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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

10-4-1, 7-4-0 ECAC

WHAT'S
 NEXT ?

Head Coach: Maura Crowell

Another Week, Another Milestone The Beacons keep rolling along with three wins last week and are now unbeaten in 10 of their last 11 contests. UMass Boston was led by junior forward **Melissa Belmonte (South Boston, MA)** last week, who tallied seven points.

She assisted on the game-winning goal vs. SUNY Cortland on Saturday to give her 100 career points to become just the second women's hockey player in school history to reach the mark. The historic helper came on a feed to junior linemate **Andrea Ciarletta (Watertown, MA)** at 11:05 of the first period to give UMB a 2-1 edge. The Beacons scored the next three goals, as well, as Ciarletta took a feed from senior defenseman **Kristin Wilson (Grand Forks, ND)** and scored on the power play at 5:48 of the second period. Belmonte combined with junior defenseman **Melissa Wigmore (Duxbury, MA)** to find freshman forward **Maria Guanci (Everett, MA)** for the Beacons' fourth goal of the game at 7:58 of the middle period. Belmonte capped the scoring with her ninth goal of the year coming off another assist from Wilson at 15:34 of the third. Sophomore forward **Katherine Wall (Arlington, MA)** opened the scoring for UMB with a score to tie the tilt at 1-1 in the first period with 6:39 gone. Guanci and sophomore forward **Casey Turner (Melrose, MA)** were in on the assist. Junior goaltender **Shannon Palmer (Lynn, MA)** stopped 25 shots to earn the win and remain perfect on the year at 5-0-0.

Belmonte reached another milestone the night before when she teamed with Turner to feed Ciarletta for a goal at 10:11 of the second period to give UMB a 3-2 edge on the power play. The assist was the 50th of Belmonte's career and made her the first player in school annals to reach the mark. Cortland tied the contest just 40 seconds into the third period, but Ciarletta potted her second goal just 31 seconds later with assists from Belmonte and Guanci to give the Beacons a 4-3 edge. Ciarletta struck again to register the eighth hat trick of her career when Wilson hooked her up at 7:26 of the final period for a 5-3 UMB lead. Belmonte opened the night's scoring at 3:17 of the initial period when Guanci found her, but the Red Dragons scored the next two goals to put UMass Boston behind by one. Sophomore defenseman **Audrey Deguire (Milford, MA)** knotted the game at 2-2 when Wall fed her for her third goal of the season at 15:58 of the opening period. Palmer made 26 saves to earn the victory.

Wall got things going on January 17 vs. Trinity with a goal just 71 seconds into the game to give UMB a 1-0 edge. Senior forward **Molly Norton (Milton, MA)** and freshman defenseman **Sarah Cronin (Wakefield, MA)** were credited for the assist. The Beacons looked as if they would score all night after netting three goals in a 43-second span begun by Norton's fifth goal of the year coming at 6:07 of the first period. Wigmore followed just 33 seconds with a goal of her own and Deguire found Ciarletta just 10 seconds later for another goal and a 4-0 UMass Boston advantage. Belmonte capped the scoring at the 3:35 mark of the second period to give the Beacons all they needed as Palmer turned away 23 shots for the win.

MEN'S HOCKEY

0-16-1, 0-9-0 ECAC

WHAT'S
 NEXT ?

Head Coach: John Giuliotti

More Bumps in the Road The Beacons came away from a three-game road trip last week without a win, but will return home on Friday for the first time in 13 days to take on Castleton State College at 7:00 p.m.

Freshman goaltender **Matthew Lopes (Falmouth, MA)** stopped 37 shots at UMass Dartmouth on January 17 in the 6-0 loss.

Freshman forward **Robert Carbone (Bayside, NY)** took a feed from sophomore defenseman **Hunter Dowd (Brick, NJ)** and freshman defenseman **Billy Langmaid (Danvers, MA)** and scored with just 1.9 seconds left in the game to prevent the shutout by Southern Maine on Saturday. Freshman goalie **Chris Testa (Massapequa, NY)** made 47 saves in just his second collegiate start between the pipes.

Freshman forward **James Hall (Middletown, NJ)** and freshman forward **Andrew J. Buchanan (Burrillville, RI)** combined to feed freshman defenseman **Joe Leone (Baldwin, NY)** for his first collegiate score at 5:08 of the second period to cut the deficit to 3-1, but Salem State netted the next three goals to cruise to victory. Lopes made 40 saves for UMB.

January
 28 MANHATTANVILLE 12pm
 29 SALVE REGINA 12pm

WHAT
 HAPPENED ?

January
 17 TRINITY 5-2 W
 20 SUNY-CORTLAND 5-3 W
 21 SUNY-CORTLAND 5-1 W

January
 27 CASTLETON ST. 7pm
 28 SKIDMORE 3pm

WHAT
 HAPPENED ?

January
 17 at UMass Dartmouth 0-6 L
 20 at Southern Maine 1-7 L
 21 at Salem State 1-6 L



THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Hunter Dowd
Ice Hockey

Birthday: May 27, 1984

Hometown: Brick, NJ

Year: Soph

Major: Management

What do you like most about UMass

Boston: the girls

Favorite place on campus: Healey

Library

Favorite sports team? Chicago

Blackhawks

Favorite Athlete? Jim Dowd

Favorite vacation spot? Antarctica

What accomplishment are you most

proud of in your sport? Player of the

Year - Jersey Sportsnews

Favorite holiday? Martin Luther King Day

Bacon bits or croutons? croutons

Would you rather live in a log cabin or

downtown? Downtown

Do you have any pets? 3 Dogs, 1 cat

Favorite movie? Freddy got fingered

Favorite artist or band? Ween

Favorite pre-game song to get

pumped up? Ween - Boys Club

What bones have you broken? Leg &

thumb

Pepsi or Coke? RC cola

Favorite city or town? Brick

How many foreign countries have you

been to? 1 - canada

If it could rain something other than

rain, what would it rain? snow

Favorite Sesame Street character?

Kermit the frog

Hats or no hats? Hats

Morning or night? afternoons

Peanut Butter: Crunchy or creamy?

creamy

Favorite season? Summer

MEN'S BASKETBALL 10-6, 5-2 LEC

Head Coach: Charlie Titus

WHAT'S
NEXT ?

BENNETT NAMED LITTLE EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK
Rodney Bennett (Boston, MA) was named Little East Rookie of the Week for his performance during the week of January 16-22.

In three games, Bennett averaged 12.0 points, 6.3 rebounds, 1.0 assists and 2.3 blocks per game, while shooting an impressive 58% (15-26) from the floor.

mark in less than four seasons since 1998-99 when Sean Harrington did it in two. The Beacons went on to win the contest in overtime, 85-79, behind Barros' game-high 21 points to go with five steals, four rebounds and two assists. Sophomore guard **Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR)** netted 18 points, while dishing for a career-high eight assists and grabbing four boards. Senior forward **James L. Hall (Jacksonville, FL)** also contributed with a double-double of 15 points and 13 rebounds to go with three steals.

UMass Boston led by as many as 23 points with a 78-55 advantage with 4:40 left to play in the game vs. Eastern Connecticut, but the Warriors closed out the game on a 22-6 run to make it close. Freshman center **Rodney Bennett (Boston, MA)** capped an impressive first week with a career-high 20 points on 8-12 from the floor in just his third collegiate game. He also added six rebounds, two blocks and an assist in just 17 minutes of action. Hall dropped in 19 points in addition to five boards, three assists and a steal.

UMass Boston looked good early at UMass Dartmouth and owned a 29-28 margin with 5:46 to go in the opening half, but a pair of UMD free throws at 5:31 gave it the lead for good. The Corsairs led 42-36 at the half and by as many as 17 with a 68-51 advantage with 10:21 showing on the second half clock. Paniagua led UMass Boston with 22 points and added seven rebounds, four assists and three steals, while senior forward **Charles Yuan (Lynn, MA)** netted a career-high 17 points on 7-10 from the floor to go with eight rebounds, two steals and two assists.

On Top Again

It was quite a week for the Beacons, despite losing to UMass Dartmouth on January 17, 89-76, they rolled over Eastern Connecticut on Saturday, 84-77, and are now sitting in a tie for first place in the Little East Conference standings. In UMB's non-conference game for the week, junior swingman **Tony Barros (Dorchester, MA)** knocked down a three-pointer with 7:08 left in the second half at Bridgewater State on January 19 to become the 11th member of UMass Boston's 1,000 point club. He became the first player to hit the

January

24 SO. MAINE 7:30pm
28 at W. Conn. State 3pm

WHAT
HAPPENED ?

January

17 at UMass Dartmouth 76-89 L
19 at Bridgewater St. 85-79 W
21 E. CONN. ST. 84-77 W

PANIAGUA NAMED LITTLE EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR) was named Little East Player of the Week for his performance during the week of January 9-15.

In two games, Paniagua averaged 27.0 points, 8.5 rebounds, 4.5 assists, 2.0 steals and 2.0 blocks per game, while shooting a torrid 68% (23-34) from the floor, including 1-2 from three-point range.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 8-8, 2-5 LEC

Head Coach: Shawn Renee Polk

WHAT'S
NEXT ?

Crazy Eights UMass Boston dropped three games last week and is now 8-8 on the season. The Beacons take on the number one team in the nation on Tuesday night to try and get back on track.

The Beacons battled back and forth throughout the first half at UMass Dartmouth on January 17 and led 29-27 with 4:27 to go in the session, before the Corsairs closed out the half with an 11-4 run to take a 38-33 halftime lead. UMass Dartmouth busted out of the gate in the second half with 12 unanswered points to take a 50-33 advantage with 15:25 showing in the second half. UMass Boston was unable to recover from the blitz and fell 70-55. Freshman forward **Jennifer Widener (Hyde Park, MA)** netted a season-high 12 points on 5-8 from the floor, while adding five rebounds, a steal and an assist. Sophomore guard **LaKeisha D. Tucker (Pawtucket, RI)** dropped in 12 points to go with five rebounds, four steals and three assists.

The Beacons rough road continued in Bridgewater, falling to Bridgewater State on January 19, 90-69. The Bears placed four players in double-digits, while holding UMB to .379 (25-66) shooting. Tucker led UMass Boston with 17 points and added five boards, while junior point guard **Lydia Coverdale (Malden, MA)** netted eight points to go with eight rebounds, six assists and four steals.

The Beacons gave Eastern Connecticut State all they could handle last Saturday and trailed 70-67 with 2:42 left in the game but the Warriors closed out the contest on an 8-2 stretch to take a 78-69 victory. Tucker shined for the Beacons, exploding for a career-high 32 points on 11-15 from the field in addition to seven rebounds and two assists. Coverdale chipped in with 11 points, four assists, four steals and six rebounds.

January

24 SO. MAINE 5:30pm
26 at Suffolk 7:00pm
28 at W. Conn. State 1pm

WHAT
HAPPENED ?

January

17 at UMass Dartmouth 55-70 L
19 at Bridgewater St. 69-90 L
21 E. CONN. ST. 69-78 L