



Passion Dedication Determination Drive

Great Bay Rowing began in 1996 when Sean O'Connell started a program to address a growing interest in rowing in the Seacoast region of New Hampshire and to give back to the community what he had enjoyed as a high school rower on the Oyster River.

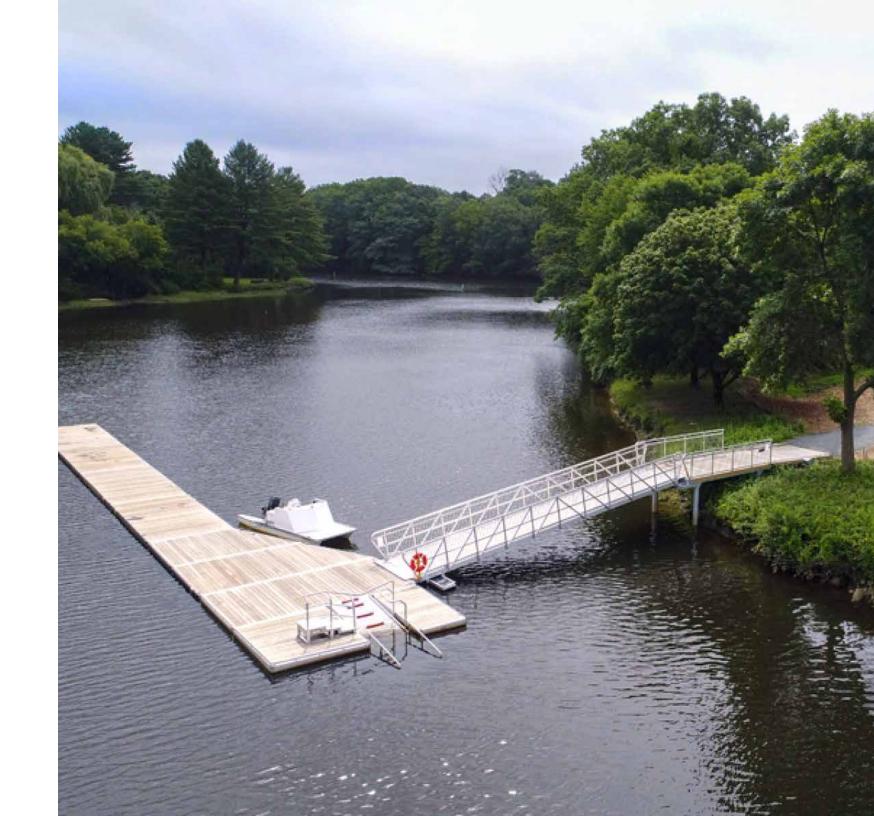
The **Great Bay Rowing Club (GBR)** was then formed as a non-profit community-based organization in 1997 to foster interest in rowing in the Seacoast region of New Hampshire at both the masters and junior levels.



Ready all...ROW!

Our mission is to provide our members with the opportunity, facilities, equipment, and instruction in sweep and sculling techniques to row at both competitive (novice and varsity) and recreational levels. We strive to provide a rewarding rowing experience that encourages club pride and individual achievement. Participation is open to anyone interested in rowing, including adaptive rowing for Veterans and those with mobility challenges through our Freedom Rows program. GBR takes our commitment to the community seriously, providing school-based instruction and outreach, hosting free learn-to-row days, and organizing opportunities for our members to volunteer in the area.

GBR, a young and growing club, had already met with great competitive successes. Both the junior and master teams have won medals at regional regattas. Club teams have been privileged to compete in the prestigious Head of the Charles Regatta, Masters National, and Masters World competitions. Several GBR junior rowers have competed at the US Junior Championships, Canadian Henley and the Junior World Championships and gone on to take prominent positions on their college rowing teams. Both rowing and non-rowing-related fun events have become traditional aspects of the GBR experience. In 2017, GBR was a significant contributor, in both grants and funds, to the new public dock at the Dover site, which improved access to the waterfront for kayakers and other paddle-sport enthusiasts and our rowers.





New GBR Boathouse

We are thrilled to share that our club is embarking on an exciting new project - **the construction of a boathouse on the waterfront!** We need to grow our capital fund in anticipation of the build. Planning, permitting, and pre-construction require expenses that go beyond our current operating budget. We would greatly appreciate any support or contributions to help us make this project a success.



Dover Waterfront Redevelopment

We've been working to accommodate the city and the developer during the early stages of construction at the waterfront, which require some adaptations to our operations that have also incurred expenses, like renting a temporary storage unit for the equipment that can no longer be housed in the current boathouse building.



Boathouse & Capital Fund

Last fall, our capital fundraising efforts resulted in five new Zephyr singles to replace our much older learn-to-row "tubbies." All of our equipment gets used several times daily and therefore needs regular maintenance and replacement. Our capital fund serves our boathouse plan and annual equipment needs for things like rowing shells, oars, safety equipment, coaching launches, and other expenses.



Our Athletes

With athletes from ages 12 and up (out of respect, we won't say how old some of our Masters rowers are), there are programs for every age and ability. Great Bay Rowing offers opportunities to learn to row casually, or competitively.

Being part of a team helps our athletes grow, make new friends, and create experiences that will last a lifetime.



GBR is about fun, teamwork, and being out in nature.









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