

SAS Crew Alums Making Waves All Over the World



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Recent news from St. Andrew's rowing alumni:

After graduating from Harvard in 2017, **Kelsey Barolak '13** (center left) is now rowing for the Cambridge University Women's Boating Club. "Other than the Olympics, rowing for Cambridge is as close to professional rowing as it gets," said St. Andrew's boys crew Head Coach Will Porter. Kelsey rows in the Cambridge varsity four, which in November 2017 won the Head of the River Fours Regatta, held on the River Thames, by 11th lengths and 23 seconds. More recently, Kelsey sat in the five seat of the winning Cambridge eight boat during trials for the annual Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race. At Cambridge, Kelsey is working toward her MPhil in social and developmental psychology.

At Harvard, Kelsey rowed in the women's first varsity eight during her sophomore and junior years, and with that boat won the Eastern Sprints Regatta in 2015 and 2016, and the V8 Petite Final at the Ivy League Championships in 2016.

Hannah Beams '17 and **Emma Wheeler '15** both row in the Bates College women's varsity eight, and their boat won the Head Of The Charles Regatta on October 22. The Head of the Charles is the world's largest regatta; the Bates V8 placed first out of 26 boats, and set a new course record for women's collegiate eights at the regatta. The Bates women's crew team are the defending NCAA Division III champions, and this is the second time in program history the Bobcats take home the Head of the Charles Women's Collegiate Eights title. [Read more on the Bates website.](#)



In late September 2017, SAS crew alum **Bobby Moffitt '12** (above, in his St. Andrew's rowing days) competed in the World Rowing Championships as a member of the US Rowing Senior National Team. Bobby was named to the national team earlier this year, and competed in the men's four in a thrilling men's semifinal race at the World Championships. Rowing against Spain, Italy, The Netherlands, France, and defending Olympic Champions Great Britain, the U.S. boat missed moving on to the finals by just half a length.

In 2016, Bobby competed in the World Rowing Championships as a member of the Under-23 National Team men's eight. In 2015, Bobby won gold in the intermediate four with coxswain at the US Rowing Club National Championships. After beginning his rowing career at St. Andrew's (he is seen here on Noxontown Pond), where he also swam and ran cross-country, Bobby went on to row for Dartmouth from 2012 to 2016, and was captain of Dartmouth's heavyweight crew his senior year.