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BASEBALL

9-12, 3-1 LEC

Head Coach: Brendan Eygabroat

WHAT'S NEXT ?

First to 200 The Beacons were 1-2 during the week in non-conference action, but pulled out an impressive victory in Willimantic, CT in the game of a twinbill to gain a double-header split with Eastern Connecticut State.

Senior right-hander **Nick Conway (Methuen, MA)** improved to 3-1 on the season with a complete-game 3-2 victory over Eastern, while allowing two unearned runs on four hits and four walks in addition to six strikeouts. Conway struck out the second batter he faced in the seventh inning for his fourth of the outing to become the first pitcher in school history to reach 200 for his career. He went on to register two more strikeouts as well. UMass Boston scored the winning run in the eighth inning when junior designated hitter **Eric Salvador (Middleboro, MA)** was plunked by a pitch to lead off the frame and sophomore **Matthew Riech (Hauppauge, NY)** pinch ran and stole second base and later moved to third on a ground out. Sophomore first baseman **Danny Arenas (Fort Lauderdale, FL)** was intentionally walked and pinch run for with freshman **Nicholas Martin (Mattapoisett, MA)**, who stole second base, allowing Riech to score on a throwing error by the catcher. The Beacons took advantage of an error in the first inning to take a 1-0 lead, before the Warriors scored single runs in the first and second innings to take a 2-1 edge. Junior right fielder **Tom Michael (Manchester, NH)** cracked a one-out single to right field and later scored on a double down the left field line by Salvador to knot the game at 2-2, before UMB won it.

Eastern Connecticut returned the favor with a 3-2 win of its own in game two. The Warriors scored twice in the first and tacked on a third run in the third before the Beacons got one back on a run-scoring single by junior second baseman **Ryan Oshima (La Jolla, CA)** in the fifth inning to make it 3-1. UMass Boston added another run in the sixth, but that would be all it would get. Sophomore lefty **Mike Andriano (Massapequa, NY)** turned in a strong outing on the mound, going seven innings and allowing three runs on nine hits and a walk, while fanning three batters.

The Beacons didn't begin the week as well, though, with back-to-back lopsided losses. UMass Boston fell at Salem State, 15-3, on April 1, despite getting two hits from junior center fielder **Jake Chastain (Northfield, MA)**. UMB was beaten at Bridgewater State the following day, 19-4. Freshman designated hitter **Timothy Fontaine (Worcester, MA)** and Salvador each had great days with Fontaine going 3-4 with a double, an RBI and two runs scored, while Salvador collected three hits, including a pair of doubles and added an RBI and a run.

UMass Boston defeated Worcester State on Thursday, 10-6, thanks to a couple of big innings, scoring six times in the third inning to take a 6-0 lead and three more in the fifth to increase its lead to 9-1. A two-run double to left field by Arenas and a two-run single up the middle by freshman shortstop **Ryan Walsh (Newton, MA)** in addition to a run-scoring single to right field by Oshima provided the third-inning offense. Walsh led off the fifth with a single and later advanced to third on a single to right field by junior left fielder **Charlie Peters (Burbank, CA)**, before Oshima doubled to right center to plate Walsh. Michael later drove in Peters and Oshima with a two-out single through the left side. Worcester State got four runs back in the bottom of the fifth to cut the deficit to 9-5, but Walsh sent a solo homer over the left field fence for his third hit of the day to give UMB a 10-6 lead. Freshman righty **Mike Cain (Gloucester, MA)** picked up his fourth win of the season with four and a third innings of relief, allowing just one run on four hits and a walk.

April
8 FRAMINGHAM ST. 7pm
10 at Fisher 7pm
12 R.I. COL. (DH) 12pm
13 SO. MAINE 1pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

April
1 at Salem State 3-15 L
2 at Bridgewater St. 4-19 L
3 at Worcester St. 10-6 W
6 at E. CT St. 3-2 W, 2-3 L



CANTY NAMED LITTLE EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK AGAIN

John Canty (Milton, MA) earned the honor for his performance during the week of March 31 to April 6.

The freshman averaged 2.0 points per game with six points on five goals and an assist in three contests, while racking up eight ground balls for an average of 2.7 per game. The attackman also owned a .357 shooting percentage and netted a man-up goal as well.

Almost There The Beacons lost a pair of tough matches last week and looked to be within range of victory, but just fell short in the end. UMass Boston fell to Little East Conference rival UMass Dartmouth on April 1, 10-7, and at Salve Regina, 8-6, two days later. The Beacons were soundly defeated at nationally-ranked Keene State College, 17-3, in a conference match on Saturday.

8	MIT	4pm
10	at Southern Maine	4pm
12	PLYMOUTH STATE	1pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

1	UMASS DARTMOUTH	7-10 L
3	at Salve Regina	6-8 L
5	at Keene State	3-17 L

THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Amanda Marie Cianciulli
Softball & Ice Hockey

- Birthday:** 2/21/88
- Hometown:** Billerica, MA
- Year:** Sophomore
- Major:** EHS
- Nickname:** Chinch
- What do you like most about UMass Boston?** Sports + Social Life
- Favorite place on campus?** Clark or Campus Center
- Favorite sports team?** Pats + Sox
- Favorite athlete?** Ray Bourque
- Something most people don't know about you?** I used to dance + cheerlead
- Favorite vacation spot?** my house on Lake Winnesquam
- Favorite holiday?** cinco de Mayo
- Would you rather live in a log cabin or downtown?** log cabin...city is too expensive
- Do you have any pets?** yes...2 cats, a bird + soon to get a ball python
- Favorite movies?** Mystery Alaska, Surf's Up + the departed
- Favorite artist or band?** The Spill Canvas, Carrie Underwood, Kenny Chesney, Keith Urban
- Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up?** Thunderstruck
- What bones have you broken?** ankle, wrist, finger + toe
- Pepsi or Coke?** Pepsi
- Favorite cereal?** Fruity Pebbles
- Favorite city?** Boston + Pittsburgh
- Favorite ice cream?** Purple Cow
- How many foreign countries have you been to?** 6
- If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain?** money
- Favorite Sesame Street character?** oscar the grouch
- Morning or Night?** Night
- Favorite Season?** Winter

stanza at the 4:47 mark and another at 2:29 to give them a 3-1 lead, before junior defender **Matt Dunn (Milton, MA)** moved up the field and found sophomore midfielder **Dale Nunn (Hillsborough, NJ)** for a score just 38 seconds later to pull UMB to within 3-2 before the intermission. UMass Dartmouth created some breathing room with three straight goals, including two in a span of 41 seconds to open the third quarter's scoring, at 10:45 and 10:04. The Corsairs took a 6-2 lead at the 7:23 mark, but the Beacons stopped the momentum when Nunn took a feed from freshman midfielder **Jared Kinch (Cohasset, MA)** and ripped a goal just 16 seconds later to cut the deficit to 6-3. UMass Dartmouth got the goal back at 4:42 of the third, but UMass Boston came back with two goals in the next 1:45 when senior midfielder **Nick Thomo (Brookfield, MA)** and sophomore middle **Johnny Ruiz (Longmeadow, MA)** tallied unassisted goals to make it 7-5 with 2:57 showing in the third quarter. The Corsairs scored with 1:59 to go in the third period for an 8-5 lead heading into the final quarter. Thomo kept the Beacons within striking distance with his second goal at 6:52 of the fourth quarter to cut the margin to 8-6, but UMass Dartmouth scored at 5:11 and again just 34 seconds later to extend the UMD advantage to 10-6, before Ruiz capped the afternoon's scoring with his second goal for UMass Boston at 2:41 of the final quarter. Sophomore goalie **Aaron Pollock (Belmont, MA)** stopped 10 shots for the Beacons.

UMass Boston's match at Salve Regina resembled somewhat of a rollercoaster with the Seahawks taking a 2-0 lead before Nunn scored just two seconds after Salve Regina's second goal to cut the deficit in half. It would be the start of four unanswered goals for the Beacons as Canty netted a pair of goals to bookend a Kinch goal to give UMass Boston a 4-2 lead with 11:17 left in the second quarter. The Seahawks registered the last goal before the intermission to pull to within 4-3, but Canty took advantage of a man-up situation and scored his third goal of the day to increase the Beacons' lead to 5-3 with 11:53 to go in the third period. Salve Regina cut the margin to one again with the only other goal in the third quarter coming at 4:46 and then went on to score the first four goals of the final quarter, in a span of 3:13, to take an 8-5 lead with 7:33 remaining in the contest. Kinch netted his second goal of the game for UMB just 21 seconds later to bring the Beacons to within 8-6, but that would be the final goal for either squad. Pollock turned away 19 shots for UMass Boston.

The Beacons had their hands full at Keene State, the 18th-ranked team in the nation, as the Owls netted the first seven goals of the match, before Thomo put UMass Boston on the board at 5:43 of the second quarter. Keene State scored four more times to take an 11-1 advantage, but Canty interrupted the Owls' offensive surge with a goal with 2:11 to go in the third period. Keene State reeled off six more goals, before Kinch capped the afternoon's scoring for the Beacons with just 31 seconds left. Pollock registered a season-high 26 saves on the day.



MEN'S TENNIS

1-5, 1-1 LEC

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Head Coach: Eric Berg

In the Win Column The Beacons have only been able to field their entire lineup twice this season and one of those times came in their 5-2 victory over Little East Conference foe Southern Maine on Sunday. It was UMass Boston's first win over the Huskies since April 14, 2001. The Beacons were defeated at Eastern Nazarene, 6-3, on April 3.

UMass Boston was led by junior **Ali Al-Sabbagh (West Roxbury, MA)**, who helped the Beacons picked up two match points with a 6-3, 6-2 win at third singles and an 8-2 victory at number three doubles with partner **Reinaldo Lopes (Brussels, Belgium)**. Lopes was also a singles winner at number six, grinding out a 6-3, 4-6, 10-6 outcome. Junior **Jovan Jordan-Whitter (Hamilton, Bermuda)** picked up the other singles point with a 6-3, 6-1 win at first singles and junior **Amit Kumar (Bangalore, India)** teamed with graduate student **Matthias Busch (Bonn, Germany)** to take number two doubles, 8-4, to win their third straight doubles match.

Jordan-Whitter led UMass Boston at Eastern Nazarene with an easy singles win at number one, 6-0, 6-0 and cruised at first doubles with junior **Paul Braude (West Yarmouth, MA)**, 8-0. Kumar and Busch collected the team's other point for the match with an 8-4 win at second doubles.

JORDAN-WHITTER NAMED LEC PLAYER OF THE WEEK AGAIN

Jovan Jordan-Whitter (Hamilton, Bermuda) earned the honor for his performance during the week of March 30 to April 6.

Jordan-Whitter posted a combined 3-1 record in two matches on the week, including a perfect 2-0 mark at number one singles. The junior dropped just four games in two singles matches and helped UMB to its first win over Southern Maine in seven years.



Junior, Amit Kumar

Photo by A.J. Rourke

M & W OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD

Head Coach: Pershing Reid

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Resting Up UMass Boston men's and women's outdoor track and field did not compete last week, but will be back in action this weekend when they compete in the UMass Dartmouth Invitational on Saturday.

April
12 at Mass Dartmouth Invit.

WHAT HAPPENED ?

April
No Meet



SOFTBALL

2-13, 0-2 LEC

Head Coach: Natalia Ardagna

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Things Are Looking Up The Beacons came away with another win last week, splitting a double-header with Mount Ida College after hanging on to win the second game, 11-10. UMass Boston fell in the first game, 18-9 and was defeated by Lasell College the day before, 7-1. The Beacons were a victim to the weather at the end of last week, forcing a postponement of their Little

East Conference doubleheader with UMass Dartmouth to April 20 in North Dartmouth.

UMass Boston allowed runs in the first four innings at Lasell, before sophomore second baseman **Maria Nasta (Andover, MA)** led off the top of the fifth inning with a home run in her first collegiate game to cut the margin to 5-1. The Lasers tacked on two more insurance runs in the bottom of the sixth to secure the victory. Junior right fielder **Lauren O'Connor (Everett, MA)** paced the UMB offense with three hits, including a double.

O'Connor continued to swing a hot bat vs. Mount Ida, collecting five hits, including a double and three triples, while driving in seven runs to lead the Beacons. The Mustangs took advantage of 13 walks and collected eight hits to score 18 runs in the first game with UMass Boston. The Mustangs scored three runs in the first inning, before the Beacons came back to knot the score in the bottom of the inning, thanks to a two-run triple to right field by O'Connor and a run-scoring single to right field by junior pitcher **Courtney Haroules (Littleton, MA)**. Mount Ida put six runs on the board in the second inning, to take a 9-3 advantage, but UMass Boston scored four times in the bottom of the frame to make it 9-7. Freshman center fielder **Leigh Hammontree (Westport, MA)** provided the big blow in the inning for UMB with a three-run double to center field. The Mustangs increased their lead to 11-7 in the third and put the game away with a seven-run fourth to take an 18-7 lead. The Beacons rallied for two runs in the bottom of the inning when freshman shortstop **Alexandria Quinn (Brockton, MA)** beat out a one-out infield single and came around to score on O'Connor's second triple of the game. Hammontree plated O'Connor with a single to center field, but that would be all the scoring for game one.

The Beacons made the most of a four-base error in the sixth inning of the second game when junior third baseman **Brittany Knight (Buxton, ME)** reached first on a throwing error by the third baseman and just kept on going when the errant throw ricocheted far enough to give her time to circle the bases and give UMass Boston an 11-7 lead. The run proved to be an important one as Mount Ida came back with three runs in the seventh inning to pull the Mustangs to within 11-10. A fly out to center field ended the threat and the game. Freshman center fielder **Kristine Faffley (Westmoreland, NY)** gave the Beacons their first lead of the afternoon when she belted a bases loaded triple to right field to clear the bases and give UMB a 7-6 lead in the bottom of the third inning of the second game. Quinn reached on a fielder's choice that erased Faffley from the base paths, but then scored when O'Connor followed with her third triple of the afternoon. Haroules followed with a single to center field to bring home O'Connor and UMass Boston owned a 9-6 lead. Mount Ida pulled to within 9-7 in the fourth, but the Beacons matched the run in the bottom of the frame when sophomore pitcher **Amanda Cianciulli (Billerica, MA)** drew a leadoff walk, stole second and was knocked in by a Faffley double to left field to give UMB a 10-7 margin. Cianciulli went seven complete innings, while yielding 10 runs (five earned) on 10 hits and six walks in addition to three strikeouts to earn the victory for the Beacons.

April
8 NEWBURY (DH) 3:30pm
10 BRANDEIS (DH) 3:30pm
12 at R.I. College (DH) 1pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

April
1 at Lasell 1-7 L
2 MT. IDA 9-18L, 11-10W
5 at Mass Dartmouth (DH) PPD



Photo by A.J. Rourke

Freshman, Leigh Hammontree