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Cal Women's Rowing: A Half Century of Women's Crew at Berkeley. By Oliver O'Reilly and the members of The Cal Women's Rowing History Project

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Please feel free to contact us at calwomensrowinghistoryproject@gmail.com(link sends e-mail)(link sends e-mail) if you have any questions or wish to discuss any contributions you would like to make to this project.

Row on you Bears! The Cal Women's Rowing History Project

The Project Committee membership is as follows: Adrienne McConnell, Class of 1994 Anne Simpson, Class of 1978 Alexandra Donlon Treene, Class of 1990 Adrienne Martelli, Cal Women's Rowing Associate Head Coach Alice Lee, Class of 1982 Barb O'Neill, Class of 1980 Carol Sanoff, Class of 1969 Cory Bosworth, Class of 1999 Courtney Dettlinger, Class of 1993 Dana Tilson, Class of 1983 Elise Etem, Class of 2012 Erin Cafaro, Class of 2006 Hunter Deuel, Class of 2019 Ilene Wagner, Class of 1967 & Coach 1967-1969 Jean Hayward, Class of 1978 Jane Toro, Class of 1977 Jean Sacconaghi Strauss, Class of 1978 Joy Hagin, Class of 1982 Julie Nichols, Class of 2000 Karl Drlica, Cal PhD 1971 & Coach 1965-1969 Katie Swanson Haverluk, Class of 2007 Katie Stone, Class of 1983 Kendall Chase, Class of 2016 Liz Behrens, Class of 1990 Liz Miles, Class of 1977 Megan Cooke Carcagno, Class of 2002 Nannette Adair, Class of 1981 Nancy Denison, Class of 1982 Oliver O'Reilly, UC Berkeley Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education, Prof. of Mechanical Engineering, & Cal Faculty Athletics Representative Pauline Velez, Class of 1981 Peter Lippett, Class of 1958 & Assistant Coach 1974-1975 Pat Spratlen Etem, Class of 1979 Sheila Humphreys, UC Berkeley EECS Emerita Director of Diversity Val McClain, Class of 1982

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