

WHS Crew Team Competes At Philadelphia Regatta

The Westfield High School Rowing team entered seven boats in the PSRA's fifth Manny Flick Regatta on April 22 on the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia. After several Regatta cancellations due to ice, snow and flooding conditions, the Westfield rowers were eager to put their oars to the test.

In the first girls' race, two Westfield Novice Quads were boated against crews from Sacred Heart, Springside and Shipley. The dramatic finish saw Ellen Gormley, Lindsay Anderson, Maddie DeJohn and Katie Smith in one Westfield boat narrowly edge out the other Westfield boat by only six seconds, which was rowed by Amy Roggenberg, Livi, Mangiani, Shannon Foley and Rosina Wissel.

In the second girls' race, the Westfield JV girls rowed a quad consisting of Casey Steinberg, Gabby Cerami, Paige Geraghty and Sari Schwartz against Baldwin, and Friends Select, finishing second with a very respectable time of 6:16. The second Westfield JV quad rowed by Mery Ambinder, Katie Millen, Sam Cavanagh and Alexa Vendetti competed against some of Philadelphia's best competition in Springside,

Conestoga, Sacred Heart and Strath Haven, finishing in the pack with a time of 7:26.

The last Westfield girls' race was the varsity quad boated by Kelly Furlong, Maria, Nimiera, Catherine Marvin and Katie Galasso, who finished with a very competitive time of 6:58 against tough competition from McLean, Springside, and Baldwin. In the boys' races for Westfield, Quin Boyes and Chris Yeager teamed up to row a double against Germantown, Chestnut Hill, perennial Philadelphia power Haverford, and Roman Catholic. The Westfield duo finished with a time of 6:47.

In the final race for the Westfield boys, Sam Ross, Sam Waxtell, Ryan Gradel and Alan Workman boated the quad against Roman Catholic, Friends Select, Shipley and Bonner and finished just behind the winners with a time of 6:02.

The Westfield Crew team travels to the Cooper River in Cherry Hill this weekend to compete in the South Jersey Rowing Club's very competitive field of top high school rowers. The Cooper River venue is the site of the NCAA Collegiate National Rowing championships in May and June.

UCBA Sets Registration For Summer Youth Baseball

The Union County Baseball Association (UCBA) invites young baseball players - boys and girls - ages 8 to 15, to register for its Summer Youth League baseball teams. This program is sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the UCBA and the Union County Department of Parks, Recreation and Facilities.

Coaches, umpires, shirts and baseball caps will be provided and all games are played in Warinanco Park in Roselle, Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sign-ups will be held at the Warinanco Park Boat House on four Saturdays, beginning May 19 and continuing on June 2, June 9 and June 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Players also may register on June 16 at the Baseball Card Show at the Roselle Catholic High School gymnasium from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Each player is required to bring a \$25 registration fee and a birth certificate to the sign-up. Players must be at least 8-years-old by June 25 and cannot be 16 before August 3. A skill level evaluation will be conducted at the time of registration, so

all players must bring a glove when they show up to register. All who register will participate in play.

The league is divided into three divisions: a Teen League ages 13, 14 and 15; a Major League ages 11 and 12; and a Minor League ages 8, 9 and 10. Registered players will be notified about Team Assignment Day and the first day of play. There will be no refunds after Team Assignment Day.

For more information, please call (908) 527-4910, or visit www.ucba-nj.org.



DIEHARD SCARLET KNIGHTS FANS...Fanwood residents, from left, Dean Talcott, Tyler Nguyen and Thien Nguyen enjoy the Rutgers spring football game on April 21. The crowd of 11,000 enjoyed the game and warm sunny weather.

UC U19 Rugby Boys Cruise To 3rd League Win

The Union County Rugby Football Club (UCRFC) U19 A-side won its third straight METNY D2 league game beating Essex County U19, 46-5, on April 14. UCRFC is the defending METNY D2 champions.

Both teams showed signs of rust in the beginning. The first 20 minutes were filled with errors and missed opportunities. UCRFC finally put together a nice backline movement that

sent winger Brian Emmons in for a try. Next, Chris Sheehan scored a nice try. Both conversions were missed.

In the final 10 minutes of the half, first-year man Bill Quinn scored three tries and Tim Jacob converted two of them to make the score 29-0.

Essex scored a try early in the second half but Andy Cannon scored a try and another first year player, Pat Stanley, burst through the defense for two tries. Jacob made one conversion. The UCRFC B-side fell to Parsippany's A-side, 15-5. Parsippany is a first-year team with many players who have experience from touch

rugby. The UCRFC B-team battled but their lack of experience left them on the short side of the score. First-year player Sean Ferro scored UCRFC's only try.

For more information regarding the Union County Rugby Football Clubs, please call Chris Clark at (201) 213-1952, or e-mail rugby0366@yahoo.com or visit www.mudturtlerugby.com. Individuals interested in playing rugby for the Union team can also come to their practice at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Unami Field located on the corner of Union St. and Lexington Ave. in Cranford.



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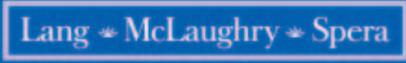
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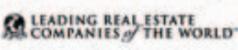
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