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# Sports LETTER

## Sailors close successful fall with 2nd at Sloop Championship Goldman, Sackett, Storck, Sullivan take No. 2 spot for second straight year

**SAILING**—For the second straight season, Hobart sailors placed second in the ICSA Sloop North American Championships. Senior **JEFF SULLIVAN**, juniors **JOHN STORCK** and **LEE SACKETT** and sophomore **ZACK GOLDMAN** posted a team score of 40 points, 12 behind the winning team from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.



Hobart's 2003 ICSA Sloop North American Runners Up

The Statesmen edged third place Harvard by just seven points.

Hobart and Harvard spent most of the weekend battling for the second spot. Harvard's boat sailed extremely well in the light and medium breezes, while Storck and the Hobart crew sailed well in the bigger breezes. Hobart ended up taking the second spot, in part because the Harvard crew retired after the finish of race nine.

"Harvard should be commended for their sportsmanship, which they showed in withdrawing from race nine for hitting the pin," Storck told *Sailing World* magazine. "They sailed better than us and deserved to be second; everyone should compete with this level of class."

Sullivan also represented Hobart at the 2002 sloop championships.

### Sailors place 3rd in Freshmen ACC

**BUZZARDS BAY, Mass.**—Four Hobart and William Smith sailors teamed up for a third place finish in the Freshman Atlantic Coast Championship, hosted by Massachusetts Maritime Academy. The HWS sailors placed second in the B division and sixth in the A division for an overall team score of 128, 11 behind the winning team from Tufts.

In the B division, **TREVOR MOORE** and **MANDI MARKEE** finished in the top three seven times during the 12-race weekend. The tandem posted a pair of victories and four second place finishes, trailing B division winner Yale by just three points.

In the A division, **BRIAN CLANCY** and **KATE BRUSH** turned in four top four finishes.

### HWS captures War Memorial, ACC bid

**GENEVA, N.Y.**—Sailing out of the Bozzuto Boathouse for the first time, HWS won the War Memorial Regatta on Seneca Lake by five points over defending champion St. Mary's College of Maryland. The top six teams earned a spot in the Atlantic Coast Championships, Nov. 15-16.

Senior **ED NORTON**

and sophomore **AUGUSTA NADLER** dominated the A division, winning four of the weekend's nine races while finishing in the top four in all but one race. The HWS sailors finished 17 points better than the second place team from St. Mary's (25-42).

In the B Division, seniors **ALEXIS RUBIN** and **JOHN PEARCE** placed second to the boat from St. Mary's by just 12 points (25-37). The HWS duo won twice and finished in the top five six times.

HWS sailors were in a see-saw battle with the Seahawks, before taking the lead for good following the weekend's eighth race.

Sixteen teams competed in the two day event, with HWS, St. Mary's, Old Dominion, Kings Point, Washington (Md.) College, and Georgetown grabbing the top six spots and a berth in the Atlantic Coast Championships.

### Fall season ends with 8th in ACC dinghies

**NEW YORK**—The Hobart and William Smith sailing team closed out the fall season with an eighth place finish in the 16-team field of the Atlantic Coast Dignhy Championship. HWS finished with 101 points, just two behind seventh place MIT.

The Colleges finished seventh in the A division and 10th in the B division after the first day of racing. Unfortunately, sailable winds never materialized for the second day, leaving Day 1's results as the final. Dartmouth was the overall winner with 49 points.

HWS is second in the latest (Nov. 11) *Sailing World* coed rankings.

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## Swanson named to Academic All-America team

**FOOTBALL**—Senior quarterback **CRAIG SWANSON** earned a spot on the 2003 Academic All-America College Division Football Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). He is the fifth Statesman to earn a place on the Academic All-America teams, and just the second Hobart football player.

A physics major, Swanson was the second-team selection at quarterback on the Academic All-America team. **ERIC SCHILLER '98**, also a second-team honoree, was the first Hobart football player to garner Academic All-America praise in 1997.

A three-year starter, Swanson holds every major Hobart game, season, and career passing record. Over the past four seasons he completed 454 of 802 passes (56.6%) for 5,678 yards and 47 touchdowns for a 129.7 pass efficiency rating. Swanson's career encompasses all three of Hobart's postseason appearances and three of the school's four Upstate Collegiate Athletic Association Championships. He and his classmates compiled a four-year record of 28-10 (.737), matching the record for wins by a graduating class set by the Class of 2003, and the highest winning percentage for a graduating class since the Class of 1976 left campus with a 27-8-1 mark (.764).

## Football wins ECAC North Atlantic Bowl, 34-18

**GENEVA, N.Y.**—Running back **TY GODINHO** rushed for a career-high 203 yards and two touchdowns to lead Hobart to a 34-18 win over Norwich in the ECAC North Atlantic Bowl. His efforts, which also included two catches for 29 yards and a touchdown, earned him the Most Valuable Player award.

The Statesmen (6-4) rushed for a season-high 315 yards, the largest ground gain by Hobart since Oct. 13, 2001 (321 yds. vs. Franklin & Marshall). Following the most prolific postseason rushing performance by a Statesman, Godinho credited the outstanding blocking of the offensive line.

"We've been banged up at times this season and we're fairly young up front, but today they showed what they're capable of when everyone's healthy," Godinho said. "There were some pretty big holes out there today."

Godinho, who finished the season with 1,077 yards—the most by a Statesman since **KEITH BRANDON '01** rushed for 1,369 yards in 1998—opened the scoring at the 5:45 mark of the first quarter, hauling in a 19-yard toss from quarterback **CRAIG SWANSON**. The two-point conversion failed.

The Cadets (6-5) halved their deficit 15 minutes later, thanks to a 31-yard field goal.

Hobart countered with a 14-play, 69-yard

This season, Swanson led Hobart to a 6-4 record, including a 43-25 victory over previously unbeaten Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to capture the UCAA Championship and a 34-18 win over Norwich University in the ECAC North Atlantic Bowl. He earned second-team All-UCAA honors after completing 165 of 267 for 1,851 yards and 15 touchdowns.

In 2002, Swanson enjoyed his most prolific season completing 170 of 290 for 2,209 yards and 21 touchdowns for a 139.6 pass efficiency rating. After leading the Statesmen to an 8-2 record and the program's second NCAA Tournament berth, he was named the UCAA Offensive Player of the Year and a finalist for the Gagliardi Trophy, the Division III Player of the Year award.

To earn a place on the CoSIDA teams, a student-athlete must maintain a minimum 3.2 grade point average, be a starter or significant reserve, and be at least a sophomore in academic standing. CoSIDA selects eight Academic All-District teams and chooses the Academic All-America teams from the eight district first-teams. Swanson made his second consecutive appearance on the Academic All-District first-team last month.

drive that ended with a 5-yard fade pass to the corner of the end zone by Swanson to wide out **RICK PIÑERO**. **ERIC AMPUJA** knocked home the extra point for a 13-3 halftime lead.

Norwich posted the only points of the third quarter on another field goal.

The Cadets tried a little trickery on the ensuing kickoff, pooching a floater just beyond Hobart's first line of blockers that Norwich fielded at the Hobart 48. Safety **PATRICK LESTER** quelled the threat with his first interception of the season at the Hobart nine.

In the fourth quarter, both offenses came to life, combining for 306 yards and 33 points. Godinho posted both of his rushing TDs in the quarter, and classmate **DAN SUOZZI** pulled in a 5-yard offering from Swanson.

SuoZZi made a game-high seven catches for 47 yards. He finished the season with 63 receptions, breaking the single season mark previously held by **NICO KARAGOSIAN '97** (61 in '96). Swanson completed 16-of-24 passes for 143 yards and three touchdowns.

Defensively, linebacker **DAVID SZENTESY** led the Statesmen with nine stops, while linebacker **JIMMY GRADIS** added seven stops. Hobart's run defense limited the Cadets to just 105 yards rushing, completing the season without allowing an individual 100-yard rusher.

## Clemente, Robinson, Cragg headline All-UCAA teams

**FOOTBALL**—The UCAA Champion Hobart Statesmen earned 20 honors when the league recently announced its postseason football awards. Sophomore linebacker **TONY CLEMENTE**, first-year linebacker **NOLAN ROBINSON**, and the Hobart coaching staff captured top billing as the Co-Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year, and Co-Coaching Staff of the Year, respectively.

Joining Clemente on the All-UCAA first-team are junior offensive linemen **ALEX BELL** and **JEFF BRUCKMAN**, junior defensive tackle **WALT BENNETT**, and sophomore cornerback **DYSHAWN WASHINGTON**.

Earning a spot alongside of Robinson on the second-team are senior quarterback **CRAIG SWANSON**, junior running back **TY GODINHO**, junior wide receiver **RICK PIÑERO**, junior offensive lineman **RYAN HALLINGS**, senior defensive end **LAWRENCE MOULTRIE**, junior defensive end **CHRIS PURTELL**, senior linebacker **DAVID SZENTESY**, sophomore linebacker **JIMMY GRADIS**, and sophomore cornerback **JAMIE ANDERSON**.

Additionally, junior **DAN SUOZZI** earned three spots on the All-UCAA teams for the second straight season. After being named the first-team punter, return specialist, and wide receiver in 2002, SuoZZi repeated as first-team punter and grabbed second-team honors at receiver and return specialist.

Compiling a team-high 70 tackles (34 solo), Clemente anchored the Statesmen defense. He tallied 16 tackles against 18th-ranked Ithaca, leading to UCAA Defensive Player of the Week and the D3football.com Team of the Week honors following the game. Clemente was second on the team, and second in the UCAA in forced fumbles (3).

A three-time UCAA Rookie of the Week selection, Robinson finished third on the team and led UCAA rookies in tackles with 58, including a team-leading 3.5 sacks. He recorded a season-high nine tackles in his Hobart debut at Dickinson.

Ninth-year Coach **MIKE CRAGG** guided the Statesmen to the UCAA championship, compiling a 3-1 record in conference play and handing Rensselaer its only loss of the season, 43-25. The season's highlights included Hobart's first home win over Union since 1978, first road win over Rensselaer since 1983, and a 34-18 victory over Norwich in the ECAC North Atlantic Bowl. Assisting Cragg this season were **MATT DALEY '03**, **KEVIN DeWALL '00**, **RANDY GRENIER**, **JOHN MANLEY**, **TERRY MUFFLEY**, and **SCOTT YODER '01**.

## Squash team captures UCAA Championship

CANTON, N.Y.—The Hobart squash team sliced through the field in the inaugural UCAA Championship at St. Lawrence University. The Statesmen posted a 4-0 mark in the two-day event to capture the league crown.

On Saturday, Hobart dispatched the host Saints and the University of Rochester by identical 9-0 scores. The following morning, the Statesmen remained perfect with a 9-0 white-washing of Vassar. Only Hamilton managed to steal a point from Hobart, bowing to the conference kings, 8-1.

Hobart used the same lineup all weekend. Junior **TEJVIR RATHORE** (pictured), first-year **PRATEEK PATNI**, sophomore **GAVIN**

**JOHNSTONE-BUTCHER**, junior **ANDREW SCOTT**, junior **HENRY CLUTSAM**, first-year **TUCKER CROCKETT**, senior **RICHARD REUTTER**, and first-year **ANDY CONRAD** led the Statesmen to victory.

Ranked 13th in the latest poll, Hobart is now 6-1 overall after opening the year with matching 8-1 victories over Navy and Denison. The Statesmen's only loss came at the hands of Franklin & Marshall, dropping a 6-3 decision.

Rathore and Patni have been fixtures at the one and two spots, going 5-2 and 6-1, respectively. Cook, Conrad, and Reutter remain a perfect 7-0 on the season.



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## Basketball posts wins at Keuka, Cazenovia; falls in home opener to RIT

**BASKETBALL**—The Hobart basketball team got off to a 2-0 start with wins over Keuka and Cazenovia on the road before suffering its first setback in its Bristol Gym debut to a resilient squad from RIT.

The Statesmen used a late first half run to build a five-point advantage heading into the break with the Storm. Hobart kept its intensity high in the second half for an 84-76 win. Senior **BRAD STRAIT** led the way with 27 points, including a 13-of-13 performance from the charity stripe, while junior **JOE FLACKE** chipped in 21 points.

Strait was named the UCAA Guard of

the Week for his outstanding play against Keuka, while first-year forward Michael Mastro garnered the Rookie of the Week award thanks to a solid all-around line against the Storm: nine points, five rebounds, four assists, three steals, and a blocked shot.

Four nights later, the Statesmen were back in action at Cazenovia. This time around Hobart faced a deficit at the break (41-38), but rallied for an 87-74 win. Sophomore **TIM APUZZO** led the charge in the scoring column and on the boards with a game-high 21 points and a game-high 13 rebounds. Flacke also produced a double double with 19 points and 11

boards. Strait also had 19 points, while sophomore **COLBY FEANE**, fresh from the football team, netted 10.

In the team's home opener, Hobart cruised to a 38-25 halftime lead thanks to tight defense and a high-paced fast break, but RIT fought back after the intermission for an 80-70 win. First-year **MIKE MANNING** scored a team-high 14 off the bench for the Statesmen, while Flacke earned his second straight double double with 10 points and 17 rebounds.

A lack of intensity in the second half and a 21-for-41 showing at the free throw line led to the team's demise.



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## Hockey tops No. 13 Elmira for 3rd straight time

**ICE HOCKEY**—After three of Hobart's top four returning scorers combined for just six of Hobart's 27 points (22 percent) in the first three games, the trio of senior **R.C. SCHMIDT**, junior **CRAIG LEVEY**, and sophomore **COLBY McVEY** caught fire, scoring 59 percent of the goals and 40 percent of the team's points in the next four games.

Coming off a tough one-goal setback to Lebanon Valley, the Statesmen opened ECAC West play on the road against an improved Utica squad. The contest was evenly matched as the two teams traded goals, finishing in a 2-2 draw. First-year **JONATHAN SWIFT** and McVey scored for the Statesmen.

Hobart rebounded the next night with an impressive 8-5 win over then 13th-ranked Elmira. The Statesmen were clicking on all cylinders, erupting for five goals in the second period. Leading 6-4 going into the final stanza, Schmidt scored his third goal of the night 3:59 into the period to secure the Statesmen's third straight victory over the Soaring Eagles. Levey also recorded a hat trick,

the third of his career. Junior **ADAM LAVELLE** was outstanding in the net, making 38 saves.

Looking to continue their scoring burst, Hobart returned to its home ice for just the second time of the year to take on Potsdam State. The Bears got off to a fast start, scoring four goals in the opening session for a 4-1 edge. The Statesmen battled back to within one twice over the course of the next two periods, but could not get any closer, losing 8-5. Levey led the scoring charge with two goals, while McVey and junior **TYLER DUFOR** added a pair of assists.

The scoring flurry slowed down on both sides of the ice the following afternoon in a match with Williams. Sophomore **WILL BRAME** scored just 50 seconds into the game and the Ephs responded three minutes later, but the light would not go on again until the 14:25 mark in the final period, when Levey found the net for his first game-winner of the year. Lavelle grabbed 24 saves and needs just 34 to surpass **CHRIS CONNOLLY '01** as the all-time saves leader.

Will Brame '06 celebrates a 2002 goal against Elmira. The Statesmen grounded the Soaring Eagles for the third straight time with an 8-5 road win on Nov. 15.

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## Project Troop Care

Unfortunately, American troops wounded and injured in the line of duty are often transported to medical centers in dirty, blood-stained uniforms, leaving their personal belongings behind with their respective military units. Many of those deployed in Iraq are moved to Landstuhl Medical Center in Germany for treatment and rehabilitation.

New York State Assemblyman **BRIAN KOLB** sent out a call for support and HWS answered. On Nov. 25, new clothing, personal hygiene products, books, duffel bags, phone cards, and stamps were delivered to Kolb's office. In an effort coordinated by Hobart Athletics, HWS joined with West Street Elementary School to care for our troops and to ensure they have the supplies they need and deserve.

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## Van Etten Returns To SAA Board

At its meeting on Nov. 7, the SAA Board of Directors confirmed the appointment of **BOB VAN ETTEN '63** as SAA vice president. In 2001, Van Etten completed two terms as an SAA director, Bob will succeed Dave Call as SAA president effective June 1, 2004. A charter member of the SAA, Bob and his wife, **LYNN**, reside in Cedar Grove, N.J., and they are the parents of **ROB VAN ETTEN '85**.

The vice presidency came open this summer with the resignation of **JIM KRAUS '74**. The SAA Board of Directors is deeply grateful for the outstanding service Jim rendered to the SAA and to Hobart Athletics during his years as an SAA director and officer. As an SAA member and Statesmen Society Chairman, Jim is sustaining his generosity and commitment to our student-athletes and staff.



### TEAMWORK FOR THE TROOPS —

*It took two vans to deliver the generous donations of West Street School families and the HWS community. Loading the donated items for delivery are (l-r) HWS equipment coordinator **Bill Ryan**, second grade teachers **Mary Anne Hanna** and **Connie Covert**, West Street Principal **Joe DeMeis**, Hobart lacrosse captain **Brian Joy '04**, and English as a second language teacher **Rory Campbell**.*