

Results

Fall 2010

Bridge to Bridge Head Race

Varsity Eights - Third
Varsity Fours - Second
Novice Fours - Second

Head of the Genesee

Lightweight Eights - First
Open Fours - 6th of 11

Head of the Charles

Lighweight Fours - 14th of 19

Head of the Schuylkill

Novice Fours - 5th of 17
Open Club Eights - 7th of 21
Lightweight Eights - First

Spring 2011

Tampa Mayor's Cup

Varsity Eights - Second
Varsity Fours Final "A" Entry - Fifth
Varsity Fours Final "B" Entry - Third
Novice Fours - First
Double - Second

Gilman Plate & Cup (vs. Union)

Varsity Eights - Second
Varsity Fours - First

Regatta vs. Tufts

Varsity Eights - First
Varsity Fours - Second

Regatta vs. Tulane

Varsity Eights - Second

Regatta vs. RIT

Varsity Eights - Third
Varsity Fours - Third

Regatta vs. St. Lawrence

Varsity Eights - Second

Regatta vs. Union

Varsity Eights - Second

Regatta vs. Univ. of Rochester

Lightweight Fours - First

ECAC/National Invitational Collegiate Regatta

Varsity Eights Third Final - Sixth
Lightweight Fours Grand Finals - Sixth

Program Overview

Hamilton College men's crew aims to improve in 2011-12 behind seven returning rowers on the varsity eight from the 2011 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) championships, and Andre Matias '12. Matias is back with the team after he trained in South Africa for the past year and attempted to qualify for the 2012 Olympic Games as a representative from the African nation of Angola. The varsity eight rowers back this season include Chris Visentin '12, Aaron Whiteman '13, Adam Minchew '12, Grant Meglis '14, Joe Ely '12, Rafael De La Rosa '12 and Max Geiduschek '14. Jaime Leiva-Cabrera '14 was the coxswain. Jeff Cardoni '11, who made the 2011 New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) all-conference team as stroke for the varsity eight, has graduated. Visentin and Minchew are the team captains, and two of the six members of the senior class. Ely, De La Rosa, Matias and Matt Poterba '12 are the others.

Victories in the lightweight eights at the Head of the Genesee and the Head of the Schuylkill were highlights from last season. Hamilton captured the Tampa Mayor's Cup points trophy during spring break in March. The varsity eight defeated Tufts University in head-to-head competition in Massachusetts.

Hamilton competes against Union College every spring for the Gilman Cup and Gilman Bowl. The Cup is awarded to the winner of the varsity eight and the Bowl goes to the varsity four champion. The hardware stays with the winning school until the teams meet again the following year. Hamilton has claimed the Gilman Bowl five straight years, and held on to the Gilman Cup from 2007 to 2010.

In 2009, Hamilton tied for fifth place in the point standings out of 27 programs, and received the award for most improved team at the New York State championships.

Matias has plenty of experience rowing on a national and international stage in recent years. Matias won the lightweight men's single at the U.S. Collegiate National Championships, and finished fourth in the lightweight men's single at the 7th African Rowing Championships in 2010. He competed in the 2009 and 2010 Under-23 World Championships as the first athlete from Angola to participate in the event. Visentin rowed with Matias at the collegiate championships in 2010.

Men's crew alum Willy Cowles '09 has been active on the national rowing scene since he graduated. Cowles was a winner in the elite men's single scull and double scull events at the 2011 U.S. Rowing National Championships.

Solid academic performance is important to the crew programs. Cardoni, Minchew and Dylan Jackson '13 earned spots on the 2011 NESCAC spring all-academic team. The team is restricted to letter winners in the sophomore, junior and senior classes that have a cumulative grade point average of 3.35 or better. Kosta Popovic '06 was elected to the Epsilon chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, which is the nation's oldest honor society, in 2006.

The fall season starts on Oct. 8 with Hamilton's Bridge-to-Bridge Head Race on the Erie Canal. Hamilton races in Boston (Head of the Charles) and Philadelphia (Head of the Schuylkill) later that month. The spring season features a two-week training trip during spring break in March. Hamilton traveled to Tampa, Fla., in 2011 and competed in the Tampa Mayor's Cup for the second straight year. The New York State championships and the ECAC championships also highlight the spring schedule.



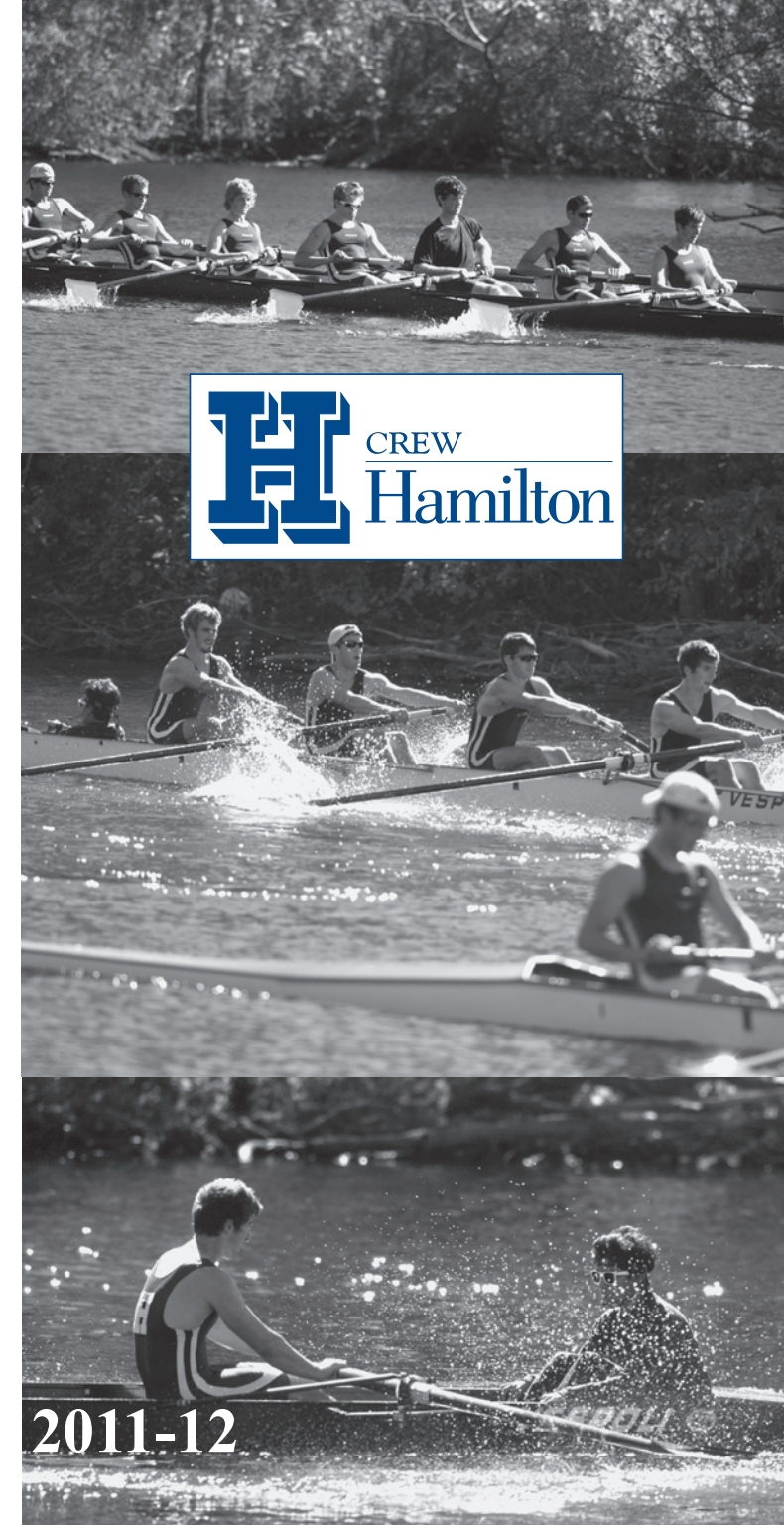
The Erie Canal

Boathouse

The Hamilton College boathouse is located just 15 miles from campus in Rome, N.Y., on the scenic Erie Canal. The canal offers 22 miles of sheltered water and ideal rowing conditions no matter what the weather may be. The athletes are provided bus transportation to practice on a daily basis during the season.

Through generous donations, Hamilton continues to upgrade and expand its fleet of racing shells. The program has added two new shells in the last year. The most recent additions are two Vespoli eights.

Hamilton crew has 24 Concept II ergometers, 28 Concept II sliders, one Concept II Dyno trainer and video equipment in the Alumni Gym Training Room when it moves indoors for winter training. These all augment the array of weight training and fitness equipment in the Charlean and Wayland Blood Fitness Center, which was completed in October of 2006.



2011-12

Head Coach Eric Summers



Eric Summers is in his eighth season at the helm of the Hamilton College rowing program. Summers has more than 15 years of coaching experience to draw upon as he continues to build Hamilton crew into one of the top programs in New York State.

In 2010-11, Hamilton's crews secured victories at the Head of the Genesee and Head of the Schuylkill, finished first in the team points title at the Tampa Mayor's Cup, and the women's varsity eight was ranked 10th in the final USRowing Division III coaches poll. The women's varsity eight was victorious against Union College in

2011 as Hamilton retained the Gilman Plate for the sixth straight year. The men possessed the Gilman Cup for winning the varsity eight four straight years from 2007 to 2010. Five Hamilton rowers have been selected to the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NE-SCAC) all-conference team during the past two seasons.

Hamilton tied for fifth place out of 27 programs in the point standings and earned the award for most improved team at the 2009 New York State Championships. In summer 2008, Summers took 14 members of the women's team to England to compete in the Reading Amateur Regatta and the Henley Women's Regatta. Hamilton captured the points trophy at the 2007 Augusta Invitational Regatta in South Carolina.

In 2009, Andre Matias '12 became the first rower from the African nation of Angola to take part in the Under-23 World Championships. Summers worked with Matias as part of Angola's coaching staff in 2010, and coached him at the African Championships and Under-23 World Championships. Willy Cowles '09 was a winner in the elite men's single scull and double scull events at the 2011 U.S. Rowing National Championships, and Allie Hoeltzel '14 rowed in the U.S. 2011 Under-23 World Championships Trials.

Solid academic performance is important to Summers as seven rowers made the 2011 NESCAC spring all-academic team. The team is restricted to letter winners in the sophomore, junior and senior classes that have a cumulative grade point average of 3.35 or better. Ally Fried '13 was named a national scholar-athlete for Divisions II/III by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association in 2011.

Summers guided the men's varsity program at Colgate for two years before arriving at Hamilton. His lightweight eights earned a No. 1 seed in the Champion International Collegiate Regatta and first national ranking in the program's history, and he helped Colgate win team titles at the 2000 Patriot League and state championships.

Summers' other coaching experiences include one season as the varsity men's coach at the University of Miami, head coach of the Syracuse Chargers junior men's competitive rowing program, graduate assistant coach for the Syracuse University women's program, assistant coach at the U.S. Junior Women's Team East Coast Development Camp and an assistant at the Potomac Boat Club Lightweight Men's Development Center.

Summers graduated with a bachelor's degree in economics from Colgate University in 1991 and earned an MBA from the Syracuse University School of Management in 1997. He lives in Fayetteville, N.Y., with his wife Robin and their two sons, William and Daniel.

Assistant Coach Shawn Turner



Shawn Turner is in his first season as an assistant coach for Hamilton College men's and women's crew. Most recently, Turner had been the freshman boys' coach for Shenendehowa Crew Club since April 2011.

Turner served as an assistant coach for the Rensselaer Crew Club in 2004 and 2005. Prior to Rensselaer, he was the head girls' varsity coach for the Shaker Rowing Association, and a varsity men's coach/sculling coach for Marina Aquatic Center Junior Crew. He started his coaching career as the head coach for Shenendehowa from 1998 to 2000.

Turner rowed for the University at Albany from 1995 to 1999. He received the Coaches Award three times from 1996 through 1998. He graduated from Albany in 2000 with a bachelor's degree in anthropology.

Roster

Name	Yr.	Hometown
Nicholas Bullen	FR	Rockville, Ind.
Alex Cates	FR	Acton, Mass.
Rafael De La Rosa	SR	New York, N.Y.
Joe Ely	SR	London, England
Patrick English	FR	Richmond, Va.
Philip Ewing	FR	Ottawa, Ontario
Rob Fagan	SO	Essex, Mass.
Max Geiduschek	SO	Seattle, Wash.
Monica Gutierrez	FR	Silver Spring, Md.
Dylan Jackson	JR	Yarmouth, Maine
Simon Judd	JR	Butte, Mont.
Jaime Leiva Cabrera	SO	Cambridge, Mass.
Andre Matias	SR	Luanda, Angola
Grant Meglis	SO	Acton, Mass.
Adam Minchew	SR	Denville, N.J.
Matt Poterba	SR	Belmont, Mass.
Gardner Reed	SO	Seattle, Wash.
Andrew Szatkowski	FR	Buxton, Maine
Chris Visentin	SR	Rhinebeck, N.Y.
Jacob Wagner	FR	Alpharetta, Ga.
Aaron Whiteman	JR	Freehold, N.J.
Jack Wildman	FR	Cincinnati, Ohio

Captains

Adam Minchew

Senior
Denville, N.J.
Mountain Lakes High School
Major: Government

2010-11: Five-seat in the varsity eight that placed sixth in the third finals at the ECAC Championships... Five-seat in the varsity eight that placed second against Union at the Gilman Plate & Cup... Three-seat in the varsity eight that placed first against Tufts... Five-seat in the varsity eight that placed second in the finals at the Tampa Mayor's Cup... Three-seat in the varsity four that placed third in the finals at the Tampa Mayor's Cup... 2011 NESCAC Spring All-Academic Team... Studied abroad in the fall. **2009-10:** Three-seat that placed fifth in the grand final at the ECAC Championships... Three-seat in the varsity four that placed second in the petite final at the NYS College Championships... ECAC Spring All-Academic Team... Three-seat in the varsity four that placed first against Union at the Gilman Plate & Cup... Five-seat in the varsity eight that placed first at the Bridge to Bridge Head Race.



Chris Visentin

Senior
Rhinebeck, N.Y.
Kent School
Major: English

2010-11: Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed sixth in the third finals at the ECAC Championships... Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed second against Union at the Gilman Plate & Cup... Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed first against Tufts... Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed second in the finals at the Tampa Mayor's Cup... Seven-seat in the open club eight that placed seventh out of 21 entries at the Head of the Schuylkill... Seven-seat in the lightweight eight that placed first at the Head of the Schuylkill... Seven-seat in the lightweight eight that placed first at the Head of the Genesee... Three-seat in the varsity four that placed second at the Bridge to Bridge Head Race. **2009-10:** Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed sixth in the third finals at the ECAC Championships... Seven-seat that placed fourth in the petite finals at the NYS College Championships... Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed first for the fourth straight year at the Gilman Plate & Cup... Seven-seat in the varsity eight that placed first at the Bridge to Bridge Head Race.

The 2011-12 Schedule



Date	Event	Location
Oct. 2	Head of the Riverfront	Hartford, Conn.
Oct. 8	Bridge to Bridge Head Race	Rome, N.Y.
Oct. 15	Head of the Genesee	Rochester, N.Y.
Oct. 29	Head of the Schuylkill	Philadelphia, Pa.
March 17	Tampa Mayor's Cup Regatta	Tampa, FL
April 1	at Tufts	Boston, Mass.
April 7	Gilman Plate and Cup Regatta	
	vs. Union	Rome, N.Y.
April 14	RIT	Rome, N.Y.
April 21	at St. Lawrence	Waddington, N.Y.
May 5-6	NYS Championships	Whitney Point, N.Y.
May 13	ECAC Championships	Worcester, Mass.

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