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MEN'S HOCKEY

5-4-1, 1-3-1 ECAC

Head Coach: Peter Belisle

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Finally Caught that Fish! The men's ice hockey team won a thrilling 5-4 overtime game over Fitchburg State to capture the 43rd Annual Codfish Bowl championship for the first time in 10 years and the third time in school history with its other title coming in 1983.

KRANZKY NAMED ECAC EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Kris Kranzky (Glendora, CA) was named ECAC East Player of the Week for his performance during the week of December 31 to January 6. Kranzky receives the award after racking up six points on three goals and three assists over two games. He netted a pair of goals and added an assist vs. Suffolk and came back the next day to match his career-high with three more points on a goal and two assists vs. Fitchburg State.

Freshman defenseman **Brett Calhoun (Tulsa, OK)** joined his teammates just a couple days before and, in just his second game with them, netted his first collegiate goal on with 5:19 left in overtime to give the Beacons a 5-4 victory over visiting Fitchburg State. Freshman forward **Eric Tufman (Abington, PA)** and junior forward **Rocco Dabecco (South Park, PA)** assisted on the game-winning score on the power play for UMass Boston, which owned a 53-29 shot advantage. Fitchburg State got on the board first with a power play goal at 5:09 of the opening period, but Tufman answered for the Beacons on a feed from freshman forward **Dennis Zak (Rockaway, NJ)** and sophomore forward **Kris Kranzky (Glendora, CA)** at the 14-minute mark for a 1-1 tie. In a trend that would last the entire contest, the Falcons responded with 1:49 to go in the first period on the power play to take a 2-1 edge, but UMass Boston pulled even again at 2-2 when sophomore defenseman **Steve Ebbole (Wheaton, IL)** notched his first goal of the year, thanks to a helper from Calhoun and Zak at 6:39 of the second period. Fitchburg State reclaimed the lead again at 3-2 with 13:59 gone in the second period, but Kranzky netted his fourth goal of the season and third of the tourney for the Beacons when Tufman and Ebbole set him up on the power play at 15:24 of the middle period to knot the score at 3-3. The Falcons took a 4-3 edge at 5:05 of the third period, but Tufman would net his seventh goal of the season for the last goal of regulation for either team, when he pulled UMass Boston even at 4-4 at 8:24 of the final period on a helper from Kranzky and freshman forward **Matt Atsoff (Macomb, MI)**. Sophomore goaltender **Ryan Donovan (Rexford, NY)** made 25 saves to earn the win.

The Beacons got to the championship after beating Suffolk, 5-4 on Tufman's score with just 1:38 left to play in the game. Kranzky, who was named the tournament MVP, and freshman forward **Matt Atsoff (Macomb, MI)** set up Tufman with the game-winner.

The game was a see-saw battle for the entire night with Suffolk opening the scoring at 5:23 of the first period. Freshman blueliner **Ryan Huggett (Battle Creek, MI)** ripped a shot for his first collegiate goal to knot the score at 1-1 for UMass Boston with Dabecco and freshman forward **John Galivan (Oak Park, IL)** on the assist at 9:50 of the initial period. The Rams took a 2-1 edge on the power play at 14:19 of the first period, but the Beacons wasted no time in the second period to pull even as Dabecco led senior forward **Kyle Simpson (Scituate, MA)** for his second career short-handed goal just 36 seconds into the period. Suffolk answered on the power play at 3:17 of the middle period for a 3-2 lead, but Kranzky netted the equalizer for UMass Boston with an assist from Ebbole and freshman forward Zach Barron (**Saint Louis, MO**) at 14:42 of the second stanza and gave the Beacons their first lead of the night with his third goal of the season, set up by freshman forward **David Lun (Grand Rapids, MI)** and freshman defenseman **Dylan Scanlon (Longmeadow, MA)** with just 1:32 remaining in the second period. The Rams continued to play hard with a game-tying goal to make it 4-4 with 15:15 gone in the third period. Donovan made 11 saves to earn the victory.

January
11 at Amherst 7 pm
12 at Hamilton 3 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

December
28 SUFFOLK 5-4 W
29 FITCHBURGST. 5-4 W ot

TUFMAN NAMED ECAC EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Eric Tufman (Abington, MA) was named ECAC East Rookie of the Week for his performance during the week of December 31 to January 6. He is the league's top rookie again after collecting five points on three goals and a pair of assists in two games. The freshman's tallied the game-winning goal vs. Suffolk and matched his season-high with four points on two goals and two assists vs. Fitchburg State and was named to the All-Tournament team.



WOMEN'S HOCKEY 5-5-0, 3-3-0 ECAC

Head Coach: Maura Crowell

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Making History The women's ice hockey team hosted the First Annual Codfish Bowl tournament last weekend and played for its first championship of any kind, but fell to nationally-ranked Trinity College in the title tilt, 1-0.

Sophomore forward **Maria Nasta (Andover, MA)** netted a pair of goals and added an assist to lead the Beacons in the first round match-up with SUNY-Cortland.

Both teams' penalty killing units were on top of their respective games, holding each other to a combined 0-10, including UMass Boston's unit, which shut down Cortland on six occasions. Nasta opened the scoring when freshman forward **Rachel Sousa (Woburn, MA)** and sophomore forward **Katelyn Lajoie (Marlboro, MA)** combined to assist her at 10:08 of the first period. Junior forward **Maria Guanci (Everett, MA)** took a feed from Nasta and

potted her first career short-handed goal for a 2-0 UMB lead at 16:23 of the opening period. Freshman defenseman **Hannah Davis (Oakdale, MN)** netted her second goal of the year to give the Beacons a 3-0 lead at 12:11 of the second period, thanks to a helper and first career point from freshman forward **Teresa Horn (New Boston, NH)** and sophomore forward **Sandy Parlato (Needham, MA)**. The Red Dragons prevented the shutout with a goal at 7:45 of the third period, but Sousa fed Nasta for her second goal of the day and team-leading 11th of the year to cap the scoring for UMass Boston and give it a 4-1 lead with 12:42 gone in the final period. Junior goaltender **Jessica Sams (Bellingham, MA)** made 20 saves to improve to a perfect 4-0-0 on the season.

The Beacons were outshot, 39-20 by Trinity College in the championship game. The Bantams tallied the lone goal at the seven-minute mark of the second period, following a flurry of activity in front of the net. Sams was outstanding between the pipes for UMass Boston with 38 saves as UMass Boston lost by a 1-0 margin for the first time in school history.



Junior, Jessica Sams

Photo by Al Rourke

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 4-4, 0-2 LEC

Head Coach: Shawn Renee Polk

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Back on the Court The women's basketball team has enjoyed a break since December 11, but will get back on the court when it travels to Cambridge to take on Lesley University on Tuesday, January 8 at 8:00 p.m. The Beacons will also host Saint Elizabeth's College on Thursday and Western Connecticut State University on Saturday.

January
8 at Lesley 8 pm
10 ST. ELIZABETH 5:30pm
12 W. CONN. STATE 1 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

December
No games

THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Wade Collins
Ice Hockey

Birthday: June 9, 1986

Hometown: Corinth, NY

Year: Jr

Major: Psychology

Nickname: Wader, Wado

What do you like most about UMass Boston? The location

Favorite place on campus? Ice Rink

Favorite sports team? NY Yankees

Something most people don't know about you? I'm in the Army National Guard

Favorite vacation spot? Newport, RI

Accomplishment you are most proud of in your sport? Playing College Hockey

Favorite holiday? Christmas

Bacon bits or croutons? Croutons

Log cabin or downtown? Downtown

Do you have any pets? Dog named Gordie

Favorite movie? The Departed + Walking Tall

Favorite band? The Beatles

Pre-game song to get pumped up?

Anything Eminem

What bones have you broken? Leg, ankle

Pepsi or Coke? Pepsi

Favorite Cereal? Cinnamon Toast Crunch

Favorite city? Saratoga Springs, NY

Favorite ice cream? Chocolate Chip

Cookie Dough

How many foreign countries have you been to? 3

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

Favorite Sesame Street character? Big Bird

Hats or no hats? Hats

Morning or Night? night

Favorite Season? Fall

Who is your favorite Saved by the Bell character? Kelly



MEN'S BASKETBALL

1-9, 0-2 LEC

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Head Coach: Charlie Titus

Working Hard The men's basketball team hosted Gustavus Adolphus from Minnesota last week, and despite the opponents' height advantage and the Beacons being without their starting point guard and shooting guard, UMB gave the Gusties all they could handle, before falling, 73-66.

Gustavus Adolphus owned a 59-54 lead with 9:40 to play in the contest, before UMass Boston scored six unanswered points, capped by a lay-up from sophomore forward **Kenneth Hite, Jr. (Dorchester, MA)**, to take a 60-59 edge with 7:54 showing in the second half. The Gusties regrouped, however, and reeled off 12 straight points to take a 71-60 lead with 3:29 remaining in the game. The Beacons would get no closer than seven points the rest of the way.

The first half was extremely tight for most of the way with 13 lead changes. UMass Boston held a 28-26 margin with 7:56 to go in the first half, but Gustavus Adolphus went on a 9-2 run to take the largest lead of the half at 35-30 with 4:39 to play in the opening half. The Beacons responded with a 7-2 run of their own, led by five points from senior forward **Amigo Paniagua (Santiago, DR)**, including his 1,400th career point on a three-pointer at the two-minute mark to cap the run and knot the score at 37-37. The visitors closed out the half with a 5-2 spurt to take a 42-39 lead and canned a

three-pointer with two ticks left on the clock for the difference. The Gusties took a 46-39 lead with 18:48 to play in the second half, but UMass Boston put together an 11-3 run, led by five points from Paniagua, to take a 50-49 edge with 13:41 on the second half clock. Gustavus Adolphus came back with a 10-4 stretch to take a 59-54 advantage with 9:40 left in the game.

Paniagua finished with 18 points to lead the Beacons and give him 1,411 points to become just the fourth player in school history to reach the 1,400-point plateau. He also added seven assists, six rebounds, a pair of steals and a block, while sophomore forward **Ernst Jean (Malden, MA)** came off the bench to post his first career double-double with personal-highs of 14 points and 10 rebounds to go with a steal and two blocks. Sophomore guard **Aaron Jones (Boston, MA)** contributed with 11 points, four rebounds, three assists and a steal as well. All three players, Paniagua (3-3), Jean (4-4) and Jones (4-4), combined to take and make all 11 free throws the team made for the day.

January
10 TUFTS 7:30 pm
12 W. CONN. STATE 3 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January
2 GUSTAVUSADOLPHUS 66-73 L

BREWSTER NAMED LEC ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Anthony Brewster (Boston, MA) was named Little East Rookie of the Week for his performance during the week of December 31 to January 6.

In the Beacons' only game of the week, the freshman netted a season-high 10 points on 5-6 (.833) from the floor to go with a personal-best two assists and added two rebounds and a steal vs. Gustavus Adolphus College on January 2.



Senior, Amigo Paniagua

Photo by Al Rourke

M & W INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

Head Coach: Pershing Reid

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Ready to Run Again The Beacons saw two of their athletes compete, unattached, in the Roxbury Community College Invitational last weekend and will have the full squad back in action at the Reggie Poyau Invitational hosted at Brandeis University on January 19.

January
19 at Reggie Poyau Invit.

WHAT HAPPENED ?

January
5 at Roxbury Comm. Invit.