

No. 1-ranked Huskies Too Much for Cougars

April 12, 2008: Huskies show depth as they out-race WSU



The Cougar Varsity 4+ at the beginning of the spring in the Montlake Cut.

SEATTLE, WA – Even with the outpouring of Cougar faithful at the Conibear Shellhouse in Seattle this weekend, the Cougars were unable to hang with the depth of the #1 nationally ranked Husky rowing team. The Cougar Varsity 8+ raced the top Husky Freshman 8+ and the UW 3rd Varsity eight, falling to both crews. The Husky freshman posted a time of 5:42.76 and the 3rd Varsity 5:50.47 while the Cougars posted a time of 6:02.88. “You can see why they are ranked #1 in the nation, ” said Head Coach Arthur Ericsson, “They won the National Championship last year and they didn’t have the depth then that they have now. Our guys raced very well though, so we’re just going to keep trying to get faster.”

In the 2nd Varsity 8+ event, Washington again dominated, with their 4th Varsity winning in a time of 6:13.19 and their 3rd Freshman 8+ placing second with a 6:15.85. The Cougar Lightweights took third with a 6:53.38 and the WSU 2nd Freshman finishing last with a 7:15.07.

The UW 2nd Freshman defeated the WSU top Novice 8+ with a time of 5:40.63 to a 6:08.61.

The Varsity 4+ race was more of the same, with the UW “A” winning with a time of 6:42.52, UW “B” taking second with a 6:47.82 and the WSU V4+ last with a 6:56.38.