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From: Mollicone, John [REDACTED]  
on behalf of Mollicone, John [REDACTED]  
Sent: 12/5/2019 8:23:23 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Re: Brown Athletics Annual Report 2018-19

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Mollicone  
8/13/2020

Hopefully someday athletics will want it, it has to be right for the entire program.



**John Mollicone**  
Barry Family Director of Sailing

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On Thu, Dec 5, 2019 at 2:50 PM [REDACTED] wrote:  
OMG. How are shorts best served?

ICSA says that out of 200 college sailing programs, 39 are varsity level. We'll get there, I hope.

On Thu, Dec 5, 2019 at 1:19 PM Mollicone, John [REDACTED] wrote:  
Equestrian is a varsity team



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On Thu, Dec 5, 2019 at 12:46 PM [REDACTED] wrote:  
I just took a second look at the Report and noticed on the back cover among photos of all the sports is one of the Equestrian "team!" If that is counted as a varsity sport, I'll eat my shorts!

On Thu, Dec 5, 2019 at 11:14 AM Mollicone, John [REDACTED] wrote:  
Hi Larry,

Great to hear from you and thanks for your continued support and note to Jack Hayes. I have not seen the Annual Report yet and it seems to vary year to year whether we get some recognition or not as a club team. We would love more recognition, but unfortunately being a non-varsity sport makes it hard at times. We continue to work as hard as possible and treat the program like a varsity sport in every way we can. We are certainly in a grey area in that we are in varsity athletics and they support us and let us fundraise like a varsity team in almost every way. However, because we are not counted as a varsity sport and are recognized as a club team (we call ourselves club-varsity) we often times do not get the recognition we deserve. We know we are the top athletic program at the university and I think that Jack knows that as well. Without his support we would not have one of the best sailing facilities in all of college sailing,

budget, fleet, equipment, coaching, ect. We may someday become a varsity program but it has to be right for the entire program. Women's Rugby was elevated as a varsity sport a few years ago as athletics needed more women's athletes. Women's sailing was certainly considered but my stance is that it has to be the entire program. Our women's team is strong because of the entire team. Maybe someday Brown will realize they have a National Championship contender in both coed and women's sailing every year and will want to showcase this as a varsity sport. Until then, we will keep plugging away and hope to win another National Championship in 2020.

I hope this all makes sense, thanks for looking out for us and for your continued support!

Happy Holidays,

John



**John Mollicone**  
Barry Family Director of Sailing



On Tue, Dec 3, 2019 at 2:36 PM [REDACTED] wrote:  
Hi John--Below is the email I sent to Jack Hayes today after reading the report.

"I have pored through the report and have not found a single mention of the accomplishments of the Brown Sailing program. Do you fail to regard this as a sport? Are you aware that the program is one of the top programs in the country? Do you know that the team has the highest academic record among all sailing programs? Do you know that the women's team was #1 in the country in 2018 and has ranked #1 in the 2019 standings?

Those sailors are as dedicated as any of the athletes Brown and are fortunate to have, in John Mallicone, one of the premier coaches in the country.

As an alumnus of Brown and a regular donor to the school and the sailing program, I am disappointed by your shortsightedness. These student athletes deserve recognition, and I hope you will amend your oversight in the future.

Hayes's response: "Thanks for your note. I do reference the women's national championship in the opening letter. We are proud of the team's accomplishments and will continue to look to effective ways to recognize the group."

That was it--one brief sentence in his opening letter; every other sport has accolades, awards, pictures, etc. Question: why are you assigned Club status and something like women's rugby appears to be a "sport"?

Hope you're doing well. Happy Holidays, [REDACTED]