

SPORTS NEWS



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Volleyball

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This Week: Regular season ends with three matches

Binghamton concludes its regular season with three matches this week. The Bearcats hit the road for their final two conference matches of the season, playing Friday at Hartford and Saturday at Stony Brook. The team will then close out its regular season with a non-conference home match against Colgate on Sunday, November 17.

Crocus among national leaders in blocks

Sophomore middle blocker **Anne Crocus (Bethlehem, Pa./Freedom)** continues to rank among the top players in the nation in blocks. In the NCAA Division I statistics released Nov. 3, Crocus ranked eight with 1.57 blocks per game. In addition, her 52 solo blocks were the highest total among the national leaders (the second-highest total was 44). Crocus has led the America East Conference in blocking all season.

Bearcats fall to New Hampshire

New Hampshire Wildcats swept the Binghamton University Bearcats 3-0 in a conference match last Friday night at East Gym. The scores were 30-28, 30-14, 30-21.

After a nearly even battle in the first game, the Wildcats trailed 7-5 in the second game before seizing momentum in the match with a 25-8 run to close the game. New Hampshire hit an even .500 in the second game, and took advantage of 10 Binghamton errors.

For Binghamton, sophomore hitters **Michele Heck (Chicago, Ill./Resurrection)** and **Jennifer Smith (North Tonawanda, N.Y.)** each had 12 kills. Heck also added 13 digs. Sophomore middle blocker **Anne Crocus (Bethlehem, Pa./Freedom)** had a match-high five blocks, adding to her league-leading total. Crocus is now averaging 1.58 blocks per game. Sophomore setter **Glorimar Ortega (Naranjito, Puerto Rico)** had 29 assists.

Bearcats fall to Northeastern

Visiting Northeastern posted a 3-0 victory over Binghamton in an America East Conference match Saturday afternoon at East Gym. The Huskies won 30-24, 30-27, 30-20.

The Bearcats were led by sophomore **Michele Smith (Chicago, Ill./Resurrection)**, who had 11 kills. Sophomore hitter **Jennifer Smith (North Tonawanda, N.Y.)** added 10 kills. Sophomore setter **Glorimar Ortega (Naranjito, Puerto Rico)** collected 32 assists, and sophomore middle hitter **Anne Crocus (Bethlehem, Pa./Freedom)** contributed nine kills and six blocks game average.

2002 Schedule/Results (8-19, 2-8 AE)

AUGUST

30 Fri.	+ UMBC	L	1-3
31 Sat.	+ Univ. Maryland	L	1-3
	+ George Washington	L	2-3

SEPTEMBER

6 Fri.	^ Iowa	L	0-3
7 Sat.	^@ Illinois-Chicago	L	0-3
	^ Buffalo	W	3-2
11 Wed.	SYRACUSE	L	0-3
13 Fri.	% Cornell	L	1-3
	% Providence	W	3-0
14 Sat.	% Robert Morris	L	1-3
	% Howard	W	3-0
17 Tue.	BUFFALO	L	2-3
24 Tue.	@ Lafayette	W	3-0
26 Thu.	TULSA	L	0-3
28 Sat.	@ Canisius	L	1-3
29 Sun.	MARIST	W	3-0

OCTOBER

8 Tue.	* ALBANY	W	3-2
13 Sun.	*@ Maine	W	3-1
18 Fri.	* STONY BROOK	L	2-3
19 Sat.	* HARTFORD	L	1-3
25 Fri.	*@ Northeastern	L	0-3
26 Sat.	*@ New Hampshire	L	0-3
29 Tue.	*@ Albany	L	0-3

NOVEMBER

1 Fri.	* MAINE	L	0-3
3 Sun.	@ Siena	W	3-2
8 Fri.	* NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	0-3
9 Sat.	* NORTHEASTERN	L	0-3
15 Fri.	*@ Hartford		7 p.m.
16 Sat.	*@ Stony Brook		5 p.m.
17 Sun.	COLGATE		3 p.m.
23 Sat.-	America East Champ.		TBA
24 Sun.			

+ Univ. Maryland Tournament
^ Illinois-Chicago Tournament
% Robert Morris Colonial Classic
* America East Conference match