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2006 Men's & Women's Rowing Postseason Newsletter

Coach's Corner - Season Review

I believe this was the program's most successful season of my three years of coaching here. We did not win any medals or beat any fast crews but we did build a foundation for the future. We had 32 rowers on the team this spring. The largest number in many years for Clark. Not only did the team bond extremely well but they worked hard and made excellent progress. I would also like to recognize Hana Johnson, the only senior on the team this year. She devoted four years to Clark and made a huge impact.

The men's team elected Christian Bowman '07 as their co-captain for next season. Tom Valleau '07 was also elected captain by the men's team for the third consecutive year. The women's team re-elected all three captains from this year: Missy Berger '07, Mika Kuwahara '07 and Sarah Brooks '08. With these experienced leaders heading the team next year it is fairly certain that both teams will have great seasons.

Clark hosted a number of races this year and created a lot of goodwill among the rowing community. This will make it much easier in the future to invite schools to race Clark on its home course. On April 8th Clark hosted Bowdoin, Middlebury, Mass Maritime, Fairfield, Amherst, Conn College and Vassar. Clark raced two men's fours and two women's eights in both the morning and afternoon. On Sunday April 9th Clark hosted Brandeis and Roger Williams. Our men's varsity four defeated Brandeis while the women's varsity eight finished six seconds behind Brandeis. On April 15th Clark hosted Franklin Pierce and Sacred Heart University. The women's eight finished behind Franklin Pierce and ahead of Sacred Heart. The men's novice four won their event against Franklin Pierce. In the NEWMAC Championship, also hosted by Clark, Clark finished 5th in the team standings ahead of WPI.

At the end of this year 27 of the 31 returning student athletes have committed to rowing again next year. We also have six women and three male recruits coming in next year. In addition there is a goal to recruit 30 walk ons to the team. The staff and rowers expect great things next year as the team's development continues in the fall of 2006.

Coach Thiemke

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Postseason Awards

Juniors Mika Kuwahara and Emily Lescak and sophomores Sarah Brooks, Sara Fealhaber and Christina Lyman earned 2006 NEWMAC Women's Rowing Academic All-Conference Honors.

Sophomores Sarah Brooks and Sara Fealhaber were named to the NEWMAC Women's Rowing Varsity All-Conference Team. First-year Kasia Baca earned novice all-conference honors.

Friends of Clark Men's & Women's Rowing has been formed under the umbrella of Friends of Clark Athletics. If you are interested in supporting the rowing program and would like more information, please contact Head Coach Erick Thiemke.

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