

SPORTS NEWS



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Men's Lacrosse

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Bearcats stun Albany for regular season title

Sophomore attack **Phil Cavallo (Cedarhurst, N.Y./Lawrence)** assisted on the game-tying goal with 3:09 remaining in the game and then netted the game-winner just 20 seconds later as Binghamton rallied from a one-goal deficit in the final 4:46 and defeated host Albany 9-8 in front of 1,215 fans to capture the school's first regular season America East title in any sport. Cavallo had two goals and one assist, while freshman attack **Matt McNamara (Oswego, N.Y.)** had three assists, including the feed on Cavallo's third game-winning goal of the season.

Binghamton defies expectations

Coming into the season, the Bearcats were voted to finish sixth in the seven-team America East. Instead, Binghamton won four of its six conference games by one or two goals and went on to an unblemished conference mark. BU carries the #1 seed into the conference tournament and will host #4 seed Stony Brook in a semifinal game. The other semifinal pits #2 seed UMBC against #3 seed Albany.

McKeown shuts down opposing offense

Sophomore goalie **Kevin McKeown (Brewster, N.Y.)** had a season-high 14 saves against the Great Danes, just one week after he made seven saves in the fourth quarter alone to preserve an 8-7 victory over Vermont. During its three-game winning streak, the Bearcats have spotted the opposition more shots, ground balls and faceoffs. McKeown, however, has maintained a 5.67 GAA and .667 save percentage during that span.

McNamara named Rookie of the Week

Freshman attack **Matt McNamara (Oswego, N.Y.)** has been named the America East Rookie of the Week, the conference announced on May 3. It is the first such honor for McNamara, who has been one of the top rookies in the conference this season. In two games this week, McNamara tied for the team lead in points with three goals and three assists. He netted all three goals in an 8-2 non-conference win over Drexel and then dished out three helpers in the win over Albany. McNamara ranks second on the team in goals (20) and leads the squad in assists (22) and points (42). He is the first Bearcat in the program's three-year history to have at least 20 goals and 20 assists in a season.

America East Championship Schedule

Wednesday, May 5

#1 Binghamton vs. #4 Stony Brook—4 p.m. (East Gym Complex, Vestal, N.Y.)

#2 UMBC vs. #3 Albany—7:30 p.m. (UMBC Stadium, Baltimore, Md.)

Saturday, May 8

Championship Game (at home site of highest remaining seed)

2004 Schedule/Results (9-5, 6-0 AE)

MARCH

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

3 Sat.	* STONY BROOK	W	9-7
7 Wed.	* #19 UMBC	W	5-4
10 Sat.	*@ Hartford	W	13-5
17 Sat.	* QUINNIPIAC	W	13-9
20 Tue.	SIENA	L	6-7
24 Sat.	*@ Vermont	W	8-7
28 Wed.	DREXEL	W	8-2

MAY

1 Sat.	*@ Albany	W	9-8
5 Wed.	%STONY BROOK	4 p.m.	
8 Sat.	AMERICA EAST FINAL	1 p.m.	

* America East Conference game
% America East Semifinal game
Home games listed in **BOLD CAPS** and played at East Gym Complex

2004 Statistical Leaders

Goals

Phil Cavallo—25

Assists

Matt McNamara—22

Points

Matt McNamara—42

Ground Balls

Sean Meluney/Kevin Kaylor—37

Faceoffs

David Streeten—.470 (103-219)

Goalie Statistics

Kevin McKeown—6.90 GAA, .604 Save Pct.

Binghamton Bearcats

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/ High School
1	Tom Wilmot	Fr.	D	6-0	205	Rockville Centre, N.Y./Southside
2	Brian Chaapel	So.	A	6-0	180	Penn Yan, N.Y./Penn Yan
3	J.R. Gaudet	So.	A	5-11	195	Binghamton, N.Y./Binghamton
5	Scott Mitchell	So.	A	5-11	175	Smithtown, N.Y./Hauppauge
6	Brian Thomas	So.	A	5-10	175	Ithaca, N.Y./Ithaca
7	Aaron LaFlair	So.	A	6-0	190	Watertown, N.Y./General Brown
8	Phil Cavallo	So.	A	5-10	175	Cedarhurst, N.Y./Lawrence
9	Matt McNamara	Fr.	A/M	6-0	190	Oswego, N.Y./Oswego
10	Kevin McKeown	So.	G	6-1	190	Brewster, N.Y./Brewster
11	Joe Vavala	So.	A	6-2	175	Dewey Beach, Del./Cape Henlopen
12	Matt DeCirce	So.	M	5-8	175	Binghamton, N.Y./Binghamton
13	David Burpoe	So.	M	6-3	200	Arlington, Va./Wakefield
14	Kevin Kaylor	So.	D	5-8	165	Beverly, Mass./Beverly
15	Joe Conner	So.	M	5-10	185	Ijamsville, Md./Urbana
16	Jeff Kaylor	Fr.	A	5-8	155	Beverly, Mass./Beverly
17	Nate Kerstein	Fr.	A	6-0	200	Rochester, N.Y./Irondequoit
19	Rob Williams	Fr.	A	6-0	190	Fulton, N.Y./Fulton
20	Matt Osborne	Fr.	D	6-0	165	Waterloo, N.Y./Waterloo
21	Charlie Cook	So.	A	5-7	150	Liverpool, N.Y./Liverpool
22	David Streeten	Fr.	M	5-10	170	Corning, N.Y./Corning East
23	Matt Luhrs	Fr.	D	6-4	205	Owego, N.Y./Owego
24	Jeff Santucci	Fr.	M	5-8	155	Cicero, N.Y./Cicero-North Syracuse
25	Chris Bernard	Fr.	M	5-8	155	Beverly, Mass./Beverly
28	Dan Krasner	Fr.	M	5-11	220	Scarsdale, N.Y./Scarsdale
30	Ryan Schmonsees	Fr.	A/M	5-11	210	Owego, N.Y./Owego
32	Mike Baudouin	So.	D	6-3	205	Southside, N.Y./Southside
33	Chris Healy	Sr.	M	6-6	210	Freeport, N.Y./Freeport
34	Sean Meluney	So.	D	6-2	205	Cape Henlopen, Del./Cape Henlopen

Head Coach: Ed Stephenson (Towson '92), Third Year (14-21)

Assistant Coach: Larry King

Captains: Mike Baudouin, Phil Cavallo, Brian Chaapel, Chris Healy

Quick Facts

ABOUT BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY

Name: Binghamton University

Location: Vestal, N.Y.

Founded: 1946 as Triple Cities College of Syracuse University

Enrollment: 13,099 (10,328 undergraduate)

Nickname: Bearcats

Color: Dark Green, Black and White

Affiliation: NCAA Division I

Conference: America East

Home Site: East Gym Complex

Capacity: 2,500

Varsity Sports: 21

President: Dr. Lois B. DeFleur

Dir. of Athletics: Dr. Joel Thirer

Senior Assoc. AD: Matt Bassett

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BINGHAMTON MEN'S LACROSSE

Head Coach: Ed Stephenson

Alma Mater: Towson '92

Record at Binghamton: 14-21 (Third Season)

Career Record: Same

Office Phone: 607-777-3154

Assistant Coach: Larry King

Captains: Mike Baudouin, Phil Cavallo, Brian Chaapel, Chris Healy

2003 Record: 4-8

2003 Conference Record/Finish: 1-4 (Fifth)

Starters R/L: 9/1

Letterwinners R/L: 17/10

First Year of Varsity Competition: 2002

All-Time Record: 14-21

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Tale of the Tape: Bearcats vs. Seawolves

	<u>Binghamton</u>	<u>Stony Brook</u>
<i>SHOT STATISTICS</i>		
Goals—Shot attempts	121-388	117—466
Goals scored average	8.67	8.37
Shot percentage	.312	.251
Shots on goal—Attempts	185-388	263-466
SOG percentage	.477	.564
Shots/Game	27.7	33.3
Assists	76	68
<i>MAN-UP OPPORTUNITIES</i>		
Goals—Opportunities	16-63	12-54
Conversion Percentage	.254	.222
<i>GOAL BREAKDOWN</i>		
Total Goals	121	117
Man-up	16	12
Man-down	1	0
Unassisted	32	46
Overtime	0	0
<i>GROUND BALLS</i>	385	499
<i>FACEOFFS (W-L)</i>	116-146	136-133
Faceoff W-L percentage	.443	.506
<i>CLEARs</i>	206-269	242-320
Clear percentage	.766	.756
<i>PENALTIES</i>		
Number	54	74
Minutes	42:00	65:00

Bearcats defense soars to #1...

Binghamton enters today's game tied with Ohio State for the nation's top defense. Both squads have allowed just 95 goals in 14 games on the season, for a defensive average of 6.79. The Bearcats mark is all the more impressive when the squad's tough early season schedule is taken into account. Three of the team's first four games were against nationally ranked competition. Overall, Binghamton allowed 9.00 goals per game in its first five outings and has spotted the opposition just 5.56 goals per game over the last nine contests.

...but Seawolves are close behind

Stony Brook comes into today's games as the nation's sixth-best defensive team with a defensive average of 7.29. Freshman goalie Brendan Callahan has been the catalyst of the defense, as he leads the entire nation in both goals-against average (5.88) and save percentage (.699).

National Notes

- Bearcats rank fifth in man-down defense (.844 penalty killing percentage)
- Binghamton also ranks 15th in winning percentage (9-5, .643) and 16th in scoring margin (1.86)
- Stony Brook enters today's game ranked 15th in winning percentage (9-5, .643) and 18th in man-down defense (.789)

Comparing the Coaches

	Ed Stephenson (Binghamton)	John Espey (Stony Brook)
Alma Mater (Year)	Towson ('92)	Cortland ('73)
Career Record (Years)	14-21 (3)	157-163 (23)
Record at School (Years)	14-21 (3)	116-119 (17)
America East Championship Record	0-0	2-1

Bearcats by the Numbers

America East Rankings

(through games of May 2)

Goals Per Game

Phil Cavallo—5th (1.79; 25 goals)

Assists Per Game

Matt McNamara—2nd (1.57; 22 assists)

Points Per Game

Matt McNamara—6th (3.00; 42 points)

Phil Cavallo—10th (2.50; 25 points)

Game-Winning Goals

Phil Cavallo—T-1st (3)

Nate Kerstein—T-3rd (2)

Shots Per Game

Phil Cavallo—4th (6.07)

Man-Down Goals

Phil Cavallo—T-2nd (1)

Goals-Against Average

Kevin McKeown—2nd (.690)

Save Percentage

Kevin McKeown—2nd (.604)

Saves Per Game

Kevin McKeown—6th (10.36; 145 saves)

Faceoff Percentage

David Streeten—6th (.470; 103-219)

National Rankings

(through games of May 3)

Assists Per Game

Matt McNamara—17th (1.57)

Goals Against Average

Kevin McKeown—5th (.690)

Save Percentage

Kevin McKeown—11th (.604)

Signs of success: National rankings notice Bearcats

Binghamton's success this season has not gone unnoticed, as the team received votes in the latest edition of both the InsideLacrosse.com poll and the Geico/STX poll. Both polls rank the nation's top 20 teams and list up to five other teams that are receiving votes. The Bearcats received five votes in the InsideLacrosse.com poll and ranked 23rd. Dartmouth (13) and Delaware (12) were ranked ahead of Binghamton, with 20 votes needed to break into the top 20. The USILA Geico/STX poll had the Bearcats ranked 23rd, behind Denver and Duke but ahead of Massachusetts.

Cats vs. Wolves: Part IV

Stony Brook leads the series between the teams 2-1, with Binghamton getting its only win earlier this season. The Seawolves hosted Binghamton last season and came away with a 9-4 victory. In the Bearcats inaugural season of 2002, Stony Brook crushed BU by a 20-3 margin. This season Binghamton is 4-2 at home, while Stony Brook is 1-4 on the road.

Binghamton 9, Stony Brook 7

April 3, 2004

Binghamton Alumni Stadium

Attendance: 177

Records: Stony Brook (4-4, 1-1 America East); Binghamton (3-4, 1-0 AE)

<u>Score by Period</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Stony Brook	1	3	2	1	7
Binghamton	1	4	1	3	9

Stony Brook Scoring

Goals: Adam Marksberry 3, Jason Cappodoro 2, George LaFlare 1, Adam Zetzer 1

Assists: Brian Alfano 1, Jason Cappodoro 1, George LaFlare 1

Binghamton Scoring

Goals: Matt McNamara 2, Brian Chaapel 2, Jeff Santucci 1, Nate Kerstein 1, Rob Williams 1, Matt DeCirce 1, Mike Baudouin 1

Assists: Phil Cavallo 1, Jeff Santucci 1, Brian Thomas 1

Stony Brook Ground Balls: Kyle Pearl 11, Ryan Maehr 4, Michael Poch 3, Brian Alfano 2, Brendan Callahan 2, Jason Cappodoro 2, James Devins 2, Aaron Weiss 2, Adam Zetzer 2, John Donnelly 1, Hunter Greense 1, Jamey Lacey 1, Adam Marksberry 1, Matthew O'Connor 1, David Weiss 1

Binghamton Ground Balls: Kevin McKeown 5, Sean Meluney 4, Charlie Cook 3, David Streeten 3, Tom Wilmot 3, Mike Baudouin 2, Kevin Kaylor 2, Matt McNamara 2, Rob Williams 2, Chris Bernard 1, Jeff Santucci 1, Brian Thomas 1

Shots—Stony Brook 31, Binghamton 24

Shots on Goal—Stony Brook 19, Binghamton 19

Penalties—Stony Brook 5/5:00; Binghamton 2/1:00

Man-Up Opportunities—Stony Brook 1-2; Binghamton 0-5

Faceoffs—Stony Brook 13-19, Binghamton 6-19

Clears—Stony Brook 12-15, Binghamton 15-25

Goalies

Stony Brook: Brendan Callahan 4-2 (60:00 minutes, 19 shots-10 saves, 9 GA)

Binghamton: Kevin McKeown 3-4 (60:00 minutes, 19 shots-12 saves, 7 GA)

Binghamton Men's Lacrosse
Binghamton Overall Individual Statistics (as of May 05, 2004)
All games

Overall: 9-5-0 Conf: 6-0-0 Home: 4-2-0 Away: 5-3-0 Neut: 0-0-0

##	Name	GP-GS	-----SHOTS-----							----GOALS----				Pct	Pen-Min	
			G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%	GW	UP	DN	GB			Faceoff
9	McNAMARA, Matt	14-14	20	22	42	47	.426	27	.574	1	3	0	18	0-0	.000	5- 4.0
8	CAVALLO, Phil	14-13	25	10	35	85	.294	39	.459	3	1	1	10	0-0	.000	7- 4.5
17	KERSTEIN, Nate	13-5	20	1	21	46	.435	22	.478	2	3	0	9	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
19	WILLIAMS, Rob	14-11	12	9	21	28	.429	16	.571	0	1	0	14	0-0	.000	1- 1.0
2	CHAAPPEL, Brian	14-12	15	4	19	33	.455	16	.485	1	5	0	19	0-0	.000	3- 2.5
12	DeCIRCE, Matt	13-4	8	4	12	24	.333	10	.417	0	0	0	12	0-0	.000	1- 1.0
24	SANTUCCI, Jeff	13-1	6	5	11	25	.240	11	.440	0	0	0	10	8-18	.444	1- 0.5
33	HEALY, Chris	14-10	4	4	8	12	.333	8	.667	0	0	0	15	0-0	.000	2- 1.0
11	VAVALA, Joe	11-1	4	2	6	24	.167	7	.292	1	0	0	3	0-0	.000	1- 0.5
6	THOMAS, Brian	14-3	0	6	6	14	.000	4	.286	0	0	0	8	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
15	CONNOR, Joe	12-0	2	3	5	10	.200	4	.400	0	0	0	8	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
13	BURPOE, David	10-0	2	0	2	19	.105	10	.526	0	0	0	2	2-5	.400	2- 1.5
14	MELUNEY, Sean	14-14	1	1	2	3	.333	1	.333	0	0	0	37	0-0	.000	6- 4.5
22	STREETEN, David	14-2	0	2	2	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	35	103-219	.470	0- 0.0
32	BAUDOIN, Mike	14-14	1	0	1	4	.250	3	.750	0	0	0	32	0-0	.000	5- 4.0
21	COOK, Charlie	14-0	1	0	1	2	.500	1	.500	0	0	0	18	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
25	BERNARD, Chris	12-2	0	1	1	2	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	13	0-1	.000	1- 0.5
20	OSBORNE, Matt	10-3	0	1	1	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0	0	12	0-1	.000	1- 1.0
3	GAUDET, J.R.	2-0	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
16	KAYLOR, Jeff	10-0	0	0	0	7	.000	3	.429	0	0	0	3	0-0	.000	1- 1.0
1	WILMOT, Tom	14-13	0	0	0	2	.000	2	1.000	0	0	0	34	0-0	.000	10- 8.5
30	SCHMONSEES, Ryan	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	2	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
28	KRASNER, Dan	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0-0	.000	1- 0.5
23	LUHRS, Matt	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	1	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
14	KAYLOR, Kevin	13-6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	37	3-18	.167	5- 5.0
10	McKEOWN, Kevin	14-14	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	29	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
5	MITCHELL, Scott	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	1	0-0	.000	0- 0.0
Total.....		14	121	76	197	388	.312	185	.477	8	13	1	382	116-262	.443	54-42.0
Opponents.....		14	94	59	153	377	.249	162	.430	5	9	0	455	146-262	.557	64-48.5

##	Name	GP-GS	---GOAL AVERAGE---			--SAVES--		-RECORD-			Shots Faced
			Minutes	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	
28	KRASNER, Dan	2-0	11:33	0	0.00	2	1.000	0	0	0	3
10	McKEOWN, Kevin	14-13	825:40	95	6.90	145	.604	9	5	0	307
Total.....		14	837:13	95	6.81	147	.607	9	5	0	310
Opponents.....		14	837:13	121	8.67	140	.536	4	8	0	365

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total					SAVES BY PERIOD	1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total				
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Binghamton.....	26	33	31	31	- 121	Binghamton.....	32	41	34	39	- 146
Opponents.....	22	22	23	28	- 95	Opponents.....	38	30	34	38	- 140

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total					ATTENDANCE SUMMARY			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total	BING		OPP	
Binghamton.....	96	93	101	98	- 388	Total.....		945	3103
Opponents.....	90	99	89	99	- 377	Dates/Avg Per Date.....		6/158	8/388
						Neutral Site #/Avg.....		0/0	

SHOTS ON GOAL BY PRD	1st 2nd 3rd 4th Total				
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Binghamton.....	64	63	65	69	- 261
Opponents.....	54	63	57	67	- 241

CLEARs: Binghamton 206-269 .766, Opponents 211-258 .818.
MAN-UP OPPs: Binghamton 16-63 .254, Opponents 10-53 .189.