
A New Crew

"Push through the pain! You have twenty strokes to go! Stand on it!"

Crew, William and Mary's newest and America's oldest intercollegiate sport, grew rapidly at the College. With the help of new coaches, Heidi and Tom Martell and David Silver, the crew team developed a program as challenging as the most established programs found throughout the United States. Competing against teams like Navy, Georgetown, George Washington, Wisconsin and Virginia, the crew team was the Colleges up and coming sport.

Started in the fall of 1989 by

current President Glenn Grossman, the team tripled its roster to over sixty rowers and competed this year on a regular basis. Last fall, the men's team took an eight man shell to the Scullers' Eighth Annual Head of the Potomac Regatta and both the men's and women's teams took several boats to the Head of the Occoquan. Head races were three mile distance races which tested the crew's strength and endurance. Although these races were quite challenging, each of the crews turned in a very respectable performance.

After a long winter of gruel-

ing indoor training, the crews began the spring racing season. Training several hours every day, often beginning at 6 a.m., the crews were well prepared for the sprint season. Racing 2000 meters at the George Mason Regatta, the Washington College Invitational, and in a dual meet with the University of Virginia (where the women's "A" eight beat the powerhouse Virginia women), both the men's and women's teams performed well. The Cadle Cup, which was to be the team's final race of the spring season, was unfortunately cancelled due to a storm which filled the Poto-

mac River with debris.

The future of William and Mary's crew team looked bright. Four women competed at Women's Nationals in Madison, Wisconsin in early June and fundraising was continuing as the team strived to reach its goal of having a permanent William and Mary Crew boat-house. As the numbers increased and each season improved, William and Mary Crew was well on its way to becoming the new rowing powerhouse of the South.

— Sean Hart

First row: Rachel Haight, Steve Koumanellis, and Sue Brown **Second row:** Ginger Krebs, Beth Krebs, Beth West, Tynan Perschbacher, Geri Nicholson, Patty Haefs, Holly Bienia, Nikki Amzel and Shanna Verma **Third row:** David Silver, Glenn Grossman, Sean Hart, Jon Swanson, Vanessa Smith, Heather Rupp, Janice Moseley, Ellen Catz, Jeri Young, Frank Connor, Brad Phillips, Kevin Hicks, Brian Kirschner and Heidi Martell **Fourth row:** Brian Russell, Jan Van Amerongen, Matthew Bozorth, Don Doherty and Tom Martell



Three William and Mary Crews beginning a "walk through" during one of their more intense practices.

