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Field Hockey Players on All- America Team

The Cougars, who set a new record for wins with a 19-4 overall record, were well represented on the NFHCA All-America team. Senior goalkeeper Jesse Egan, who finished the year ranked first nationally with a .56 goals against average and was also ranked seventh in save percentage



Goalkeeper Jesse Egan '03

(.892), was named to the NFHCA All-America First Team. She is the third player at Clark to receive such honors. Egan allowed only 13 goals and set a new record with 15 shutouts. During a 10-game winning streak, she also recorded eight straight shutouts. Egan was also selected to the NFHCA All-Regional first team and all-conference first team.

Junior Jess Pettit and senior captain Julie Mazeika led the Cougars' offense. Pettit was named to the NFHCA All-America Second Team and Mazeika earned All-America third team honors. Pettit led the Cougars with 16 goals, 10

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2002 Hall of Fame

On September 28, 2002, Clark inducted its ninth class into the Athletic Hall of Fame, which honors outstanding athletes, coaches,



administrators and others who have distinguished themselves and the University through Clark's athletic program. This year's inductees were Lloyd Anderson '43 (basketball, soccer, baseball and golf), Robert Carr '88 (swimming), Anestine "Fanny" Hector '90 (basketball), Jason Qua '90 (basketball) and Neil Walsh '59 (tennis).

Fanny Hector '90

Four-year basketball player Hector graduated with 1,171 points, which currently places her 10th among Clark's all-time female scoring leaders. Serving as a team co-captain, Hector had a tremendous senior season, received numerous regional and national honors, including Kodak All-America, Kodak All-District First Team, Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) New England Player of the Year and New England Women's Basketball Association (NEWBA) Player of the Year. In addition to breaking the 1,000-point milestone, she ended her career with 870 rebounds and 172 steals. She still holds the Clark record for career blocked shots with 168. The six-

foot center also holds the school record for blocked shots in a single game (9). In her four seasons at Clark, the Cougars compiled a stellar 91-19 record, including a perfect 26-0 regular season in 1988-89. Upon graduation, Hector received the M. Hazel Hughes Trophy, which is given to the outstanding senior female athlete.

Jason Qua '90

Qua was a four-year member and two-year captain of the basketball team. He finished his career with 1,796 points, which ranks him second among Clark's all-time male leading scorers. Qua also broke the school record for games played (109), a feat that has only been matched once. The six-foot-five-inch forward received numerous accolades throughout his career, including two-time All-America selection by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC), ECAC All-New England First Team and New England Basketball Coaches Association (NEBCA) All-New England Team. Additional honors included NABC Division III Scholar-Athlete of the Year and the NEBCA Division II-III Academic Award in 1990. Qua was the recipient of the Fred Hebert Trophy, which is awarded to the senior male athlete who has made a significant contribution to Clark's intercollegiate athletic program. In his four years, Qua helped the squad compile an impressive 75-32 record as Clark made three consecutive postseason appearances. Qua also competed on Clark's golf team for two seasons.

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Field hockey team has another record setting season

The field hockey team finished another remarkable season eclipsing last year's 17 wins with a record breaking 19 victories. The Cougars, who were 19-4 under the direction of head coach Linda Wage, now in her 18th year at Clark, finished 7-1 in the NEWMAC and were conference runners-up. Wage was named the NFHA New England East Regional Coach of the Year. The Cougars were ranked seventh nationally in winning percentage (.864), first in scoring defense (.56), and 18th in scoring margin (2.41). The cornerstone of the defense was NFHA All-America first team selection senior goalkeeper Jesse Egan (see related story). The Cougars allowed only 13 goals and set a new record with 15 shutouts.

Clark won 10 consecutive games following a tough 3-2 (OT) loss to NESCA power Williams College. During the winning streak the Cougars created a wall in front of their cage and recorded eight shutouts in a row. In 19 games, the Cougars outscored their opponent 57-13 and fell one goal shy of tying the record for goals in a season. The



Julie Mazeika '03

Cougars compiled an impressive 11-2 record on their newly renovated home field.

Following a 6-0 win over MIT in the NEWMAC Championship quarterfinals and a 2-0 win over defending champion Mount Holyoke in the semifinals, the number-two seeded Cougars fell

to number-one seed and host Wellesley, 4-0, in the conference championship game. Clark was selected to the ECAC Championship for the third-consecutive year and earned the number-one seed. Determined to reach the ECAC Championship finals for the second time in three years, the Cougars started their postseason tournament run with a convincing win over Endicott College 6-0 and advanced to the championship with a 2-0 win over Keene State in the semifinals. In the championship game Clark fell to number three seed and conference opponent Mount Holyoke 1-0. The Cougars had many scoring chances in the second half and one quality opportunity in the last minute that was called back by the official. In six postseason games, sophomore Kristina Richio led Clark with nine

goals, one assist and three game-winning goals. She ended the season with 14 goals, two assists and 30 points.

Junior Jess Pettitt and senior captain Julie Mazeika had an outstanding offensive season, leading the Cougars along with Richio. Pettitt was named to the All-America second team, and Mazeika was named to the third-team (see related story). Sophomore midfielder Ashley Perez followed her solid rookie season with another impressive year. She received all-conference second team honors and all-regional second team honors. Perez scored eight goals and added six assists while scoring four game-winning goals. Jane Geary, who started in 21 games, was a key member of the nationally ranked defense while adding a goal and six assists. She was selected to the all-regional second team and the NEWMAC All-Conference first team.

"We concentrated all season on the process and accomplishing our goals. The emphasis was consistency in our performance. We can look back and be proud of our record-breaking season with fond memories," commented head coach Linda Wage. "A key to our success was the improved development of our players and their willingness to work hard." ★

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Jess Pettitt '04

assists and 42 points while scoring four game-winning goals. She recorded hat tricks against Mount Holyoke and Springfield and scored the game-winners against both opponents. She earned all-regional first team honors and NEWMAC All-Conference First Team honors as well. In three years, Pettitt has tallied 35 goals, 19 assists and 89 points. She is ranked eighth on Clark's all-time scoring list. Mazeika



Head Coach Linda Wage

who was selected to the all-regional first team, the NFHA Senior All-Star Team and the all-conference second team, recorded 10 goals, eight assists and 28 points. She finished her career with 41 goals, 14 assists and 96 points in 41 games and is ranked sixth on Clark's all-time scoring list.

In addition to these individual honors, head coach Linda Wage was named the

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FALL SEASON WRAP-UP

Men's and Women's Crew

- The men's and women's varsity four boats both placed second at the New Hampshire Championships in the fall. The men finished second out of 11 teams with a 17:29.94 time, and the women finished second out of 14 with a 18:49.44 time.
- "This season the program has really established itself with strong finishes in the fall races," commented women's coach James Looney. "Now we have to work hard over the winter to get ready for the sprints."

Men's and Women's Cross Country

- NEWMAC Championship: (W) 10th/10, (M) 7th/7; ECAC Championship: (W) 28th/43, (M) 34th/42; NCAA New England Regional Championship: (W) 33rd/35, (M) 34th/36.

- Men's runners: Junior Eli Bass – 68th in NEWMAC Championship (31:58); First-year Mike Myers – 70th in the NEWMAC Championship (32:11)



- Women's runners: Graduate student Beate Born – 75th in NEWMAC

Championship (21:49); Senior Jen Ericson – 98th in NEWMAC Championship (22:59)

Men's Soccer

- Overall Record: 4-10-2, 1-5 NEWMAC (seventh place)

- Key Results: NEWMAC opponent Coast Guard, 1-0; NCAA tournament participant Johnson & Wales, 2-2



- First-year Dana Gilpatrick was named to the NEWMAC All-Conference second team. Gilpatrick, a regular starter, played in all 17 games and scored three goals.

- "We have an outstanding group of first-year players that figure to be the makings of a successful future," Coach David Kulik.

Women's Soccer



- Overall Record: 3-14, 1-9 NEWMAC (tenth-place)
- Victories: NEWMAC conference opponent WPI, 2-1; Anna Maria College, 2-0

- First-year goalkeeper Rebecca Dezan was named to the NEWMAC All-Conference second team. Dezan had a solid rookie season in net making 169 saves and allowing 2.41 goals against. She kept the Cougars in a number of games, including eight one-goal losses

- "Despite our overall record I feel we have made major steps forward in the right direction," commented Coach Joe Brady. "We started a number of first-year players and we return 21 players including all 11 starters. I am confident we can turn around a number of the one-goal games into wins. I am excited about next season."

Women's Tennis

- Overall Record: 2-10, 0-8 NEWMAC (ninth-place)

- Victories: Becker College, 9-0, and Worcester State, 5-4

- Junior captain Lauryn Christiansen posted four wins at the number one singles position. First-year Justyna Mietelska finished with a 5-6 record at the number six singles position and 5-7 overall.



- "This team showed a lot of character in the face of formidable opposition. Despite being outmatched, players gave it their all and can be proud of themselves and the sportsmanship they displayed," commented coach David Zeutas-Broer.

Women's Volleyball

- Overall Record: 10-19, 4-5 NEWMAC (seventh-place)

- Key Victory: NEWMAC opponent and regionally ranked Smith College, 3-1

- Senior Laura Gagnon was named to the NEWMAC All-Conference second



team...In addition, she was one of 24 seniors selected to play in the New England Women's Volleyball Association All-Star game. She led the team with 3.15

kills per game, a .217 hitting percentage, and 2.9 digs per game.

- "The players competed hard throughout the season against a very tough schedule and gained valuable experience that will prepare our young team for more success in future seasons," commented coach Karen Farrell. ★

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NFHCA New England East Region Coach of the Year. She received the same honor in 1991, when she directed the Cougars to a 12-2-3 overall record and their first trip to the NCAA Tournament. After directing the Cougars to a record-breaking 19 wins this year, she led the Cougars to a second-place finish in the conference championship. After earning the number one seed in the ECAC Tournament the Cougars reached the ECAC Championship and fell to Mount Holyoke 1-0 in the finals. In the last three years, Wage has led the Cougars to a 51-15 overall record and three straight postseason appearances. In her 18 seasons at Clark, she has compiled a 198-119-23 career record and led the program to 12 postseason appearances. ★

Tennis Alumnus earns honor

Loren Bush '02, a four-year tennis player and a captain his senior year, recently received the prestigious Honorary Undergraduate Award from the New England Psychological Association. Bush was one of only six recipients selected in a regional competition involving students from colleges

and universities throughout the Northeastern United States. He is the first student from Clark to receive the award.

Bush, along with David Shaw '02, Derek Richer '02 and Brienne Smith '01, a women's soccer player, made national headlines in the spring and summer of 2001, when they presented the first entirely undergraduate-run symposium in the history of the Society for Research in Child Development conference. Later that year, their work on the

advantages of sport for urban youth was singled out for national press release by the American Psychological Association (APA). In April 2002, Bush and his colleagues presented the final data from their study in another major symposium at the Society for Research on Adolescence in New Orleans. During his senior year, Bush also completed a project on urban children's use of humor to cope with adversity, which he presented at the 2002 meeting of the APA in Chicago. ★

Clark basketball earns place in new Hall of Fame

By Judith Jaeger

The inaugural induction ceremonies for the New England Basketball Hall of Fame this fall gave alumni more reasons to be proud of Clark Athletics. The 1987 men's basketball team, the head coach of that team Wally Halas '73 and Sigmund "Ziggy" Strzelecki '43 were inducted into the Hall of Fame for their contributions to the development of New England basketball.

The New England Basketball Hall of Fame, located on the University of Rhode Island campus, inducted its first class on Oct. 4. The Hall of Fame honors players and coaches from high school, prep school, junior college and Division I, II and III colleges and universities; organizations or individuals who have made noteworthy contributions to the sport in New England; professional players and coaches; and members of the media. Clark was one of only four schools to have both a coach and team inducted in the inaugural class.

Clark's 1987 men's basketball team is considered the greatest-ever Division III men's team in New England. Of all New England teams, the 1987 Clark team made it the furthest in the NCAA Division III tournament and staged a record-setting comeback in its final game of the tournament.

"People really do recognize it as the greatest team in New England Division III history, and that's something of which all of Clark can be proud," says



Halas, who served as the team's head coach from 1974 to 1987.

The strength of the 1987 team, Halas says, was grounded in a nucleus of senior players who were part of the 1984 team—the first team in New England basketball history to make it to the Final Four of the NCAA Tournament. The 1987 team included Clark basketball notables Scott Harrigan '87, Chris Wickles '87, Mike Reaves '87, Rob Ball '87, Finbar Regan '87, John Pappas '87, All-American Kermit Sharp '88, 6-foot-8-inch Brian Blanchard '88 and Jason Qua '90, who was recently inducted into Clark's Hall of Fame.

In its first major challenge of the 1987 tournament, Clark defeated Southeastern Massachusetts, who was ranked No. 2 in the nation with a 28-0 record. Clark then faced defending National Champion and top-ranked Potsdam State, which boasted a two-year, 60-game winning streak. The game, held at Clark, came down to the wire. Tied at 60, Rob Ball made a three-point shot, clinching the 63-61 victory for Clark.

Clark lost the National Championship in the finals, but not without a remarkable effort. Down 25 points at the half, Clark scored an NCAA record 70 points in the second half of the game and lost by only six points. Halas again credits the senior leadership of the team.

"The seniors only had 20 minutes of their career left, and they made it their best 20 minutes," he says.

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Sigmund "Ziggy" Strzelecki '43, a four-year basketball player at Clark, was considered to be the outstanding player of his time. He was the country's leading scorer in his last three seasons at Clark, which earned him the Hebert Trophy for the top male senior athlete. Considered by many opposing coaches to be one of the top players in the east, Strzelecki was best known for his hook shots—right- and left-handed—as well as his dribbling, passing and fast release set shots. After graduating from Clark, Strzelecki played with several semi-professional teams. Between 1937 and 1952, he played in approximately 1,200 games, scoring more than 24,000 points. He turned down an offer to join the newly formed NBA Boston Celtics in 1945 and instead became the physical-education director for the Webster-Dudley, Mass., public schools. He also coached boys' basketball at Webster's Bartlett High School, where he earned an 80-40 career record, and was a high-school and college official for 25 years.

Alumni coaches

Compiled by Judith Jaeger

A number of Clark alumni-athletes have pursued careers in the athletic field.

Clark graduates hold positions ranging from youth and high school coaches to a CEO of a professional franchise. The following alumni were asked to comment on how their athletic experiences at Clark helped influence their current jobs coaching college basketball.

Kevin Clark '81

*Men's Basketball Associate Head Coach
St. John's University*

Like many of his fellow basketball alumni, Clark says being on the University's basketball team for four years taught him time management and discipline. Being on the team, he adds, was also a way of contributing to the University.

"We felt like we gave something to the University as well. It was my way to give back," says Clark, who has been coaching basketball for 18 years. He first considered coaching while at Clark, where his coach Wally Halas '73 encouraged his interest in the field. After graduating, Clark went on to a career that includes coaching positions at the College of the Holy Cross, Fairfield University, George Washington University and his current post at Division I St. John's University.

His Clark education has served him well throughout his career. Most valuable, Clark says, was being exposed to different types of people and a different environment and learning to adjust.

"That's what life is about—learning to adjust," Clark says.

Bill Gibbons Jr. '81, M.B.A. '84

*Women's Basketball Head Coach
College of the Holy Cross*

Gibbons played guard on Clark's basketball team for two years and served as a student assistant to then Head Coach Wally Halas '73 for two years.

"That was when I discovered that I really wanted to coach basketball," Gibbons says.

Gibbons' first assistant coach position was with the men's basketball team at

the College of the Holy Cross, where he later became the women's head coach. In his 17 years as Holy Cross' head women's coach, Gibbons' teams have earned 11 conference championships and competed in the NCAA Tournament nine times.

Gibbons has many fond memories of his years with Clark's basketball team, which was really more of a family, he says.

"I've tried to carry that family atmosphere to Holy Cross. I think that's been a big part of our success, and it came directly from my Clark years."

Marge O'Brien '83

*Women's Basketball Assistant Coach
Clark University*

O'Brien is considered one of the most talented basketball players to graduate from Clark. After leading Clark to the NCAA Division III Final Four in 1982 and 1983, O'Brien graduated as the only Clark player—male or female—to earn more than 2,000 career points and 1,000 career rebounds.

Prior to joining Clark, O'Brien was the head women's basketball coach at Anna Maria College. She is now in her 13th season at Clark.

"I've really enjoyed coming back to Clark and building my coaching career here," O'Brien says.

"Marge's years of coaching, combined with her own playing experience, make her irreplaceable," says Women's Head Coach Pat Glispin. "She brought Clark into the spotlight for women's basketball, and she has been one of the big reasons we have stayed there."

Laura Habacker '85

*Women's Basketball Head Coach and
Facilities Coordinator
Elms College, Division III*

Habacker played three sports at Clark, including four years as a forward on the women's basketball team. The experience taught her as much about discipline as it did about athletics.

"I didn't have a lot of free time. I had to learn time management," she says.

After graduating, Habacker taught science at Hudson High School in Hudson, Mass. She also coached basketball at Westborough High School in

Westborough, Mass., at WPI, and at Clarkson University before becoming the women's head coach at Elms College. She hopes to use Clark's program as a model for women's basketball at Elms College.

"It's a high standard, but I'd like our program to become as good as Clark's."

Mike Tully '91

*Men's Basketball Head Coach and
Academic Adviser*

Roger Williams University, Division III

Tully says his four years on Clark's basketball team kept him focused on his academics, taught him about teamwork and helped him develop relationships with coaches and teammates.

Tully has held coaching positions at Salem State College and Newbury College, where he also served as the athletic director, bringing Newbury's athletics program into the NCAA.

At Roger Williams University, Tully directs the men's basketball team and serves as the academic adviser for the Athletics Department, giving athletes academic structure and support. He believes his Clark education has prepared him well for his coaching and advising responsibilities.

"The liberal arts education at Clark prepares you for a lot of different challenges, regardless of your career choice," Tully says.

Adam Polletta '02

*Men's Basketball Assistant Coach
Roger Williams University, Division III*

Polletta was part of Clark's basketball team for three years. He played guard for a year and became an undergraduate assistant coach after a knee injury.

Polletta especially appreciates the guidance he received from Paul Phillips, Clark's current head men's basketball coach. Phillips guides his team on and off the court, Polletta says, teaching his players the importance of dressing and speaking professionally and instilling in them a strong work ethic.

Coaching was a natural career choice for Polletta, whose grandfather was a head basketball coach at the College of the Holy Cross.

"Basketball became life," he says. "It's the center of the universe for me." ★

WINTER WRAP-UP

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team finished the first semester with a 5 - 2 record. After returning home from the Elizabethtown Tournament 1-1, which included a 103-96 loss to 2002 NCAA runner-up Elizabethtown in the championship game, the Cougars won four out of the next five games to end the semester. The Cougars lost to Elizabethtown 94-90 in last year's NCAA Elite Eight. The Cougars defeated strong NESCAC opponents Tufts University (89-77) and Wesleyan University (99-82) during their five-game winning streak. Senior Sean Fleming is leading the team with 18.3 points per game. He is averaging 3.7 rebounds and 2.9 assists per game. Junior David McNamara, who became Clark's 21st player to reach the 1,000 career-point plateau in the Wesleyan game, is averaging 16.4 points per game. He is shooting an impressive 53.8

percent from behind the arc (28-of-52) while junior Trevor Walker had added 14.3 points per game and 3.7 rebounds per game. The men will start the second semester at the Williams College tournament. The Cougars will face Southern Vermont, and nationally ranked Williams College will face Southern Maine in the first round.

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team finished the first semester with a 4-3 record. After starting the season 4-0, including winning the Worcester City Tournament for the seventh-consecutive year, the Cougars dropped three straight games to regional powers Salem State, University of Southern Maine and Eastern Connecticut State. Senior Rachael Turkington, who was named the City Tournament Most Valuable Player, leads the team with 17.1 points per game. She has connected on 30-of-

87 (37.0 percent) from behind the arc. Sophomore Echo Freeman is averaging 13.1 points per game and 8.3 rebounds per game. The Cougars will travel to California in January to start the second-semester schedule. They will play Cal-Sate Monterey Bay and Graceland University in the Cal-State Monterey Bay Classic.

Men's and Women's Swimming

The men's swimming team finished the first semester 2-3. The Cougars defeated Gordon College 104-84 and Wheaton College 133-90. First-year Jesse Bausell is off to fast start and has won multiple events in two meets. The women finished the semester 3-2 with wins over Gordon (147-128), Bridgewater State (122-120) and Babson College (134.5-103.5). Senior Ildiko Polyak is having a solid year and has won multiple events in four meets. ★

CLARK Cougar Notes

- Clark University alumni basketball players gathered at the Kneller Center Saturday, December 7, 2002. Close to 50 alumni, parents and friends attended the event, which included the alumni game, a luncheon, a women's basketball game and a men's basketball game.
- The Dolan Field House construction is rapidly progressing and is expected to be completed in March. The SportTurf field is completed and the field hockey and soccer teams played their

home schedule there this past fall. Baseball and lacrosse will play their home games on the field in the spring. The women's tennis team enjoyed the six new lighted tennis courts this past fall while the men will play their matches on the new courts this spring. Finally, the new lighted grass field will be completed in August and both soccer programs will play their games there in fall 2003.

Staffing Changes



Evan Davis joined the athletic department this fall as the men's lacrosse coach. Davis will also serve as equipment manager and Dolan Field House

supervisor. Davis brings to Clark a wealth of lacrosse knowledge that includes serving as an assistant coach at Marymount University, Va., playing for the powerhouse high school Trinity-Pawling School in Pawling, N.Y. and starting the lacrosse club team at Gettysburg College. He went on to play for the postcollegiate-level Team AOL in the American Lacrosse League. Davis,

a 1996 graduate of Gettysburg College, earned his bachelor's degree in business management and marketing.

- Christopher D'Aniello was hired to direct the men's and women's cross country program. D'Aniello, a four-year runner and two-year captain on the UMass Boston cross-country team, participated in the Division III National Cross Country Championship. He directed the cross-country program at Worcester State College from 1999-2001. In addition to his college coaching, he coached the Marlboro boy's cross-country and track teams from 1992-1994 and led the cross-country team to a conference title.
- Jason Falcon was promoted to full-time in July 2002 and in addition to coaching baseball, now serves as Kneller Athletic Center supervisor and Bickman Fitness Center director. He is entering his fourth year as the Cougars' baseball coach.
- Sam Stratton was named co-head coach of the crew program and will assist three-year coach Jim Looney '97. Stratton's primary responsibility will be overseeing the men's novice and

New Scoreboard for the Kneller

Dr. Jerry Rice '58, M.Ed.'60 donated a new scoreboard for the gymnasium this year. A basketball fan and frequent attendee at the Clark High School Basketball Tournament, Rice found that the original scoreboard was not visible from certain areas of the bleachers. The placement of the second scoreboard, on the wall behind the team benches, will allow all spectators to have an unobstructed view.

2002 Hall of Fame

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Robert Carr '88

An exceptional swimmer, Carr broke several Clark records and continues to hold school marks in the 100-yard butterfly (52.77) and 200-yard butterfly (1:56.84). He is currently ranked fifth among Clark's swimmers in the 200-yard freestyle (1:49.86). Carr, who captained the squad as a senior, was also a member of the school record 200-yard freestyle relay team (1:29.16), that has yet to be beaten. In 1987 and 1988, Carr qualified for the NCAA Championships and placed 17th in the 200-yard butterfly in 1987 and in the top 25 in 1988. At the regional level, he qualified for the New England Championships all four years. In Carr's first two seasons, he placed in the top 12 three times while competing in a field of Division I, II and III swimmers. In his last two years against a Division III field, he was a finalist five times and placed third in the 200-yard butterfly event at the 1988 New England Championships.

Neil Walsh '59 (deceased)

Walsh had three remarkable seasons on the men's tennis team, playing at both

number one singles and number one doubles all three years. He captained the squad as a junior and senior and was ranked number one in Massachusetts those two seasons. One of the highlights of Walsh's career was winning the Clark Fall Tennis Tournament singles title three consecutive years from 1956-58 and the doubles title twice. In addition, the team posted winning records in each of his seasons. To honor Walsh's contributions to the Clark tennis program, in 1991 teammate Tony Aaronson '59 founded the Neil Walsh Memorial Tennis Tournament, held annually during Reunion.

Lloyd Anderson '43 (deceased)

A well-rounded athlete, Anderson competed in four varsity sports as an undergraduate student. He was a four-year guard on the basketball team, serving as a co-captain his senior year. Anderson was also a defensive player on the soccer team for four years, in addition to playing baseball for three seasons. He rounded out his career as a member of the golf team. In his senior year, Anderson received Clark's Fred Hebert Trophy, which is awarded annually by the Clark Athletic Department to honor the senior male athlete who makes significant contributions to the intercollegiate athletic program. ★

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Halas was also recognized by the New England Basketball Hall of Fame for his contributions as a player and coach. Halas was a four-year starter at Clark and three-time team most valuable player and All-New England selection. As a senior, he received the 1973 Bob Cousy Award as New England's Outstanding Basketball Player under six feet tall.

In 1974, Halas became director of the basketball program. Over the next 13 years, his teams won 233 games against just 103 losses. During the 1980s, Halas led Clark to a 200-49 record against New England Division III teams and an impressive 77-2 record at home. He also led Clark to 10 consecutive NCAA

Tournament berths, five NCAA Regional Championships and two trips to the NCAA Championship game. During that time, Halas was named New England Coach of the Year five times. He left Clark to become head coach at Columbia University and is now commissioner of the Scholar-Athlete Games at the Institute for International Sport.

Even with this impressive record, Halas prefers to give credit to his players and coaching staff, which included Fan Gaudette '61, Duane Corriveau '64, Gary Moller '75 and Kevin Clark '81.

"If you have good players and good teams, it makes you a good coach," says Halas, who prides himself on recruiting good players and players with potential for Clark. "But the guys have to play the game. The team getting inducted was the best part of the evening for me." ★

2002 NEWMAC All-Academic Honors

The New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) All-Academic Team for the fall of 2002 included 164 student-athletes.

Honorees must earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 after the spring 2002 semester, attain at least sophomore standing and be a member of a varsity team for the entire season. Fall sports sponsored by the NEWMAC include: men's and women's cross country, field hockey, men's golf, men's and women's soccer, women's tennis, and women's volleyball.

Heather Richard '05, cross country

Julie Simon '05, field hockey

Juan Garcia-Alvarez '03, soccer

Nathan Lavery '03, soccer

Jared Swerzenski '05, soccer

Hannah Pillemer '04, soccer

Marannie Rawls-Philippe '04, . . . soccer

Lisa Desrochers '03, volleyball

Lauren Goode '03, volleyball

Sarah Krajcik '03, volleyball

Katie Tubbs '05, volleyball



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varsity teams. A 2001 graduate of Clark and three-year member of the crew team, Stratton captained the novice team in spring 1998 and the varsity team in 2000 and 2001. In spring 2000, he studied abroad and rowed with the Stirling University Boat Club. Stratton taught sculling for the Greater Springfield YMCA in 1998. ★

Women's Crew Alum Wins Event at Head of the Charles

Anna Noble '98, a Seattle school teacher, recently competed at the Head of the Charles. After telling her second grade class "think fast thoughts for me when I



row on Saturday morning,"she won the club single title by a one-second margin over Kendra Brennan of Kingston. Noble, a sculler at the Lake Washington Rowing Club, has only been back in the boat since August after taking a year off. She entered the women's club single in Boston and brought home a medal to show her students who will clearly "get a charge out of the win".

Her Head of the Charles victory has her rethinking her plans in the sport.

"I have been at this for a while and haven't done anything super serious," she said.

"Before the race I was thinking, well is it time to take it easy and go recreational? Now I'm thinking maybe we can go with this for a little while and see where it goes."

While at Clark Noble received NEW 8 All-Conference honors in her junior year and rowed all four years. She was part of the women's eight boat that

finished fifth out of 31 boats at the Head of the Connecticut in the fall of 1997 and defended the varsity four title in the Worcester City Championship. ★

Crew Shell Donation

The crew team received a very generous gift this fall. A brand new Vespoli Millennium coxed four shell was donated to the crew program and is the first new boat to grace Clark's fleet since 1996. The shell will be named in a dedication ceremony this spring. The athletic department will be contacting former rowers and parents to invite them to attend the festivities.

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