

# Clark Athletics

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

### 2004-05 Men's Basketball Newsletter - Midseason

#### Message from Coach Cassara

Hello from the Clark Basketball office! It is hard to believe that the first semester is coming to a close and the holiday season is already upon us. Our young team has been working extremely hard with our new staff to build for the new year and league play. The 2004-2005 Cougars lack some experience but have made up for that with hard work and dedication. With a roster of 10 freshmen, four sophomores, a junior, and a grad student we have fought our way to a 2-5 record, playing five of our games on the road. A tough 4-point loss to Worcester State and a last second tip-in loss to Tufts were tough defeats, but the young Cougars finished off the semester with a 14-point win at Fitchburg State. Graduate student Adam Miller had a huge game, scoring 19 points and pulling down 22 rebounds!

After final exams and a week break for the holidays the team will return to campus on December 26th to prepare for the Tournament of Fallen Heroes in Staten Island, New York. The two-day tournament is a tribute to the 9/11 tragedy in New York and will honor some former students and athletes from Staten Island College. Clark will play Jersey City University on December 28th at 5:30 pm. All games are being played on the campus of Staten Island College. We would love to see any New York area alumni at the game.

League play begins on January 6th and the NEWMAC looks to be very competitive this season. The league features some of the top teams in New England and our young team will be challenged every night to improve.

Please feel free to contact me anytime here in the office by phone (508-793-7430) or email (rcassara@clarku.edu). Clark has such a rich and successful basketball tradition. I would love to hear from any former players, coaches, or friends of the Cougar Basketball Family!

Happy Holidays to you and your family & GO CLARK!

In Hoops,

R. Morgan Cassara  
Head Basketball Coach

#### COUGAR DEFENSE!

The Cougars have been turning up the pressure on defense this season! After seven games the Cougars are second in the league in field goal percentage defense (.372) and scoring defense (60.0). Five times this season the Cougars have held opponents under 65 points and twice under 50.

#### Junior Tim Dutille Named Captain

Junior captain center 6'6" Tim Dutille will serve as captain during the 2004-05 season. A 2003-04 NEWMAC All-Conference Second Team selection, he finished last year ranked second on the team in scoring (14.4 ppg) and first in rebounds (6.0 rpg). Dutille, who recorded three double-doubles on the year, shot an impressive 58.4 percent from the floor. He led the conference in field goal percentage, finished fifth in rebounding, and ranked eighth in scoring. He currently leads the team in scoring (17.6 ppg) and is second in rebounds (5.0 rpg).



#### 2004-05 SCHEDULE/RESULTS (2-5)

All home games held in the Kneller Athletic Center • Home games in BOLD

##### November

Fri.	19	at Buffalo State College Classic vs Buffalo State College	L 51-57
Sat.	20	at Buffalo State College Classic vs RPI	W 69-58
Tue.	30	at Amherst College	L 44-71

##### December

Thu.	2	vs Worcester State College	L 44-48
Sat.	4	vs Tufts University	L 63-64
Tue.	7	at Brandeis University	L 38-82
Thu.	9	at Fitchburg State College	W 54-40
Tue.	28	at Staten Island Tournament vs New Jersey City University	5:00 pm 2:00 or 4:00 pm

##### January

Thu.	6	at Wheaton College*	7:00 pm
Sat.	8	vs WPI*	2:00 pm
Tue.	11	vs Babson College*	8:00 pm
Thu.	13	vs Trinity College	7:00 pm
Tue.	18	vs MIT*	8:00 pm
Thu.	20	vs Nichols College	7:00 pm
Sat.	22	at Springfield College*	1:00 pm
Tue.	25	at WPI*	7:30 pm
Sat.	29	vs Wheaton College*	2:00 pm

##### February

Tue.	1	at USCGA*	7:00 pm
Sat.	5	at Babson College*	2:00 pm
Tue.	8	vs Springfield College*	7:00 pm
Sat.	12	at MIT*	2:00 pm
Tue.	15	vs Becker College	8:00 pm
Sat.	19	vs USCGA*	3:00 pm
Tue.	22	NEWMAC Championship Quarterfinals	TBA
Fri.	25	NEWMAC Championship Semifinals	TBA
Sat.	26	NEWMAC Championship	TBA

\* NEWMAC Conference Game

#### Players Receive Buffalo State Coles Classic All-Tournament Honors

Junior Tim Dutille and graduate student Adam Miller were named to the Buffalo State Coles Classic All-Tournament Team in the beginning of the season. Dutille led the Cougars with 18 points (8-14 FG, 2-3 FT) and six rebounds in the first game against Buffalo State...Miller grabbed a game-high 15 rebounds. In the consolation game on Saturday, Dutille led the Cougars with an impressive shooting performance, 10-for-14 from the floor and 4-for-5 from the line for a game-high 24 points. He grabbed eight rebounds. Miller recorded his first career double-double with 17 points and a game-high 14 points



*Friends of Clark Men's Basketball has been formed under the umbrella of Friends of Clark Athletics. If you are interested in supporting the men's basketball team and would like more information, please contact Head Coach Mo Cassara*

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