

FALL 2009 RESULTS

Frostbite and Braxton regattas 11/14 & 11/15

What a way to end the season! Every race finished with a Greenwich boat crossing the finish line first!!! After adjustments were made with handicapping, the gold didn't always come home with us, but the satisfaction of having the fastest boats did. Adding to the fun, Greenwich boated it's first men's masters eight in recent history. With absolutely no practice, this boat again crossed the line first, only to come out 0.2 seconds behind on handicap. With a little practice, this will be another event to look forward to in the future! All in all, a great end to the season for the whole Greenwich Masters team.

Frostbite (Cherry Hill, NJ):

Men's Masters 2x - Mike Tebay & Chris Ives - 1st place by 36 seconds!

Men's Masters 2x - Paul Pugliese & Hank Pohl - 4th

Women's Masters 2x - Katie Blankley & Kristen Erickson - 1st

Women's Masters 2x - Jenny Lawton & Jen Bresler - 2nd

Women's Masters 4x - Kristen Erickson, Katie Blankley, Jenny Lawton, & Jen Bresler - 1st across the line, 3rd after handicap

Men's Masters 4x - Mike Tebay, Chris Ives, Paul Pugliese, & Hank Pohl - 1st by 42 seconds!

Braxton (Philadelphia, PA):

Men's Masters 8+ - Tim Wike, Damir Durkovic, Mike Tebay, Curtis Terkuile, Sinclair Im, Chris Ives, Hank Pohl, Paul Pugliese, Sydney (guest coxswain) - 1st across the line, 2nd after handicap

Women's Masters 4x - Kristen Erickson, Katie Blankley, Jenny Lawton, Ashlee Branan - 1st across the line, 2nd after handicap

Men's Masters 2x - Tim Wike & Damir Durkovic - 1st

Men's Masters 2x - Mike Tebay & Hank Pohl - 2nd by 0.48 seconds after handicap

Men's Masters 2x - Sinclair Im & Paul Pugliese - 4th

Women's Masters 2x - Jenny Lawton & Katie Blankley - 1st by 14 seconds!

10/31 Row for the Cure Norwalk, CT

1st Place in 10 events!

MMA1x (D) - Paul Pugliese

WMA1x (A) - Christina DelSavio

WO1x - Katie Blankley

MMa4x - Paul Pugliese/Peter Oudheusden/Damir Durkovic/Hank Pohl

WMa4x (B) - Jenny Lawton/Katie Blankley/Jen Bresler/Ashlee Branam

WMa2x (A) - Christina DelSavio/Kristen Erickson

WMa2x (B) - Jenny Lawton/Katie Blankley

WO2x - Christina DelSavio/Ashlee Branam

MxMa2x - Jenny Lawton/Damir Durkovic

MO4x - Paul Pugliese/Drew Schoenster/Sinclair Im/Hank Pohl

2nd Place in 9 events:

MMa1x (B) - Damir Durkovic

MMa1x (A) - Drew Schoenster

MMa1x (C) - Peter Oudheusden

WMa1x (B) - Jenny Lawton

WMa1x (C) - Deb Williams

MO1x (A) - Drew Schoenster

MMa2x (A) - Drew Schoenster/Sinclair Im

MxMa4x - Ashlee Branam/Jenny Lawton/Hank Pohl/Damir Durkovic (by 0.2 seconds!)

MxMa2x - Christina DelSavio/Peter Oudheusden

3rd Place in 5 events:

MMa1x (A) - Sinclair Im

WMa1x (A) - Jen Bresler

MO1x (B) - Sinclair Im

MMa2x (B) - Hank Pohl/Paul Pugliese

MxMa2x (A) - Deb Williams/Paul Pugliese

10/25

After a two-hour weather delay, strong currents made for fast times among all the Schuylkill competitors. It was a weekend for singles in the Greenwich squad - and a good one at that. The end of the day allowed for novice rowers to work with experienced ones in the men's quad. A great showing all around!

Christina DelSavio - Women's Masters 1x (40-49) - 2nd

Mike Tebay - Men's Masters 1x (60-69) - 3rd (fastest time before handicap)

Tim Wike Men's Masters 1x (40-49) - 5th

Sinclair Im - Men's Masters 1x (30-39) - 7th

Peter Oudheusden Men's Masters - 1x (50-59) - 17th

Sinclair Im, Peter Oudheusden, Drew Schoenster, Chris Ives - Men's Masters 4x (40-49) - 4th

Head of the Charles Regatta

Despite near freezing conditions, 40 mph gusts, and plenty of rain and snow, our athletes arrived home yesterday in good spirits.

Marie Kruger finished 6th out of 21 in the women's senior-master singles event.

Katie Blankley finished 11th out of 22 in the women's master single event.

Christina DelSavio & Kristen Erickson - finished 8th of 22 in the Women's Masters 2x 40+

Peter Oudheusden, Mike Tebay, Paul Pugliese, Hank Pohl, & Amy Lichorat - Men's Masters 50+ - 18th of 31

Jen Bresler & Peter Bogin - Mixed 2xs - 21 of 22, rowed nearly in the dark! Kristen Erickson & William Bass-Erickson (11 yo) - Parent/Child 2x - 25 of 29

Housatonic 10/10

Breaking down into smaller boats this weekend, Greenwich faced tough competition and a stiff headwind at the Housatonic. All in all it was a great fall day!

Paul Pugliese & Hank Pohl - MMa2x - 6th

A relatively new combination in the double, Hank and Paul performed well in a class that sees doubles partners rowing together for years and decades.

Tim Wike - MMa1x (40-49) - 4th

Always a contender in this tough event, Tim was impressively less than 1% away from the gold medal time.

Andrew Schoenster - MMa1x (27-39) - 7th

This was Andrew's first race as a masters rower and first-ever sculling event only a month after beginning to scull!

Peter Oudheusden - MMa1x (50-59) - 17th

Having just finished his novice year of racing, Peter continues to improve his performances in every race he enters!

Christina DeSavio & Kristen Erickson - WMa2x - DNF

A promising combination that medaled at Masters Nationals and will look to take their revenge next weekend at the Head of the Charles, Christina and Kristen were easily in medal contention when a loose nut got in the way of their finishing what was looking to be a fantastic race.

Head of The Riverfront 10/04

Greenwich entered both team boats and singles for the Riverfront. An extended course added to all the times from last year, but still allowed for a great season-opener for Greenwich!

Tim Wike - MMa1x (40-49) - 2nd

A regular on the medal podium in this event, Tim did not disappoint. A great finish yet again for Greenwich, thanks to Tim!

Damir Durkovic - MMa1x (40-49) - 8th

Damir puts in a solid performance over the lengthened course as he attempts to close the gap between himself and training partner Tim Wike.

Sinclair Im - MMaNov1x - 1st

On his head race debut in the toughest of all boats, Sinclair discovered just how much longer 5,000m was than 1,000m! Despite this, he finished in impressive fashion and vows to do it again! Hopefully we'll see Sinclair with more and more medals around his neck!

Peter Oudheusden, Chris Ives, Paul Pugliese, Hank Pohl, & Amy Lichorat (coxswain) - MMa4+ - 2nd

Greenwich used this as a great warm-up race going into the Head of the Charles in the Men's Masters coxed four. This boat is one of the most successful in Greenwich's Masters program and looks to put more and more impressive performances in the future!

Jenny Lawton, Katie Blankley, Jen Bresler, & Ashlee Branan - WMa4x - 4th

On raw time, the only boat faster in the event was a boat of Trinity College seniors. An great performance for this first-time lineup has the ladies excited to try their hands again and land them on the medal stand!

25k Hudson River Challenge

Following the course of Henry Hudson on the 400th anniversary of his legendary trip up the Hudson River, Peter Oudheusden, Sinclair Im, Paul Pugliese and Chris Ives, master Rowers from Greenwich Crew competed this weekend in the 25k Hudson River Challenge sponsored by River Rowing of Nyack, New York. Also known as the Bridge to Bridge race, it began at 8am in a small park near the George Washington Bridge in the pouring rain. Water conditions were relatively good considering the weather although the current and wind were an added impediment.

The magnificent palisades on the western side of the river unchanged in 400 years and the cities and structures on the eastern side were an awesome historical juxtaposition in the context of the Hudson quad centennial. After passing under the Tappan Zee Bridge with about 1000 meters to the finish, the water got increasingly turbulent with water splashing over the sides. The use of strips of duct tape across the riggers kept the boat from being swamped and losing time to bailing. The Greenwich Quad finished 3rd overall (against much younger crews) in the 15.5 mile endurance race that was 25 times longer than the sprint races of spring and summer. Definitely not an event for the faint of heart or the soft of hands which were a mass of blisters by the end of the race.

GREENWICH MASTER ROWERS BRING HOME HARDWARE

Recently 12 rowers from the Greenwich Crew's Masters Program made their way down to the Cooper River in Pennsauken, NJ to compete in the 2009 USRowing Masters National Championships. This four day event, from August 13th-16th, was the largest masters national championships in history, featuring more than 1,800 entries from 147 clubs in 35 states. Master rowers from across the nation, ranging from ages 21 to 86, competed for national titles in more than 200 events.

There may have only been 12 rowers representing the Greenwich Crew, but they were able to score significantly in the weekend medal count. With temperatures reaching into the 90's on the water, the schedule often became grueling for the rowers, with heats and sometimes semi-finals in the mornings, and final races in the afternoon. All of the Greenwich rowers raced in multiple events (boat and age categories), which meant 2-4 races per day on the 1000 meter course. Of the events entered, Greenwich Crew made it to 12 finals, and medaled in an impressive 10 of them. Their final count included 1 gold, 5 silver, and 4 bronze medals (see below), with a total of 31 individual medals. Greenwich Crew rows out of the Greenwich Water Club on River Road in Cos Cob, and offers Learn-To-Row programs, as well as rowing programs for rowers of all abilities and fitness levels.