

SPORTS NEWS



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Women's Soccer

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Bearcats off to best start in eight seasons

With its 4-1-1 start, Binghamton is off to its best start since the 1996 season, when the then-Division III squad rolled to a 17-2 record and No. 2 national ranking.

Bowers' scoreless string ends at 315 minutes

Sophomore goalkeeper **Kristie Bowers (Rochester, N.Y./Greece Olympia)** extended her shutout string to 315:05 before FDU tallied a second-half goal. Bowers recorded back-to-back shutouts against Lehigh and Cornell and added scoreless minutes against St. John's and FDU.

O'Shaughnessy nets game-winner against Lehigh

Senior midfielder and captain **Caitlin O'Shaughnessy (Stony Point, N.Y./North Rockland)** notched her third career game-winning goal in BU's 1-0 win over visiting Lehigh. O'Shaughnessy then collected a goal and an assist in the 3-1 win over FDU and now leads the team with six points.

Torrential rains wreak havoc on game field

The home game Friday against FDU was played amid a heavy downpour as the residual effects of Hurricane Ivan hit the Greater Binghamton area. While BU and FDU were able to complete their game on West Gym Field, the aftermath left the pitch unplayable for Sunday's scheduled contest against LIU. The game will not be rescheduled.

BU continues success against non-conference foes

With the team's quick start, BU has continued its success against non-conference opponents. Going back to the 2002 season, BU is 16-7-2 during the regular season against non-conference foes. Since elevating to Division I in 2001, BU is 9-0 against seven different teams from the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference. The Bearcats also are 5-2 against the Atlantic 10 and 5-1-1 against the Northeast Conference.

Up Next: St. Peter's and Canisius

The Bearcats play their final two non-conference games this week before opening up America East play. Binghamton will look to remain unbeaten against both St. Peter's (3-0) and Canisius (2-0) — both members of the aforementioned MAAC.

2004 Results (4-1-1, 0-0 AE)

AUGUST

27 Fri. + Manhattan W 2-1
29 Sun. @ St. Bonaventure W 3-2

SEPTEMBER

5 Sun. @ St. John's L 0-2
10 Fri. **LEHIGH** W 1-0
14 Tue. @ Cornell T 0-0 (ot)
17 Fri. **FDU** W 3-1
19 Sun. **LONG ISLAND UNIV.** **canc.**
24 Fri. @ St. Peter's 4 p.m.
26 Sun. **CANISIUS** 3 p.m.

OCTOBER

1 Fri. *@ New Hampshire 3:30 p.m.
3 Sun. *@ Maine 11 a.m.
8 Fri. *@ UMBC 4 p.m.
10 Sun. **WEST VIRGINIA** **noon**
15 Fri. ***ALBANY** 4 p.m.
17 Sun. ***STONY BROOK** **noon**
22 Fri. *@ Hartford 6 p.m.
24 Sun. *@ Vermont 1 p.m.
28 Thu. ***BOSTON UNIV.** 1:30 p.m.
30 Sat. ***NORTHEASTERN** 11 a.m.

NOVEMBER

2 Tue. America East Quarterfinals TBA
5 Fri. America East Semifinals TBA
7 Sun. America East Championship TBA

~ exhibition played in Oxford, N.Y.

+ played at North Rockland High School

* America East Conference game

Leading Scorers

Name	G	A	Pts.
Caitlin O'Shaughnessy	2	2	6
Kim Povill	2	1	5
Tricia Reed	2	0	4
Tatiana Mathelier	1	2	4

Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %
Kristie Bowers	6	0.96	.842