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MEN'S & WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Chris Fitzgerald

WHAT'S
NEXT ?

November
5 at ECAC Championships

WHAT
HAPPENED ?

October
29 at Alliance/LEC Champs.

Photo by A.J. Rourke



Senior, Emily Schwan

Making their Mark

Junior **Sarah Shapiro (Weymouth, MA)** finished fourth overall with a time of 19:21.99 to lead the UMass Boston women's cross country team at the New England Alliance Championship in Westfield, MA on Saturday. Shapiro finished fourth in the event for the second straight year, clocking in just two seconds behind the third-place finisher in the five-kilometer run. Her time placed her fourth among Little East Conference runners to earn All-Little East Conference honors in addition to being named All-New England Alliance. The Beacons finished fourth overall and third in the LEC with 137 points. Senior **Emily Schwan (Albany, NY)** clocked in with her best time of the season with a mark of 20:56.18 to take 19th place overall and 14th among LEC harriers for UMB's women. Her top 20 overall finish earns her All-New England Alliance status. Junior **Rebecca G. Perry**

(**Topsfield, MA**) posted her fastest time of the year, crossing the line at 22:23.17 to finish 38th overall and 23rd within the LEC, while senior **Kris Shaw (Carver, MA)** came in with a time of 22:42.92 to place 43rd overall and 27th among LEC competitors. Junior **Rachel Gazda (Springfield, MA)** finished 51st overall and 32nd in the LEC with a time of 23:06.02 to establish her best time of the season.

For the UMass Boston men, sophomore **Mike Leavitt (Brockton, MA)** placed 29th overall and 20th among LEC participants, in the eight kilometer race, with a season-best time of 27:51.02. Freshman **Ryan Norton (Walpole, MA)** came in with a time of 30:25.55 for a 76th place showing overall and 39th in the LEC, while junior **Thy Toeum (Somerville, MA)** finished in 107th place and 50th in the LEC with a mark of 39:21.68.

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MEN'S SOCCER

7-7-2, 0-5-2 LEC

Head Coach: Myles Berry

WHAT'S
NEXT ?

October
31 at St. Joseph's (ME) 2pm

WHAT
HAPPENED ?

October
25 at MIT Cancelled
29 KEENE STATE 0-3 L

Playing in a Winter Wonderland

UMass Boston played Keene State scoreless for the first half as flurries filled the air for Boston's first snowfall of the season, but the Owls adjusted to the white stuff in the second half and broke the scoreless tie just 53 seconds into the second stanza. Keene netted two more goals as the Beacons fell, 3-0, on Saturday. Freshman keeper **Paul Maniscalco (Boston, MA)** made seven saves on the day for UMass Boston.

The Beacons will complete their season on the road with a match vs. Saint Joseph's College in Standish, Maine on October 31 at 2:00 p.m.



OCTOBER
31

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THE BEACON SPOTLIGHT



Michael Leavitt
Cross Country

Birthday: 10-10-85

Hometown: Brockton, MA

Year: 08

Major: Management

Nickname: Mike

What do you like most about UMass Boston: View from Campus Center

Favorite place on campus: Clark

Favorite sports team? Boston Red Sox

Favorite athlete? Lance Armstrong

What is something that most people don't know about you? I'm lefty...

Favorite vacation spot? Virginia Beach

What accomplishment are you most proud of in your sport? MVP &

Freshman of the Year

Favorite holiday? Christmas

Bacon bits or croutons? Bacon Bits

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

Do you have any pets? 1, cat

Favorite artist or band? System of a Down

Favorite pre-game song to get pumped up? System of a Down - Sad Statue

Pepsi or Coke? Pepsi

Favorite Cereal? Trix

Favorite city or town?: Boston

Favorite ice cream? Mint Choc. Chip

How many foreign countries have you been to? None...Canada next year though

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

Favorite Sesame Street character:

Cookie Monster

Hats or no hats? hats

Morning or night? night

Peanut butter: Crunchy or creamy? Both

Favorite season? Summer

Favorite Saved by the Bell character?

Screech

WOMEN'S SOCCER 3-11-2, 0-7-0 LEC

Head Coach: Amy Zombeck

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Aces are Wild The Beacons posted one tie, one win and one loss last week to wrap up their season.

Freshman midfielder **Katherine Wall (Arlington, MA)** scored on a breakaway with less than 10 minutes to play in regulation as she took on the Regis' keeper one on one and deposited a shot into the left corner with 9:48 left to play in the second half. UMB held Regis scoreless for the final 70:52 of play as junior keeper **Denise B. Ridge (Milton, MA)** stopped nine shots on the day to preserve the 1-1 tie.

Wall was at it again on October 27 when UMass Boston travelled to Cambridge to take on Lesley University. The midfielder made a few moves as she maneuvered from one side of the net to the other and scored the Beacons' first goal of the night. It was the first of two goals on the evening for her. Wall added an assist later in the night to give her five points for the match. Senior midfielder **Andrea Maillett (Reading, MA)** also netted a goal with senior forward **Kristin Wilson (Grand Forks, ND)** in on the assist for her first career point. Junior defensive standout **Crystal R. Gutierrez (San Bernardino, CA)** picked up her second point of the season and senior midfielder **Kurstin Meehan (Edgartown, MA)** netted her second goal of the year. Ridge stopped six shots to record her third shutout of the campaign and become the first keeper since Linda Caruso in 1996 to record three shutouts in a season.

UMass Boston was defeated by Keene State on Saturday, but netted its first goal since the Owls in program history when Maillett scored in the second half to cap the contest's scoring and cut the deficit to 3-1. Ridge turned away 16 shots for the Beacons.

Season Complete

WHAT HAPPENED ?

October
24 REGIS 1-1 T
27 at Lesley 4-0 W
29 at Keene State 1-3 L



Freshman, Katherine Wall

Photo by A.J. Rourke

VOLLEYBALL 7-16, 1-6 LEC

Head Coach: Terry Condon

WHAT'S NEXT ?

Sinking the Buccaneers Senior middle blocker **Stephanie Adams (Whitman, MA)** made the most of senior night, smashing a season-high 19 kills, while hitting .255, firing five aces and scooping seven digs to lead the Beacons to a 3-2 victory over visiting Massachusetts Maritime Academy on October 26. Junior setter **Juliane Farias (Cambridge, MA)** directed the action for UMass Boston with a season-high 54 assists to go with nine digs and a pair of kills, while sophomore outside hitter **Denise Hill (Toa Boa, PR)** put down 16 kills and came up with a dig. Freshman middle blocker **Allison Johnston (Weymouth, MA)** was efficient with a .273 hitting mark, while spiking for eight kills and adding two blocks and a dig. Freshman outside hitter **Tanya Beckford (Framingham, MA)** also contributed with 12 kills, three aces and nine digs, while senior libero **Nathania Figueroa (San Juan, PR)** collected a match-high 17 digs and served for two aces in her final career home match.

Beckford led the Beacons in the season finale at Wentworth Institute of Technology with six kills and 12 digs, while adding a block. Hills spiked for five kills and added a pair of digs, while Adams put down four kills to go with seven digs to close out her career.

Season Complete

WHAT HAPPENED ?

October
26 MASS. MARITIME 3-2 W
29 at Wentworth Inst. 0-3 L