

Acronyms and Terms Related to Crew

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Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association

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501(c)(3)	The section of the IRS Tax Code governing tax exemption for a non-profit origination
ACBA	Anacostia Community Boathouse Association
AD	Athletic Director or Activities Director (usually of a high school)
Anacostia	The Anacostia River, DC. The boathouse is east of the Sousa Bridge on M Street, SE.
BCC	Bethesda - Chevy Chase HS
Bladensburg	The Maryland State boathouse at the end of the navigatable part of the Anacostia River.
BOD	Board of Directors, the VASRA Governing Board
Boosters	The term used to identify team supporting organizations (usually parents).
Bull Run	The NVRPA regional park/marina at the west end of the Occoquan Reservoir (Old Yates Ford Rd).
C.R.A.S.H-B	Charles River All Star Has-Beens, the Boston Association running the CRASH-B Erg Sprints in Feb.
CC	Coaches Committee
CC	Crew Council - the VASRA governing body made up of the member school ADs
Centers	The time in minutes between sprint race starts. Usually 10, 8, 7, or 6 for VASRA regattas.
Charles	Charles River, Boston, MA
Chase	The term sometimes used in a regatta title (e.g., Occoquan Chase, one of the GMU regattas)
Cooper	Cooper River, Cherry Hill, Camden County, NJ
CPR	Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
Crab	Loss of oar control when the blade enters the water at an angle and is driven straight down.
CRCA	Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association
DLOC	District Local Organization Committee. Now used only for the Charlie Butt regatta.
DSA	Director, Student Activities (new title for Athletic Director and many schools)
EARC	Eastern Association of Rowing Colleges
EAWRC	Eastern Association of Women's Rowing Colleges
ECAC	Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (IRA, EARC, EAWRC, ECAC-NIRC, Patriot League regattas)
Erg	Ergometer, the rowing machine made by Concept used by just about everyone worldwide.
Erg Sprints	Ergometer competitions run in the winter. Individual times determine the winners.
FISA	Federation Internationale des Societes d'Aviron (the International Rowing Association)
Fountainhead	The NVRPA regional park just to the west of Sandy Run.
GDS	Georgetown Day School
GMU	George Mason University
GWI	George Washington University Invitational regatta, Potomac, normally the first weekend in April.
Head Race	A conditioning, distance race run against the clock. Usually 2.5 to 4 miles with turns. Run in the Fall.
Hens & Chickens	The group of rocks (some submerged) at the Potomac bend about 2000 meters west of Key Bridge.
HOTC	Head of the Charles (October)
HOTO	Head of the Occoquan (November), Head of the Ohio (October)
IRA	Intercollegiate Rowing Association (Columbia, Cornell, Navy, Pennsylvania, Syracuse)
IRAs	IRA Championship Regatta - the men's collegiate national championships
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
LDO	Launch driver orientation
LDT	Launch driver training (orientation)
LOC	Local Organization Committee (the people and infrastructure support for a regatta)
MACCC	Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Crew Championship (GMU regatta the first Sunday in May on the Occoquan).
Mathews	East River, Mathews, VA (Great Neck)
Mercer	Lake Mercer County Park, Princeton, NJ
Mid-Atlantic Erg Sprints	Erg Sprints run by TC Williams Boosters as an annual fund raising event (usually the first Saturday in Feb)
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
Nationals	The short term used for the SRAA Regatta held on Memorial Day Weekend. This is the Scholastic National Championship, distinguished from the Youth National Championship for club teams.
NCASRA	National Capital Area Scholastic Rowing Association (VASRA predecessor 1999-2008)
NCC	National Capital Championships, discontinued after 2007
NCS	National Cathedral School

NOVAs	Northern Virginia Scholastic Championship Regatta (VSRC predecessor 1949 - 1997)
NVRA	Northern Virginia Rowing Association (VASRA predecessor 1979-1986)
NVRPA	Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority
NVSRA	Northern Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association (VASRA predecessor 1986-1999)
Occoquan Regional Park	The NVRPA park east of Sandy Run across from the town of Occoquan below the dam.
OLOC	Occoquan Local Organization Committee.
PBC	Potomac Boat Club. On K Street just west of Key Bridge, NW, D.C.
Petite Finals	Races held for competitors that don't qualify for finals, but earn team points. Only in championships.
Potomac	Sometimes referred to as Georgetown. Course is from just below the Three Sisters to Washington Harbor.
PSRA	Philadelphia Scholastic Rowing Association
Quinsigamond	Lake Quinsigamond, Worcester, MA
Referee Committee	The USRowing Referees governing body. Part of the US Rowing Association structure.
Regatta	The term for a rowing competition with multiple schools. Ours vary from 3 to 9 hours in length.
Rule Book	The Crew Council / VASRA supplement to the USRowing Rules of Rowing.
Sandy Run	The NVRPA park dedicated to rowing (Occoquan). The principal competition venue in the local region.
Schuylkill	Schuylkill River, Philadelphia, PA (pronounced "skoo'-kil")
SHOP	Scullers Head of the Potomac. A head race regatta sponsored by PBC, usually late September.
SIRA	Southern Intercollegiate Rowing Association
Sprint Race	A 1000, 1500 or 2000 meter race, usually on a 4, 6 or 8 lane course. Spring and summer. Consist of heats and finals, or heats, semi-finals and finals (and sometimes petite finals).
SRA	Scholastic Rowing Association (of America)
SRAA	Scholastic Rowing Association of America
St Andrews	Noxontown Pond, St Andrews School, Middletown, DE (Eastern Shore).
Stotesbury (Stotes)	The Stotesbury Cup Regatta, Philadelphia, usually the weekend after the VSRC.
TBC	Thompson Boat Center. At the foot of Virginia Avenue and Rock Creek Parkway, NW, D.C.
Team	Usually referring to a VASRA school rowing team
THOTS	The Head of the Schuylkill (in October)
Three Sisters	The islands in the Potomac River about 1000 meters west of Key Bridge.
USRA	United States Rowing Association (the national governing body for the sport of rowing)
USRowing	USRA
VSRC	Virginia Scholastic Rowing Championship (1998 to present)
WCC	Washington Canoe Club, next door to PBC on the Potomac. (But the building has been condemned.)
Youth Nationals	The USRowing Youth National Championship Regatta held in early June (club teams).