

Quick.
Name the five best looking 1974 cars.
(ANSWERS BELOW)



1974 IMPERIAL LeBARON



1974 CHRYSLER NEW YORKER



1974 PLYMOUTH SATELLITE



1974 PLYMOUTH FURY



1974 PLYMOUTH DUSTER



Extra care in engineering...it makes a difference.





Volume 6, Number 1

THE OARSMAN®

March/April 1974

Table of Contents

COVER: KLECATSKY — Page 6

HEAD OF THE CHARLES — Page 8

CRYSTAL BALL '74 — Page 28

NAAO ANNUAL MEETING — Page 19

	Page
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR	2
THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Hart Perry	4
A "STATE OF THE OARSMAN" MESSAGE by H. Boyce Budd, Jr.	4
NEWS FROM CANADA by Craig Swayze	5
KLECATSKY by Jack Sulger	6
THE RACE THAT EVERYBODY WINS by William B. Tytus	8
GENTLEMEN: START ROWING by Anne Wyman	10
HEAD OF THE CHARLES RESULTS	11
USOMRC 1974 DEVELOPMENT PLAN by Jack H. Frailey	12
USOWRC 1974 DEVELOPMENT PLAN by Carol Simpson	13
DEMOCRACY AND ROWING OR... by Emory Clark	14
N.E.I.R.A. Q-WIN-SIGAMOND CONTENDERS by Rich Davis	16
NAAO ANNUAL MEETING by Peter Lippett	19
REGATTA SCHEDULE (Pullout Section)	23
SAFETY: FIRST, LAST AND ALWAYS by Jack Franklin	27
CRYSTAL BALL '74 by Foley, Kilpatrick, Mann, Gullong, Lazara, Lemmon	28
MINUTES OF THE NAAO ANNUAL MEETING	36
MINUTES OF THE JANUARY NAAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	37
THE OARSMEN'S CORNER by Peter Raymond	39
WASHING OUT	42
CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING	47
EDITORIAL: THE MEEK SHALL INHERIT by Peter Raymond	48
INDEX TO ADVERTISERS	48

Chapter III of the Coxswain's Manual will appear in the May/June issue.

THE OARSMAN magazine is the official publication of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen, an incorporated association founded in 1872. THE OARSMAN is published five times yearly (March/April, May/June, July/August, September/October, November/December) at Philadelphia, Pa. 19130 and is mailed to all NAAO members as part of their membership benefits.

NAAO Membership Categories

Competing	\$4/yr.
Sustaining (non-competing members)	\$10/yr.
Life	\$200
Life (4 consecutive annual payments)	\$200
Organizational	\$50/yr.

Non-NAAO Subscription \$10/yr.
Back issues or Individual Copies \$1.00/copy
NAAO membership and subscription inquiries or address-changes should be directed to:
Executive Secretary, NAAO
No. 4 Boat House Row
Philadelphia, Pa. 19130
Area Code (215) - PO 9-2068
All editorial materials must be submitted to the Editor by the 1st of the month immediately preceding publication. All advertising materials (including Classified Ads) must be submitted to the Advertising Manager by the 10th of the month immediately preceding publication. Second Class postage paid at Philadelphia, Pa. 19130 and additional mailing application pending at Manchester, N.H. 03015.

Editor: H. Boyce Budd, Jr., 385 Church Rd., Devon, Pa. 19333 (215) 365-1885

Assistant Editor: Peter Raymond, Tabor Academy, Marion, Mass. 02738 (617) 748-1542

Advertising Manager: Lloyd C. Dahmen, 55 Commercial Wharf, Boston, Mass. 02110

Circulation Manager: G. Tully Vaughan, No. 4 Boat House Row, Philadelphia, Pa. 19130 (215) PO9-2068

Feature Editors:
Club — Michael B. Gasch, 3673 Upton St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20008
College — Hugh M. Foley, 32 Gaffney St., Boston, Mass. 02215
At-Large — Emory Clark, Wilder Rd., Metamora, Mich. 48455
Technical — Stephen Orova, University of Pennsylvania, Weightman Hall, Philadelphia, Pa. 19104
International — Jack Frailey, Dept. of Athletics, MIT, Cambridge, Mass. 02139
Youth Rowing — Richard Davis, St. Paul's School, Concord, N.H. 03301
Lightweight Rowing — F. Wood Fischer, 6 Mansgrove Lane, Princeton, N.J. 08540
Photography — Bennett Jones, 224 Banks St., Cambridge, Mass. 02138
Peter Lippett, Herzstein, Maier & Lippett, 500 Sansome St., San Francisco, Calif. 94111
Sports Medicine — F.C. Hagerman, 31 Briarwood Drive, Athens, Ohio 45701
Women's Rowing — Katherine McClain, 5051 Cochrane Ave., Oakland, Calif. 94618
Regional Editors:
Canadian — Craig Swayze, c/o St. Catharines Standard, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada
Mid-West — Randall T. Jablonic, 1440 Monroe St., Madison, Wis. 53706
Northeast — Buzz Congram, 402 A Yale Station, Yale University, New Haven, Conn. 06520
Northwest — Rex W. Clothier, Conibear Shellhouse, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash. 98105
Southern — William Daniels, 1725 Fredricksburg Ave., Lakeland, Fla. 33803
West Coast — Peter Lippett, Herzstein, Maier & Lippett, 500 Sansome St., San Francisco, Calif. 94111

Letters To The Editor

Your comments on any issue related to rowing are welcome. Address all correspondence to Boyce Budd, Editor, the Oarsman, 385 Church Road, Devon, Pa. 19333

Dear Boyce:

Just recently I learned the disturbing news that the Olympic Men's Rowing Committee awarded just \$500 to the Junior Team out of a total Olympic Development Grant of \$31,500. This explains why the U.S.O.M.R.C. was sworn to secrecy at the Rowing Weekend in New London, Connecticut. I trust this indicates they were at least a little ashamed of their actions.

How can our priorities be so completely turned around? Evidently we have not learned anything from studying the rise of East and West Germany to rowing success. They were willing to invest in their youth and now have over 30,000 juniors feeding into the senior and elite program. Their medal winners since 1970 are their former junior oarsmen.

The U.S.O.M.R.C. has subverted the major thrust of the Junior Committee which is to open up the sport to urban and minority youngsters such as in the Syracuse Chargers and Camp Dimension programs. Without the U.S.O.M.R.C. funds we will have to ask for \$300 to \$600 from each U.S. Junior Team Member for the privilege of representing us at the Junior World Championships. The sport will not lose its age-old stigma of being a sport for rich men's sons. Can we say to an urban Black, "Come learn our sport, but if you really get good at it, it will cost you more than you can afford to pay?"

Very truly yours,

Charles P. Colgan
Vice Chairman, Junior Committee

Dear Sir:

The future of extensive U.S. participation in FISA Jr. regattas in Europe looks very doubtful from the financial point of view. This opinion is based on recent events including the elimination of the airline youth fare and the drastic reduction in financial support from Olympic Rowing Development Funds. The roundtrip New York — Milan youth fare in 1972 was \$200 and the similar 1973 New York — London round trip youth fare rose to \$261. Nobody is sure now what the 1974 roundtrip fare to Germany will be, but it has been estimated at about \$500. In addition, the living expenses in Germany will cost more dollars due to our relative rate of exchange. In 1973, we received \$3200 from the USOC Development Funds and \$5000 from the NRF. (We voluntarily reduced the NRF amount to \$3500 since we did not take an eight to Nottingham.) We now hear we will receive only \$500 from the 1974 USOC Development Funds. In 1973, each oarsman contributed \$275 toward the trip expenses and it is very likely that in 1974 this amount will about double. It should be made clear that boat clubs do not have the funds to support such trips and the financial burden is primarily on the individual oarsman and his family. The prospects for USA FISA Jr. participation in 1974 look grim. There's nothing we can do about the airline fares or the

rate of exchange of dollars for marks, but we certainly wonder why our support from the USOC Rowing Development Funds should be cut so drastically. Our Junior rowing is certainly part of Olympic Development and a majority of our FISA Junior rowing alumni are involved in college and boat club programs. We know there are a number of high priority programs requiring funding, but we firmly believe we ought to rate more than 1.5% of the total Olympic Rowing Development Funds available.

Charles Butt

Gentlemen:

In the last issue of *The Oarsman* in an article that I authored relative to the problems of junior rowing and a report on the FISA Junior Rowing Championships, I asked the following question:

"NAAO, its up to you. Will next year be a repeat of the past several or will you respond to the call? The sport is in your hands and unless you act now, there may be no future for U.S. rowing in international competition."

I have just learned with regret that the United States Olympic Men's Rowing Committee has answered the question. Their answer, by stripping the juniors of virtually all their funding for the year 1974, is that there is no place for the youth oarsman in the United States.

I interpret their attitude as being concerned only with keeping rowing as an elitist sport to be participated in by the chosen few.

I consider their action to be not in the best interests of the sport of rowing, not in the best interests of the United States Olympic Committee and its principles and objectives, and definitely not in the best interests of the American people.

As a former oarsman and a coach, I am ashamed of the attitude and the action taken by the United States Olympic Men's Rowing Committee.

Very truly yours,

Joseph R. Pisani

Dear Sir:

I am writing this letter as a reaction to a "gut" feeling I have regarding Junior rowing in the U.S. This feeling was reinforced at the National Convention in Connecticut last month. It can best be described as general apathy by our governing body.

The Junior Committee has been working hard this past year, starting new programs, holding regattas, establishing time standards for credibility, sending a team to England, etc. In light of this, and the fact that the National Camp was the only item to receive any meaningful attention at the convention, I feel the N.A.A.O. (Board of Directors) must give more energy, attention, action and direction to the Junior movement.

Sure, it's true and it hurts that the Olympic Men's Rowing Committee cut our support substantially. I wonder if a strong stand was taken by our governing body and the Junior program given some credibility, that the Olympic Committee would have taken the same course of action.

Would all the members of the N.A.A.O. think differently about Junior rowing if the governing body thought it important enough to really promote it?

The problems of national camps, Olympic success, sculling, women, men, lightweight, high school, Junior rowing

(Continued on next page)

could be drastically reduced and eliminated if by 1980 or '84 the U.S. could boast of 50,000 Juniors rowing. It's possible. If you don't know how, lend an ear and support to the Junior movement.

Also, look at the broad base of other Olympic sports that are successful. Look at the kids doing their thing. All the signs are there, N.A.A.O. Support youths with action and promotion, not lip service.

Sincerely,
Bill Sanford
Director of Jr. Rowing

To the editor of *The Oarsman*:
There has been considerable discussion recently about the role of the youth championships team and criticism of the Men's Olympic Rowing Committee for not supporting the youth team more generously. It strikes me that the role of the team is not well understood and that the criticism of the committee is not justified.

Many members of the Men's Olympic Rowing Committee would, in fact, like to support the youth team more generously and the committee as a whole requested a significant amount of development funds for the team. However, the committee received only about a third of the funds it requested for development. After funding those projects deemed most important to the preparation of our oarsmen for the 1976 Olympics, there simply was not much left for the youth team.

Why isn't the youth team considered a more important part of the operation for 1976? Primarily because so far no one has produced either evidence or strong support for the contention that members of the youth championship teams are likely to help our elite teams one or two years later. To my knowledge, only one sweep oarsman from the youth teams of 1967 through 1972 has rowed on one of our elite teams. Perhaps more will in the near future and the case will be much stronger. Even then, however, it will be necessary to consider whether these oarsmen might not have been just as likely to have made the elite team **without** having rowed on a youth team. Presumably, the large number of former youth team members now rowing in college would be doing so whether or not they had made a trip to the youth championships. Those trips are, I am sure, an exciting and valuable experience for the oarsmen, and an excellent goal for the various school and club programs. They should be treated as such, however, and not primarily as a training ground for future elite teams.

The youth team may well help attract young oarsmen from secondary schools into summer rowing and give them a good introduction to our rowing clubs. Hopefully, the team and the clubs will also attract new (that is, boys who have never rowed before) oarsmen into the summer programs, thereby increasing the class' base of manpower. In time, this could strengthen the class program and even our elite teams. But it strikes me that this will be a slow process and not one that the current Men's Olympic Rowing Committee should look to for strengthening the 1975 Pan American or 1976 Olympic Rowing Teams.

Sincerely,
Harry Parker

Editor's Note: See related article on page 12.

Dear Mr. Budd:

We are two students at Colgate University who rowed a number of years in our respective high schools and became avid lovers of the sport. Arriving at Colgate, we found that there was a lake to row on, yet no rowing program at all.

Over the past few months, we have both decided to take on the task of starting a Rowing Club at this institution. Our cause has met with a great deal of enthusiasm, both from the students and the department of athletics. The latter has encouraged us to go ahead in our endeavor and has assured us that we will have a boathouse in which to keep our shells by this spring.

On the other hand, we have discussed the financial end of starting such a club with a high official of the department and he has informed us that presently the athletic department's budget just cannot support our club. We believe we can eventually get the money, hopefully from alumni and other sources, once we have a few shells and have gotten off the ground.

The purpose of this letter is to ask whether you or any of your readers might know where we could obtain some old eights and fours, along with some old oars. We would be greatly indebted to you and *The Oarsman*, if our need could be publicized, hopefully bringing some positive responses.

Sincerely,
James Finley
Mark McNamara
Colgate Rowing Club
Box 1072, Colgate Sta.
Hamilton, N.Y. 13346

Editor's Note: Can anyone help to get Colgate rowing afloat?
(Cont'd on p. 44)

KELLY
FOR
BRICKWORK
AND
ROWING



JOHN B. KELLY, INC.

The President's Message



As we begin the year 1974 there are many things that point to this year being a key time in the overall picture of rowing both here and abroad. In the past twelve months we have seen women's rowing accepted as an Olympic event and Lightweight rowing given FISA recognition. Junior rowing has gained new breadth in this country through closer work with parks and recreation councils in our major cities and the NATIONAL CAMP concept has "matured." Administratively the NAAO has come of age primarily through the efforts of Tully Vaughan and his staff plus the encouragement and thoughtfulness of our landlords, the ARA, and countless others who have given time and effort to the operation of our National Headquarters. Our latest meeting of the Executive Committee was held at #4 Boathouse Row and the entire atmosphere was one of efficiency, cordiality, and business.

As various programs have evolved and developed because of dogged efforts on the part of those interested in various aspects of our sport, the NAAO has reflected on its philosophy regarding the total picture of United States rowing. Discussions have been healthy, criticism and self-evaluation constant, and results hopefully positive. The Committee structure of the NAAO has been modified in an

effort to spread the work and interest and to allow the Board and the Executive Committee to step back and gain perspective on our whole program. I sense an atmosphere of concern and appreciation for each element of the sport. As is always the case, money seems to be the one factor keeping us from development at a pace we all would like to see. However, results that come hard sometimes are much more worthwhile.

Thus, as we face 1974 we renew our mandate of total commitment to Juniors, to Women, to Lightweights, and to our Elite. We are seeing an encouraging growth in all areas of our sport, from those just beginning to our most experienced. Our mission is clear and we ask for the cooperation, understanding, and effort from everyone in order to assure a healthy and productive national growth. We realize that the task is anything but easy, but also realize that we would be remiss if our efforts were anything but the best in pursuit of our ultimate goal, a rowing community of strength for everyone.

W.H. Peasey

A "STATE OF THE OARSMAN" MESSAGE

by H. Boyce Budd, Jr.

Twenty-five issues of *The Oarsman* have been produced between 1969 and the present which means over 1,000 pages of regatta reports and photographs, articles on all kinds of subjects related to rowing, rowing announcements and advertisements. When you stop to think of the size of this undertaking, it is formidable when one considers that all the writing, photography, solicitation of advertisements and much else is provided for free by voluntary contributors.

On the debit side of the ledger, we have printed our share of erroneous material, we've had our share of biased reporting and we've managed to miss our publication dates on many occasions. On the credit side, if I may brag a bit for our editors, our many contributors and our publisher, we have produced a magazine which compares favorably with many of the sports publications which are produced for much larger and much better-financed sports. A great deal of the credit for the imaginative layout and for the general quality of the magazine goes to The Selinger Company, a small advertising agency/publisher near Philadelphia who patiently taught the NAAO how to produce a quality magazine.

It has recently been my task to choose another publisher-printer team for the 1974 issues over The Selinger Company, primarily for cost considerations. I have been convinced of the new team's ability to produce a publication of comparable quality at a cost savings to the NAAO, and it

should be possible for us to meet our publication dates more accurately than we have in the past.

In another major change, Peter Raymond has been added to the magazine's staff as Assistant Editor. Our readers have been treated to his ascerbic tongue-lashings on many relevant and irrelevant subjects for almost two years, and now you will be able to return the favor and blame him for misprints and other errors in future issues. Peter is an excellently-qualified person, both as a recent Olympic silver-medalist and international oarsman, as well as a journalism-aspirant, to take on this new task with the magazine. In addition to having prime responsibility for all regatta coverage (regatta directors take note), Peter will also oversee the assembly, the layout and the final proof-reading of each issue. I would appreciate having any regatta director who wishes to have his or her regatta results appear in *The Oarsman*, to direct that information to Peter — whose name and address appear on the masthead of each issue.

As most everyone knows, *The Oarsman* is published by the NAAO, and it is natural for many, and especially the cynics to think that the magazine will shy away from taking on the establishment — be it the NAAO, the USOMRC, the NWRA, the USOWRC or any other of rowing's many institutional power-structures. I hope that over the past five

(Cont'd on p. 46)

News from Canada

by Craig Swayze



Intercollegiate Championships

Oarsmen from the University of Western Ontario defied rough water and frigid going November 3 to dominate competition at the Canadian Intercollegiate Rowing Championships.

Crews from the London, Ontario university splashed off with four of the six titles on a wind-whipped Henley Course at St. Catharines. They took the Men's Novice, Women's Novice, Men's Lightweight and Men's Varsity titles.

The Men's Jayvee crown was won by Brock University of St. Catharines, while McMaster University of Hamilton grabbed the Women's Varsity.

Western had to come from behind to earn the headliner, setting Brock set the early pace in the Men's Varsity final. However, a late surge behind the stroking of Olympian Andy van Ruyven earned Western the win for a 6:48 clocking over a rough 2,000 meters, with Queen's University of Kingston,

Ontario grabbing third in their first appearance at the championships.

Because of the early closing of Canadian universities each spring, intercollegiate rowing has to take place in the fall.

Results

Men's Novice: 1. University of Western Ontario, London; 2. University of Western Ontario, London; 3. Carleton University, Ottawa; 4. McMaster University, Hamilton; 5. Mohawk College, Hamilton; 6. Brock University, St. Catharines; 7. Trent University, Peterborough. Time 7:04.

Women's Novice: 1. University of Western Ontario; 2. McMaster University, Hamilton. Time 4:03. (Brock did not finish).

Men's Lightweight: 1. University of Western Ontario, London; 2. McMaster University, Hamilton; 3. Brock University, St. Catharines. Time 7:02.

Women's Varsity: 1. McMaster University, Hamilton; 2. Brock University, St. Catharines; 3. Trent University, Peterborough; 4. University of Western Ontario, London. Time 3:41.

Men's Jayvee: 1. Brock University, St. Catharines; 2. Trent University, Peterborough; 3. University of Western Ontario, London; 4. Mohawk College, Hamilton; 5. Carleton University, Ottawa. Time 7:03.

Men's Varsity: 1. University of Western Ontario, London; 2. Brock University, St. Catharines; 3. Queen's University, Kingston; 4. McMaster University, Hamilton; 5. Trent University, Peterborough. Time 6:48.



Ridley Coach 'Licensed' for Olympics

The license number tells it all. Neil Campbell, the veteran St. Catharines Olympic oarsman turned coach, accepts a special license plate, ROW-076 for Row Olympics '76, from Robert Welch, Ontario's Secretary for Social Development, during a dinner in honor of the Ridley College head rowing coach. The gala occasion attended by more than 300 persons in the Great Hall at Ridley in St. Catharines, saw Campbell presented with a variety of gifts, including a 1974 truck van in Ridley colors. He also accepted, on behalf of Ridley's undergraduate and graduate Ridley Boat Club program, three new shells. Looking on here as the 42-year-old Canadian rowing veteran accepts his Olympic-theme license are, left to right: Ridley Headmaster Richard Bradley; Ridley Boat Club President Crozier Taylor; Campbell; Attorney General Bob Welch of Ontario; Mayor Joe Reid of St. Catharines; and Thomas Croston, President of The Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen.



Association Officers

Thomas Croston of Port Credit Dons, best known to United States rowing for his role as Regatta Officer during the 1970 World Championships at St. Catharines, is the new president of the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen. The 60-year-old former Vancouver oarsman takes over the helm of Canadian rowing from Jim Minards of St. Catharines, C.A.A.O. president for the past two years. Croston's active rowing career was interrupted by World War II when he served with distinction as an officer with the Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada and was wounded in action in Northwest Europe. He was the C.A.A.O. delegate to the 1971 Pan-American Rowing Congress in Mexico City and the 1972 F.I.S.A. Congress at the Munich Olympics.

Craig Swayze of St. Catharines moves up to become the C.A.A.O.'s first vice-president. The 46-year-old former

Brockville oarsman was Regatta Chairman of the 1970 World Championships and is the C.A.A.O. representative to the N.A.A.O. He is also the North American delegate on the F.I.S.A. Press and Public Relations Commission.

Peter King of Ottawa, manager of the Canadian team at the 1973 European championships in Moscow, is second vice-president while David Helliwell of Vancouver moves in as third vice-president. Harry Edmonstone of St. Catharines remains as secretary and Barry Morris of Port Credit as treasurer. King, at 33, rowed with the University of Western Ontario before taking up sculling with Ottawa. Helliwell, a 38-year-old former University of British Columbia oarsman, was in Canada's silver medal eight at the 1956 Olympics and coached Canada's eight to a silver at the 1959 Pan-American Games in Chicago. He was chairman of the rowing at the 1973 Canada Games.

KLECATSKY

By Jack Sulger



Out of the darkness comes the mournful wail of a fog horn, the aggrieved pealing of the number 6 buoy off Hunter Island, the raucous squawking of an awakened sea gull, overfed on the mountainous pile of metropolitan solid waste euphemistically known as "Lindsay's ski jump for deprived peoples" and the slurping of Stampfli sculls creating twin puddles in the salty Sound waters of the Orchard Beach Lagoon. The sun has another hour of rest and the atmosphere is cold and dreary as a 32 year-old medical doctor grinds out his fifteen miles in a slender, fragile, cedar shell of 29 pounds. As the gray dawn creeps along, a college eight tries to pace the "Cat" but falls back after 1200 meters, and the lightweight champion has the six lanes all to himself.



photo: Sheridan

Dr. Oliver Brundage, then chairman of USA Medical Commission, presents fellow physician Klecatsky with plaque for Elite 150 lb. Singles title at National Regatta on Orchard Beach Lagoon in August, 1971. Klecatsky was the only triple winner.

In order to try to match this dogged tenacity, we must look back in history. Certainly no lightweight sculler of our generation — although great names flash upon the screen: Joe Angyal, NYAC; Jim Barker, Undine; Rudy Jezek, NYAC; Chick Hewson, Buffalo West Sides; Jack Flavelle and Ken Thoburn of the Toronto Argonauts; the Clark twins of Undine; Bob Houston and Ed McKenna of NYAC; and back to Constance Titus of Union B.C., NYAC, who at 130 pounds toppled the heavyweights before lightweight rowing. All of these would readily admit that the training rigors of 15-20 miles daily, plus medical school and the daily requirements of the medical profession, are the personification of super-eminence.

Back further in rowing history we come upon the dark scandals of professional rowing, and certainly none of those hired hands would be steady enough to light the candle, even though glorified in some of Eakins' masterpieces. Back further to Australia, England, Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Greece? Perhaps Greece, near a little town of Naupaktos on the Gulf of Corinth. A great naval battle took place there between the Holy League of Europe commanded by John of Austria and the Turkish fleet under Ochaili Pasha. The power was supplied by oarsmen in the fighting man-of-war of the day. Ten thousand Christian oarsmen were freed from the sliding seats of the Turkish ships. Some of the oarsmen had been chained to their seats for over 15 years and rowed 12 hours daily practice. Presumably a like number manned John's fleet, so that this was undoubtedly the largest regatta in history.

Larry would not be on our scene today if it were not for an erudite educator by the name of Karl Twedt of Minnesota, who coached and started the South Saint Paul High School crew. Larry tried out for the eight and then represented the school in doubles with his brother Tom. Karl's rowing style of long in the water, necessitating an extraordinary reach with a good layback, was ideal for Larry, and Karl soon realized that he had the makings of a champion. Larry's family got into the act; with his mother and father cheering and financing, and another brother Dick and sister Joanne rowing, the Minnesota B.C. regained its prominence of earlier days. Rowing



photo: Benner

Larry and Jim Dietz on the way to winning the double sculls at the Head of the Charles, '73.

on the Mississippi with its raging spring torrents presented little or no problems for Larry, but the boathouse and its shells were washed away several times only to be replaced by the Klecatsky family and other oarsmen.

Although Larry's style and spirit definitely belong in Minnesota, the opportunities to win a national title came while in medical school and a Navy Lieutenant stationed in Philadelphia. Larry won his first national title in the Elite light double with another Tom on the Schuylkill in 1967 for the Minnesota Regatta. In 1968 Larry added the light single and light 1/4 mile at the Bachelors, and in 1969 moved to New Rochelle to row at New Rochelle Hospital and St. Albans Naval Hospital. Representing the NYAC, Larry was given the opportunity to row as many races as he liked — which was akin to leaving your bag of apples in a gorilla cage. Larry embarked on a string of victories which hit a peak of 60 in one season in 1971. Some day we may be able to tabulate his complete record, but we know the number 300 has been passed. Triple nationals were scored in '68, '69, '70, '71, a double in '72, and four nationals in spite of an unfortunate disqualification in the 1/4 mile at Camden last year. Twenty-six Canadian Henley Championships bring his total of national titles to 45. We must add a World Championship (unofficial) in the Quad at St. Catharines in 1970 and five victories in the Head of the Charles including double wins in 1972-3. In international competition on one trip in 1970 with Tom Quinn, Larry won six races at Frankfort, and at the Ratzeburg International regatta with Quinn, the USA tied the Soviet Union which boated a squad of thirty.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

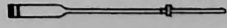
1967	Phila.	Elite Light Double — Minn. B.C.
1968	NYC	Elite Light Single 1/4 Mile — Bachelors B.C.
		Elite Light Single — Bachelors B.C.
		Elite Light Double — Bachelors B.C.
1969	Phila.	Elite Light Single — NYAC
		Elite Light 1/4 mile Single — NYAC
		Elite Light Quad — NYAC
1970	Camden	Elite Light Single 1/4 mile — NYAC
		Elite Light Quad — NYAC
		Elite Heavy Quad — NYAC
1971	NYC	Elite Heavy Double — NYAC
		Elite Light Quad — NYAC
		Elite Light Single — NYAC
1972	Phila.	Elite Light Single 1/4 mile — NYAC
		Elite Light Single — NYAC
1973	Camden	Elite Light Single — NYAC
		Elite Quad — NYAC
		Elite Light Quad — NYAC
		Elite Heavy Double — NYAC

A finalist in the doubles with Dietz at the Royal Henley, Larry competed in what was described as the toughest singles event ever, of the Lucerne International regatta, with 34 entries in the singles necessitating heats, repechages, semis and finals in three days. Malishev of the USSR was the eventual winner, with Dietz second and Larry battered by sundry international heavyweight champs into the petite finale. Upon staggering back to the boathouse Larry found his father, Joe Klecatsky, who said: "Son, they have some good scullers over here." The reply was typical: "Yes, Dad."

ROYAL CANADIAN HENLEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

1968	Elite 145 lb. Double — Bachelors B.C.
	Elite 145 lb. Single — Bachelors B.C.
	Elite 155 lb. Single — Bachelors B.C.
	Elite 145 lb. 1/4 Mile Single — Bachelors B.C.
1969	Elite 145 lb. Double — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. Single — NYAC
	Elite 155 lb. Single — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. 1/4 Mile Single — NYAC
1970	Elite 145 lb. Single — NYAC
	Elite 155 lb. Single — NYAC
	Association Singles — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. 1/4 Mile Single — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. Double — NYAC
1971	Elite 155 lb. Single — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. Single 1/4 Mile — NYAC
1972	Elite 145 lb. Single — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. 1/4 Mile Single — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. Double — NYAC
	Elite 155 lb. Single — NYAC
1973	Elite 145 lb. Single — NYAC
	Elite 145 lb. Double — NYAC
	Elite Heavy Double — NYAC
	Elite 155 lb. Single — NYAC
1970	Quadruple Sculls World Championship (Unofficial)

Undoubtedly, the major accomplishment of Larry's career is his inspiration to the young oarsmen of America. To have Larry on the water for a coach is to have a permanent visual aid in operation. This, of course, is better many times than an actual coach in a launch. Most coaches today are nothing more than nursemaids, but the example set by Larry is a crusher for the chronic complainer. At a recent rowing meeting, a college coach gave as the reason for the lack of college men in competition after the end of the collegiate season, the fact that: "They are worn out by that time." Larry looked up and mumbled: "From what?" At 32, Dr. Larry is now living with his wife, Susan, and young son, Brian, in New Rochelle. Brian is a bit of a chip off the old block — but his grandfather's, not Larry's as he never stops talking. Susan is resigned to her fate as are many rowing wives. About 25 prospective scullers, from 10 to 16, now are trying to emulate Larry on the Orchard Beach Lagoon.

Fellow doctors in New Rochelle are amazed at their colleague's prowess in medicine and on the water. Dr. George Froehlich, an old oar at Columbia and NYAC, never ceases to marvel: "He is either coming from or going to a race or workout. I notice he always circles around the door of the resident psychiatrist, however." Whatever it is that keeps Larry going, no one else has had it since 1571. 



The Race that Everybody Wins

By William B. Tytus

What is probably the most pleasant experience an athlete can have was shared last fall by almost 2,000 oarsmen. Of course, I refer to the Ninth Annual Head of the Charles Regatta.

On a beautifully warm and sunny October day, 462 boats and their crews plied the upstream course, which winds through some of Boston's more favorable scenic spots. Representing 95 different high schools, universities, and boat clubs, oarsmen and oarswomen from as far away as Florida, Nebraska and Ontario came to the Hub City to row in one of the largest amateur athletic events in the world.

For crowds along the banks, the Head of the Charles Regatta is a wonderful spectacle. Starting at 10 second intervals in each of the 17 events, the boats swing up the river in a constantly flowing, graceful and gorgeously colorful parade. But for oarsmen the Regatta means races — glorious victories and magnificent attempts.

High noon was the appointed hour for the start of the first event, the Veterans single sculls for oarsmen over 40 years of age. The grandchildren in the crowds hushed as no fewer than 34 men, including 73 year old T. Crosby of Union Boat Club, found, literally, the strength of heart to face the challenge of the Mighty Charles. In a marvelous display of skill and stamina, each of these stalwart athletes finished the race, some with furious, water-frothing sprints. Brash upstart at 40, Seymour Cromwell ended Jerry Olrich's legendary dominance of the event by a scant 2.3 seconds. Ed Lynch, Olrich's Cambridge B.C. clubmate, and also his protege, finished a very close third.

By no means was drama limited to one event. In what must have been a most exciting and satisfying race, the Princeton University lightweights repeated by a mere tenth of a second their last year's win for the Boston HeraldTraveler Trophy over the MIT lights. As is the tradition of the regatta, both boats started in order of their finish the previous year.

Photo: Billings
Harvard elite four #3, winner of the Schaeffer Trophy: R. Cashin, bow; E. Woodhouse, 2; D. Fellows, 3; A. Shealy, stroke; D. Weinberg, cox.



photo: Abromet

Thus the Tiger and Engineer crews rowed the entire distance 10 seconds apart; each straining to gain some noticeable margin on the other, never knowing during the 16 minutes and 37 seconds that they raced who was winning. So the sinewy lightweights who manned these boats pulled all the harder. Nor could the exhausted rowers know the outcome as they sprinted across the finish line. They had to wait until much later for the official times. But the outcome did not seem important. Both crews had rowed very well.

In an early afternoon highlight, the Elite Fours race, five gentlemen from Harvard won in most ungentlemanly fashion the Schaeffer Beer Trophy, trouncing Potomac Boat Club's four by 16.4 seconds.

Right after the fours came the novice singles. What a great event this is! Forty-one new scullers not only raced each other, but avoided the calamitous threats of the river banks, the course marker buoys, and the absolutely terrifying bridges. Ward Cheney of the Cambridge Boat Club won this race in the very fast time of 20 minutes, 38.1 seconds, and then, little more than an hour later, placed an impressive fourth in the Intermediate Singles, bettering his previous time by five seconds.

The Head of the Charles Regatta celebrates women and their achievements in rowing. Almost 300 oarswomen raced in eights and singles. Gail Pierson won in her single, while the reigning National Champions, the Radcliffe College crew, won the women's eight-oared event. What is especially satisfying to see is that many of these women are no longer trying

(Cont'd on p. 38)

RESULTS – page 11



photo: Upton

Cambridge Boat Club veterans Zeus Wade and Jerry Olrich. Are they dubious?



Photo: Billings

Northeastern elite eight: J. DiSanto, bow; W. Burke, 2; M. Manhard, 3; F. Crowley, 4; D. Cotrone, 5; G. Harrington, 6; C. Nordstrom, 7; A. Ferguson, stroke; F. Leahy, cox.



Novice singles.

A Beginner At The Head Of The Charles

By Anne Wyman

photo: Wolbarst

For an oarsman who had fallen out of a Comp in full view of the Cambridge Boat Club only last May, the Regatta that took place on the Charles River on October 21st assumed new and awesome proportions.

The volume of traffic alone was intimidating. At 11 o'clock in the morning, with timers and starters setting up at the upper end of the basin, the lovely singles pulling downstream to hover like beetles on the broad reach, black streaks on a silken iridescence of water talked into line by Ed Singer on the roof of the B.U. Boathouse, then sliding away in timed sequence, there was a still gorgeousness like a morning in Tuckerman Ravine.

In the darkening afternoon, with the eights thrashing like triremes up through the bridges, bodies bending like grass,

oars cutting like scythes through the water, it was like a bash for the bottom at Stowe. And all day, in between, there were boats racing up, pulling down, the three mile stretch that last spring was so peaceful.

The friendly old pals, so kindly about the problems of embarkation for a beginner, were nowhere visible. Instead, the mob on the Weeks Bridge — pretending the knowledge of coaches — stopwatches the stroke of the craft scudding beneath them and rooted for colleagues and friends from as far away as Wisconsin and Canada.

The beginner endeavored to observe as expert. "These fours are too wide of the course. Surely those sweeps were not quite in sequence. That sculler was stopping the single at the start of each stroke." But the man won the race and his next race too. So much for observation.

In the throng of pedestrians, bicycles and dogs rushing along the banks between events, there was no time for lunch. At the Boat Club the patrons snuggled up on the lawn with cold chicken and wine and binoculars. Anguished calls barked from the loudspeaker to "get that motor boat off the course . . . off the course, please." And around the bend came another wave of contenders, doubles and pairs, fours rowed in two different formations, a sculler bending his knees outside his arms. All new and interesting.

The wind was coming up and toward the end of the course there was much splashing. The experts could tell at a glance who was fading and who coming on. Gordon Hamilton, in his red single, overtakes Bill Brace, both from the Cambridge Boat Club. Boat number 50 has passed boat number 42.

Then, oh joy, oh delight, two intermediate lightweight singles tangle under the Eliot Bridge. A dapper gent in a Sea Shell goes to the rescue. The oarsman is back aboard and off to the finish, though not, one suspects, with the enraged dispatch of Gail Pierson who suffered the same fate last year.

And then, in event No. 12 out of 17, a heat that pits one high school boat against 44 college crews, two eights press neck-and-neck toward the shore. One of the shells grounds under the bridge and the crew is forced to get out on the abutment. Foiled and furious, the oarsmen scramble back to the bank and carry their boat away to the parking lot.

Nothing and no one was hurt. And it's really not a disgrace. But, for a beginner, there was comfort in knowing that, among all those experts, some were more expert than others. And there was room for them all on the River in the race for the Head of the Charles. ■

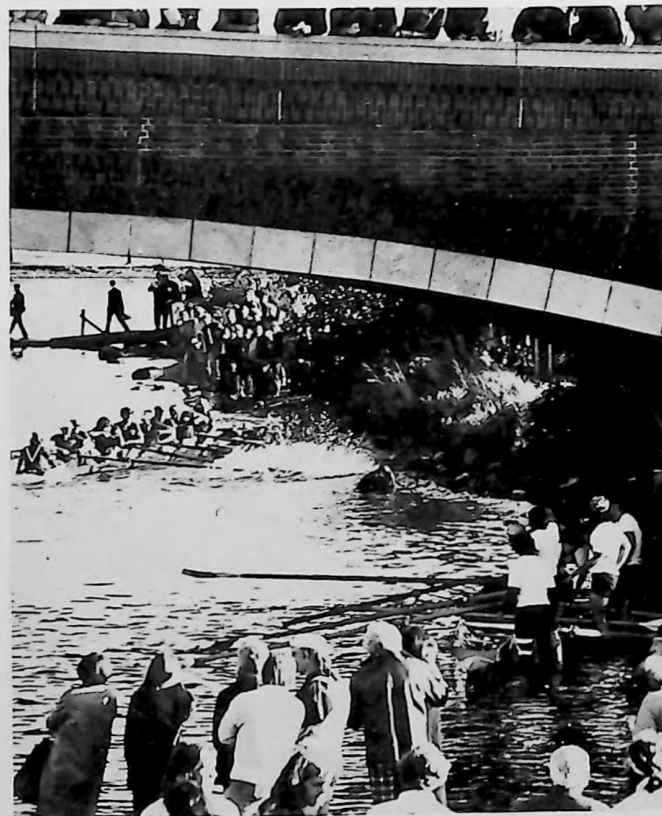


photo: Wolbarst

Ithaca College being joined by Villanova in a bridge club.

HEAD of the CHARLES RESULTS

VETERAN SINGLE SCULLS

1. S. Cromwell (40) Riverside BC	20-24.0
2. J. Olrich (61) Cambridge BC	22-32.3
3. E. Lynch (49) Cambridge BC	21-38.1
4. D. Challinor (53) Potomac BC	22- 8.6
5. P. Ignas (40) Vesper BC	21-12.4
6. R. Cutler (60) Riverside BC	23-28.0
7. C. Shealy (47) New Haven RC	22-38.3
8. R. Emmet (49) Cambridge BC	23- 6.3
9. R. Duncan (57) Belmont Hill	23-59.7
10. J. Bigelow (41) Hyde Park RA	23-28.4
11. P. Beckett (51) New York AC	22-36.8*
12. H. Rogers, Jr. (47) MIT	23-13.6
13. R. Lea, Jr. (60) University BC	24-31.6
14. S. Paradise (55) Cambridge BC	23- 3.6
15. L. Wade (69) Cambridge BC	25-42.6
16. W. Sanford (66) Spuyten Duyvil RC	25-30.0
17. A. Pappenheimer, Jr. (65) Cam. BC	26- 3.5
18. C. Du Moulin (55) Cambridge BC	25-30.9*
19. L. Martin (42) Union BC	24-18.5
20. E. Atwill (66) West Side BC	26-52.3
21. P. Saurwein (55) Cambridge BC	25-48.1
22. P. Sprague (48) Narragansett BC	25-12.6
23. T. Crosby (73) Union BC	27-52.5
24. J. Lynch (41) New York AC	24-41.9
25. M. Mowatt (51) Mercantile BC	25-45.5
26. P. Heller (47) Harvard U	25-40.8
27. H. Bartlett (45) Narragansett BC	25-30.0
28. E. Wilson (61) Detroit BC	27- 9.8
29. J. Connors (45) Union BC	26-20.6
30. H. Hayes (69) Union BC	29- 5.8
31. O. Taylor (55) Cambridge BC	28-54.6
32. R. Isaacs (62) Cambridge BC	30-27.0
33. M. Prassel (64) New York AC	30-53.2
34. R. Beebe, Jr. (62) Guntery School	39-14.3

DOUBLE SCULLS

1. New York AC	17-35.0
2. NYAC-John Jay College	17-52.6
3. Cambridge BC	18-34.7
4. Detroit BC	18-59.1
5. Cambridge-Narrag. BC	19-17.1
6. Argonaut RC	19-19.1
7. Riverside BC	19-20.9
8. Wyandotte BC	19-30.6
9. Union BC	19-34.6
10. Equipe Du Quebec	19-48.8
11. Harvard U	19-59.6
12. Riverside BC	20-34.7
13. River-Union BC	20-35.6
14. Wesleyan U	20-39.6
15. Wesleyan U	20-43.6
16. MIT	20-46.6
17. Phillips Academy	21-13.0
18. Worcester Polytech.	21-21.7
19. Sagamore RA	21-26.4
20. New York AC	22- 0.7
21. Wesleyan U	23-27.4**
22. University BC	24-17.7
23. Equipe Du Quebec	32- 9.1**

LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHTS (Boston Herald Traveler Trophy)

1. Princeton U. RA	16-37.2
2. MIT	16-37.3
3. U.S. Coast Guard Academy	16-40.2
4. Cornell University	16-40.6
5. Florida Inst. of Tech.	16-59.2
6. Columbia University	17- 0.0
7. College B.C. of Penn.	17- 3.3
8. MIT	17- 6.3
9. Princeton U. RA	17-14.8
10. Harvard University	17-15.2
11. U.S. Coast Guard Academy	17-15.2
12. College BC of Penn.	17-20.1
13. Harvard University	17-25.3
14. Rutgers University	17-26.1
15. Dartmouth RC	17-26.2
16. Villanova University	17-29.2
17. U. of Rhode Island RA	17-40.3
18. Yale University	17-47.3
19. College BC of Penn.	18- 4.1
20. Harvard University	18-16.3
21. Trinity College	18-22.6
22. Holy Cross College	18-25.6
23. Georgetown University	18-43.6
24. Yale University	19-38.6
25. Winthrop House BC	22-30.0

PAUL REVERE POINT TROPHY

1. Harvard University	534.7
2. MIT	374.5
3. Princeton University RA	312.4
4. Cambridge BC	277.8
5. Yale University	261.6
6. College BC of Penn	258.6
7. Cornell University	250.5
8. Vesper BC	206.7
9. Dartmouth RC	206.3
10. U.S. Coast Guard Academy	204.9

ELITE FOUR WITH COX (Schaeffer Circle of Sports Trophy)

1. Harvard University	17-17.1
2. Potomac BC	17-33.5
3. Harvard University	17-42.3
4. U. of Wisconsin	17-42.6
5. Vesper BC	17-49.6*
6. Cornell University	18- 3.7
7. Brown University	18- 8.9
8. MIT	18-18.1
9. Yale University	18-24.4
10. U. of Mass. RA	18-26.3
11. Rutgers University	18-31.7
12. MIT	18-41.3
13. Potomac BC	18-43.1
14. Vesper BC	18-47.7
15. Syracuse Alumni RC	18-51.1
16. Brown University	18-61.1*
17. Spuyten Duyvil RC	19-27.4

NOVICE SINGLES

1. W. Cheney, Cambridge BC	20-38.1
2. F. Buessner, Boston University	21-28.6
3. R. Good, U. of Virginia	22-10.8
4. C. Whistler, Kent School	22-17.1
5. M. Harrison, Washington College	22-17.3
6. C. Leduc, Equipe Du Quebec	22-29.8
7. M. Courtney, New York AC	22-36.3
8. W. Chase, Cambridge BC	22-37.4
9. R. Lyman, Union BC	22-38.2
10. R. Free, U. of Virginia	22-43.6
11. M. Furlong, Penn AC	22-52.6
12. J. Keating, Union BC	22-58.6
13. J. Miller, Harvard	23-17.6
14. B. Franza, Jr., Potomac BC	23-22.9
15. T. Strzeminski, Georgetown U	23-49.9
16. T. Delaney, New York AC	23-51.7
17. T. Parker, St. Catharines RC	23-53.8
18. B. Congram, Yale	23-54.8
19. R. Anderson, Narragansett BC	23-55.3
20. S. Jordan, West Side BC	24- 0.5
21. M. Shinnick, Equipe Du Quebec	24- 0.6
22. S. Jenkins, Middlesex School	24- 2.3
23. J. Wasson, Dartmouth RC	24- 3.4
24. P. Lynch, Yale	24-12.3
25. A. Miller, Princeton U. RA	24-23.8
26. F. Southwick, Harvard	24-31.3
27. C. Fallon, Worcester Polytech.	24-36.3
28. T. Castle, Princeton U. RA	24-48.1
29. H. Bartlett, Narragansett BC	25- 2.5
30. M. Erickson, Harvard	25- 4.3
31. L. Verasco, Boston University	25- 4.7
32. B. Millar, Union BC	25-12.3
33. V. Maslov, Cambridge BC	25-29.2
34. J. Engell, Elliot House BC	26- 4.1
35. F. Engebretsen, Harvard	26-14.2
36. J. Donahue, Jr., Shrewsbury RA	26-19.1
37. M. Gearreald, Narragansett BC	27- 2.3
38. P. Langlois, Equipe Du Quebec	27-16.7
39. R. Bradley, New York AC	28-56.1
40. R. Cleveland, Amherst College RA	31-19.8
41. T. Webb, Union BC	43-56.4

INTERMEDIATE FOUR WITH

1. Harvard University	18- 9.4
2. Harvard University	18-27.8
3. Georgetown University	18-34.1
4. Boston University	18-39.3
5. Brown University	18-47.1
6. Princeton University RA	18-52.5
7. Northeastern University	19- 0.1
8. Yale University	19-10.4
9. Syracuse Alumni RC	19-16.7
10. MIT	19-18.8
11. Citadel Crew Club	19-18.9
12. U. of Nebraska	19-20.6
13. Boston University	19-24.2
14. College BC of Penn.	19-31.4
15. Rutgers University	19-33.6
16. Brown & Nichols	19-33.7
17. Manhattan College CC	19-37.1
18. MIT	19-54.1
19. Guntery School	19-55.6
20. Lowell Tech Inst. RA	20-11.3
21. U. of Virginia	20-11.8
22. Notre Dame RC	20-12.8
23. Atlantic Community College	20-14.3
24. Worcester State College	20-17.6
25. Holy Cross College	20-22.8
26. Dartmouth RC	20-25.6
27. Equipe Du Quebec	20-32.6
28. Timothy Dwight RC	20-34.3
29. Amherst College RA	20-41.2
30. Dartmouth RC	20-54.0
31. Brown & Nichols	21- 2.6
32. U.S. Merch. Marine Acad.	21-20.8
33. MIT	21-29.6
34. Assumption College	22-25.4

WOMEN'S SINGLES

1. G. Pierson, Cambridge BC	22-53.6
2. K. Kalkhof, University BC	24-49.8
3. S. Harvey, Riverside BC	24-52.8
4. C. Clarke, Cambridge BC	24-57.2
5. M. Marr, Cambridge BC	26-11.6
6. E. Bayer, Cambridge BC	26-22.1
7. B. Shaffer, Riverside BC	26-28.3
8. L. Sauve, Equipe De Quebec	27- 6.1
9. S. Tremblay, Equipe Du Quebec	27-34.8
10. M. Heller, Dartmouth RC	32-27.6

JUNIOR EIGHTS

1. Northfield-Mt. Hermon Sch.***	16-54.1
2. Phillips Exeter Academy	16-56.9
3. West Park Secondary Sch.	17- 1.5
4. Phillips Exeter Academy	17-11.5
5. Father Judge High School	17-20.9
6. MIT	17-28.1
7. Phillips Exeter Academy	17-29.4
8. Northfield-Mt. Hermon Sch.	17-37.6
9. St. John's High School	17-54.1
10. Phillips Academy	18- 6.5
11. Phillips Academy	18- 7.6
12. Northfield-Mt. Hermon Sch.	18-16.3
13. MIT	18-16.7
14. Yale University	18-18.8
15. MIT	18-20.8
16. Yale University	18-24.8
17. MIT	18-32.1
18. Middletown High School	18-36.1
19. Williams College	18-40.6
20. Northfield-Mt. Hermon Sch.	19-26.8
21. MIT	19-39.3

***Winner of Princeton Trophy-Fastest Schoolboy Eight in Regatta

INTERMEDIATE LT. WT. SINGLES

1. G. Hamilton, Cambridge BC	20-30.6
2. D. Normille, Malta BC	20-41.4
3. B. Brace, Cambridge BC	20-50.9
4. R. Petersen, Harvard	21- 3.7
5. S. Depman, Malta BC	21-15.3
6. C. Patterson, Malta BC	21-16.7
7. R. Sheetz, Cambridge BC	21-20.3
8. P. Wilhelm, Narragansett BC	21-28.5
9. J. Pattison, University BC	21-29.3
10. J. Bragdon, Cambridge BC	21-42.6
11. P. Plimpton, Narragansett BC	21-43.1*
12. J. McCullough, West Side BC	22-29.2
13. A. Wilmarth, Jr., Harvard	22-51.1
14. L. Dowse, Jr., Brown & Nichols	22-51.7
15. M. Lowell, Guntery School	22-54.4
16. W. Hudson, Princeton U. RA	22-56.1
17. D. Green, Spuyten Duyvil RC	23- 9.2
18. F. Kellogg, Potomac BC	23-11.1
19. J. Johnson, Spuyten Duyvil RC	23-13.3
20. M. Toukhy, Narragansett BC	23-21.8
21. M. Hayes, Lowell Tech Inst. RA	23-48.3
22. G. Burke, Harvard	23-53.3
23. E. Dupont, Spuyten Duyvil RC	23-58.2*
24. T. Kadioglu, New York AC	24-15.7

PAIRS

1. Potomac BC	18-26.6
2. U. of Wisconsin	19-20.1
3. U. of Mass. RA	19-25.4
4. Harvard University	19-34.8
5. U.S. Naval Academy	19-36.1
6. MIT	19-40.6
7. Cornell University	19-54.4
8. Harvard	20-12.8
9. Laval RC	20-13.1
10. Yale University	20-17.3
11. Ridley BC	20-17.5
12. Harvard	20-20.1
13. Mercantile BC	20-22.8
14. U. of Mass. RA	20-27.7
15. Dartmouth RC	20-51.3
16. Minneapolis RC	20-55.8
17. College BC of Penn	21-11.5
18. Rutgers University	21-21.6
19. Harvard	21-31.1
20. MIT	21-34.6
21. Middlesex School	21-45.3
22. Vesper BC	21-51.8
23. Lowell Tech Inst. RA	22-18.9
24. New York AC	22-34.1
25. Florida Inst. of Technology	22-45.3
26. Boston University	23- 4.1
27. Manhattan College CC	23-25.6
28. Harvard	23-39.7
29. U.S. Coast Guard Academy	24-17.3
30. Fordham University RA	24-44.8

INTERMEDIATE SINGLES (Hawes Trophy)

1. S. Kilfen, John Jay College	20-03.3
2. N. Gluckman, Cambridge BC	20-20.8
3. M. Verlin, New York AC	20-29.0
4. W. Cheney, Cambridge BC	20-33.6
5. C. Hamilton, North-Mt. Hermon	20-40.8
6. J. Baker, Cambridge BC	20-41.3*
7. C. Anderson, Potomac BC	20-45.1
8. C. Leonard, U. of Mass. RA	20-55.0*
9. W. Barrett, Cambridge BC	20-55.4
10. D. Abromait, Cambridge BC	20-55.4
11. B. Brennan, Detroit BC	20-56.7
12. B. Lynch, Potomac BC	21- 5.5
13. J. Bogaert, Blood St. Sculls	21- 6.1
14. J. Davidson, U. of Virginia	21- 7.3
15. R. Spousta, U. of Mass. RA	21-11.5
16. S. Row, Harvard	21-11.8
17. A. Renart, Equipe Du Quebec	21-32.6
18. P. Baptiste, Union BC	21-36.9
19. S. Williams, Boston University	21-40.3
20. J. Caminiti, New York AC	21-42.2
21. D. Crosby, Union BC	21-47.7
22. C. Richard, Detroit BC	21-48.3
23. E. Sorensen, Union BC	21-50.6
24. V. Ventura, New York AC	22-11.8
25. J. Born, Cambridge BC	22-23.1
26. M. Marcoux, Equipe Du Quebec	22-28.1
27. R. Austin, Cambridge BC	22-37.7
28. J. Wasson, Dartmouth RC	22-40.1
29. H. Blair, Harvard	22-47.7
30. J. Davidson, Cambridge BC	23-50.8
31. T. Jenkins, Cambridge BC	24- 6.7
32. W. Mahoney, Harvard	24-14.1*
33. D. McGale, Riverside BC	24-36.3
34. M. Wensam, U.S.C.G. Academy	25-10.6
35. G. Rodriguez, John Jay	25-18.1
36. J. Rogers, Cambridge BC	25-32.3

INTERMEDIATE EIGHTS (Boston Mayor's Trophy)

1. U.S. Coast Guard Academy	16-20.6
2. Cornell University	16-28.2
3. Florida Inst. of Tech.	16-28.6
4. Northeastern University	16-29.5
5. College BC of Penn	16-40.8
6. College BC of Penn	16-41.9
7. Harvard	16-43.9
8. U. of Virginia	16-46.9
9. U. of Mass. RA	16-49.5
10. Princeton University RA	16-52.4
11. College BC of Penn	16-56.0
12. Dartmouth RC	16-56.6
13. MIT	16-56.6
14. Yale University	17- 1.9
15. Brown University	17- 3.6
16. Brown University	17- 3.9
17. Rutgers University	17- 5.5
18. U. of Mass. RA	17- 7.1
19. Columbia University	17- 9.0
20. Father Judge High School	17-10.0
21. Northeastern University	17-15.4
22. Boston University	17-16.6
23. Worcester Polytech.	17-20.8
24. Harvard University	17-23.0
25. Georgetown University	17-25.2
26. Wesleyan University	17-38.6
27. Assumption College	17-40.8
28. Holy Cross College	17-42.4
29. Williams College	18- 5.9
30. Yale University	18- 6.2
31. Clark University	18- 8.4
32. Harvard	18-11.3
33. Harvard	18-26.2
34. Elliot House BC	18-51.6
35. Winthrop House BC	18-54.8
36. U.S. Merch. Marine Acad.	19- 3.3
37. Harvard	19- 3.5
38. Villanova University	19- 8.1
39. U. of New Hampshire CC	19-18.4
40. Williams College	19-18.7
41. Harvard University	19-21.6
42. Amherst College RA	20- 7.8
43. Wesleyan University	20- 8.4
44. U.S. Merch. Marine Acad.	20-57.8

ELITE LT. WT. SINGLES

1. L. Klecatsky, New York AC	19- 4.2
2. T. Van Dusen, Riverside BC	19-42.3
3. P. Fuchs, Detroit BC	19-43.3
4. R. Stehlik, Malta BC	19-57.5
5. D. Brennan, Detroit BC	20-47.7
6. R. Kunitz, Wyandotte BC	20-59.0
7. B. Rejean, Equipe Du Quebec	21-24.6
8. K. Betchik, U. of Mass. RA	22-17.1

*Adjusted for course violations 10 seconds for each buoy
**Adjusted for failure to start on schedule in accordance with official rules

LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR WITH (Metropolitan District Commission Trophy)

1. Cambridge-College BC	17-47.5
2. Princeton University RA	17-52.8
3. College BC of Penn	18-28.8††
4. U. of Virginia	18-30.1†
5. Harvard	18-34.8†
6. U.S. Coast Guard Academy	18-42.4†
7. Lowell Tech Inst. RA	18-45.8†
8. Dartmouth RC	18-4

1974

Develo



USOMRC

By Jack H. Frailey
Chairman, USOMRC



The most important responsibility of the United States Olympic Men's Rowing Committee during the three off-Olympic years of each quadrennium is the conception and implementation of its Development Plan aimed at providing the strongest possible team for the Games.

At its meeting of September 16, 1973, the current Committee addressed this question, and chose seven projects for which to request financial support from the Sports Budget/Development Committee of the USOC. This program, outlined by Clayton Chapman, USOMRC Secretary, for the last issue of *The Oarsman*, was subsequently detailed and priced (at \$85,000) by Pete Gardner's Subcommittee on Development prior to submission to Olympic House.

The sum of such requests from all 37 Olympic Sports Committee substantially exceeded one and a half million dollars, but only \$500,000 was available to the USOC for distribution. Hence, although the \$31,000 finally approved for our use was a good deal less than we asked for, it was a relatively generous grant and provided clear evidence of the very favorable consideration given the Committee's proposals by the USOC.

In light of this serious reduction in funds, it became necessary for the Committee to reanalyze the plan with a view toward allocating the funds in some ratio commensurate with the importance of each project. I believe that its final decisions were soundly based upon the following considerations.

1. The charge from USOC was to point first and foremost toward 1976; longer range goals were seen to be chiefly the responsibility of the NAAO.
2. Limited funds had to be focused on those prior projects which had been successful and on new concepts, previously untried, thought to be of extraordinary promise.
3. Projects supported during the last Olympiad which had not been successful or fell short of hoped-for results simply had to be eliminated or placed at very low priority. For example, Olympic Development Centers submitted as part of the 1973 plan were excluded by Olympic House from last year's grant. There was no point in proposing them again.

A brief description of the five project activities toward which the Committee voted to distribute its development funds follow:

National Camp

This project, resembling that endorsed and funded by the USOMRC the last two years, will bring together those oarsmen who aspire to a seat in the National eight and four-with-cox, at a time and place yet to be announced, under

the coaching of Al Rosenberg and management of Bill Stowe, chosen earlier by the NAAO Board of Directors to be this year's National Camp Coach and Team Manager, respectively. In many ways the general approach will be similar to past years, but Al will doubtless bring some new ideas with him and we hope to continue to improve our modus operandi, with an eye on the short time allowed us in 1976. The budget has been established at \$19,500.

Interested oarsmen should be alert to announcements forthcoming from the NAAO, and to future articles in the *The Oarsman*.

Sculling Development

This project, to which \$7500 has been allocated, is aimed at providing the increased number of international-class scullers required by the addition of the quad event to the Montreal Games. It addresses what the Committee felt to be the key problem in promoting sculling at the elite level, namely that faced by many oarsmen who are approaching Olympic standards and who want to begin sculling, but to whom the initial investment in a boat represents too great an obstacle.

A number of singles will be provided under the program, five in the spring of 1974 and more at intervals over the next several years. These singles will be loaned to individual oarsmen for a period of four to six months. Recipients will be expected to train exclusively in their single and to race throughout the summer, at the end of which their progress will be evaluated.

We have every hope for the success of this experiment, founded as it is on the experience common to such successful scullers as Don Spero, Sy Cromwell and Harry Parker. We believe a mature competitive athlete can discover relatively quickly if he can become an elite sculler, and that with several years of intensive sweep experience behind him, he is capable of showing basic speed within a few months after beginning to scull.

For further information or application forms, write to: Sy Cromwell, Groton School, Groton, Massachusetts 01450.

Coaching Development

The purpose of this project is to increase and enhance the knowledge and effectiveness of our coaches at all levels of involvement. As the expansion of interest in rowing continues, more new (and mostly amateur) coaches are being added to the ranks. It is vital that we provide them the necessary guidance, information and material, especially since many will be working with oarsmen who have the potential to compete at the Olympic level.

(Cont'd on p. 46)

p m e n t

P l a n



USOWRC

By Carol Simpson



Evaluation of the Moscow championships, approval of an innovative procedure for selecting the 1974 sculling team, the 1974 budget, and a quadrennial development plan were the major items of discussion at the U.S. Olympic Women's Rowing Committee meeting in San Francisco in January.

Feedback on the Moscow trip came from coaches, competitors, and managers, both in person and through the mail; we've had praise, gripes, and recommendations about everything from the uniforms to the course conditions and expect to hear more. The committee was glad (and relieved!) that team members were able to overcome the unfortunate problem of inadequate Olympic development funding.

We were pleased at the exposure to international competition and look for quick and widespread improvement in the years between now and Montreal in technique, preparation, and results. We determined that firmer team leadership, information regarding the competition, and more international racing experience prior to the championship regatta should be made available to this year's national team.

A primary problem is the small number of oarswomen of international caliber in the United States; we need all of you (and more). We've formulated a selection procedure for this year's sculling team which we hope will extend the opportunity to earn a place on the team to all oarswomen. The eight scullers will be selected on the basis of performance in singles: the first three finishers in the open singles race at the nationals in June, plus the best five scullers to emerge from a singles trials regatta to be held the Monday and Tuesday following the nationals, will be formed into a single, double, quad, and sculling spare by an impartial, knowledgeable, and sensitive selector who will be named by the committee. (There's one kink; the winner of the singles race at the nationals may choose to compete as a single sculler or submit herself along with the rest of the sculling team to the selector's judgment.) Our hope is that these eight outstanding scullers will make three speedy boats. Spending the extra days in Oakland may be a hardship for some; we offer our sympathy, encouragement, and very impressive letterhead and earnestly hope that all you scullers will be able to participate.

In determining the priority of projects planned for 1974, we decided that two should be fully funded if at all possible: airfare, uniforms, and equipment expenses for a full team for the world rowing championships in Lucerne; and completion of the purchase of a Stampfli quad for use in European regattas. The remaining projects will be funded as funds are available; they are, briefly and in roughly descending order:

purchase of singles and pairs for allocation to promising oarswomen on a yearly basis; aid to ongoing rowing programs for low-income youth; acquisition of training films; an open post-nationals clinic to emphasize technique and skills development; funding to enable the 1974 national team to spend two extra weeks in Europe prior to the Lucerne Regatta, competing in local regattas; and the making of a recruiting film. A separate request has been submitted to Olympic House for a full complement of racing shells needed as soon as possible for pre-Olympic and Olympic competition. Lowest-ranked and least likely to be funded are the per diem expenses of team members while in Lucerne; we feel that these expenses should be the responsibility of the team members themselves.

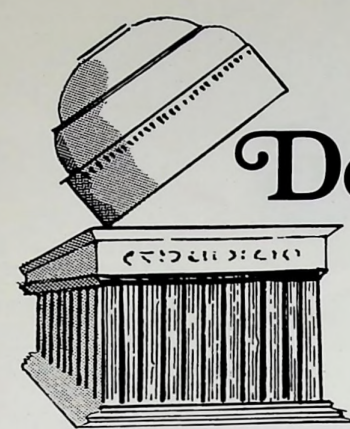
The 1974 National Team will include: the eight scullers plus a quad cox'n to be selected during the sculling team formation period; the national championship eight, four, and pair; two funded and two unfunded sweep spares; one coach each for the eight, scullers, and small boats; a team physician; and two managers. Molly Upton and Peter Lippett have been designated as managers and are already at work.

The U.S. Olympic Committee asked that all sports committees name a national director or national coach and apply for special funding for this position. We determined that a national director of women's rowing should be named on an annual basis to have the responsibility of encouraging development of the sport, recruiting, and running clinics on a nationwide basis. Names as co-directors for 1974 were Ed Lickiss and Molly Upton. The director for 1975 will be named at our fall meeting.

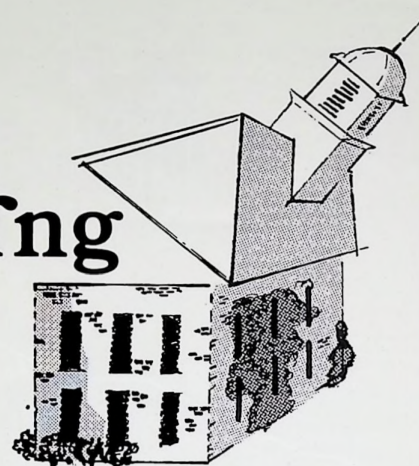
Our quadrennial development plan is relatively undeveloped as yet. The key issue seems to be whether or not to have a national camp or camp-like endeavor in the years remaining before the next olympiad. That our best oarswomen are scattered seems to argue in favor, but there are tremendous obstacles to making a camp work. Hopefully, the results of this year's sculling experiment will be useful in making a decision; we may perhaps want to extend the experiment next year to include pairs competition for seats in the eight, or we may find the idea unworkable. However, the general sentiment of the committee seems to be slightly campist.

We do want to base our decisions on the needs of oarswomen and their coaches. Let us hear from you — write, phone, and come to our next meeting, which will be held Sunday, June 16, at the Lake Merritt boathouse in Oakland, California. 

Congressional Halls Meet Ivy Walls



Democracy and Rowing or...



A POLITICAL WHIMSY

By Emory Clark

On a roll call vote, after a frustrated filibuster attempt by Senator Rockhard of Oklahoma who tried to attach a rider insuring an Oklahoma oarsman in the boat, the Senate finally voted 63 to 33 to send the composite Dartmouth/Florida eight to Lucerne to represent the United States in the 1982 European Championships.

It had been a long day on Capitol Hill, and Senator Scully, a former rowing great, was tired but pleased with himself: Not only had he had to struggle hard to get the bill out of committee where Senator Alice Applebloom kept insisting that U.S. crews should boycott international regattas until FISA (Mr. Keller) appointed female referees, but there were some senators who did not want to consider the bill at all, being obsessed with such mundane matters as the nationalization of the auto industry, the Chinese takeover in Indonesia, and the transatlantic undersea pipeline.

But with the Europeans only a month away, it was essential to get the matter moving. Of course the bill had to go to a joint House/Senate committee now, the House having voted earlier to send the Wisconsin/Princeton composite, but at least this would narrow it down to two boats, a composite would be made of the composites and the President, who happened to be pre-occupied with the upcoming Luxembourg summit conference, would probably not veto the final offering — although it was always risky to have too many Ivy Leaguers on any team sent in for the President's approval, as he had gone to Oregon State and found Ivy Leaguers to be intolerably intelligent and stuck up.

Senator Scully wondered whether it had been a good idea to have the government take over rowing after all — really, U.S. boats had not fared any better in international competition than had the crews under the old Olympic Committee and N.A.A.O. In fact, the last American crew to win an Olympic medal had been the eight which had taken the silver in Munich.

Still, thought Scully, as he and his secretary (who doubled as his mistress) headed out to McLean for a cocktail party given by the Chairman of the House of Representatives

Athletic Coordinating Committee, he had really had no choice:

It had all started back in the summer of '73, the year of Watergate, Agnew and Energy.

Senator Tunney of California had introduced his Amateur Athletic Act (Senate Bill 2365) and the Commerce Committee, after holding hearings, had concluded:

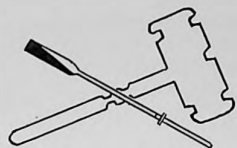
"1. The existing amateur athletic organizations in the United States do not provide the coordination and cooperation necessary for the achievement of aforementioned goals (i.e. success for U.S.A. athletes in international competition), and

"2. The diffusion of authority over amateur athletics among various organizations in the United States has resulted in a lack of coordination which handicaps the individual athlete in international competition."

The fact that the N.A.A.O. and other athletic organizations had not been invited to testify had been the cause of no little indignation among the bigwigs in the various groups, but this did not alter the fact that the Commerce Committee's findings were essentially true.

The thing that had sent Senator Tunney's bill back to committee for further study, thought Scully as his secretary leaned close to him on a curve, was not the cries of outrage from all the portly, blue-blazered sports officials. No, rather it was a policy directive of the International Olympic Committee issued by Lord Michael Killanin of Ireland, who warned National Olympic Committees that they risked expulsion when "a government, because it gives grants, tries to dictate to a National Olympic Committee. It may even endeavor to nominate officers, officials, competitors, and/or national sports bodies." Killanin went on to emphasize that "only national (sport) federations affiliated and recognized by its international federation can be accepted in any National Olympic Committee, and at no time can two national federations be recognized by a National Olympic Committee."

(Continued on next page)



Bills came thick and fast in Congress after that. Bob Mathias, Olympic decathlon champion and a teammate of Scully's in Helsinki in 1952, introduced an amateur sports bill (H11242) intended to: "(1) be an amateur athlete's 'Bill of Rights,' (2) provide independent arbitration by the American Arbitration Association to settle disputes involving amateur athletes engaged in international competition and, also, to arbitrate disputes between sports organizations who are seeking to be the recognized sport organization for the United States on a specific sport, and (3) to provide Congressional oversight of amateur athletics without risking violation of international amateur athletic rules." President Nixon, as part of his Watergate counteroffensive, announced that he would appoint a non-partisan Presidential Commission to make a 16-month study of amateur sports in the U.S.

Clearly, the handwriting was on the wall. As far back as 1974 a new education bill included a section that would have required equity between men's and women's activities in college sports, meaning apparently that the same amount of money and personnel must be provided women's sports programs as men's.

Senator Scully had vigorously opposed that provision, he remembered, as it seemed destined to virtually emasculate college athletics. After all, if a university had had to split its athletic scholarships between the sexes and pay the girls' softball coach the same salary as the men's football coach, there would have been hell to pay. Had the bill passed, however, and had his mayoral campaign (his first political race) been unsuccessful, he had been seriously considering, nay, eagerly contemplating, accepting a position as women's swimming coach at Stanford.

Fate had decreed otherwise, however, and as the Senator and his girl Friday arrived at the McLean cocktail party, one of an endless round of parties where most of the Nation's policies were forged, he concluded it was all for the best that the government had taken over, as the nation's sports organizations, in trying to justify their existence, remained hopelessly mired in pomposity and the acrimonious struggle for power.

Still, he wryly admitted to himself, as he watched the shapely derriere of his pliable companion precede him up a well manicured front walk, he was glad he had competed in the days before organization, when carsmen could enter any boat race to which they could bum a ride, when you often raced (and sometimes lost) in borrowed boats, when you rarely had a U.S.A. blazer to wear, but when you didn't have anybody tucking you in at night either. Scully used to say he didn't need any sleep during a regatta week. It was a trait which had served him well on Capitol Hill.

After kissing his hostess, he squared his shoulders and, hiding a sigh, made straight for Representative Crab of Kansas who was busy extolling the virtues of the Wisconsin crew and decrying the fact that there had to be any Princeton people in the boat at all. As a joint committee member, Crab was going to play a key role in the final decision on the boat. He didn't know a slide from a bootstretcher and didn't care a whit who won at Lucerne, but, as he had once confided in Senator Scully, sports were now part of politics, he was a politician, and in a democracy after all, a politician had to get elected.

THE ROWING EXPERIENCE
OF A LIFETIME . . .

IT'S THE MAGIC WEEK
OF EVERY SUMMER . . .

AND IT'S CALLED

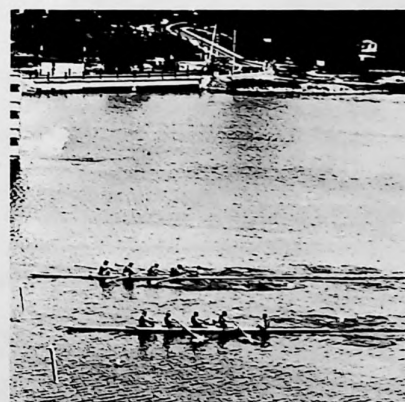
THE HENLEY!



92nd ROYAL CANADIAN HENLEY REGATTA

(Canadian Open Rowing Championships)
July 25, 26, 27, 28 - 1974

ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO



For information and entry forms write:

Canadian Association
Amateur Oarsmen

33 River Road, Vanier City
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
K1L-8S9



The perfect headquarters for Oarsmen in Philadelphia

LOCATION—Close to Boat House Row yet conveniently located for theaters and restaurants.

HOSPITALITY—Penn Center Inn's unique atmosphere is attributable to its independent ownership and operation. Our staff takes an interest in your individual problems.

FACILITIES—Featuring FREE self-service indoor parking with unlimited in and out privileges. Also color TV, large heated pool, sun deck, sauna, mini-gym, restaurant, coffee shop, and cocktail lounge. Full hotel services.

Penn Center is an ideal location for visiting Oarsmen. Please write or call toll free for information and full-color descriptive literature.

Penn Center Inn

20th and Market Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. 19103
(215) 569-3000 for call 800-AE 8-5000 (toll free)

ACCUSPLIT

Its bright, big-digit display makes the Accusplit the easiest-to-read stopwatch on the market electronic or mechanical. With super accuracy provided by quartz crystal control and with time-out, regular and Harper split timing features, the Accusplit is the "dream" watch for fans and coaches. Thousands are already using the Accusplit. Why not order yours today?

Fully guaranteed against manufacturing defects for two years.

**ONLY
\$119.50**

Plus \$3.00 Shipping
(Priority Mail)
and Insurance

Master Charge or Bank Americard OK. Please supply card numbers, expiration date, signature. Do not send card. Phone credit card orders accepted. Call 415-948-8188. *Dealer inquiries invited.*

Order From: TAFCO (Special Products Div. of Track & Field News), P.O. Box 296, Dept. 74, Los Altos, CA. 94022





N.A.A.O. ANNUAL MEETING

January 18-20, New London, Conn.

By Peter Lippett

In January the NAAO again took another step towards spreading its various functions around the rowing centers of the country when it held the 1974 Rowing Weekend in Norwich and New London, Connecticut. Organized by Bill Stowe with assistance from other rowing figures in the state, including the rowing squad in the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, the meetings once again provided the opportunity for rowing enthusiasts in a different locale to share in the workings of their sport's governing body. Although it is always difficult to spotlight one particular "most significant" result or decision at any such convention, it seems to this writer that the 1974 meetings accelerated the trend indicating that rowing is becoming a multi-faceted sport — with each facet, such as youth, women's veteran's, etc. commanding and receiving equal time and concern from the policy-makers of the sport's governing body.

Following the now established format, the weekend opened with a full Friday devoted to many meetings. One significant meeting was that of the U.S. Olympic Men's Rowing Committee (the Women's Committee having met two weeks earlier in San Francisco), where that committee struggled for long hours to divide up and allocate the funds granted by the Olympic Development Committee. Their task was made most difficult because they had received only some 40% of the funding requested, so several contemplated projects had to be eliminated or severely cut down, a problem shared in these times of increasing costs and tightening fund supplies by most sports' Olympic Committees. The details of their decisions will be reported elsewhere, but suffice it to say that many hours were spent in the sometimes grim allocations of the reduced funds.

Another significant meeting was held by the National Women's Rowing Association, at which a large group of competitors and coaches discussed the many issues faced by this exploding aspect of the sport. In particular, a great deal of time was devoted to an explanation, and often vigorous critique, of the Women's Olympic Committee's innovating plan for the selection of the 1974 sculling representatives at the World's Championships. Very much as the elite men's community was subjected to howls of anguish from persons who thought they would be adversely affected by the 1971 innovation of the National Camp, so, too, many persons who initially feel disadvantaged by the new methodology voiced their concerns at this meeting. Members of the Women's Olympic Committee attempted to explain and defend the thesis behind the decision, but as in all such major departures from traditional procedures, many remained unconvinced. (Following the January meetings the Women's Olympic Committee learned that it had received even more reduced funding than the men, so perhaps the women too will see enforced modifications in the Olympic Committee's plans.)

Other aspects of the sport held meetings and continued to address the issues faced by their particular domain. In meet-

ings not personally covered by this reporter, the Lightweight coaches met under the chairmanship of Woody Fischer, and among many other things discussed the workings of their selection methods for their upcoming first appearance in the FISA championship field. Bill Sanford chaired a meeting of the Junior Committee, where they too addressed themselves to, among many other things, the Youth entries in the summer FISA Youth Championships. It can readily be seen that with the elite (heavyweight) men, elite women, lightweights and (male) youth all aiming at full entries in FISA championships abroad, together with the normal mass invasion planned for Henley and Holme Pierpoint, United States rowing is sending a geometrically increasing number of competitors into foreign regattas, all at a time when the cost of doing so is rising spectacularly and available funds are decreasing in a somewhat inverse ratio. Of such stuff are made the agonizing decisions and discussions which occupied the many meetings of the rowing weekend.

Another extremely important facet, different from the administrative types of meetings and decisions, are the technical or information-dispensing clinics, presentations, and demonstrations. Chief among these is the annual equipment show; the clear "queen of the show" this year was Schoenbrod's apparently extremely successful effort at constructing an American answer to the European wave of fiberglass and other types of molded shell construction — his gleaming new white eight dominated the proceedings, both physically in the show room, and in impact on its viewers.

With the traditional rowing awards dinner this year shifted to Saturday night, Friday evening was devoted to a continuation of meetings, and to several presentations on the technical side. Steve Orova gave a most thorough and detailed resume on rigging as developed at the European Rowing Clinics at which he was the United States representative. Gail Pierson presented a session on the NWRA training programs for women, and on Saturday followed up with an NWRA session on rigging sculling boats for women; it is apparent from all this activity that women's rowing is exploding in interest and participation, and that the NWRA is conscientiously attempting to meet the needs of its constituent oarswomen.

Finally on Friday evening, Allen Rosenberg, the designated Head Coach of the National Team for 1974, held a session in which he outlined his own approach to the summer's task and indicated some changes which he will bring to the procedure. This session was followed up with another on Saturday, at which 1973 National Coach Steve Gladstone shared the podium to expound on the lessons learned from his experience, following which Rosenberg again presented

(Continued on next page)

Minutes of the Annual Meeting and the Board of Directors' Meeting and presentation of the Time Standards begin on page 36.

his plans.

Saturday morning continued the technical presentations, featuring an extensive clinic on rowing medicine, chaired by Dr. Bob Sawyer and featuring two-time national team physiologist and trainer Fritz Hagerman. Jim Barker followed with a detailed sculling clinic, at which he expounded on many of his so-successful methods. And still, meetings were going on around the clinics, perhaps chief among them (because it indicated a suddenly vast new area of rowing activity) was the lengthy meeting of the Eastern Association of Women's Rowing Colleges. In two short years, this organization at last count boasts twenty-three active rowing organizations, many of which didn't even exist two years ago; clearly, a whole new flurry of rowing activity is indicated by this organization.

Saturday afternoon saw the annual meeting of the members of the NAAO, a most expeditious meeting, happily free from any significant controversy. The meeting always features the election of five new four-year term directors, and this year the following were elected or re-elected: Boyce Budd, Bill Sanford, Bill Stowe, Jack Frailey, and Pete Gardner. Because Ted McCagg had submitted his resignation prior to the meeting, the sixth highest vote getter would be elected to the remaining year of Ted's term, and as luck would have it, a tie developed. A re-ballot of those delegates present gave that term to Peter Lippett by one vote over Woody Fischer (but as almost all assumed would happen, Woody was quickly elected by the Directors themselves to a one year term).

The annual meeting heard reports from every committee chairman on the NAAO's roster, as well as from the two Olympic Committees. The meeting then proceeded to a consideration of proposed Constitutional amendments, and voted in the only two relatively minor changes proposed. One requires that all Directors be members of the NAAO (an oversight curiously not spotted until this year), and the other grants an ex officio seat on the Board of Directors to the Team Representative of each year's Women's International team.

Following the adjournment of the annual meeting, a short Directors' meeting was held, for the purpose of electing the five one year members of the Board, and to elect officers for 1974. This election produced one of the real innovations, and perhaps the most dramatic indication of the expanding scope of the sport of rowing, as for the first time in anyone's memory (and therefore probably the first time ever), a woman was elected to the Board. As one of the Directors who voted in that election, I can testify that in its pre-election discussion, the members of the Board recognized that it was more than time that this burgeoning aspect of the sport should have Board representation, and so Gail Pierson was elected. As reported earlier, Woody Fischer was also elected, as were Don Schnorr, Bob Hillen and Tim Mickelson (in a recognition by the Directors that the competitors should have a vote on the Board, not just the voice provided by the Team Representative's ex officio position). The Directors then proceeded to re-elect all the NAAO officers for another term, and promptly adjourned for cocktails and the annual rowing awards dinner to be held at the United States Coast Guard Academy.

The socializing and pleasant reunions having taken place over drinks and dinner, the annual rowing awards were made. Rowing's most prestigious award, the John Carlin Service Award, was presented to one of rowing's mightiest figures, Horace E. ("Davy") Davenport, the founder of the National

Rowing Foundation. Hall of Fame inductions were then made, individual inductions being award to Harry Parker (no biography necessary) and to former cox'n and now New York State Supreme Court Judge Richard Aronson. Two crews were inducted, the 1928 Olympic Silver Medal straight four from Pennsylvania Barge Club (featuring a pretty familiar name, Ernie Bayer), and the 1929 Columbia University Varsity Eight, again featuring the esteemed Horace Davenport, along with well known West Coast rowing supporter Art Douglas.

The featured address of the evening was given by the President of Smith College, Thomas C. Mendenhall and a most articulate speaker he was. Being a historian, he chose as his topic "selected aspects of the history of rowing," but he did not merely recount tales. As his address developed, it became clear that he had a most cogent point to make. For suddenly he shifted his attention to women's rowing (as befits the president of a strong women's rowing college), and utilized the virtues he saw in the exploding participation of women to point up a few aspects of our sport which are perhaps periodically forgotten in the heat of training or competition. He spoke of the joys of the sport itself, no matter who or at what level the participant is: of being on the water, of good health, and of the camaraderie. Having spoken earlier of some of the historical instances of professional sculling, he reminded us of our amateur nature, as exemplified now by women's rowing, as opposed to the big-time and often high pressure nature of collegiate and international competition. He believes that women's rowing may have become strong at just the right time, for it serves to remind us of many of the traditional joys and virtues of the sport itself, and he even went so far as to say that it could well be the salvation of the sport. At an Annual Meeting where women's rowing was so much in evidence and the



Horace E. (Davy) Davenport accepts the John Carlin Service Award from Hart Perry.



The 1928 Olympic Silver Medal winning straight four from Pennsylvania Barge Club is inducted into the Rowing Hall of Fame. Left to right are George Healis, William Miller, and Ernest Bayer accepting from Bill Knecht.

progress it had made was so clear, President Mendenhall's address was most fortuitous and was received by all with great acclaim as a most apt reminder for us all.

The final day of the Rowing Weekend was given over to an all day session of the NAAO Board of Directors. As the minutes of that meeting are printed elsewhere, it is not necessary to expound at length on the proceedings. But a few brief highlights are perhaps in order. The meeting served as a kind of counterpoint to the preceeding two days which had indicated so strongly that several different aspects of the sport were growing ever stronger, and needed a great deal of attention; on the other hand, the Board inevitably recognized that it was spending an inordinate amount of time on the single aspect of elite men's heavyweight rowing. (As an immediate result, after the meeting a proposal was advanced for the creation of an Elite Men's Committee, thereby freeing the Board from so heavy a concentration of its time on this one aspect.) The Board spent alot of time on consideration of time standards for our international elite men's teams, and finally articulated standards that are "clearly slower than 6th place but faster than 12th" with the aim being "to insure that crews are competitive with the majority of the field at the time." The standards adopted will probably be found



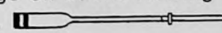
President Thomas C. Mendenhall, Smith College.



The 1929 Columbia University Varsity Eight accepts induction into the Rowing Hall of Fame. Left to right are: John Murphy, Sam Walker, William Sanford, Arthur Douglas, Horace (Davy) Davenport and Allister McBain.

published with the minutes. In an agonizing decision decided by one vote, the Directors decided that if more than the winning crew at a trials regatta meets the standards and the winner is not able to go abroad, then the highest placing of those crews able to go intact may be entered. Learning from past experiences, which found the National Team spares extremely fast and arguably faster than the competition pair, if one of the pairs emerging from a trials regatta can not meet the time standards, the spares may be entered in that event provided that they can meet the time standards under specified conditions. It was also decided that in 1974, undergoing our first experience with the quad sculler at FISA level, there will be a composite quad formed at a kind of "camp," and that there will be no challenge to this crew, although it must also meet a time standard.

In other significant developments, the 1974 Trials schedule was approved. This finds the straight pair and single on August 3-4, the coxed pair and double on August 10-11, the Nationals on August 15-18, and the straight four and quad on August 24-25. It was also brought up, and the editors of the Rowing Guide were instructed, to display a prominent warning to the effect that FISA in changing its amateur rule—had failed to follow the United States' lead concerning coached remaining amateurs. Their failure to change the existing FISA rule raises a real conflict for anyone who is coaching and yet hopes to continue competing as an amateur at the FISA level, and any such competitor should clear his status with the Board of Directors of the NAAO. The entire procedure for choosing and qualifying the Youth and Lightweight teams for this summer's FISA racing was decided, as will be found in the minutes.

To Connecticut, well done! Despite the energy crisis and zero degree temperatures featuring ice storms and assorted meteorological goodies, attendance was high for all the meetings and clinics, and especially for the awards dinner. It's very good for the sport to bring such gatherings to various parts of the country, so that local people can see what's happening and can continue or return to involvement with the sport. It was truly a year of great progress for the NAAO, and the goings on at the Rowing Weekend more than reflected that fact. 

Midwest Sprints



Midwest Rowing Championships
Lake Wingra
Madison, Wisconsin
APRIL 27, 1974
Entries Available: 1440 Monroe Street
Madison, Wisc. 53711



Schoolboy Rowing Association of America
* * * **Fortieth Annual Regatta** * * *
Saturday Morning, May 25, 1974 - Heats, Friday May 24th
St. Andrews School, Middletown, Dela.

Junior Events

Singles, Doubles, Fours with, Eights, Quadruple Sculls

Senior Events

Singles, Doubles, Fours with, Eights
135 lb. Eights, Quadruple Sculls

International Youth Events

Pairs with, Pairs without, Fours without



Pat Tyra organizing the bow markers at the Head of the Charles, '73.

photo: Jones

(W) WOMEN'S REGATTAS

March 23
Deering Cup (NYAC)
William J. Braxton Cup

March 30
Pelham Manor Regatta (NYAC)
McCarthy Cup, Villanova—Penn—
Georgetown (150)
(W) Penn—Georgetown
Liberty Bell Regatta

April 6
Logg Cup—Rutgers—Princeton
Columbia—Princeton (150)
Rutgers—Penn (150)
U.S.C.G.—Yale—Kentschool (150)
Boston U.—Yale
Columbia—Syracuse—Marist
Westchester Country Championships (NYAC)
Grimaldi Cup
Miami Invitational Regatta
(W) Worcester Poly—Radcliffe
(W) Williams—Washington College
(W) Penn—Barnard

April 7
(W) M.I.T.—Connecticut College

April 13
Easter Regatta (NYAC)
Columbia—Harvard—Rutgers (150)
Cornell—Penn (150)
Yale—M.I.T. (150)
Princeton—Navy (150)
M.I.T.—Columbia
Boston U.—Brown
Princeton—Navy
Rutgers—Yale—Northeastern
Melbourn Regatta
(W) M.I.T.—Worcester Poly
(W) Penn—Princeton—Boston U.—Barnard
(W) Williams—Radcliffe

Travers Island
Philadelphia

Travers Island

Philadelphia
Washington, D.C.
Philadelphia

Princeton
New York
New Brunswick
New Haven
New Haven
Poughkeepsie
Travers Island
Travers Island
Miami, Fla.
Boston
Chestertown, Md.
Philadelphia

New London

Travers Island
New York
Ithaca
Cambridge
Annapolis
New York
Boston
Annapolis
New Haven
Melbourn, Fla.
Worcester
Princeton
Syracuse

EAST

April 20
Hughes Cup (NYAC) (4½ miles)
Georgetown—Navy (150)
Dodge Cup—Columbia—Penn—Yale (150)
Piatt Cup—Cornell, Princeton, Rutgers (150)
Biglin Cup—Dartmouth—Harvard—M.I.T. (150)
Childs Cup—Columbia—Penn—Princeton
Stein Cup—Brown—Harvard
Northeastern—M.I.T.—Boston U.
Navy—Yale—U.S.C.G.
Rutgers—Syracuse
Florida State Collegiate Championship
(W) Williams—M.I.T.
(W) Penn—Wellesley—Worcester Poly
(W) Connecticut College—Princeton—Syracuse

April 26-27
Southern Intercollegiate Rowing Assoc.

April 27
Gen. John Glover Cup (NYAC)
Wood-Hammond Cup—Penn—Princeton (150)
Durand Cup—Dartmouth—Rutgers—Yale (150)
Geiger Cup—Columbia—Cornell—M.I.T. (150)
Haines Cup—Harvard—Navy (150)
Goes Cup—Cornell—Syracuse—Navy
Compton Cup—Harvard—Princeton—M.I.T.
Bill Cup—Boston U.—Dartmouth—Rutgers
Brown—Columbia—Northeastern
Long Island Sound Intercollegiate Championship
(W) Worcester Poly—Connecticut College
(W) Williams—Princeton
(W) Wellesley—M.I.T.—Radcliffe—Boston U.

April 28
Blackwell Cup—Penn—Yale
Finals, Manny Flick Cup (Schoolboy)
(W) Penn—Yale

Travers Island
Annapolis
New York
Princeton
Cambridge
New York
Providence
Boston
Annapolis
New Brunswick
Disney World, Fla.
Boston
Worcester
Syracuse

Stone Mountain, Ga.

Travers Island
Princeton
Hanover, N.H.
Cambridge
Cambridge
Ithaca
Princeton
Boston
Providence
Port Jefferson, L.I.
New London
Princeton
Boston

Philadelphia
Philadelphia
Philadelphia

April 27
Marietta—Georgetown
Mid-Western Rowing Championship
Mercyhurst Invitational Regatta
Wayne State—Caniclus

May 4
Mid-America Regatta
Washburn—Nebraska

May 11
Oklahoma St.—Washburn
St. Johns—Shorewood—Marquette
Lane Tech (Schoolboy)
U. Wisc. at Milwaukee—Milwaukee Eng.
Marquette (College)

May 18
Grand Valley—Minn. St. Thomas
Wichitennial River Festival
Wayne State—Mercyhurst
Wichita River Festival

Washington, D.C.
Madison, Wis.
Erie, Pa.
Buffalo

Marietta, O.
Lincoln, Neb.

Stillwater, Okla.

Delafield, Wisc.

Delafield, Wisc.

Minnesota
Topeka, Kan.
Detroit, Mich.
Wichita, Kan.

May 25
Central States Schoolboy

May 27
Michigan State Championship
Memorial Day Regatta

June 14
Wisconsin—Harvard

July 6-7
Central States Regatta

July 13-14-20-21
Milwaukee World Summerfest

July
Duluth Portorama

Sept. 2
Labor Day Regatta
St. Paul Rowing Assoc.

Wyandotte, Mich.

East Lansing, Mich.
St. Paul, Minn.

Madison, Wisc.

Detroit, Mich.

Milwaukee, Wisc.

Duluth, Minn.

Lake Elmo, Minn.

FOREIGN

June 29-30
Nottingham International Regatta

Baasbahn Regatta

July 4-5-6-7
Henley Royal Regatta

July 13-14
(W) W.A.R.C. Sculls

July 27-28
(W) Ratzeburg Regatta

Aug. 1-2-3-4
European Junior Championships

Holme Pierrepont
Nottingham, England
Amsterdam, Neth.

Henley, England

Tideway, England

Ratzeburg, GFR (West)

Ratzeburg, GFR (West)

Aug. 10-11
(W) Hanover Womens Regatta

Aug. 29-30-31
Sept. 1
(W) Women's World Championships

Sept. 4-5-6-7-8
Men's World Championships

Sept. 5-6-7
Lightweight World Championships

May or Oct.
Pan-American Games

Hanover

Luzern, Swiz.

Luzern, Swiz.

Luzern, Swiz.

Sao Paolo, Brazil

THE OARSMAN

Official publication of The National Association of Amateur Oarsmen



a keen eye on the world of rowing

Competing \$4/yr.
Sustaining(non-competing members) \$10/yr.

THE OARSMAN subscription inquiries
should be directed to:

Executive Secretary, NAAO
No. 4 Boat House Row
Philadelphia, Pa. 19130
Area Code (215) - PO 9-2068



Safety!

First, Last — and ALWAYS

By Jack Franklin

Just a little over a year ago I assisted Georgetown coach Frank Benson in a demonstration staged for the benefit of certain officers of the U.S. Coast Guard who were responsible for Water Sports Safety. We showed how difficult it is to flip a sculling boat and how easy it was to hang on, head safely above water, if the shell did sink or turn over. We demonstrated the fact that a sweep would easily support a man weighing 185 pounds. We revealed the inherent flotation features of racing shells and this revelation, plus the other demonstrations, so impressed the Coast Guard officers they deleted all of the previously printed requirements regarding the carrying of life preservers. However, they would not have done so had they not been assured that every oarsman is instructed to **NEVER LEAVE THE BOAT**.

I was quite honest in offering that assurance, because it was beyond my powers of comprehension even to imagine that any oarsman would not have this basic safety rule drummed into his head from the day he entered the boathouse.

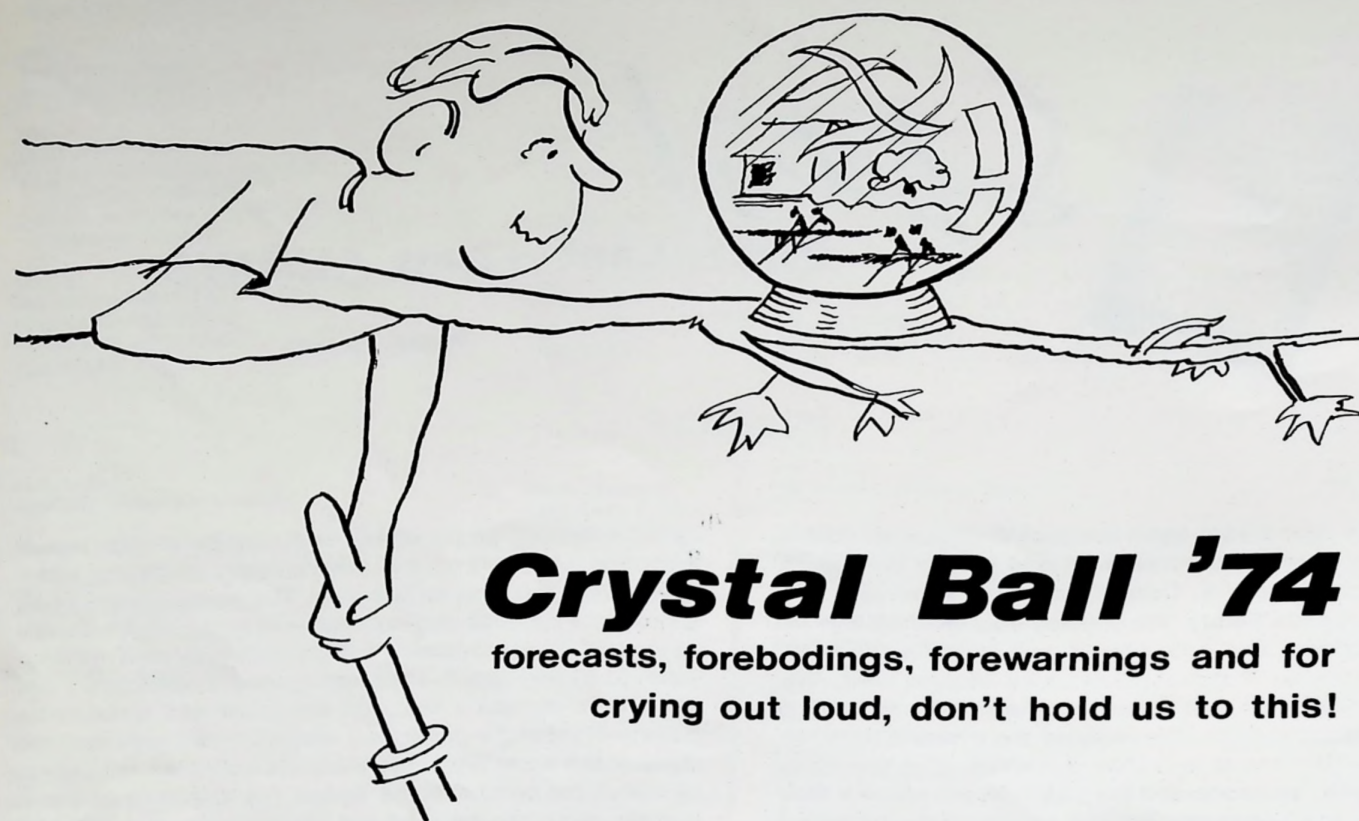
Perhaps I was more conscious of the fundamental rules of safety because for 30 years I rowed and coached on the wide open stretch of the Potomac below Washington. As an oarsman I respected the river; as a coach I feared it. I found out early in the game that an oar was a life preserver. I discovered that an eight would support all nine of its occupants when completely sunk, and that the crew could still move the boat in the direction of safety even though they were immersed to the shoulders. I knew all of this and I made damned sure the oarsmen knew it. But I also knew that in a stress situation, they might panic and forget so I added an extra safety factor — I was always there. I never sent a crew out alone. If the associate coach was not available on a given day, I handled what I could *safely* handle and left the rest ashore. In order to assure that all of the oarsmen were accompanied, I was on the water at sun-up and left at dark (with a few intervening hours for the office!). I was once told by a coach from another city, "You just don't go out with every crew." I did and you would too, if you had shared only one of my experiences. One afternoon while coaching two novice eights I observed a storm coming up. Fortunately, I had only the two eights, and another coach was still on the water. Just as I got the first crew close to the float, the wind and rain hit. I managed to grab an oar of the nearest crew but the other boat blew out of sight. While wrestling with my

eight, I screamed for the other coach, Jon Butler. He tore off down river for the other crew. Having finally landed my eight, I sped down the river to help Jon. The waves were running two to three feet high and my heart was in my mouth. Finally we spotted the eight coming back, a mile away from the float, followed by the launch. I felt instantaneous relief until I saw Jon was in the cox'n seat and the driver was alone in the launch. I knew the coxie had washed overboard, and had some of the worst moments of my life until his head popped up out of the bottom of the launch. He had been unable to turn the eight into the wind and Jon had somehow managed to take his place. We got them back safely but I have never doubted that had those young men gone out unescorted all eighteen would have drowned. Incidentally, I do not consider the ability to swim a safety factor.

Never happen on your millpond? Don't you believe it! More oarsmen have drowned on the narrow, relatively shallow, and usually placid Schuylkill than on all of the rest of this country's rowing courses added together. Why? Probably lack of respect, lack of fear, and certainly lack of an accompanying launch.

For God's sake, let's wake up! People, the best people in the world, oarswomen and oarsmen, are drowning. Let all of us — officials, coaches and oarsmen — see that this unnecessary waste is stopped immediately. Commit this one simple sentence to memory: "Every person who goes on any body of water, in any kind of boat, is a potential drowning victim." When you recruit a person to row on your crews, getting him or her signed up imposes upon the coach the responsibility to assure that he or she rows with all the protection you can possibly provide. *Make them know they are never to leave the shell until it is landed.* Whether you row on the Oakland Estuary or the Noxontown Pond, if you are the coach, paid or volunteer, *go with your crew*. If you are an official of a rowing organization, remember — even though you may not now have an active interest in the rowing program, you may be actively involved in a situation that can produce instant poverty. If you have a coach, see that he practices all safety precautions. If you don't have a coach, send the oarsmen home.

Rowing is the best of all sports. It is a way of life every young person should have the opportunity to enjoy. But what has rowing ever done to justify the loss of one life? 



Crystal Ball '74

forecasts, forebodings, forewarnings and for
crying out loud, don't hold us to this!

MEN'S

- I. HEAVYWEIGHT (Hugh Foley)
- II. LIGHTWEIGHT EARC (G. Kilpatrick)
- III. MIDWEST (Fred Mann)
- IV. WEST (Joshua...)

I. HEAVYWEIGHT EARC By Hugh Foley

Boston University — Despite the fact that the Terriers have only two men back from their 'middlingly' good Frosh eight of '73, Coach Foley feels that Boston U. will still be a tough competitor this year. His enthusiasm is buoyed by two sophomores who were ineligible to row last spring and by an infusion of new talent in three transfer students who have the size and ability to row in the first boat. Coach Foley hopes that a mixture of these new members and his returning IRA finalist four w/cox will give the Terriers their first speed since the late '60's.

Brown University — The Savages of the Seekonk seem somewhat subdued this season. Coach Michalson lost five oarsmen and the cox from his fine Varsity eight of last spring. To replace these men he has to look to a slim group of sophomores who possess some good individual talent. The other source of power is the almost intact J.V. which was only one length off Wisconsin at the IRA. Not the worst of situations, and Mike has a way of getting the most out of his men. Brown is nobody's cupcake.

(Continued on next page)

WOMEN'S

- V. NORTHEAST (Bart Gullong)
- VI. MIDWEST
- VII. NORTHWEST (Kathy Lazara)
- VIII. SOUTHWEST (Kathy Lemmon)

V. NORTHEAST WOMEN'S By Bart Gullong

The days of innocence in women's rowing are nearly over. A schism is rapidly developing along the lines already separating men's rowing, lines such as EARC versus Dad Vail and groupings determined by administrative support and student body size. This may be the last year in which winning crews are the product of the drive of the coach, the development of the competitive edge, and the spirit of the women. This is the way the scene appears:

Radcliffe — John Baker, poorly paid but competent coach, has six returning Moscow veterans and apparently already has chosen his back-up string from the five other crews which appeared at the Head of the Charles. With a new Schoenbrod epoxy eight and apparently endless funds, this will be the crew to beat.

Princeton — If anyone can stop Radcliffe, this is one of the crews to do it in spite of its loss of many oarswomen from the National Bronze Medal eight. The hard-nosed training and financial support that Al Piranian seems to muster will make Princeton a force to reckon with.

(Continued on next page)

MEN'S

Columbia — John Abele is going into the second year of his reign with the heavyweight Lions. He is only losing two men through graduation but has a very small number of Frosh returnees to fill the gaps. Things look lean for the Harlem Harbitues but hopefully a stronger foundation is being built for future boats. There is talk in the air of renewed emphasis in the sports programs at Columbia and the rowing program will surely profit from this new interest.

Cornell — The first words heard from Coach Doug Neil after he took on the Cornell position was "We got some good-looking material here." Such a comment from a man just out of a body shop like Wisconsin suggests that the material on his new squad has got to be good. Their Head of the Charles entries were very strong, which would seem to indicate that the J.V. and Frosh boats of last spring had some boatmovers in them despite their relatively weak showings in post-season races. All the Big Red needs is water time this spring and they will definitely be one of the leaders.

Dartmouth — Hopes are high at Hanover! Their cracker-jack Frosh boat that won the Sprints and finished only one length behind the big tough MIT and Wisconsin boats has infused new life into the Green Machine. Pete Gardner has a real challenge getting his squad tuned up for their season; they open with Rutgers and Boston U. and then clash with MIT and Wisconsin a week later. One more week sees them at the Sprints — Whew! The late spring in northern New Hampshire will probably keep them from reaching full speed until the IRA at the end of May, but they will definitely be in the thick of things there.

Harvard — Some people's problems are other people's solutions. The Crimson have found themselves number 3 at the finish line of the Sprints for three years now — to most of us that's good but to the Johns, that's bad. Indications are that this year they are once again eager and able to do battle with the best of the pretenders. Two men left the V. boat via graduation and most of the returnees spent the summer competing for seats at the National Camp in Hanover and for laurels in Moscow (that's not in Idaho). Add to this enviable nucleus a J.V. returning intact and a typically eager bunch of sophomores, and you have shades of the old glory of Harvard rowing in the late 60's.

M.I.T. — The Beavers blossomed late last year moving from 8th at the Sprints to 5th at the IRA. Coach Pete Holland hopes to add to that improvement this year and see his crews among the frontrunners at the Sprints. With Northeastern, Harvard and Wisconsin on successive weekends, the Engineers have a brutal schedule but is should put them in good racing form for the Worcester Wrangle. Pete lost 3 V. boat men but gained a rough 'n tough boatload of sophs that lost a squeaker to Wisconsin as Frosh in Syracuse. If he can smooth out the rough and keep the tough, it will be very hard to stay in front of the Tech crews on race day.

Navy — On paper it looks as though Carl Ullrich may be faced with a rebuilding year. Nine Mids are gone from last year's squad, roughly half of both the Varsity and J.V. In addition, the Plebes didn't show their customary power at the post-season regattas. Navy has a good schedule though, and they may be able to build their confidence by doing well in the early season.

Northeastern — There is no relief for the Husky's opponents this year. Although five of that fantastic eight are gone,

(Continued on next page)

WOMEN'S

B.U. — Dan Bakinowski's surprise win in the 4's race at the EAWRC Regatta last spring was a sure indication that B.U. is a "dark horse" no more; their showing at the Head was equally convincing. A new Schoenbrod shell and the tremendous size of his women will surely put him in strong contention.

Williams — Barring bad weather and ice, George Marcus's coaching and the size and experience of his oarswomen will again make Williams a strong contender if they can solve rigging problems and get the rating up.

Connecticut — A new shell will strengthen the Connecticut program, but turnover, a late energy crisis opening, loss of the invaluable Florida trip, and the turbulent waters of the Thames River could cause problems.

M.I.T. — Turnover and back injuries have caused problems in the past for M.I.T.'s usually strong crews. Strength, support, and good water could do it this year, but Dave Burns may have to hustle to get his crews back into a winning frame of mind.

U. Mass — This crew could be a real sleeper if it is allowed to race by the administration. Student body size and selective recruiting have produced women of awesome size.

W.P.I. — Little has been heard from dark horse W.P.I. in the past two years, but when Jeff Shaw took over coaching duties they started moving. The girls have considerable racing experience, but may be hampered by a large turnover. If the ice goes out of Quinsigamond early enough, many EAWRC coaches may be hearing too much from W.P.I.

U. Penn — With new support from the administration, a strong undergraduate recruiting drive, and the college boat club girls setting the pace, Joane Iverson's crews may be contending with the New England colleges sooner than anyone thought possible.

Syracuse — Organizational problems, insitutional attitudes, and late springs have made Syracuse slow in appearing on the women's scene. Hopefully, many facilities on campus will become available and Mark Casey will find himself at the helm of a winning crew.

Wesleyan — A fall program has given Wesleyan a boost. Pat Calahan knew little of rowing when he started coaching in the fall, but apparently knew a lot about competition; under the tutelage of Jimmy Joy, this program will be a consistent fall performer, but its spring status is still vague.

Trinity — Injuries, rigging changes, high spring water, and the fact that coach Gary Caldwell will be coaching the lightweight and freshmen, all make Trinity a doubtful starter this year. Watch, however, for strong Trinity women training at clubs for the Nationals.

Middletown High School — Graduation losses slowed Middletown in the fall, but Jack Smith will stir up spirit from his gutsy young oarswomen. Though they may win some races, Jack will probably soon take a seat at the top of the prep school ranks and leave the colleges to battle among themselves.

Wellesley — A late spring, no place to train, little equipment, and small funds make Wellesley a slight threat in the eights; however, Bobby Jordan's strength seems to lie in the fours. It will take a change in administrative philosophy before we can expect much from the Wellesley women.

U.R.I. — Coaching turn-overs and no college support have plagued the U.R.I. women. A new boathouse might help, but

(Cont'd on p. 34)

CRYSTAL BALL—MEN'S (Cont'd from p. 29)

Coach Arlett still has Grand Challenge fever and that means Ernie is keeping his Sprints Winners and Henley Almosters around for another shot. With the grads setting the pace, the work is sure to be torrid for the undergrads, and that translates to fast boats. Only two men left the finalist J.V. and they have a huge flock of Sophs who are keen to make themselves a legend in their own time. There may be no superstars in this year's V. boat but there is strength in numbers.

Pennsylvania — The Quakers are always a good boat race. They have lots of experienced people and they work hard. The problem Ted Nash faces this year is how to fill the 3-5 vacancies in the V. boat caused by graduation and by two-three varsity men who have decided to train on their own for the International season. Ted has need of some qualified boat movers if Penn is to be competitive with the leaders. There is some help in the returning J.V. men, but the men from his finalist Frosh boat will probably provide the bulk of the power.

Princeton — With the town of Princeton soon to become the center of collegiate rowing by merit of their new multi-laned, bouyed, by-the-book race course, Coach Pete Sparhawk is anxious to boat crews that will match the quality of their home "court." Pete must be content to rebuild this year, however, with only four V. boat men returning and a limited Soph class to fill in the gaps. Princeton will have the 1975 Eastern Sprints on their new course, so perhaps Pete will wait until next year to make his move to the front of the pack.

Rutgers — Eight men lost from the squad, six from the V. boat and a couple from the J.V. That's a pretty big hole to fill.

Coach Bill Leavitt still has his stroke and #5 man from last year's IRA finalist but he has his work cut out for him if he is to stitch together a big strong boat. To start with he has the core of his Frosh eight which did well as a four at Syracuse; the rest are to come from the J.V. and that silk top hat Bill keeps for these occasions. The Knights often seem to be down on manpower and yet still race and finish well; this could be one of those years.

Syracuse — Syracuse is looking to make a strong move from last season's middle-of-the-road finish. Only two men graduated from the first boat and there is some good size in the Soph class to replace them. Coach Bill Sanford should have the numbers this year to generate some heated contests for seats and that can only mean faster boats.

Wisconsin — DEVASTATING!! An IRA winner in each of the three eights and 26 of them are back for more this year. So that their competitors not rest easy on their shovels, the Badgers paid their annual visit to the Head of the Charles and scorched over the course laying waste the best in the East. There is always a problem with late snow and ice in Madison, so Randy Jablonic may have to wait until the IRA to see his squad reach their real potency.

Yale — Tony Johnson has been waiting a long time for the right combination of people and it appears that this may be the year. Nobody graduated last year and he welcomed back one of the best Frosh eights they have had in some time at Yale. Take the impressive V. four Yale had at the IRA, add a couple of big guns from the Frosh boat, sprinkle lightly with two-three eager Eli's, and you've got a hot prospect for the top six. It looks good on paper and Tony will surely be trying to make it look just as good on the water.

Now then to climb out to my customary perch on the limb I will forecast the finishing order of the Sprints and IRA.

Sprints

Harvard — they have to — pride
Wisconsin — too early, just tuning up
Cornell — all the pieces are there
Northeastern — slightly off the pace
MIT — they've got the horses
Penn or Brown — strong racers but unknown.

IRA

Wisconsin — it's inevitable
Cornell — this could be quite a battle
MIT — hitting their stride.
Northeastern — this isn't their regatta.
Brown, Penn, Dartmouth — my crystal ball is getting cloudy here.

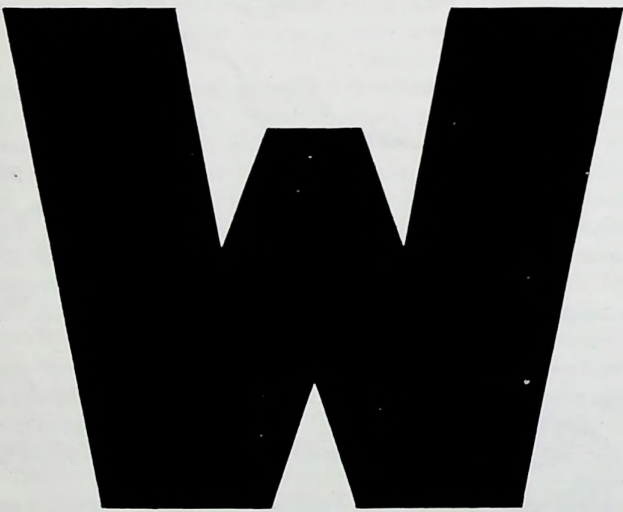
II. LIGHTWEIGHT EARC by Garry Kilpatrick

Lightweight crews have finally won their well-deserved recognition, advancing the status of each lightweight oarsman. Some of the influencing factors have been Princeton's win at Henley and the sanctioning of lightweight events by F.I.S.A.

These and other factors have given great impetus to the noticeable rise in the membership of lightweight programs throughout the E.A.R.C. In conjunction with this growth, the Dad Vail regatta has recently added a lightweight championship.

There are numerous coaching changes at the varsity level, including Navy, MIT, Yale, and Columbia. Freshman coaching changes are as follows: Columbia (Johnson), Cornell (Dunn), MIT (Malarkey), Navy (Ogden), Princeton (Smith),

(Continued on next page)



WHERE THEY ROW
THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
MID-WEST INTERNATIONAL ROWING CENTER
Madison, Wisconsin



WITH THESE SHOES...

Comes one of the world's finest racing shells.

KASCHPER RACING SHELLS LTD.

The Kaschper building method, working three wood veneers onto a special vacuum mold, assures a much stronger than normal shell with skin free of nails, screws and vulnerable joints.

ALL COMPETITION SIZES ARE AVAILABLE

P.O. Box 40, LUCAN, ONTARIO, CANADA

Penn (Wittig), and Yale (Hale). These changes should benefit the strength and depth of the league.

Columbia — "Where there is a will, there is a way." Rejecting the perennial problems of stone storms, cadavers and the Circle Line, the shallow but game squad of Lions will return to the Harlem under the tutelage of rookie coach Lewis Evans. It should be an uphill battle, but rumors are encouraging as the season approaches.

Cornell — A very fine showing at the Head has set the pace and momentum for the season which should carry through to May. With three strong varsity boats champing at the bit and fighting the ice conditions, the Big Red has a good shot at a finalist position if they can get the water time and a higher stroke than in years past.

Dartmouth — In the innovative program of sharing Pete Gardner's wiles with the heavies, the Dartmouth lightweights will be struggling against the northern winter again, hopefully with more rewards this year. It is a shame that very little time is available for this athletic institution to produce lightweight crews.

Harvard — In the Avis position, Harvard looks to '74 to regain the throne, and has over three boats with which to launch the assault. Boosted by Dick Prentke's unheralded '73 frosh, the Johns loom as certain finalists and good contenders for the top.

M.I.T. — Under new management! Watch out! Another Northeastern oarsman broke into the coaching ranks as Bill Miller, who has logged many miles on the international scene, prompted his crews to a very impressive performance at the Head, where his first boat placed a very close second.

We can expect Bill to turn the program around quickly and to produce a strong contender for the finals.

Navy — New Varsity Coach John Van Amringe takes over this year and there's no telling how he will deal with the pool of talent the Navy offers every year. He has over three boats on the water, and this could be the start of something big! We should be ready for a surprise from this most unpredictable crew.

Pennsylvania — It is rumored that this team, with more time on the water than anybody else, is destined for Henley this summer. Though "aided" unofficially by the cocked head and watchful eye of Woody Fischer, the Godfather of lightweight rowing, Penn should feel the loss of energetic Pete Mallory.

Princeton — "Alas, a crimson tidal change." Crews racing at Princeton are in for a special treat: a six-lane, bouyed Olympic course. With three boats manned principally by underclassmen, the Tigers are counting on their six returning varsity oars to defend the Thames Cup.

Rutgers — After a vast improvement in the '73 season, the Knights may have received the shot in the arm sufficient to make them major contenders. Although the squad is a bit shallow, there is no dearth of spunk, and we have to consider Rutgers the dark horse.

Yale — Dave Vogel is taking over the varsity reins for '74, and everyone hopes his first campaign will be successful. Eli is looking for an upward step, so the blue crews are sure to be more competitive than in recent years.

Coast Guard — The lightweight coaches unanimously hope that this fine crew will race in the Sprints after its third place

(Continued on next page)

FRANKLIN MOTOR INN

Benjamin Franklin Parkway at 22nd Street
PHILADELPHIA

300 ROOMS • SWIM POOL

Cocktail Lounge • Dining Room • Dial-A Phones •
TV (7 Channels) & HiFi in Each Room • Individual
Room-Control Air Conditioners • Free Ice Dis-
pensers • Meeting Rooms (up to 150 capacity) •
Special Group & Family Rates—No Charge for
Children Sharing Parents' Room



you CAN have it both ways!

- be right in center of town
- and next to Boat House Row, too.

Philadelphia's only in-town Motor Hotel with FREE Ground-Level Parking, is but a step from the Park and River. Parking area accommodates your largest shells and our team facilities will make you right at home.

Write or Call for Brochure,
Rates and Reservations (215) LO 8-8300

(Cont'd from p. 31)

finish at the Head this fall, even though it is not yet a member of the E.A.R.C. It is a good bet that the Coast Guard oarsmen could find themselves in the finals.

Making these predictions is like sawing off the branch you're sitting on. I can foresee a real dogfight for the first four places, and a mad scramble for places four through six, though this group could be quite separated from the rest of the field. I see the results shaping up in this order: (1) Princeton, (2) M.I.T., (3) Harvard, (4) Penn, (5) Rutgers, (6) Cornell, followed by Navy, Yale, Dartmouth and Columbia in the petite finale.

III. MIDWEST By Fred Mann

Grand Valley State — In Coach Paul Springer's fourth year, Grand Valley State conducted its first fall program to overcome late thaws and low budgeting. This year in Allendale there are five three-year lettermen back and an experienced varsity. G.V.S. will probably break into the win column a little earlier this year.

Kansas State — Coach Don Rose says of his veteran crew, "The morale is perhaps the best we've ever had." The wildcats will be led by captains Rex Tjaden and Art Nietfeld.

Marietta — The perennially powerful Pioneers, defending frosh, J.V., and lightweight Dad Vail Champs, return with no less than 20 Vail-winning oarsmen, including three-time winner Frank Neczypor. Coach Ralph Lindamood will keep opponents floundering in Pioneer puddles.

Minnesota — The Gophers welcome two new coaches, Dr. Art Erdman of Rutgers for J.V. and frosh, and Dr. Roman

Nowygrod of Harvard as the varsity coach. With 14 heavyweights and 17 lightweights, the program is growing and heading for some wins.

Nebraska — Coach Peter Zandbergen, with 17 returning lettermen and a big range freshman crop, anticipates the best competitive year of the four-year Cornhusker program.

Oklahoma State — Through the generosity of Kansas State, Washburn and Nebraska, Jim Glass, the former Canadian sculling champ will be able to test his fledgling program in Oklahoma's first race on April 13 at Kansas State.

Notre Dame — Thirteen lettermen are riding a wave of intense enthusiasm that only the members of a struggling boat club seem to generate. If the new Coach, Gavin Viano, could somehow channel that energy to the blades of the Irish oars, the football and basketball teams would become as dim a memory as Spiro Agnew.

Purdue — An increased budget and a week of intense training at Wisconsin over spring break are two reasons to hope that Purdue can rally from a mediocre season in '73. Only three men return from the varsity boat, but they will be ably supported by eager Sophs and some out-of-retirement veterans. The Midwest Sprint Lightweight Champs, led by Bob Boyd, should help as well.

IV. WEST COAST By Joshua, in collaboration with G. WroughHauser

U.C. Irvine — Speed is brewing in this West Coast camp after a summer of torrid competition at the Canadian Henley and

(Continued on next page)

EASTERN ASSOCIATION OF ROWING COLLEGES

29TH CHAMPIONSHIP *SPRINT REGATTA*

HEAVYWEIGHT & LIGHTWEIGHT
EIGHTS

All races 2,000 meters
SATURDAY, MAY 11TH
LAKE QUINSIGAMOND
WORCESTER — SHREWSBURY
MASS.



MEMBER COLLEGES

Boston University, Brown, Columbia,
Cornell, Dartmouth, Georgetown University,
Harvard, M.I.T., Navy, Northeastern,
Pennsylvania, Princeton, Rutgers,
Syracuse, Wisconsin, Yale



F. COLLAR
LIMITED
OAR SCULL AND MAST SPECIALIST

Tubular Racing Oars
and Sculls
Pleasure Sculls

Maker to University,
College and Clubs
Throughout the World

For information and
U. S. sales, contact: **Hart Perry c/o Kent School, Kent, Conn. 06757**

all-year training. Though Rob Earnst's crews displayed frustrating inconsistency at the Sprints last year, we are looking for steady application of the speed that is there, and the newest threat in town.

U.C. Los Angeles — Steve Gladstone's words are minced: "Same crew, probably same speed." We don't believe it, and foresee big problems for any complacent winners of yesterday as this growing power looks toward the Sprints with Big Ideas.

Long Beach — The caps and gowns took a terrible toll and in the wake there is little to expect from Long Beach but a solid rebuilding year.

Orange Coast — The junior college that rows in anything but a diminutive fashion is back with as much strength as ever to pursue the J.V. title. It should be a great battle with Wash-

ington again.

Oregon State — The dark horse of the West Coast, Oregon has been hiding in the 'tweenlands and no one is willing to deny that Oregon will be a mighty contender in '74.

U. of Washington — Husky Coach Erickson is suffering another Northwest drought of material with six varsity and eight freshman boats on the unrowable Lake Washington waters. In spite of insurmountable odds, he will, we guess, make another powerful appearance at the Sprints for, as one wry dachhund (underdog) put it, "The Same Old Thing."

The prognosticator computer makes out this order for the Western Sprints: (1) U. of Washington, (2) U.C.L.A., (3) U.C. Irvine, (4) Oregon, (5) Long Beach. After this, the screen becomes foggy....

Middle States Regatta Association

Coleman Boylan President
N.A.A.O.

William W. Donovan Vice President
Vesper Boat Club

Joseph A. Hasiak Secretary/Treasurer
Fairmount Rowing Association

83rd Annual Regatta

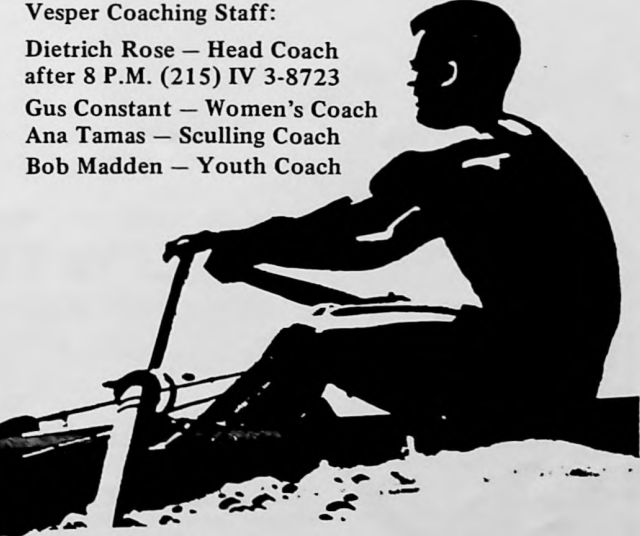
SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 1974
Schuylkill River, Philadelphia, Pa.

"LATROBE GOGSWELL TROPHY"
To Club Scoring Most Points

VESPER 1974

Specialized coaching in sculling and small boats is available at Vesper Boat Club. We have one of the finest inventories of small boats in the country. Oarsmen who cannot aspire to the National Camp are invited to join our forces.

Vesper Coaching Staff:
Dietrich Rose — Head Coach
after 8 P.M. (215) IV 3-8723
Gus Constant — Women's Coach
Ana Tamas — Sculling Coach
Bob Madden — Youth Coach



VESPER BOAT CLUB

10 E. River Drive Philadelphia, Pa. 19130

CRYSTAL BALL—WOMEN'S

(Cont'd from p. 29)

without administrative commitment, a large student body and early water are wasted.

U.N.H. — Where the Bayers go, rowing seems to follow. New Garofolo eights have started U.N.H. with some potentials. Their size and spirit will have to work over time, however, to compete with their terrible spring weather.

Dartmouth — Late spring and club status combine to apparently seal the fate of this northernmost rowing college in New England. Their future apparently lies with summer and fall rowing.

Smith — We are still waiting for T.C. Mendenhall and Rita Benson's girls to appear on the competitive scene. Single and pair-oared events at the EAWRC Regatta should give them their first chance.

VI. MIDWEST WOMEN'S

University of Wisconsin — Twenty-five Wisconsin women and their coach, Jay Mimier, are working out regularly in their rowing tank and are looking forward to the Open Eight event at the National Women's Rowing Association Annual Regatta in June, and should be strong contenders there.

The Duluth (Minnesota) Rowing Club — With luck, the Duluth oarswomen will get on the icy water of Lake Superior in mid-April. The club's beloved coach, Mr. Henning Peterson, passed away a couple of years ago, but the group still continues on enthusiastically under the direction of coach John Crist.

University of Minnesota — Coached by Ron Korpi, half lightweights and half heavyweights, this group has been working out in a gym since mid-autumn, sharing the gym with the football team yet! Presently rowing out of the Minneapolis Rowing Club, they are drawing up plans for their own boat-house. The crew is going to have to raise most of the money on their own, and will be busy with fund-raising activities during this year.

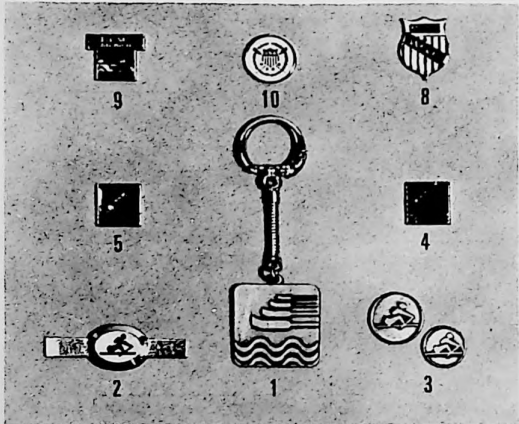
The Minneapolis Rowing Club — A conglomerate of all sizes, ages, and levels of experience, this crew is still looking for a place to work out during the winter and early spring. With only six weeks of water time before the Nationals, head coach Lloyd Ohme states, "We're going to the Nationals, no matter what!" He is aiming at the lightweight and heavy-weight quad events.

At the initial meeting of the Midwest Region of the National Women's Rowing Association, held in Minneapolis on January 19 it was decided to hold the first regatta on May 25 at St. Paul, Minnesota. There are a number of women's groups active or becoming active in the midwest. Some of these are the **University of Nebraska** women's crew, the **Milwaukee Rowing Club** women's crew, and the newly-formed women's group in **Kenora, Ontario**. Some organizations which may begin women's rowing programs are **Macalester College** in St. Paul, **Kansas State University**, and the **Wichita Rowing Club** in Wichita, Kansas. It is hoped that the **St. Paul Rowing Club** (officially known as the Minnesota Boat Club),

(Continued on next page)

ROWING JEWELRY

Rt. 1, Box 83
Buchanan, Michigan 49107
Phone: 616-695-9637



Please send me the items I have circled.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Enclosed please find ☐ check ☐ money order plus 50 cents for postage and handling for a total of \$ _____.

(Michigan Residents please add 4% sales tax.)

1. Key chain — blue enamel	\$2.00
2. Tie bar	2.00
2. Tie tack	2.00
2. Cuff links - set	3.00
3. Sport coat buttons — antique gold	
Set of 7 (3 lg. & 4 sm.)	4.00
3. Enameled buttons with colored backgrounds	
of red, maroon, orange, blue,	
green or black. Set of 7	5.00
4. Ladies Charm	1.50
4. Tie tack — blue rhodium	1.50
4. Lapel pin — blue rhodium	1.50
5. Tie tack — blue rhodium	1.50
5. Lapel pin — blue rhodium	1.50
8. NAAO—USA Shield, red, white, blue	2.00
9. 'Munich' lapel pin, blue enamel	1.00
10. Official NAAO pin with crossed sweeps	2.00

All proceeds from No. 8 & No. 10 go to the NAAO

“MISSION '76 MONTREAL”

T Shirts

Order in sizes S, M, L, XL

Imprint color: Red or Blue

1 shirt \$3.25 1 dozen \$36.00





**Introducing
A New Double
ALDEN
OCEAN SHELL**

Designed to make the great sport of rowing available to more people in more places. Row in the clear water of the ocean. Row close to home or away on a trip. Remove one of the self-contained OARMASTER Rowing rigs and row it as a single or single with passenger.

Martin Marine Company

Box 2510
Pepperrell Road Kittery Point, Maine 03905 Phone:
(207) 439-1507

which had a top-notch lightweight women's four for several years, will reappear on the midwestern women's rowing scene.

VII. NORTHWEST WOMEN'S By Kathy Lazara

In the Northwest there has been an increasing tendency toward women coaches. In eleven crews, there are women on the coaching staff. The University of Washington Women's Crew and Green Lake Girls' Crew both are under the direction of female coaches. Paula Mitchell and Colleen Lynch of U.W. are in their second season as coaches.

The coaches from Green Lake are both fromer G.L.C. oarswomen. Kathy Lazara is in her fifth season as coach and Pierr Morgan has just started her first full season with the crew.

Seattle Pacific College Crew has been rowing for one full year. This past fall a former U.W. oarswoman began coaching them. Jackie Etsell's women rowed well in the fall and should offer good spring competition.

Pacific Lutheran University has an excellent women's program. They have quality rowing without the direction of one coach. The oarswomen themselves have organized and improved their crew.

From **British Columbia** there are three active crews: **Vancouver Rowing Club**, **University of Victoria** and **Brentwood Girls' Crew**. Because of these three crews, we are able to have some "International Competition"...

Lakeside High School crew in Seattle has an excellent sculling program on the north end of Lake Washington. **Lake**

Washington Rowing Club also rows on this body of water out of the University of Washington shell house. L.W.R.C. is a small club with lots of experience and a desire for fast competition.

University of Oregon and **University of Puget Sound** are both important parts of the N.W. region. Both are relatively new crews and are progressing very rapidly.

VIII. SOUTHWEST WOMEN'S By Kathy Lemmon

The season looks bright for the newly-formed NWRA Southwest Region — providing that the fuel shortage doesn't inhibit travel too drastically. Last year's five competing teams have been joined by a competitive high school program at ZLAC, a ground-level crew from **Catherine Branson School** in Oakland, rumors of teams at **University of Southern California**, **University of the Pacific** at Stockton, and **US San Diego**, and a promising team at **San Diego State University**.

Long Beach looks as though it will be a stronger contender by Nationals time with a strong training program and growing numbers. The region is bound to show a lot of power with seven returnees from Long Beach, five from UC Santa Barbara, and large numbers from the Lake Merritt clubs.

San Diego State University surprised Long Beach and ZLAC at the annual LBRA Christmas regatta by nosing out Long Beach in the fours event. Long Beach finished 1-2-3- in the three-boat eight event.

LBRA is another power to keep an eye on. Coach Tom McKibbin has added five women to his elite team which has already produced international competitors in Joan Lind and Karen McCloskey.

THREE and FOUR STROKE ROWING TIMERS
HIGH GRADE 7 JEWEL

MINERVA 142-L
3-STROKE
Instantaneous
Re-start feature
Large size
List — \$72.80
\$50.00

GALLET 418-WR
3-STROKE
Standard size
List — \$93.80
\$65.50

HEUER 403.914
4-STROKE Large size
New fiberglass lightweight
water protected case
List — \$70.00
\$56.00

STOPWATCH REPAIR PROBLEMS?
We are now responsible for the stopwatch repairs for over 100 schools, colleges and many athletic organizations throughout the U.S..
SPECIAL — FREE Stopwatch Repair Forms upon request....

FELDMAR WATCH CO., INC.
9000 W. PICO BLVD., DEPT. OA
LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 90035 • (213) 272-1196

FREE UPON REQUEST: Brochure showing three and four stroke rowing timers as well as total time stop-watches.

MINUTES OF THE 1974 NAAO ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen was held at the Sheraton Motor Inn in Norwich, Connecticut on January 19, 1974 with 77 Member organizations represented by certified delegates.

I. Opening Business

A. At 2:00 p.m. President Hart Perry called the Meeting to order.

B. He proposed a moment of silence for the following departed notables:

Bud Smith, Princeton U and NRF
Oliver Brundage, Ohio Valley R.A.
Father Baldwin, Fr. Judge H.S.
Butch Swartz, Yale
Bill Braxton, Schuylkill B.C.
Charles Kershaw, Kent School
Jack Arlette, Henley

C. 1. The President called for the report on the check of credentials. This was accomplished by the Executive Secretary. They retired to count ballots. The following appointments were announced: Mr. Bayer, Chief Judge and Messrs. Hillen and Butt, Tellers.

2. The Chief Judge, E. Bayer, reported on the Election of Directors to the Board. FOUR YEAR TERM BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Budd (58), Sanford (56), Stowe (49), Frailey (44), Gardner (38), Fischer (31), Lippett (31), Colgan (26), Hines (23), Vespoli (19), Schnorr (18), Foote (15), Ronayne (15), Feaster (12), Wray (8).

3. A written ballot from Delegates present was taken to break the tie that existed between Peter Lippett and Woody Fischer for a one year term on the Board of Directors. Peter Lippett was elected by 28 to 27 vote.

D. It was announced by the President that he had received a letter of resignation from the Board of Directors from Ted McCagg. The ruling of the Executive Committee is that the person receiving sixth highest vote count in this year's elections to the Board of Directors fill that one year term vacancy.

E. The President thanked Mr. Bill Stowe for his work in arranging the facilities for this meeting.

F. Certificates of recognition from the NAAO were presented to the following because of the great contribution they have made to American rowing: Vic Michaelson, Brown University and past Chairman of the USORC; Thad Bennett, for his work "behind the scenes" with many U.S. Teams; The Head of the Charles Regatta - D'Arcy MacMahon accepted for the Regatta Committee.

G. The minutes of the 1973 national meeting were approved.

H. The minutes of the 1973 semi-annual meeting were approved.

II. A. The Chairman of the Executive Committee, President Perry, noted that the committee had met eight times in 1973. The minutes of those meetings were published in the Oarsman Magazine and are available on request.

B. The Long Range Planning and Development Committee was represented by Mr. William Knecht. The full report is available on request.

Question: Gail Pierson made the following remarks regarding the Amateur Athletic Act, Bill 2365: (1) The government will provide policing; (2) 20% of the members of any sports governing body would have to be competing members; (3) Individual competitors in a given sport would have a protest mechanism.

For these reasons Ms. Pierson does not want the NAAO to take a stand against that part of the bill.

Mr. Perry said that the Board of Directors analyzed the bills and its opinion is in favor of the Mathias Bill for protection of the athlete.

Tony Johnson, Yale, remarked that the NAAO has not taken a stand on the Tunny Bill. Mr. Perry said that is correct — the NAAO has not taken a public stand on it. At present, because of political pressures, sentiment is neither for, nor against it.

C. 1. The International Regatta Committee reported that 1973 saw the largest export of rowing talent from the U.S. Racing was of good caliber but more discussion on time standards and team selection is needed.

2. The President thanked the following individuals for their work with the international team: Tully Vaughan, Bill Pickard, Pete Gardner, Bill Hillen, Joanne Iverson, Charles Butt and Jack Franklin.

4. It was announced that there are plans for a Regatta of the Americas in Brazil but chances for financial support are not known at this time.

5. It was noted that there had been some talk at Nottingham about a Soviet/U.S. exchange. It was asked if the NAAO had any further information. The response was that Mr. Perry and the head of the USSR Rowing Federation had communicated about Junior and Senior Eights competition in Russian Regattas. It was found that the rowing seasons are not compatible; however, the issue is not dead.

6. At the conclusion of the Regatta in Moscow, Dietrich Rose took a crew to Heidelberg to compete in a regatta there. They did extremely well, winning a shell and other prizes.

D. 1 Rule Book: a. name has been changed to Rowing Guide; b. there will be a new Editor (Chuck Colgan and Don Schnorr will share the job); c. there will be a new issue in April at less cost.

2. Magazine, The Oarsman; a. issued five issues in 1973 at a cost of \$25,000; b. there has been an improvement in circulation thanks to Tully Vaughan; c. good addresses are essential to circulation. Organizations must give us proper information; d. advertising rates will be increased this year; e. there possibly will be a change in publishers (effective March/April); f. the non-profit status will delete the sales tax now being paid; g. Pete Raymond will be Assistant Editor for regatta coverage.

E. The report of the Judge Referee Committee is available on request. Not covered in the report is that fact that some officials have been criticized for enforcing existing rules. So that coaches may be informed, this committee will distribute a sheet containing past questions pertaining to officiating with the appropriate answers.

F. The Medical Committee presented its report in the Oarsman Magazine.

G. The Youth Committee has been reorganized. Their report is attached. It was noted that the Junior trials will be held on July 13 and 14 in Camden and that time standards will be used. This committee recommends that the NAAO supply a permanent wind measurement device.

H. The Coaches Committee report was given by Mr. Perry for Bill Stowe. He noted that this committee is charged with the responsibility of preparing a coaches directory and with setting up a procedure for certifying coaches, or means to build the coaches ranks.

I. Mr. Jack Sulger reported that the National Championship regatta will be held on August 15 at 9 a.m., August 16 at 10 a.m., August 17 at 10 a.m. and August 18 at 12 noon, Orchard Beach in New York. The National Regatta Committee report is available on request. Brian Ronayne was commended on his good work on 1973 regatta.

J. 1. The Lightweight Committee report is available on request. Chairman Woody Fischer remarked that this committee is the newest and so set a realistic goal in recommending the proposal

made to FISA for inclusion of a lightweight event in international championship. The proposal was accepted and the three events will be included in the World Championships in Lucerne as a FISA Championship for lightweights.

2. A question was raised about the time standards noted in the Committee's report. Woody Fischer said that the standards are mentioned in the report only to stimulate discussion.

K. Mr. Perry announced that Ad-Hoc Committees will be set up for Sculling, Veterans rowing, and Water Safety. The Sculling Committee will be used to give emphasis to that part of the sport. They will sponsor clinics, instructional weekends and whatever else can help the scullers of the U.S. The Veterans Committee is primarily limited to recreational rowing to keep those people involved in the sport and in Veteran's Tours. The Water Safety Committee will explore programs, devices, tests, etc. to maximize safety precautions in rowing programs.

L. The Board of Directors has approved the new article for the By-Laws that actually ties the NWRA closer to the NAAO. Women's rowing is rapidly increasing and the NAAO wants to be of assistance and to work with the NWRA. The by-law was attached to the July minutes and will appear as Article X of the By-Laws.

M. The report of the U.S. Olympic Men's Rowing Committee was given by Jack Frailey.

1. An article in the Oarsman by C. Chapman identifies the activities proposed to take place this year.

2. The request for \$85,000 was reviewed by Olympic House and was granted.

Following are the activities on which money will be spent: a. National Team with Al Rosenberg as National Camp Coach; b. Sculling development. The idea is to put sculling boats into the hands of sweep oarsmen who want to scull. This committee can fund five singles. Harry Parker and Sy Cromwell are working on the proposal. c. Coaches development for the upgrading of American coaching; d. Development of oarsmen who did not attain the National Camp level, by participation in a late summer camp; e. Contribution to U.S. Youth Team.

3. On the matter of the sculling boats for sweep oarsmen, sweep oarsmen can apply, scullers cannot.

N. The report of the U.S. Olympic Women's Rowing Committee was given by Peter Lippett.

1. The first full team was sent to international competition in 1973.

III. Treasurer's Report was read and accepted: copies available on request.

IV. New Business

A.A letter from Brian Ronayne of Camden Cty. Rowing Assoc. included the following comments and questions:

1. Should there be medals for first, second, and third places at NAAO Championships? (NYAC will supply this year and will assume cost.)

2. The NAAO consider underwriting the cost of medals for National Championships.

3. On sanctioning of regattas — a call for clearer definition of the responsibilities of (a) the organizers, (b) the competitors, (c) the NAAO.

B. Villi Hollenback and Ted Hoag are compiling regatta schedules and anyone with information not already submitted should do so to #4 Boathouse Row immediately. (completed 2/74)

C. 1. That members of the National Team may be asked to contribute to their expenses.

1. Time Standards will be used in the selection process.

(Continued on next page)

3. Question: How much money will each oarsman be asked to contribute? This was answered that the current proposal is \$200.00 (see Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting for revision). The question was raised as to who would pay the \$200.00; the answer was that it would be paid by the Elite Team which had previously been fully funded.

4. That time standards must be set to cover all situations. A clear definition of standards, their interpretation and application will be prepared and forwarded to all organizations in March.

D. It was moved, seconded and passed that the Ballot for NAAO elections be completely secret

(i.e., that one not be able to identify the vote with the organization voting). After discussion about double envelopes, perforated ballots, sealed ballots, etc., the matter was referred to the Legislative Committee for implementation.

E. The NAAO Ad Hoc Committee on Water Safety welcomes any suggestion, comments, etc. regarding this all important phase of the sport. Such should be sent to the Executive Secretary at #4 Boathouse Row for dissemination to the Safety Committee. The NAAO is hopeful of producing some guidelines for organizations and assisting in any feasible way to reduce the chances of tragedy on the water.

F. On behalf of the West Coast, Peter Lippett invited the NAAO to hold its Annual Meeting in 1975 in San Diego. This invitation was accepted with thanks and the point made that other areas will issue similar invitations for consideration by the Board of Directors.

G. John B. Kelly, Director of the NAAO and Chairman of the U.S. Olympic Development Committee gave a report on the disbursement of funds by the USOC. He noted that rowing had received the third highest grant. The group expressed their appreciation to Mr. Kelly for his efforts on behalf of rowing.

V. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY NAAO BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

1. The NAAO Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m. on January 19, 1974, with all 4-year Term Directors present except Mr. Geiger.

2. The following were elected to one-year terms as NAAO Directors: F. Wood Fischer, Robert Hillen, Timothy Mickelson, Gail Pierson and Donald P. Schnorr.

3. The following were nominated and elected to the Offices as designated: President, W. Hart Perry; Vice President, Jack Frailey; Treasurer, Ernest H. Bayer; Corresponding Secretary, P. Anthony Johnson; Public Relations Officer, William J. Knecht.

4. Mr. G. Tully Vaughan was reappointed as Executive Secretary with great appreciation for his tireless efforts to date.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

1. The second session of the NAAO Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President Perry at 8:30 a.m. on January 20, 1974.

The first order of business was the calling of the roll and all Directors were present with the exception of Mr. Geiger. Also present were Messrs. Dunham, Davenport, Lyon, Rosenberg, Dietz, Ms. Trench, Ms. Upton, and Executive Secretary Vaughan. The following items were discussed and, where noted, action taken.

2. A proposal was made that Jim Dietz be elected to become an Ex-Officio member of the Board and the motion was carried. A representative of the NWRA as an Ex-Officio member of the Board was recommended, but further action on this was deferred until Ms. Pierson, as President of the NWRA, would make a proposal to Mr. Perry. (Susan Anderson was selected.)

3. Unfinished Business

A. Implementation of Article X of the By-Laws was moved and so carried.

B. Old business: Time Standards

1. The Board unanimously approved the principle of the use of qualifying time standards in terms of funding first place crews from trial regattas or crews selected through "camp" methods. Other winners will be allowed to compete at their own expense. This motion carried 13-11.

II. The following are the times set for Men's crews in order to be recommended for funding: VIII (Eight) 6:00; IV (Four with) 6:42; IV- (Four w/out) 6:33; II (Pair with) 7:33; II- (Pair w/out) 7:07; IVx (Quad) 6:15; IIx (Double) 6:46; Ix (Single) 7:28.

III. These times are predicted to make a crew competitive in the top twelve finishes and are computed to be faster than 12th place yet slower than 6th place.

IV. Application procedures will be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval, evaluation by lawyers and distribution to the membership. (A draft appears at the end of these minutes.)

V. When approved these standards and their application take precedence over all other selection methods.

The following motion was passed: If an event is vacant and the coach of the national camp squad can verify a crew of spares which meets the time

standard for that event, the camp personnel will be allowed to compete. If, however, a self-financed winning crew is present, it shall compete.

C. A report was given by Tim Mickelson, 1973 Men's National Team representative, (report available on request). A report was given by Lois Trench, 1973 Women's National Team representative, wherein it was noted that all went generally well in Moscow for the team with the possible suggestion that scheduling of eating, practices, etc. might be improved upon.

D. Old Business: Amateurism

The Caution phrase in the Guide will read: The current NAAO Rule: Article IV; Section 1. No oarsman or oarswoman can be an amateur who practices rowing and who derives any direct monetary gain therefrom; Section 2. The decision as to whether individuals are amateurs or professionals shall be made only by the Board of Directors.

CAUTION: Olympic eligibility is governed by Olympic Rule 26., which is substantially different from the NAAO rule. Any competitor desiring to qualify as an amateur for Olympic purposes must follow Rule 26. Competitors having questions concerning their qualification under Olympic Rule 26 are advised to direct an inquiry for an interpretive opinion to the NAAO Board of Directors.

ADDITIONAL CAUTION: At the recent FISA Congress the proposal to eliminate the following was DEFEATED (it thus remains in effect):

"Trainers, instructors and coaches teaching sport for gain or profit, direct or indirect, can in no circumstances compete or umpire.

Notwithstanding this rule, a school teacher, even if engaged specifically to instruct in rowing in addition to academic subjects, shall not thereby forfeit his amateur status, provided that his pupils are not above the age of 18 years."

FURTHER QUESTIONS:

Please contact Hart Perry, Kent, Conn. 06757 if you have any questions on the above.

This reflects the ruling of FISA. The IOC will meet in October 1974 after which we will, if necessary, revise our rule. All oarsmen who might be affected have been or will be contacted to evaluate their situations.

4. New Business

A. The following were approved as new Member Organizations: Lake Crescent R.A., Camp Dimension, Alden Ocean Shell Assn., Friends of Detroit Rowing, The Citadel Crew, Timothy Dwight Rowing Club, Florida Rowing Assn., Univ. of New Hampshire R.A., Northeastern Univ. R.A., Notre Dame Rowing Club, Provident National Bank Boat Club, Sagamore Rowing Assn., Inc., The Sanford Naval Academy, Syracuse Chargers Swim Club, Inc., T.C. Williams High School, and Middlesex School.

B. Regatta Sanctioning will be given full study by the Executive Committee. Mr. Hollenback and Mr. Hoag are compiling a list of 1974 Regattas. There was general approval of the concept of graduated requirements for sanctioning. It was felt we must be more uniform in our demands and must increase the services offered by NAAO. NAAO will supply free of charge official Entry Forms.

C. Committee Chairmen were approved and a list including committee members will be published following Board approval.

D. Princeton was approved as the site for 1974 Small Boat Trials. The following were approved as dates: August 3-4 Boats 1x, 2-, August 10-11 Boats 2x, 2-, August 24-25 Boats 4x, 4-.

E. 1974 Men's Team

1. Assistant coaches will be selected later.

2. Bill Stowe was named Team Manager and Administrative Assistant to the National Camp. Dave Burt will help with public relations for the Camp.

3. There will be two sweep spares (selected from the Camp Squad) from sweep events at the Trials and on sculling spare.

4. Fritz Hagerman was proposed as Trainer.

5. We will attempt to secure the services of a Doctor at no, or minimal, cost to the NAAO.

6. The Executive Committee will discuss further the position of Boatman. People from Yale, Penn and Dartmouth were suggested as candidates.

7. The following was passed: Each member of the Team will contribute a minimum of \$100 towards his expenses. This includes coaches, manager, trainer, etc.

F. The Progress of the National Camp was evaluated. Mr. Rosenberg's outline is enclosed.

G. The Quad will be selected from a "camp" at Princeton after the NAAO Nationals. There will not be open Trials. A time of 6:15 was selected as the standard. The Sculling Committee will operate the selection process with the International Regatta Committee giving final approval.

H. A report was given on objections to the selection methods for the women's sculling events — a copy of their letter and Pete Lippett's reply are attached. Molly Upton covered other problems facing women in some areas.

I. Bill Sanford stated the disappointment felt by the Youth Committee as what they consider lack of support. The site of the Youth Regatta will be Camden, N.J. on July 19-20. The Committee will make nominations for Manager (Chuck Colgan has since been nominated and approved.)

J. Woody Fischer gave a report on the Lightweight's. Woody Fischer, Jack Frailey, Peter Gardner and Todd Jesdale were nominated for coach of the eight to be selected from a camp. The following will be selection times for lightweight events: VIII, 6:15, IV-, 6:50, Ix, 7:48.

K. Items dealing with publishing voting records, reduced dues proposed by the NEIRA, etc. were referred to the Executive Committee.

L. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be at #4 Boathouse Row at 12:30 p.m. 10 March.

M. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

See over for TIME STANDARDS

A full set of the appendices referred to in these minutes will be made available upon request from No. 4 Boathouse Row.

Application of Time Standards for 1974 for Men's Elite Team

1. Premise: We are dealing with funding and first place crews only. Winning crews that don't meet standards must supply their own funding.
2. Winners must declare their intention to compete in the event won immediately following the finals of that event.
3. Weather conditions permitting, races will be held on the first day as scheduled. In no cases will the first day's racing be earlier than the times printed on the schedule.
4. Wind conditions will be considered in the application of time standards. If conditions are unfavorable at any time the races may be postponed until the next extreme of the day (for example, if the trials are scheduled in the morning they are automatically put off until the evening). Oarsmen should be advised that the trials may be held at uncommon hours of the day in order to insure conditions suitable for judging times.
5. Times achieved during qualifying heats, repechages, semi-finals, or finals may be used in judging the speed of a particular crew.
6. Winning crews may be required by the selectors to race again to demonstrate their ability to meet the Time Standards.
7. A winning crew failing to meet the Time Standards will be given the opportunity to appear before the Selectors. However, the decision of the Selectors is final.
8. Crews who wish to compete in international competition but who do not satisfy the Time Standard must agree to: (a) Adhere to all rules and regulations set down by the Team Manager. (b) Be under the jurisdiction of the Team Manager. (c) Pay for team uniforms.

MARIST COLLEGE ROWING CAMP

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 –
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1974
(one week only)**

The first rowing camp in the northeast United States attempting to teach boys the method of rowing and giving them the opportunity to be part of a camp experience.

Excellent facilities

numerous small and large boats, pairs, fours and eights; indoor rowing tank; fully equipped weight room; modern, spacious boathouse; large outdoor swimming pool

Modern dormitory rooms and professional food preparation Lectures by nationally known coaches

Other features include:

video tape analysis, movies, competitive racing, banquet and awards

Cost — \$100 for the entire week

For more information and free brochure contact:

Ron Petro, Director
Marist College Sports Camps
Marist College
Poughkeepsie, New York 12601
914 471-3240

THE RACE THAT EVERYBODY WINS

(Cont'd from p. 9)

to brazenly copy the men's strength and machismo style of rowing, but are applying their more traditional skills of grace and finesse in pursuit of boat speed. Any oarsman could well watch them and learn.

Jim Dietz, with his inimitable sculling style, barely beat Vesper's Pete Cortez for the Elite sculler's Curtis Trophy. Ergometer-busting Ken Foote was third. Sadly, this event was marred by an infraction of the N.A.A.O. rules. Harvard's T. Lazarus became ill on the eve of the regatta, and because of the lateness of the hour could only find his clubmate, Harry Parker, to substitute for him. Unfortunately, such a substitution did not meet N.A.A.O. standards and Mr. Parker was disqualified.

The final and climactic event of the regatta is always the Elite Eight-oared race for the Boston Globe Trophy. Rowing flawlessly, the powerhouse boat from the University of Wisconsin cruised to an easy victory in 14 minutes, 53.9 seconds. Northeastern University, perennial bridesmaids in the event, were second again by 10.7 seconds. Cornell was third, a most auspicious finish for their first outing under new Head Coach Doug Neil. The Union Boat Club, who in better years won the Globe trophy for an unprecedented three

(Continued on next page)



Photo: Abromet

The Andersons from University Barge. A good time was had by all.



UNION BOAT CLUB

OARSMEN!

OUT OF COLLEGE?
OUT OF SHAPE?
IN THE BOSTON AREA?

**...Get back to
ROWING**

UNION BOAT CLUB
144 Chestnut Street
Boston, Mass. 02108
Write or Call: 742-1520

times in a row, finished a distant eighth.

At the post race party, graciously hosted by Cambridge Boat Club, the tired rowers, the young ones and the old, the fast and the slow, gathered together to sip unending rivers of Schaeffer Beer, and to imbibe that wonderful spirit which is unique to the Head of the Charles Regatta. As one aging competitor put it, "The beauty of this race is that *everyone* wins." And that certainly seems to be true. The Head of the Charles Regatta is truly glorious. It is one of the very few events where it is more important to race than to win.



photo: Upton
Uh...almost all. Sometimes Head volunteers do double duty. Larry Cabot, timing chairman, wades in the chilly Charles to retrieve bowmarker from pair #68 from Harvard with P. Lowe, bow, and R. Smith, stroke.

PETER RAYMOND
in the

**OARSMEN'S
CORNER**



This column is for voicing opinions of competing oarsmen. If you've a feeling to express or a thought to shake the establishment, write me: Cherry Valley Road Princeton, NJ 08540

I Heavy thinking about lightweight rowing

It seems to me that rowing is a very fair sport in a certain sense. The element of purely natural talent which is of great importance for excellence in many sports is not as significant in rowing, where success is contingent upon the perfection of a single repeated motion of incredible awkwardness to the novice. Although some acquire the knack for rowing more easily than others, I would think that the "natural" oarsman (if indeed there is such a creature) is a far rarer occurrence than say, the natural distance runner. For this reason, the results which a crew achieves perhaps reflect more accurately the quality of the coaching and the amount of work devoted to the sport.

If this is true to any extent on the heavyweight level, it is doubly so for lightweight rowing. For though the U. of Washington may be able to lurch, wobble, and whatever down the course with good results, no lightweight crew could ever win this way. The imposition of a maximum weight on the oarsmen has the effect of reducing the role which differences in sheer muscular strength and size play in determining the winner of a race. An increased premium is thus placed on conditioning and perfection of the stroke to attain the magic of "swing," which only comes from the synchronous application of eight men to eight oars. The possibility of being simply outmuscled by a stronger crew which does not row well is minimized. The more conditioned, better-rowing crew should always win, which in a way puts the competition of rowing on its purest level.

In view of this, I am surprised at the number of rowing colleges which do not have lightweight programs. While heavyweight programs may be having difficulty today finding the one hundred and eighty-plus pounders who are willing to devote their athletic talents to rowing, the pool of manpower which a lightweight program has to draw upon is still very large. In the 140 to 170 lb. weight range one is likely to find more ex-high school athletes who could not make the step to collegiate level of their sport due to lack of size or ability. Lightweight crew offers this group an opportunity to excel in collegiate athletics, without requiring any previous experience or skills. For example, the many high school cross-country runners who do not have the speed to compete on the collegiate level are a fantastic source of potential oarsmen, seemingly possessing already the self-flagellatory mentality needed to get them through a full year of crew practices.

Given the amount of manpower which a lightweight program has to draw upon, it would seem easier to develop a successful lightweight team than a successful heavyweight team, where lack of size may hurt a crew. Why, then, have not more universities undertaken this development?

(Continued on next page)

OARSMEN'S CORNER

(Cont'd from p. 39)

College rowing programs cannot afford not to exploit this new source of oarsmen. In a sport like rowing, where large expenses are entailed and no revenue is generated from gate receipts, there is a heavy reliance on alumni support, which is most easily broadened by increasing the participation in the sport. The great interest for lightweight rowing which I am sure exists at all rowing colleges must be tapped to strengthen these programs now and generate friends of rowing for the future.

Tom Daley
Princeton

II Democracy at Brown

It seems that very little communication has taken place between collegiate rowing programs. The "inner workings" are usually shrouded by a veil of secrecy as each coach plans his strategy for the coming racing season. Similar barriers extend between the oarsmen, who fear that leaking ideas to an opposing camp would be traitorous. I will be quite open in describing the role of crew at Brown, hoping that such ideas and ideals as are practiced by the Brown squad may possibly generate a little more open discussion between oarsmen. It would be nice to see oarsmen (at the I.R.A., for instance) talking freely between squads, rather than putting on the tight and aloof shows that prevail.

The program at Brown is extremely flexible in dealing with

the oarsmen's time. Operating under the assumption that the individual's prime concern is a quality education, practices are worked around the oarsman's academic schedule. During the fall, oarsmen with late labs and classes are worked into a later workout. Of course, during racing season practice times get into a regular pattern for practical reasons. In addition, water time is kept to a minimum (approximately 1-1½ hours) at which a good crew can still operate efficiently at the top level of intercollegiate competition. This is no secret. Many coaches are perplexed by Brown's presence at the top of the pile every year with a bare minimum of water time — and no ergometers.

At this point, the philosophy which powers Brown crew must be explained. In general, the crew is run from within; the oarsmen decide as a team upon their own training rules. If an individual commits a serious breach of training rules, he is not cut by the coach; rather, the squad as a whole decides his fate. In addition, a council of five members has been created to handle any questions between the oarsmen and coaching staff. Any new ideas for training as well as any gripes are brought to the council in an informal atmosphere.

No rules have been imposed by the coach. This is especially true of the off-the-water conditioning, the backbone of the entire program. Obviously, most training rules are common sense, but it is the method of overwhelming initiative from *within* the group that provides the impetus for a successful and enjoyable season.

The off-the-water conditioning program is done by each oarsman during a time convenient for him; however, usually groups of three or four meet coincidentally for a workout. A specific program is outlined, but it must be remembered that it is proposed simply as a strong suggestion. The final decision depends upon the goals of each individual; thus, each oarsman determines for himself what he wants to get from and give to the team. One's first impression may be that this is too much freedom to make a program work and that such a philosophy would tend to attract a great number of stragglers who simply wish to use the boathouse as a country club. On the contrary, with this freedom comes a strong realization of responsibility to push oneself for the team's goals. This strong sense of commitment and trust in each oarsman results in a stronger program than any coach could devise. A tremendous amount of fierce competition is generated and yet it is all based on the premise that the oarsmen are there simply because they love to pull together. And instead of being a hounding coach who constantly has to crack the whip, Vic Michaelson often has to pull on the reins. His role is more of a stimulator or a catalyst for a reaction, and the main ingredients are fresh ideas and a directed imagination in order to spark his oarsmen.

Basically, what I've been describing is the freedom to be responsible. In turn, the program has created an atmosphere of mutual trust, great camaraderie, and a vast resource of competitive energy. There comes a point when most of the top level crews are more or less physically equal; it is at that point that the psychological aspect, including experience, may decide the race.

I have described briefly the role of crew at Brown and we would appreciate any exchange of new ideas. We know of no other program at this level of rowing that can offer to the oarsman such a smooth integration of academics and athletics. If there is one, we would certainly like to know about it . . . for the mutual benefit of all.

Peter Falk
Brown '73

Tenth Annual Fall Rowing Festival

HEAD OF THE CHARLES

REGATTA

INFORMATION: P. O. Box 52
Cambridge, Mass. 02138
ENTRIES: CHARLES/HEAD DATA, INC.
Back Bay Post Office Box 587
Boston, Mass. 02117
Entries close October 12, 1974

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27, 1974

Boston, Massachusetts

NAAO Sanctioned

III This letter was received from a truly amateur oarsman:
Dear Mr. Raymond:

The project which I thought would be completed in three months dragged on for two and a half years. As this was the first boat I have built, I learned a number of things that would have saved me much time and effort in arriving at the best compromise for a shell designed by an amateur. If you know of some one who is interested in building his own design for a shell and would like to know of other successful designs, I would be happy to give him any information I can if he would write to me.

My shell, designed for the ocean, is 18' long with a beam of 30" and a shallow "V" bottom with hard chines that provide stability superior to that of a large canoe. The hull is 1/4" plywood over a skeleton of douglas fir stringers and white cedar frames and is covered on the bottom and sides with 4 oz. fiberglass cloth bonded with epoxy, resulting in a total weight of 120 pounds. My main objective was hull strength which was demonstrated when it sustained no damage after swamping in the surf and being dumped on the beach by the breakers.



I made the spoons from 1" x 10" douglas fir planks 10 feet long. The shafts are two laminations thick and have a profile similar to a racing spoon's shaft; the blades are similar, except cupped less and 20% larger in area.

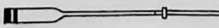
My riggers are made from 5/8" OD seamless aluminum tubing and would have been prohibitively costly had it not been for the services provided by a friend's machine shop. It would be best to design the shell to take standard riggers such as those produced by Pocock.

Although it doesn't have the speed of a single shell, I did manage a two-way average of 7:40 per flying mile, and I can make a 25-mile trip at an average of about 6 mph. It does attract a lot of attention when I go down the Intracoastal (Seaway) on a Sunday afternoon, especially if I'm staying abreast of a planing runabout while riding the stern wake of a big, fast-moving cabin cruiser.

I have concluded that except for the lack of ability to feather my oars, my shell should allow me to practice rowing in much the same style as a racing shell. I hope to see a live competition in Miami in April so that I can learn more about the sport.

Sincerely,

Martinus Smit
1313 SE 13th Avenue
Deerfield Beach, Fla. 33441



Ratzeburg Rowing Clinic



\$6.50

THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE COACHING CLINIC GIVEN BY KARL ADAM, THE WORLD FAMOUS WEST GERMAN ROWING COACH, AT HIS RECENT LECTURE AT PRINCETON. IT CONTAINS DISCUSSIONS OF VIRTUALLY EVERY ASPECT OF MODERN COACHING AND ROWING TECHNOLOGY. FOR YOUR COPY SEND CHECK PAYABLE TO U.S. OLYMPIC ROWING COMMITTEE TO TERRY E. LACE, 57 PARK AVE., N.Y., N.Y. 10016

Lake Merritt Rowing Club

invites you to

Lake Merritt

in the heart of downtown Oakland

to participate in, or witness

**The 9th
N.W.R.A. Championships
June 14, 15, 16th**

Pat Lickiss, President

Ed Lickiss, Director



A WATERGATE REQUIEM FOR THE HARVARD-YALE REGATTA

Dear Emory:

"I was pleased to have your Christmas remembrance, which was cheerful enough to balance the doleful requiem for the Yale-Harvard Boat Races. It does seem a pity that the old tradition must end. Shall we put it down to the metric system, which has wiped out four miles as a logical distance? Or is it a new seriousness in undergraduate life that leaves less leisure for the religion of rowing? Or shall we look for a villain in the administration, who has changed the calendar purposely to destroy everything good and beautiful in the old way of life? I don't know, and the undergraduates don't much care, do they?

Yet when I was in Boston the other day I saw two crews rowing on the Charles in mid-December and a month before that they were working after dark on Lake Carnegie when I was lecturing at Princeton. There is evidence for a plot if you are getting paranoid about it all." Gordon Haight

BORROWED FROM OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY CREW NEWSLETTER

Thanks to the financial help from the OSU Foundation, the Athletic Department and the Beaver Crew Association, Karl Drlica was able to make his first trip to Europe to the international coaches conference in Switzerland with about \$300 out-of-pocket expense. He spent part of the time with the parents of Peter Holsie, a Swiss OSU track team member, and learned much from them about Switzerland.

More than 60 coaches from 21 countries attended the conference conducted in German. Interpretation was made via headsets into English and French; two were from the U.S.A. Canada, Mexico and Brazil were represented from the Western Hemisphere. Russia, Czechoslovakia, East Germany and many other eastern bloc countries were also represented.

The scientific effort put forth to develop winning crews is almost overwhelming. Muscle biopsy under the electron microscope can be used to determine muscle conditioning apparently without affecting the athlete from whom it is taken. Completely adjustable outriggers, rowlocks, slides and stretchers as well as plastic hulls and hull design are constantly being researched for ever-increasing speeds. The mental attitude, motivation and the will to win seem to be yet in the area of unsolved problems in individual selection for high level competition. The motivation between eastern and western bloc team members seems entirely different.

Motivation for success in eastern bloc countries can be analogous to American athletes aspirations for selection to the professional ranks. Status comes with winning in the eastern blocs.

THINGS FOR ROWERS & REGATTA GOERS!

the MUG — \$2.00



or the TANKARD — \$3.50.



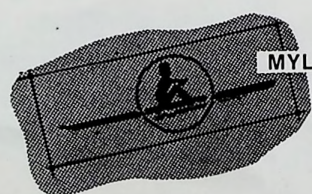
Specify Imprint
(Oarsmen or Emblem)

FROM THE OFFICIAL NAAO CLEARING HOUSE



SWEEP OAR TIE BAR

A classic look in washed gold — \$2.50

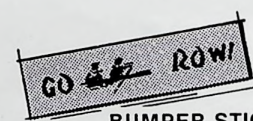


MYLAR DECALS IN BOLD COLORS

N.A.A.O. Emblem — \$1.00

Port and Starboard at the Catch — \$1.50

Single Scull — \$1.50



BUMPER STICKER — \$1.00

Circle desired items above. Make check or money order payable to NAAO and send to:
Executive Secretary, NAAO
No. 4 Boat House Row
Philadelphia, Pa. 19130

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

AN OPEN LETTER

Mr. Bill Austin
Crew Coach
Marist College

To Mr. Bill Austin, President of the Rusty Callow Memorial Regatta:

As you know, the Callow Cup Board of Stewards has seen fit, for their own self-serving reasons, to exclude us from the May fourth regatta and, apparently, forever. If you are excluding first and third place Dad Vail Varsity finishers (U.Mass. and Coast Guard Academy) from the prestigious Callow Cup, then it seems only logical not to invite or include any varsity level finalists, lest your organization give the impression that it is protecting a few select schools, even though they may be "member" schools.

Granted, U.Mass. is a school of ponderous size and maybe schools with such large enrollments should be excluded. If "size of school" is a consideration, then how can your group countenance the exclusion of the Coast Guard Academy, a school whose enrollment is equal to Trinity's? If you exclude a third place crew (or "fail to invite") then why include a fourth place finisher (Trinity)? Your rationale is probably Trinity's membership.

If your purpose is to serve Dad Vail rowing in New England for all schools or all small schools or all "slow" schools, then be consistent and say so! Don't hide behind the "guise" of membership. If you exclude two finalists, then you must exclude all three!

In addition, let me say in advance, that I hope your group will refrain from "bidding" these races as the "New England College Championships," when in fact, your purposes go contrary to your stated philosophy of fostering rowing.

Yours in rowing and racing
for all,

Michael L. Vespoli

c.c. Editor, The Oarsman Magazine
Bill Stowe, Coast Guard Academy
The Callow Cup Board of Stewards

Editor's Note: Responses to the above are welcomed and will be considered for inclusion in future issues of The Oarsman.

A THREE MILE VIEW FROM NUMBER TWO

I have been asked to write what it was like to row in the University of New Hampshire Women's Crew at the recent "Head-of-the-Charles." When I first started to compete in 1938 in Philadelphia, the question would never have been asked of me, but since I shall be celebrating (?) my 65th birthday in March of this year, I suppose it might be of interest.

In reply, I said to myself before the start of the race, "What a ding-a-ling, here I am once again on the line." (My last race was in 1965.) Nevertheless, I loved every minute(s) of it — it hurt — but I didn't "dog" it at any time. However, I was relieved when our boat finally went over the line, but then I was always relieved when the race was over — win or lose. God willing, I shall be asked and be able to do it again!

It was thrilling and gratifying to see and hear all those enthusiastic girls from various colleges, universities, clubs, and organizations encouraging one another and rowing all-out. Indeed, it is a new day and age for women in rowing —

women who are willing and anxious to train hard and row their hearts out. It is also wonderful that women have been accepted so wholeheartedly and helped by so many men in what was previously "their sport." I should like to take this opportunity to congratulate all 28 women's Eights that rowed in the "Head."

Once again,

Rowingly,

Ernestine Bayer
Assistant Coach
University of New Hampshire
Women's Crew

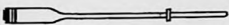
(P.S. Nice to see you in Norwich, Boyce, and I must say married life certainly agrees with you!)

ENGLAND'S HENLEY FINISHED? RUBBISH

On the weekend of February 17, 1974 the Associated Press wire service carried an item originating at Henley, England to the effect that because of financial difficulties the Henley Royal Regatta would be held in 1974 for the last time.

WRONG!

We have information from Mr. John Garton, President of the Amateur Rowing Association, British rowing's counterpart of N.A.A.O., through Ed Singer that this press report is without foundation. Yes, they, like all of us, are having budget problems, but there is no thought of "abandon ship."



SAILMAKERS INC.

Sails for the
12 Meters
and
The Americas Cup

Little Harbor Way
Marblehead, Mass.

LETTERS (Cont'd from p. 3)

Dear Sir:

Mr. Franklin's article in your November/December issue got his point about money across very well. Although I tend to distrust anyone who talks in terms of "power bases" and "professionalism" as an "ugly head being reared" if by professionalism he means ability or if the whole phrase about professionalism is code for class distinction, the N.A.A.O.'s founding was inspired by the Amateur Rowing Association of Great Britain which was formed to keep poor people out of rowing in England. Those who were not members of an acceptable class were defined as professionals and ruled out.

So the original inspiration for the N.A.A.O. can be said to have been neither American nor democratic and insofar as it still bears traces of this today it needs reform. The founding fathers of the N.A.A.O. should not be lauded, as are those of our nation, except to the extent they choose to differ with the England A.R.A. of the time in the definition of an amateur. Which, of course, they did on Jack Kelly, Sr., for instance, who would otherwise have been barred in this country as well as at Henley. I should add that the A.R.A. is quite different now, supposedly, and has been since the Second World War.

All of which reminds me, I would like to comment on the official results of the Head of the Charles which shows that a sculler representing Harvard in the Elite Singles was disqualified for violation of the N.A.A.O. rule on illegal substitution, apparently because he used a pseudonym. Since use of false names is pretty common in the "Head" and apparently will not get you disqualified unless you are careless

about who you beat, enforcement of the rule in this case seemed like a pretty cheap and unsporting little trick.

For the sculler in question, an erstwhile pro and Olympian, to use a pseudonym (which, by the way, was T. Lazarus, risen from the dead you see, Big Deal, right?) was shockingly illegal, of course. But for this middle-aged, middle-sized, hunched and klutzy-looking sculler to do nineteen or nineteen and a half minutes or whatever it was for the three-mile upstream, upwind "Head" course required a lot of hard training which he probably didn't have any more time for than a lot of the people he raced against. And it must have required the summoning of all his knowledge of race preparation gained over the years to peak just right and go that fast on that day. I can't tell you what his time for the race was because it was stricken from the official results and his hard-earned fourth-place ranking was denied him and awarded to the next man down the order of finish: Number 64, B. Jones of the host club, Cambridge Boat Club—time: 19:41.6.

The conclusion must be drawn that the protest leading to the disqualification in these circumstances was prompted by the Ancient and Dishonorable American Principle that says: "If you can't beat 'em fair and square, find some other way." Scandal on the national political scene has publicized these ethics of late, that is, Watergate and that whole can of worms. Perhaps the principle will be brought to a state of disrepute that will carry over to other spheres of life. Exposure may help. There is no doubt that rowing needs a vogue for a more essential and meaningful type of gentlemanliness and honor than the superficial kind that is currently fashionable.

D. McGale

**H. C. WAINWRIGHT
& CO.**

Established 1868

Members of:
New York and Boston Stock Exchanges

One Boston Place
Boston, Mass. 02108
Tel.: 723-7300

120 Broadway
NEW YORK
BRclay 7-5200



P.O. Box 111, Univ. Sta.
Seattle, Wn. 98105
206 633-1038

**Building Boats To Help
Build People**

A complete line of the finest racing equipment and also rugged fiberglass training and recreational equipment in fours, pairs and singles. Adjustable outriggers available. Inquiries are welcomed for special requirements or unusual rowing conditions.

Replacement parts for emergency repairs as close as your telephone. Some parts are stocked for faster service. Parts list on request.

Dear Sir:

In rowing there are many attitudes so outrageous that they are condemned more by themselves than by a letter such as this. Dick Prentke's letter to the editor in the November/December Issue reveals such an attitude. There is an organization known as B.L.O.W., the members of which state frankly that since no one is going to go about praising anyone else, each must blow his own horn. As oarsmen, we are all forgotten by the press and couldn't possibly have picked a sport less conducive to a road to stardom in the public eye. For this reason, it baffles me that a coach should choose to blow his horn about his crew, who — far better than any spectator or reader of the impressive items of the '73 Harvard Freshman Lightweights' achievements — knew themselves their private sense of accomplishment.

I do not mean to suggest that this superb crew should not receive the highest praise from the rowing community; I suggest that the attitude and method demonstrated by this letter of their coach is in deplorably poor taste.

In closing, I extend congratulations to both the crew (names, please?) and Dick Prentke, their coach, for their achievement, and hope that the future will see more of the same degree of activity in the sport of rowing.

Sincerely,

Peter H. Raymond

Dear Sir:

After leafing through my September/October *Oarsman*, I noticed that you did not print a complete listing of the results of the Canadian Henley. As it was my first victory after two seasons at Detroit, I was hoping to see our first in the 145 four with cox noticed. Also omitted was Brennan and Richard's victory in the junior pair with cox. *Aqua sub ponte*.

Actually, a results section for the Canadian Henley, similar to the one for the Independence Day Regatta and U.S. Nationals, would have been helpful in quick review of the results.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours cordially,

Bob Schwarz
DBC Crew Sec'y

Editor's Note: Due to the number of member oarsmen competing as guests of Canada, your recommendation is entirely appropriate, and results of the Canadian Henley will be included in the future.

Dear Mr. Budd:

On behalf of the George Washington University Women's Crew, I would like to bring to your attention an error in the September/October issue of *The Oarsman*. The Results Section reported George Washington as placing 7th in the Lightweight Fours with Coxswain event of the Women's Nationals. Although the initial decision favored Vesper over George Washington, after re-examining the video tape of the finish, the judges awarded 6th place to George Washington.

Sincerely,

Beth Grosvenor



INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING ASSOCIATION

MEMBER COLLEGES

COLUMBIA CORNELL PENNSYLVANIA
SYRACUSE U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY



72nd ANNUAL NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS THE SYRACUSE REGATTA May 30, 31, June 1, 1974 ONONDOGA LAKE SYRACUSE, N.Y.

1973 COMPETITORS BY INVITATION

Boston University	Rutgers
Brown	Santa Clara
California (Berkeley)	Southern California
Dartmouth	Trinity
Jacksonville	U.C.L.A.
Kansas State	U.S. Coast Guard Academy
M.I.T.	Western Washington
Northeastern	Wisconsin
Princeton	Yale

1974 COMPETITION IN THE FOLLOWING EVENTS

Varsity	Junior Varsity	Freshman
Eights	Eights	Eights
Straight Four		Four with Cox
Four with Cox		
Straight Pair		
Pair with Cox		

BOARD OF STEWARDS

Robert J. Kane, Chairman Cornell	James H. Decker Syracuse
Kenneth G. Germann Columbia	Capt. J.O. Coppedge, U.S.N. Navy
Fred A. Shabel Pennsylvania	Robert M. Whitelaw Secretary

STATE OF THE OARSMAN (Cont'd from p. 4)

years, the editors have demonstrated their willingness to criticize constructively, or to reproduce other contributor's constructive criticism of those institutions or problems in our sport which need hard attention focused on them. This Issue's "Letters-to-the-Editor" section should be proof positive. By the same token, we invite the criticized parties to defend themselves and promise to publish their responses.

Essentially *The Oarsman* has the task of showing the depth and breadth of our sport, to highlight its shortcomings and to probe its new developments. The magazine, despite the undeniable appeal of US international team coverage, must concern itself with subjects such as recent Oklahoma rowing developments, the wide interest in Veteran ("Masters" for Jack Kelly's sake) rowing, the multiplicity of new women's rowing teams, the continuing inability of the US to develop top-level international youth teams, etc. There are many such subjects which deserve space in the magazine, and we always appreciate hearing from our readers as to what these concerns should be and who should report them.

I have said it before in these pages and I'll repeat it. The all-enduring silence of the American oarsman and oarswoman amazes me. Many seem to be afraid to appear in print, or perhaps the basic masochism of the sport they've chosen merely reflects a personality which takes what comes without complaint. I continue to hope, however, that they have thoughts, objections and comments on what happens in their sport which they wish to share with others. The "Letter-to-the-Editor" and "Oarsman's Corner" sections are for you and unless your comments are blasphemous, we'll print them.

Anyway, that's how things stand as we arrive in your homes with our first issue for '74. If we haven't arrived in your home or at your chosen address, at least show the temerity to send your correct, preferred address to the NAAO—Executive Secretary, #4 Boathouse Row, Phila, PA. 19130. It's your magazine and we hope you enjoy it and we ask you to participate in it.

USOMRC (Cont'd from p. 12)

We plan to select a staff of five to seven coaches, representing a full spectrum of interests and experience, whose charge it will be to develop a working plan for attaining this goal.

The initial funding is \$2000, but we hope the plan proves to be of sufficient strength and value to warrant fuller implementation next year.

Development Camp

The purpose of this camp (probably in late August) is to provide for concentrated and specialized coaching for a limited number of oarsmen judged to have exceptional future potential, in an attempt to strongly and permanently establish excellent technique in each according to his particular needs. It is expected that some of those eligible will be of college freshman or sophomore age and experience (or equivalent) who are on the verge of attaining Olympic stature, while others, probably older, will have shown superior fitness and motivation but have been unable, presumably through short-comings in technique, to realize their full potential. Three practices daily are envisioned; a full complement of boats will be available, as well as specialized equipment such as slow motion TV, film loops, measuring devices and the like. This year's budget is \$2000.

Interested oarsmen should be alert for further notices shortly forthcoming, and to articles in future issues of *The Oarsman*.

Youth World Championships

The Committee voted to allocate \$500 to partially offset the costs of sending our Youth Team to the 1974 World Youth Championship Regatta. This decision reflected the Committee's reluctance to assign a more important role to the Youth program in providing Olympic oarsmen for 1976, especially in light of the fact that only two members of the seven Youth Teams since 1967 have indisputably demonstrated their competence to compete successfully at the Olympic level.

THE OARSMAN

A KEEN EYE ON THE WORLD OF ROWING

subscription inquiries or address-changes should be directed to: Executive Secretary, NAAO Philadelphia, Pa. 19130
No. 4 Boat House Row Area Code (215) - PO 9-2068

CHARLES H. KNECHT & SONS, INC.

Mechanical and Sheet Metal Work

CAMDEN, N.J. 08105

609-966-3636

Schuylkill Navy of Philadelphia

4 BOAT HOUSE ROW, FAIRMOUNT PARK, PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19130

PROUDLY HOSTS IN 1974

Dad Vail Regatta	May 10-11	Schuylkill Navy Regatta	June 22	Middle States Regatta	August 11
Stotesbury Cup	May 17	Philadelphia Youth Regatta	July 5	Head of the Schuylkill	Oct. 5
N.W.R.A. Regional Championships	May 25	Independence Day Regatta	July 6	Frostbite Regatta	Nov. 23

Classified Advertising

WANTED: Second-hand single racing shell, small size preferred. Also a double shell. Contact: Jenny Haas, Apt. 13, 1800 Jeff. Pk. Ave., Charlottesville, Va. 22903 (804) 295-3561

FOR SALE: Phelps racing single for 185# man. Less than three years old and in good racing condition. \$900. Contact: Jim Castellan, 221 McKean, 37th & Spruce Sts., Phila. Pa. 19174. Phone: (215) 222-5763.

WANTED: Quadruple scull—used—one or two boats wanted by boys' summer camp. Desirous of expanding sculling program. Also wanted: eight pairs of sculling blades. Write to: Camp Mah-Kee-Nac, 137 Thatcher Lane, South Orange, New Jersey 07079.

POSTERS: 1967, 1968, 1972 and 1973 Award-Winning Head-of-the-Charles posters may be obtained by sending \$3.00 for each poster (includes postage and handling) to Regatta Poster, Box 52, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138 U.S.A.

FOR SALE: 1970 Schoenbrod heavyweight eight, excellent condition \$2,600. Norm Graf, Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut 06106. (203) 527-3151, Ext. 284.

WANTED: To start September 1974, part-time coach of Men's Crew at U. of Mass., Amherst. Salary available. Send all inquiries and personal info to UMass Rowing Association, Room 150, North P.E. Building, U. of Mass., Amherst Massachusetts 01002.

FOR SALE: Standardizing our equipment, selling 2 old Pocock double skin 8's and teardrop four (\$500 total). Also: '67 and '70 Donoratico 8's (fair and good cond.) with riggers and all hardware, suitable for women. Hugh Foley, Boston U. Dept. of Ath., 32 Gaffney St., Boston, Mass., 02215. Tel: (617) 864-8691.

POSITION WANTED: Former coxswain and student coach of Pacific Lutheran University, 1969—73 varsity crews, desires an opportunity to secure a coaching position. Have coxed at Long Beach Rowing Assn., Union Boat Club and Cambridge Boat Club. Have a good understanding of all aspects of coaching and training and a keen desire to teach others the art of rowing, one of the few remaining examples of pure sport. For more information, contact Doug Herland, 2131 Center Street, NE #6, Salem, Oregon 97301. Telephone (503) 588-1518.

WANTED: Second-hand single racing shell. Contact: Ron Krajnovich, 1337 N. 4th Ave. E., Newton, Iowa 50208. (515) 792-7000, ext. 8385 days. (515) 792-9459 evens.

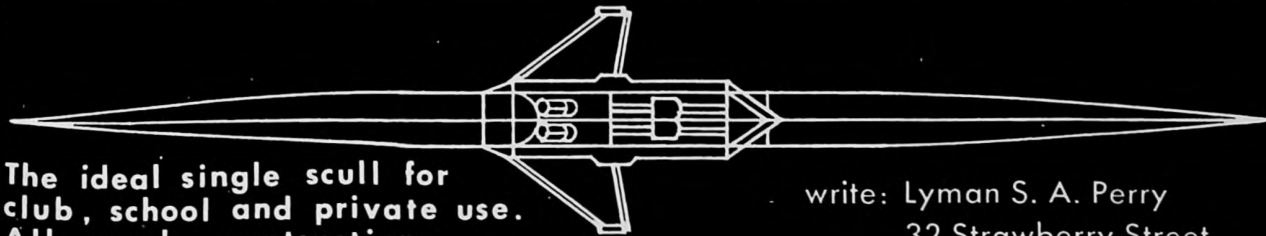
READY ALL, ROW. A textbook for beginning oarsmen covering history, vocabulary, safety, coxswain's duties, techniques, conditioning and laws with extensive bibliography. Order from OSU Book Stores, Inc., P.O. Box 489, Corvallis, OR 97330. Price: \$2.30 postpaid.

SELF-LEARNING GUIDE TO SCULLING. A programmed "do-it-yourself" manual that allows the sculler to progress at his own rate. A valuable teaching aid for the busy coach. Order from: Karl F. Drlaca, 1130 SW 35th St., Corvallis, OR 97330. Price: \$2.30 postpaid.

DOUBLE, Pocock '72 lightweight or woman's, S.S. rigging, \$1485; Singles wood and glass. Box 5156, Stanford Cal. 94035.

If you are in the market to buy or sell, use the "Oarsman" classified. Rates are low, \$2.00 per line. Contact: Lloyd C. Dahmen. 55 Commercial Wharf, Boston, Mass. 02110.

FUJI SCULLS



- The ideal single scull for club, school and private use.
- All wood construction.
- Sixty day delivery time.

write: Lyman S. A. Perry
32 Strawberry Street
Philadelphia, Pa. 19106

EDITORIAL

The Meek Shall Inherit

By Peter Raymond

Heavyweight chauvinism is natural; lightweight rowing benefits athletes slighted by the questionable maxim that speed varies directly with the size of the people in the boat. However, it is unfortunate that the fastest lights have not made speed consistently competitive with the best heavyweights, for this fact suggests (incorrectly) to the layman that between the two classes there is a difference in the quality of ability.

Few heavyweights admit that — because big people are a minority and good athletes are a small percentage of any random group — probability predicts that heavyweights constitute a pool of ability of lesser quality than that of the lightweight pool, which falls closer to the average height of the population. Objective observance will show a large proportion of refugees from other sports among heavyweight crews (there are exceptions such as the Harvard '68 crew, well-known for its closets full of high school letters). The point is, however, that many lightweight crews are made up of formidable athletes gifted with natural strength, coordination and endurance, and anyone who doesn't recognize this fact is an idiot. Todd Jesdale's Cornell crews, and Steve Gladstone's and Dick Prentke's Harvard crews are examples of the superlative achievements of lightweights. But one needn't measure only the best to judge the quality of rowing within reach of these oarsmen. It often surprises heavyweight chauvinists to compare weight-lifting, ergometer scores, and other land-based exercises which reveal the arbitrary nature of the line between the two classes of many collegiate squads.

One must respect not only the physical potential of lightweights but also the dieting factor, which to an inveterate glutton is utterly incomprehensible. The demands of rowing

and the plethora of annoying variables are sufficiently unpleasant without denying one's body its birthright, and I do not understand the attitude which could carry an athlete into an entirely different realm of disagreeable challenges. I would like to propose a Lightweight Unlimited Regatta, scheduled for the week following the Sprints (Western, Midwestern or Eastern) with crews made up only of those who had rowed as lightweights — but without any weigh-in. Medically, doing so is probably just as stupid and dangerous as the *dieting*, judging from the transformation I observed in my classmates after the sprints, from skeletons to zeppelins. But it would be fitting that those who deny themselves so much should row without the wretched anchor of a hollow and rebelling body.

The term "weenie," which was the name my lightweight classmates called themselves, has always had a ring of honor to it, and well it should. Only the lunks blinded by machismo could doubt that. One would hope that all lightweights would have the pride and perspective to realize this and be strengthened with righteousness in the face of the beleaguering inequities prevailing (but diminishing) today: the second-place position in all regattas, the lack of equal coverage in this magazine as indicated by Dick Prentke, and the diminutive regard of some athletic directors for their lightweight programs. It is a changing scene, however, and the right shall win.

P.S. There is one thing for which I will never forgive my lightweight classmates: they never invited me to take part in the costume and pie festival known as the Hallowe'enie Regatta, in which more idiotic good fun was had in one day than my heavyweight crew scrounged up in a month.

INDEX OF ADVERTISERS

Accusplit.....	18	Middle States Regatta Assoc.	33
Blood Street Sculls	22	Midwest Sprints.....	22
Canadian Henley	15	NAAO Clearing House.....	42
Chrysler.....	Inside Front Cover	National Women's Rowing	
Eastern Assoc. of Rowing Colleges	32	Assoc.	Inside Back Cover
F. Collar, Ltd.	33	Penn Center Inn	18
Feldmar Watch Co., Inc.	35	Pocock Racing Shells	44
Franklin Motor Inn	31	Rowing Jewelry	34
Fuji Sculls.....	47	Schoenbrod Racing Eights	
Head of the Charles Regatta.....	40	and Fours.....	Inside Back Cover
Hood Sailmakers	43	Schoolboy Rowing Assoc. of America ..	22
IRA	45	Schuylkill Navy of Philadelphia	47
Kaschper Racing Shells, Ltd.	31	Union Boat Club	39
John B. Kelly, Inc.	3	USORC	41
Charles H. Knecht and Sons, Inc.	46	Vesper Boat Club	33
Lake Merritt Rowing Club	41	H. C. Wainwright and Co.	44
Marist College Rowing Camp	38	Wisconsin Crew Corp.....	30
Martin Marine Co.	35	York Barbell Co.	Back Cover