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**CROSS COUNTRY ALL-AMERICANS**

**WOMEN**

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**MEN**

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Ken Skady 1994 NJCAA Honorable Mention
Joshua Smith 1996 NJCAA Honorable Mention
Erik Russo 1997 NJCAA First Team
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Arthur Entwhistle 1999 NJCAA Academic
Tim Rudd 2000 CCCAA Academic
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Ron Guerard 2006 NJCAA Honorable Mention
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**NATIONAL CHAMPION**

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**2015 TEAM OUTLOOK**

The Community College of Rhode Island cross country team looks forward to team and individual success this season. The group hopes to bring the Knights to the 2015 NJCAA Division III Championship in November.

The squad will welcome back Jared Gruslin (North Smithfield, RI). Gruslin represented CCRI at the 2014 NJCAA DIII Nationals. Britton Laney (Pascoag, RI) will return to the team after sitting out in 2014, but ran for the Knights in 2013. During the 2013 season, Laney represented the Knights at Nationals. Joining the team this year are two freshmen: Kody Sankey (Cumberland, RI) and Ian Fletcher (Lincoln, RI). Both runners competed at their respective high schools for four seasons.

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**Alphabetical roster**

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**2014 SEASON IN REVIEW**

The Knights competed in DIII cross country for the NJCAA in 2014. Runner Ian Anderson (Warwick, RI) led the team; he finished first for the Knights in all regular season meets where he competed. Anderson finished 88th at the NJCAA DIII Nationals – the top spot for the Knights squad. Fellow runners competed at Nationals: Jared Gruslin (North Smithfield, RI) finished 81st and Joe Gareri (Shedgide, MA) finished 90th.

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CCRI students are active participants in campus life and the community. The college offers a varsity athletic program with 12 sports and a diverse selection of student clubs and organizations, including student government. Annually, students, faculty and staff volunteer for a variety of Rhode Island nonprofit organizations, making life better for those less fortunate.

CCRI’s tuition is the most affordable in Rhode Island. A full-time student pays about half, or less, of tuition and fees charged at any other college in the state. According to a recent survey given to exiting students, when asked if they would recommend CCRI to a friend or family member? nearly 99 percent said yes. By preparing students for continued education or to enter the state’s work force, the Community College of Rhode Island provides its students with the opportunity to change their lives and achieve their dreams.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Community College of Rhode Island Department of Athletics, its student-athletes, coaches and support staff represent some of the best of what the college has to offer. Each and every seasonal CCRI student-athlete puts on the Knights uniform, step on to the court, field or track, and compete. They represent the college not only through their performances, but also in spirit. Their accomplishments, based on a commitment to academics and athletics, make us proud.

During the 2014–15 academic year, many student-athletes represented CCRI with distinction at the national level. Several teams were represented at regional, district and national level competitions. These experiences are more than just wins and losses in the record books. They are examples of CCRI student-athletes achieving great things on and off the field. In the classroom, they discover a new subject, a career field and a love of learning. In athletics, they acquire the discipline and commitment it takes to reach their goals. Under the guidance of knowledgeable and caring coaches, they learn the values of camaraderie, commitment to a common goal and how to win or lose with grace.

If you are considering CCRI as a prospective student-athlete, I encourage you to explore what we have to offer academically and athletically. If you’re simply a fan of the college, I encourage you to attend one of our games and cheer on the local team. Go Knights and Lady Knights.

Ray DiPasquale
President

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Athletics is not about winning. Rather, it is about teaching one’s character to the limits. To dig deep when the chips are down and the time on the clock is running out. As Olympic wrestler Dan Gable once said, “Gold medals aren’t really made of gold. They’re made of sweat, determination, and a hard-to-find alloy called guts.”

The Community College of Rhode Island Department of Athletics provides countless opportunities for student-athletes to better themselves and face challenges with strength and resolve. While they are not competing for a gold medal, the lessons they learn being part of a team and competing are a valuable component of their CCRI experience. They are lessons that prepare them to succeed in the classroom, a professional career and beyond. CCRI athletic teams boast a tradition of excellence with nearly 5,400 victories, 213 All-Americans and 819 All-Region selections. During the 2014–15 academic year, several teams reached the playoffs in their sport, representing the college at the regional, district and national levels. The foundation behind those outstanding accomplishments is built on an academic support program and the dedication of CCRI student-athletes to better themselves and face challenges with strength and resolve. While they are not competing for a gold medal, the lessons they learn being part of a team and competing are a valuable component of their CCRI experience. They are lessons that prepare them to succeed in the classroom, a professional career and beyond.

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