**2005 Season Preview**

With 16 returning players and a talented group of new players, the 2005 women's soccer team is excited to start the season. The team finished the 2004 season with their best record, 9-8-1, since 2000 and qualified for the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) tournament for the first time since 2000 under head coach Joe Brady. Ranked among the top 10 teams in New England for three consecutive weeks, the Cougars recorded some exciting wins last year. Clark defeated competitive Western Connecticut State University (2004 ECAC Champion), 2-1, and cross-town rival and NCAA tournament participant, Worcester State, 3-0. The Cougars reached the NEWMAC Tournament semifinals and tied the number three seed Smith College 0-0, failing to advance after losing in penalty kicks 4-3.

Sophomore forward Liz Adamcik, a 2004 NEWMAC All-Conference Second Team selection, will once again be looked upon to lead the offense. Adamcik led the Cougars with nine goals and ranked sixth in the league in goals last year. She scored in six straight conference games including two goals in a 3-2 overtime loss to Springfield College.

The Cougars will travel to Atlanta, GA for a four-day trip and games against Oglethorpe University (GA) and Emory University (GA) to start the season. The Cougars will once again face a challenging schedule this year that includes four 2004 NCAA Tournament participants and two ECAC participants. Led by captains Candace Reddy ‘GR, Jess Blatt ‘06 and Lea Kixmiller ‘06, the Cougars are committed to competing with the top teams in the conference and the New England Region.

**2005 SCHEDULE**

**Home Games in Bold/Red • All home games at Granger Field**

**September**

- **Fri. 2** vs Oglethorpe University (GA)*
- **Sat. 3** at Emory University (GA)*
- **Wed. 7** at Anna Maria College
- **Sat. 10** at Brandeis University
- **Tue. 13** at WCONN
- **Sat. 17** vs Worcester State College
- **Sat. 24** vs Mount Holyoke College*
- **Wed. 28** vs Keene State College

**October**

- **Sat. 1** at MIT*
- **Tue. 4** at Babson College*
- **Fri. 7** vs USCGA*
- **Wed. 12** at Smith College* (at Northampton HS)
- **Sat. 15** vs Springfield College*
- **Tue. 18** vs Wellesley College*
- **Sat. 22** at WPI*
- **Tue. 25** vs Wheaton College*
- **Sat. 29** NEWMAC Quarterfinals

**November**

- **Sat. 5** NEWMAC Semifinals
- **Sun. 6** NEWMAC Championship

* Emory University (GA) Classic
* NEWMAC Conference Game

**Team Continues “Kick up the Writing Program”**

For the second straight year the women's soccer team participated in the "Kick up the Writing" program at the Mill Swan School with the fourth, fifth and sixth graders during the second semester. The weekly program was devised to have Clark soccer players help the students with their writing skills and stress the importance of working hard and setting goals, both in athletics and in the classroom. The kids break up into smaller work groups and are given writing assignments from their teachers, which the Clark players oversee. The five-month program culminates with a soccer clinic for all the kids at Clark. “The players have made a real commitment to the program every week and are dedicated to helping the students at the Mill Swan School,” Coach Brady commented. “The players look forward to going every week just as much as the students look forward to them coming. The past two years have been extremely successful and we look forward to continuing the program for many more years.”

Friends of Clark Women's Soccer has been formed under the umbrella of Friends of Clark Athletics. If you are interested in supporting the women’s soccer team and would like more information, please contact Head Coach Joe Brady