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BASEBALL

19-17, 7-7 LEC

Head Coach: Brendan Eygabroat

WHAT'S NEXT ?

The Season Continues The Beacons were eliminated from the Little East Conference Tournament, but earned their first-ever bid to the ECAC New England Tournament as the number five seed and will take on fourth-seeded Rhode Island College on Friday, May 19 in Providence, RI at 3:00 p.m.

UMass Boston out-hit both of their opponents in the LEC Tournament, but just couldn't put enough base knocks together to end up on the winning end of the scoreboard.

Junior left-hander **Jaime Soto (Peabody, MA)** was outstanding for the Beacons in their first round game vs. Keene State College in Gorham, ME, allowing just four hits, but suffered a 2-0 loss to the Owls.

Keene scored all of the game's runs in the first inning with a pair of walks to lead off the game, followed by a balk to put runners on second and third base. A ground out gave the Owls a 1-0 lead and a single up the middle increased the margin to 2-0 and that would be it for the remainder of the contest. UMass Boston had a few chances, but was unable to score, stranding a runner on third with two outs in the second, runners on second and third in the eighth with two outs and runners on second and third with one out in the ninth.

Soto allowed two earned runs, walked four and struck out five. Junior right fielder **Sean C. Ketterer (Plymouth, MA)** led the Beacons at the plate, going 2-4 to extend his team-high hitting streak to 14 consecutive games, while stealing a base.

UMass Boston faced elimination in its meeting with UMass Dartmouth the next day, but took a 1-0 lead in the top of the fourth inning when Soto led off with a single, moved to second and then third on a pair of ground outs and scored on a single by sophomore second baseman **Ryan Oshima (La Jolla, CA)**. Sophomore righty **Nick Conway (Methuen, MA)** was dominant for the Beacons through the first five innings until the sixth when the Corsairs touched him for two runs with a pair of hits, a ground out and a sacrifice bunt to take a 2-1 edge. UMass Dartmouth scored three more times in the bottom of the seventh thanks to two hits, a wild pitch and an error to take a 5-1 lead. UMass Boston got a run back in the eighth inning when freshman designated hitter **Adrian Piña (Hyde Park, MA)** ripped a two-out single to left and Oshima followed with a walk to set up a run-scoring single by junior center fielder **Bob Kniffen (Halifax, MA)**, which was also his 56th base hit of the season to tie Matthew Thayer's 2002 single-season school-record. The Beacons faced a 5-2 deficit in the ninth and their first two hitters reached base, but a double play and a strikeout stranded a runner on third to end the game. Conway allowed five runs (four earned) on seven hits and two walks, while striking out a batter in six and one-third innings of work to give him 82 innings pitched on the season to establish a new single-season school mark. Junior catcher **Billy Gannon (Milton, MA)** and junior third baseman **Bryan Curran (Brockton, MA)** each finished 2-5 for the game to lead UMB.

May 19 at R.I. College 3pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

May 10 vs. Keene State 0-2 L
 May 11 vs. UMass Dartmouth 2-5 L



Junior, Sean C. Ketterer

Photo by A.J. Rourke



THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Rollin Seudat
Baseball

Birthday: September 11, 1985
Hometown: Brooklyn, New York
Year: Freshman
Major: Exercise & Science
Nickname: Liger
What do you like most about UMass Boston: Beacon Baseball
Favorite place on campus? Clark Athletic Center
Favorite sports team? Yankees
Favorite athlete? Pedro Martinez
Favorite vacation spot? Florida
Accomplishment are you most proud of in your sport? Making All Star Teams
Favorite holiday? My Birthday
Bacon bits or croutons? Croutons
Would you rather live in a log cabin or downtown? Log Cabin
Do you have any pets? No
Favorite movies? Rocky and Coach Carter
Favorite artist or band? Jay Z
Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up? Jay Z - Welcome to New York City
What bones have you broken? My Nose
Pepsi or Coke? Coke
Favorite Cereal? Fruity Pebbles
Favorite city or town? Brooklyn
Favorite ice cream? Cookies and Cream
How many foreign countries have you been to? The 5 Boroughs
If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain? Ladies
Hats or no hats? Yankee Hats
Morning or night? Night
Peanut Butter: Crunchy or creamy? Creamy
Favorite Season? Summer
Favorite Saved by the Bell character? Screech

Photo by A.J. Rourke



Junior, Christopher Hanafin

All Good Things Come to an End The UMass Boston men's lacrosse team's season ended in a 19-9 loss in the semifinals of the ECAC Tournament at Wheaton College on May 10.

SEASON COMPLETE

WHAT HAPPENED ?

May 10 at Wheaton (MA) 9-19 L

The Beacons found themselves down, 3-0, in the first 10 minutes, before freshman midfielder **Robert Cusack (Braintree, MA)** found the back of the net at 4:45 of the first quarter to make it 3-1. Wheaton took advantage of UMass Boston being down a man and netted a pair of goals in the final 1:36 of the opening quarter to take a 5-1 advantage after a quarter of play.

The Beacons scored just 21 seconds into the second stanza when sophomore **Andrew Morrison (Marshfield, MA)** ripped one home to cut the deficit to 5-2, but the Lyons answered with three straight goals to take an 8-2 lead. Junior attackman **Robert Thayer (West Tisbury, MA)** stopped the Wheaton momentum at 8:34 of the second quarter and, following a Lyons' score, junior attackman **Christopher Hanafin (Burlington,**

MA) netted a pair of goals to pull UMass Boston to within 9-5 at 14:20 of the third period.

Wheaton regrouped and tallied five straight goals to take a 14-5 lead, with 6:34 left in the third quarter, and eventually pull away from the Beacons. Sophomore attackman **Chris Nyman (Feeding Hills, MA)** and freshman middie **Steve Andrews (Braintree, MA)** each deposited a goal in the final three minutes of the third quarter to make it 14-7, but the Lyons scored the first three goals of the fourth quarter for a 17-7 advantage. Thayer tallied his 20th goal of the season and second of the game at 4:34 for UMB and Morrison netted his second goal as well with 1:49 remaining in the contest, but it would be all the scoring the Beacons would get.

Thayer led UMass Boston with three points on a pair of goals and an assist, while Morrison and Hanafin each netted two goals. Nyman and Cusack each contributed with two points on a goal and an assist as well. Junior goalie **Nick Eaton (Rowley, MA)** turned away a season-high 20 shots on the day for UMB.



Junior, David Liberatore

Photo by A.J. Rourke

BERRY NAMED TOP LITTLE EAST COACH, HANAFIN AND LIBERATORE NAMED TO FIRST TEAM, FARIVAR TO SECOND

Head Men's Lacrosse Coach **Myles Berry (Quincy, MA)** was named the Little East Conference Coach of the Year and wasn't the only one honored from UMass Boston as junior attackman **Christopher Hanafin (Burlington, MA)** and junior long-stick midfielder **David Liberatore (Medford, MA)** were both tabbed to the LEC All-Conference First Team, while senior defender **Sahba Joe Farivar (Waban, MA)** was selected to the Second Team. It's the third time that Berry has earned the league's top coaching honor.

Following the loss of a number of key players from last season, including the Defensive Player of the Year and the league's leading point scorer, Berry directed his squad to a 9-6 overall record, including a 4-2 conference mark to earn the third seed in the Little East Conference Tournament after having his team picked to finish fifth in the pre-season coaches' poll. He guided the Beacons to a 9-3 win over University of Massachusetts Dartmouth in the LEC tournament's first round, on May 2, to advance to the semifinal contest with Keene State College, the eventual ECAC New England Champion. UMass Boston also earned an ECAC post-season bid as the number three seed, but was defeated by Wheaton College in the semifinals. Berry was named the LE's Coach of the Year in its inaugural season of 2001 and received the honor again in 2003 as well. He has compiled a 145-124 record in 19 seasons, including a 138-83 mark over the past 15 campaigns. Berry's teams have owned a .500 or better record in 13 of the past 15 years and he's had the privilege of coaching 25 Little East Conference All-Stars, including a Defensive and Offensive Player of the Year.

Hanafin earns First Team honors for the second straight year and All-Conference accolades for the third year in a row after stepping up as one of the Beacons best offensive players following a move to attack. The junior has tallied a career-high 56 points, including a personal-best 19 assists to go with 37 goals. The attackman ranked second in both goals (2.47) and points (3.73) per game within the conference, while placing among the nation's leaders as well, checking in at 37th in points and 44th in goals per game. The Burlington High School product also found himself sixth in the LEC with 1.27 assists per game and made his goals count with three game-winners for the third-highest total among league leaders. Hanafin tallied at least one point in all 15 contests and notched two or more points in all but one

outing, including eight efforts with four or more points. He racked up a season-high seven points on five goals and two assists vs. Emerson College on March 29 and finished the season with 44 ground balls to rank sixth on the squad. The attackman earned LEC Player of the Week honors for the week of April 10-16 after racking up 10 points in two games on seven goals and three assists to go with eight ground balls and a game-winning tally. Hanafin became just the sixth player in school history to net 100 career goals on April 25 when he scored the first of two goals vs. MIT at 7:20 of the fourth quarter. He currently has 109 career goals to rank fifth all-time at UMass Boston and his 156 points in 47 career games place him seventh on the career points list. The junior sits tied for the ninth-most career assists with 47 and has tallied at least one point in all but three games of his impressive tenure at UMB.

Liberatore is an All-Conference selection for the second time in his career, having been named to the Second Team as a freshman. The long-stick middle was easily the Beacons' best defender and ranked second in the Little East Conference with 4.93 ground balls per game. His total of 69 GBs was tops on the team and he collected five or more on eight occasions. The Medford High School graduate started all 15 games for UMass Boston and he routinely defended the opponents' best midfielder, holding them to almost half a point (0.40) below their per game average, while registering five points on a goal and four assists. He was one of just two players on the squad with a man-down score as well. Liberatore has scooped 220 ground balls in 47 career games for an average of 4.68 per outing, while registering 13 points on four goals and nine assists.

Farivar returned to the Beacons for a second season after joining the team last year as a transfer and was named All-Conference for the first time in his career. The senior started all 15 games as UMass Boston's top defender and was assigned to the opponents' best attackmen, holding them to almost a full point (0.91) fewer per game than their season average. A graduate of the Hyde School (ME), he picked up 19 ground balls, including six contests with two or more and scooped a season-high four ground balls vs. Western Connecticut State University on April 22. Farivar has seen action in 33 games for the Beacons, in his career and played 13 games for Wheaton College in 2001.

UMASS BOSTON'S CIARLETTA, WALL AND WIDENER NAMED TO LITTLE EAST CONFERENCE SOFTBALL SECOND TEAM

Softball players **Andrea Ciarletta (Watertown, MA)**, **Katherine Wall (Arlington, MA)** and **Jennifer Widener (Hyde Park, MA)** were all named to the Little East Conference Softball Second Team.

Ciarletta is an All-Conference selection for the third straight year, after being selected to the Second Team as a freshman and the First Team last year. The junior established career-highs in almost every offensive category and led the LEC with a .414 (46-111) batting mark and 14 doubles, while ranking second with 29 runs batted in, seven triples and 74 total bases. The Watertown High School product was among the nation's leaders, ranking 13th in triples per game with 0.19 and 25th in doubles per outing with 0.41. Ciarletta made the move from second base to third base and was one of two players on the team to start all 38 games, while ranking third in the conference with 1.21 hits per game for a season total of 46 to lead the Beacons. The 5'2" player posted a .667 slugging percentage to place third among LEC players and sat fourth with a .432 on-base percentage. Ciarletta scored 19 times to rank third on the squad and led UMB with 13 multi-hit games and eight multi-RBI efforts. The left-handed hitter was the toughest on the team to strike out, fanning just 11 times in 116 plate appearance for a rate of once every 10.5 times at the plate.

Wall also returns to the All-Conference squad after being named to the Second Team as a freshman. The sophomore made the transition as the team's primary shortstop this season and batted .380 (41-108) to rank fourth in the LEC. She led the league with 19 stolen bases in 20 attempts and was second

among conference leaders with 0.92 runs scored per game for a total of 34 in 37 games. Her 1.76 total bases per game and her .602 slugging percentage were the fourth-best marks in the Little East and her three home runs ranked her fifth overall. A graduate of Arlington Catholic, she showed a knack for reaching base, owning a .430 on-base percentage, the sixth-highest figure in the league and hit safely in 30 of 37 games, including three batting streaks of seven games or more. She put together an eight-game streak for the longest on the team, hitting .407 (11-27) during the stretch and collected a hit in 14 of 15 games from March 15 to April 13, while batting .444 (20-45) during that span. Wall registered 10 multi-hit performances and four multi-RBI games to rank second on the squad. She was second on the team in hits (41), RBI (23), doubles (nine) and triples (three) and third with 11 walks.

Widener is selected to the Second Team as an outfielder after posting a solid rookie season, batting .294 (32-109) to rank third on the team, while placing second for UMB with 21 runs scored, three triples, five stolen bases and a home run in 36 games played. The freshman ranked third for the Beacons with a .342 on-base percentage and a .431 slugging mark as well as 15 runs batted in, 32 hits and 47 total bases. The Fontbonne Academy graduate racked up six multi-hit games to rank third on the team and was tied for second with four multi-RBI games. In one of her best games of the season, she went 4-5 with a pair of doubles and a homer to knock in two runs, while scoring twice on April 19 at University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.