

*Sent: January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2003*

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McGill University Rowing Club Alumni  
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Dear MURC Alumni,

We would like to extend our warmest, heartfelt wishes to all of you in the New Year of 2004. We hope that the year will be filled with many successful endeavors and new achievements.

The McGill Rowing Club Athletes, Coaches, and Executive have had a fruitful season in 2003 and we would like to inform you of our accomplishments in the past season.

In this e-Wave, you will find the results of the 2003 season, the recipients of the Novice Coach of the year and the MVPs for the 2003 season, as well as updates about the past season.

We would like to inform you that the Friends of McGill Rowing (FMR) will be holding its annual general meeting on Saturday, FEBRUARY 7th in Montreal (place and time to be announced). Anyone interested in attending should contact the alumni address for more information ([mcgillrowing.alumni@elf.mcgill.ca](mailto:mcgillrowing.alumni@elf.mcgill.ca)).

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you of our winter fundraising drive that is still on-going. At the end of last year, the MURC executive sent letters with return envelopes to the MURC Alumni outlining our fundraising goal for 2004. This year's goal is to raise funds to purchase a new lightweight men's four boat. Your support in attaining this goal is greatly appreciated and we would like to thank you for your support.

Enjoy the read and stay in touch!

Happy New Year,

~MURC VP Alumni Affairs 2003

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McGill University CREW 2003 SEASON RESULTS:

1. VARSITY HEAVYWEIGHT MEN'S 8
  - Head of the Trent Regatta - 3<sup>rd</sup> (University Eight)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta - 3<sup>rd</sup> (Club Eight)
  - Brock Invitational Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - Stonehurst Invitational - 6<sup>th</sup> (Collegiate Eight)
  - Head of the Charles Regatta - 9<sup>th</sup>
  - OUA Rowing Championships - 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Canadian University Rowing Championships - 4<sup>th</sup>
  
2. VARSITY HEAVYWEIGHT WOMEN'S 8
  - Head of Rideau – 2<sup>nd</sup> (Open Eight)
  - Head of Rideau – 2<sup>nd</sup> (University Eight)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta - 3<sup>rd</sup> (University Eight)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta – 5<sup>th</sup> (Club Eight)
  - Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - Stonehurst Invitational - 8<sup>th</sup> (Collegiate Eight)
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 1<sup>st</sup>
  - OUA Rowing Championships - 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Canadian University Rowing Championships – 5<sup>th</sup>
  
3. VARSITY LIGHTWEIGHT MEN'S 4
  - Head of Rideau – 1<sup>st</sup> (University Lightweight Four)
  - Head of Rideau – 2<sup>nd</sup> (Open Lightweight Four)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta - 4<sup>th</sup> (Club Four)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta - 4<sup>th</sup> (University Lightweight Four)
  - Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - Stonehurst Invitational – 5<sup>th</sup>
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 1<sup>st</sup>
  - OUA Rowing Championships – 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Canadian University Rowing Championships – 6<sup>th</sup>
  
4. VARSITY LIGHTWEIGHT WOMEN'S 4
  - Head of Rideau – 1<sup>st</sup> (University Lightweight Four)
  - Head of Rideau – 2<sup>nd</sup> (Open Lightweight Four)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta – 9<sup>th</sup> (Club Four)
  - Head of the Trent Regatta - 5<sup>th</sup> (University Lightweight Four)
  - Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - OUA Rowing Championships - 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Canadian University Rowing Championships – 4<sup>th</sup>
  
5. NOVICE MEN'S 8 (McConnell):
  - Head of the Trent Regatta – 1<sup>st</sup>

- Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 1<sup>st</sup> (Novice 8)
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 1<sup>st</sup> (Varsity 8)
  - Queen's Invitational Development Regatta - 4<sup>th</sup>
6. NOVICE MEN'S 8 (Mr. Speaker):
- Head of the Trent Regatta – 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 3<sup>rd</sup> (Novice 8)
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 3<sup>rd</sup> (Varsity 8)
  - Queen's Invitational Development Regatta – 6<sup>th</sup>
7. NOVICE WOMEN'S 8 (Alliance):
- Head of the Trent Regatta – 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Queen's Invitational Development Regatta - 1<sup>st</sup>
8. NOVICE WOMEN'S 8 (Red Dawn):
- Head of the Trent Regatta – 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Brock Invitational Regatta Regatta - cancelled due to fog
  - McGill Eastern Inv. Regatta – 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Queen's Invitational Development Regatta - 5<sup>th</sup>

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The club athletes and coaches celebrated the successes of the 2003 season this year in late November. The annual END-OF-SEASON BANQUET at the Molson Brewery and it was filled with memories of laughter that accompanied the annual slide show and skits commemorating events of the past season.

During the banquet, the club honoured the success of coaches and athletes.

Our novice crew coach, BRICE KOLKO, received the president's award for his outstanding work and dedication to the novice program over the past year. It is an honour for the McGill Rowing Club to have a coach among us who has been named the OUA development coach of the year! Congratulations Brice!

The following athletes received the MVP award for the 2003 season:

Christine Vigneault - Varsity Women  
 Dallas Smith - Varsity Men  
 Elizabeth Jamieson - Novice Women  
 Mark Henderson - Novice Men

Congratulations to all!

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Watch out Cambridge....

A congratulations on behalf of the entire McGill University rowing club goes out to: Aleksandra Leligdowicz (MURC 2003-2004 and current VP alumni) and Alexandra Conliffe (MURC 1999-2000) who were both recently named as RHODES Scholars for 2004.

To read more about the accomplishments of these two outstanding women and how they came to win this most prestigious award, please see <http://www.mcgill.ca/releases/2003/december/rhodes/> and <http://www.mcgill.ca/releases/2003/december/morerhodes/>.

We wish them both the best of luck at Oxford and beyond; they have made us very proud.

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MCGILL EASTERN INVITATIONAL REGATTA, October 18th, 2003

For the past ten years, the McGill University Rowing Club has been the proud host of the McGill Eastern Invitational Regatta, an official OUA event. In the past, crews from Ontario, the Atlantic Provinces and the North-Eastern United States have participated in the regatta, solidifying the Eastern Invitational's place in the Canadian University rowing circuit.

This year, the McGill Invitational regatta took place on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003 at the Olympic Basin in Montreal. We welcomed university and CEGEP crews as well as many clubs from the Province of Quebec, Ontario, and New Brunswick. The event was a great success this year with many 1<sup>st</sup> finishes for the McGill boats!!

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2004 MCGILL-QUEEN'S BOAT RACE

The McGill University Rowing Club co-organizes the McGill/Queens Boat Race held annually at the end of April. Conceived in 1996, the McGill-Queen's Challenge Boat Race adds another dimension to the long-standing athletic rivalry that exists between these two universities.

This year's boat race will be held in Montreal.

**The date for this year's event is not yet determined.**

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This spring, we would like to send out a FULL PRINTED WAVE with more detailed articles and alumni news. We will need your help to make this possible! The wave account is BELOW its budget after the last publication in the spring of 2003. Therefore, if you enjoy reading the Wave and would like to ensure its future publication, please contribute to the next issue! Please send your intent to DONATE to [mcgillrowing.alumni@elf.mcgill.ca](mailto:mcgillrowing.alumni@elf.mcgill.ca) with "the Wave" noted in the memo section (tax receipts will be issued for all donations).

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The McGill University Rowing Club would like to extend our Alumni E-MAIL LIST. If you know of any Alumni who are not on our mailing or e-mailing lists but would like to be, please send us their information to [mcgillrowing.alumni@elf.mcgill.ca](mailto:mcgillrowing.alumni@elf.mcgill.ca) and we'll be sure to include them in the next issue.

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Hooray!

The Men's and Women's MURC rowing teams have retained LEVEL 2 status. This means that the varsity Men's and Women's teams will remain funded for the next three seasons!

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We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of the dedicated members of the MURC Executive for the 2003 season. Their service has made this year's successes possible. Thank you to all!

Our annual general meeting will take place on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at the McGill Gym. During the AGM, a NEW COUNCIL for the 2004 season will be elected.

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We would like to inform you that the McGill University Rowing Club's website has a new address: [www.mcgillcrew.com](http://www.mcgillcrew.com)

Feel free to browse it and send us your comments!