

Northwest Regional Proposal Form

Title of Proposal: Schedule Changes to Faciliate Nov Sweep/Sculling Crossovers

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This proposal impacts:

- USRowing Northwest Youth Championships
- USRowing Northwest Masters Championships
- Northwest Rowing Council By-Laws
- Other:

Implementation Date:(Month/ Year) May 2018

Proposal Description:

To adjust the NW Youth Regionals race schedule to create more oportunites for novice athletes to row in both sweep and sculling events (such as the novice eight and novice quad).

The goal is to make minimal changes to the current schedule and to add no new events, but to re-order a few events to permit novices athletes more opportunities to row a sweep event and a sculling event. Appendix 1 shows the 2017 Schedule highlighting issues, and Appendix 2 shows our proposed solutions.

Supporting Statement:

What problem are we trying to solve?

It appears that more programs are both sculling and sweeping, particularly as more middle school programs are developed. This can mean that more clubs would possibly like their novice athletes to row both a sculling and a sweep race at Regionals. The historical Regionals schedule has been tough on options to do (see Appendix 1). For example N eights and quads for both M & W are too close to have an athlete race both. Ditto for M Nov 8+ and 1x, W 2Nov 8+ and 1x

Intended Impact:

See Appendix 2, but in summary make the following changes, or something similar, in a way that does not trigger unintended consequences and mess things up for anyone!

1. Move M & W Youth 4x+ on Friday earlier so that there is more time between 2 Nov 4+ and 2x
2. Move M & W Nov 4+ earlier (affects heats Friday and Finals Saturday) so that the schedule for Nov 4x+, Nov 8+, 2Nov8+, and Nov 1x later in the day can be spread out more
3. Rearrange Sat heats and Sun finals for novice events to allow for athletes to row in more combinations of events

Additional Comments or Information

Most other races are only changed by a few minutes from their "traditional" time while keeping the past order of events the same. However, M 3V 8+ heats would move to early Sat pm to allow the break to still occur at noon. Also, M & W V 2x finals would move earlier and M 2V 4x later in the Sunday schedule (not really linked to the novice schedule issues - but slipping that in so that V and 2V 2x can use same shells).

Regional Support

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Notes:

- Any Appendices should be submitted in pdf form.
- This form should be submitted to the Northwest Rowing Council via email by January 22, 2018 for dissemination, discussion and voting at the NW Regional Meeting on Feb 11, 2018.
- Save this PDF to your computer and email it to: rownwcouncil@gmail.com.
- Proposals will be published on www.rownw.com, as well as emailed to member organizations.
- The Northwest Rowing Council will forward this proposal, as written, to membership no less than 2 weeks before the Regional Meeting.

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