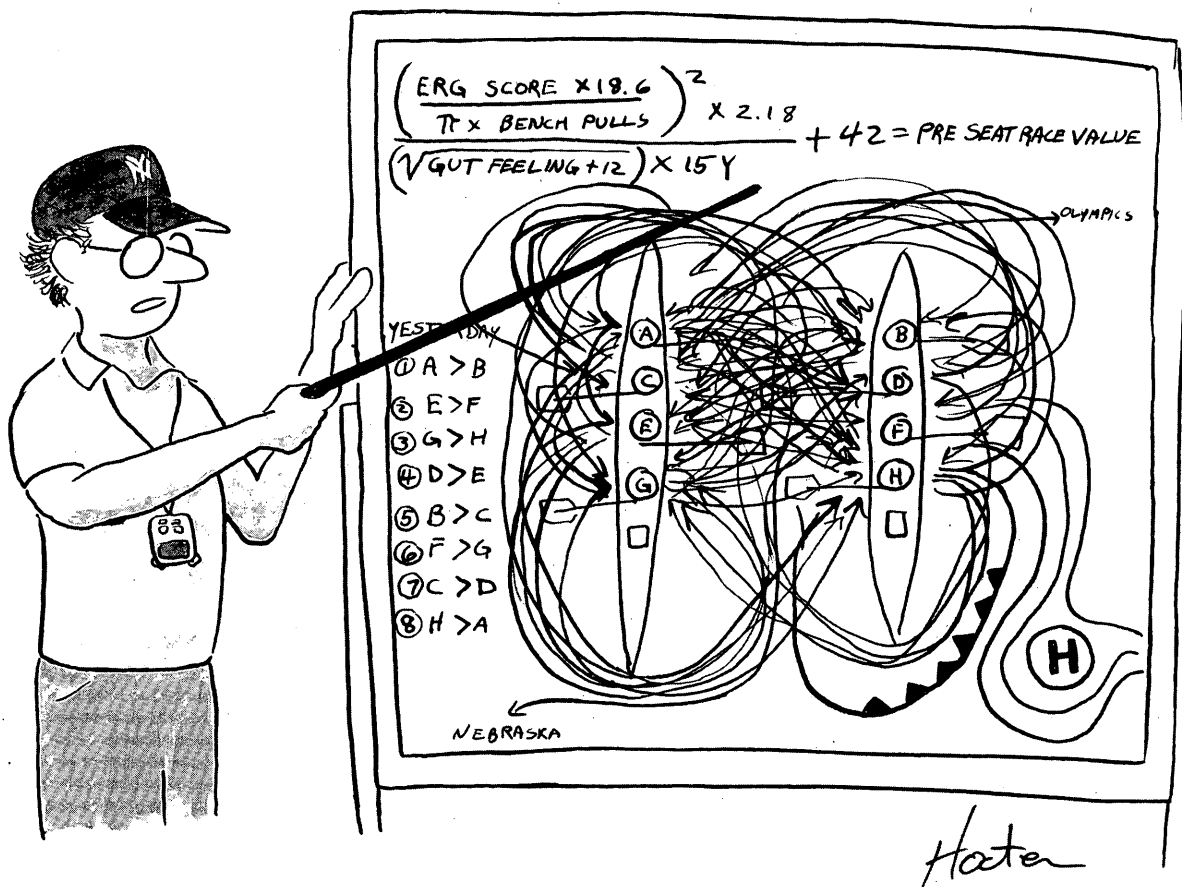




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DEALING WITH RISK IN A LITIGIOUS ERA

By Lindsay Thompson

JURY.

(Shaking their fists at the DEFENDANT)

Monster! Monster! dread our fury!

There's the judge, and we're the Jury!

Come, substantial damages!

Substantial damages!

Dam-

USHER.

Silence in Court!

Gilbert and Sullivan, *Trial By Jury* (1875)

The much ballyhooed "liability crisis" is causing serious anxiety among rowers. Over-reaction is evident in some quarters, raising the prospect that hasty action to deal with the perception of liability exposure may actually aid, rather than prevent, such exposure. This article sounds some cautionary notes, and offers a test for analyzing the effectiveness of safety measures considered in light of the crisis by rowing organizations.

Ever since USRA's blanket regatta insurance policy premiums went through the roof last year, safety has been much in vogue wherever rowers have gathered. Portions of the USRA annual meeting in Topeka last December could have passed for a congressional caucus endorsing tax reform, or condemning drugs, so fervent were the calls for

