAN I STAY INFORMED?

Check out our website! [Inglemoor Crew Boosters](#). Here you can find our Regatta Guides, learn more about the sport of rowing, and contribute towards our Booster support for every rower.

Thank you for all your support, Go Northshore/Inglemoor!