

HKUST Rowers venture into new waters - Coastal Rowing

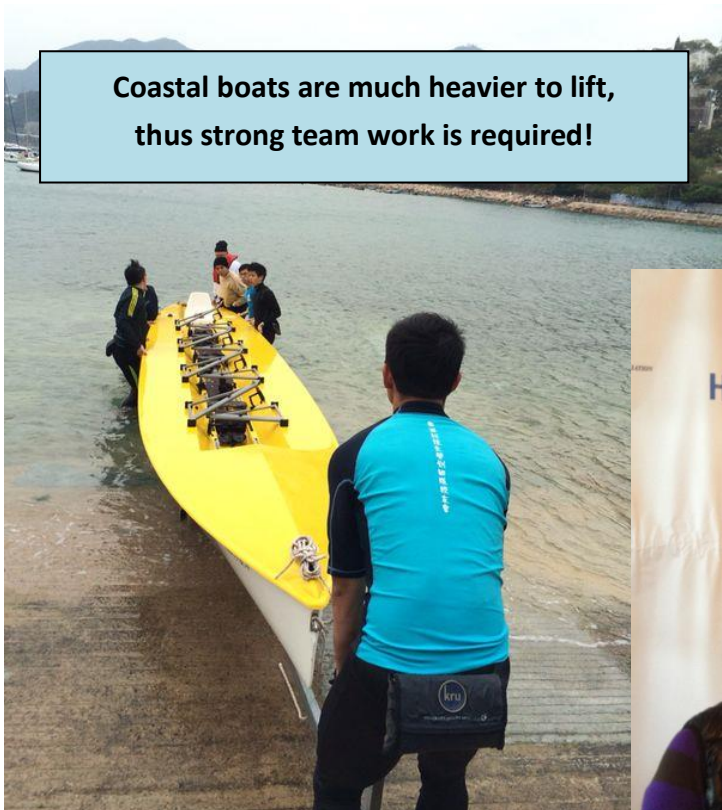
In line with the development of the new HKUST Water Sports Center, the Rowing Club quickly sought to equip them in *coastal rowing*. Twenty-one students and fourteen alumni, who are experienced *flat-water rowers*, have successfully completed the **Coastal Rowing Safety Instructional Workshop** conducted by the **Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club (RHKYC)** at Middle Island in February and March. The workshops, conducted by **Mr. Simon WALPOLE** and **Mr. Martin REYNOLDS**, aimed to educate the participants how to enjoy coastal rowing in a safe manner.

Students and alumni also registered to compete in the **2014 Hong Kong Coastal Rowing Championships** where our Men's 2x Team finished as 1st Runner-up, the first HKUST coastal rowing medal!

As the 2 coastal boats have arrived at HKUST, the Rowing Club members are planning to work with SAO to offer coastal rowing workshops and courses to fellow HKUST students at the seafront. Stay tuned for more details!



Our Men's 4X/+ Team manage a smile before their preliminary round race!
Andrew and Yui (Alumni) with Alex, Chun Man and May



Coastal boats are much heavier to lift, thus strong team work is required!



The hand position for coastal rowing is higher than for flat-water rowing.



Kelvin CHU & Matthew FONG brought home the 1st Runner-up medals in Men's 2X!



Enjoying the amazing scenery is one of the many attractions of coastal rowing.