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Hawks Sailing team members honored at the Intercollegiate Sailing Association awards banquet on June 8



June 13, 2012

The Roger Williams University Sailing team was honored at the Intercollegiate Sailing Association awards banquet on June 8 with four sailors recognized as ICSA All-Americans. Alec Anderson (Tortola, BVI), Sean Bouchard (Bermuda), Kelly Stannard (Salem, Mass.), and Sophie Bellacosa (Winchester, Mass.) were each honored as ICSA All-Americans by the committee.

A committee of coaches who represent the seven conferences in the ICSA selects the ICSA All-America Team. For selecting the All-Americans the committee evaluates a competitor based on their competitive record in inter-conference competition as well as conference and national championships. The committee analyzes how this record compares to fellow competitors, the quality of the competition the record was achieved in, the span of the record over the fall and spring seasons, results achieved with different crews and how the record compares to previous All-American winners in past years.

For All-American crew selections, the committee uses criteria similar to skipper selection, but also considers demonstrated leadership (may consider seniority), outstanding body mechanics and boat handling skills as well as proven ability to improve the results of the skipper(s) with whom he or she sails.

Anderson was selected to as a 2012 ICSA Coed All-American, while Bouchard was chosen as ICSA Coed All-American Honorable Mention. Bellacosa and Stannard were both selected as ICSA Crew All-Americans.

Anderson was also a finalist for the Everett B. Morris Trophy, which is awarded annually to the College Sailor of the Year for outstanding performance at the highest level of sailing in the collegiate year.

The Intercollegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) is the governing authority for sailing competition at colleges and universities throughout the United States and in some parts of Canada.

For a complete listing of 2012 ICSA All-America Team winners, visit <u>Sail-World</u>.

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