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Women's Hockey
vs.
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N.E. College 4 PM

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 7-6, 3-2 LEC

Head Coach: Shawn Renee Polk

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Getting it Done UMass Boston had a pair of conference games on the docket last week and came away with two wins to push them to third place in the conference standings. The Beacons defeated Plymouth State at the buzzer on January 9 and defeated Rhode Island College on the road on Saturday.

Senior guard **Kristen Reske (Duxbury, MA)** knocked down a three-pointer at the buzzer, for her only points of the game, to lift UMB over Plymouth State, 65-62. The Panthers owned a 61-57 lead with 1:20 to play in the game before senior forward **Denise B. Ridge (Milton, MA)** converted a lay-up to pull the Beacons to within 61-59 with 1:08 to go. UMass Boston got a stop on the next possession and junior center **Alicia Querusio (Somerville, MA)** pulled the Beacons a point closer, making one of two free throws with 18 seconds left in the game. Plymouth State did the same on the other end to give it a 62-60 margin with 13 seconds remaining, but sophomore forward **Jenn Widener (Hyde Park, MA)** was fouled while making the defensive rebound off the missed free throw and then sank both of her free throw attempts, following a timeout, to tie the game for UMass Boston at 62-62. The Panthers missed a lay-up on its possession and the Beacons called timeout on PSU's end of the floor with 2.9 seconds showing on the clock. Widener then found Reske on the far side of the court with a long pass, to set up the game-winning shot.

Querusio led the Beacons with 15 points, on 6-8 from the floor, nine rebounds and a pair of blocks to go with a steal in 19 minutes off the bench, while Ridge finished with 11 points, five rebounds and two steals. Junior guard **Ashley Greene (Brookline, MA)** contributed with 11 points, three boards and a pair of steals.

Rhode Island College owned a 40-29 advantage with just a minute to play in the first half, but UMass Boston made the most of those 60 seconds, reeling off six unanswered points to cut the margin to 40-35 at halftime. The Beacons picked up where they left off to start the second half, scoring the first seven points of the half to take a 42-40 lead with 16:43 to go in the second stanza. The teams traded the lead nine more times before Reske buried a three-pointer with 5:29 remaining in the game to give UMB a 68-66 lead. The Beacons cruised from there and led by as many as seven points the rest of the way. Ridge led the way with a double-double of 18 points and 10 rebounds to go with three assists and a steal, while senior forward **Lydia Coverdale (Malden, MA)** netted 17 points, grabbed six boards, dished for four assists and made four steals off the bench.

January
16 MASSDARTMOUTH 5:30pm
18 BRIDGEWATERST. 5:30pm
20 at E. Conn. State 1pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January
9 PLYMOUTHST. 65-62 W
13 at R.I. College 80-76 W

MEN'S HOCKEY 4-9-1, 2-7-0 ECAC

Head Coach: Peter Belisle

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Another Weekend, another Win The Beacons have put an end to a few negative streaks this season and Saturday was more of the same as they ended a 20-game road losing streak with a 5-4 victory at Saint Michael's College. This is UMass Boston, of course, so the win didn't come without the drama as freshman forward **Ryan Daust's (Marquette, MI)** game-winning goal found the back of the net with just three seconds left in the game to give the Beacons their second last-second goal in eight days. Sophomore forward **Rocco Dabecco (South Park, PA)** and freshman forward **Cody Austin (Highland, MI)** assisted on the score, which was only fitting, since they put UMB in a position to win in the first place.

The Beacons faced a 3-1 third period deficit before Austin took a feed from Dabecco and freshman forward **Kris Kranzky (Glendora, CA)** and potted a goal at 12:42 of the final period. He followed that with his second goal of the afternoon just 1:19 later when junior defenseman **Andrew Ward (Evanston, IL)** set him up at 14:01 to knot the contest at 3-3. The Purple Knights took a 4-3 edge with 90 seconds left in the game, but Daust and Kranzky fed Dabecco with the game-tying tally with just 30 seconds left to play to make it 4-4.

UMass Boston took a 1-0 edge in the first period when freshman blueliner **Russ Peterson (Fraser, MI)**, who separated his shoulder the previous weekend, netted his second goal of the year, thanks to a helper from Kranzky and freshman defenseman **Steve Ebbole (Wheaton, IL)** at 13:11 of the opening period. Saint Michael's tied it at 4:26 of the second period.

Freshman goalie **Ryan Donovan (Rexford, NY)** stopped 32 shots on the day to earn the win. The first-year goaltender made 39 saves the previous night in a 4-0 loss at Norwich University.

January
16 MASSDARTMOUTH 7 pm
19 SO. MAINE 7 pm
20 SALEMSTATE 3 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January
12 at Norwich 0-4 L
13 at St. Michael's 5-4 W



WOMEN'S HOCKEY 6-7-1, 4-6-0 ECAC

Head Coach: Maura Crowell

WHAT'S NEXT ?

January 17 MIDDLEBURY 7 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January 9 at Conn. College 3-4 L
13 HOLY CROSS 5-7 L

THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Sarah Cronin
Ice Hockey

Birthday: Sept. 12, 1986

Hometown: Wakefield, MA

Year: Sophomore

Major: Exercise Health Science

Nickname: Shady

What do you like most about UMass Boston? my hockey team

Where is your favorite place on campus? Quinn Cafe

Favorite sports team? UMass Boston Women's Hockey

Something most people don't know about you? that I like to cook

Favorite vacation spot? the beach

Accomplishment you are most proud of in your sport? Scoring my first goal after a year and a half!

Favorite holiday? Christmas

Bacon bits or croutons? Croutons

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

Do you have any pets? Black Lab

Favorite movie? Backdraft

Favorite artists or band? Eminem

Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up? Burn in the light

Bones you have broken? Wrist, ankle and nose

Pepsi or Coke? Pepsi

Favorite Cereal? Lucky Charms

Favorite city or town? Boston

Favorite ice cream? Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough

Favorite Sesame Street character? Cookie Monster

Hats or no hats? Hats

Morning or night? Night

Favorite Season? Autumn

Favorite Saved by the Bell character? Zack

Notching 50 UMass Boston dropped a pair of games last week, with a 4-3 loss at Connecticut College and a 7-5 defeat at the hands of College of the Holy Cross.

The Beacons got on the board first in New London on January 9 when junior forward **Casey Turner (Melrose, MA)** picked up her 50th career point when she took a feed from sophomore forward **Kate Webb (Falmouth, MA)** and netted her eighth goal of the year at 5:35 of the first period. The Camels wasted no time in answering as they tied the contest at 1-1 just 70 seconds later. Conn. College tacked on two more goals to take a 3-1 lead with 1:29 to go in the opening period. Senior defenseman **Melissa Wigmore (Duxbury, MA)** pulled UMass Boston to within 3-2 at 2:58 of the third period and sophomore forward **Maria Guanci (Everett, MA)** knotted the game at 3-3 just 58 seconds later with an assist from senior forwards **Andrea Ciarletta (Watertown, MA)** and **Melissa Belmonte (South Boston, MA)**. The Camels had the final word, though, scoring with 13:30 to play with the eventual game-winner. Sophomore goalie **Jessica Sams (Bellingham, MA)** made 28 saves for the Beacons.

There was plenty of scoring in Saturday's tilt with Holy Cross as the Crusaders struck three times before Webb scored on a feed from Turner to put UMass Boston on the board at 11:17 of the second period. Her's was one of many in a span of 1:18 as four shots found the back of the net, two for each team. Junior forward **Lauren O'Connor (Everett, MA)** scored just eight seconds after Webb to pull UMB to within 3-2 thanks to an assist from senior **Katie Reardon (Burlington, MA)** at 11:25. Holy Cross increased its lead to 4-2 at the 12-minute mark, though. The Crusaders kicked off another flurry of goals in the third period with a score at 15:29 and three more goals would follow in the next 1:33 as Reardon potted her first goal of the season at 16:24, with an assist from freshmen **Amanda Cianciulli (Billerica, MA)** and **Kerry Brennan (Charlestown, MA)** to make it 5-4, but the Crusaders responded 13 seconds later to give them a 6-4 advantage. Guanci and Ciarletta found Belmonte for her sixth goal of the season 25 seconds later to bring the Beacons to 6-5, but it would be as close as they would get. Sams stopped six shots in the first period and senior **Shannon Palmer (Lynn, MA)** made 11 saves in the final two periods of play for UMB.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

5-8, 1-4 LEC

WHAT'S NEXT ?

January 16 MASSDARIMOUTH 7:30pm
18 BRIDGEWATERST. 7:30pm
20 at E. Conn. State 3pm

Head Coach: Charlie Titus

Working Overtime The Beacons split a pair of conference games last week, defeating Plymouth State in overtime and falling to Rhode Island College in Providence.

Freshman guard **Anthony Matlock (Seattle, WA)** sank a jumper with 17 seconds left in regulation and sophomore center **Rodney Bennett (Mattapan, MA)** came up with a huge block on the other end to send the game into overtime, where UMass Boston pulled away for a 97-90 victory over Plymouth State. Matlock helped set the tempo in the extra period, drilling a three-pointer at the 4:24 mark to give UMass Boston an 82-79 margin. The Beacons maintained their lead at 86-83 with 1:59 left in the overtime session, before reeling off seven unanswered points to take a comfortable 93-83 advantage with 25 seconds remaining.

Plymouth State controlled the first half and led 31-19 with 10:43 showing in the first half, before UMass Boston made a 12-4 run, fueled by five points from junior swingman **Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR)**, to pull it to within 35-31. The Panthers led, 44-39, at the half. The Beacons closed the gap quickly to begin the second session, going on a 7-2 burst to knot the contest at 46-46 with 17:17 to play in the second half, thanks to five points from junior forward **Mark Doran (South Boston, MA)**. The teams would play within five points of each other for the remainder of the half with seven lead changes and 11 ties. Bennett led the Beacons with 22 points, on 10-11 from the floor and three blocks to go with five rebounds, two assists and a steal, while senior swingman **Tony Barros (Dorchester, MA)** came off the bench to net 21 points with a school-record 17 coming from the free throw line, including all eight of his attempts in overtime. He also added five rebounds, two steals, a pair of blocks and an assist.

The Beacons led for most of the first half in Providence and owned a 34-23 lead with 5:25 to go in the opening half, but less than three minutes later, Rhode Island College had taken a 36-35 edge following a 13-1 run. The Anchormen took a 38-37 margin into the intermission, despite 23 points from Barros. UMass Boston started hot in the second half, going on a 13-5 run to take a 50-43 lead with 14:25 showing in the second stanza, but the game was soon tied at 59-59 with 10:55 to play, before RIC drained a three-pointer to take a 62-59 lead just four seconds later. The Anchormen never looked back as they controlled the final eight minutes for an 86-77 victory.

Barros finished the day with a game-high 37 points on 14-25 from the floor, including 8-16 from three-point range, and added six rebounds, two assists and a block. Bennett posted a double-double of 14 points and 15 rebounds to go with three assists and two blocks.

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January 9 PLYMOUTHST. 97-90 W ot
13 at R.I. College 77-86 L