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WOMEN'S HOCKEY 12-5-1, 9-5-0 ECAC

Head Coach: Maura Crowell

WHAT'S NEXT ?

February
 7 at Amherst 7 pm
 10 HOLY CROSS 4 pm
 11 MIT 12 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

February
 3 at Saint Michael's 4-2 W
 4 at Castleton State 3-1 W

Victory in Vermont The Beacons weekend trip to Vermont didn't include any skiing, but they did come back with a pair of conference wins to solidify their fourth-place spot in the ECAC East standings. UMass Boston began the two-day excursion with a 4-2 win in Colchester over Saint Michael's College and capped it with a 3-1 triumph in Castleton over Castleton State College.

Junior forward **Andrea Ciarletta (Watertown, MA)** became the nation's first player to 20 goals this season when she knotted the score at 1-1 when sophomore defenseman **Audrey Deguire (Milford, MA)** found her for the tally at 9:27 of the first period on the power play. Sophomore forward **Casey Turner (Melrose, MA)** followed with an unassisted goal less than three minutes later to give UMB a 2-1 edge, but the Purple Knights matched the score with one of their own just 1:51 later for a 2-2 game. The Beacons reclaimed the lead for good when senior defenseman **Kristin Wilson (Grand Forks, ND)** found Ciarletta for her second goal of the night and a 3-2 margin at 5:19 of the final period. Senior forward **Molly Norton (Milton, MA)** took a pass from sophomore forward **Lauren O'Connor (Everett, MA)** and found the back of the net at 8:42 of the third period to cap the scoring for UMass Boston. Senior goaltender **Amanda Boucher (Billerica, MA)** made nine saves to earn the win.

Freshman forward **Maria Guanci (Everett, MA)** got things started for the Beacons in Castleton with a goal coming just 20 seconds shy of the end of the first period with O'Connor and freshman defenseman **Sarah Cronin (Wakefield, MA)** assisting. Junior forward **Melissa Belmonte (South Boston, MA)** made history on two fronts with UMass Boston's second goal of the night, as she converted the team's first-ever successful penalty shot at 14:38 of the second period and became the first player in school-history to reach 50 career goals and 50 assists. She now has 50 goals and 53 assists for her career. Castleton State cut the deficit in half at 16:10 of the final period, but junior defenseman **Melissa Wigmore (Duxbury, MA)** found Norton for her second goal in as many days with an empty netter coming with just 34 seconds left in the contest. Junior goalie **Shannon Palmer (Lynn, MA)** turned away 30 shots to earn the win and remain a perfect 6-0-0 on the year.

MEN'S HOCKEY 0-19-2, 0-14-1 ECAC

Head Coach: John Giuliotti

WHAT'S NEXT ?

February
 10 MIDDLEBURY 7 pm
 11 WILLIAMS 3 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

February
 3 at Saint Anselm 3-5 L
 4 at N.E. College 1-4 L

Not Too Bad UMass Boston men's hockey took its game to the Granite State last weekend and played some tough hockey. The Beacons controlled the scoreboard for most of Friday night's contest at Saint Anselm College, as sophomore forward **Jason McCrimmon (Detroit, MI)** opened the scoring at 7:03 of the first period with freshmen forwards **Robert Carbone (Bayside, NY)** and **Robert Cusack (Braintree, MA)** assisting on the goal. Saint Anselm matched the score later in the period, but junior forward **Ron Hernandez (Riverside, CA)** potted an unassisted goal for the second period's only tally and a 2-1 UMB lead at 4:19. McCrimmon gave the Beacons a little more breathing room with his career-high second goal of the game, coming just 1:18 into the third period for a 3-1 lead. UMass Boston's lead was reduced by one when the Hawks scored at the 5:30 mark on the power play and was erased when Saint Anselm struck again on the power play with a goal coming at 7:16 for a 3-3 game. The Hawks kept the pressure on and rode their final period momentum to an additional two goals to close out the game with a 5-3 victory. Freshman **Chris Testa (Massapequa, NY)** stopped 42 shots for the Beacons.

Photo by A.J. Rourke



Sophomore, Jason McCrimmon

UMass Boston's next stop was Henniker, NH where it took on New England College. The Beacons allowed a pair of goals within the first four minutes of action, but freshman defenseman **Billy Langmaid (Danvers, MA)** took advantage of a power play opportunity and scored just 15 seconds into the middle period with freshman forward **Michael Muolo (Stoneham, MA)** and Hernandez picking up the assist. The Pilgrims countered with single goals in both the second and third periods to pick up the 4-1 win. Testa got the starting nod again for his first back-to-back assignments on the season and made a season-high 53 saves.



THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Mark Doran
Basketball

Birthday: 7-18-86

Hometown: South Boston (Southie!)

Year: So.

Major: English

Nickname: Mad Dog

What do you like most about UMass Boston: The people I've met

Favorite place on campus: The gym, obviously

Favorite sports team? Patriots

Favorite Athlete? Dennis Rodman

Favorite vacation spot? My house in NH

Favorite holiday? St. Patty's Day

Would you rather live in a log cabin or downtown? log Cabin

Favorite movie? underworld 2

Favorite artist or band? I like all music

Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up? Something slow cuz I get too pumped

What bones you have broken? left ankle 4 times, hand, right ankle

Pepsi or Coke? Pepsi

Favorite Cereal? Rice Krispy treats

Favorite city or town? South Beach, Florida

Favorite ice cream? coffee

How many foreign countries have you been to? anywhere out of southie is a foreign country

If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain? Red Bull

Favorite Sesame Street character? oscar the grouch

Hats or no hats? Hats always

Morning or night? night

Peanut Butter: Crunchy or creamy? creamy

Favorite season? Summer

Favorite Saved by the Bell character? Screech

MEN'S BASKETBALL

13-8, 8-2 LEC

Head Coach: Charlie Titus

WHAT'S NEXT ?

BARROS NAMED LITTLE EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Tony Barros (Dorchester, MA) was named LEC Player of the Week for his effort during the week of Jan. 30-Feb. 5.

In three games, he averaged 24.0 points, 6.0 rebounds, 1.7 assists, 2.3 steals and 2.3 blocks, while shooting .471 (24-51) from the field, including .429 (12-28) from three-point range and made 75% (12-16) of his free throw tries.

Alone at the Top

The Beacons endured, perhaps, their toughest week of the schedule last week, taking on the nation's number 15 team, the number three team in New England and the other top team in the conference. UMass Boston took nationally ranked Worcester Polytechnic Institute to overtime, before succumbing, 87-83. The Beacons came out flat vs. Tufts and fell, 90-81, but they won the game that mattered most with a thrilling 90-88 victory over visiting Keene State College last Saturday to give them sole possession of first place in the LEC.

Senior **Charles Yuan (Lynn, MA)** picked up the loose ball off of a Keene State turnover and took it in for an easy lay-up with 54 seconds and an 86-86 tie. The teams traded hoops and then the Owls lost the ball on the inbounds again with Yuan coming up with the steal with 19

seconds left. Following a UMass Boston timeout, sophomore guard **Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR)** worked his way in for a tough lay-up that found the bottom of the net, serving as the eventual game-winner with five seconds to go in the game. Junior guard **Tony Barros (Dorchester, MA)** led UMB with a game-high 26 points to go with four rebounds, two assists, two blocks and a steal to his day, while Paniagua scored 15 points to go with six rebounds, six assists and a pair of steals for UMB.

Following a pair of Paniagua free throws to pull UMass Boston to within 84-83 of WPI with 59 seconds to play, the Beacons defense forced a missed shot as the shot clock wound down for the Engineers with 31 seconds left, but UMB couldn't hang onto it and WPI retained possession as it was fouled with 21 seconds left and subsequently made one of two free throws with the second coming off the iron and into the Beacons' possession, but again they couldn't hang on and it went back to the Engineers with an 85-83 lead. WPI was fouled with 12 ticks remaining and made the first of two free throws, but missed the second with UMass Boston getting the rebound only to lose it out of bounds for the third straight time. The Engineers were then fouled on the inbounds pass with five seconds remaining and made the second of two free throws to give them a two-possession lead at 87-83, where it would stay for the final. Paniagua led the Beacons with 29 points on 12-18 from the floor and added 10 boards for the double-double to go with two steals and a pair of assists. Barros also posted a double-double with 23 points and 11 rebounds, in addition to three steals, two assists and two blocks.

Following an early first half lead, UMass Boston fell behind Tufts, but did come back in the second half to pull to within 48-44 with 17:48 left in the second stanza. It would be as close as they would get as the Jumbos led by as many as 14 points the rest of the way. Barros finished the night with 23 points, three rebounds, three steals, three blocks and an assist to lead UMass Boston, while Paniagua netted 17 points to go with seven rebounds, two assists and a steal. Titus chipped in with 11 points on 4-6 from the floor, including three treys, and added a game-high six assists and a steal.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

8-12, 2-8 LEC

Head Coach: Shawn Renee Polk

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Trying to Put it Together

The Beacons looked like they would get off the snide with a win vs. Keene State College and were well on their way for much of the first half, but the Owls wouldn't go away and didn't look back once they found their rhythm.

UMB jumped out to a 14-4 advantage with 15:18 showing on the first half clock, behind five points apiece from sophomore guard **LaKeisha D. Tucker (Pawtucket, RI)** and sophomore center **Alicia Querusio (Somerville, MA)**. KSC came right back with nine straight points over the next 3:37 to pull to within 14-13 with 11:41 to go in the first half. UMass Boston responded with the next seven points to take a 21-13 lead, but Keene State kept the see-saw battle going with a 16-7 run, paced by a pair of three-pointers, to take their first lead of the day at 29-28 with 5:01 to go in the first half. The teams traded the lead four times, thereafter, until the Owls settled in with a 36-34 halftime lead. Keene State put an end to any thoughts of the Beacons regaining the lead, outscoring them, 52-27, the rest of the way.

Tucker led all scorers with 24 points, including a perfect 9-9 effort from the free throw line, while adding nine rebounds, two steals and an assist for UMass Boston. Junior point guard **Lydia Coverdale (Malden, MA)** netted 15 points to go with six rebounds, two steals and a pair of assists.

February
7 UMassDARIMOUTH 7:30pm
11 PLYMOUTH ST. 3pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January
31 WPI 83-87 L OT
February
2 TUFTS 81-90 L
4 KEENE STATE 90-88 W

February
7 UMassDARIMOUTH 5:30pm
9 at Framingham St. 6pm
11 PLYMOUTH ST. 1pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

February
4 KEENE STATE 61-88 L