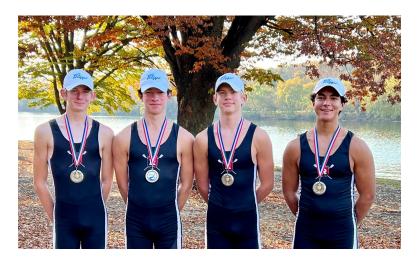


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## <u>Ridgewood Crew Closes Out the Fall Season with a Gold and</u> <u>Four Top Three Finishes at the Hidden River Chase</u>

**November 5, 2023, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania** – Ridgewood Crew took home a gold medal to finish out its 2023 fall regatta season at the Hidden River Chase, a 4,150-meter head course race on the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia. The meet, hosted by the Philadelphia Scholastic Rowing Association, was open to high school athletes from ninth through 12th grade, and attracted 217 entries from 28 clubs.



Ridgewood Crew's Tristan Riedel, Lucas Evers, Sam Scharfenberg, and Will Nasr (left to right) took home the gold in the Boys 1st Junior 4x race at the 2023 Hidden River Chase in Philadelphia, PA. (Photo courtesy of M. Evers)

Junior Lucas Evers, along with freshman Tristan Riedel and sophomore Sam Scharfenberg, led the team with two top-three finishes each on the day. In the Boys 1st Junior 1x race, Evers finished third (15:56), and he joined with Riedel, Scharfenberg, and Will Nasr to take home the gold in the Boys 1st Junior 4x race (13:27).

Scharfenberg and Riedel paired up for the Boys 1st Junior 2x race, coming in third (14:46).



James Ryan finished second in the Boys 2nd Junior 1x race (Photo courtesy of P. Evers)

In the Boys 2nd Junior singles race, James Ryan scored a second place finish(16:41), breaking up a race that was dominated by Malvern Prep, which had its rowers take first, and third through sixth places.

Sunday's performance by Ridgewood Crew was a strong finish to the 2023 head racing season. Across the four regattas this fall season, the team garnered 23 medals, including six golds.

"We are very happy with the results from the fall season. Our young team won a medal in every regatta," said Ridgewood Crew head coach Boris Roque-Alvarez. "The team continues to build experience and will be practicing through the winter in preparation for the Spring season."

The Schuylkill River got its name, meaning "Hidden River", from Dutch settlers. This regatta is named after the Schuylkill river, which is "hidden" by the larger Delaware river.

Full times and results for Ridgewood Crew at the 2023 Hidden River Chase can be found at <u>https://www.regattacentral.com/regatta/results2/?job\_id=8639&org\_id=0</u>.

## Full Ridgewood Crew Results for the 2023 Hidden River Chase:

| Boys 2nd Junior 1x | 2nd | James Ryan                      |
|--------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
|                    | 8th | Paul Hallowell                  |
|                    |     |                                 |
| Boys 1st Junior 1x | 3rd | Lucas Evers                     |
|                    | 5th | Will Nasr                       |
|                    | 4.1 |                                 |
| Boys 2nd Junior 2x | 4th | Gryphon Smith/James Ryan        |
| Boys 1st Junior 2x | 3rd | Sam Scharfenberg/Tristan Riedel |

|                       | 11th | Luciano Saladino/John Aguilar                               |
|-----------------------|------|---|
|                       | 12th | Paul Hallowell/Matt Moomjy                                  |
| Boys Junior Novice 4x | 10th | Atticus Smith/Chris Liang/Joshua Reynolds/Jason Lee         |
| Boys 2nd Junior 4x    | 4th  | Matt Moomjy/Paul Hallowell/Luciano Saladino/John<br>Aguilar |
|                       |      |   |
| Boys 1st Junior 4x    | 1st  | Will Nasr/Sam Scharfenberg/Lucas Evers/Tristan Riedel       |

## About Ridgewood Crew

In the program's 20-year history, Ridgewood Crew rowers have competed and excelled in both national and international competitions and its athletes have attracted interest from top rowing colleges and universities around the country. Ridgewood Crew offers several ways for you to experience our mission: join the team, volunteer, or donate. Student athlete programs begin with Learn-To-Row for middle schoolers. For more information contact Ridgewood Crew at <a href="http://www.ridgewoodcrew.com">http://www.ridgewoodcrew.com</a>.