



RADNOR GIRLS CREW

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President's Message to RGCC Athletes, Families and Coaches

The RGCC board and I are thrilled to announce that **we have hired a new head coach and director, Travis Schilling!** As you will see from his bio below, Travis is a longtime friend of and advocate for RGCC. He is very familiar with our program, has excellent coaching experience, understands our culture, and knows all things Philadelphia rowing. If your summer schedule allows, save the date for the annual Meet & Greet at my home on August 22 (details forthcoming) to meet Travis, say hello to Moach and Annie, and welcome our new assistant coach, Joe Malone (yes, another Joe M!). We feel confident as a board about this team of coaches and are excited to support them and our athletes.

Our inaugural (voluntary) preseason training camp is just a few weeks away—have you [signed up](#) yet? (See ICYMI, below.) And don't forget to [register for fall!](#) There is an early bird discount for families who pay for the full year (fall and spring seasons) by August 22. Please take note of other important upcoming dates in the Mark Your Calendars section below.

The future of RGCC is bright, with lots of fun changes on the horizon. The board has been unbelievably active this summer, and we will be grateful to all of you who say **yes** to the many opportunities we will have for families to step in and help our program run. If you are an incoming freshman or otherwise new to RGCC, we know you have questions! Parents should reach out to [Amy Miller](#), and student athletes can contact our designated captain, Jill Getty, at 610.715.4923.

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New RGCC Head Coach

Welcome Back to RGCC, Travis Schilling

Travis began his crew coaching career in 2005, when he joined RGCC as the freshman/novice coach. That year, the freshman placed 5th at the SRAA regatta, the first time a RGCC boat made the final. In 2007 Travis was named head coach. During his tenure, he moved RGCC to the Hines Rowing Center and started both the fall rowing and the summer learn-to-row programs.

"I am eager to rejoin the team and build upon last year's success," Travis commented. "Margaret and the staff have done a tremendous job. I look forward to getting to know all the athletes and families and help lead this thriving program once again."

After leaving RGCC in 2010, Travis continued his involvement in the sport by running his own boat repair and restoration company and working as a boatman at Vesper Boat Club (2011-2013), where he also restarted the dormant summer junior competitive team. From 2013 to 2017, he was the boatman for Dartmouth College. After Dartmouth, Travis took some time off to travel and help take care of his newborn niece, Sylvia. A Philadelphia-area local, Travis attended Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School. He learned to row while attending the University of Wisconsin, where he earned gold medals at both the Eastern Sprints and IRA National Championship regattas.

ICYMI: RGCC Technical Preseason Training Camp

Other sports have preseason, so why can't we? This camp, for returning rowers only, is not mandatory but an opportunity for girls to get back on the water.

- Weeks of August 19 and 26
- Monday through Thursday, 8-10:30 a.m.
- Cost: \$235 for one week or \$290 for both weeks

Click [here](#) for registration forms.

Fundraising Update: September 14 and 15

We are hitting the ground running in mid-September, with a food tent at South Wayne PorchFest 2019 on September 14 and the annual RGCC Ergathon at Radnor's Fall Festival September 15.

We are working out the details for PorchFest, but we know we will need a parent or two to help with set-up (because girls will be at Saturday practice), girls to staff the table in the afternoon (short stints, given that ergathon is the following day), and help buying and/or making food. Our goals are twofold: to raise RGCC's visibility in the community and to add to our ergathon proceeds, which will be used to purchase a **new wakeless launch**. Watch your email: More info to come!

- **August 19-22:** Week 1, Technical Training Camp
- **August 26-29:** Week 2, Technical Training Camp
- **August 22:** Meet & Greet @ the Getty residence—207 Landsdowne Avenue, Wayne
- **August 22:** Early bird registration deadline—last day to register with full year (fall and spring) dues paid in full in order to receive a \$100 discount. Registration forms can be found [here](#).
- **August 29:** Standard registration deadline—last day to register with fall dues paid in full in order to be placed in a carpool (upperclassmen)
- **September 7:** First day of practice, returning rowers
- **September 10:** Parents meeting—RHS Black Box
- **September 14:** First day of practice, Novice rowers
- **September 14:** South Wayne PorchFest
- **September 15:** Ergathon

Facebook

- **RGCC 2019-2020 Parents:** Request to be added to this closed group if you are not already a member (parents/guardians only).
- **Radnor Girls Crew Club:** Please "like" our new public page, and invite friends to like us, too. We will use this page to share news, fundraising activities, and regatta results.

Instagram: Follow radnorgirlscrew and tell your friends!

We are so excited about our new head coach, Travis! He will be a great addition to the team because he has previously coached for RGCC and has experience with all aspects of the rowing sport. He is determined to make this year as successful, memorable and fun as possible.

As the summer progresses, we expect that everyone is starting to raise money for the ergathon. September 15 will be here before we know it, and it is essential that each person raise a minimum of \$250.

On another note, it is extremely important that everyone is working out, whether it is your own program or, preferably, Moach's summer workout plan. By staying in shape, it will be an easier adjustment when we pick things up at practice. We hope to see you all at preseason!

Courtney, Jill and Kylie

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