

# BACK SPLASH



BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S VARSITY CREW NEWSLETTER

## *Wow! What a Season!*

Stephen Kish '92

**Head Coach**

Greetings from the Women's Varsity Crew. We hope you have had as great a year as we have. We placed 2nd out of over 100 teams at the Dad Vail Regatta, our highest finish ever. Next year we will be aiming for first, as well as a trip to the Women's Henley in England.

Our success is only possible with your support. Our fund raising efforts have been very successful, but the most challenging projects lay ahead. We need your help to continue providing our women with a quality inter-collegiate athletic experience.

Please read our newsletter and access our web page to learn more about the program. Then, please consider increasing your support and involvement with the program. Our women are depending on you.

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Led by gold medal performances in the Varsity Lightweight Eight (above) and the Varsity Pair (below), our women's crew finished second, as a team, out of 111 crews participating at the Dad Vail Regatta on the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia, PA on May 9th & 10th.

The novice women's eight qualified for the final for the first time in Bucknell history. The victory in the lightweight eight was Bucknell's first ever Dad Vail medal in a varsity eight. Seven of our eight varsity boats from the past four years have medalled at the Dad Vail.



## Academic & Athletic Honors



Julie Engel '04 was named to the Verizon Academic All-District II at-large first-team at the end of the spring season. She is now eligible for the national Verizon Academic All-America team. Bucknell is third in Division I in total Academic All-Americans (104) behind only Nebraska and Notre Dame. Jessica Smith '01 was the last rower to be named to the District II team.

Julie held a 4.0 grade point average for the entire year and owns a 3.92 cumulative g.p.a. She has made the Dean's List seven semesters at Bucknell, as a mechanical engineering student.

Julie was named to the 2002 US Rowing Collegiate Honor Roll this past fall. She is also a member of the Bucknell Brigade, a volunteer humanitarian relief group, and is the secretary of Tau Beta Pi, an engineering society.

Julie has won two Dad Vail silvers and one gold. In her three spring seasons of racing, consisting of twenty-one spring races to date, she has won fifteen gold medals and finished second only six times. Over 140 crews have lost to Julie's crew.



Athletes of the Month & bow pair of the varsity lwt eight: sophomore Rachel Trusheim and freshman Alexis Will.

### Team GPA

	1st Sem	2nd Sem	'02-'03	Career
Varsity (16)	3.40	3.58	3.49	3.41
Novice (23)	3.25	3.14	3.20	3.20
Full Team (39)	3.31	3.32	3.31	3.28

Our women had a very successful year in the classroom. Even when faced with the increased physical and mental commitment of *varsity* rowing, their gpa's actually improved.

Twenty six of our student-athletes were named to the Dean's List for achieving a g.p.a. of 3.5 or better in the first or second semester. Those in italics were named for both semesters.

### Dean's List

<i>Amy Boddorff</i>	Kara Schroepfer
<i>Amy Bossler</i>	<i>Caitlin Scudder</i>
<i>Allison DeKnight</i>	<i>Alison Solano</i>
<i>Julie Engel</i>	Rebekah Tessier
<i>Lauren Ewald</i>	Nicole Tomlin
<i>Jill Harrington</i>	Rachel Trusheim
Caroline Karlberg	Katherine Walter
Elena Keates	Joan Wendler
Courtney Luzzi	Ashley White
<i>Amanda McCain</i>	<i>Natalie Wiest</i>
<i>Tracy Menkowski</i>	<i>Alexis Will</i>
<i>Rebecca Newman</i>	Jessica Young
Vi Ngo	Teal Zeisler

## *End-Of-Year Awards*



### **Award Winners**

Most Valuable Rower	Jill Harrington '04
Athlete of the Year	Lauren Ewald '05
Coxswain of the Year	Kyra Harris '05
Novice of the Year	Alison Solano '06
Most Improved Novice	Alexis Will '06
Athletes of the Month	Amy Bossler '06
	Alexis Will '06
	Rachel Trusheim '05
	Jill Harrington '04

Clockwise from top left: Athlete of the Year Lauren Ewald '05, Coxswain of the Year Kyra Harris '05, Most Improved Novice Amy Bossler '06 and Coxswain of the Year Alison Solano '06.

Bottom: Sitting in stroke seat (second from right) of the varsity lightweight eight, Athlete of the Month and Most Valuable Rower Jill Harrington '04. Sitting two seat (second from left), Athlete of the Month and Novice of the Year Alexis Will '06.



# Upgrades & Updates

## Fall Sculling

This past fall we introduced sculling to the varsity rowers. We alternated between three days of sweep rowing and three days of sculling each week. The new challenge was good for the rowers and definitely improved their overall rowing skills.

## Boathouse Wall

We closed-in the east wall of the boathouse in order to protect the equipment from the elements. Although a minor change, it will definitely help our equipment stay in good condition.



Boathouse After A Winter Storm

## Winter Break Training Trip

Leaving the chill of winter far behind them, 18 varsity women headed south to the warmer waters of Miami Beach, Florida for a 10-day training trip this past January. The varsity crew rowed out of the Miami Beach Rowing Club amongst other crews from Brown, Boston, Buffalo and Fordham Universities, as well as Boston and Iona Colleges.

In previous year's, we visited Austin, TX, and Augusta, GA. After this trip to Miami, I think we have found a permanent destination. The weather was amazing, the rowing conditions were great and we spotted manatee and dolphin up close.



Candice Olszewski '04



SECOND NOVICE EIGHT

*Top: Shinika St. Cyr '06, Middle: Elena Keates '05, Amy Boddorff '06, Katherine Walter '06, Angela Welsh '06, Courtney Luzzi '06, Jessica Young '06, Bottom: Coach Katie Davis, Amanda McCain '06, Rebekah Tessier '06*

## Spring Break Training Trip

After twelve years of Augusta, GA, we changed our spring break destination to Elberton, GA. The new site offers a safer environment, although much more secluded, with housing in cottages along Lake Russell in Richard B. Russell State Park. Although not as exotic as the waters of Miami Beach, we did spot wildlife such as wild turkey, a fox and beaver.

Our women loved the change and are very excited to return next year. The women cooked for themselves every night and each cabin performed a skit at the pot-luck dinner held at the end of the week. We also took a short trip to Athens, GA.



Tracy Menkowski '04 (left) and Rebecca Newman '04

# Future Plans & Needs

## Competition - Openweight Eight

Winning the lightweight eight was a confidence-builder for our program. Now we need to move into the openweight eight as well. Our success in the fours and pairs has been very fulfilling, but now is the time to make the move. With four returning senior openweights, and talented sophomores and juniors, it is now or never.

## Equipment - Eights Needed

We need you to help us raise \$40,000 for two new eights this fall. We only have one viable racing eight. In order to race the three varsity eights (first varsity, second varsity, varsity lightweight) and two novice eights (novice openweight and novice lightweight) we need to add two racing boats to our boathouse.

This fund raising is in addition to the donations asked for to help our assistant coach's salary.



Joan Wendler '04 on the leg press.



NOVICE FOUR

(L to R): Christine Buffon '06, Erica Augustenborg '06, Jean Wells '06, Caitlin Scudder '06. Not in view: cox Caroline Karlberg '06.

## Women's Henley - Summer 2004

We are looking into the possibility of returning to the Women's Henley in England. The first and only time we went was in the summer of 2000. The women's varsity four travelled to England for 18 days in June and had the experience of a lifetime. They competed in three regattas, culminating in a second-place finish at the prestigious Women's Henley on the Thames River.

## Training Facilities

We are formulating a plan for a permanent boathouse as well as a more suitable ergometer room. We have outgrown both of those facilities and it is time to prepare ourselves for the next fifty years of Bucknell Crew. Also, we still dream of an on-campus indoor rowing tank.



Nicole Tomlin '04

# 2002 & 2003 Raffle Recognition

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in our Raffle Fund Raisers. They have been a great success. Our crew family has grown in size and the funds we have raised have been a key component of our competitive success. All participants over the past two years are listed below. Everyone will be receiving three more issues of Backsplash over the 2003-2004 season.

Grand prize winners for 2002 were Barbara & Walter Dautel and Jenny & Erron Nielsen. The 2003 winner was Dorothy Young. Boat namings will occur this fall.

We had some difficulty in mailing out the gear that was ordered along with your raffle tickets. We think we have fixed all of the problems we encountered to date. If you have not received the gear that you ordered, please let us know by calling (570) 577-1770.



*Novice eight practicing on the Susquehanna River.*

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Mrs. M.K. Augustenborg  
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Seane & Bernard Marren  
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Scott & Carole Martin  
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Joan McDonald  
Michael & Berniece McMullan  
June McRoberts  
Meredith McRoberts  
Dave & Barb McVay  
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Donald & Marian Meyers  
Betty Engel & Micheal Lubin  
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Carol & Timothy Moore  
Robert & Kathleen Muehleck  
Mr. Geoffrey Mynott  
Dick & Pat Myren  
Gary Newman  
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Rachel M. Newman  
Deborah Newman  
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Jenny & Erron Nielsen  
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# Women's Varsity Crew: Fall 2003

<b>September 28</b> Sunday	<b>Lake Augusta 4-Miler</b> vs. George Mason & Drexel	<b>Shamokin Dam, PA</b> <i>Susquehanna River</i>
<b>October 5</b> Sunday	<b>Fall Classic 4-Miler</b> vs. Lehigh & Fordham	<b>Shamokin Dam, PA</b> <i>Susquehanna River</i>
<b>October 18-19</b> Sat. & Sun.	<b>Head of the Charles</b> 3.1 Miles	<b>Cambridge, MA</b> <i>Charles River</i>
<b>November 1</b> Saturday	<b>Parent's Wknd Brunch</b> 10:00 AM	<b>Shamokin Dam, PA</b> <i>Tedd's On-The-Hill</i>
<b>November 2</b> Sunday	<b>Fall Invitational</b> 2,000 Meters	<b>Shamokin Dam, PA</b> <i>Susquehanna River</i>
<b>November 8</b> Saturday	<b>Philadelphia Frostbite</b> 2,000 Meters	<b>Philadelphia, PA</b> <i>Schuylkill River</i>

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