

SPORTS NEWS



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Women's Soccer

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Bearcats feel full range of emotion in 1-1 week

Binghamton's rollercoaster season went up and down again in a 1-1 week that saw the Bearcats produce a thrilling 1-0 upset of Hartford on Thursday, only to suffer a 1-0 loss to Northeastern three days later. The results still left BU's post-season position in question with just one America East game remaining.

BU stuns NCAA tournament regular Hartford 1-0

Playing against a Hartford team that has gone to the NCAA tournament in each of the last five seasons, and against a team that was 49-2 in regular-season conference games dating back to 1997, BU thrilled a home crowd with a 1-0 upset. Senior midfielder **Amanda Norman (Middletown, N.Y.)** set up the game-winner in the 56th minute with a brilliant play. Norman, who leads the team and conference with nine assists, raced in on the left side, drew out the Hawks keeper, and fed a perfect pass across the middle to sophomore linemate **Emily Moore (Pearl River, N.Y.)**, who buried her fourth goal of the season. Senior keeper **Lauren Cherry (Wyncote, Pa./Cheltenham)** made eight saves to record her fourth shutout of the season.

Northeastern dampens BU's playoff hopes

On Sunday, visiting Northeastern put a major damper on the Bearcats' spirits with a 1-0 win. Despite outshooting the Huskies 20-14, BU could not capitalize. "We had many chances to score but we could not finish," head coach Jeff Leightman said. "There is no excuse for not finishing. We can't keep having this problem."

Offense has been shut down of late

In BU's last six games — all America East contests — the Bearcats' offense has been limited to just three goals. A year after scoring 2.9 goals a game, which ranked fifth in the entire nation, BU is averaging 2.0 per game. Even that figure is inflated due to lopsided wins over Albany (7-0) and FDU (4-1). The team has been shut out six times this season. In contrast, last year's squad went the entire 19-game season without being shut out.

Up Next

The Bearcats have a non-conference game at Buffalo on Halloween before concluding the regular-season with an away game at New Hampshire. Binghamton needs a win over the Wildcats plus some help from other teams to slip into the fourth and final playoff spot. The Bearcats lose tie-breaks with most teams in contention.

America East Standings

Team	Record	Pts	Overall
New Hampshire	4-1-1	13	9-5-1
Hartford	4-2-0	12	10-6-0
Stony Brook	3-1-2	11	5-9-3
Boston University	3-3-1	10	6-9-2
Binghamton	3-3-1	10	9-5-2
Northeastern	2-2-2	8	6-7-4
Maine	2-4-1	7	6-8-1
Vermont	2-4-0	6	4-12-0
Albany	1-5-0	3	4-12-1

2002 Schedule/Results (9-5-2, 3-3-1 AE)

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 L 0-2

20 Fri. FDU W 4-1

22 Sun. @ St. Bonaventure (ot) W 2-1

27 Fri. HOWARD W 7-1

29 Sun. @ Colgate (2ot) W 4-3

OCTOBER

2 Wed. *ALBANY W 7-0

6 Sun. *@ Maine (2ot) T 0-0

11 Fri. *@ Vermont W 2-1

17 Thu. *@ Stony Brook L 0-2

20 Sun. *BOSTON UNIV. (2ot) L 0-1

24 Thu. *HARTFORD W 1-0

27 Sun. *NORTHEASTERN L 0-1

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.
Tracy Kasmarcik	10	6	26
Tatiana Mathelier	5	5	15
Amanda Norman	2	9	13

Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %
Lauren Cherry	16	0.94	85.6