



McLean Crew Club Membership Meeting

January 2026





Welcome!

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A FEW KEY THINGS

- Top-line update: MCC has renewed our club-level membership with US Rowing and insurance policies; We are working to hire an additional Assistant Coach for the Boys Team (Girls Team coaching roster is complete)
- Indoor Competitions: monitor registration requirements - e.g., *registration for Erg Sprints closes January 22nd*
- Ergathon and Mulch Madness: *Mark your calendars and watch for volunteer signups!*
- Volunteer: find an operation role and/or one-time sign-ups that fit your schedule
- Looking ahead:
 - February Membership Meeting: we'll cover on-the-water practices (gear, what to expect)
 - March Membership Meeting: we'll cover Regatta 101 for new families



Operations

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VP of Operations

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OPERATIONS UPDATE

- New launches: boats received, engines ordered, and being built
- New ramp built for erg shed to improve safety and erg longevity
- VP Ops for 2025-26 position is still open!
- Volunteers with large vehicles needed for transporting ergs for Ergathon
- Look for the SUG to sign up or for more info email

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Volunteering

Gordon Church

Member at Large Volunteers

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Open Volunteer Positions

Great response to the signup! Thank you for all of your support!

[Click Here for the New Sign Up!](#)

- Treasurer in-training (3 credits)
- Member at Large, Rower Operations in-training (3 credits)
- Local Regatta Lead (in training) (5 credits)
- Local Regatta Tent Coordinator (4credits if one coordinator; can be split)
- Away Regatta Lead (in training) (5 credits)
- Away Regatta Tent Coordinator (4credits if one coordinator; can be split)



ROWER OPERATIONS

KRISTEN KUCKO

Member at Large Rower Ops

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UPDATES

- **Mandatory Swim Test: Sunday, January 25 at Spring Hill Rec Center, 4 PM**
 - This is for athletes who are NEW to McLean Crew. If your athlete participated in the Fall 2025 Learn To Row program, this swim test is not required.
- **Annual All Boat Dinner: 7:00-9:00 on Friday, March 27 at the McLean High School Cafeteria**

FCPS VOLUnteer Badging

Be sure to register with
VolunteerFCPS



Bus Chaperone Badging

COMING SOON!

Great opportunity to enjoy
the river and Georgetown
while supporting the team.

Help the coaches out and
when you are done, enjoy
Georgetown's
Hiking/Running trails,
cafes, and historical sites.

RESTAURANT NIGHTS FUNDRAISERS



- Tuesday, January 20th, 7-9pm
 - **J Gilbert's**
 - Parent Social (no athletes)
- Saturday, January 24th, 11am-4pm
 - **District Taco + Sweet Leaf**
 - Mention Mclean Crew at Checkout
- Tuesday, March 3rd, 4-8pm
 - **Chipotle**
 - Use Promo Code **3KKA9MH**

Questions? Slack or Email Kristen at
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FUNDRAISING

LAURA BRODERDORF

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ERGATHON 2026

- Mandatory fundraiser for all athletes on **Sat, Jan 24, 2026, 8:45 am – 1 pm** (Inclement weather date: Feb 14)
- Funds raised through donations from family and friends prior to Ergathon and from the public the day of Ergathon
 - 50% of donations received pre-Ergathon reduce athlete's dues up to maximum of \$1,500 credit (maximum is across all fundraisers)
 - 100% of funds raised day of Ergathon go to MCC
- Each athlete spends 3.5 hours soliciting donations & 0.5 hours erging in front of McLean downtown businesses and on strategic corners
- Volunteer to haul ergs or chaperone athletes (½ volunteer credit each): <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084BAFAA23A6F58-54345898-ergathon#/>

ERGATHON 2026

- **All volunteers and athletes check-in Jan 24, 8:45 am at CVS, 1452 Chain Bridge Rd., McLean**
- **Attendance will be taken and shared with coaches**
- At 63% of our \$15,000 Pre-Ergathon Donation Goal
 - Pre-Ergathon Donation Goal per Athlete = \$200
 - Donate Online or via cash/check
 - If customers don't want mulch, ask for donations
- Bring any cash/check donations collected pre-Ergathon and give to Laura Broderdorf at check-in. Put in envelope labeled with athlete's name.
- At check-in, athletes will assemble into 6 groups, consisting of 12 athletes and 2 parent chaperones each.





Mulch

- **KEEP SELLING!! NEED 10K-12K BAGS SOLD BY FEB 14!**
- **Delivery: Feb 28-Mar 1**
- **(Snow date March 7-8th)**
- **Attendance is mandatory both Saturday and Sunday for athletes**
- **At least one parent per athlete is required to volunteer for at least one day**
- **Leads emailed out mid-Dec**
- **Volunteer SUGs coming soon!**

MULCH MADNESS SIGN UPS

- 1) **Mandatory Parent Sign Up:** One Parent, One day, Targeting to Complete ALL delivery on Saturday, with Sunday as backup. Does not count towards volunteer credits.
- 2) **Extra Credit Parent Sign Up:** Optional jobs, counts towards volunteer credit. In addition to mandatory job.
- 3) **Supplies Sign Up:** Save MCC money by lending supplies.
- 4) **Food Sign Up:** Save MCC money by donating food.
- 5) **Chase Car Sign Up:** Athletes sign up for a car group. This sign up comes out after mandatory parent jobs are filled.





REGATTAS

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3/21 Polar Bear Regatta @ Occoquan

3/28 St. Andrews @ Middleton, DE

3/30 - 4/3 Spring Break Camp (incl. 4/1 Langley scrimmage @ TBC)

4/4 Darrell Winslow @ Occoquan

4/11 TBC Hustle @ TBC

4/12 Manny Flicks @ Philadelphia, PA

4/18 Ryz Obuchowitz @ Occoquan

4/25 Charlie Butt @ TBC

5/2, 5/9 VA States Day 1, 2 @ Occoquan

5/15 - 5/16 Stotesbury @ Philadelphia, PA (select crews)

5/22 - 5/23 SRAA Nationals @ Oak Ridge, TN (qualifying crews)

Regatta Schedule



Administration

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VP of Administration

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• **TIME TO ORDER UNIS**



The **MCC Team Store** is now **open** through JL Racing. Families may order required uniform items and optional training gear.

Team Store Link:

<https://jlrowing.com/collections/mclean-high-school-january-2026-team-store>

Ordering Deadline: Friday, January 30 (end of day)

Required Items (All Rowers & Coxswains)

- 1 MCC unisuit
- 1 MCC baselayer

If you purchased both items last year, you do **not** need to repurchase unless you want an additional set. All other items in the store are optional.

Important Ordering Notes

- Orders ship directly to your home **after the store closes**
- Late orders must be placed individually through JL and will have **different pricing and shipping**
- Please use the JL size guide; sizing can be tricky
- Athletes are encouraged to ask teammates of a similar build
- JL Customer Service: customerservice@jlracing.com

Tryouts & Buy-Back Policy

Because the store closes before tryouts, **any athlete cut from the team will be reimbursed by MCC for required uniform items.**

Limited Immediate Purchase Availability

Available first-come, first-served. Please contact Susan Thomas.

Baselayers (unisex):

S (1), M (2), M+2 (1)

Unisuits:

Women's: XL (2)

Men's: S (2), S+2 (1), M-1 (1), M (1), M+2 (1)



Boathouse Jacket



Still need one more
purchased before order
can be placed

- For all those rowers who waited to order a boathouse jacket until you knew you were committed to crew - your time to order is now. We will be placing a boathouse order in the next few weeks. We do need a minimum order of 6.
- **What is a boathouse jacket?** A pullover style, mid weight GorTex waterproof jacket with MCLEAN CREW on the back and your name monogrammed on the front. AKA – a really cool crew jacket that keeps you dry on rainy days and just looking awesome on non-rainy days.
- **How much does it cost?** \$265 – please note due to personalization all orders are final and cannot be returned. This is an optional uniform purchase.
- **How do I order?** Purchase through the McLean Crew Store
- **When will I receive my jacket?** The estimation is 6-8 weeks from order placement.



Communications

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TO RECEIVE UPDATES AND REMINDERS.

https://join.slack.com/t/mcleancrewclub/shared_invite/zt-3ijdvqzo4-EoeNAAh6t5jynQ_v9tQBIA

• **KEY DATES**

January 20: Parent Social at J Gilbert's

January 22: Erg Sprints Registration Closes

January 24: Ergathon

January 24: Chipotle Restaurant Day

January 31: Erg Sprints

February 7: W-L Triathlon

February 12: Membership Meeting and “On the water” for new parents

Feb 23-25: Team Tryouts

Feb 28 – March 1: Mulch Madness



Questions?

- Visit the website mcleancrew.org website
- If you can't find what you're looking for, feel free to reach out to the appropriate Board Member or send an email to mcleancrewclub@gmail.com

Thank you for
attending!

