

CLARK ATHLETICS

2006 Softball Postseason Newsletter

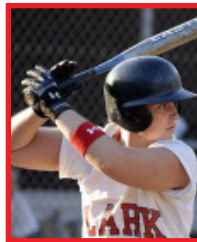
Coach's Corner - Season Review

The 2006 Clark Softball Team finished with an overall record of 10-20 and a NEWMAC record of 5-11. Both were improvements over last season. Clark lost in the quarterfinals of the NEWMAC Tournament to eventual champion, Babson College, 4-1. This was the most competitive year for NEWMAC softball since we became a member in 1996. One area of improvement for the Cougars was offensive production. Clark led the NEWMAC in home runs with 16 and finished 3rd in the conference in hitting. They had 11 more home runs and 14 more doubles than a year ago. The team also finished with 70 more total bases.



Jackie Demore and Kelly Christensen Join the 100 HIT CLUB!

Graduate student Jackie Demore and senior Kelly Christensen joined the exclusive 100 HIT CLUB this season. Jackie played in 124 games in her career and finished 6th all-time with 130 hits. Her career batting average is .349 with 72 runs batted in and 28 doubles. Kelly ends her career 10th all-time in hits with 112. In 117 games, Kelly hit .284, with 20 doubles and four home runs. She drove in 43 runs.



2006 Highlights

- Clark shut out Wheaton College, 6-0. The last time Clark beat Wheaton in softball was in the ECAC semi-finals in 2000 by a score of 3-2.
- Come from behind victories vs. Springfield College, (2-1) and WPI, (6-4).
- Kelly Christensen '06 led the team in hits (40), doubles (11) total bases (62), slugging % (.608) and on base % (.417).
- Jackie Demore 'GR was second on the team in hitting (.357), hits (35), total bases (50), slugging % (.510), on base % (.388) and doubles (7). Set single season record for putouts (298).
- Heather Warren '08 pitched 25 consecutive shut out innings for the Cougars. She also led the team in home runs (4), triples (3) and runs batted in (17).
- Lauren Ackein '07 led off the game vs. Bridgewater State with a first pitch home run. She homered in her second at bat as well. She also led off the WPI game with a first pitch homer. Lauren hit .307 and was third on the team in slugging % at .485. She finished the season with three home runs.

2006 Results Overall Record 10-20 NEWMAC 5-11

All Home Games in **Bold** at O'Brien Field

March

Mon. 6	vs Beloit College (WI)#	L 3-6
Mon. 6	vs Emerson College#	W 10-0 (6)
Tue. 7	vs Emmanuel College (MA)#	L 3-4
Tue. 7	vs Regis College (MA)#	W 12-8
Wed. 8	vs Anna Maria College (MA)#	L 2-4
Wed. 8	vs Thomas More College (KY)#	L 1-13 (6)
Thu. 9	vs RIT (NY)#	W 4-1
Thu. 9	vs Curry College (MA)#	L 1-6 (8)
Sat. 25	vs Springfield College* (DH)	W 2-1 / L 6-13
Tue. 28	vs Bridgewater State College (DH)	W 4-1 / L 4-8
Fri. 31	vs WPI* (DH)	W 6-4 / L 9-13

April

Sat. 1	at Wellesley College* (DH)	L 3-4 (11)/L 3-7
Tue. 4	vs Amherst College	Cancelled
Thu. 6	at Trinity College	L 3-12 (5)
Sat. 8	at Brandeis University (DH)	W 7-1/L 2-3
Tue. 11	at Coast Guard Academy* (DH)	L 1-2 (8)/L 6-8
Tue. 11	at Worcester State College	Cancelled
Fri. 14	at Smith College* (DH)	L 0-8 (5)/L 6-9
Sat. 15	vs Wheaton College* (DH)	L 0-3/W 6-0
Fri. 21	vs MIT* (DH)	W 4-0/W 4-0
Sat. 22	at Babson College* (DH)	L 4-5 (8)/L 0-10 (5)
Tue. 25	at #1 Babson College^	L 1-4

^ NEWMAC Quarterfinals

* NEWMAC Game

Spring Break (Ft. Myers, FL)

Postseason Awards

Senior Kelly Christensen was named to the NEWMAC All-Conference First Team, the Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division III All-New England First Team and the NEISCA All-Star Second team. She started off the season with a 19-game hit streak and finished the season hitting successfully in 27 out of 30 games while batting .392. She had 12 multiple hit games and played the majority of the season at shortstop where she showed tremendous range, a strong throwing arm and accuracy.

Friends of Clark Softball has been formed under the umbrella of Friends of Clark Athletics. If you are interested in supporting the softball program and would like more information, please contact Head Coach Linda Wage.