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## WOMEN'S HOCKEY

14-8-1, 12-7-0 ECAC

## WHAT'S NEXT ?

*Head Coach: Maura Crowell*

**Hosting some History** The UMass Boston women's ice hockey team fell in both of its games last weekend, but has earned a home playoff game on Saturday when they host Southern Maine at 2:00 p.m. as the ECAC East's number four seed. It will mark the first time in the program's three-year history that the Clark Athletic Center has hosted a women's ice hockey playoff game.

The Beacons were blanked in Manchester, NH when Saint Anselm College took them down, 5-0. It was just the second time this season that UMB has been shut out. The Hawks scored twice in each of the first and second periods and added a lone goal in the third period. Senior goaltender **Amanda Boucher (Billerica, MA)** made 36 saves for the Beacons.

UMass Boston was beaten badly the next day as well, taking an 8-3 drubbing at the hands of New England College in Henniker, NH. Things weren't so bad after one period of play as the Beacons held a 14-10 shot advantage and trailed just, 3-2, after a goal by sophomore forward **Casey Turner (Melrose, MA)** with an assist from freshman forward **Kerri Loranger (Billerica, MA)** and a score from sophomore **Melissa Belmonte (South Boston, MA)**, which tied the game at 2-2, after freshman forward **Maria Guanci (Everett, MA)** and senior defenseman **Kristin Wilson (Grand Forks, ND)** combined on the assist at 13:40. The next two periods weren't so good as the Pilgrims came alive, outshooting UMass Boston, 42-8 and outscoring them, 5-1. The Beacons' third goal of the day came when junior forward **Andrea Ciarletta (Watertown, MA)** netted her team-leading 24th goal of the season. Belmonte and sophomore defenseman **Rose Devlin (Quincy, MA)** were credited with the helper that made it 4-3 at the time, but New England College closed out the game with the final goal of the second period and three unanswered scores in the third period for an 8-3 victory. Boucher stopped 44 shots for UMass Boston.

February  
 25 SO. MAINE 2 pm

## WHAT HAPPENED ?

February  
 18 at Saint Anselm 0-5 L  
 19 at N.E. College 3-8 L

## MEN'S HOCKEY

0-22-3, 0-17-2 ECAC

## WHAT'S NEXT ?

*Head Coach: John Giuliotti*

**Almost Had One** The Beacons have been chasing that first win all season and it looked like the hunt would be over this weekend, but it continues. UMass Boston fell to a comeback at Connecticut College on Friday night and settled for a tie at Tufts University on Saturday. They will now travel to Norwich, VT to take on the top seeded Norwich University squad in the first round of the ECAC East tournament on Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

The Beacons have had a problem holding onto leads as they head into the third period and this was the case at Conn. College as well, as UMB owned a 3-1 lead, only to watch the Camels score four straight times to take a 5-3 lead before sophomore forward **Kyle Simpson (Scituate, MA)** netted his second goal of the night to pull the Beacons to within 5-4 with five minutes left to play, but it was the last score of the night. Junior forward **Ron Hernandez (Riverside, CA)** and sophomore defenseman **Tim Recio (Pittsburgh, PA)** fed Simpson for the score. Following a Conn. College goal just 22 seconds into the second period, Hernandez struck the equalizer for UMB with Simpson and freshman forward **Robert Carbone (Bayside, MA)** in on the assist. Freshman forward **Andrew J. Buchanan (Burrillville, RI)** gave the Beacons a 2-1 lead with his first collegiate goal and Simpson hooked up with Hernandez and Carbone again to net his first goal of the day at 10:49 of the second stanza for a 3-1 lead. Freshman goalie **Chris Testa (Massapequa, NY)** turned away 36 shots for UMB.

Simpson found Carbone for a shorthanded goal with 2:30 left in the first period to get the Beacons on the board and tie Tufts at 1-1 and later took a 2-1 edge when freshman forward **Michael Muolo (Stoneham, MA)** took a feed from sophomore forward **Jason McCrimmon (Detroit, MI)** and Hernandez at the 5:44 mark of the second period. The Jumbos tied the contest at 2-2 at 9:45 of the middle session and the teams played scoreless hockey for the next 35:15 to settle for the 2-2 tie, despite an apparent UMass Boston goal being disallowed by the officials. Freshman goaltender **Matthew Lopes (Falmouth, MA)** made 48 saves for the Beacons.

February  
 25 at Norwich 7 pm

## WHAT HAPPENED ?

February  
 17 at Conn. College 4-5 L  
 18 at Tufts 2-2 T



## THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



**Rick Tennyson**  
Ice Hockey

**Birthday:** 5-15-1984

**Hometown:** Hingham

**Year:** Sophomore

**Major:** History

**Nickname:** Hands

**Favorite place on campus:** Hockey Rink

**Favorite sports team?** UMass Beacons  
(Men's Ice Hockey)

**What is something that most people don't know about you?** I'm Polish

**Favorite vacation spot?** Puerto Rico

**What accomplishment are you most proud of in your sport?** Playing for UMass

UMass

**Favorite holiday?** May Day

**Would you rather live in a log cabin or downtown?** a log mansion

**Do you have any pets?** Yes, a dog named Thomas

**Favorite movie?** Tom Green movies

**Favorite artist or band?** GG Allin

**Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up?** anything by Falco

**What bones you have broken?** none of my own, ever

**Pepsi or Coke?** Pepsi

**Favorite Cereal?** Jerry Pops

**Favorite city or town?** Hingham

**Favorite ice cream?** coffee

**How many foreign countries have you been to?** Canada

**If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain?** Magma

**Hats or no hats?** hat

**Morning or night?** night

**Favorite season?** Summer

## MEN'S BASKETBALL 15-10, 10-4 LEC

*Head Coach: Charlie Titus*

**WHAT'S NEXT ?**

**The Next Season** The Beacons finished out the regular season with a win and a loss in conference play last week. UMass Boston defeated Southern Maine on the road, but lost its bid for the regular-season Little East Conference title with a loss in Providence at Rhode Island College. The Beacons will host Eastern Connecticut State University on Tuesday in the first round of the LEC Tournament as the number two seed. It's the first time UMB men's basketball has hosted a conference playoff game since 1996-97 when it was also the second seed.

The Beacons owned a 28-14 lead with 12:05 showing in the first half at Southern Maine, but the Huskies chipped away and got the deficit down to 39-33 by the intermission. Southern Maine kept coming and closed to within 41-39 with 14:58 left in the second half, but UMass Boston ripped off nine straight points in 1:42 to take a 50-39 advantage, behind three straight trifectas from junior swingman **Tony Barros (Dorchester, MA)**. The Huskies wouldn't go away, however, as they went on a 17-5 stretch to take a 56-55 edge with 6:59 to go in the contest. The Beacons regained the lead on the next possession and never looked back, winning 72-67. Barros led UMass Boston with 29 points and three steals, while adding four rebounds. Sophomore forward **Mark Doran (South Boston, MA)** netted 19 points on 7-12 from the floor to go with three rebounds, three steals and a blocked shot.



Photo by A.J. Rourke

*Junior, Tony Barros*

Rhode Island College raced out to a 10-2 lead with 16:40 to go in the first half, but the Beacons turned it around with a 25-8 run, fueled by nine points from Barros, to take a 27-18 lead with 9:01 showing in the first half. The Anchormen came right back with an 18-9 burst to knot the contest at 36-36, before UMass Boston went into the break with a 42-38 lead. The teams spent the first 10 minutes of the second half trading the lead and deadlocked at 55-55 with 10:36 remaining in the game, but Rhode Island College scored five straight points to take a 60-55 lead with 7:52 left in the game and stayed in control for the rest of the way to come away with a 79-72 victory. Barros led the Beacons with 21 points, eight rebounds, eight steals, five assists and added a blocked shot. Sophomore guard **Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR)** netted 17 points, grabbed seven boards, passed for two assists, made a steal and blocked a pair of shots, while freshman center **Rodney Bennett (Boston, MA)** dropped in 16 points to go with five rebounds, two blocks and an assist.

**February**  
21 E. CONN. STATE 7:00pm

**WHAT HAPPENED ?**

**February**  
14 at Southern Maine 72-67 W  
18 at R.I. College 72-79 L

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 9-16, 3-11 LEC

*Head Coach: Shawn Renee Polk*

**WHAT'S NEXT ?**

**On to Danbury** The Beacons dropped a pair of conference games and will move into the conference tournament as the number seven seed. UMass Boston will travel to Danbury, CT on Tuesday to take on Western Connecticut State University at 7:00 p.m.

The Beacons got out to a 9-5 lead with 16:44 showing in the first half at Southern Maine and owned a 10-9 edge with 13:15 to play in the first session, but then the Huskies showed why they're the number one team in the nation and outscored UMB, 39-8 over the next 11:43 to take a 48-18 lead with 1:32 to go in the half. Southern Maine owned a 48-24 advantage at the half. The second half didn't get any easier for the Beacons, who got as close as 23 points, but trailed by as many as 40 in the stanza, before taking a 90-51 loss. Sophomore guard **LaKeisha D. Tucker (Pawtucket, RI)** netted 16 points to go with seven rebounds, a steal and an assist, while junior point guard **Lydia Coverdale (Malden, MA)** contributed with 14 points, three rebounds, three steals, two blocks and an assist.

Rhode Island College owned a 13-10 lead with 13:09 left in the first half, but UMass Boston reeled off nine unanswered points to take a 19-13 lead with 8:53 to go in the opening half. The Anchorwomen came back to tie the tilt at 22-22 with 4:40 to play and the game remained tight until the intermission where both teams were tied at 30-30. The contest remained tied at 32-all with 18:20 showing in the second half, but the Beacons went on an 11-2 run to take a 43-32 lead with 14:08 remaining in the game. Rhode Island College stayed true to the trend, going on a 15-4 stretch to tie the game at 47-47 with 5:09 to go in the contest. The teams traded the lead for the rest of the day and were tied for the 14th time of the afternoon with a 55-55 score. UMass Boston had the ball on its end of the court with 8.4 seconds to play and four ticks left on the shot clock and, after a timeout, ended up losing the ball where it was collected by an Anchorwoman, who went the length of the floor and scored with just three-tenths of a second left to play, thus wrapping up a 57-55 win.

**February**  
21 at Western Conn. St. 7 pm

**WHAT HAPPENED ?**

**February**  
14 at Southern Maine 51-90 L  
18 at R.I. College 55-57 L