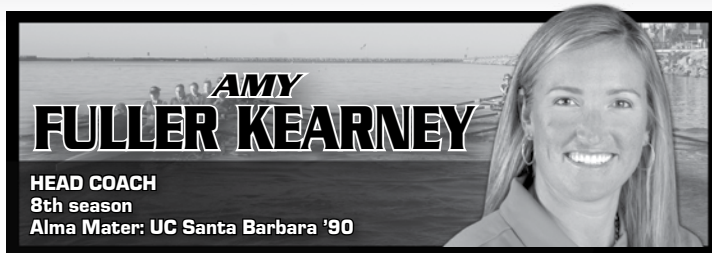


COACHING STAFF



Entering her eighth season at the helm of the UCLA women's rowing program in 2008-09, Amy Fuller Kearney has established the Bruins as a national competitor. After having made a successful transition from a club team to a varsity program in 2001-2002, UCLA sent a varsity eight crew to the NCAA Championships in three consecutive seasons (2005-07). The eight's highest finish was 12th place in 2006. This season, Fuller Kearney looks to lead the Bruins to a team bid to the NCAA Championships for the first time in program history.

Fuller Kearney led the Bruins' varsity and second varsity eights to the Pac-10 Championship Grand Finals from 2004 through 2007. UCLA's second varsity eight won the silver medal in 2005 and 2006 at the Pac-10 Championships.

In 2008, Fuller Kearney guided UCLA to a consistent place in the national rankings. The Bruins were ranked in the national top-20 polls throughout the regular season, attaining a high of No. 13 in the Collegiate Rowing Coaches' Association/USRowing poll. UCLA's first and second eights both had dominating dual-meet victories over Loyola Marymount and San Diego State.

UCLA's first eight also claimed dual-meet wins over the University of Victoria and the University of Central Florida. The second eight rowed to wins over Saint Mary's College's first eight and the University of Central Florida. Both crews had strong performances at the San Diego Crew Classic. The first eight placed fifth overall in the invitation-only Jessop-Whittier Cup while the second eight finished sixth in the race for the Hungness Trophy. Both eights finished their seasons with wins in the petite final at the Pac-10 Championships.

Individual team members were honored with a series of All-America, All-Region and All-Pac-10 athletic and academic honors. For the third consecutive year, Vanessa Teff earned Pocock All-America honors, CRCA All-West Region accolades and All-Pac-10 honors. Eight Bruins were named All-Pac-10 Academic selections.

Under the guidance of Fuller Kearney in 2007, UCLA's varsity eight crew advanced to the NCAA Championships in Oak Ridge, Tenn., finishing 14th overall. Fuller Kearney guided UCLA to first-place finishes in back-to-back dual meets against Loyola Marymount and San Diego State to open the season. In the fourth weekend of the season, the Bruins performed well at the San Diego Crew Classic, placing its varsity crews fourth and third, respectively, in the grand finals. Midway through the season, UCLA's second varsity raced past USC in the annual dual meet between both crosstown rivals. In the season-culminating Pac-10 Championships, UCLA finished fourth overall.

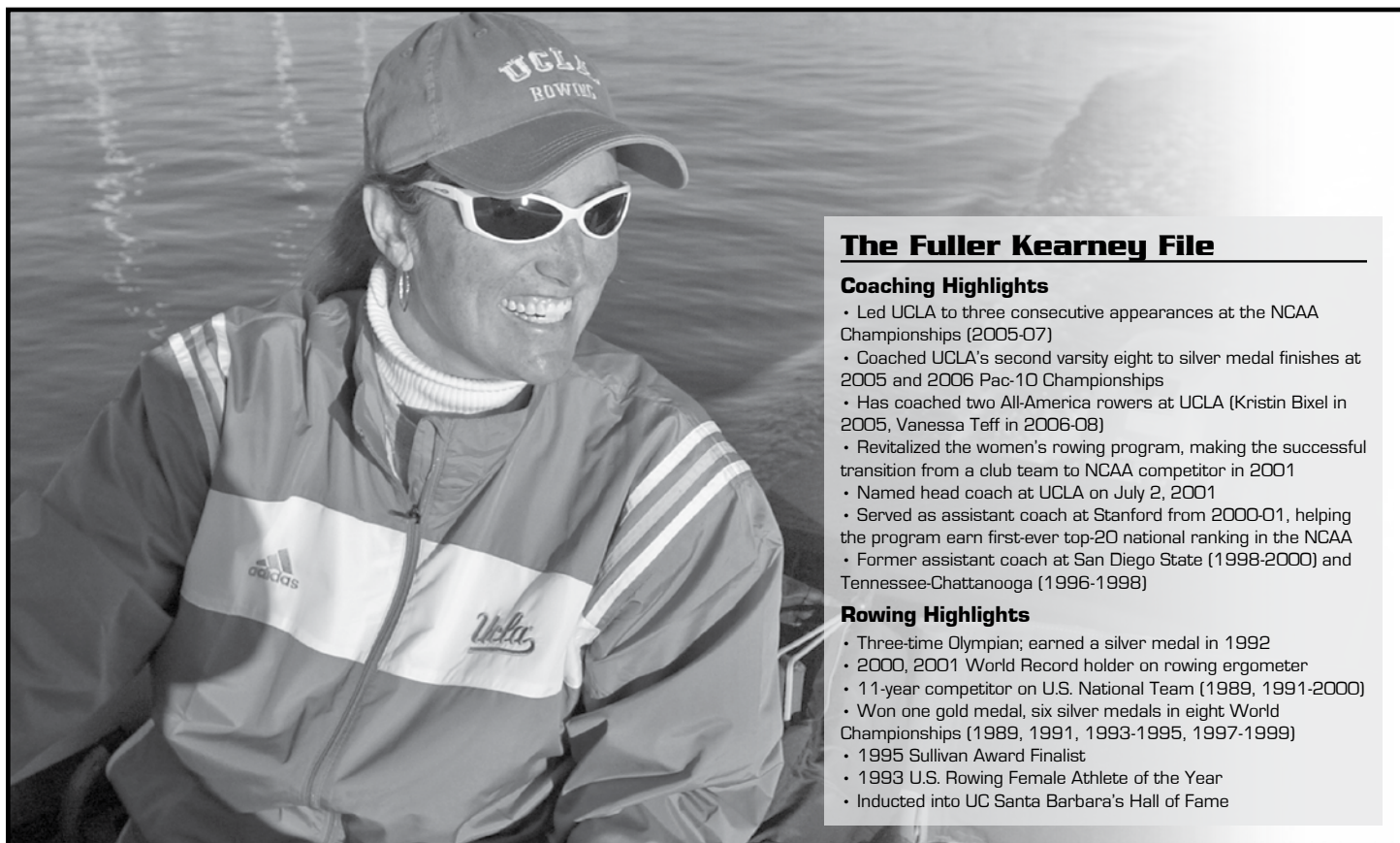
Fuller Kearney's team earned recognition at season's end, as two senior rowers (Elizabeth Lee and Leach Wachtel) earned CRCA National Scholar-Athlete honors, and two others were named CRCA All-West Region selections (Vanessa Teff and Lynn Hancock). Teff earned first-team Pocock All-America honors in addition to capturing All-Pac-10 team accolades. A capable group both on the water and in the classroom, 10 Bruins gained Pac-10 All-Academic honors.

In 2006, the first eight raced to a 12th-place finish at the NCAA Championships. UCLA began the 2006 spring season earning first-place dual-meet finishes against Loyola Marymount, UC Irvine and Minnesota before posting a sixth-place finish at Pac-10 Championships in May. At the San Diego Crew Classic, UCLA advanced to the Grand Final in all three events and finished fifth in the varsity eight race. The Bruins finished first in all four events at the Miller Cup, and later capped their season with a strong performance at the NCAA Championships.

In the spring of 2005, the Bruins sent an at-large eight to the NCAA Championships, where UCLA finished 15th overall. That spring, UCLA reached the Grand Final in every event at the Pac-10 Championships. The first eight raced to a top-16 ranking and an at-large invite to the NCAA Championships for the first time in program history. The second eight made history, bringing home a silver medal from the Pac-10 Championships, a first at UCLA since rowing was elevated to NCAA varsity status.

Named UCLA rowing's head coach on July 2, 2001 – the sport's inaugural NCAA season – Fuller Kearney came to Westwood after having served one year as assistant coach for the Stanford women's crew program (2000-01). At Stanford, she guided the Cardinal to its first top-20 national ranking in the program's NCAA history.

Prior to serving as assistant coach at Stanford, Fuller Kearney was an assistant coach at San Diego State for two years (1998-2000). She worked with the Aztecs while training for the 2000 Olympics with the U.S. National Team. Fuller Kearney has also spent time working as an assistant coach at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga (1996-98) and for the U.S. National Team (1997).



The Fuller Kearney File

Coaching Highlights

- Led UCLA to three consecutive appearances at the NCAA Championships (2005-07)
- Coached UCLA's second varsity eight to silver medal finishes at 2005 and 2006 Pac-10 Championships
- Has coached two All-America rowers at UCLA (Kristin Bixel in 2005, Vanessa Teff in 2006-08)
- Revitalized the women's rowing program, making the successful transition from a club team to NCAA competitor in 2001
- Named head coach at UCLA on July 2, 2001
- Served as assistant coach at Stanford from 2000-01, helping the program earn first-ever top-20 national ranking in the NCAA
- Former assistant coach at San Diego State (1998-2000) and Tennessee-Chattanooga (1996-1998)

Rowing Highlights

- Three-time Olympian; earned a silver medal in 1992
- 2000, 2001 World Record holder on rowing ergometer
- 11-year competitor on U.S. National Team (1989, 1991-2000)
- Won one gold medal, six silver medals in eight World Championships (1989, 1991, 1993-1995, 1997-1999)
- 1995 Sullivan Award Finalist
- 1993 U.S. Rowing Female Athlete of the Year
- Inducted into UC Santa Barbara's Hall of Fame

From 1993-96, Fuller Kearney served as a motivational speaker for Champion International, a U.S. Rowing sponsor. She began her coaching career at UC Santa Barbara, her alma mater. From 1990-91, she led the women's novice program. Two years later, from 1992-93, she was the head coach of the women's team.

Fuller Kearney is a three-time Olympian and former World Record holder. Her competitiveness has given her an assortment of national and international experience. In 1993, she earned U.S. Rowing Female Athlete of the Year honors. Two years later, Fuller Kearney was a finalist for the Sullivan Award, presented annually to the nation's top amateur athlete. She spent the fall and winter of 1995 competing with the America's Cup Syndicate, America 3. She was a member of the first ever all-women's team to challenge for the America's Cup.

As a starboard aft grinder, Fuller Kearney used her strength and endurance to earn a starting spot among the world's top female sailors. In the spring and summer, Fuller Kearney again turned her focus to rowing and helped the women's eight to a World Championship in Tampere, Finland.

Fuller Kearney earned trips to the Olympics in 1992, 1996, and 2000. In 1992, she brought home a silver medal in the Women's 4-. In 1996 and 2000, she placed in the top 6 in the Women's 8+.

Additionally, Fuller Kearney has competed in eight World Championships, earning one gold medal and six silver medals (1989, 1991, 1993-94, 1997-98 and 1999). An extension of Fuller Kearney's international experience includes the Goodwill Games, the Lucerne International Regatta, and the Henley Royal Regatta. At the 1994 Goodwill

Games, her Women's 8+ team captured the bronze. Competing at the Lucerne International Regatta (1991, 1994-96 and 1998), she brought home five medals – three gold, one silver, and one bronze. At the 1998 Henley Royal Regatta, Fuller Kearney added another gold medal.

Fuller Kearney continued her rowing success at the C.R.A.S.H. B Sprints. She was the 2000 and 2001 World Record holder on the rowing ergometer and placed first for open women. On the national level, Fuller Kearney rowed for the U.S. National Team for 11 years (1989, 1991-2000). During this era, she recorded 12 gold medals, two silver and one bronze.

As a sophomore at UC Santa Barbara, Fuller Kearney discovered a passion for rowing. She later earned one gold medal and one bronze medal on the collegiate national level. In 1990, she was honored with the school's Associated Students Athlete of the Year Award. In 2006, Fuller Kearney was an inaugural inductee into the UC Santa Barbara Recreational Sports Hall of Fame.

A Westlake Village, Calif., native who prepped at Westlake High School, Fuller Kearney graduated from UC Santa Barbara in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in biology. She earned her masters degree in education from University of Tennessee, Chattanooga in 1998.

Fuller Kearney has also been certified by the American College of Sports Medicine as a Health Fitness Instructor and is a U.S. Rowing certified coach. She resides in Newhall, Calif., with her husband, Joe, and daughter, Shannon.



Bill Zack enters his seventh season in 2008-09 as an assistant coach for the UCLA women's rowing team. Working with all components of the team, Zack is primarily responsible for the varsity fours. He also serves as the program's recruiting coordinator, heading efforts related to talent identification and communication with recruits.

Last spring, Zack guided the four to dual-meet victories over San Diego State, Ohio State, Notre Dame, the University of Victoria and the University of Central Florida. Combining the first and second fours together into an eight, the Bruins opened the season with a victory over Loyola Marymount. The eight won its heat and final at the San Diego Crew Classic, capturing the open eight event and the Carley Copley Cup for the first time in program history. The four finished first in the petite final at the Pac-10 Championships.

In previous years, Zack has coached the varsity four and novice eight. Highlights include the novice eight winning the Pac-10 Championship in 2003 and a bronze medal in 2007. The four captured a fourth-place finish at the Pac-10 Championships in 2005.

Zack brings a multitude of coaching experience to UCLA. He served six years as the women's head coach at Sacramento State (1996-2002), one year as men's head coach at Old Dominion (1995-1996), one year as the elite lightweight women's coach at the Long Beach Rowing Association (1994-1995), three years as the women's head coach at Long Beach State (1991-1994) and six year coaching at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy (1986-1991). Zack's student-athletes have recieved numerous atheltic and academic accolades. Many have also progressed to the national and international levels, and some have achieved national and world champion status.

Zack has also been very involved with USRowing throughout his coaching career, taking advantage of many international opportunities. Moving up from the U.S. Olympic Festival team manager in 1989, he was assistant team leader for the 1996 Olympic rowing team and has also served as a team leader for the Pan-American Games, World Rowing Championships and the Junior World Rowing Championships. He coached the women's lightweight quad to a sixth-place finish at the 1997 World Rowing Championships.

Zack also has had extensive involvement coaching in the USRowing Women's Junior National Team system at both the selection camp and development camp levels. He has coached multiple crews to USRowing National Championships and to victories in CanAmMex competitions. He coached the women's junior squad to a 13th-place finish at the 2008 Junior World Rowing Championships.

At Sacramento State, Zack instituted many changes to the program, including the implementation of a strength and conditioning program, increased scholarships, and



improvement in the fleet of rowing equipment. He led the Hornets to a bronze medal in the varsity four at the 1997 NCAA Championships, two consecutive Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association (WIRA) titles (2000-01), and a first-place finish in the College Eights event at the Henley Women's Regatta.

Zack compiled a 36-10 dual-meet record and gained 2000 and 2001 WIRA Coach of the Year accolades. He was instrumental in bringing the NCAA regatta to Lake Natoma. Zack also served as marketing and promotions director, and as the school's resident expert in regatta management when Sacramento State hosted the NCAA Women's Rowing Championships in 1997 and 1999.

Aside from his experience as a coach, Zack has also served his sport as an administrator. He has been on the board of directors of the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association (CRCA) for many years and currently serves as its president. He was also a longtime member of the Board of Directors of the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association (WIRA) and was president in 2001-02. Zack has been the play-by-play announcer for nine NCAA Championships.

Zack rowed on the collegiate level for the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, where he graduated in 1980. In 1986, he earned his master's degree in business administration from the Yale School of Management. He retired from the Coast Guard in 1996 with the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

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Mark Hunter joined the UCLA women's rowing program as an assistant coach in July 2008. Most recently, Hunter won a gold medal with teammate Zac Purchase in the lightweight double sculls at the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing, China. Hunter and Purchase became the first pair from Great Britain to ever win this Olympic Event.

At the 2008 Olympics, Hunter and Purchase grabbed the lead in their championship race around the 600-meter mark and remained strong down the stretch, finishing in a time of 6 minutes, 10.99 seconds.

After a long career as a leading lightweight rower, Hunter found success in 2007. That year, he raced the season in the lightweight double and medaled at each World Cup with two silver medals and one bronze. He capped a great season with the bronze at the 2007 World Championships in Munich. In the 2008 World Cup series, the double has gone from strength to strength, remaining unbeaten by winning three gold medals - in doing so, the double has become the first British lightweight double to ever win the World Cup.

Hunter, who began rowing at age 14, won the junior 16 single at the 1994 National Championships and gained a place in the Great Britain-France U16 Team. The following year, he captured his first of two consecutive Fawley Cup wins at the Henley Royal Regatta, in addition to racing for Great Britain in the quadruple scull at the 1995 and 1996 World Junior Championships.

From 1997-2000, Hunter raced at the World Rowing U23 Championships in the open weight quad and double. Hunter began racing as a lightweight in 2001, quickly establishing himself as one of the leading lightweights in British rowing. Hunter stroked the lightweight eight in 2001 at the World Championships in Lucerne, where he finished fifth.

In 2002, Hunter qualified as a Waterman & Lighterman on the River Thames after having trained as an apprentice for six years. Since then, he has become a Freeman of the Thames, allowing him to transport passengers or cargo anywhere on the Thames as a captain/skipper. In the spring of 2000, as an apprentice, Hunter competed in the Millennium Coat and Badge double sculls race. With his finals partner, Hunter won the event and they were presented with special uniforms in February 2001 at a traditional ceremony dinner held at Fishmongers Hall in London.

After completing his training as a Waterman, Hunter turned his attention to training full time for the 2004 Olympics in Athens, competing from 2002-2004 in the lightweight four. Hunter had trained at Leander Club for numerous years and was elected captain at the start of 2005 (Leander being the most prestigious and successful rowing club in the world).



After competing at the 2004 Olympics, Hunter turned his attention to sculling and won his third Henley Royal Regatta title in 2005.

Not just satisfied with performing on the water, Hunter has taken training on the ergometer as an important part of developing strength, power and endurance and has enjoyed success winning at the British Indoor Rowing Championships in 2005 and 2007.

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