



THE BEACON NEWSLETTER

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Coming Up

Final Home Matches

Women's Soccer
 vs. Keene State
 October 28 - 1pm

Men's Soccer
 vs. MIT
 October 24 -
 3:30pm

OCTOBER

23

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MEN'S SOCCER

10-6-0, 3-3-0 LEC

Head Coach: Myles Berry

WHAT'S
 NEXT ?

ZEQO NAMED LEC OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Romeo Zeqo (Medford, MA) was named Little East Conference Offensive Player of the Week for the second time this season for his effort during the week of October 16-22.

The midfielder racked up four points in two matches on the week with a pair of goals. Zeqo netted both scores in the Beacons' 4-0 Little East Conference victory over Western Connecticut State University.

The Beacons didn't fare as well, earlier in the week, falling at Framingham State College on October 17, 2-0. Maniscalco stopped four shots in the loss.

A Conference Conquest

As the regular season enters its final two weeks, what matters most are the conference matches and the Beacons came up big last Saturday with a 4-0 victory over visiting Western Connecticut State. Sophomore keeper **Paul Maniscalco (Hanover, MA)** did his part, turning away all 14 shots he saw to establish a career-high for saves. UMB's offense did its part as well as it netted a pair of goals on just four shots in the opening half of play. Junior midfielder **Maynor Sanchez (Boston, MA)** put UMass Boston on the board when his shot from 25 yards out sailed over the Western Connecticut keeper and into the top right corner of the net at 6:45 of the first half for a 1-0 UMB edge. Senior defender **Mike Reda (Medford, MA)** increased the lead to 2-0 when he converted a penalty kick into the left corner of the net at 11:50 of the first half to remain a perfect 4-4 on PK opportunities for the Beacons. UMass Boston took a 3-0 lead when sophomore midfielder **Romeo Zeqo (Medford, MA)** powered past two defenders and put the ball in the back of the net at the 74:52 mark of the second half and then netted his second goal of the afternoon with 5:05 left to play in the match when he scored off a direct kick just outside the box.

October
 24 MIT 3:30 pm
 28 at Keene State 1:30 pm

WHAT
 HAPPENED ?

October
 17 at Framingham St. 0-2 L
 21 W. CONN. STATE 4-0 W

WOMEN'S TENNIS

1-7, 1-6 LEC

Interim Head Coach: Kristin Cirbus

WHAT'S
 NEXT ?

Competing in the Conference UMass Boston wrapped up its season at the Little East Conference Championships last weekend by placing seventh. The Beacons compiled 1.5 points, thanks to an 8-5 victory over UMass Dartmouth in the consolation semifinals by sophomore **Emily Johnson (Saugus, MA)** in Flight 2 singles play. Johnson teamed with senior **Denise B. Ridge (Milton, MA)** the day before to take a match in the consolation semis of the Flight 1 doubles bracket, 9-7, over Southern Maine. Senior **Jill Halvorson (Quincy, MA)** earned the other half point for the Beacons with a win by default in the consolation semifinals of the Flight 4 singles bracket.

October
 SEASON COMPLETE

WHAT
 HAPPENED ?

October
 7th Place
 at Little East Championship

MEN'S & WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Chris Fitzgerald

WHAT'S
 NEXT ?

Taking it Easy The UMass Boston men's and women's cross country teams had the week off, but are right back at it in preparation for the Little East Conference/New England Alliance Championship in Keene, NH on Saturday, October 28.

October
 28 at LEC/N.E. Alliance Champ.

WHAT
 HAPPENED ?

October
 No Meet



VOLLEYBALL

17-10, 2-3 LEC

Head Coach: Terry Condon

WHAT'S NEXT ?

THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Julie Circosta
Tennis

- Birthday:** March 28, 1988
- Hometown:** Rutland, MA
- Year:** freshman
- Major:** Marketing
- What do you like most about UMass Boston?** girls tennis team
- Favorite place on campus?** anywhere outside the classroom
- Favorite sports team?** Red Sox
- Favorite athlete?** Big Papi
- Something that most people don't know about you?** have a tattoo
- Favorite vacation spot?** California
- Accomplishment you are most proud of in your sport?** 2 coaches awards in HS
- Favorite holiday?** Christmas
- Would you rather live in a log cabin or downtown?** downtown
- Do you have any pets?** Yes, my doggie
- What is your favorite movie?** all Disney movies
- Pre-game song to get pumped up?** Smack That by Akon
- What bones have you broken?** my right wrist + finger
- Pepsi or Coke?** coke
- Favorite Cereal?** Rice Krispy Treats
- Favorite City or Town?** LA
- Favorite ice cream?** cookies 'n' cream
- How many foreign countries have you been to?** 1 - canada
- If it could rain something other than rain, what would it rain?** money
- Favorite Sesame Street character?** Snuffuluffagus
- Hats or no hats?** no hats
- Morning or night?** night
- Favorite Season?** winter here + summer in LA
- Favorite Saved by the Bell character?** AC Slater

Almost, but not Quite The Beacons looked as if they would put themselves in the driver's seat for a Little East Conference spot, but then hit a bump in the road. UMass Boston took care of business with a 30-24, 25-30, 30-24, 30-27 victory over LEC foe Plymouth State University and took a 2-0 lead over UMass Dartmouth, winning the first two games, 30-28, 30-19, but then dropped the final three, 30-23, 30-23, 15-4 to end up with a split.

UMass Boston trailed 25-20 in the fourth game to Plymouth State, but went on a 10-2 run, including the final six points of the match to come away with a 30-27 victory to secure the match victory. The Beacons were led by freshman outside hitter **Kate White (Plymouth, MA)**



Photo by AJ Rourke

Senior, *Kassandra Rateau*

with a match-high 16 kills to go with a 10 digs and a pair of aces, while classmate **Megan MacAuley (Upland, CA)** smashed 13 kills in addition to scooping 14 digs, serving up an ace and making two blocks, including a solo. Sophomore setter **Randle Stock (Hopkinton, MA)** set for 38 assists and added 10 digs, two aces, two kills and a block, while senior **Kassandra Rateau (Brockton, MA)** contributed with a match-high 25 digs. Sophomore outside hitter **Tanya Beckford (Framingham, MA)** got down for 20 digs and served up three aces to go with two kills and a block.

White led UMass Boston vs. UMD, as well, with a match-best 18 kills and a .316 hitting mark, while coming up with 12 digs and an ace. MacAuley spiked for 11 kills, scooped 22 digs and made a block, while freshman middle hitter **Natalie Crist (Santa Maria, CA)** put down 10 kills, fired two aces, registered three digs and made four assisted blocks. Stock set for 41 assists, spiked three kills, scooped three digs and served up an ace. Rateau recorded 25 more digs to go with a kill.

The Beacons began the week with a 30-28, 17-30, 33-31, 30-27 loss at Framingham State on October 17. After knotting the match at a game, apiece, UMass Boston looked to take game three, but a couple crucial serving errors thwarted its efforts. The Rams never led the entire match by more than four points at any time in any game. White led the team with 21 kills, while adding 10 digs and an ace. Crist smashed 14 kills and hit .346 for the match in addition to six digs and three blocks, while MacAuley put away 13 kills and scooped 12 digs. Stock set for 48 assists and added 10 digs, an ace and a kill.

UMB was beaten at Roger Williams as well, 30-20, 30-23, 30-18, 33-31. The Beacons just couldn't get on track and looked to take the air out of their opponent and the crowd, but just couldn't get over the hump in the fourth and deciding game. White and MacAuley each spiked for 11 kills, while MacAuley got down for a team-high 17 digs and also served up a pair of aces to go with a block. White picked up 13 digs. Crist put down 10 kills in addition to six digs and an ace. Stock set for 28 assists and added eight digs, while Beckford scooped 12 digs.

WOMEN'S SOCCER 2-13-0, 0-6-0 LEC

Head Coach: Amy Zombeck

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Another Save and another and another....

The women's soccer team endured a tough week, falling in three road matches. The Beacons were beaten at Emerson, 5-0, despite freshman keeper **Jessica Penta (Revere, MA)** best effort to keep the ball out of the net with a season-high 27 saves. Penta made 16 more saves in a 5-0 loss at Framingham State College and capped the week with 22 stops at Western Connecticut State University. The first-year goalie ranked fourth in the nation in total saves as of the latest rankings from last Monday.

October
23 at Regis 3 pm
26 LESLEY 3 pm
28 KEENESTATE 1 pm

WHAT HAPPENED ?

October
17 at Emerson 0-5 L
19 at Framingham St. 0-4 L
21 at W. Conn. State 0-8 L