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WOMEN'S HOCKEY 3-3-0, 2-3-0 ECAC

Head Coach: Maura Crowell

WHAT'S NEXT ?

December
8 at Middlebury 1pm
9 CASTLETON ST. 2pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

November
30 at Saint Michael's 3-6 L
December
1 at Norwich 9-0 W

The Nightlife in Vermont The Beacons spent a pair of nights getting to know Vermont with a visit and a 6-3 loss to Saint Michael's on Friday and an impressive 9-0 shutout at Norwich University.

SOUSA NAMED ECAC EAST GOALIE OF THE WEEK

Rachel Sousa (Woburn, MA) was named ECAC East Rookie of the Week for her performance during the week of November 26 to December 2. Sousa tallied three points on three goals in two games for the Beacons. The freshman netted a season-high two goals, including a power play score at Saint Michael's College and came back the next day to tally another power play goal at Norwich University.

UMass Boston played catch-up with Saint Michael's for the entire night as the Purple Knights took a 1-0 edge with a power play goal coming at 3:47 of the opening period, before freshman forward **Rachel Sousa (Woburn, MA)** scored a power play goal of her own with an assist from freshman defenseman **Kristine Faffley (Westmoreland, NY)** and sophomore forward **Maria Nasta (Andover, MA)** at 13:19 of the first period. Saint Michael's netted two more power play goals in the second period, but Faffley and sophomore defenseman **Amanda Cianciulli (BillERICA, MA)** combined to find Nasta for a goal on a two-player advantage just 13 seconds into the third period to pull UMB to within 3-2. The Purple Knights kept the Beacons at bay with another tally coming at the 7:05 mark for a 4-2 lead, but Sousa took a feed from Cianciulli to net her second goal of the night at 12:04 of the final period, bringing UMass Boston to within 4-3, but it would be as close as it would get. Junior goalie **Jessica Sams (Bellingham, MA)** turned away 17 of 20 shots in the first two periods of play, while freshman **Brittany**

Squillante (Scottsdale, AZ) stopped 11 of 14 shots in the final period of action for the Beacons.

Nasta tallied a career-high four points with a pair of goals and two assists and Squillante stopped a season-high 31 shots to earn her first collegiate shutout at Norwich on Saturday.

Nasta wasted no time opening the scoring for UMass Boston with an unassisted tally just 2:06 into the game. Cianciulli took a feed from Nasta and netted her second goal of the season at 9:52 of the first period to give the Beacons a 2-0 lead on the power play. Sophomore forward **Kim Davidge (Blackstone, MA)** gave UMass Boston a 3-0 margin with her first goal of the season just 54 seconds later at 10:46 of the opening period with a helper from Cianciulli. Senior **Rose Devlin (Quincy, MA)** kept the pressure on with her third goal of the season coming on another assist from Cianciulli, her third point of the night, at 15:53 of the second period for the Beacons. Sousa netted a power play goal on a dish from Nasta for her fourth of the year at the 17:48 mark and Nasta connected for her team-leading eighth goal of the season just 40 seconds later on a pass from junior **Maria Guanci (Everett, MA)** at 18:28 of the middle period for a 6-0 UMass Boston lead. Sophomore forward **Katelyn Corsino (Belmont, MA)** found freshman forward **Jazz Webber (Winslow, ME)** for her second goal of the year just 1:13 into the third period and freshman blueliner **Hannah Davis (Oakdale, MN)** potted her first collegiate goal at the 9:17 mark of the final period for an 8-0 UMB advantage. Freshman forward **Katie Kirwan (Centerville, MA)** capped the night's scoring for the Beacons with a shorthanded tally for her first collegiate goal coming with just 35 seconds left in the contest.



Sophomore, Amanda Cianciulli

Photo by AJ Rourke



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2-2, 0-1 LEC

Head Coach: Shawn Renee Polk

WHAT'S NEXT ?

THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Robert Michael Zotti
Basketball

Birthday: 6/30/88

Hometown: North Providence

Year: Soph

Major: Soc

Nickname: Zotti

What do you like most about UMass Boston? Athletics

Favorite sports team? Dallas Cowboys

Favorite Athlete? LeBron James

Something most people don't know about you? I am Italian

Favorite vacation spot? Bahamas

What accomplishment are you most proud of in your sport? Making it to where I am now

Favorite holiday? Christmas

Bacon bits or croutons? Croutons

Log cabin or downtown? Downtown

Favorite movies? Man on Fire, Green Street Hooligans, American Gangsta, Godfather

Favorite band? Jay-Z, Tupac Shakur

What bones have you broken? None

Pepsi or Coke? Pepsi

Favorite Cereal? Apple Jacks

Favorite city? Miami, FL

Favorite ice cream? Vanilla

How many foreign countries have you been to? 1

If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain? Money

Who is your favorite Sesame Street character? Elmo

Hats or no hats? No hats

Morning or Night? Night

Favorite Season? Spring

Peanut Butter: Crunchy or creamy? Creamy

Who is your favorite Saved by the Bell character? Zach

Coming Back, but not Enough UMass Boston erased double-digit deficits in both halves at Rhode Island College, but just couldn't get over the hump as the Anchorwomen came away with a 74-67 win to open Little East Conference play.

The Beacons trailed by their largest margin of 70-54 with 4:03 left to go in the second half, but went on a 13-2 run to pull to within 72-67 with 63 seconds left to play in the contest, but it would be as close as they would get down the stretch.

UMass Boston owned a 16-12 lead with 13:01 showing in the first half, before Rhode Island College went on a 15-0 blitz to take a 27-16 advantage with 7:06 to go in the opening half. The Beacons regrouped and put together a 19-9 run, fueled by a pair of three-pointers from senior guard **Myrna Tangar (Randolph, MA)** to bring them to within 36-35 going into halftime.

UMass Boston took a 40-38 lead with 17:50 remaining in the contest, but the Anchorwomen went on a 10-2 stretch to take a 48-42 lead with 12:55 to play in the game. Rhode Island College extended its advantage to 68-52 at 4:55 of the second half, thanks to a 20-10 run.

Senior guard **LaKeisha Tucker (Pawtucket, RI)** netted a team-high 17 points to go with four rebounds and a steal, while sophomore guard **Caroline Ashe (West Roxbury, MA)** dropped in 15 points on 5-9 from the floor, including 3-6 from three-point range and added six boards and a steal. Tangar contributed with six points, 10 rebounds, four assists and two steals and freshman forward **Cammy Brown (Malden, MA)** chipped in with eight points, five rebounds and three assists in 22 minutes off the bench.

December 4 EMERSON 5:30 pm
8 at E. Conn. St. 1 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

December 1 at R.I. College 67-74 L

M & W INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

Head Coach: Pershing Reid

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Off and Running The men's and women's indoor track and field teams had the gun sound to start their season last weekend at the 2007 Husky Winter Carnival hosted by Northeastern University at the Reggie Lewis Center.

Junior **Emile Pierre-Louis (Arcahaie, Haiti)** and sophomore **Sam Sanchez (San Antonio, TX)** led the Beacons as their top finishers in two different events. Pierre-Louis turned in a 27th place finish in the 200 meters with a time of 23.82 and placed 37th in the preliminaries of the 55 meters with a mark of 6.96. Sanchez crossed the finish with a time of 2:46.19 to place 18th in the 1000 meters and clocked in at 4:47.87 to place 37th in the mile run. Senior **Mike Leavitt (Brockton, MA)** took a 26th-place finish in the 5,000 meters with a time of 16:20.97 and junior **Carlos Cabral (Praia, Cape Verde)** crossed the finish with a time of 56.20 for a 59th-place showing. Sophomore **Ryan Norton (Walpole, MA)** ran a 10:36.89 to finish 60th in the 3,000 meters and sophomore **David York (Andover, MA)** registered a heave of 9.90 meters in the weight throw to place 41st in the preliminaries.

Senior **Tara Sweeney (Lake Havasu City, AZ)** finished 13th for the women in the 5,000 meter run with a time of 20:48.31, while senior **Sophia Sieveking (Werther, Germany)** placed 25th in the 1,000 meters with a mark of 3:45.06. Freshman **Joy Risko (Bristol, RI)** turned in a time of 2:40.81 to finish 31st in the 800 meters and freshman **Andrea Rodgers (New Fairfield, CT)** clocked in at 15:18.17 to finish 40th in the 3,000 meters. Sophomore **Elena Casado (Methuen, MA)** placed 47th in the 55 meters preliminaries with a mark of 8.07 and sophomore **Debbie Gieng (North Andover, MA)** placed 48th in the 55 meter hurdle preliminaries with a time of 10.55, while **Judy Cazeau** registered a time of 29.23 to place 75th in the 200 meters.

December 8 at Harvard Invitational

WHAT HAPPENED ?

December 1 at Husky Winter Carnival



MEN'S HOCKEY

3-4-0, 1-3-0 ECAC

Head Coach: Peter Belisle

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Have They Turned the Corner? It's early, yes, it's early, but the men's ice hockey program has been waiting a long time to turn the "proverbial corner". That might have happened last week with two wins in three games, including one that had UMB information officials delving into the archives.

The Beacons began the week with a 3-1 victory at Framingham State as sophomore forward **Adam Larrabee (Beverly, MA)** and freshman forward **Eric Tufman (Abington, PA)** continued their offensive onslaught with five points between them. Larrabee put UMass Boston on the board with an assist from Tufman and sophomore defenseman **Steve Ebbole (Wheaton, IL)** at 14:04 of the first period, but the Rams tied the contest at 1-1 with a goal at 17:39 of the opening period. The Beacons took the lead for good when Ebbole and Tufman combined to find junior forward **Mike Young (Newmarket, ONT)** for his first goal of the season at 2:46 of the second period. Tufman took a feed from Larrabee at 10:12 of the third period for a power play score and a 3-1 lead to secure the win for UMass Boston and sophomore goaltender **Ryan Donovan (Rexford, NY)**, who made 35 saves on the night.

The Beacons kept it going with an 8-4 win at Wesleyan University on Friday for their third straight victory and their longest win-streak since February 8-12, 2000. UMass Boston begins its season with three wins in its first six contests for the first time since the 1999-2000 season. The eight goals are the most since an 8-5 victory over Babson on January 28, 2000 and the six goals are the most in a period since the Beacons netted six in the second period vs. Southern Maine on December 29, 1997 and in fact more goals than they have scored in a game since December 28, 2004 vs. Fitchburg State, which was also the last time the team netted the first five goals of the game. The six goals in the first period are the most in the opening period for a UMB team since they scored seven times vs. Saint Anselm on November 26, 1991 and it's the first time the Beacons have scored the first five goals in the first period since they scored the first six goals in the initial period vs. Westfield State on January 9, 1989.

TUFMAN NAMED ECAC EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Eric Tufman (Abington, MA) was named ECAC East Rookie of the Week for his performance during the week of November 26 to December 2. The freshman tallied four points on two goals and a pair of assists in three games. Tufman began the week with a power play goal and a pair of assists to contribute on all three of the Beacons' scores at Framingham State and extended his point-streak to four games with his first collegiate game-winning goal on the power play at Wesleyan.

Freshman forward **Matt Atsoff (Macomb, MI)** opened the scoring with his fourth goal of the year at the 3:53 mark for UMass Boston with an assist from Larrabee, who had 11 points in his last four contests. Freshman forward **Zach Barron (Saint Louis, MO)** increased the UMB lead to 2-0 with his second goal of the season coming just 75 seconds later on an assist from freshman defenseman **Ted Battaglia (Lake Hopatcong, NJ)**. Freshman forward **David Lun (Grand Rapids, MI)** netted his first collegiate goal less than three minutes later at 7:56 with a helper from junior defenseman **Wade Collins (Corinth, NY)** and Larrabee netted his fifth goal of the campaign at the 15:06 mark for a 4-0 UMass Boston advantage. Tufman kept the pressure on with his fourth tally of the year on an assist from Atsoff and Larrabee on the power play for a commanding 5-0 lead. Wesleyan broke into the scoring column with a goal coming at 17:32 of the opening period on the power play. Freshman forward **Eric Araujo (Fall River, MA)** found the back of the net with his first collegiate goal with just 58 seconds left in the first period with senior forward **Kyle Simpson (Scituate, MA)** and freshman forward **Andrew MacCormack (East Boston, MA)** assisting. The Cardinals netted the first two goals of the middle period at 4:06 and 17:46 to pull them to within 6-3. Barron fed Lun for his second goal of the night with just 36 seconds left in the period to give UMB a 7-3 lead. The teams traded goals in the final period with Wesleyan netting a power play goal at the 5:45 mark, but Simpson connected for his first goal of the season for the Beacons just 50 seconds later to make it 8-4. Donovan earned his third straight win for UMass Boston with 34 saves.

The Beacons went into Hartford to face Trinity College on Saturday, but came crashing back to Earth with a stomach-punching 8-0 loss, including five third-period goals and three in the final 6:09 of play. Donovan stopped 36 of 41 shots in 47:40 of play, while junior **Chris Testa (Massapequa, NY)** turned away eight of 11 shots in the final 12:20 of action.

December 5
BABSON 7 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

November 27 at Framingham St. 3-1 W

30 at Wesleyan 8-4 W

December 1 at Trinity (CT) 0-8 L



Photo by AJ Rourke

Freshman, David Lun



MEN'S BASKETBALL

1-5, 0-1 LEC

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Head Coach: Charlie Titus

Looking to put it Together The Beacons opened the week with a 74-64 loss to Emerson, before going on the road and suffering defeats at Suffolk University, 78-70, and at nationally ranked Rhode Island College, 81-70.

Emerson shot a robust 59.1 % (13-22) from the floor in the second half to contribute to a 50% (27-54) showing for the night and forced UMass Boston into 27 turnovers, including 15 in the second half. UMass Boston owned a 22-19 lead

with 6:36 to play in the first half, before the Lions went on a 12-2 run, capped by a three-pointer to take a 31-24 lead with 3:11 to go in opening half. The Beacons shot back with six straight points to pull to within 31-30 with 1:38 showing in the first half, but Emerson scored six unanswered points of its own to take a 37-30 advantage with 40 seconds remaining in the half and took a 37-33 lead into the intermission. The Lions began the second half with an 11-4 burst to take a 48-37 lead with 15:33 to play in the second stanza and maintained a 59-49 lead with 9:54 showing in the second half, but freshman guard **Giorgios Hologitas (Rockland, MA)** made a pair of lay-ups for UMB to cut the deficit to 59-53 with 8:35 showing on the second half clock. The Beacons stayed within 61-55 with 6:33 left in the game, before Emerson put the game out of reach with a 13-2 run to take its largest lead of the night at 74-57 with 1:31 to go in the contest. UMass Boston would get no closer than 10 points the rest of the way.

The Lions took a 15-7 advantage with 12:22 left in the first half, before the Beacons put together a 15-4 blitz, led by seven points from senior forward **Mark Doran (South Boston, MA)**, to take a 22-19 lead. Sophomore forward **Ernst Jean (Malden, MA)** nearly posted a double-double with 14 points and nine rebounds in addition to a pair of blocks for UMass Boston and sophomore guard **Anthony Matlock (Seattle, WA)** contributed with 12 points, three rebounds, four assists and a steal. Doran ended the night with 11 points on 5-5 from the field and added five rebounds, an assist and a steal in 20 minutes off the bench. Sophomore forward **Kenneth Hite, Jr. (Dorchester, MA)** dropped in eight points, pulled down four rebounds and made four steals in 18 minutes of action.

Suffolk maintained a 64-52 lead with 6:46 left in the game, before the Beacons went on a 11-4 run, fueled by five points from senior forward **Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR)** to pull them to within 68-63 with 2:12 to go in the contest. It would be as close as they would get down the stretch. UMass Boston got out to a 15-7 lead in the first half with 15:15 showing, but the Rams put together a 26-8 run to take a 33-23 advantage with 4:40 showing to play in the opening half and took a 40-31 lead into the intermission. Suffolk extended its lead to 49-35 with 14:39 on the second half clock, before the Beacons went on a 12-3 burst, paced by six points from Jean, to come within 52-47 with 10:03 remaining in the game. The Rams came back with a 12-5 run to take a 64-52 advantage. Senior point guard **A.J. Titus (Roxbury, MA)** netted a team-high 12 points on 4-8 from the floor to go with four assists, three rebounds and a steal, while Paniagua finished with 11 points, four rebounds and two assists. Jean dropped in 10 points, grabbed four rebounds and blocked four shots in 18 minutes off the bench. Hite, Jr. chipped in with eight points, seven boards and a block off the bench.

Rhode Island College, who was ranked 24th in the nation, owned a 56-42 lead with a 14:22 left to play in the second half, before UMass Boston went on a blistering 12-0 run, fueled by five points from sophomore guard **Aaron Jones (Boston, MA)**, to pull to within 56-54 with 10:16 showing in the second half. The Anchorwomen responded with a 16-4 stretch to take a 72-58 advantage with 4:54 remaining in the game and held onto the victory.

The Beacons took an 18-14 lead with 11:24 to go in the first half, but Rhode Island College went on a 20-2 run to take a 34-20 lead with 5:08 left in the first stanza and maintained a 44-31 advantage at the half. Paniagua led UMass Boston with a game-high 19 points and grabbed nine rebounds to go with two assists, while Jones ended the day with 13 points on 5-8 from the field in addition to four rebounds and two steals off the bench. Sophomore center **Terrell Maddox (Hyannis, MA)** chipped in with 10 points, two rebounds and two assists in 19 minutes and Titus dished for four assists and added nine points, three steals and a rebound.

December
4 WPI 7:30pm
6 at Salem State 7pm
8 at E. Conn. St. 3pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

November
27 EMERSON 64-74 L
29 at Suffolk 70-78 L

December
1 at R.I. College 70-81 L



Senior, Amigo Paniagua