

SPORTS NEWS



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Women's Soccer

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Bearcats twice pushed to overtime in 0-1-1 week

Binghamton extended its regular-season unbeaten string to 13 games before suffering a 1-0 overtime loss to regionally-ranked Syracuse on Sunday. The Bearcats have now gone to overtime in five of their last 11 games dating back to last season. Against Syracuse, BU outshot its visitors 15-14 with 12 of those shots coming in the second half and overtime. But with two starters injured and on the bench, Binghamton surrendered the game-winning goal 2:40 into the first extra period. Late in regulation, the Bearcats had a golden opportunity to score when sophomore forward **Tatiana Mathelier (Pomona, N.Y./Saddle River Day, N.J.)** sidestepped the rushing SU keeper just outside the box and had an empty net to shoot at. She was pulled down, however, and had to leave the game with an ankle injury. On the ensuing free kick, freshman defender **Meghan Taylor (Burlington, Ontario/Notre Dame HS)** drilled a shot off the crossbar.

On Thursday, **Mathelier** scored the equalizer in a 1-1 overtime tie with St. Francis. In the 74th minute, she took a pass from junior linemate **Tracy Kasmarcik (Binghamton, N.Y./Susquehanna Valley)** and beat the keeper from close range. The Bearcats held a 22-10 advantage in shots, including an 11-2 margin in the first half, when they fell behind 1-0.

Massey earns America East Rookie of Week honors

Freshman midfielder **Lauren Massey (Burlington, Ontario/Notre Dame)** was named America East Rookie of the Week last week after collecting two goals in BU's first two games — both victories. She became the first women's soccer player honored in Binghamton's first season in the conference.

Injuries mounting as two starters fall

Binghamton suffered a pair of key injuries during the Syracuse game. Starting wing back **Tracey Anderson (Rockville Centre, N.Y./Oceanside)** will likely be lost for several weeks with a lower leg injury, and **Mathelier** suffered an ankle injury late in regulation. Her status is uncertain.

BU gains respect from Syracuse coach

The Bearcats earned the respect of Orangewomen head coach April Kater. "Binghamton played hard. They were very organized in the second half," Kater said. Syracuse entered the game ranked seventh in the *Soccer Buzz* Northeast rankings and eighth in the NSCAA regional poll. Binghamton was ranked ninth in the *Soccer Buzz* poll.

Up Next

The Bearcats travel to Queens Tuesday for a rare night game against a St. John's team that is undefeated (1-0-2). Binghamton defeated the Red Storm 1-0 in double overtime last season in a game played on the West Gym field. After that, BU is idle for 10 days.

2002 Schedule/Results (2-1-1)

AUGUST

30 Fri. LAFAYETTE W 2-1

SEPTEMBER

1 Sun. MT. ST. MARY'S W 2-0

5 Thu. ST. FRANCIS (Pa.) (2ot) T 1-1

8 Sun. SYRACUSE (ot) L 0-1

10 Tue. @ St. John's 7 p.m.

20 Fri. FDU 4 p.m.

22 Sun. @ St. Bonaventure 1 p.m.

27 Fri. HOWARD 3 p.m.

29 Sun. @ Colgate 1 p.m.

OCTOBER

2 Wed. *ALBANY 4 p.m.

6 Sun. *@ Maine noon

11 Fri. *@ Vermont 3 p.m.

17 Thu. *@ Stony Brook 3:30 p.m.

20 Sun. *BOSTON UNIVERSITY noon

24 Thu. *HARTFORD 4 p.m.

27 Sun. *NORTHEASTERN noon

31 Thu. @ Buffalo 7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

3 Sun. *@ New Hampshire 1 p.m.

8 Fri. America East Semifinals TBA

10 Sun. America East Champ. TBA

* America East Conference game

Leading Scorers

Name	G	A	Pts.
Lauren Massey	2	0	4
Tracy Kasmarcik	1	2	4
Tatiana Mathelier	1	2	4
Rosey Mustafa	1	0	2

Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %
Lauren Cherry	4	0.71	86.4