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News from Our Boston Rowing Center

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Boston Open Water Rowing – BOW for short – has seen a dramatic increase in members, now serving over 50 active rowers. To accommodate our growing numbers, boats go out one or two times every Saturday morning and in addition, we've added early morning rows during the week, special event rows, and are testing Sunday morning rowing time to see if that is popular.



Two BOW crews from Boston competed in HLM's classic Head of the Weir Race in Hull in November, with one boat coming in second place in its class. Now that our city rowers have a taste for competing you will be sure to see more from this enthusiastic group.

When we're not on the water our Boston rowers pitch in to repair, paint and oil **woodwork**, and work on oar maintenance, under the cheerful, competent direction of Nicole Hogarty our Maritime Maintenance Coordinator. In addition, splicing and knot-tying events have been fun for a core group dedicated to learning mariners' arts.



Adventures and special events have been super popular, including full-moon rows, occurring unsurprisingly, around the time of the full moon ;) giving rowers a chance to explore the harbor at night now that much

of recreational boat traffic in Boston's inner harbor has dropped off for the winter months. To celebrate the changing season, several of our rowers dressed up for a Halloween row, so tourists and passers-by were greeted by Puss in Boots, Kitty Softpaws, and Top Gun, and even one rower sporting green antennae.

But the fun doesn't stop at the end of a row. Our Boston members enjoy patronizing local businesses, particularly eating establishments.



Post-row visits to Flour Bakery in the Seaport are often a popular way to top off our morning rows and alternatively we sometimes cross Fort Point Channel into the Financial District to Kanes Donuts where we can lounge in outdoor seating and recap our day on the water. Our late afternoon and evening rows are often

punctuated with dinner from a variety of options around town including Greco, Shake Shack, and The Smoke Shop BBQ. The future looks bright, with tacos and pizza on the horizon.

We invite others to come join us in further adventures on Boston's waterfront. To learn more contact mike@hullifesavingmuseum.org.

