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## Navy Intercollegiate Sailing “Expects To Win” in 2008-09

After another successful year, Navy finds itself in a great position to fight for conference and national titles with its whole coed team returning for another year. The team will certainly be a contender going into the conference championships.

The Navy Intercollegiate sailing team will sail in over 60 collegiate and one-design regattas during the 12-week fall and 12-week spring seasons each year. With 125 Intercollegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) member schools located in the Mid-Atlantic and New England districts, Annapolis is situated just far enough south to sail late into the fall and start early each spring and is in the center of collegiate sailing's most active and competitive region.

Navy will lean on starting seniors Andrew Vann and Trisha Kutkiewicz to lead the team to the top of the country. Their combined experience at the top along with the very talented junior and sophomore classes will make Navy a contender for a national championship. Navy will again be starting a young team with mainly sophomores and juniors in key roles, their experience gained in the past two years will be big when it comes time to put it all together next spring. Navy will also welcome some talented freshman to the team with standout skippers Hugo Roller from the Virgin Islands and Jason Carminati from Rochester, N.Y., as well as top crews Bennett Geyer from the St. Georges School and Caroline Lockett from Boston.

The IC team will be sad to say goodbye to some of the top sailors Navy has ever seen in three-time All-American Charlotte Hill, All-American Kristen Sproat, sloop nationals team members Rob Ramirez, Kevin McGill and Ian Gill as well as standout crew Maggie Reynolds. They will be tough to replace but each of these players has left their mark on the younger players who will step up behind them.

The intercollegiate sailing team practices four days a week for three hours a day and competes every weekend in both the fall and spring. The team also works out with the team strength and conditioning coach two days a week to be in top physical shape. Navy's very comprehensive and competitive schedule leads to the six ICSA National Championships. Three championships are held in the fall season -- the men's single-handed, the women's single-handed and the sloops. The other three championships are held at the conclusion of the spring season -- the co-ed dinghy, the women's dinghy and team racing. When the collegiate racing season ends in the spring, many team members continue to train in the summer as crew members on the Academy's off-shore racing boats, which sail and compete throughout the East Coast during the summer. With this much sailing time, it is easy to understand the old adage, "you will never be a better dinghy sailor than the day after you graduate college."

Navy intercollegiate sailing continues to be a young team with talent and ready to be a top contender on the national scale. The IC team looks forward to the conference championships to show off our young talent.

Navy sailing “Expects to Win” in 2008-09 with a solid, young team mixed with some veteran experience.



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**2008 Intercollegiate Sailing Fall Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Host School</b>	<b>Site</b>
<b>Sept. 13-14</b>	<b>Laser South #1</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
Sept. 13-14	Riley Cup	Old Dominion	Norfolk, Va.
Sept. 13-14	Cornell Fall Open	Cornell	Ithaca, N.Y.
Sept. 13-14	ODU BYO Women & Men Radial	Old Dominion	Norfolk, Va.
Sept. 20-21	Hatch Brown	MIT	Boston, Mass.
Sept. 20-21	Nevins Trophy	Merchant Marine Academy	Kings Point, N.Y.
Sept. 20-21	Central Fall #1	Ocean County College	Toms River, N.J.
Sept. 20-21	N.Y. Maritime Fall Open	SUNY Maritime	Throggs Neck, N.Y.
<b>Sept. 27-28</b>	<b>Laser South #2</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
Sept. 27-28	South #1 - SMC Open for the Senators' Cup	St. Mary's	St. Mary's City, Md.
Sept. 27-28	North Fall #1	Hobart / William Smith	Geneva, N.Y.
<b>Sept. 27-28</b>	<b>Faye Bennet / MAISA Women's Singlehandeds</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
<b>Oct. 4-5</b>	<b>Navy Team Race Open</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
Oct. 4-5	South Fall #2 / Tom Curtis	Georgetown	Washington, D.C.
Oct. 11-12	Hap Moore Team Race	Coast Guard Academy	New Haven, Conn.
<b>Oct. 11-12</b>	<b>Navy Fall Women's Intersectional</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
Oct. 11-12	Hobart / William Smith Fall Intersectional	Hobart / William Smith	Geneva, N.Y.
Oct. 11-12	MAISA Men's Singlehandeds / Carl Van Duyne Trophy	Merchant Marine Academy	Kings Point, N.Y.
<b>Oct. 18-19</b>	<b>Navy Fall Intersectional</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
Oct. 18-19	North Fall #2	SUNY Maritime	Throggs Neck, N.Y.
Oct. 18-19	Central Fall #2	Washington College	Chestertown, Md.
Oct. 24-26	ICSA Men's Singlehandeds	Cornell	Ithaca, N.Y.
Oct. 24-26	ICSA Women's Singlehandeds	Cornell	Ithaca, N.Y.
Oct. 25-26	Hoyt Trophy	Brown	Providence, R.I.
Oct. 25-26	Stu Nelson (Women's)	Connecticut College	New London, Conn.
Oct. 25-26	MAISA Fall Open	Old Dominion	Norfolk, Va.
Oct. 25-26	Kings Point Dinghy Open	Merchant Marine Academy	Kings Point, N.Y.
Nov. 1-2	Schell Trophy	MIT	Boston, Mass.
Nov. 1-2	War Memorial	Cornell	Ithaca, N.Y.
<b>Nov. 8-9</b>	<b>MAISA Women's Fall Dinghy</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Annapolis, Md.</b>
Nov. 8-9	MAISA Sloops	Merchant Marine Academy	Kings Point, N.Y.
Nov. 15-16	Atlantic Coast Women	Georgetown	Washington, D.C.
Nov. 15-16	Atlantic Coast Dinghies	Hobart / William Smith	Geneva, N.Y.
Nov. 21-23	ICSA Sloops / Cornelius Shields Trophy	South Florida	Tampa, Fla.
Jan. 3-4	Rose Bowl	Southern California	Los Angeles, Calif.

► The spring portion of the schedule will be released at a later date.

► Home regattas in bold.





## Head Coach Ian Burman

First Year at Navy ▶ Georgetown (2000)

Burman is entering his first year at the helm of the Navy intercollegiate sailing team.

After a distinguished junior sailing career, which included representing the USA in the Optimist South American Championship, Optimist European Championship and the 420 World Championship, Burman went

on to sail in college at Georgetown University where he finished second in the Sloop Nationals during his senior year. While in college, he coached at the Severn Sailing Association during the summer and had great success working with the junior sailors there and his teams regularly dominated Chesapeake Bay competition.

Upon graduation, Burman moved to San Diego, Calif., where he took up coaching full time with immediate success.

In his first year of coaching high school sailing at Coronado High School, the team accomplished an unprecedented sweep of all three high school national championships. During his time in Southern California, Burman also coached sailors who won the 420 Midwinter Championship, Sabot National Championship and FJ National Championship.

Burman then moved back to Annapolis and took over as the Junior Program Director at SSA. In four years there, he built the program to become a major player on the national scene. In addition to being director, he also served as head coach of the high school sailing program, where his teams improved from being middle of the pack to perennially in contention for medals at nationals, which was accomplished with the Severn School team placing third in his last year of high school coaching.

For the past few years, Burman has been working at Stagg Yachts managing and coordinating the racing in the M 30 and Farr 40 one-design classes.

Burman is an Annapolis native and lives in Annapolis with his wife, Leah, and their one-year old son, Trey.

## Brian Clancy

Assistant Coach

First Year at Navy

Clancy grew up in Scituate, Mass., where he began to sail locally in Optimists and 420's. Sparked by an interest in sailing, Clancy opted for Boston College High School because they had a recently developed sailing team. During his senior year, he took the team to fleet race nationals, the first time in school history.

From there, he enrolled at Hobart College. During his time at Hobart, Clancy developed into one of the top sailors on the collegiate scene and was awarded honorable mention All-American honors. In his four-year span on the dinghy team they compiled two national championships, a second-place finish and three third-place finishes in regards to fleet racing and team racing.

He has also enjoyed a great deal of success as a junior sailing coach. Upon graduating from college, Clancy coached youth Optimist sailors on the national level. Bringing a team of about thirty sailors to the USODA team trials here in Annapolis last May, he coached two sailors to the European team, and had twenty sailors finish in the top thirty boats in a two-hundred boat fleet.

Clancy brings a terrific attitude and work ethic with him to Navy. He is always thinking of ways to improve the team and his fresh outlook and enthusiasm will provide a huge boost to the program.

## Lt. Ted Huebner, USN

Assistant Coach

Second Year at Navy

Lt. Ted Huebner returned to the Naval Academy in March 2007 for the end of the spring season and is in his second year as an assistant coach for the Navy IC Sailing team.

Lt. Huebner is a 2002 Naval Academy graduate and before attending the Academy, grew up racing Optimists, FJs, 420s, and Lasers out of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. While at the Academy, Lt. Huebner raced all four years on both the Intercollegiate and Offshore sailing teams.

Following graduation he was assigned to USS RODNEY M DAVIS (FFG 60) based in Everett, Wash., and then PATROL COASTAL CREW JULIET based in San Diego, Calif., and Little Creek, Va.

Lt. Huebner has been deployed three times including twice to the Arabian Gulf. While back in the U.S., he has continued to race competitively in Washington, Virginia and Maryland.

**2008-09 Roster**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Hometown</b>	<b>Major</b>
Katherine Adler	Sr.	Rockville Center, N.Y.	History
James Allsopp	So.	Annapolis, Md.	Naval Architecture
Maggie Boyle	Jr.	Leonardtown, Md.	Mechanical Engineering
Sara Burke	So.	Clearwater, Fla.	Oceanography
Jason Carminati	Fr.	Youngstown, N.Y.	N/A
Christina Chance	Jr.	Eastham, Mass.	Oceanography
Michael Curran	Sr.	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Oceanography
William Fletcher	Sr.	Pensacola, Fla.	Oceanography
Bennet Geyer	Fr.	Cambridge, Mass.	N/A
Clark Hayes	So.	East Haddam, Conn.	Naval Architecture
Mary Hesler	Sr.	Charlotte, N.C.	Mechanical Engineering
Alice Hong	Fr.	Los Angeles, Calif.	N/A
Andrew Hotchkiss	Sr.	Riverside, Conn.	English
Theresa James	Jr.	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Economics
Andrew Kramer	So.	Jefferson, N.J.	Aeronautical Engineering
Trisha Kutkiewicz (C)	Sr.	Center Moriches, N.Y.	Oceanography
Joanna Lee	Fr.	Pensacola, Fla.	N/A
Caroline Lockett	Fr.	Manomet, Mass.	N/A
Saverio Maldari	Fr.	Andover, Mass.	N/A
Tim Murphy	Jr.	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Systems Engineering
Robert Nordlund	Fr.	Westlake Village, Calif.	N/A
Tina Pryne	Jr.	Honolulu, Hawai'i	Systems Engineering
Alex Ravelo	So.	Miami, Fla.	Oceanography
Hugo Roller	Fr.	Cruz Bay, Virgin Islands	N/A
Nathaniel Sabatt	So.	Cape Cod, Mass.	International Relations
Juaquina Soland	So.	Gallup, N.M.	Political Science
Martin Sterling	Jr.	Waipio, Hawai'i	Naval Architecture
Emily Taynor	Jr.	Camden, Ark.	Political Science
Andrew Vann	Sr.	Tampa, Fla.	Naval Architecture
Robert Vann	So.	Tampa, Fla.	Ocean Engineering



**Katherine  
Adler**  
Senior  
Rockville Center, N.Y.  
Foundation School

**As a Junior in 2007-08**

Crewed in nine regattas, including four co-ed events and five women's events ... competed at Women's Nationals as a heavy air crew in B Division ... was second at the MAISA Fall Women's.

**As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

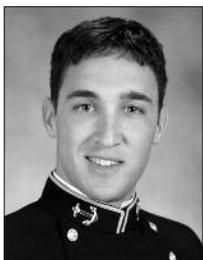
Adler joined the team her sophomore year and served as a heavy air crew on the Women's Team ... helped team to a fourth-place finish at Women's Nationals ... team was also fourth at Women's Conference Championship.

**Prior to Navy**

Attended Foundation School in 2004 ... member of National Honor Society and the French National Honor Society ... was in IB (international baccalaureate) program ... was a varsity swimmer for four years, serving as the team captain ... helped lacrosse team to a division championship during her junior year ... competed in the Ulmer Selig Regatta during commissioning week of '06.

**Personal**

Daughter of Bob and the late Margaret Adler ... has an older and younger brother ... older brother, Jameson, was a member of the Navy sailing team as well, graduating in 2006 ... hopes to service select explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) ... enjoys snowboarding, surfing and bodyboarding ... majoring in history.



**Michael  
Curran**  
Senior  
St. Petersburg, Fla.  
Shorecrest Prep

**As a Junior in 2007-08**

Competed in four regattas, including the Kings Point and Navy Laser Opens ... helped team to a first-place finish at Central Spring #2 ... team was fourth at South Spring #1.

**As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

First at UMBC Open ... attended V-15 mid-winters and spent his summer on Navy's Polaris racing in the Annapolis to Newport Race and Block Island Race Week.

**As a Freshman in 2005-06**

Sailed in three regattas.

**Prior to Navy**

A 2005 graduate of Shorecrest Prep School ... grew up sailing optis and lasers at St. Petersburg Yacht Club ... placed fifth in 2004 Grand Prix in Laser Radials.

**Personal**

Son of Tim and Nancy Curran ... has one sister ... born

May 3, 1986 ... enjoys auto racing ... has his private pilot's license ... majoring in oceanography...hopes to service select Naval Aviation ... lists Shaun White and Terje Haakonsen as his favorite athletes.



**William  
Fletcher**  
Senior  
Pensacola, Fla.  
B.T. Washington H.S.

**As a Junior in 2007-08**

Sailed in five events, including the C Division at Hatch Brown on the Charles ... also sailed in four laser events ... served as tactician for Annapolis to Newport Race and Block Island Race Week.

**As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

Was first in B Division at ODU Open ... fifth in Admiral's Cup C Division ... was fifth at Truxton Umstead Intersectional in C Division ... sailed in the the Navy Fall C division race.

**As a Freshman in 2005-06**

Sailed in six regattas ... sailed C Division for team all year ... finished third at the MAISA Open skippering B Division.

**Prior to Navy**

A 2004 graduate of B.T. Washington High School ... likes sailing because of the versatility it requires to succeed ... grew up sailing out of Pensacola Yacht Club.

**Personal**

Son of Lynwood and Vicki Fletcher ... born October 19, 1986 ... majoring in oceanography ... hopes to service select Navy Pilot.



**Mary  
Hesler**  
Senior  
Charlotte, N.C.

**As a Junior in 2007-08**

Sailed in 13 regattas ... was second at Women's Conference Championship ... was 11th at Women's Nationals ... eighth at Team Race Nationals.

**As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

Hesler joined the team in the spring season and became a major player as a heavy air crew on the women's team ... sailed in events at Yale, Brown, Cornell, ODU, and SUNY Maritime ... helped team to fourth-place finish at Women's Nationals.

**Prior to Navy**

Sailed at Sodus Bay Yacht Club in Rochester, N.Y., and Lake Norman Yacht Club in Charlotte, N.C. ... has level one certification from U.S. Sailing.

**Personal**

Daughter of Steve and Kathy Hesler ... born Jan. 5, 1987

... is an excellent cook ... majoring in mechanical engineering ... hopes to service select Navy Pilot.



**Andrew  
Hotchkiss**  
Senior  
Riverside, Conn.  
Brunswick School

**As a Junior in 2007-08**

Sailed in 12 regattas ... was third in A Division at MAISA Open as a skipper ... was third at Prosser Trophy ... helped team to an eighth-place finish at Team Race Nationals.

**As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

Was fourth in A Division at Hobart Fall Intersectional ... Won B Division at Arrigan Memorial Regatta ... served as heavy air crew at War Memorial, Navy Fall, and Truxton Umstead.

**As a Freshman in 2005-06**

Sailed Freshman Groundbreaker ... competed in the Navy Fall and V-15 Midwinters.

**Prior to Navy**

Grew up sailing for Riverside Yacht Club ... sailed and wrestled for Brunswick School ... placed eighth at 2002 High School Nationals in B Division as a crew ... skippered A division junior and senior year.

**Personal**

Son of Bob and Stephanie Hotchkiss ... enjoys skiing and music ... majoring in English.



**Trisha  
Kutkiewicz**  
Senior  
Team Captain  
Center Moriches, N.Y.  
Center Moriches H.S.

**As a Junior in 2007-08**

Had an outstanding junior year ... competed in 15 regattas ... crewed in A Division for the coed team at Dinghy ACC's and America's Trophy Qualifier ... skippered at the Arrigan Trophy, finishing third in B division and first overall ... qualified for Women's Nationals by finishing second at MAISA Women's ... skippered B Division at Women's Dellenbaugh and St. Mary's Womens ... placed third at USF Women's Regatta ... was part of the Women's Nationals and Team Race Nationals team.

**As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

Finished fourth at Women's Nationals ... was ninth at Dinghy Nationals ... fourth at Women's Conference Champs ... third at Prosser Trophy.

**As a Freshman in 2005-06**

Sailed in 12 regattas ... won Team Race Challenge as a crew ... finished second at the Dellenbaugh crewing in A Division ... won MAISA Women's Spring Championship crewing in A Division ... helped A Division to a fifth-place

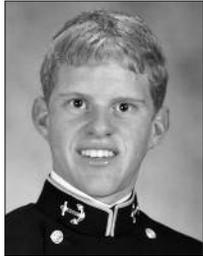
finish at ICSA Women's Dinghy Nationals.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Graduate of Center Moriches High School ... National Honor Society member ... soccer team captain ... secretary of graduating class ... lists her brother as role model due to his accomplishments and determination to succeed ... grew up sailing at Moriches Yacht Club.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Ron and Sandy Kutkiewicz ... has one older brother who graduated from Kings Point (Merchant Marine Academy) ... born June 15, 1987 ... majoring in oceanography ... hopes to service select surface warfare.



**Andrew  
Vann**  
Senior  
Tampa, Fla.  
H.B. Plant H.S.

#### **As a Junior in 2007-08**

Sailed in 14 events ... skippered A Division at Hatch Brown, Danmark, Navy Fall, War Memorial, Navy Fall, ACCs, Americas Trophy and Admirals Cup ... skippered B Division at Truxtun Umsted ... was sixth in the A division at Admiral's Cup ... placed third at Prosser Team Race Qualifier ... was eighth at Team Race Nationals.

#### **As a Sophomore in 2006-07**

Third at Prosser Trophy ... third at Americas Trophy ... third in B division at Admirals cup ... eighth at Team Racing Nationals ... eighth in A Division at Dinghy Nationals.

#### **As a Freshman in 2005-06**

Sailed in 10 regattas ... skippered both team racing and fleet racing ... finished eighth in A division at the America's Trophy.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Graduate of H.B. Plant High School ... sailing team captain ... National Honor Society member ... played lacrosse and ran cross country in high school ... member of Delphi Service Club and Latin Club ... lists Steve Prefontaine as his favorite athlete ... sailed for Davis Island Yacht Club.

#### **Personal**

Son of David and Cynthia Vann ... has two younger brothers, Robert (NA '11) and Taylor ... born December 28, 1986... majoring in Naval Architecture ... hopes to service select Surface Warfare ... father, David, is a Naval Academy grad, while brother, Robert, is a sophomore at Navy.



**Margaret  
Boyle**  
Junior  
Leonardtown, Md.  
St. Mary's Ryken H.S.

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Sailed in seven events ... won the LCDR Robert S. Williams Seamanship Award, given to the Most Improved Sailor ... won the Ann Campbell Regatta ... competed in St. Mary's Team Race and the Team Race Challenge at Washington College ... crewed in A Division at MAISA Spring Open and Riley Cup ... crewed in B Division at South #1, Washington College Open and MAISA Fall Open.

#### **As a Freshman in 2006-07**

Sailed in four regattas ... won Arrigan Memorial Trophy as a B Division crew member.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Sophomore and senior class president in high school ... played varsity soccer and lacrosse ... competed nationally and internationally in Scottish Highland dancing ... member of National Honor Society ... sailed on St. Mary's Ryken High School Team her senior year.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Dennis and Mary Boyle ... born on August 24, 1988 ... enjoys dancing and reading ... majoring in mechanical engineering ... hopes to service select surface warfare.



**Christina  
Chance**  
Junior  
Eastham, Mass.  
Nauset Regional H.S.

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Sailed in 13 regattas ... crewed A Division at Hatch Brown, Danmark, Navy Fall, War Memorial, Navy Fall, ACCs, Americas Trophy and Admirals Cup ... crewed B Division at Truxtun Umsted ... placed third at Prosser Team Race Qualifier ... was eighth at Team Race Nationals ... crewed on Star, a Melges 32, in Annapolis NOOD.

#### **As a Freshman in 2006-07**

Ninth at Dinghy Nationals ... third at Americas Trophy.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Was a gymnast for 10 years ... track and cross country team captain ... National Honor Society member ... member of student council and community service groups.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Brian and Irma Chance ... majoring in Oceanography ... hopes to service select Navy Pilot.



**Theresa  
James**  
Junior  
Grand Rapids, Mich.

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Teresa joined the team during the spring of her sophomore year ... crewed in 3 regattas, including the Admiral Moore Team Race and the Team Race Challenge ... won Central #2 at Princeton.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Attended and Sailed at NAPS in 2006 ... New England horse show association medals qualifier ... AQHA world team member, all time high point winner (Michigan) ... President of the Michigan quarter horse youth association ... played Tennis and Golf.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Ray and Jeanne James ... majoring in Economics ... undecided about Service Selection.



**Tim  
Murphy**  
Junior  
St. Petersburg, Fla.

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Sailed in five events ... won the Ann Campbell Regatta ... was part of top six team race group and played an integral role in preparing the team for nationals ... fourth at McIntyre Team Race ... sixth at St. Mary's Team Race ... third in B Division at Central Spring #1.

#### **As a Freshman in 2006-07**

Second at MAISA Spring Open ... competed in Marchiando Team Race ... first at MAISA Fall Open.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Prior to Navy: Sailed at high school nationals twice ... placed fourth at high school team racing nationals ... placed 23rd at Orange Bowl in 420's.

#### **Personal**

Son of Mike and Mary Anna Murphy ... enjoys checkers and badminton ... majoring in systems engineering ... hopes to service select surface warfare.



**Tina  
Pryne**  
Junior  
Honolulu, Hawai'i  
Sacred Hearts Academy

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Sailed in 13 regattas ... crewed in A division at Truxtun

Umsted, and the B division at Rose Bowl ... first at Tom Noble Team Race ... second at Mendelblatt Team Race ... seventh at John Jackson Team Race ... eighth at Team Race Nationals ... skippered BYO Radial at ODU and B Division at Victorian Urn.

#### **As a Freshman in 2006-07**

Ninth at Dinghy Nationals ... eighth at Team Racing Nationals ... third at Prosser Trophy ... third at Americas Trophy ... third at Admirals Cup.

#### **Prior to Navy**

MVP and captain of high school sailing team ... raced El Toros, Lasers and 420s out of Waikiki Yacht Club...member of student council and air riflery ... member of National Honor Society ... attempts to surf and kite board.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Ty Pryne and Jacqui Medieros ... majoring in systems engineering ... hopes to service select surface warfare.



**Martin Sterling**

Junior  
Waipio, Hawai'i

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Sailed in 14 regattas ... was 12th at single-handed Nationals ... sailed A division at Truxtun Umsted ... was first at Tom Noble Team Race ... second at Mendelblatt Team Race ... seventh at John Jackson Team Race ... 10th at Southern New England Team Race ... third at Prosser Trophy ... eighth at Team Race Nationals.

#### **As a Freshman in 2006-07**

Ninth at Dinghy Nationals ... third at Americas Trophy ... third at Truxtun Umsted in D Division.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Grew up sailing out of Kaneohe Yacht Club ... high school sailing team captain all four years ... four-time El Toro North American Champion ... 2003 420 National Champion ... named Interscholastic League of Honolulu player of the year from sophomore to senior year of high school ... captain of NAPS sailing team in 2006.

#### **Personal**

Son of John and Kim Sterling ... majoring in Naval Architecture ... loves to be around the ocean ... has one younger brother.



**Emily Taynor**

Junior  
Camden, Ark.

#### **As a Sophomore in 2007-08**

Sailed in nine regattas ... was a major part of the women's team success ... was fourth at McIntyre Team

Race ... fourth in B Division crewing at MAISA Women's Conference Championship ... third in B Division at Arrigan Memorial Regatta ... 11th at Women's Nationals.

#### **As a Freshman in 2006-07**

Won Arrigan Memorial Regatta ... third at Owen Trophy crewing in A Division ... won the LCDR Robert S. Williams Seamanship award ... sailed in the Hap Moore and John Jackson Team Races.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Attended NAPS in 2006 ... member of high school basketball and volleyball teams, as well as student council ... enjoys reading and horseback riding ... sailed at NAPS finishing sixth at ICSA Nationals in 2006.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Bob and Charlene Taynor ... majoring in Political Science: American Politics and Law ... hopes to service select Naval Flight Officer



**James Allsopp**

Sophomore  
Annapolis, Md.  
Key School

#### **As a Freshman in 2007-08**

Sailed in seven collegiate events ... skippered B division at Rose Bowl ... sailed in Admiral Moore and Washington College Team Races, as well as the Navy Laser Open ... skippered Zarafa, a Reichel Pugh 66, in the Newport to Bermuda Race ... drove Mumm 30 in Annapolis NOOD.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Attended and sailed at NAPS in 2006 ... grew up sailing dinghies and big boats in Annapolis ... Key School sailing team captain ... enjoys wakeboarding and skiing.

#### **Personal**

Son of Jim and Holley Allsopp ... has a twin brother, Cole, who sails at the College of Charleston ... majoring in Naval Architecture ... hopes to service select Navy Pilot.



**Sara Burke**

Sophomore  
Clearwater, Fla.

#### **As a Freshman in 2007-08**

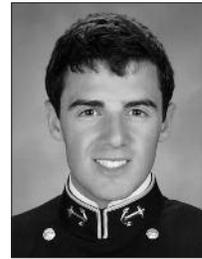
Competed in eight regattas ... skippered and crewed for the Women's Team ... was part of top six team race group and played an integral role in preparing the team for nationals ... was 10th at Southern New England Team Race ... second at USF Women's crewing in B division ... fourth at McIntyre Team Race.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Grew up sailing Laser Radials in Clearwater, Fla. ... played varsity tennis and ran track.

#### **Personal**

Daughter of Raymond and Marie Burke ... has a younger sister ... majoring in oceanography ... hopes to service select aviation.



**Nicholas Celone**

Sophomore  
Riverton, R.I.  
Bishop Stang H.S.

#### **As a Freshman in 2007-08**

Sailed in three events ... crewed in A division at War Memorial ... 10th in B division skippering at Spring Central #2 ... third in B Division skippering at Fall Central #2.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Captain and MVP of high school sailing team ... two-year president of student council ... two-year vice president of National Honor Society ... was the soccer team captain ... student ambassador ... enjoys skiing ... was born in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

#### **Personal**

Son of Peter and Tina Celone ... majoring in oceanography ... hopes to become a Navy Pilot.



**Clark Hayes**  
Sophomore  
East Haddam, Conn.  
Xavier H.S.

#### **As a Freshman in 2007-08**

Sailed in seven events ... as a crew, he was part of top six team race group ... fourth at McIntyre Team Race ... sixth at St. Mary's Team Race ... seventh at John Jackson Team Race ... third in B Division at Central Spring #1 ... sixth in A division at Admiral's Cup ... third at Prosser Trophy ... eighth at Team Race Nationals.

#### **Prior to Navy**

Captain of high school sailing team ... sailed out of Pettipaug Yacht Club as a junior sailor ... fifth at 2004 Sears Cup ... has his private pilot's license.

#### **Personal**

Son of Paul and Denise Hayes ... has an older brother who sails for the University of Vermont ... majoring in Naval Architecture ... hopes to service select Naval Aviation.



**Andrew  
Kramer**  
Sophomore  
Jefferson, N.J.  
Jefferson Township H.S.

#### As a Freshman in 2007-08

Joined the team in the spring season as team manager.

#### Prior to Navy

Graduated from Jefferson Township High School in 2007 ... captain of the cross country team.

#### Personal

Son of William Kramer ... majoring in aeronautical engineering ... hopes to service select aviation ... father, William, is a Naval Academy graduate.



**Alejandro  
Ravelo**  
Sophomore  
Miami, Fla.

#### As a Freshman in 2007-08

Competed in five regattas ... 10th in A division at MAISA Spring Open ... sailed Lasers at Navy Fall and Truxtun Umsted.

#### Prior to Navy

Attended and sailed for NAPS in 2006 ... 12th at ICSCA Cressy Singlehanded Nationals ... fourth at Great Oaks Championship ... 12th at Laser Radial North Americans ... 17th at Laser Midwinters East ... third at Florida State Snipe Junior Championship.

#### Personal

Son of Alejandro and Maria Ravelo ... has a younger sister ... majoring in oceanography with a minor in Spanish ... hopes to service select Naval Aviation.



**Nathaniel  
Sabatt**  
Sophomore  
Cape Cod, Mass.  
Barnstable H.S.

#### As a Freshman in 2007-08

Sailed in four regattas ... finished first in B division at Central #2 at Princeton.

#### Prior to Navy

Grew up sailing at Hyannis and Wianno Yacht Clubs ... captain of Barnstable High School sailing team during junior and senior year ... member of Key Club, student council, National Honor Society, swim team and cross country team ... captain of cross country team during his senior year ... is an avid fisherman.

#### Personal

Son of Chuck and Cathy Sabatt ... has a brother named Noelle ... majoring in international relations.



**Juaquina  
Soland**  
Sophomore  
Gallup, N.M.

#### As a Freshman in 2007-08

Sailed in three regattas ... first crewing in A division at Central #1 ... first crewing in A division at Central #2 ... competed in the Washington College Team Race Challenge.

#### Prior to Navy

Attended and learned to sail at NAPS in 2006.

#### Personal

Daughter of Darren and Henrietta Soland ... majoring in Political Science ... hopes to service select surface warfare.



**Robert  
Vann**  
Sophomore  
Tampa, Fla.  
H.B. Plant H.S.

#### As a Freshman in 2007-08

Competed in 14 events ... skippered A division at Truxtun Umsted ... skippered B division at Danmark, Hoyt, and Schell Trophy ... fourth in B division at Admirals Cup ... first at Tom Noble Team Race ... second at Mendelblatt Team Race ... seventh at John Jackson Team Race ... third at Prosser Trophy ... eighth at Team Race Nationals.

#### Prior to Navy

Sailed for H.B. Plant High School ... ran cross country and track ... member of cricket club.

#### Personal

Son of David and Cynthia Vann ... has two brothers, Andrew and Taylor ... majors in ocean engineering ... hopes to service select Civil Engineer Corps ... father, David, is a Naval Academy grad, and brother, Andrew, is a senior on the sailing team.

## Naval Academy Facts

- ▶ Education valued at \$275,000
- ▶ The Navy pays tuition, room and board, medical and dental and provides active-duty military benefits.
- ▶ Midshipmen receive a salary (\$699/month) used for laundry, barber, activities, yearbook, clothing, etc.
- ▶ 30 days paid vacation plus holidays per year.
- ▶ 18 diverse majors.
- ▶ Trident Scholar and Voluntary Graduate Education Programs.
- ▶ Naval Academy Faculty comprised of 50% Civilian and 50% Military.
- ▶ Student-Faculty ratio is less than 8-to-1 (ranked as one of the most accessible in the country).
- ▶ Individual lecture halls and small labs.

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## Naval Academy Sailing Team Facts

- ▶ Navy Academy Sailing Program-Fleets
- ▶ 136 Lasers
- ▶ 22 FJ's
- ▶ 22 420's
- ▶ 3 Larks
- ▶ 3 Inter Clubs
- ▶ 3 Vanguard 15's
- ▶ 12 J24's
- ▶ 20 Colgate 26's
- ▶ 20 Navy 44 Foot Sloops
- ▶ Several Grand Prix Sloop Offshore Racers
- ▶ 71 All-America Coed Sailor Awards
- ▶ 36 All-America Crew Awards
- ▶ 17 All-America Women's Awards
- ▶ 4 Collegiate Sailor of the Year
- ▶ Collegiate National Championships:
- ▶ Dinghy and Women's Champions six times each
- ▶ Team Racing and Sloop Champions six times each
- ▶ Singlehanded Champions Seven times
- ▶ Fowle Trophy - Best Overall Collegiate Team Performance, in which Navy has won 10 times, more than any other school in the nation.
- ▶ Multiple Olympic Campaigns in the Laser, Finn, 470, 49er, & Soling Classes.

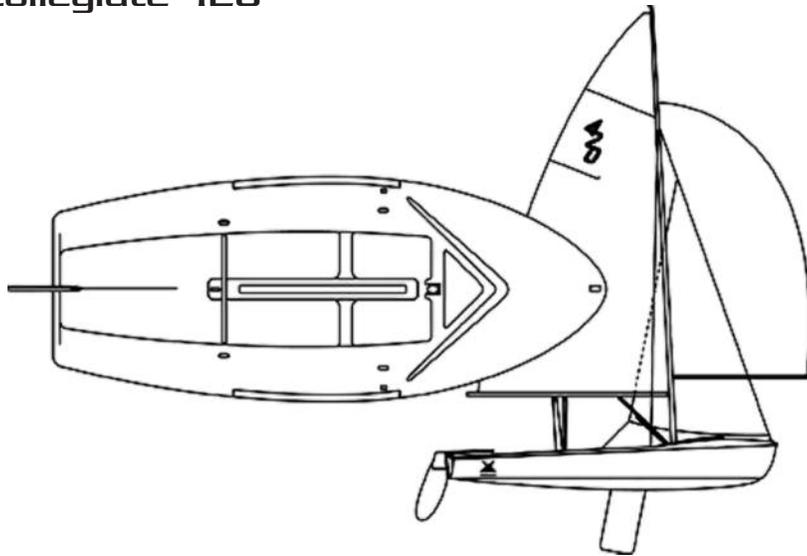
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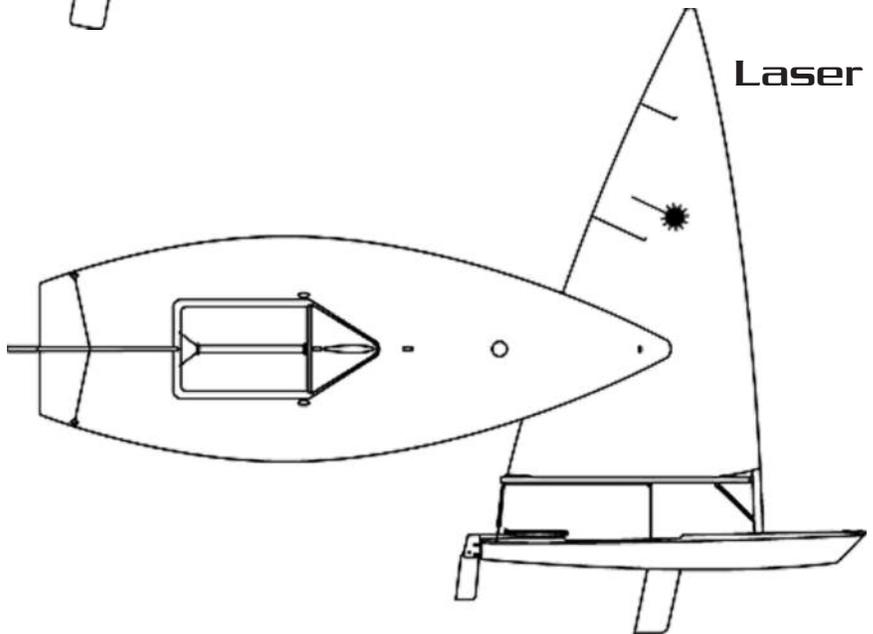
## Collegiate 420

**SPECS****LOA:** 13' 9"**Beam:** 5' 5"**Sail Area:** main and jib - 110 square feet**Weight:** 260 pounds (fully rigged)

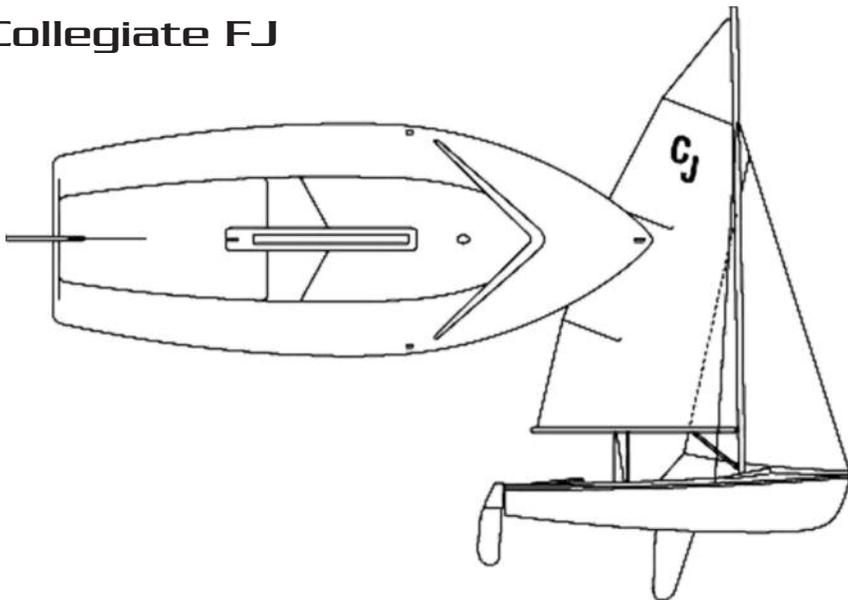
The Collegiate 420 was designed and built in response to the growing need for a more durable, high-performance, double-handed racing dinghy that could stand up to the rigors of club and collegiate programs. Ideal for crews ranging in size from 220-310 pounds.

**SPECS****LOA:** 13' 10.5"**Beam:** 4' 6"**Sail Area:** 76 square feet**Mast Height:** 20' 1"**Hull Weight:** 130 pounds**Designer:** Bruce Kirby

The Laser is designed for simplicity. The hull shape, blades and rig combine to create the ultimate sailing machine. Every Laser in the world is identical, and strict class rules ensure that every boat is identical. The Laser is a challenging boat that rewards athleticism, subtle steering and trimming techniques as well as tactical excellence.



## Collegiate FJ

**SPECS****LOA:** 13' 3"**Beam:** 4' 11"**Sail Area:** Main and Jib @ 100 square feet**Rigged Weight:** 255 pounds

The Collegiate FJ is sailed by more collegiate sailing teams than any other doublehanded sailboat. The simple layout serves as a fantastic teaching aid to high school and collegiate sailors as well. It requires sailors to become ultra sensitive to small changes in halyard tension, heel angle, main-sheet trim, and jib sheet trim. The Collegiate FJ deep rounded hull shape allows for easy maneuverability, which also encourages sailors to hone their boathandling skills. This ease in handling that the Collegiate FJ allows also makes it an excellent boat for team racing.

## Collegiate All-America Sailors (70)

Robert D. Fischl	1967
R. DuBose Joslin	1969
Daniel M. Rugg	1969, 1970
William L. Campbell	1971, 1972, 1973
Douglas W. Hart	1976
Paul A. LaBossiere	1977
Garland P. Wright	1977
Gerard T. Coleman	1978, 1979, 1980
Timothy J. McGee	1978
Paul M. Van Cleve	1978, 1979
Jasper Craig	1979, 1980
Robert K. Anoll	1980, 1981
John G. Speer	1980
Mary Brigden	1981
Nick Madigan	1981
Robert B. Brown	1983
Harold L. Gilreath, Jr.	1983, 1984
Brian Ledbetter	1983, 1984, 1985
Rick Merriman	1983, 1984, 1985
Robert E. Hallawell	1985, 1986, 1987
George Slook	1986
Alexander C. Cutler	1986, 1987, 1988
Edward A. Eckert	1987
Per Lovfald	1988, 1989
Keith B. Davids	1988, 1989, 1990
Charles Pucciariello	1989
Bradley M. Rodi	1990, 1991, 1992, 1993
William B. Graves	1991, 1992
Susan S. Minton	1991, 1992
Michael G. O'Bryan	1992, 1993
David G. Fagen, III	1993, 1994

Eric Naranjo	1994
Ryan Cox	1994, 1995
R.D. Burley	1995, 1996
William C. Stout	1996, 1997, 1998
Dean R. Balcirak	1997, 1998
Eugene Schmitt	1999
Travis Weber	2001, 2002

## Collegiate All-America Women's Sailors (22) (First Awarded In 1987)

Susan Mitchell	1987
Gretchen Stage	1987, 1988
Cynthia Williams	1989, 1991
Susie Minton	1989, 1990, 1991, 1992
Mallory Mestayer	1994, 1995, 1996, 1997
Julie Younger	1995, 1996, 1997, 1998
Katie Whitman	2006, 2007
Charlotte Hill	2006, 2007, 2008

## Honorable Mention

### All-America Sailors (27)

Mark Miller	1978
Mary Brigden	1980
Mark Converse	1981, 1982
Debbie Dunbar	1981
Robbie Brown	1982
Ted Mortensen	1982
Dixon Smith	1982
Pam Corwin	1983
Scott Harrison	1985
George Slook	1985
Keith Davids	1987

Ted Williams	1987
Jay Cavalieri	1989
David Blackman	1990
Mike Varney	1990
Tim Wachendorfer	1991
David Fagen	1992
Ryan Cox	1993
Eric Naranjo	1993
Will Stout	1995
Walter H. Allman	1996, 1997
Grant Garcia	1999
Wade Tornoyos	1999, 2000
Alexa Bestoso	2004

## Sailing All-America Crew (38)

Cheri Kerr	1983, 1984
Melanie Kirby	1983
Allie Coetzee	1985
Emily Almonte	1986, 1987, 1988
Jamie Fontanella	1986
Yvette Gonzalez	1987, 1989
Sally Chamberlain	1988, 1989
Shane Baldino	1990, 1991
Julie Kohl	1990, 1991
Jeri Lea Smalley	1991
Jennifer Jones	1992
Reid McLaughlin	1992
Heather Keane	1993, 1994
W. Paul Kenney	1993
Akane Saunders	1993
Melissa Jackson	1994
Blanca Funes	1994, 1995
Jessica Danluck	1995, 1996, 1997
Erica Muesler	1995, 1996, 1997
(Won Robert H. Hobbs Sportsmanship Trophy)	
Susan Olivier	1998
Maria Alsina	1999
Missy Carter	2000
Emilia Spencer	2002
Andrea White	2006
Kristen Sproat	2008

## Hall of Fame (5)

The College Sailing Hall of Fame recognizes sailing achievement prior to the establishment of All-America honors in 1967 and Women's All-America honors in 1987, or contribution to intercollegiate sailing. The following are those Naval Academy graduates that have been so honored and named to the Intercollegiate Hall of Fame:

1970	James P. Googe Jr. '57; Charles R. Ulmer '61
1971	David C. Minton III '56; Richard I. Tillman '58
1994	Kathryn Karlson '80
1995	Pamela Corwin '83; Deborah Dunbar '82
1998	Adm. Robert W. McNitt '38



Charlotte Hill

## Navy Offshore Sailing Looking To Continue Success



The Navy varsity offshore sailing team (VOST) competes during the fall, spring and summer seasons aboard Navy 26's, Navy 44 Sloops and a variety of donated boats in competitions on weekends in both intercollegiate competitions and against civilians. During the summer, VOST competes in offshore races along the East Coast, to Bermuda, to Halifax, N.S., and occasionally on the Great Lakes as part of its Professional Development training program. VOST members also compete in special events representing the Naval Academy both domestically and internationally. Navy has the largest offshore sail training fleet in the United States and plays host to most of intercollegiate sailing's big boat regattas.

The fall is the championship season with the team contending for the Shields Trophy (Championship for Service Academy Teams), the McMillan Cup (Intercollegiate Big Boat East Coast Championship) and the Kennedy Cup (Intercollegiate Big Boat National Championship) as well as the US Sailing Offshore

Championship for the Lloyd Phoenix Trophy, all of which are hosted at USNA aboard Navy 44 Sloops. Additional fall regattas include the Storm Trysail Club Intercollegiate Regatta in Larchmont, N.Y., the South American Regata Escola Naval in Rio de Janeiro, the IRC East Coast Championships and the J105 East Coast Championships which are sailed aboard donated boats. As winners of the 2007 Kennedy Cup, VOST also earned the right to represent the United States in the Student Yachting World Cup this October in France.

Offshore sailing serves as an ideal platform for team building, leadership and seamanship skill development, including navigation, strategy, resource management, vessel maintenance, weather and tactics. Midshipmen sail the boats, do the planning and make the strategic and tactical decisions. While many on the team start with little or no sailing experience, they typically graduate with a high degree of skill, maturity, self-confidence and respect for the sea as well as skills that will carry forward in their naval careers that comes from competing as part of a small crew in the open ocean.

The Navy 26' fleet is used by the junior varsity team to train the incoming Plebe class in sailing and racing techniques in preparation for their move to the larger offshore boats. The 26-foot platform also provides an excellent opportunity for third-class team members to gain valuable leadership experience serving as skippers and coaches for the Plebes during the fall. These skippers are selected as outstanding performers of their class and are often fast tracked into positions of responsibility when they move to the offshore boats. The junior varsity team competes in local regattas, intercollegiate regattas and an intra-squad championship.

In 2005, VOST had their most successful season in the history of the Academy winning every major regatta they sailed including the Kennedy Cup, McMillan Cup, Lloyd Phoenix Offshore National Championship and the Intrepid Trophy. The 2007 team was nearly as successful with victories in both the McMillan and Kennedy Cup Regattas, first and second at the Storm Trysail Club Invitational and second place at the Lloyd Phoenix Offshore Championship. The 2008-09 season is shaping up as another promising year with returning team members benefiting from exceptional experience gained over the past spring and summer.





## Head Coach Jahn Tihansky

### Fourth Year at Navy

Jahn Tihansky enters his fourth year as the varsity offshore head coach after many successful years of racing and being on the water his entire life. He grew up sailing on Tampa Bay out of the Davis Island Yacht Club. His early days were spent knocking around on a home-built Optimist pram followed by a Sunfish and then a Laser.

He began crewing on MORC-sized boats at age 13 and within a few years was working summers in a sail loft and rigging shop. He became a full time sailmaker working first with Johnson Sails and then Hood Sails. In 1981, he bought the first of three J24s he has owned and campaigned it extensively throughout Florida, winning the district championships on multiple occasions and finishing 13th in his first Midwinter Championships in 1982. He continued actively sailing J24s through 1986, skippering at two World Championships

and crewing at another. His position as a sail maker provided an entry into big-boat sailing and he competed in far-flung regattas such as Block Island Race Week, the MORC Internationals and his first of many SORCs in 1981.

In 1984, at age 22, he opened his own franchise of Sobstad Sails in Tampa, Fla., and spent most of his on-water time sailing with customers. In 1987, he married his wife, Patricia, and moved to Connecticut to work at the headquarters of Sobstad. While in New England, he was part of the winning team at the 1987 J35 North Americans. The following year, he relocated to Annapolis doing a short stint as a yacht broker followed by four years working with Larry Leonard's Sobstad (now Quantum) Sails. Working for Leonard in Annapolis opened the door to grand prix big-boat sailing opportunities including the Corum Japan Cup, Kenwood Cup, Key West Race Week and 50-foot regattas with some of the world's top sailors.

In 1993, Jahn accepted the job as manager of the newly opened J World Sailing School franchise in Annapolis. Over the following winter, he acquired ownership of the company and has managed it up to the present. While running the school, Jahn developed numerous specialized training programs

including regatta competition with students making up the crew in events such as Key West Race Week, Heineken Regatta in St. Martin, SORC, Chesapeake Bay's Screwpile Regatta and the Ft. Lauderdale to Key West Race. His teams often finished in the money and have won a few of these events.

More recently, he bought into a 505 which he and his partner have been racing fairly actively including the 2004 world championships in Santa Cruz, Calif.

Jahn holds a 50-ton Master Coast Guard license, is a US Sailing certified instructor trainer and also has his FAA private pilot's license. He and his wife reside in the West River area just south of Annapolis.



## Pete Carrico

### Assistant Coach

Carrico has been an assistant coach at Navy since 2000. He was originally hired at the Naval Academy for his rigging and high-tech race boat maintenance abilities in 1989.

Carrico sails offshore with Navy crews on the donated and Navy 44 sailcraft in all the major Navy sailing offshore races as on-board Officer in Charge to include trans-Atlantic on American Promise and is presently Officer in Charge and boat captain on Zaraffa (Reichel-Pugh 66'). Carrico's long list of offshore racing credentials include his proud accomplishment as bowman for Tom Blackaller on the Farr 50 GREAT NEWS to win overall in the 1989 Fastnet Race. Carrico has also been on overall winner boats in Antigua Race Week and Key West Race week and has won class as watch captain and bowman racing in the 1984 Newport-Bermuda Race on board Full Cry (Swan 391).

The long list of boats Carrico has sailed on at the Naval Academy can be short-listed and described as "All boats" that the Naval Academy has had since 1989 and the only person to tune the masts on all the offshore boats at the Naval Academy.

Carrico started sailing very early in life, sailed intercollegiate while attending St. Mary's College ('77-'81) as a Laser and 420 skipper and then after college sailed professionally for eight years in offshore racing boats in the East Coast USA, the Caribbean and Europe and for a present total of 41 sailing years experience.

Carrico lives in Cape St. Claire with his wife, Bootsie, two sons, Peter (16) and Sam (13), and one stepdaughter, Becky (24), and grandson, Cameron (2).

## Lt. Joe McGettigan, USN

### Operations Officer

Lt. Joe McGettigan, USN is in his second season as Operations Officer for offshore sailing. He is a 2003 graduate, and while at the Academy sailed on the offshore team for four years on a variety of boats, competing in the 2001 Around Long Island Race, 2001 America's Cup Jubilee and the 2002 Newport Bermuda Race. After graduation he was assigned to the USS SHOUP (DDG-86) based in Everett, Wash., and then served as navigator onboard the USS TRENTON (LPD-14) in Norfolk, Va., completing three deployments all over the world. Since graduating he has continued to race competitively in Washington, Virginia and Annapolis.

**2008-09 Roster**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Hometown</b>	<b>Major</b>
Will Arnest	Sr.	Honolulu, Hawai'i	International Relations
John Bamonte	So.	Anacortes, Wash.	Oceanography
Ben Bennett	So.	Granville, Ohio	American Politics and Law
Terence Bennett	Jr.	Boca Raton, Fla.	Economics
Nick Bernard	Jr.	Birmingham, Ala.	Mechanical Engineering
Evan Berthold	So.	Quarryville, Pa.	Computer Engineering
Owen Brooks	Sr.	Amityville, N.Y.	Naval Architecture
Kellen Browne	Sr.	Fernandina, Fla.	Electrical Engineering
Christopher Burke	So.	Missoula, Mont.	Aerospace Engineering
Kaitlyn Bussell	So.	Grosse Ile, Mich.	Political Science
Matthew Carr	So.	Edgewater, Md.	Mechanical Engineering
Maile Cornish	Sr.	Arlington, Va.	Systems Engineering
Will Cunha	So.	Memphis, Tenn.	Information Technology
Matthew Debbink	So.	Oconomowoc, Wis.	Naval Architecture
Alex Delgado	So.	Fort Worth, Texas	Oceanography
Ted Dempsey	So.	Rye, N.Y.	Systems Engineering
Alex Dolan	So.	Kinsale, Ireland	Systems Engineering
Connor Dunn	So.	Pacific Palisades, Calif.	Aerospace Engineering
Eric Eastman	Sr.	Oriskany Falls, N.Y.	Systems Engineering
Kenneth Endicott	Jr.	Greenville, S.C.	Aerospace Engineering
Alex Fletcher	Jr.	State College, Pa.	Naval Architecture
Emily Frost	So.	Severna Park, Md.	English
Peter Gibbons-Neff	So.	Philadelphia, Pa.	Oceanography
Noah Gray	Jr.	Bend, Ore.	Honors Systems Engineering
Nicholas Green	So.	Omaha, Neb.	Chemistry
Ralph Grossman	So.	Green Pond, N.J.	Political Science
Matt Hamlet	Sr.	Baldwinsville, N.Y.	Systems and Weapons Engineering
Halford Haskell	Sr.	Georgetown, Texas	Physics
Joshua Henderson	So.	Fort Gibson, Okla.	History
Chester Hewitt	Sr.	Dallas, Texas	Systems Engineering
Joshua Hinshaw	Jr.	Medina, Ohio	Political Science
Elizabeth Hudson	Jr.	Plymouth, Mass.	Systems Engineering
Kayla Johnson	Sr.	Arnold, Md.	Systems Engineering
Scott Jones	Jr.	Dallas, Texas	Aerospace Engineering
Timothy Keily	Sr.	East Granby, Conn.	Naval Architecture
Robert King	Jr.	Hudson, Ohio	History
Rachel Lessard	Jr.	Newburyport, Mass.	Arabic
Matthew Libby	Jr.	Scarborough, Maine	Economics
Robert Macedo	So.	London, England	Ocean Engineering
Jason Mazzoni	Jr.	Durham, N.C.	Naval Architecture
Kyle McArthur	So.	San Diego, Calif.	Systems Engineering
Andrew McFarland	Jr.	Belleville, Ill.	Mechanical Engineering
Josh McMinn	Sr.	Crockett, Texas	Ocean Engineering
Brian McShea	So.	Fairfax, Va.	Systems Engineering
Tim Nasta	Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	Mechanical Engineering
Caitlin Ness	Jr.	Friday Harbor, Wash.	Naval Architecture
Will Nutting	So.	Sutherland, Iowa	Mechanical Engineering
Thomas Oberdorf (C)	Sr.	Haverford, Pa.	Ocean Engineering
Elliot Page	Sr.	Chelmsford, Mass.	Electrical Engineering
Mark Picinich	Sr.	Palisades Park, N.J.	Aeronautical Engineering
Andrew Poulin	Sr.	Boxborough, Mass.	International Relations
Christopher Price	So.	Lumberton, N.J.	Systems Engineering
James Prieto	So.	Southold, N.Y.	Chemistry
David Ritchie	So.	Huntingdon, Pa.	Mechanical Engineering
Matthew Roberts	Jr.	Broomfield, Colo.	Aerospace Engineering
Evan Rowe	So.	Midlothian, Va.	Political Science
Corey Sheeron	Jr.	Long Beach, N.Y.	English
Nicholas Skaperdas	Sr.	Richmond, Va.	Naval Architecture
Ben Smith	So.	Beaeton, Va.	History
Susannah Stokes	So.	Pensacola, Fla.	Chinese
Kenneth Ulrich	So.	Louisville, Ky.	Aerospace Engineering
Austin Van Olst	Jr.	Chantilly, Va.	Aerospace Engineering
Ryan Veatch	So.	Cornelius, N.C.	Quantitative Economics
Patrick Wiedorn	So.	Severna Park, Md.	Chemistry

**2008-09 Schedule**

Dates	Event	Location
Aug. 30-Sept. 1	CBYRA Race Week	Annapolis, Md.
Sept. 13-14	Race to Oxford and Return	Annapolis, Md.
Sept. 20-21	Shield Trophy	Annapolis, Md.
Sept. 25-28	Lloyd Phoenix Regatta	Chicago, Ill.
Oct. 5	Annapolis Yacht Club Fall Series #1	Annapolis, Md.
Oct. 11-12	Storm Trysail Club Invitational	Larchmont, N.Y.
Oct. 12	Annapolis Yacht Club Fall Series #2	Annapolis, Md.
Oct. 19	Annapolis Yacht Club Fall Series #3	Annapolis, Md.
Oct. 25-26	McMillan Cup	Annapolis, Md.
Oct. 25-Nov. 1	Student Yachting World Cup	France
Oct. 31-Nov. 2	IRC East Coast Championship	Annapolis, Md.
Nov. 7-9	Kennedy Cup	Annapolis, Md.
Nov. 11	Huntington Steele Regatta	Annapolis, Md.



**Will  
Arnest**

Senior  
Honolulu, Hawai'i

**Sailing Background**

Sailed offshore boats for five years before coming to the Naval Academy. His position in the summer of 2006 was as Mainsail Trimmer aboard Farr 40 SEAWOLF for New York Yacht Club Race Week and Around Long Island Race. In the fall of 2007, he served as mastman aboard NA-11 Swift as part of the winning MacMillan Cup Team. During the summer of 2007 he served as Mainsail Trimmer aboard Farr 53 TOMCAT for the Annapolis-Newport Race and Block Island Race Week. This past spring and summer, he served as SKIPPER of the Mk II Navy 44 DEFIANCE, which participated in the 2008 Newport to Bermuda Race.



**Kate  
Besser**

Senior  
Chicago, Ill.

**Sailing Background**

Learned to sail at Naval Academy, sailed aboard Tomcat last summer, J105 Allegiance in the fall and on Navy 44 Renaissance this summer, participating in the Annapolis-Bermuda race

**Personal**

Attended St. Ignatius College Prep ... majoring in Quantitative Economics ... daughter of Peter and Patty Besser



**Owen  
Brooks, III**

Senior  
Amityville, N.Y.

**Sailing Background**

Competed in the 2006 and 2007 ALIR, the 2006 NYYC Race Week, 2007 Governor's Cup, the 2007 Solomon's Island Regatta, the 2006 and 2007 Macmillan and Kennedy Cups and the 22008 Harbor Cup.

**Personal Info**

Graduate of Amityville Memorial High ... son of Owen and Margaret Brooks ... majoring in Naval Architecture.



**Kellen  
Browne**

Senior  
Fernandina Beach, Fla.

**Sailing Background**

Learned on Optis when he was eight years old. He sailed a Canadian Fireball non-competitively. At Navy, he sailed in the Newport Bermuda race in summer 2006. He also sailed in the 2006 Spirit Rider regatta, taking top collegiate boat honors. In summer 2007, he participated in the Annapolis-Newport Race as the Navigator and Pit. In fall 2007, he skippered the Navy 44 Swift in the Annapolis Series of races. In summer 2008 he skippered Tomcat in the New York Race week and ALIR.

**Personal Info**

Graduated from Stanton College Preparatory School ... son of Rodd and Gay Browne ... majoring in electrical engineering.



**Maile  
Cornish**

Senior  
Crowley, Texas

**Sailing Background**

Began sailing at the Naval Academy aboard Colgate 26's. Raced on Patriot in the Centennial Newport to Bermuda race. Trimmer on J-105 Dreadnought and American Promise for the 2006-2007 seasons. XO and Trim on Swift during the Fall of 2007. Sailed Integrity for her first season in the Annapolis to Bermuda and Hampton Race Week as the XO.

**Personal Info**

Graduate of James Bowie High School in Arlington, Texas ... daughter of Bryan and Rebecca Cornish ... majoring in systems engineering.



**Eric  
Eastman**

Senior  
Oriskany Falls, N.Y.

**Sailing Background**

Participated in plebe summer sailing. Competed in CSNTS-Crew, Naval Academy Sailing Squadron, CSNTS-Skipper/XO Training and CSNTS-San Diego Spring Break Trip during his sophomore year. During his junior year, he skippered CSNTS (San Diego) and was a member of VOST crew.

**Personal Info**

Son of Eva M. Stowers and Leonard J. Stowers ... graduate of Baumholder American High School in Baumholder, Germany .. enlisted in the U.S. Navy and went to Recruit Training in Great Lakes, Ill., in January 2003 ... completed Naval Nuclear Propulsion Training as an electrician's mate 3rd Class prior to coming to the Naval Academy as part of the class of 2009.

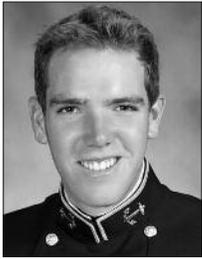


**Matthew  
Hamlet**  
Senior  
Baldwinsville, N.Y.

**Sailing Background**  
Hamlet raced with the Cross Lake Yacht Club in Central New York prior to coming to the Naval Academy. During his freshman year, he raced on Columbia, a Farr 47. During his sophomore summer, he raced from Newport to Bermuda aboard the Navy 44, "Flirt". That school year, he raced onboard J105s in the Chesapeake Bay and Key West, Fla. This past summer, he served as the bowman on the Reichel Pugh 66, Zaraffa which finished first while racing overnight from Annapolis to St. Mary's College, Md., winning the Governor's Cup. His junior year, he skippered the Mumm 30, Esprit de Corp and is currently the Skipper of Zaraffa, preparing to Race in the Newport to Bermuda Ocean Race.

**Personal Info**

Graduated from C.W. Baker High School ... son of Ronald and Mary Sue Hamlet ... majoring in systems engineering.



**Ted  
Haskell**  
Senior  
Georgetown, Texas

**Sailing Background**  
Had some experience before coming to Navy. While at Navy, he sailed the 2006 Newport to Bermuda on American Promise. During the fall of 2006, he sailed on Lively in the Annapolis to Newport and Marion to Bermuda on Swift. During the fall of 2007, he sailed on esprit de corps and the Newport to Bermuda race on Zaraffa.

**Personal Info**

Son of Hal and Pam Haskell ... graduated from Georgetown high school in Georgetown, Texa ... majoring in physics.



**Chester  
Hewitt**  
Senior  
Dallas, Texas

**Sailing Background**  
Little sailing experience prior to Naval Academy. Since then, he has raced in the 2006 Newport-Bermuda race on American Promise, the 2007 Solomons Islands Race and 2007 Around Long Island Race on Zaraffa and the 2008 Onion Patch Regatta and Newport-Bermuda Race on Swift. Other significant experiences include being a JV skipper youngster year, XO of Flirt in Fall of 2008 and being rescued by the Coast Guard after the dismasting

of Mameluke.

**Personal Info**

Graduate of Highland Park High School ... son of Chris and Sara Hewitt ... majoring in systems engineering.



**Kayla  
Johnson**  
Senior  
Arnold, Md.

**Sailing Background**  
With no prior sailing background, she started at CSNTS for her youngster cruise and loved to sail and when she couldn't swim anymore she decided to try out for the team. During her junior summer, she was a CSNTS XO and did Sailing Cadre as the XO for the plebe class of 2011 at the recommendation of the coaches to get as much sailing experience before she tried out in the fall. In the fall of 2007, she served as bow on Dreadnought, and last spring was the XO on Defiance/Integrity.

**Personal Info**

Graduate of Broadneck Senior High School in Annapolis ... daughter of Jill and Ted Johnson ... majoring in systems engineering.



**Tim  
Keily**  
Senior  
East Granby, Conn.

**Sailing Background**  
Since spending plebe summer with the IC team he upgraded to the Offshore Sailing Team. His first two fall seasons were spent on the Junior Varsity team, each time as the skipper of a boat. In the most recent fall season, he was the bowman on Esprit de Corps, a Mumm 30. For his spring/summer seasons he has been a bowman on the Farr 40 Seawolf, the Taylor 49 Polaris, and most recently on our Nelson Merrick 49 Mameluke. On Mameluke, he also had the pleasure of serving as the XO.

**Personal Info**

Son of Douglas and Kathryn Keily ... he was one of 49 graduates of East Granby High School Class of 2005 and an Eagle Scout ... though he lettered in four sports at various points in high school, he had just as much fun sailing and skiing recreationally with his family ... mother, uncle and grandfather all served in the Navy.



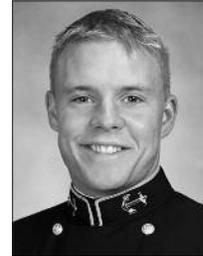
**James  
Licata**  
Senior  
Mequon, Wis.

**Sailing Background**  
He started sailing Sunfish at age 10 and sailed primarily inland lakes in Wisconsin until coming to the Naval

Academy. At Navy, he sailed on the intercollegiate dinghy team during his freshman and sophomore years. Last fall, he assisted with coaching the JVOST and is sailing on a VOST boat this spring in preparation for the summer.

**Personal Info**

Graduate of Homestead High School in Mequon, Wis. ... son of Steve and Mary Licata ... majoring in aerospace engineering ... he also enjoys flying and obtained his pilot's license in high school- he plans to pursue his instrument rating in the near future.



**Josh  
McMinn**  
Senior  
Crockett, Texas

**Sailing Background**  
Had no prior sailing experience before joining the team. Josh first sailed onboard the Swift for the Newport to Bermuda race in 2006. Since then he has sailed as the spin and jib trimmer onboard the Polaris, Hellcat, numerous Navy 44's and now onboard Tomcat. Josh also just recently received the most valuable trimmer award.

**Personal Info**

Graduate of Crockett High School ... son of Rusty and Dawn McMinn and Leonard and Patti Lucas ... majoring in ocean engineering.

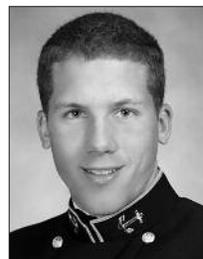


**Christopher  
Nicolet**  
Senior  
Lakeside, Ariz.

**Sailing Background**  
Limited cruising experience before coming to the academy. Since coming to USNA, he has completed a semester on JVOST, did the 2006 Newport Bermuda Race and Onion Patch series, came back to be a skipper for the JVOST team, then jumped aboard American Promise as XO in the spring and spent a month sailing around Maine for the summer. Sailed as main trimmer on a 44 last fall, and is currently on Tomcat for the summer.

**Personal Info**

Son are Claude and Katherine Nicolet ... he went to Blue Ridge High School ... earned his Eagle Scout, graduated as Salutatorian, and participated in various sports and clubs ... majoring in Honors English.



**Thomas  
Oberdorf**  
Senior  
Team Captain  
Haverford, Pa.

**Sailing Background**  
No prior racing experience

before coming to the Academy. As a plebe, he sailed in the Bermuda Centennial. He was the JV Captain and sailed in the Lauderdale Key West Race as a sophomore.

#### Personal Info

Attended the Haverford School ... son of Elizabeth and Jay Oberdorf ... majoring in ocean engineering ... was an eagle scout and volunteer firefighter while in high school.



**Elliott  
Page**  
Senior  
Chelmsford, Mass.

#### Sailing Background

Spent one semester JVOST and the last five semesters on

VOST. Has held positions as Mast, Trimmer, Navigator, Helmsman, and Skipper. His summer cruises include Polaris (sophomore), Zoraffa (junior) including the Governor's Cup as Navigator/Tactics, and NA22 Integrity as Skipper. He has participated in the ALIR twice, Newport Race Week, Governor's Cup, Solomons Island Race, Oxford Race and the Bermuda Ocean Race.

#### Personal Info

Grew up in Massachusetts, graduated high school in 2003 and then enlisted in the Navy where he was in the training pipeline for nuclear power. For exceptional performance at NNPTC, he was picked up for a commissioning program and sent to the Academy.



**Mark  
Picinich**  
Senior  
Palisades Park, N.J.

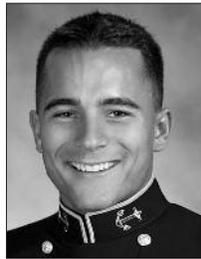
#### Sailing Background

Picinich learned to sail on his father's and friend's yachts out

of the Harlem Yacht Club of City Island, N.Y. Through high school, Mark sailed as a bowman on a local J-105 for Wednesday night races, several Larchmont NOOD regattas, and two Block Island Race Weeks. At the Naval Academy, Mark sailed as the mastman on the winning Kennedy Cup, McMillan Cup, and Lloyd Phoenix Cup crew. For his summer races, Mark served as the bowman for the Navy 44 Flirt during the 2006 Newport-Bermuda Race, and as the pitman for the Farr 53 Tomcat during the 2007 Annapolis-Newport Race and Block Island Race Week.

#### Personal Info

Graduated from Bergen County Academy ... majoring in aerospace engineering.



**Andrew  
Poulin**  
Senior  
Boxborough, Mass.

#### Sailing Background

Grew up sailing small boats on Cape Cod and Maine. At

Navy, in 2006 served as jib/spin trimmer aboard Farr 40 Seawolf for NYYC Race Week, ALIR, and Larchmont Race Week. In the summer of 2007, Poulin was the bowman on Farr 53 Tomcat for the Annapolis-Newport Race, NYYC Annual Regatta and Block Island Race Week. In the fall of 2007, he was bowman for the second Place Lloyd Phoenix National Championship. Currently serving as the Skipper/helmsman of N/M 50 Mameluke and will compete in the Onion Patch Series and the Newport-Bermuda Race in the summer of 2008.

#### Personal Info

Graduated from Acton-Boxborough High School ... son of David Poulin and Mary Ann Noddin-Poulin ... majoring in ocean engineering ... was elected Class of 2009 President, and was recently selected to serve as Brigade Chief of Staff for the fall of 2008.



**Nicholas  
Skaperdas**  
Senior  
Midlothian, Va.

#### Sailing Background

Skaperdas had no sailing experience prior to the Naval

Academy, and has since specialized in main trim. He has crewed aboard NA-11 Swift for the 2006 Centennial Newport-Bermuda Race, the R/P 66 Zoraffa for the 2007 Around Long Island Race and the 2007 Maryland Governor's Cup, the Mumm 30 Esprit de Corps for the fall 2007 racing season in Annapolis, and most recently, as the XO aboard the Farr 53 Tomcat for the 2008 Around Long Island Race.

#### Personal Info

Graduated from the Maggie Walker Governor's School in Richmond, Va. ... son of Wesley and Patricia Skaperdas ... majoring in economics with a minor in German.



**Riley  
Walls**  
Senior  
Houston, Texas

#### Sailing Background

Before plebe summer he had no sailing experience. Since

then he has spent one semester as a JV skipper and another three on Navy44s, where he is currently serving as bowman. He has raced in the Shields Cup, Storm Trysail Regatta, Annapolis Fall Series, Oxford Race, Newport-Bermuda Race 2006 and the 152nd Annual

New York Yacht Club Regatta.

#### Personal Info

Son of Tom Walls and Joan Armstrong ... immigrated to the United States in 1997 before becoming a citizen in 2004 and graduating from Klein Forest High School in 2005 ... majoring in political science and Chinese. In pursuit of learning the language, he will spend a next semester abroad in Beijing, China.



**Terence  
Bennett**  
Junior  
Boca Raton, Fla.

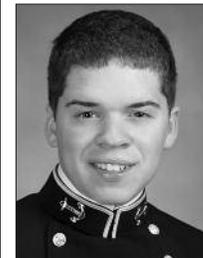
#### Sailing Background

Terence was a Grinder of Tomcat and trimmed the main

on Hellcat.

#### Personal Info

Terrence was a graduate of Saint Andrew's School ... son of Babette Bennett and David Bowden ... majoring in economics.



**Nick  
Bernard**  
Junior  
Birmingham, Ala.

#### Sailing Background

Nick had no significant sailing experience before coming to

the Academy. After a semester on JV, he was the pitman on Zoraffa for the Around Long Island Race and the Solomon's Island race, and he was the bowman on Flirt in the Fall of 2007. He is now the bowman on Zoraffa for the 2008 Newport Bermuda Race.

#### Personal Info

He graduated from Mountain Brook High School ... ran cross country and track and was a member of the wrestling team ... majoring in mechanical engineering ... has competed in two fifty-mile ultra marathons.



**Kenneth  
Endicott**  
Junior  
Greenville, S.C.

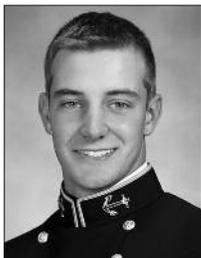
#### Sailing Background

Kenneth sailed as the Mastman on American Promise in

the Annapolis-Newport and Marion-Bermuda races in 2007. During the fall of 2007, his crew won the Storm Trisail Intercollegiate Regatta, MacMillan Cup, and Kennedy Cup. Last summer (2008), he served as Bowman on Renaissance in the Annapolis-Bermuda race.

#### Personal Info

Son of Mary Beth and James Endicott and graduated from Greenville High School ... majoring in aeronautical engineering.



**Alex  
Fletcher**

**Junior  
State College, Pa.**

**Sailing Background**

Alex grew up sailing sunfish on lakes in Pennsylvania. He also spent a good deal of time on a Tartan in the Cape May area when he was younger, but doing only cruising. He started racing at Navy, where he spent his first summer participating in NYYC Annual Regatta and Block Island race week on Tomcat. In the fall Alex was on the Zaraffa crew which won the Kennedy Cup and Macmillan Cup. In the spring he was fortunate to get to race in the Harbor Cup in LA. This past summer, he competed in Onion Patch and Newport-Bermuda onboard Zaraffa once again.

**Personal Info**

Alex graduated from State College Area High School and his parents' names are Rodney and Casey Fletcher ... majoring in Naval Architecture.



**Noah  
Gray**

**Junior  
Bend, Ore.**

**Sailing Background**

Noah started sailing at NAPS on 420's and FJ's. Once at the Academy he sailed on Zaraffa for two summers and on Dreadnought for a fall semester. For the most part he works on headsail trim.

**Personal Info**

The son of Loretta Jean Sayers and Jeffery James Gray ... a graduate of Mt View High School ... majoring in honors systems engineering.



**Joshua  
Hinshaw**

**Junior  
Medina, Ohio**

**Sailing Background**

Joshua has sailed Y-Flyers, Snipes, Lasers, Jet-14, Colgate 26, Navy 44, Custom Hood 60, J-105 and a Farr 53. He started racing in Middle School, competing in the Chippewa Lake Yacht Club Y-Flyer fleet. While at Navy Joshua has competed in the 2007 Annapolis to Newport Race, Marion to Bermuda Race, and the J-105 North American Championships, (ALIR (Around Long Island Race), and NYYC Race Week by the end of summer 2008).

**Personal Info**

Joshua graduated from Medina High School in 2005 ... attended The Kiski Preparatory School for a year under the USNA Foundation Scholarship Program ... son of

Tom and Linda Hinshaw ... majoring in international relations.



**Scott  
Jones**

**Junior  
Dallas, Texas**

**Sailing Background**

Scott had little sailing experience before coming to the Academy. During the summer of 2007, he was on pit crew aboard Polaris for Block Island Race Week. Fall semester he was a headsail trimmer aboard Flirt. This past summer, he was the assistant navigator aboard Zaraffa for the Newport to Bermuda Race.

**Personal Info**

Scott graduated from Jesuit College High School in Dallas, Texas ... son of David & Mindy Jones ... majoring in aerospace engineering.



**Robert  
King**

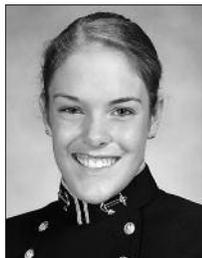
**Junior  
Hudson, Ohio**

**Sailing Background**

Although Robbie did not sail before coming to the Academy, he sailed aboard American Promise in the Marion-Bermuda Race during the summer of 2007. The following summer he raced at various events in the Chesapeake and New England aboard a 44 Mk II.

**Personal Info**

Robert attended Hudson High School in Hudson, Ohio ... parents are Tom and Debbie King ... majoring in history with a minor in German.



**Rachel  
Lessard**

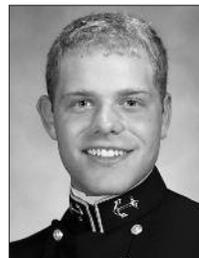
**Junior  
Newburyport, Mass.**

**Sailing Background**

Rachel had no prior sailing experience before coming to the Academy. She spent spring and summer of 2007 as strings/mast on American Promise in Maine. In fall 2007 served as strings on the Mumm 30, Espirit de Corps, and will spend summer 2008 onboard Tomcat as strings.

**Personal Info**

Rachel graduated in 2006 from Newburyport High School ... daughter of Lisa and Rick Accardi ... will graduate with a double major in Arabic and international relations, and a Spanish minor.



**Matthew  
Libby**

**Junior  
Scarborough, Maine**

**Sailing Background**

Matthew served as a crew member onboard the winning J-80 in the 2007 Regate des Ecoles Navales Etrangeres in Brest, France. He also crewed the winning J-24 in the 2007 Newport Tall Ships Festival Intercollegiate Regatta in Newport, RI. He served as a grinder and trimmer onboard the R/P 66 Zaraffa that place 2nd in class in the 2007 Around Long Island Regatta in Sea Cliff, NY, won the ALIR Service Academy Trophy, and won the 2007 Annapolis Hospice Cup. Last spring, he was the mastman and navigator onboard the Farr 53 Tomcat.

**Personal Info**

Son of Robert and Beth Libby ... majoring in economics.



**Jason  
Mazzone**

**Junior  
Durham, N.C.**

**Sailing Background**

No prior sailing experience. He sailed on JV for one semester as the bowman, moved to Varsity, and sailed in the Marion to Bermuda Regatta aboard NA-11 Swift as the mastman. As a 3/C, he sailed aboard the Farr 49 Hellcat as the mastman coming in second in the Lloyd Phoenix Regatta. He is currently sailing aboard NA-22 a Navy 44 MkII as the bowman and will be participating in the Annapolis to Bermuda Regatta.

**Personal Info**

Jason graduated from the salutorian of Bridgton Academy, one of the Naval Academy's foundation schools ... son of Bob and Deidre Mazzone ... majoring in Naval Architecture ... part of the Color Guard, a voting member of the student chapter of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers and the President of the Italian-American Midshipmen Club.



## Andrew McFarland

Junior  
Mascoutah, Ill.

### Sailing Background

Before plebe summer, Andrew had very little experience on the water. He sailed a few times back in high school on lakes, but he had a passion to learn more about sailing, and when given the opportunity, he joined the JV team and soaked up as much as possible. Last spring, he was on Thomas Oberdorf's 44 and continued with him on American Promise last summer on our trip to the coast of Maine. This past fall, he was on Swift with Kellen Browne, and did very well in the rankings. During the spring, he sailed with Andrew Poulin and Tim Keily on the Mameluke.

### Personal Info

Son of Elaine and Keith McFarland.



## Caitlin Ness

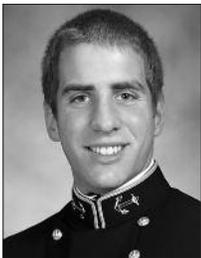
Junior  
Friday Harbor, Wash.

### Sailing Background

Caitlin grew up racing dinghies in Washington State and sailing on a tall ship. She has enjoyed adventures with the team to Maine, racing J105s on the Bay, and recently racing to Bermuda on a new Navy 44.

### Personal Info

A graduate of Friday Harbor High School ... daughter of John and Lisa Ness ... majoring in Naval Architecture.



## Kenny O'Loughlin

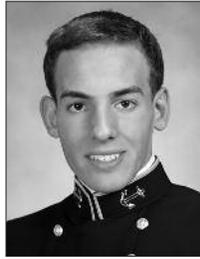
Junior  
Norfolk, Va.

### Sailing Background

Kenny started sailing with VOST this year.

### Personal Info

Graduated from Maury High School ... son of Dan and Kathy O'Loughlin ... majoring in electrical engineering.



## Matt Roberts

Junior  
Broomfield, Colo.

### Sailing Background

Matt had no prior sailing experience before coming to the Naval Academy. Since joining the team, he has sailed in the 2007 Annapolis to Newport Race, 2007 Marion to Bermuda Race, 2007 Lloyd Phoenix Regatta, and the 2008 Annapolis to Bermuda Race.

### Personal Info

Matt attended Holy Family High School ... participated on the cross country and track teams ... has earned a Private Pilot's License ... son of Mike and Jane Roberts ... majoring in aerospace engineering.



## Corey Sheeron

Junior  
Long Beach, N.Y.

### Sailing Background

Trimmed main and served as an oil covered assistant engineer on American Promise for the 2007 Marion-Bermuda Race; the following fall, did trim and pit aboard J-105 Allegiance in several Chesapeake Bay races; fulfilled a trim and tactical position for NA-21 Renaissance in the 2008 Annapolis-Bermuda Race.

### Personal Info

Graduated from Chaminade High School ... majoring in English with a minor in Japanese ... son of William and Joan Sheeron.



## Hudson Spears

Junior  
Austin, Texas

### Sailing Background

Hudson never sailed before coming to the Naval Academy.

He spent one semester sailing Colgate 26's, and a semester sailing Zaraffa, an RP 66.

### Personal Info

He attended Anderson High School and graduated in 2006 ... son of Rita and Ted Spears ... majoring in systems engineering with a minor in Arabic.



## Austin Van Olst

Junior  
Chantilly, Va.

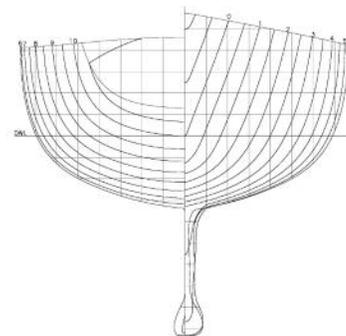
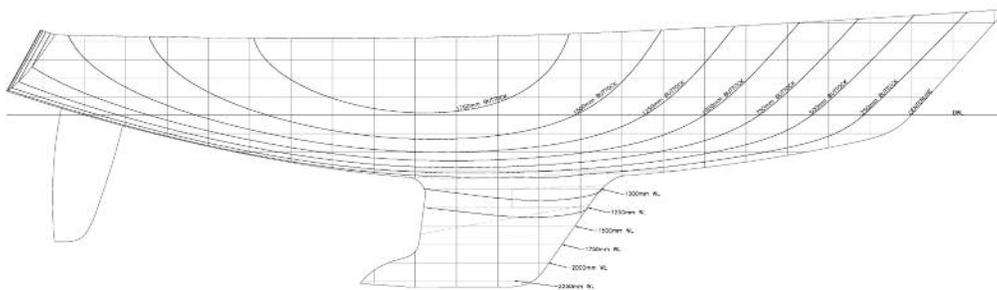
### Sailing Background

Austin started out sailing cruising Lake Pontchartrain with my family, but never competed until he came to the Naval Academy. Here he raced in New York Yacht Club race week and Block Island race week on Tomcat, and raced in the fall of 2007 on the Mumm 30, Esprit de Corps.

### Personal Info

Son of Robert and Francine Van Olst ... graduated from Chantilly High School ... majoring in aerospace engineering with an economics minor.

## USNA Renaissance Class Mark II 44 Sloop



SPECS	
<b>LOA:</b> 44' 4"	<b>Fuel:</b> 65 gal
<b>LWL:</b> 36' 9"	<b>Water:</b> 195 gal.
<b>Beam:</b> 12' 8"	<b>D/L:</b> 270
<b>Draft:</b> 7' 5"	<b>SA/D:</b> 17.3
<b>Disp.:</b> 25,750 lbs.	<b>Designer:</b> David Pedrick
<b>Sail Area:</b> 1035 sq. ft.	

## Awards and Honors

### Kennedy Cup

The John F. Kennedy Memorial Trophy was presented to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1965 on behalf of the many friends of the late President. President Kennedy's love for sailing is perpetuated in the annual competition for the trophy, which represents the National Collegiate Large Yacht Championship.

1966	Robert L. Hamilton, Jr.
1977	Richard O'Sullivan
1980	Nick Madigan
1981	Nick Madigan
1982	Dixon Smith
1988	Dan Whitney
1989	Charles Pucciariello
1990	Kevin Hawko
1993	Oliver Vietor
1995	Stephen Karson
1997	Ryan McCrillis
2005	Gregory Storer

### Major Ocean Race Victories

1992	Newport to Bermuda Race	Kyle Weaver
1993	Annapolis to Newport Race	Ara Barton
1994	Annapolis to Bermuda Race	Chris Fisher
1998	Around Long Island Race	Todd Greene
1999	Marion to Bermuda Race (celestial)	Jack Benfield
1999	Marion to Bermuda Race (team trophy)	Benfield, Almeida, Kellogg
2003	Block Island Race Week PHRF	Chad Ingle, Brooke Anderson
2005	Lloyd Phoenix	Gregory Storer

### McMillan Cup

College sailing's oldest regatta was first competed for in 1928 and hosted at various sailing centers in New England. Since 1950 it has been hosted by the Naval Academy in its 44' sailboats and serves as the big boat championship for the New England and Mid-Atlantic districts.

1955	George Atkins
1958	Gene J. Porter
1961	Charles Ulmer
1977	Bruce Reichert
1980	Nick Madigan
1981	Dixon Smith
1984	Brain Ledbetter
1985	Thomas Luscher
1996	Mark Franko
1997	Matthew Morton
1999	Brian Solomon
2004	Tom Bock
2005	Gregory Storer
2006	Joe Campbell

### Navy Offshore Sailing Fleet

<b>Navy 26's</b>	30
<b>Navy 44's</b>	20
<b>New Navy 44's (MK II's)</b>	24
<b>J-24</b>	2
<b>Offshore boats</b>	10
J-105	Allegiance, Dreadnought
Mumm 30	Esprit De Corps
R/P 66	Zarafa
N/M 50	Mameluke
Farr-40'	Sea Wolf
Farr-50'	Hellcat
Farr-53'	Tomcat
C&C-48'	Patriot
Taylor-49'	Polaris
<b>J-22</b>	1
<b>Sonar</b>	1

## Success In The Classroom

### Majors

Students at the Naval Academy can select one of 43 different majors within 19 fields of study. The 19 fields of study are grouped into three different divisions: Division of Engineering and Weapons (aerospace engineering, electrical engineering, general engineering, mechanical engineering, Naval architecture, ocean engineering), Division of Math and Science (chemistry, computer science, general science, information technology, mathematics, oceanography, physics, quantitative economics) and the Division of Humanities and Social Science (economics, English, history and political science).

In addition to graduating with a Bachelor's of Science, students can attain a minor in one of seven different languages.



▲▲ Eric Gardiner was selected as an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship recipient;

▲ Kelly Zahalka was awarded a Truman Scholarship.

### Graduate School

There are no graduate school options offered at the Naval Academy, but opportunities for Midshipmen to attain a postgraduate degree at a civilian school or university are available. For example, men's soccer player Evan Barnes attends grad school at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland, pursuing a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Meanwhile, water polo player Eric Gardiner is pursuing a Master of Arts Degree in Terrorism, Violence and Security at Queen's University in Belfast.

The opportunity to attend medical school, as former football player Terrence Anderson ('00) did, is another option.

### Scholarship Winners

In addition to furthering their education at schools across the country, students at the Naval Academy annually are in competition for one of the prestigious Rhodes, Truman, Marshall and NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships. Since Navy's first Rhodes Scholar, E. Van Meter ('28), a total of 45 Naval Academy graduates have received the Rhodes Scholarship, including 12 since 2001. Among Navy's most recent recipients is former baseball player Trevor Thompson ('05). Sixteen grads have won Marshall Scholarships, including six since 2000. Swimmer Kelly Zahalka was awarded a Truman Scholarship last spring, while water polo player Eric Gardiner and track and field standout Vicki Moore were selected as NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship recipients.



▲ Evan Barnes was the inaugural Men's Soccer Lowe's Senior CLASS Award winner in the fall of 2007.

### CoSIDA Academic All-Americans

Naval Academy student-athletes have been selected as an Academic All-American by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) 65 times over the years, with Mids garnering 31 awards since 2000.

The list of honorees from the 2007-08 year include Evan Barnes (third team, men's soccer), Kari Weniger (first team, women's soccer), Rachel Dougherty (second team, women's volleyball), Eric Gardiner (first team, at-large), Chris Renninger (first team, at-large) and Kelly Zahalka (first team, at-large).

### Lowe's Senior CLASS Award

Navy has been well-represented in the nomination process for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award, started in 2001 by Dick Enberg in response to the growing trend of men's basketball players leaving school early for the NBA. The award honors the attributes of senior student-athletes in four areas: classroom, community, character and competition.

During the last two years, Navy has had a pair of first-team honorees in their respective sports, as 2008 grad Evan Barnes was men's soccer's inaugural award winner in 2007. He, and women's basketball player Kate Hobbs (2007), were both first-team honorees.

### 2007-08 Graduation Success Rate

For the third year in a row, the United States Naval Academy is at the head of the class for graduating NCAA student-athletes on the Division IA level. Navy graduated 100 percent of its student-athletes in 12 of the 19 sports reported on and no sport graduated lower than 94 percent.

Sport	Navy	National
Baseball	94	66
Men's Basketball	97	61
Men's CC/Track	99	74
Football	95	67
Golf	100	79
Gymnastics	100	88
Men's Lacrosse	100	88
Rifle	100	78
Men's Soccer	94	77
Men's Swimming	100	82
Tennis	100	82
Water Polo	97	85
Wrestling	98	70
Women's Basketball	100	81
Women's CC/Track	100	83
Women's Crew	100	90
Women's Soccer	100	89
Women's Swimming	100	91
Volleyball	100	88

## The United States Naval Academy



Vice Adm.

Jeffrey L. Fowler, USN  
Superintendent



Capt.

Matthew L. Klunder, USN  
Commandant of Midshipmen

### Annapolis

The City of Annapolis has been home to the Naval Academy for all but four years since the founding of the school in 1845 on the grounds of what originally was the Army's Fort Severn. The Academy moved its location to Newport, Rhode Island, from 1861-1865 during the Civil War.

### Bancroft Hall

Named after the former Secretary of the Navy (1845-46) and founder of the Naval Academy George Bancroft, Bancroft Hall serves as the dormitory for the entire Brigade of Midshipmen. Its 33 acres of floor space and nearly five miles of hallways makes it one of the largest dorms in the world.



▲ Bancroft Hall

### Brigade of Midshipmen

The 4,300-member student body at the Naval Academy is called the Brigade of Midshipmen.

The Brigade is organized into ...

- 2 regiments
- 6 battalions
- 30 companies

### Class Ranks

First-year students at the Naval Academy are referred to as "plebes" during their initial or "Fourth Class" year in school, while sophomores at Navy, members of the "Third Class," are called "youngsters." Juniors at the school are designated as "Second Class," with seniors called "Firsties" in reference to their "First Class" year.

### Co-Ed

Women were first admitted to the Naval Academy during the summer of 1976. Today, women comprise roughly 15 percent of the student body.

### Commissioned Officers

When a student graduates from the Naval Academy, they have the option to enter either the Navy or the Marine Corps as an officer. If they choose to join the Navy, they are commissioned as Ensigns, while those entering the Marine Corps are given the rank of Second Lieutenant.

### Marine Corps

Those officers entering the Marine Corps have the choice of service selecting one of the following fields ...

- Aviation -- air command and control, anti-air warfare, aviation maintenance, aviation supply, pilot, naval flight officer.
- Ground -- armor, artillery, communications (information systems), engineering, financial management, infantry\*, logistics, military police

### Navy

Graduates of the Naval Academy entering the Navy have the following service options available to them ...

- Aviation -- flight officer, pilot
- Nuclear Propulsion -- ships, submarines
- Restricted Line and Staff Corps -- civil engineering, cryptology, intelligence, maintenance, medicine, meteorology/oceanography, supply
- Special Operations -- explosive ordinance disposal, explosive ordinance management, mine countermeasures, operational diving and salvage
- Navy SEALs
- Surface Warfare -- conventional, nuclear powered
- Submarines

### Summer Training

Summers remain a busy and challenging time of year for midshipmen. Their initial tenure at the Naval Academy begins around July 1 prior to the start of the freshman year at the school with "Plebe Summer." Instead of taking academic classes, plebes receive military indoctrination and learn basic seamanship and sailing.

The summer following plebe year is spent aboard various ships to gain knowledge and experience of the workings of the Navy. Included in this time is a three-week cruise aboard either a 44-foot Naval Academy sailboat or a Yard Patrol craft traveling on the East Coast.

Portions of the summer before the start of a second-class year is spent visiting bases of both the Navy and the Marine Corps. That leads up to the next summer when midshipmen join an operational unit of the Navy or Marine Corps for several weeks. In addition, rising firsties also begin to accept leadership roles at either the Naval Academy for plebe summer, the Naval Academy Prep School (Newport, R.I.) or aboard a yard patrol or sailing cruise.



▲ Prospective Midshipmen recite the Oath of Office to start Plebe Summer.

### The Yard

"The Yard" is another name for the grounds of the Naval Academy. Originally just 10 acres, The Yard has grown to a size of 338 acres.

## Naval Academy Traditions

### Anchors Aweigh

"Anchors Aweigh" was written by Lt. Charles Zimmerman, musical director of the Naval Academy, in 1906, with the lyrics provided by Alfred H. Miles '06 as a fight song for the 1907 graduating class. The song made its debut at the 1906 Army-Navy game and when the Mids won, the song became traditional at the contest.

Stand Navy down the field,  
Sails set to the sky,  
We'll never change our course,  
So Army you steer shy.  
Roll up the score, Navy,  
Anchors Aweigh,  
Sail Navy down the field,  
And sink the Army,  
sink the Army Grey

### Bill the Goat

The first recorded use of a goat as the mascot for Navy teams was in 1893 when an animal named El Cid (the Chief) was presented to the Brigade by officers of the USS New York. El Cid helped Navy to a 6-4 win over Army that year and a goat became the permanent mascot of the Academy in 1904.



▲ Members of the wrestling team raise their fists in the air at the conclusion of Blue & Gold.

### Blue & Gold

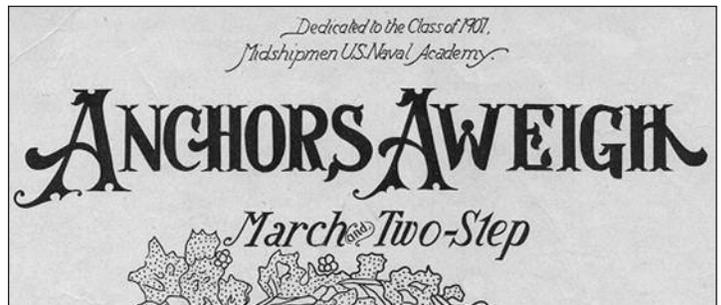
Now, colleges from sea to sea  
May sing of colors true;  
But who has better right than we  
To hoist a symbol hue?  
For sailors brave in battle fair,  
Since fighting days of old,  
Have proved the sailor's right to wear  
The Navy Blue and Gold

### Midshipman

The original 17th Century meaning of the word "midshipmen" designated those men who stood watch "amidships", or in the middle portion of a ship. The middle "s" was later dropped to give the current form of the word.

Midshipmen were originally young boys who were apprenticed to sea captains to learn the trade.

In the early days of the Navy, midshipmen were trained aboard ship until they were commissioned as ensigns.



▲▲ An image from the original sheet music cover for Anchors Aweigh; ▲ Navy swimmers wear their letter sweaters in this group photo; ▼ A Midshipman salutes during the National Anthem at a sporting event.



### Nickname

The official nickname for all of Navy's athletic teams is Midshipmen. "Mids" is an appropriate nickname, while "Middie" is inappropriate.

### N-Star

Members of varsity teams who qualify for the varsity letter receive an N-Star for their letter sweaters if they participate in a victory over Army in any sport-designated Star Game.

The varsity N and corresponding N-Star were initiated during the early 1890s.

### School Colors

Each class at the Naval Academy produced their own set of class colors until 1892 when Navy Blue and Gold were established as the official colors for the entire Naval Academy.

## The Robert Crown Sailing Center

The U.S. Navy has long understood knowledge, confidence and respect for the sea instilled through sailing helps to make better naval officers. Therefore, the U.S. Naval Academy's sailing program is second to none. Sailing opportunities at the Academy range from the basic sail training given during the summer to every incoming plebe, to the Command and Seamanship Training Squadron during summer training, to the pinnacle of the sport, the varsity intercollegiate and offshore teams. When you join the Naval Academy sailing team, you are joining a program that has a tradition of helping an individual find out exactly how good he or she can be.

The sailing team is headquartered in the Robert Crown Center, a modern building on the banks of the Severn River. It houses the administrative and coaching offices, team classrooms, locker rooms and equipment repair and storage facilities. The Robert Crown Center also houses the Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association Hall of Fame which exhibits many of the North American collegiate trophies, plaques and half-models, as well as the All-America lists, representing the achievements of the 70 years of intercollegiate sailing. In addition, the Naval Academy's sailing trophies and awards are on display in the Hall.

Adjacent to the Crown Center is Santee Basin, the mooring area for the Naval Academy's 250-plus sail training fleet including the 20 Navy 44s, six donated offshore boats, 12 J-24's, 22 420s, 22 FJs and 136 Lasers used by the sailing teams. Practices and racing take place on the Severn River and the Chesapeake Bay.

