

# NAVY MEN'S LIGHTWEIGHT CREW HISTORY

**1931** Navy lightweights win their dual with Syracuse; lose a dual race to Penn and then place third at the National Henley Regatta in Philadelphia, Pa.

**1933** Navy lightweights win their only dual with MIT, then go on to take third place at the National Henley Regatta in Philadelphia, Pa., behind Princeton and Columbia.

**1934** Navy lightweights win their only dual race with Columbia.

**1935** Navy lightweights win their dual with Ithaca College. Navy then finishes a close fourth at the American Henley Regatta in Philadelphia, behind Princeton, Penn and Columbia.

**1956** Navy lightweight JV wins bronze medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1957** Navy lightweights, coached by Hubbell Davidson '45, win both duals with Penn and MIT and lose to Princeton. Navy then goes on to place fifth at the EARC Championships. Navy lightweight JV crew

and plebe first boat win the EARC Sprints.

**1958** Navy lightweight JV wins bronze medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1960** Navy lightweight varsity and JV crews win silver medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1961** Navy lightweight varsity wins bronze medal and JV crew wins gold at the EARC Sprints.

**1962** Navy lightweights, coached by Lt. White, go through an undefeated season to win the first EARC Lightweight Championship in the history of Navy crew.

**1969** Navy lightweight JV team wins bronze medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1970** Navy lightweight JV and first plebe boat win bronze medals at the EARC Sprints. Navy finishes third in "Jope Cup" (team points standing for EARC League).

**1971** Navy lightweight JV wins silver medal at EARC Sprints. Navy finishes third in Jope Cup standings.

**1972** Navy lightweight varsity and JV teams win bronze medals at the EARC Sprints. Navy finishes third in Jope Cup.

**1974** Navy lightweight JV wins bronze medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1975** Navy lightweight varsity wins silver medal and JV wins bronze medal at the EARC Sprints and place second in Jope Cup.

**1976** Navy lightweight JV wins silver medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1977** Navy varsity wins silver medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1978** Navy first plebe boat wins silver medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1979** Navy lightweight JV boat wins silver medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1980** Navy JV boat wins bronze medal and first plebe boat wins gold at the EARC Sprints.

**1981** Navy lightweights place second at the Head of the Charles, losing only to the Canadian National Team. They go on to the San Diego Crew Classic for the first time and take fourth place in the grand finals. Team later wins both the Haines Cup (Harvard) and the Callow Cup (Penn) and take fifth place at the EARC Sprints Championship.



Navy won its first Jope Cup title at the Eastern Sprints in 2006 (above), then repeated as champions in 2007 (right).



**1986** Navy lightweights have a 4-2 record and win the Callow Cup (Penn) en route to a sixth-place finish at the EARC Sprints.

**1987** Patrick Manion takes over as head coach Navy lightweight crew team. First plebe boat wins bronze medal at the EARC Sprints.

**1988** The Navy lightweights have a 2-2 record in winning the Callow Cup (Penn) and placing fourth at the EARC Sprints.

**1991** Mike Hughes takes over as head coach of Navy lightweight crew team.

**1993** Navy wins the Crawford Bay Crew Classic and goes 5-2 en route to taking seventh place at the EARC Sprints.

**1995** Cmdr. Jim Snead '73, takes over as head coach. Third varsity wins gold medal at the EARC Sprints (varsity) and competes in the IRAs for the first time, taking fifth place in the Grand Finals.

**1996** Major Greg Morrison '77, takes over as head coach. The Navy lightweights have a 2-2 record and place fifth in the grand finals at the IRAs.

**1997** Dale Hurley '89, takes over as head coach of Navy lightweight crew team.

**1998** Lightweight plebes place first and second at the Belly of the Carnegie.

**1999** Navy lightweights win the Patriot League Championship. Plebe crew finishes in fifth place in the first boat and wins gold in the second boat at the EARC Sprints.

**2000** Navy lightweights compete in the San Diego Crew Classic for the second time in the history of the program, finishing third in grand finals. Plebes capture the top-two slots at the Belly of the Carnegie. Varsity secures an automatic bid for 2001 Head of the Charles by placing fifth overall and fourth among colleges at 2000 regatta.

**2001** Navy placed fifth at the season-ending IRA National Championship Regatta. At the end of the



spring season, Rob Friedrich replaces Dale Hurley as the head coach of the lightweight program.

**2002** Navy's varsity places second at the IRA National Championship. Second varsity wins Cornell Trophy for first time since 1961. Navy team places second in Jope Cup team-point standings.

**2003** The Mids win three medals at the Eastern Sprints, with the freshman boats sweeping the Gold Medals for the first time in Navy history.

**2004** The Mids posted the best season in the program's history. The varsity boat ended the regular season with an undefeated record, won the Eastern Sprints title and the IRA National Championship. Navy would go on to reach the semifinal round at the Royal Henley Regatta in London, England. The crew was selected as the EARC's Crew of the Year, while head coach Rob Friedrich was tabbed as the EARC Coach of the Year. The crew also qualified for the Navy Hall of Fame.

**2005** Navy placed all five of its boats into the grand finals at the Eastern Sprints, winning both freshmen events and winning two additional medals.

**2006** Navy won the program's first Jope Cup (overall team points title) at the Eastern Sprints.

**2007** The Mids repeated as Jope Cup champions, while the second and third varsity crews won individual boat titles at the Eastern Sprints.

**2008** Navy landed all five of its boats in the grand finals at the Eastern Sprints, winning in the second varsity, third varsity and second freshman races. The Midshipmen went on to finish second in the grand finals of both the varsity eight and varsity four with coxswain races at the IRA National Championship.

**2009** Under head coach Nick Baker, the Midshipmen went 4-3 and won the Callow Cup for the ninth-straight year. Navy completed the year with a fourth-place showing at the Eastern Sprints and sixth-place effort at the IRA National Championship.



Above -- Lightweight rowers comprised the winning boat in the varsity four without coxswain flight at the 2007 IRA Regatta.

Left - Navy won the second varsity title at the 2007 Eastern Sprints Regatta.