2009 FISA World Rowing Under 23 Championships Media Packet

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World Rowing Under 23 Championships General Information
The World Rowing Under 23 Championships showcase up-and-coming athletes who are too old to compete at the junior level but are still in need of further development to rank among top senior elite rowers. Held for the first time in 1976 in Macon, France, under the title “Seniors Match,” it eventually became the “Nations Cup” in 1992. FISA’s 2005 Extraordinary Congress in Dubrovnik, Croatia, voted to upgrade the World Rowing Under 23 Regatta to world rowing championship status. The first official World Rowing Under 23 Championships were raced in 2004. Approximately 600 athletes from 40 countries compete annually.

Under 23 World Championships
This year’s regatta will feature competition in 21 events: men’s single sculls, women’s single sculls, lightweight men’s single sculls, lightweight women’s single sculls, men’s double sculls, women’s double sculls, lightweight men’s double sculls, lightweight women’s double sculls, men’s pair, women’s pair, lightweight men’s pair, men’s quadruple sculls, women’s quadruple sculls, lightweight men’s quadruple sculls, lightweight women’s quadruple sculls, men’s four, women’s four, lightweight men’s four, men’s four with coxswain, men’s eight and women’s eight. The United States will have crews competing in all 21 events.

Racice/Prague, Czech Republic
The town of Račice was established in 1295 by King Václav II. Until 1960, it was a part of the town of Štětí, and from 1989, it has been a separate legal entity. In 1980, sand quarrying commenced in Račice, and in 1986, the rowing course was opened for the World Rowing Junior Championships. Račice is located 158 meters above sea level, eight kilometers north of the town of Roudnice.

Prague is the capital and largest city of the Czech Republic. Situated on the Vltava River in central Bohemia, Prague has been the political, cultural and economic center of the Czech state for over 1,000 years. The city proper is home to nearly 1.2 million people, while its greater metropolitan area is estimated to have a population of over 1.9 million. Prague is widely considered one of the most beautiful cities in Europe and is among the most visited cities on the continent. Since 1992, the historic center of Prague has been included in the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites. Over the years, Prague has also been referred to as “the mother of cities” (“Praga mater urbium”), “the city of a hundred spires” and “the golden city.” Reprinted from the regatta Web site at http://www.u23-2009.com/.

USRowing
USRowing is a nonprofit organization recognized by the United States Olympic Committee as the governing body for the sport of rowing in the United States. USRowing’s Official Suppliers are Hudson Boat Works and Boathouse Sports; its Official Patron is Concept2; its Official Electronics Outfitter is Nielsen Kellerman; its Official Timer is Powerhouse Timing; and its Preferred Printer is Sport Graphics Printing. USRowing also receives generous support from the National Rowing Foundation.
The men’s eight of coxswain Daniel Connolly (Rockville Center, N.Y.), Grant James (DeKalb, III.), Ross James (DeKalb, Ill.), Derek Rasmussen (Darnestown, Md.), Silas Stafford (Santa Rosa, Calif.), Henrik Rummel (Pittsford, N.Y.), Blaise Didier (San Francisco, Calif.), Charlie Cole (New Canaan, Conn.) and Alex Osborne (Sherman Oaks, Calif.) won the race by nearly four seconds. Down off the line, the U.S. crew gained the lead by the 500-meter mark, with Canada just a few seats behind. At 1,750 meters, the U.S. boat shot out two seats, clocking a 5:49.42 for the win. Canada won silver in a 5:53.30, with Poland in third with a 5:54.57.

The women’s eight of coxswain Katelin Snyder (Winter Park, Fla.), Suzanne Van Fleet (West Chester, Pa.), Kady Glessner (Seattle, Wash.), Jamie Redman (Spokane, Wash.), Amanda Polk (Pittsburgh, Pa.), Laura Larsen-Strecker (Brookline, Mass.), Theresa Shields (Grosse Ile, Mich.), Kelsie Chaudoin (Germantown, Tenn.) and Jessica Reel (Ojai, Calif.) won gold, finishing 3.71 seconds ahead of Poland. The U.S. crew was able to take the lead from Poland in the second half of the race and continued to widen the gap through the sprint, clocking a 6:36.01. Poland crossed second in a 6:39.72, with Belarus in third with a time of 6:43.35.

Three additional U.S. crews also made the finals. The women’s four of Jessica Leidecker (Westerville, Ohio), Liz Robb (Roswell, Ga.), Michelle Nance (Simpsonville, S.C.) and Hilary Cumbest (Nashville, Tenn.) finished fourth in the final, missing the medal stand by 1.7 seconds. The U.S. crew remained in sixth position through the 1,000-meter mark, before shifting up to move ahead of Belarus and Australia in the final 500 meters. Italy won gold for the second year in a row, finishing in a 7:03.88. The Netherlands came in second with a 7:05.72, with Great Britain third in a 7:07.01.

Coxswain Kereeti Pisapati (Bethlehem, Pa.), Joe McMullin (Woodbridge, Va.), Matt Wheeler (Eugene, Ore.), Greg Yurkow (Haddonfield, N.J.) and David Weir (Folsom, Calif.) finished fifth in the final of the men’s four with coxswain. Italy, the defending champion, won in a 6:29.04, with Ukraine in second (6:34.43) and Germany in third (6:36.09). The U.S. crew clocked a 6:43.22.

In the women’s single sculls, Helen Tompkins (Friendswood, Texas) finished sixth overall, clocking an 8:11.02 in the final. Germany’s Julia Richter won gold in a 7:43.90, with Great Britain’s Kristina Stiller in second place with a 7:48.20. Hungary finished in third, followed by Bulgaria and Estonia.

In the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships, the U.S. won gold in the men’s and women’s eights to highlight the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships in Brandenburg, Germany.
## 2009 Under 23 World Championships Roster

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Adrienne Martelli (2) 12/3/1987 6'1” 170 University Place, Wash. University of Washington
Erika Roddy (b) 6/25/1990 5’8” 155 San Francisco, Calif. Stanford University

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Under 23 National Team Bios

Drew Baustian
Men’s Four with Coxswain
Hometown: Davenport, Iowa
Current Residence: Ithaca, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: Cornell University
Began Rowing: 2003 – Quad City Rowing Association
Date of Birth: 10/4/1987   Height: 6’2”   Weight: 192
High School: North Scott Senior High School
Undergraduate Education: Cornell University, Agricultural Science, 2010
Current Coach: Dan Roock
Years on National Team: One –2009, Under 23
Personal: Drew earned Cornell’s Freshman of the Year Award and the Butler Award as MVP as a sophomore…He began rowing as a freshman in high school when a friend took him to a learn-to-row class…Drew lists his father as the most influential person in his life because of his work ethic and his calm, relaxed personality.

Brad Bertoldo
Men’s Eight
Hometown: San Jose, Calif.
Current Residence: San Jose, Calif.
Club Affiliation: Northeastern University
Began Rowing: 2003 – Los Gatos Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 9/23/1987   Height: 6’4”   Weight: 205
High School: Bellarmine College Preparatory
Undergraduate Education: Northeastern University
Current Coach: John Pojednic
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
International Results: Won the four with coxswain and eight at the 2005 CanAmMex Regatta.
National Results: Won the junior four with coxswain at the 2005 USRowing National Championships.
Personal: Brad enjoys golf, basketball and baseball…He received the Most Valuable Freshman and Most Improved Oarsman awards at Northeastern…Brad lists finishing fourth at the 2008 IRA Championships as his most memorable sporting achievement…His sister, Kelly, played basketball at the University of California at San Diego.

Julian Bowling
Lightweight Men’s Four
Hometown: Shelby, N.C.
Current Residence: Annapolis, Md.
Club Affiliation: United States Naval Academy
Began Rowing: 2001 – McCallie School
Date of Birth: 5/25/1987   Height: 6’1”   Weight: 155
High School: McCallie School
Undergraduate Education: United States Naval Academy, 2010
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight eight at the 2009 USRowing National Championships…Finished second in the lightweight varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.
Personal: Julian enjoys cycling, diving and hunting...He lists finishing second in the lightweight eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships as his most memorable sporting moment...Julian lists Eric Houston of Kent School as the most influential person in his sporting career for giving him the skills to compete at the highest level.

Alec Buckenheimer
Lightweight Men’s Double Sculls
Hometown: New Canaan, Conn.
Current Residence: New Canaan, Conn.
Club Affiliation: Maritime Rowing Club
Began Rowing: 2000 – Maritime Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 2/28/1992 Height: 5’11” Weight: 158
High School: New Canaan High School
Current Coach: Yan Vengerovskiy
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished second in the lightweight double sculls at the 2009 USRowing Youth National Championships...Finished second in the junior double sculls at the 2008 Head of the Charles Regatta...Finished fourth in the lightweight double sculls at the 2008 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Alec enjoys hiking, rock climbing and camping...He lists his first coach, Olga Vengerovskiy, as the most influential person in his sporting career because she taught him discipline and determination...Alec would like to run a marathon someday...He lists his father as his personal hero.

Victoria Burke
Lightweight Women’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Redding, Conn.
Current Residence: Redding, Conn.
Club Affiliation: GMS Rowing Center
Began Rowing: 2004 – Saugatuck Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 8/28/1987 Height: 5’5” Weight: 125
High School: Joel Barlow High School
Undergraduate Education: University of Virginia
Current Coach: Guenter Beutter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships.
Personal: Victoria lists the final of the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships as her most memorable sporting achievement...She started in the sport because her best friend growing up rowed.

Desiree Burns
Women’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Current Residence: Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: University of Virginia
Began Rowing: 2001 – F.D. Roosevelt High School
Date of Birth: 5/30/1988 Height: 5’8” Weight: 175
High School: F.D. Roosevelt High School
Undergraduate Education: University of Virginia, 2010
Current Coach: Kevin Sauer
Years on National Team: Four – 2004-06, Junior; 2009, Under 23
International Results: Finished second in the eight at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships...Finished fifth in the pair at the 2005 World Rowing Junior Championships...Finished fourth in the four at the 2004 World Rowing Junior Championships...Won the eight at the 2003 CanAmMex Regatta.
National Results: Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Finished eighth in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships...Finished fourth in the second varsity eight at the 2007 NCAA Championships...Won the senior eight at the 2006 USRowing National Championships...Won the intermediate pair at the 2005 USRowing National Championships.
Personal: Desiree enjoys reading, eating and movies...She lists finishing second in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships as her most memorable sporting achievement.

Andrew Campbell
Lightweight Men’s Double Sculls
Hometown: New Canaan, Conn.
Current Residence: New Canaan, Conn.
Club Affiliation: Maritime Rowing Club
Began Rowing: 2004 – Maritime Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 2/2/1992 Height: 5’10” Weight: 150
High School: New Canaan High School
Current Coach: Yan Vengerovskiy
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished second in the lightweight double sculls at the 2009 USRowing Youth National Championships...Finished second in the junior double sculls at the 2008 Head of the Charles Regatta...Won the junior B double sculls and junior B quadruple sculls at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships...Finished second in the junior double sculls at the 2008 Head of the Schuylkill Regatta...Finished fourth in the lightweight double sculls at the 2008 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Andrew enjoys music...He lists finishing second in the Head of the Charles as his most memorable sporting achievement...Andrew lists his father as the most influential person in his sporting career because he is a great competitor and taught him a lot about how to race...He lists his parents as his personal heroes.

Evan Cassidy
Men’s Four with Coxswain
Hometown: Westbury, N.Y.
Current Residence: New York, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: Unaffiliated
Began Rowing: 2003 – Chaminade High School
Date of Birth: 2/28/1988 Height: 6’1” Weight: 195
High School: Chaminade High School
Undergraduate Education: Columbia University, Political Science, 2010
Current Coach: Dan Roock
Years on National Team: One –2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished sixth in the varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.
Personal: Evan enjoys reading, swimming and hanging with my brothers in Sigma Nu...He lists making the grand final in the varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.
Championships as his most memorable sporting achievement…Evan began rowing because his uncle, who rowed at St. John’s University, recommended it.

**Amanda Chase**
**Women’s Quadruple Sculls**
**Hometown:** Alexandria, Va.
**Current Residence:** Charlottesville, Va.
**Club Affiliation:** University of Virginia
**Began Rowing:** 2005 – Woodbridge Senior High School
**Date of Birth:** 7/28/1987  **Height:** 5’9”  **Weight:** 159
**High School:** Woodbridge Senior High School
**Undergraduate Education:** University of Virginia, Studio Art and Anthropology, 2009
**Current Coach:** Kevin Sauer
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23
**International Results:** Won the senior B quadruple sculls at the 2007 Canadian Henley.
**National Results:** Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Won the varsity eight at both the 2009 South-Central Regional Championships and the 2009 ACC Championships…Finished fourth in the second varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships…Won the second varsity eight at both the 2008 South-Central Regional Championships and the 2008 ACC Championships…Won the four at the 2007 NCAA Championships, 2007 South-Central Regional Championships and 2007 ACC Championships.
**Personal:** In 2009, Amanda co-captained Virginia and was named second-team All-American, first-team All-South Region and All-ACC…She lists the 2009 NCAA Championships as the most memorable sporting achievement of her life…Amanda played basketball and soccer in high school before trying rowing as a senior…She lists her mother as the most influential person in her life.

**Olivia Coffey**
**Women’s Eight**
**Hometown:** Watkins Glen, N.Y.
**Current Residence:** Cambridge, Mass.
**Club Affiliation:** Radcliffe Crew
**Began Rowing:** 2005 – Phillips Academy Andover
**Date of Birth:** 1/29/1989  **Height:** 6’1”  **Weight:** 170
**High School:** Phillips Academy Andover
**Undergraduate Education:** Harvard University, 2011
**Current Coach:** Liz O’Leary
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23
**International Results:** Finished second in the youth eight at the 2007 Women’s Henley Regatta.
**National Results:** Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 Eastern Sprints…Finished seventh in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships.
**Personal:** Olivia lists winning the petite finals at the 2008 NCAA Championships and finishing second at the 2009 Eastern Sprints as her most memorable sporting achievements…She was named second-team All-Ivy League and won the Phelps Award at Phillips Academy…Olivia’s father, Calvin Coffey, won a silver medal in the pair at the 1976 Olympics…She lists her personal hero as her older sister, Laurie, who is a fighter pilot and lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy.

**Daniel Connolly**
**Men’s Eight**
**Hometown:** Rockville Centre, N.Y.
**Current Residence:** Madison, Wis.
**Daniel Davidson**  
**Lightweight Men’s Pair**  
**Hometown:** Seattle, Wash.  
**Current Residence:** Seattle, Wash.  
**Club Affiliation:** Lake Union Crew  
**Began Rowing:** 2003 – Mt. Baker Rowing and Sailing Center  
**Date of Birth:** 9/29/1989  
**Height:** 5’10”  
**Weight:** 150  
**High School:** Garfield High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Cornell University, Chemistry, 2012  
**Occupation:** Learn-to-Rower Coach at Lake Union Crew  
**Current Coach:** Conal Groom  
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23  
**National Results:** Won the lightweight pair at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the freshman lightweight eight at the 2009 Eastern Sprints…Won the lightweight four with coxswain at the 2008 USRowing Youth National Championships…Finished fourth in the eight at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships.  
**Personal:** Thomas enjoys biking, listening to music and watching television and movies…He lists winning the freshman lightweight eight at the 2009 Eastern Sprints as his most memorable sporting achievement…Thomas lists Conal Groom as the most influential person in his sporting career.

**Madeline Davis**  
**Lightweight Women’s Double Sculls**  
**Hometown:** West Chester, Pa.  
**Current Residence:** Princeton, N.J.  
**Club Affiliation:** Vesper Boat Club  
**Began Rowing:** 2001 – Country Day School of the Sacred Heart  
**Date of Birth:** 7/12/1987  
**Height:** 5’6”  
**Weight:** 123  
**High School:** Country Day School of the Sacred Heart  
**Undergraduate Education:** Princeton University  
**Current Coach:** Scott Wisniewski  
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23
**National Results:**
Won the lightweight double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished sixth in the lightweight eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Finished sixth in the lightweight eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.

**Personal:**
Madeline enjoys reading, yoga and baseball...She was team captain and an named All-America at Princeton...Madeline lists winning the under 23 trials as her most memorable sporting achievement...Madeline chose rowing because she grew up watching her father row and race in Philadelphia, and she always wanted to give it a try...She lists her father as the most influential person in her sporting career and her mother as her personal hero.

**Dani Dewitt**

**Lightweight Women’s Single Sculls**

**Hometown:** Parkersburg, W.Va.

**Current Residence:** Madison, Wis.

**Club Affiliation:** University of Wisconsin

**Began Rowing:** 2000 – Ohio Valley Rowing Club

**Date of Birth:** 1/3/1988  **Height:** 5’4”  **Weight:** 125

**High School:** Parkersburg High School

**Undergraduate Education:** University of Wisconsin, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Environmental Studies, Technical Communications, 2010

**Current Coaches:** Erik Miller, Jason Read, Michael O’Gorman, Megan Cooke

**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23

**National Results:**
Won the lightweight single sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Won the varsity lightweight eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Won the varsity lightweight eight at the 2009 Eastern Women’s Sprints...Won the second varsity lightweight eight at the 2008 Eastern Women’s Sprints.

**Personal:**
Dani lists her hobbies as volleyball, biking, rowing, math and science...She lists her most memorable sporting achievement as racing in the second varsity eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints because she learned the most at that regatta...Dani lists her mother as her personal hero...She began rowing after she moved and cross-country wasn’t available.

**Blaise Didier**

**Men’s Eight**

**Hometown:** San Francisco, Calif.

**Current Residence:** Seattle, Wash.

**Club Affiliation:** University of Washington

**Began Rowing:** 2002 – Pacific Rowing Club

**Date of Birth:** 3/29/1988  **Height:** 6’6”  **Weight:** 218

**High School:** John O’Connell High School

**Undergraduate Education:** University of Washington

**Current Coach:** Michael Callahan

**Years on National Team:** Two – 2008-09, Under 23

**International Results:**
Won gold in the eight at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.

**National Results:**
Won gold in the junior varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Won gold in the eight at the 2008 Head of the Charles Regatta...Placed third in the varsity eight at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.

**Personal:**
Blaise enjoys puzzles, painting, snow shoeing and slight of hand...His pre-race rituals include no hair cuts...He lists his most memorable sporting achievement as winning gold at the
2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships…The most influential person in his sporting career is Ted Murphy…Blaise lists Jim Thorpe as his personal hero.

Nick Donald
Lightweight Men’s Pair
Hometown: Seattle, Wash.
Current Residence: Seattle, Wash.
Club Affiliation: Lake Union Crew
Began Rowing: 2004 – Lakeside School
Date of Birth: 9/1/1989  Height: 5’11”  Weight: 155
High School: Lakeside School
Undergraduate Education: Princeton University, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, 2011
Current Coach: Conal Groom
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight pair at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished second in the four with coxswain at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Nick enjoys basketball, music and rowing…He lists winning silver in the four with coxswain at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships as his most memorable sporting achievement…Nick lists his father as the most influential person in his sporting career and his parents as his personal heroes.

Emily Dreissigacker
Women’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Morrisville, Vt.
Current Residence: Hanover, N.H.
Club Affiliation: Dartmouth College
Began Rowing: 2006 – Craftsbury Sculling Center
Date of Birth: 11/29/1988  Height: 5’9”  Weight: 160
High School: People’s Academy
Undergraduate Education: Dartmouth College, 2011
Current Coach: Wendy Levash
Years on National Team: Two – 2006, Junior; 2009, Under 23
International Results: Finished 12th in the double sculls at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships.
National Results: Finished 14th in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Finished third in the single sculls at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Emily was a 2009 All-America selection in rowing and a 2004 All-America selection in cross-country skiing in high school…Both of Emily’s parents, Dick Dreissigacker and Judy Geer, were Olympians in rowing…Emily said she began rowing because she used to cross-country ski, and her coach had a theory that cross-country skiers made the best rowers, so she started to row as “research,” and “it kind of ran in the family.”

Bob Duff
Lightweight Men’s Quadruple Sculls
Club Affiliations: Malta Boat Club, GMS Rowing Center
Began Rowing: 2003 – St. Joseph’s Prep
Date of Birth: 10/9/1987  Height: 6’2”  Weight: 157
High School: St. Joseph’s Prep
Undergraduate Education: Columbia University, 2010
Current Coaches: Guenter Beutter, Scott Alwin, John Hayburn
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished second in the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 USRowing National Championships…Won the intermediate lightweight quadruple sculls and intermediate lightweight double sculls at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships…Finished second in the eight at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships…Won the lightweight eight at the 2005 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Bob enjoys eating, reading and watching The OC…He lists his most memorable sporting achievement as stroking the varsity eight his senior year in high school…Bob’s two brothers and two sisters all row and his older brother, Shawn, got him into rowing…His cousin, Pat McGlone, is on the 2009 Junior National Team…Bob lists his family, particularly his parents, as the most influential people in his life.

Emily Eiffert
Women’s Double Sculls
Hometown: Rochester, N.Y.
Current Residence: Honeoye Falls, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: University of Michigan
Began Rowing: 2005 – Pittsford Crew/Honeoye Falls-Lima High School
Date of Birth: 4/9/1990       Height: 6’0”   Weight: 170
High School: Honeoye Falls-Lima High School
Undergraduate Education: University of Michigan
Current Coach: Ted Bonanno
Years on the National Team: Two – 2008, Junior; 2009, Under 23
International Results: Finished 12th in the junior double sculls at the 2008 World Rowing Senior and Junior Championships…Finished fifth in the junior open division at that 2007 C.R.A.S.H.-B. World Indoor Rowing Championships…Finished first in the Under-16 Division at the 2006 Dutch Indoor Rowing Championships.
National Results: Won the double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished second in the single sculls at the 2008 USRowing Youth National Championships…Won gold in the junior four with coxswain and silver in the junior eight at the 2006 USRowing National Championships.
Personal: Emily’s hobbies include golf and sailing…She is drawn to rowing because of the “team aspect and the challenge of the sport”…Emily’s dad, who practices with her, has had the greatest influence on her sporting career.

Singen Elliott
Men’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pa.
Current Residence: Ithaca, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: Cornell University
Began Rowing: 1997 – Three Rivers Rowing Association
Date of Birth: 2/10/1988       Height: 6’3”   Weight: 175
High School: North Allegheny High School
Undergraduate Education: Cornell University, Animal Science, 2010
Current Coaches: Todd Kennett, Dave Reischman, Gordon Elliott
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
Personal: Singen enjoys extreme unicycling…His father rowed for the British national team and his mother swam for the British national team…Singen hopes to win an Olympic medal and become an eye surgeon.

Sean Engel
Men’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Greenbrae, Calif.
Current Residence: Berkeley, Calif.
Club Affiliation: University of California
Began Rowing: 2002 – Marin Rowing Association
Date of Birth: 10/10/1987 Height: 6’3” Weight: 185
High School: Redwood High School
Undergraduate Education: University of California, 2010
Current Coach: Mike Teti
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
International Results: Won the Temple Challenge Cup at the 2007 Henley Royal Regatta.
National Results: Finished third in the junior varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Finished second in the junior varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the freshman eight at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Finished seventh in the eight at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships…Finished third in the eight at the 2005 USRowing National Youth Invitational…Won the lightweight eight at the 2004 USRowing Youth Invitational.
Personal: Sean enjoys watching movies, playing golf and hanging out with friends…He was the Marin Rowing Association team captain in 2005-06 and was Marin’s Athlete of the Year in 2006…Sean lists going undefeated as a freshman at Cal and winning the Temple Challenge Cup as his most memorable sporting achievements…His father was a distance runner at the world championships…Sean began rowing to get in shape for baseball…He lists the most influential person in his sporting career as his father and his personal hero as his mother…Sean was born in Sydney, Australia.

Martin Etem
Men’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Long Beach, Calif.
Current Residence: Long Beach, Calif.
Club Affiliation: Unaffiliated
Began Rowing: 2004 – Long Beach Junior Crew
Date of Birth: 5/3/1987 Height: 6’2” Weight: 208
High School: Woodrow Wilson Classical High School
Undergraduate Education: Syracuse University, Communications, 2009
Current Coach: Dave Reischman
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
Personal: Martin enjoys surfing, skateboarding and hop-scotch…He lists his most memorable sporting achievements as winning states and regionals for Bantam AA Ice Hockey and winning the intramural floor hockey championship at Syracuse…Martin’s mother, Patricia, was a U.S. Olympian in rowing.

Cristina Felix
Women’s Double Sculls
Hometown: San Marino, Calif.
Club Affiliation: New York Rowing Association  
Began Rowing: 2005 – Long Beach Junior Crew  
Date of Birth: 2/12/1990       Height: 5’11”       Weight: 170  
High School: San Marino High School  
Undergraduate Education: University of Michigan  
Current Coach: Ted Bonanno  

**Years on National Team:** Three – 2007-08, Junior; 2009, Under 23  

**International Results:** Won gold in the junior eight at the 2008 World Rowing Senior and Junior Championships...Finished eighth in the four at the 2007 World Rowing Junior Championships.  

**National Results:** Won the double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished eighth in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Won the double sculls and the quadruple sculls at the 2008 USRowing Youth National Championships...Won the eight at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships...Won the youth four with coxswain at the 2007 Head of the Charles Regatta.  

**Personal:** Cristina’s most memorable sporting achievement is competing internationally for the first time in Beijing at the 2007 World Rowing Junior Championships...Her father competed for Puerto Rico in the single sculls at the 1984 and 1988 Olympic Games...Cristina lists coach Alfredo Montenegro as the most influential person in her sporting career...Her younger sister, Rebeca, made the 2009 Junior National Team.

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**Chris Frendl**  
Men’s Four with Coxswain  
Hometown: Southborough, Mass.  
Current Residence: Ithaca, N.Y.  
Club Affiliation: Cornell University  
Began Rowing: 2002 – St. John’s High School  
Date of Birth: 5/27/1988       Height: 6’1”       Weight: 185  
High School: St. John’s High School  
Undergraduate Education: Cornell University, 2010  
Current Coach: Dan Roock  
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23  
**Personal:** Chris enjoys sailing, skiing and biking.

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**Ariel Frost**  
Women’s Eight  
Hometown: Walnut Creek, Calif.  
Current Residence: Princeton, N.J.  
Club Affiliation: Princeton University  
Began Rowing: 2002 – Oakland Strokes  
Date of Birth: 2/23/1988       Height: 5’3”       Weight: 105  
High School: The College Preparatory School  
Undergraduate Education: Princeton University, 2010  
Current Coaches: Lori Dauphiny, Helen Betancourt, Jeremy Turk  
**Years on National Team:** Three – 2005-06, Junior; 2009, Under 23  

**International Results:** Finished second in the eight at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships...Won the junior eight at the 2006 Women’s Henley Regatta...Finished fourth in the eight at the 2005 World Rowing Junior Championships...Won the junior eight at the 2005 Women’s Henley Regatta...Finished first in the eight and second in the four with coxswain at the 2004 CanAmMex Regatta.  

**National Results:** Finished sixth in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Finished 12th in the second varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA
Championships…Finished third in the eight at the 2007 USRowing National Championships…Finished sixth in the varsity eight at the 2007 NCAA Championships…Won the elite eight at the 2006 USRowing National Championships…Finished second in the eight at the 2006 USRowing National Youth Invitational…Won the senior four, elite eight and senior eight at the 2005 USRowing National Championships…Won the eight at the 2005 USRowing Youth Invitational…Won the junior four and junior eight at the 2004 USRowing National Championships…Won the eight at the 2004 USRowing Youth Invitational.

Personal: Ariel enjoys running, hiking, exploring, getting coffee and cleaning…She lists her most memorable sporting achievement as winning the 2004 USRowing Youth Invitational…Ariel lists Derek Byrnes as the most influential person in her sporting career…She lists her older sister, Alana, as her personal hero…Ariel would like to run a marathon and is interested in emergency medicine.

Michael Gennaro
Men’s Four
Hometown: Havertown, Pa.
Current Residence: Syracuse, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: Syracuse University
Began Rowing: 2004 – St. Joseph’s Prep
Date of Birth: 3/11/1989 Height: 6’3” Weight: 190
High School: St. Joseph’s Prep
Undergraduate Education: Syracuse University
Current Coaches: Joel Serogin, Steve Gladstone, Dave Reischman, Dave Weiss
Years on National Team: Two –2007, Junior; 2009, Under 23
International Results: Finished fifth in the eight at the 2007 World Rowing Junior Championships…Finished second in the Princess Elizabeth Challenge Cup at the 2005 Henley Royal Regatta.
National Results: Won the freshman eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints…Won the intermediate eight and finished second in the senior eight at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships…Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2007 Stotesbury Cup Regatta…Finished second in the eight at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2006 Stotesbury Cup Regatta…Won the varsity eight at the 2005 Stotesbury Cup Regatta.
Personal: Michael enjoys playing Scrabble and Jumangi and watching the Philadelphia Phillies…He lists winning the 2009 Syracuse University Dodgeball Tournament as his most memorable sporting achievement…Michael lists Bill Lamb as the most influential person in his sporting career…He would like to become a full-time firefighter.

Max Goff
Men’s Eight
Hometown: Sun Prairie, Wis.
Current Residence: Madison, Wis.
Club Affiliation: University of Wisconsin
Began Rowing: 2006 – University of Wisconsin
Date of Birth: 10/12/1987 Height: 6’5” Weight: 205
High School: Sun Prairie High School
Undergraduate Education: University of Wisconsin, Mechanical Engineering, 2010
Current Coach: Chris Clark
Years on National Team: Two – 2008-09, Under 23
**International Results:** Finished ninth in the four at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships…Won the championship eight at both the 2007 and 2008 Canadian Henley regattas.

**National Results:** Won the four at the 2008 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the championship four at the 2008 Head of the Charles Regatta…Won the varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints.

**Personal:** Max enjoys gaming, cooking, biking and Asian food…He lists winning the 2008 IRA Championship as his most memorable sporting achievement.

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**John Graves**

**Men’s Pair**

**Hometown:** Cincinnati, Ohio

**Current Residence:** Cincinnati, Ohio

**Club Affiliation:** Craftsbury Small Boat Training Center

**Began Rowing:** 2002 – Cincinnati Country Day School

**Date of Birth:** 3/26/1988  
**Height:** 6’0”  
**Weight:** 175

**High School:** Cincinnati Country Day School

**Undergraduate Education:** Trinity College, 2010

**Current Coaches:** Larry Gluckman, Kevin MacDermott

**Years on National Team:** One –2009, Under 23

**International Results:** Reached the final of the Temple Challenge Cup at the 2008 Henley Royal Regatta.

**National Results:** Won the pair at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the eight at the 2008 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) National Invitational Regatta…Finished second in the junior double sculls and junior single sculls at the 2006 USRowing National Championships…Finished second in the single sculls at the 2006 Junior World Championships Trials.

**Personal:** John enjoys playing lawn sports with elite skiers at Craftsbury…He was the captain of Trinity College’s men’s soccer and rowing teams…John lists his most memorable sporting achievement as coming from behind to beat Oxford Brookes at the 2008 Henley Royal Regatta to reach the Temple Challenge Cup final…He was a three-year starting defender for Trinity soccer and an Adidas All-American soccer player in high school…John’s brothers, Peter and Thomas, are elite-level scullers and his first cousin is elite-level lightweight Brian DeRegt…He is a member of Leander Club in England…John lists Larry Gluckman as the biggest influence in his rowing career.

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**Sarah Gribler**

**Women’s Four**

**Hometown:** Marysville, Wash.

**Current Residence:** Ann Arbor, Mich.

**Club Affiliation:** University of Michigan

**Began Rowing:** 2004 – Everett Rowing Association

**Date of Birth:** 1/14/1988  
**Height:** 6’0”  
**Weight:** 175

**High School:** Marysville-Pilchuck High School

**Undergraduate Education:** University of Michigan, Secondary Education, 2011

**Current Coach:** Mark Rothstein

**Years on National Team:** Three – 2005-06, Junior; 2009, Under 23

**International Results:** Finished second in the eight at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships…Placed sixth in the four at the 2005 World Rowing Junior Championships.
**National Results:** Won gold in the senior eight at the 2006 USRowing National Championships...Won bronze in the eight at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships...Won gold in the senior four and senior four with coxswain at the 2005 USRowing National Championships...Finished second in the eight at the 2005 USRowing Youth National Championships.

**Personal:** Sarah, who was named to the 2005 Northwest Crew of the Year, was captain of her high school basketball team from 2004-2006...She signed up for rowing as a way to stay in shape for basketball during the off-season...Sarah enjoys basketball, watching movies, eating, coloring and napping...Her personal hero is Padraic McGovern, who has guided her in her rowing career...She hopes to make the 2012 Olympic Team...Sarah lists her most memorable sporting achievement as taking second at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships.

**Nareg Guregian**  
**Men’s Four**  
**Hometown:** North Hills, Calif.  
**Current Residence:** Berkeley, Calif.  
**Club Affiliation:** University of California  
**Began Rowing:** 2005 – Marina Aquatic Center  
**Date of Birth:** 1/20/1989  
**Height:** 6'5”  
**Weight:** 213  
**High School:** Demirdjian High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** University of California  
**Current Coach:** Mike Teti  
**Years on National Team:** Two –2007, Junior; 2009, Under 23  
**International Results:** Finished fifth in the eight at the 2007 World Rowing Junior Championships...Won the Temple Challenge Cup at the 2007 Henley Royal Regatta.  
**National Results:** Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Won the intermediate eight and finished second in the senior eight at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships...Won the freshman eight at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.  
**Personal:** Nareg enjoys running marathons...He lists his personal hero as Mike Teti.

**Chad Healy**  
**Lightweight Men’s Four**  
**Hometown:** Ashland, Ore.  
**Current Residence:** Ashland, Ore.  
**Club Affiliation:** USRowing Training Center  
**Began Rowing:** 2004 – Ashland Rowing Club  
**Date of Birth:** 5/27/1987  
**Height:** 6'0”  
**Weight:** 155  
**High School:** Ashland High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** United States Naval Academy, Aerospace Engineering, 2009  
**Graduate Education:** University of Colorado at Boulder, Aerospace Engineering, 2009  
**Current Coach:** Luke Agnini  
**Years on National Team:** Two –2008-09, Under 23  
**International Results:** Finished ninth in the lightweight four at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.  
**National Results:** Won the lightweight eight at the 2009 USRowing National Championships...Finished second in the lightweight varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Finished second in the freshman lightweight eight at the 2006 Eastern Sprints.
Personal: Chad enjoys hiking, climbing, cycling and anything outdoors…He was the captain of Navy’s lightweight crew in 2008-09…He lists finishing second in the lightweight eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships as his most memorable sporting moment…Chad would like to fly jets, become an astronaut and win a gold medal at the Olympics.

Mary Jeghers
Women’s Pair and Women’s Eight
Hometown: Sacramento, Calif.
Current Residence: Berkeley, Calif.
Club Affiliation: University of California
Began Rowing: 2006 – San Diego Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 10/28/1988  Height: 5’10”  Weight: 162
High School: Poway High School
Undergraduate Education: University of California, 2011
Current Coach: Dave O’Neill
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the pair at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Finished fourth in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships.

Personal: Mary enjoys baking, running and napping…She lists rowing the varsity eight during her freshman year at Cal as her most memorable sporting achievement…Mary lists her coach, Dave O’Neill, as the most influential person in her sporting career.

Devery Karz
Lightweight Women’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Park City, Utah
Current Residence: Corvallis, Ore.
Club Affiliation: GMS Rowing Center
Began Rowing: Oregon State University
Date of Birth: 2/18/1988  Height: 5’8”  Weight: 124
High School: Park City High School
Undergraduate Education: Oregon State University
Current Coaches: Emily Ford, Vita Scaglione, Gunter Beutter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials.

Personal: Devery enjoys eating and eating in other countries…She lists her most memorable sporting achievement as finishing third at the Pacific-10 Championships…Devery speaks Spanish and beginner Chinese and French…She lists Coach Vita Scaglione as the most influential person in her sporting career.

Nate Kelly
Men’s Double Sculls
Hometown: New Canaan, Conn.
Current Residence: New Canaan, Conn.
Club Affiliation: Maritime Rowing Club
Began Rowing: 2002 – Maritime Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 12/16/1987  Height: 6’1”  Weight: 195
High School: St. Luke’s School
Undergraduate Education: Trinity College, 2010
**Current Coaches:** Yan Vengerovskiy, Larry Gluckman  
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23  
**International Results:** Reached the quarterfinals in the Visitor’s Challenge Cup at the 2008 Henley Royal Regatta…Finished third in the double sculls and quadruple sculls at the 2006 CanAmMex Regatta.  
**National Results:** Won the double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the junior quadruple sculls and finished third in the junior double sculls at the 2006 USRowing National Championships…Finished second in the quadruple sculls at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships…Won the junior quadruple sculls at the 2005 USRowing National Championships.  
**Personal:** Nate is the brother of fellow Under 23 National Team member Will Kelly…Nate enjoys playing cards…He is Trinity College’s men’s captain…Nate lists winning the Head of the Charles, winning under 23 trials and racing at the Henley Royal Regatta with his best friend as his most memorable sporting achievements…He began rowing as a freshman in high school when two friends dragged him down to the boathouse.

**Will Kelly**  
**Lightweight Men’s Quadruple Sculls**  
**Hometown:** New Canaan, Conn.  
**Current Residence:** New Canaan, Conn.  
**Club Affiliation:** Bantam Boat Club  
**Began Rowing:** 2004 – Maritime Rowing Club  
**Date of Birth:** 4/26/1989  
**Height:** 6’1”  
**Weight:** 156  
**High School:** St. Luke’s School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Trinity College, 2011  
**Current Coach:** Guenter Beutter  
**Years on National Team:** Two – 2006, Junior; 2009, Under 23  
**International Results:** Finished 24th in the quadruple sculls at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships…Won the quadruple sculls at the 2007 CanAmMex Regatta.  
**National Results:** Won the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished second in the collegiate eight at the 2008 Head of the Charles Regatta…Finished third in the intermediate quadruple sculls at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships…Won gold in the quadruple sculls at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships.  
**Personal:** Will is the brother of fellow Under 23 National Team member Nate Kelly…Will enjoys cycling, running and ping pong with Sebastian Kirwan…He lists winning the quadruple sculls at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships as his most memorable sporting achievement…Will’s brother, Nate, introduced him to the sport…He lists his father as the most influential person in his life.

**Edward “Mix” King**  
**Lightweight Men’s Four**  
**Hometown:** Ironton, Mo.  
**Current Residence:** Annapolis, Md.  
**Club Affiliation:** United States Naval Academy  
**Began Rowing:** 2007 – United States Naval Academy  
**Date of Birth:** 6/14/1989  
**Height:** 6’4”  
**Weight:** 160  
**High School:** Arcadia Valley High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** United States Naval Academy, 2011  
**Current Coaches:** Nick Baker, Luke Agnini  
**Years on the National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished third in the freshman eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints.
Personal: Mix enjoys running, swimming, surfing, hiking and biking...He finished second at the 2007 Missouri State Cross-Country Championship...Mix was born in South Africa.

Sebastian Kirwan
Men’s Double Sculls
Hometown: Wilton, Conn.
Current Residence: Norwalk, Conn.
Club Affiliation: Maritime Rowing Club
Began Rowing: 2003 – Maritime Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 7/30/1989    Height: 6’4”    Weight: 190
High School: Wilton High School
Undergraduate Education: Columbia University, Civil Engineering
Current Coaches: Yan Vengerovskiy, Larry Gluckman
Years on National Team: Two – 2006, Junior; 2009, Under 23
International Results: Won gold in the double sculls and quadruple sculls at the 2007 CanAmMex Regatta...Finished 24th in the quadruple sculls at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships.
National Results: Won the double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished third in the intermediate quadruple sculls at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships...Won gold in the quadruple sculls at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships...Won silver in the quadruple sculls at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Sebastian is the only boy among his family of eight sisters...His sister, Emma, was on the Connecticut Select Team for women’s lacrosse...Seabass, as he is known by friends, said he hopes to reach the elite level of rowing...He enjoys playing ping pong with Will Kelly, playing cards and hanging out with his friends...Sebastian said he owes a lot of his success to Mike Zimmer, Jon Douglass, Scott Ramsey and Yan Vengerovskiy, as well as his parents.

Ashley Kroll
Women’s Eight
Hometown: Edmonds, Wash.
Club Affiliation: University of Michigan
Began Rowing: 2004 – Everett Rowing Association
Date of Birth: 5/24/1988    Height: 6’1”    Weight: 177
High School: Kamiak High School
Undergraduate Education: University of Michigan, Sociology, 2010
Current Coaches: Mark Rothstein, Kate Strum
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
International Results: Finished first in the eight and four with coxswain at the 2005 CanAmMex Regatta.
National Results: Finished eighth in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 South-Central Sprints...Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 Big Ten Championships...Won the varsity eight at the 2009 San Diego Crew Classic...Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2008 South-Central Sprints...Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2008 Big Ten Championships...Finished third in the championship eight at the 2007 Head of the Charles Regatta...Won the intermediate eight and four with coxswain at the 2005 USRowing National Championships...Finished second in the eight at the 2005 USRowing Youth Invitational.
Personal: Ashley enjoys travel, tubing, boating, skiing, being outdoors and spending time with family and friends...She likes to spend time in Canada at her family’s cabin in Nanaimo...Ashley lists her most memorable sporting achievement as winning the Jessop-Whittier Cup at the 2009 San Diego Crew Classic...She competed at the national level in softball growing up...Ashley lists Bill and Melinda Gates as her personal heroes because of how they reach out and help so many people through their foundation...She was named first-team All-American, first-team All-Central Region and was Michigan’s Athlete of the Year in 2009.

Stephen Lambers
Men’s Single Sculls
Current Residence: Detroit, Mich.
Club Affiliation: Detroit Boat Club
Began Rowing: 2001 – Detroit Boat Club
Date of Birth: 7/18/1987 Height: 6’4” Weight: 185
High School: Grosse Pointe South High School
Undergraduate Education: Wayne State University, 2010
Current Coach: Dr. Richard Bell
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
International Results: Finished fourth in the senior B single sculls at the 2008 Canadian Henley...Finished fourth in the senior B single sculls at the 2007 Canadian Henley.
National Results: Won the single sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials...Finished second in the senior single sculls dash at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships...Finished sixth in the single sculls at the 2008 USRowing National Championships...Won the intermediate single sculls at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships.
Personal: Stephen enjoys bicycle riding and reading...He lists his coach, Dr. Richard Bell, as the most influential person in his sporting career and Lance Armstrong as his personal hero...Stephen would like to attend law school in the future.

Jessica Leidecker
Women’s Eight
Hometown: Westerville, Ohio
Current Residence: Clemson, S.C.
Club Affiliation: Clemson University
Began Rowing: 2002 – Westerville Crew
Date of Birth: 6/12/1987 Height: 6’0” Weight: 175
High School: Westerville North High School
Undergraduate Education: Clemson University, 2009
Current Coach: Richard Ruggieri
Years on National Team: Two – 2008-09, Under 23
International Results: Finished fourth in the four at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.
National Results: Finished 12th in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Finished 14th in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships.
Personal: Jessica enjoys painting, drawing, playing ultimate Frisbee, waterskiing, kayaking and playing with her dogs...She was a two-time All-ACC and two-time all-region rower...Jessica’s sister rowed in high school and her uncle rowed at Boston University.
James Long-Lerno  
**Men’s Four**  
**Hometown:** Seal Beach, Calif.  
**Current Residence:** Berkeley, Calif.  
**Club Affiliation:** University of California  
**Began Rowing:** 2005 – Long Beach Junior Crew  
**Date of Birth:** 9/28/1987  
**Height:** 6’6”  
**Weight:** 198  
**High School:** Los Alamitos High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Orange Coast Community College; University of California  
**Current Coaches:** Mike Teti, Luke Agnini  
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23  
**National Results:** Finished second in the four at the 2009 USRowing National Championships…Finished third in the junior varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Finished fifth in the junior varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Finished third in the eight at the 2008 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) National Invitational Regatta…Finished ninth in the freshman eight at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.  
**Personal:** James won “Oarsman of the Year” at Orange Coast and the “Winning More than the Race” award at Long Beach Junior Crew…He lists his most memorable sporting achievement as winning back-to-back years at the San Diego Crew Classic with Orange Coast and California.

Nick Lucey  
**Men’s Eight**  
**Hometown:** San Francisco, Calif.  
**Current Residence:** Berkeley, Calif.  
**Club Affiliation:** University of California  
**Began Rowing:** 2004 – St. Ignatius College Prep  
**Date of Birth:** 9/6/1988  
**Height:** 6’1”  
**Weight:** 190  
**High School:** St. Ignatius College Prep  
**Undergraduate Education:** University of California, History, 2011  
**Current Coach:** Mike Teti  
**Years on National Team:** Two – 2006, Junior; 2009, Under 23  
**International Results:** Finished fifth in the eight at the 2006 World Rowing Junior Championships…Won the Princess Elizabeth Challenge Cup at the 2006 Henley Royal Regatta.  
**National Results:** Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the freshman eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2005 USRowing National Youth Invitational.  
**Personal:** Nick enjoys playing whiffle ball.

Grace Luczak  
**Women’s Pair and Women’s Eight**  
**Hometown:** Ann Arbor, Mich.  
**Current Residence:** Stanford, Calif.  
**Club Affiliation:** Stanford University  
**Began Rowing:** 2004 – Ann Arbor Pioneer High School  
**Date of Birth:** 5/24/1989  
**Height:** 6’3”  
**Weight:** 165  
**High School:** Ann Arbor Pioneer High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Stanford University  
**Current Coach:** Yaz Farooq
Years on National Team: Two – 2007, Junior; 2009, Under 23

International Results: Finished third in the eight at the 2007 World Rowing Junior Championships.

National Results: Won the pair at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the varsity eight and team championship at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2009 Pacific-10 Conference Championships…Finished 11th in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships…Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2008 South-Central Sprints…Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2008 Big 10 Conference Championships…Finished third in the championship eight at the 2007 Head of the Charles Regatta…Won the senior eight at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships…Finished second in the eight at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships…Won the intermediate eight at the 2006 USRowing National Championships…Finished third in the four with coxswain at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships.

Personal: Grace lists her hobbies as bike riding on her Cruiser, shooting clays and goose hunting with her uncle, and gardening…She was a member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society…She was invited to play on the USA Volleyball development team…Grace says she enjoys eating ‘round the clock and napping…She lists winning a NCAA team championship and placing third with her sister in the junior four with coxswain at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships as her most memorable sporting achievements…She lists her personal heroes as her parents…In 2009, she was made the All-Pacific 10 Team and All-West Region Second Team…She was the 2007-08 University of Michigan Freshman of the Year.

Adrienne Martelli
Women’s Eight
Hometown: University Place, Wash.
Current Residence: Seattle, Wash.
Club Affiliation: University of Washington
Began Rowing: 2006 – University of Washington
Date of Birth: 12/3/1987 Height: 6’1” Weight: 170
High School: Curtis High School
Undergraduate Education: University of Washington
Current Coaches: Bob Ernst, Colin Sykes
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the varsity four at the 2008 NCAA Championships…Won the senior pair and intermediate pair at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships.
Personal: Adrienne enjoys photography, watching television and movies, painting and listening to music…She was named to the All-Pacific 10 Conference team and an All-Pac 10 student athlete in 2009…Adrienne was also named a Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association Division I All-American…She lists her most memorable sporting achievement as winning the varsity four at the 2008 NCAA Championships.

Steve Matyas
Men’s Four with Coxswain
Hometown: Turnersville, N.J.
Club Affiliation: Unaffiliated
Began Rowing: 2005 – St. Augustine Prep
Date of Birth: 6/14/1989 Height: 5’11” Weight: 125
High School: St. Augustine Prep
Undergraduate Education: Drexel University, 2012
**Occupation:** Litigation Support at Heffler, Radetich and Saitta

**Current Coach:** Dan Roock

**Years on National Team:** Two – 2007, Junior; 2009, Under 23

**International Results:** Finished seventh in the four with coxswain at the 2007 World Rowing Junior Championships.

**National Results:** Won the intermediate four with coxswain and finished third in the senior four with coxswain at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships…Won the lightweight eight at the 2006 Scholastic Rowing Association Championships…Won the lightweight eight at the 2006 Stotesbury Cup Regatta.

**Personal:** Steve enjoys playing golf…He lists racing the spring season in the varsity eight in 2007 as his most memorable sporting achievement…Steve lists Matt D’Amico as the most influential person in his rowing career and his father as his personal hero.

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**Lindsay McAlpine**

**Lightweight Women’s Double Sculls**

**Hometown:** Berkeley, Calif.

**Current Residence:** Berkeley, Calif.

**Club Affiliation:** Vesper Boat Club

**Began Rowing:** Brown University

**Date of Birth:** 8/7/1987  
**Height:** 5’6”  
**Weight:** 128

**High School:** The Athenian School

**Undergraduate Education:** Brown University, Environmental Science, 2009

**Current Coach:** Scott Wisniewski

**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23

**National Results:** Won the lightweight double sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials.

**Personal:** Lindsay enjoys baking, reading, skiing and yoga…She lists beating Yale University’s varsity on their home course by 0.01 seconds as her most memorable sporting achievement…Lindsay lists her father as the most influential person in her sporting career and her mother as her personal hero…She began rowing when she was bored with running and wanted a new challenge.

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**Neil McPeak**

**Men’s Eight**

**Hometown:** Linwood, N.J.

**Current Residence:** Linwood, N.J.

**Club Affiliation:** Unaffiliated

**Began Rowing:** 2000

**Date of Birth:** 3/14/1987  
**Height:** 6’7”  
**Weight:** 210

**High School:** St. Augustine Prep

**Undergraduate Education:** University of Pennsylvania

**Current Coaches:** Joel Scroggin, Steve Gladstone

**Years on National Team:** Two – 2005, Junior; 2009, Under 23

**International Results:** Won gold in the eight at the 2005 World Rowing Junior Championships.

**National Results:** Finished third in the freshman eight at the 2006 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the freshman eight at the 2006 Eastern Sprints.

**Personal:** Neil enjoys biking and golfing…He lists rowing the Ted Nash Challenge (66 miles in 12 hours) as his most memorable sporting achievement.
Austin Meyer
Lightweight Men’s Four
Hometown: Cohoes, N.Y.
Current Residence: Cohoes, N.Y.
Club Affiliation: Harvard University
Began Rowing: 2004 – Shaker Rowing Association
Date of Birth: 6/23/1990 Height: 5’11” Weight: 153
High School: Shaker High School
Undergraduate Education: Harvard University, 2012
Current Coaches: Linda Muri, Charley Butt
Years on the National Team: Two – 2008, Junior; 2009, Under 23
International Results: Won the under 23 lightweight division at the 2009 C.R.A.S.H.-B. World Indoor Rowing Championships…Finished 12th in the junior double sculls at the 2008 World Rowing Senior and Junior Championships …Won the junior single sculls at the 2007 Canadian Henley Regatta…Finished second in the junior double sculls at the 2007 Canadian Henley Regatta…Finished third in the lightweight junior division at the 2008 C.R.A.S.H.-B. World Indoor Rowing Championships.
National Results: Won the double sculls at the 2008 USRowing Youth National Championships…Won the junior single sculls at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships…Won the junior double sculls at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships…Won the single sculls at the 2007 Scholastic Rowing Association of America Championship Regatta.
Personal: Austin enjoys reading non-fiction, cooking and competing in triathlons…He plays the saxophone in both classical and jazz styles…Austin lists making the semifinal in the junior double sculls at the 2008 World Rowing Senior and Junior Championships as his most memorable sporting achievement.

Scott Morgan
Men’s Eight
Hometown: Portola Valley, Calif.
Current Residence: Providence, R.I.
Club Affiliation: Brown University
Began Rowing: 2005 – Phillips Academy Andover
Date of Birth: 9/10/1987 Height: 6’8” Weight: 210
High School: Phillips Academy Andover
Undergraduate Education: Brown University, 2010
Current Coach: Paul Cooke
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
International Results: Won the Ladies Plate Challenge Cup at the 2009 Henley Royal Regatta.
National Results: Finished fourth in the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2009 Eastern Sprints…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2007 Eastern Sprints.
Personal: Scott enjoys badminton and shuffleboard…He lists winning the Ladies Plate Challenge Cup at the 2009 Henley Royal Regatta as his most memorable sporting achievement…Scott was elected team captain as a junior and senior.
Mark Murphy  
**Men’s Four**  
**Hometown:** Madison, Wis.  
**Current Residence:** Madison, Wis.  
**Club Affiliation:** USRowing Training Center  
**Began Rowing:** 2005 – Mendota Rowing Club  
**Date of Birth:** 7/25/1987  
**Height:** 6’5”  
**Weight:** 197  
**High School:** Edgewood High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Stanford University, Mechanical Engineering, 2009  
**Current Coaches:** Tim McLaren, Craig Amerkhanian  
**Years on National Team:** Two –2007, 2009, Under 23  
**International Results:** Won the elite eight at the 2008 Canadian Henley…Finished fourth in the eight at the 2007 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.  
**National Results:** Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Finished fifth in the varsity eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the freshman eight at the 2006 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.  
**Personal:** Mark enjoys playing Guitar Hero before races…He lists his most memorable sporting achievement as beating his older brother in golf every time they play…Mark was a 2009 Pacific-10 Conference Scholar Athlete of the Year.

Michelle Nance  
**Women’s Quadruple Sculls**  
**Hometown:** Simpsonville, S.C.  
**Current Residence:** Simpsonville, S.C.  
**Club Affiliation:** Unaffiliated  
**Began Rowing:** 2006 – Clemson University  
**Date of Birth:** 6/20/1987  
**Height:** 5’11”  
**Weight:** 150  
**High School:** Mauldin High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Clemson University, Language and International Trade, 2010  
**Current Coach:** Richard Ruggieri  
**Years on National Team:** Two –2008-09, Under 23  
**International Results:** Finished fourth in the four at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.  
**National Results:** Finished 12th in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2009 Atlantic Coast Conference Championships…Finished 14th in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships.  
**Personal:** Michelle enjoys being outdoors, making pancakes and swimming…She made the 2008 ACC All-Academic Team and was a 2008 CRCA National Scholar Athlete…Michelle made the 2009 All-ACC Team…She won the 2009 Blue Key Academic and Leadership Award for the College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities…Michelle lists her most memorable moment in sports as winning the 2009 ACC Championships, the first in Clemson rowing history…She lists her parents as the most influential people in her life…After her rowing career, Michelle would like to work with the Peace Corps or a similar organization.

Summers Nelson  
**Lightweight Women’s Quadruple Sculls**  
**Hometown:** Kansas City, Mo.  
**Current Residence:** Kansas City, Mo.  
**Club Affiliation:** GMS Rowing Center
Began Rowing: 2003 – Kansas City Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 3/4/1988 Height: 5’7” Weight: 125
High School: Notre Dame de Sion
Undergraduate Education: University of Virginia, 2010
Current Coach: Guenter Beutter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished sixth in the varsity four at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Won the junior double sculls and finished second in the junior single sculls at the 2006 USRowing National Championships.
Personal: Summers enjoys reading, baking and traveling...She was an academic All-American selection in 2009...Summers began rowing after suffering an ACL injury playing basketball...She lists her father as the most influential person in her life...Her father was on the U.S. Lightweight National Team in 1978.

Laura Nicholson
Women’s Four
Hometown: Newton, Mass.
Current Residence: Boston, Mass.
Club Affiliation: Radcliffe Crew
Began Rowing: 2002 – Buckingham, Browne and Nichols, Community Rowing, Inc.
Date of Birth: 6/18/1987 Height: 6’0” Weight: 172
High School: Buckingham, Browne and Nichols
Undergraduate Education: Harvard University, History of Science, 2009
Current Coach: Liz O’Leary
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished 13th in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships...Finished seventh in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships...Finished 11th in the varsity eight at the 2007 NCAA Championships.
Personal: Laura enjoys reading, traveling and hiking...She lists finishing second at the 2009 Eastern Sprints as her most memorable sporting achievement.

Michael Nucci
Lightweight Men’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Blue Bell, Pa.
Current Residence: Blue Bell, Pa.
Club Affiliation: Malta Boat Club
Began Rowing: 2003 – St. Joseph’s Prep
Date of Birth: 7/12/1988 Height: 6’0” Weight: 150
High School: St. Joseph’s Prep
Undergraduate Education: Columbia University, 2010
Current Coach: Guenter Beutter
Years on National Team: One –2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished seventh in the varsity lightweight eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Finished seventh in the varsity lightweight eight at the 2009 Eastern Sprints...Finished seventh in the varsity lightweight eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships...Finished sixth in the varsity lightweight eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints...Won gold in the intermediate lightweight quadruple sculls and finished third in the intermediate lightweight double sculls at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships...Finished fourth in the freshman lightweight eight at the 2007 Eastern Sprints...Finished second in the lightweight eight at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Michael enjoys reading and surfing…He lists his most memorable sporting moment as winning his first dual race as a freshman against Cornell and MIT and receiving his first betting t-shirts…Michael lists Vaclav Kacir, his freshman coach at Columbia, as the most influential person in his sporting career…He is considering a career in law and working in the district attorney’s office.

Pete Orlando
Lightweight Men’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Pelham, N.Y.
Current Residence: Pelham, N.Y.
Club Affiliations: GMS Rowing Center, New York Athletic Club
Began Rowing: 2003 – Fordham Prep
Date of Birth: 11/19/1987  Height: 6’0”  Weight: 154
High School: Fordham Prep
Undergraduate Education: Ithaca College, Television and Radio, 2009
Current Coach: Guenter Beutter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the intermediate quadruple sculls at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships.

Personal: Pete enjoys music, cooking and traveling…He was the captain of Ithaca College Crew and won the Robert Tallman Award for the outstanding oarsman at Ithaca…Pete lists Kevin Murphy as the most influential person in his sporting career for “making me a lightweight.”

Michael Orzolek
Lightweight Men’s Single Sculls
Hometown: New Milford, Conn.
Current Residence: New Milford, Conn.
Club Affiliation: GMS Rowing Center
Began Rowing: 2004 – GMS Rowing Center
Date of Birth: 7/25/1988  Height: 5’10”  Weight: 155
High School: New Milford High School
Undergraduate Education: Mercyhurst College
Current Coach: Guenter Beutter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Won the lightweight single sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the varsity pair at the 2009 Dad Vail Regatta…Won the intermediate lightweight double sculls and finished third in the intermediate lightweight single sculls at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships.

Personal: Mike lists his most memorable sporting achievement as winning the varsity pair at the Dad Vail Regatta…He lists his personal hero as his father.

Sebastian Peterlin
Men’s Eight
Hometown: San Francisco, Calif.
Current Residence: San Francisco, Calif.
Club Affiliation: Stanford University
Began Rowing: 2004 – Pacific Rowing Club
Date of Birth: 11/17/1988  Height: 6’6”  Weight: 209
High School: Lowell High School
Undergraduate Education: Stanford University, Engineering, 2011
Current Coach: Craig Amerkhanian
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished third in the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the eight at the 2007 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Sebastian enjoys soccer, basketball cards and John Grisham books…He played soccer and tennis growing up…Sebastian’s grandfather, Anton, is a famous physicist…His brother, Anton, played Division I soccer at Cal Poly and his mother was a top 5 under 18 tennis player in Denmark…Sebastian lists Lance Armstrong as the most influential person in his sporting career.

Taylor Ritzel
Women’s Eight
Hometown: Larkspur, Colo.
Current Residence: New Haven, Conn.
Club Affiliation: Yale University
Began Rowing: 2006 – Yale University
Date of Birth: 9/4/1988 Height: 6’2” Weight: 185
High School: Douglas County High School
Undergraduate Education: Yale University, Human Biology, 2010
Current Coach: Will Porter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
National Results: Finished fourth in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2007 NCAA Championships.
Personal: Taylor enjoys running, swimming, reading and going on adventures…She lists her most memorable sporting achievement as winning the NCAA championship as a freshman…Taylor’s grandfather was the head coach of the Denver Broncos and took them to their first Superbowl…She lists her parents as her personal heroes.

Katherine Robinson
Lightweight Women’s Quadruple Sculls
Hometown: Everett, Wash.
Current Residence: Everett, Wash.
Club Affiliation: GMS Rowing Center
Began Rowing: 2003 – Everett Rowing Association
Date of Birth: 6/4/1987 Height: 5’8” Weight: 125
High School: Archbishop Murphy High School
Undergraduate Education: Williams College, 2009
Current Coach: Guenter Beutter
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23
International Results: Won the under 23 lightweight division at the 2009 C.R.A.S.H.-B World Indoor Rowing Championships.
National Results: Won the lightweight quadruple sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Was part of four consecutive Division III NCAA team championships from 2006-2009…Won the Division III eights race at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Won the collegiate eight at the 2008 Head of the Charles Regatta…Finished second in the eight at the 2005 USRowing Youth National Championships.
Personal: Katherine enjoys reading, baking and running…She lists winning four NCAA Championships with Williams College including the varsity eight race in 2009 as her most memorable sporting achievements…Katherine was a first-team Division III All-American…She
chose rowing after watching her father’s alma mater, the University of Washington, race when she was younger.

Erika Roddy  
Women’s Eight  
Hometown: San Francisco, Calif.  
Current Residence: San Francisco, Calif.  
Club Affiliation: Stanford University  
Began Rowing: 2004 – Phillips Academy  
Date of Birth: 6/25/1990  
Height: 5’8”  
Weight: 155  
High School: Phillips Academy Andover  
Undergraduate Education: Stanford University, Human Biology, 2011  
Current Coach: Yaz Farooq  
Years on National Team: Two – 2008, Junior; 2009, Under 23  
International Results: Won gold in the junior eight at the 2008 World Rowing Senior and Junior Championships.  
National Results: Won the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships.  
Personal: Erika enjoys reading, camping, hiking, swimming and baking…She was named a CRCA National Scholar Athlete, first-team All-American, Pacific-10 All-Academic Team and All Pac-10 team member in 2009…Erika also was named the Pacific-10 Rowing Women’s Athlete of the Year in 2009…She lists winning the NCAA team championship in 2009 as her most memorable sporting achievement…Erika lists her mother as her personal hero.

Michael Rossidis  
Men’s Four with Coxswain  
Hometown: Garden City, N.Y.  
Current Residence: Garden City, N.Y.  
Club Affiliation: Cornell University  
Began Rowing: 2001 – Chaminade High School  
Date of Birth: 5/4/1987  
Height: 6’3”  
Weight: 190  
High School: Chaminade High School  
Undergraduate Education: Cornell University, 2009  
Current Coaches: Dan Roock, Todd Kennett  
Years on National Team: Two – 2005, Junior; 2009, Under 23  
International Results: Won gold in the eight at the 2005 World Rowing Junior Championships.  
Personal: Michael enjoys ice hockey…He lists winning the Head of the Charles in 2003 as his most memorable sporting achievement….Michael plans to go to medical school.

Eli Roxby  
Men’s Pair  
Hometown: Paoli, Pa.  
Current Residence: Craftsbury, Vt.  
Club Affiliation: Craftsbury Small Boat Training Center  
Began Rowing: 2002 – Conestoga High School  
Date of Birth: 6/6/1987  
Height: 6’0”  
Weight: 185  
High School: Conestoga High School  
Undergraduate Education: Trinity College, Mechanical Engineering, 2009  
Current Coach: Larry Gluckman  
Years on National Team: One – 2009, Under 23  
International Results: Finalist in the Temple Challenge Cup at the 2008 Henley Royal Regatta.
**National Results:** Won the pair at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the eight at the 2008 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) National Invitational Regatta…Won the freshman eight at the 2006 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) National Invitational Regatta.

**Personal:** Eli lists his most memorable sporting achievement as stroking the varsity men’s eight at the 2008 ECAC Regatta.

**Theresa Shields**

**Women’s Four**

**Hometown:** Grosse Ile, Mich.

**Current Residence:** Madison, Wis.

**Club Affiliation:** University of Wisconsin

**Began Rowing:** 2001 – Grosse Ile High School

**Date of Birth:** 5/28/1987  
**Height:** 5’11”  
**Weight:** 160

**High School:** Grosse Ile High School

**Undergraduate Education:** University of Wisconsin, 2010

**Current Coach:** Bebe Bryans

**Years on National Team:** Two – 2008-09, Under 23

**International Results:** Won gold in the eight at the 2008 FISA World Rowing Under 23 Championships.

**National Results:** Won the four at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Won the intermediate pair and placed third in the senior pair at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships.

**Personal:** Theresa was named first-team All-American, All-Central Region and All-Big Ten Conference in 2009…She was named Big Ten Second-Team All-Conference in 2008…She was involved in synchronized skating at the elite level…Theresa chose rowing because she wanted a change from track and had to find a spring sport in high school…She lists her collegiate novice rowing coach, Nicole Borges, as the most influential person in her rowing career because she taught her that she could go as far as she wanted in this sport…Theresa’s mother is her personal hero because she has an undying spirit of life and has shown it through her fight with cancer and her love for watching Theresa row and achieve her dreams…She aspires to become a high school math teacher and a rowing coach.

**Hans Struzyna**

**Men’s Quadruple Sculls**

**Hometown:** Seattle, Wash.

**Current Residence:** Seattle, Wash.

**Club Affiliation:** University of Washington

**Began Rowing:** 2004 – Sammamish Rowing Association

**Date of Birth:** 3/31/1989  
**Height:** 6’2”  
**Weight:** 200

**High School:** Bellevue Christian High School

**Undergraduate Education:** University of Washington, Construction Management, 2012

**Current Coach:** Michael Callahan

**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23

**National Results:** Finished second in the quadruple sculls at the 2009 USRowing National Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the senior pair at the 2008 USRowing Club National Championships…Finished second in the freshman eight at the 2008 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the freshman eight at the 2008 Pacific-10 Conference Championships…Won the junior eight at the 2007 USRowing Club National Championships.
Championships…Finished third in the quadruple sculls at the 2006 USRowing Youth National Championships.

**Personal:** Hans enjoys beach volleyball and backyard barbecues…He was captain of his high school rowing team…Hans lists winning the varsity eight at the 2009 IRA Championships as his most memorable moment is sports…He lists his personal heroes as his father, Dieter, and Rob Gibson, team captain and fellow rower at Washington…He hopes to make the Olympics one day and then begin developing commercial real estate with his father.

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**Helen Tompkins**

*Women’s Single Sculls*

**Hometown:** Friendswood, Texas  
**Current Residence:** Arlington, Va.

**Club Affiliation:** Potomac Boat Club  
**Began Rowing:** 1996 – Bay Area Rowing Club of Houston

**Date of Birth:** 1/2/1988  
**Height:** 5’10”  
**Weight:** 150

**High School:** Friendswood High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** University of Virginia, 2010

**Current Coach:** Rob McCracken

**Years on National Team:** Two – 2008-09, Under 23

**International Results:** Placed sixth in the single sculls at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.

**National Results:** Won the single sculls at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2009 NCAA Championships…Won the single sculls at the 2008 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Placed fourth in the second varsity eight at the 2008 NCAA Championships…Took second in the second varsity eight at the 2008 South Central Region Championships…Won gold in the second varsity eight at the 2008 ACC Championships.

**Personal:** Helen’s hobbies include running, swimming, drawing and tutoring…Her personal hero is Olympic gold medalist Lindsay Shoop…The most influential person in her sporting career is her mother because she is very supportive…Helen said she would like to row this one for her Gramps.

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**Matthew Wheeler**

*Men’s Eight*

**Hometown:** Eugene, Ore.  
**Current Residence:** Providence, R.I.

**Club Affiliation:** Brown University  
**Began Rowing:** 2001 – Oregon Association of Rowers

**Date of Birth:** 5/2/1987  
**Height:** 6’10”  
**Weight:** 217

**High School:** South Eugene High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Brown University, Environmental Studies

**Current Coach:** Paul Cooke

**Years on National Team:** Two – 2008-09, Under 23

**International Results:** Won the Ladies Plate Challenge Cup and finished second in the Grand Challenge Cup at the 2009 Henley Royal Regatta…Finished fifth in the four with coxswain at the 2008 World Rowing Under 23 Championships.

**National Results:** Finished fourth in the varsity eight at the 2009 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships…Won the varsity eight at the 2009 Eastern Sprints…Won the four with coxswain at the 2008 Under 23 World Championship Trials…Finished second in the varsity eight at the 2008 Eastern Sprints…Finished third in the varsity four at the 2007 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships.
**Personal:** Matt enjoys poker, dancing and bow hunting... He lists his most memorable sporting achievements as winning the 2009 Eastern Sprints and 2009 Ladies Plate Challenge Cup at the Henley Royal Regatta... Matt was the captain of his high school crew team and senior class president... His personal hero is his dad.

**Sarah Zelenka**  
**Women’s Four**  
**Hometown:** Itasca, Ill.  
**Current Residence:** Allendale, Mich.  
**Club Affiliation:** Grand Valley State University  
**Began Rowing:** 2005 – Grand Valley State University  
**Date of Birth:** 6/8/1987  
**Height:** 6’0”  
**Weight:** 172  
**High School:** Lake Park High School  
**Undergraduate Education:** Grand Valley State University, 2010  
**Current Coach:** John Bancheri  
**Years on National Team:** One – 2009, Under 23  
**National Results:** Won the four at the 2009 Under 23 World Championship Trials.  
**Personal:** Sarah enjoys basketball, sand volleyball and tennis... She likes to listen to her iPod before races... Sarah lists winning the Dad Vail Regatta in the Division I event as a senior as her most memorable sporting achievement... She was an ACRAS All-Region and All-American selection in 2008 and 2009 and was Grand Valley States Athlete of the Year in 2007, 2008 and 2009... Sarah was an AAU basketball player during high school and has a cousin that played basketball at Eastern Illinois... She lists Michael Phelps as her personal hero and the Grand Valley State coaching staff as the most influential people in her sporting career... Sarah played high school badminton and made it to the Illinois state finals.

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