

SPORTS NEWS



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Men's Lacrosse

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Bearcats riding four-game winning streak

Binghamton produced two more wins in conference games last week to stretch its win streak to four games and move above .500 for the first time ever. The Bearcats are in sole possession of first place in America East with a 3-0 record after a 5-4 upset win over #19 UMBC and a 13-5 triumph over defending regular season champion Hartford.

Chaapel propels Binghamton to win over UMBC

Sophomore attack **Brian Chaapel (Penn Yan, N.Y./Penn Yan Academy)** scored the game-tying goal against UMBC with 1:30 left and then netted the game-winner with just four seconds remaining. With Binghamton holding the ball for the final shot, Chaapel ran behind the net and then cut in on the right side. His shot bounced once before finding the net and sparked a wild celebration on the BU sideline. Chaapel followed up his effort with two more goals and a pair of assists against Hartford.

McKeown guiding team's defense from the net

During the four-game winning streak, sophomore goalie **Kevin McKeown (Brewster, N.Y.)** sports a 4.47 goals-against-average and .707 save percentage. He collected 20 saves and allowed only nine goals in the wins over UMBC and Hartford, and overall has amassed 41 saves during the streak while allowing only 17 goals. He was at his best in the second half against UMBC, when he made seven of his 10 saves.

Wilmot shuts down opposing team's top threats

Freshman defender **Tom Wilmot (Rockville Centre, N.Y./Southside)** was given the task of covering the top scoring threat on the opposition against both UMBC and Hartford. He responded in top form both times, helping Binghamton limit its two opponents to nine combined goals in a pair of wins.

Cavallo leads offensive onslaught against Hartford

Sophomore attack **Phil Cavallo (Cedarhurst, N.Y./Lawrence)** had four goals and two assists against Hartford in the Bearcats highest-scoring game in the program's three-year history. Three of those goals came in the first half when Binghamton built an 8-3 lead to take control of the game.

Up Next: Bearcats try to clinch postseason berth

Binghamton returns home to face Quinnipiac at 2 p.m. on April 17. With a win in that game, the Bearcats would clinch a spot in the conference tournament. The four-team America East Championship begins with semifinal games on May 5.

2004 Schedule/Results (5-4, 3-0 AE)

MARCH

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|----------------|----------------|----------|------------|
| 6 Sat. | @ Lafayette | W | 11-4 |
| 8 Mon. | @ #11 Hofstra | L | 9-14 |
| 17 Wed. | @ Cornell | L | 6-9 |
| 20 Sat. | @ Villanova | L | 6-10 |
| 24 Wed. | COLGATE | L | 7-8 |
| 30 Tue. | @ Wagner | W | 11-1 |

APRIL

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|----------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 3 Sat. | * STONY BROOK | W | 9-7 |
| 7 Wed. | * UMBC | W | 5-4 |
| 10 Sat. | *@ Hartford | W | 13-5 |
| 17 Sat. | * QUINNIPIAC | 2 p.m. | |
| 20 Tue. | SIENA | 5 p.m. | |
| 24 Sat. | *@ Vermont | 1 p.m. | |
| 28 Wed. | DREXEL | 3 p.m. | |

MAY

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| 1 Sat. | *@ Albany | 7 p.m. | |
| 5 Wed. | @ America East Semis | TBA | |
| 8 Sat. | @ America East Champ. | TBA | |

* America East Conference game

Home games listed in **BOLD CAPS** and played at East Gym Complex

2004 Statistical Leaders

Goals

Phil Cavallo—19

Assists

Matt McNamara—15

Points

Matt McNamara—27

Ground Balls

Sean Meluney—27

Faceoffs

David Streeten—.457 (63-138)