

## READY ALL, ROW!

## UVRF raises membership dues for 2024

The UVRF Board of Directors, facing the reality that the current \$150 membership fee does not cover the club's expenses, voted in November to raise the Membership Fee to \$200. Program Chair Martha Beattie's motion included requesting that members add a donation to the General Fund or the Scholarship Fund, when they pay dues. Doug Calvey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Membership applicants may request scholarship aid, as needed.

## New Board will elect 2024 officers

Newly elected Board members Debbie Hannam, Tom Griggs, and Dylan Mroszczyk-McDonald will take their seats in January as Liz Marshall. Ben Bailey, Mickey Elsberg, Heather Shand, and Margie Elsberg depart. Roelof Versteeg will remain on the board, haviing been elected to a second 3-year term. The first order of business at the January 8 Board meeting will be to elect the 2025 officers.



↑ Dan Ruml, right. congratulates Doug Calvey. → Mens Team 8+ members

Lots of good news from the Annual Meeting:

2023 Starzinger Award goes to **Doug Calvey!** 

Oars on Fire Award goes to **Mens Racing Team** 



Doug Calvey, the UVRF Board member who proposed, designed, and oversaw installation of the new Kendal boat racks and pads, was named winner of the 2023 Starzinger Award. ☐ The Men's Team—sweep rowers, coxswains and scullers in all-size boats—were awarded the Oars on Fire Award for their best ever finishes in a season, including the best ever finish at The Head of the Charles. ☐ Committee chairs reported club membership is up along with participation in club programs. ☐ 2024 Programs are being planned in great part because of comments that participants submitted with post-program surveys and as a result of Vision Project insights. Your feedback counts!

## In dungeons & bedrooms, on Zoom or alone, off-season is erg season

Erika Dade leads CReW's erg session in the dungeon. —Susan Brighton photo

CReWbies gather on Saturdays in the Lebanon dungeon and on Zoom, lots of UVRFers participated in Concept 2's Holiday Challenge—helping raise money for their choice of causes the farther they "rowed," Ala and Tyler are coaching an hour-long Zoom session at 6 am three days a week in December, and others do their own erg thing in gyms, bedrooms and basements. Hang in there, rowers. May and rowing on the Connecticut River with bald eagles overhead are only five months off.

Please make a tax-deductible gift to UVRF by December 31, Your generosity will help keep the club financially sound. Every gift, no matter the size, makes an impact.

Donate through Regatta Central or on the <u>UVRF website</u>...or Mail your gift to UVRF, P.O. Box 419, Hanover, NH 03755 to save the online transaction fee