



2025 St. Catharines Rowing Club Annual Meeting of the Members Vice President Special Projects Report for 2024 calendar year

The Special Projects Committee is responsible for planning, organizing and hosting off-the-water events for the Club. The Committee oversaw the Annual Boat and Equipment Christening, the Coach's Appreciation BBQ and the Captain's Dinner in 2024.

Boat and Equipment Christening

The Christening was held on Sunday June 9, 2024. It was well attended and a total of 7 boats were christened. Two singles were added to the Olympic fleet, and two new coach boats were added to the fleet thanks to a donation from the Henley Island Helpers. I was unable to be there but extend thanks to Louise Hastings and Stephanie Robinson for making sure everything ran smoothly.

Coach Appreciation BBQ

The Coach Appreciation BBQ was held in Saturday July 27, 2024. We had 49 coaches and guests attended this year. It was a great opportunity to recognize and thank our dedicated coaches for their time and hard work and all they do for our club and athletes. Thanks to the HIH for preparing a wonderful meal, and to the St. Catharines Rowing Alumni for tending the bar for the evening.

Captain's Dinner

The Captain's Dinner was held on Saturday November 30, 2024. It was a success thanks to everyone who helped with the advanced planning and hosting, especially Louise Hasting, Stephanie Robinson, Melissa Cooper, Marissa VanderVaart and Jacqueline Ciocca. We had a total of 220 people attend the dinner, it was great to see so many members of our SCRC family come together to celebrate our award winners and another great year of rowing.

The Special Projects Committee also assisted the Fundraising Committee with Tag Day, Mother's Day Parking, and the "Garage Sale" fundraisers.

Important 2025 Events and Dates

Tag Day – Saturday May 10

Mother's Day Regatta Parking Fundraiser – Sunday May 11

Boat Christening – Sunday June 8

Coach Appreciation BBQ – Saturday August 2

Captain's Dinner – Saturday November 29

Respectfully submitted,

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