

Rowing regatta proves sport is on the rise for Minn. youth

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. -- Dozens of high school age rowers took part in a regatta on Bryant Lake in Eden Prairie Sunday.

The Twin Cities Junior Sweeps event was organized by Twin Cities Youth Rowing.

Teams from Minnesota and Wisconsin competed in 24 races on a buoyed course.

"One of the things that's unique about it is there's no MVP, no most valuable player, no kid's a standout. For it to be successful, everybody's really got to work together. So there's a big emphasis on team work. You put 8 people in a boat, they win or lose as a team," said John Hammett, Twin Cities Youth Rowing.

Hammett said the sport of rowing seems to be on the rise locally with three local clubs for high schoolers.

Sunday's competition featured both eight-person crews and four person crews.

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