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## MEN'S TENNIS

4-5, 2-1 LEC

## WHAT'S NEXT ?

*Head Coach: Eric Berg*

### AL-SABBAGH NAMED LEC ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

**Ali Al-Sabbagh (West Roxbury, MA)** earned the honor for his performance during the week of April 7-13.

Al-Sabbagh posted a combined record of 4-2 in three matches on the week, including a 2-1 mark at fourth singles and a 2-1 record at number three doubles. The junior lost just five games in his two singles wins.

**Streakin' Beacons** The Beacons have shined since having their full line-up intact, winning four straight matches, including all three from last week.

UMass Boston edged out Bridgewater State, 5-4, to improve its Little East Conference mark to 2-1 and routed Lyndon State, 8-1, the following day, before defeating Suffolk the next night, 6-2.

Junior **Jovan Jordan-Whitter (Hamilton, Bermuda)** was a perfect

combined 6-0 with a 3-0 record at both number one singles and doubles play. He was pushed to three sets in a 6-1, 4-6, 6-3 win over Bridgewater State, but cruised with a 6-1, 6-0 victory over Lyndon State and a 6-3, 6-3 triumph

against Suffolk. He teamed with junior **Paul Braude (West Yarmouth, MA)** to take an 8-3 win over Bridgewater, while defeating Lyndon State, 8-1, and Suffolk, 8-2. Braude dropped just one match all week, going 5-1, including 3-0 in doubles play. He didn't drop a game in a 6-0, 6-0 win in second singles vs. Lyndon State and beat his Suffolk opponent, 7-5, 2-6, 6-2. Graduate student **Matthias Busch (Bonn, Germany)** enjoyed a successful week with a combined 3-2 mark, including a 2-1 record in singles play.

He took his match at number three singles vs. Lyndon State, 6-0, 6-2 and his match vs. Suffolk, 6-3, 6-3. He split his doubles matches, earning an 8-1 win against Lyndon State with partner junior **Amit Kumar (Bangalore, India)**. Kumar followed with the theme of his teammates, posting a 3-2 combined mark, including a 2-1 singles record at number five. He dropped just two games in a 6-1, 6-1 win vs. Lyndon State and came back to defeat his Suffolk foe, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4. Junior **Ali Al-Sabbagh (West Roxbury, MA)** earned a 4-2 combined record, going 2-1 in both singles and doubles play for the week. He dropped just five games in his two singles wins with a 6-1, 6-4 win vs. Bridgewater State and a 6-0, 6-0 blanking of his Lyndon State foe. He teamed with freshman **Reinaldo Lopes (Brussels, Belgium)** to beat Bridgewater State, 8-6, and hooked up with sophomore **C. Albert Thompson (Compton, CA)** to take down Lyndon State, 8-3. Lopes registered a 3-1 combined record, including a perfect 2-0 singles record at number six. He posted the biggest point of the week for the Beacons, staving off a match point to come back and beat his Bridgewater State opponent, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5 to give UMB a 5-4 win over the Bears. He had an easier time with his Suffolk rival, downing him in straight sets, 6-2, 6-2.

April  
15 SALEMSTATE 3:30pm  
19 at Mass Dartmouth 1pm

## WHAT HAPPENED ?

April  
8 BRIDGEWATERST. 5-4W  
9 LYNDONSTATE 8-1 W  
10 at Suffolk 6-2 W  
12 at R.I. College PPD



Photo by AJ Rourke

Junior, Jovan Jordan-Whitter



**SOFTBALL**

3-16, 0-4 LEC

*Head Coach: Natalia Ardagna*

**WHAT'S NEXT ?**

## THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



**Casey Albert  
Thompson**  
Tennis

**Birthday:** 19/03/1985

**Hometown:** Compton, CA

**Year:** Sophomore

**Major:** Computer Science and Mathematics

**Nickname:** C. Albert

**What do you like most about UMass Boston?** The Women

**Favorite place on campus?** BC High Tennis Courts

**Favorite sports team?** Philadelphia Eagles

**Favorite athlete?** Mark Spitz

**Something most people don't know about you?** I have 4 Brothers and 7 Sisters

**Favorite vacation spot?** My brother and sister's houses.

**What accomplishment are you most proud of in your sport?** Most improved player all throughout High School

**Favorite holiday?** Halloween. All the Candy Duh.

**Would you rather live in a log cabin or downtown?** Log cabin for summer and

Downtown the rest of the year

**Do you have any pets?** Fish, perpetual.

**Favorite movies?** The notebook it's all about the ladies.

**Favorite artist or band?** Sublime

**Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up?** Pachelbel's Canon

**Pepsi or Coke?** Pepsi

**Favorite cereal?** Lucky Charms

**Favorite city?** Castrovillari, Cosenza, Italy

**Favorite ice cream?** Chocolate brownie peanutbutter

**How many foreign countries have you been to?** Italy, France, Mexico

**If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain?** Gallons of ice cream

**Favorite Sesame Street character?** oscar the grouch

**Morning or Night?** Morning

**Favorite Season?** Winter

**Favorite Saved by the Bell character?** Jessie

## Showing Glimpses of What Could Be

Junior pitcher **Courtney Haroules (Littleton, MA)** went 5-6 with a double and two runs batted in, while striking out 21 batters and allowing just five hits in 11 innings to lead the Beacons in a doubleheader split with Newbury College, winning the first game, 13-5, before falling in the nightcap, 8-4.

The first game was halted after five innings of play, due to the eight-run mercy rule, while the second contest was called after six complete innings, due to darkness. Haroules allowed five runs on just one hit and 11 walks, while striking out nine batters in the first game to earn her first victory of the season for UMass Boston. The Beacons erased a 5-1 deficit with a seven-run third inning to take an 8-5 lead, highlighted by RBI doubles by junior right fielder **Lauren O'Connor (Everett, MA)**, Haroules and freshman second baseman **Leigh Hammontree (Westport, MA)** as well as a run-scoring single off the bat of junior center fielder **Jenn Widener (Hyde Park, MA)**. UMass Boston put the game away in the bottom of the fifth inning with five more runs to make it 13-5, capped by a two-run double to left field by O'Connor. Junior third baseman **Brittainy Knight (Buxton, ME)** and freshman left fielder **Kristine Faffley (Westmoreland, NY)** also contributed with an RBI double and single, respectively. Newbury put up two runs in the first frame, before the Beacons cut the deficit in half when Widener smacked a two-out single up the middle to score Haroules, who had led off with a single to open the inning. The Nighthawks increased their lead to 5-1 in the top of the third with three more runs.

The Nighthawks scored the first three runs of game two in the first inning, before the Beacons got a run back in the bottom of the second when Haroules led off with a single and later scored on an illegal pitch to make it 3-1, but Newbury scored two more runs in the third frame to take a 5-1 advantage. UMass Boston closed to within a run with three runs in the bottom of the inning when Widener drew a walk to open the frame and came around to score on an inside-the-park home run to deep center field by Faffley for her first career homer. Freshman shortstop **Alexandria Quinn (Brockton, MA)** followed with an infield single to third, stole second base, moved to third on a ground out and scored on a Haroules ground out to pull the Beacons to within 5-4. The Nighthawks increased their lead to 6-4 in the fifth and added two more runs in the sixth to take an 8-4 advantage, before the game was called. Haroules rung up a career-high 12 strikeouts in six innings in addition to allowing eight runs (seven earned) on four hits and seven bases on balls. Hammontree and Quinn each collected four hits on the day for UMB, including three doubles and an RBI for Hammontree.

The Beacons bats were silenced later in the week by Brandeis in a pair of losses, 14-0 and 9-0. Haroules and Widener each collected singles for UMass Boston in the first game, while Widener and Knight each singled for the Beacons in game two.

UMass Boston was down 15-0 to Rhode Island College, before sophomore shortstop **Maria Nasta (Andover, MA)** hit her second home run of the season to make it 15-2. The Beacons erased a 1-0 deficit in game two when Nasta led off the third inning and scored on a Faffley triple. Faffley later scored on a Widener ground out to take a 2-1 edge. The Anchorwomen matched UMB with a pair of runs in the bottom of the inning and scored six more times in the fourth inning to take a 9-2 lead. Widener worked a one-out walk in the fifth inning and later moved to third base on a wild pitch and passed ball, before scoring on a Haroules ground out to cut the deficit to 9-3. Rhode Island College tacked on two more runs in the bottom of the inning to enact the eight-run mercy rule to end the contest.

**April**  
15 at S. Maine (DH) 3:30pm  
17 at Lesley (DH) 3pm  
19 W. CONN. ST. (DH) 1pm

**WHAT HAPPENED ?**

**April**  
8 NEWBURY 13-5 W, 4-8 L  
10 BRANDEIS 0-14 L, 0-9 L  
11 at R.I. Col. 2-15L, 3-11L



Photo by AJ Rourke

Junior, Courtney Haroules



# BASEBALL

11-14, 3-3 LEC

*Head Coach: Brendan Eygabroat*

## WHAT'S NEXT ?

**Lights Out...wait, not yet** UMass Boston was 2-2 on the week, including a game that began just after 8:00 p.m. and ended at midnight, whether the players wanted it to or not.

Senior pitcher **Mike Dorval (Belchertown, MA)** allowed just two runs over seven innings and freshman catcher **Timothy Fontaine (Worcester, MA)** collected

two hits and drove in three runs to lead UMB over host Fisher College, 7-2, in a contest that was played at Boston English High School. The game began at 8:15 p.m. and ended at midnight when the lights went out as mandated by the city of Boston. The contest was interrupted two other times during the game due to the lights going out. The first coming at 8:30 p.m. and lasting for approximately 30 minutes and the second coming at 10:45 p.m. and lasting for 15 minutes. The Beacons' bats were hot right from the start as junior left fielder **Ryan Oshima (La Jolla, CA)** led off the game with a single to right field and was followed by another single from junior right fielder **Tom Michael (Manchester, MA)**. UMass Boston put both runners in scoring position following a double steal to set up a run-scoring single off the bat of Fontaine that plated Oshima and sent Michael to third. Junior designated hitter **Eric Salvador (Middleboro, MA)** continued the offensive trend with an RBI single of his own to bring home Michael and advance Fontaine to third. Following two outs, junior first baseman **Danny Arenas (Fort Lauderdale, FL)** drew a walk and sophomore third baseman **G.P. O'Kane (Easton, MA)** followed suit with a bases on balls of his own to force in Fontaine with the Beacons' fourth run of the inning. The Falcons looked poised to put up a big inning in the bottom of the fourth when they loaded the bases with no outs and the next hitter followed by hitting a ball up the middle that looked ticketed for center field, but UMB freshman shortstop **Ryan Walsh (Newton, MA)** made a diving stop, ranging to his left to cut the ball off, gloved it and flipped to second from his knees to start a 6-4-3 double play that scored a run for Fisher, but minimized any potential damage as UMass Boston escaped without further trouble. The Falcons added another run in the fifth to pull them to within 4-2, but the Beacons increased their lead to 6-2 in the sixth with a pair of runs after O'Kane was hit in the head with a pitch, advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt and went to third on a bunt single down the third base line from Oshima. Oshima then stole second base to put two runners in scoring position for Fontaine, who delivered with a two-out booming double to center field to knock in both runners. UMass Boston tacked on an insurance run in the seventh when junior second baseman **Casey Rice (Canandaigua, NY)** worked a walk to open the frame, stole second base and took advantage of a pair of wild pitches to scamper home to give the Beacons a 7-2 lead. It would be the last run of the game as Dorval allowed just one single in the bottom of the seventh to complete the inning. UMass Boston began the top of the eighth at the plate, but was kept from going any further when the clock struck midnight and the lights went out. Dorval allowed eight hits and a walk, while striking out three to earn his first victory of the season for the Beacons. Fontaine's double was the only extra base hit of the night and Oshima finished with two hits, two runs scored and a pair of stolen bases to help pace UMass Boston.

The Beacons edged Framingham State, earlier in the week, 8-7. Walsh gave them the winning margin over the visiting Rams with a run-scoring single with two outs in the ninth inning. Salvador opened the ninth inning with a single for UMass Boston and, following a pair of fly outs, advanced to second base when Arenas was hit by a pitch to set up Walsh's game-winning base knock. Framingham State took an early 3-0 lead with three runs in the top of the first and tacked on another run in the fifth inning for a 4-0 FSC margin. The Beacons answered with five runs in the bottom of the frame when Michael led off with a walk and advanced to third when sophomore left fielder **Drew Tambling (Sterling, MA)** reached on an error. Oshima plated both runners with a double to cut the deficit in half at 4-2. Following an out, Salvador drove in Oshima with a double of his own and then scored when Dorval followed with a triple to knot the game at 4-4. Rice then put UMB on top with a single to plate Dorval for a 5-4 edge. UMass Boston added single runs in the sixth and eighth innings when Oshima knocked in a run with a single in the sixth and brought home another with a squeeze bunt in the eighth to increase the Beacons' lead to 7-4. Framingham State came back with three runs in the top of the ninth to tie the game at 7-7, before UMass Boston won it in the bottom of the frame. Junior right-hander **Anthony Lauretto (Pembroke, MA)** earned the victory for the Beacons, going an inning and a third and allowing three runs (one earned) on two hits and a walk, while striking out four to claim his first collegiate win. Freshman reliever **Mike Cain (Gloucester, MA)** also

contributed, pitching around five walks and two hits to throw two and two-thirds innings of scoreless ball in addition to fanning a pair of batters. Oshima finished the day, going 2-4 with a season-high four RBI for UMB, while Salvador collected three hits, including a pair of doubles in addition to an RBI.

UMass Boston was unable to carry its winning ways from the week into the weekend, dropping a pair of conference games at Rhode Island College, 7-0 and 3-2. The Anchormen scored five runs in the first four innings of game one and added single runs in the eighth and ninth innings of a contest that was played in Providence, but was treated as a Beacons' home game, due to it being relocated from UMass Boston's home field, due to the weather. Michael led the Beacons with two of their five hits on the day. Cain proved to be a bright spot out of the bullpen, throwing four innings and allowing one unearned run on three hits and two walks, while fanning three batters. UMass Boston looked to rebound in game two of the twin bill as Michael reached on a one-out error in the bottom of the first and stole second base, where, after an out, was knocked in with a two-out single to right field by Salvador to tie the score at 1-1. Rhode Island College reclaimed the lead with a run in the second inning, but Michael drew a leadoff walk and later scored on a Salvador single combined with an error to knot the game at 2-2, before the Anchormen won it in the eighth with a homer that just cleared the fence. Sophomore left-hander turned in a strong outing, going nine complete innings, allowing two earned runs on five hits and four walks, while striking out six.

**April**  
 16 at Babson 3:30pm  
 17 at E. Nazarene 3:30pm  
 19 at Keene St. (DH) Noon

## WHAT HAPPENED ?

**April**  
 8 FRAMINGHAMST. 8-7 W  
 10 at Fisher 7-2 W  
 13 R.I. COL. 0-7 L, 2-3 L  
 13 SO. MAINE PPD



Junior, Eric Salvador

Photo by AJ Rourke



## MEN'S LACROSSE

2-7, 1-3 LEC

*Head Coach: Matt Rowley*

### WHAT'S NEXT ?

**Second Half Woes** If not for second half comebacks by MIT and Plymouth State, the Beacons looked pretty good to go undefeated last week.

MIT scored with 1:44 left in overtime to give it an 8-7 win on April 8. Senior midfielder **Nick Thomo (Brookfield, MA)** found the back of the net with 4:37 left to play in regulation to give UMass Boston a 7-4 lead, but MIT netted the final three goals of the fourth quarter, including the seventh of the game with 16 seconds left to send the contest into overtime. The Beacons scored the first three goals of the match, which were also the only three tallies of the first half, to take a 3-0 margin. Freshman midfielder **Jared Kinch (Cohasset, MA)** opened the scoring at the 9:59 mark of the first quarter and gave UMB a 3-0 lead with 2:26 left in the first half with his second goal of the day. Junior attackman **Peter Kovach (Cohasset, MA)** registered the second goal of the first half at 6:57 of the second quarter for UMass Boston. The Engineers' first goal of the afternoon came at 13:46 of the third quarter, but freshman attackman **John Canty (Milton, MA)** countered for the Beacons at 9:30 with a man-up goal to give them a 4-1 lead. MIT cut the deficit in half with a score just 58 seconds later, but UMass Boston came back with two more goals, courtesy of Thomo at 6:12 of the third period and sophomore middle **Justin Mahoney (Scituate, MA)**, who found the back of the net just 40 seconds later to give the Beacons a 6-2 advantage. The Engineers beat the clock with just 10 seconds left in the third quarter and made it a two-goal game with the first goal of the fourth quarter at 11:47 to put the score at 6-4, before Thomo scored UMass Boston's final goal. Sophomore goalie **Aaron Pollock (Belmont, MA)** stopped 11 shots for the Beacons, who were outshot, 33-19. Kinch added an assist to his day for UMB, as did Canty, while sophomore attackman **Johnny Ruiz (Longmeadow, MA)** came up with two helpers.

UMass Boston earned its first win in conference play with a 9-6 road victory over Southern Maine on April 10. Canty netted UMB's first four goals and opened the scoring with a goal at 8:31 of the first quarter, but the Huskies answered at 7:02 and took a 2-1 edge with 2:57 left in the opening quarter. Canty tied the game just 33 seconds later and gave the Beacons a 3-2 margin with a man-up goal at 1:21 of the first quarter, before Southern Maine knotted the contest just 12 seconds later at 3-3. Canty and Thomo netted the first two goals of the second quarter for a 5-3 UMB lead, but the Huskies responded with a goal at 2:38 of the second period and 11:23 of the third quarter to pull even at 5-5. The Beacons took over the remainder of the game, outscoring Southern Maine, 4-1, thanks to goals from Thomo and Canty for a 7-5 lead. The Huskies came within 7-6 with a goal at 3:51 of the third quarter, but Ruiz added an insurance goal at the 11:59 mark of the final quarter and Canty scored with just two seconds left on a man-up situation to set the final score at 9-6. Ruiz added an assist to his goal, while Kinch registered a pair of assists. Mahoney picked up six ground balls to lead UMB.

Plymouth State netted the last seven goals of the match, including three in a span of 33 seconds in the first 47 seconds of the second half to knot the contest at 5-5, while holding UMass Boston scoreless for the final 36:17 of play. The Panthers scored just 14 seconds into the third quarter to cut the deficit to 5-3 and won the ensuing face-off and went straight for the goal to score just 11 seconds later to pull them within 5-4 at 14:35 of the third period. Plymouth State took advantage of the Beacons being down two men and tied the match at 5-5, just 22 seconds later at 14:13. The Panthers made the most of another extra-man opportunity when they found the back of the net at 12:28 of the third quarter and scored again with a man-advantage with 8:23 left in the contest to give them a 7-5 margin. Plymouth State capped the scoring just 52 seconds later for an 8-5 lead. UMass Boston controlled the first half as sophomore attackman **Dale Nunn (Hillsborough, NJ)** put the Beacons on the board with 11:01 left in the first quarter, before the Panthers tied the score at 1-1 with three minutes left in the opening quarter. Ruiz found the back of the net 70 seconds later to give UMass Boston a 2-1 edge. Junior middle **Bobby Cusack (Braintree, MA)** increased the UMB lead to 3-1 with a man-down goal at 13:05 of the second quarter and Ruiz struck for his second tally just 37 seconds later to make it 4-1 in favor of the home squad. Canty ripped home the Beacons' fifth goal of the day with 6:17 to go in the first half to give them a commanding 5-1 lead, before Plymouth State turned the tide. The Panthers netted their lone goal of the second quarter at 5:29 to cut into the deficit and make it 5-2. Pollock stopped 17 shots for UMass Boston.

## M & W OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD

*Head Coach: Pershing Reid*

### WHAT'S NEXT ?

**Undermined by Rain** UMass Boston men's and women's outdoor track and field looked poised to win the Corsair Classic Invitational, until the rain cancelled the squad's strongest events, but the men still managed a second-place showing, while the women finished fifth.

Freshman **Matt Muolo (Stoneham, MA)** continued his excellence with a first place showing in the shot put with a heave of 12.69 meters, while sophomore **David York (Andover, MA)** placed third with a toss of 11.29 meters. Senior **Mike Leavitt (Brockton, MA)** finished second in the 3000 meter steeplechase with a time of 11:02.01, while freshman **T. Elliot Barraford (Barnstead, NH)** registered a leap of 5.69 meters to finish fourth in the long jump. Junior **Joseph Mombeleur (Brockton, MA)** posted a mark of 11.70 meters to take third in the triple jump.

Senior **Tara Sweeney (Lake Havasu City, AZ)** came in second in the 1500 meters with a time of 5:11.69, while junior **Mariama Njie (Bakau New Town, The Gambia)** finished sixth in the 100 meters with a time of 14.07. Junior **Jessica Sams (Bellingham, MA)** led in the field events with a heave of 9.73 meters to place third in the shot put.

April  
17 WENTWORTH 3pm  
19 W. CONN. STATE 1pm

### WHAT HAPPENED ?

April  
8 MIT 7-8 L  
10 at So. Maine 9-6 W  
12 PLYMOUTH ST. 5-8 L

### CANTY NAMED LITTLE EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK AGAIN

**John Canty (Milton, MA)** earned the honor for the third straight week for his performance during the week of April 7-13.

The freshman averaged 3.7 points per game with 11 points, including eight goals for an average of 2.7 per contest and three assists in three outings. The attackman registered at least two points and a goal in all three games, including five man-up tallies and a game-winning

April  
19 at MIT Invitational 9am

### WHAT HAPPENED ?

April  
12 at Corsair Classic Invit.