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GOLDMAN LEADS UALBANY VOLLEYBALL TO SWEEP IN AMERICA EAST OPENER

Albany, N.Y. – **Shelby Goldman** smacked 14 kills to lead three players in double-figure kills as UAlbany defeated Stony Brook, 3-0, in the America East Conference opener for both teams on Friday night at University Gymnasium. The Great Danes, who won their second straight conference opener, extended their unbeaten streak to seven matches.

Goldman, who tallied seven kills in the opening game, finished with a match-high .393 hitting percentage. **Ashley Hunter** finished with 12 kills and a .321 hitting percentage. **Ashlee Reed** rounded out the Great Danes in twin figures with 10 kills and six digs.

Blair Buchanan registered 40 assists, eight digs and five kills. **Ashley DeNeal** paced UAlbany (13-2, AE 1-0) offensively with 13 digs, while **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** added 11 and **Kristin Fiorillo** finished with a career-high 10.

Morgan Sweany, a three-time America East player of the week honoree this season, paced Stony Brook (6-9, AE 0-1) with 11 kills and five digs. **Noelle Bay** chipped in with seven kills and six digs, while **Kate Ruskowski** recorded 29 assists and five digs.

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UAlbany (13-2, AE 1-0) vs. Stony Brook (6-9, AE 0-1), 30-19, 30-23, 30-17.



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RAY SCORES GOAL, ADDS ASSIST, IN MEN'S SOCCER 3-3 TIE AGAINST MARIST

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany's **Trevor Elmo** scored with 4:22 remaining in regulation, but Marist senior **Bobby Van Dyke** tied the game 2:02 later, as the two teams played to a 3-3 double-overtime tie on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Great Danes are unbeaten in their last seven matches at home.

Senior **Kyle Nunes** started the scoring for the Red Foxes to give them an early 1-0 lead. UAlbany freshman **Brad Ray** evened the match three minutes into the second half on his second tally of the season. Marist regained the lead on a goal by senior **Keith Detelj**, the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Preseason Player of the Year, at the 61:19 mark of the second half. Freshman **Alex Ruhe-Lischke** evened the match just five minutes later on his first career goal. Elmo's and Van Dyke's goals sent the game into overtime, where it ended in a 3-3 deadlock.

Ray, who also added an assist, is second on the team this season with three goals and eight points. Junior captain **Stephan Hall** had his team-leading fourth assist of the season. He leads UAlbany with 13 points. Freshman goalkeeper **Steward Ceus** had eight saves for the Great Danes, while sophomore **Daniel Owen** had six stops in net for the Red Foxes (1-5-1).

The Great Danes travel to UMBC on Saturday for a 1 p.m. America East match.

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UAlbany 3, Marist 3 2OT (Albany, N.Y.)

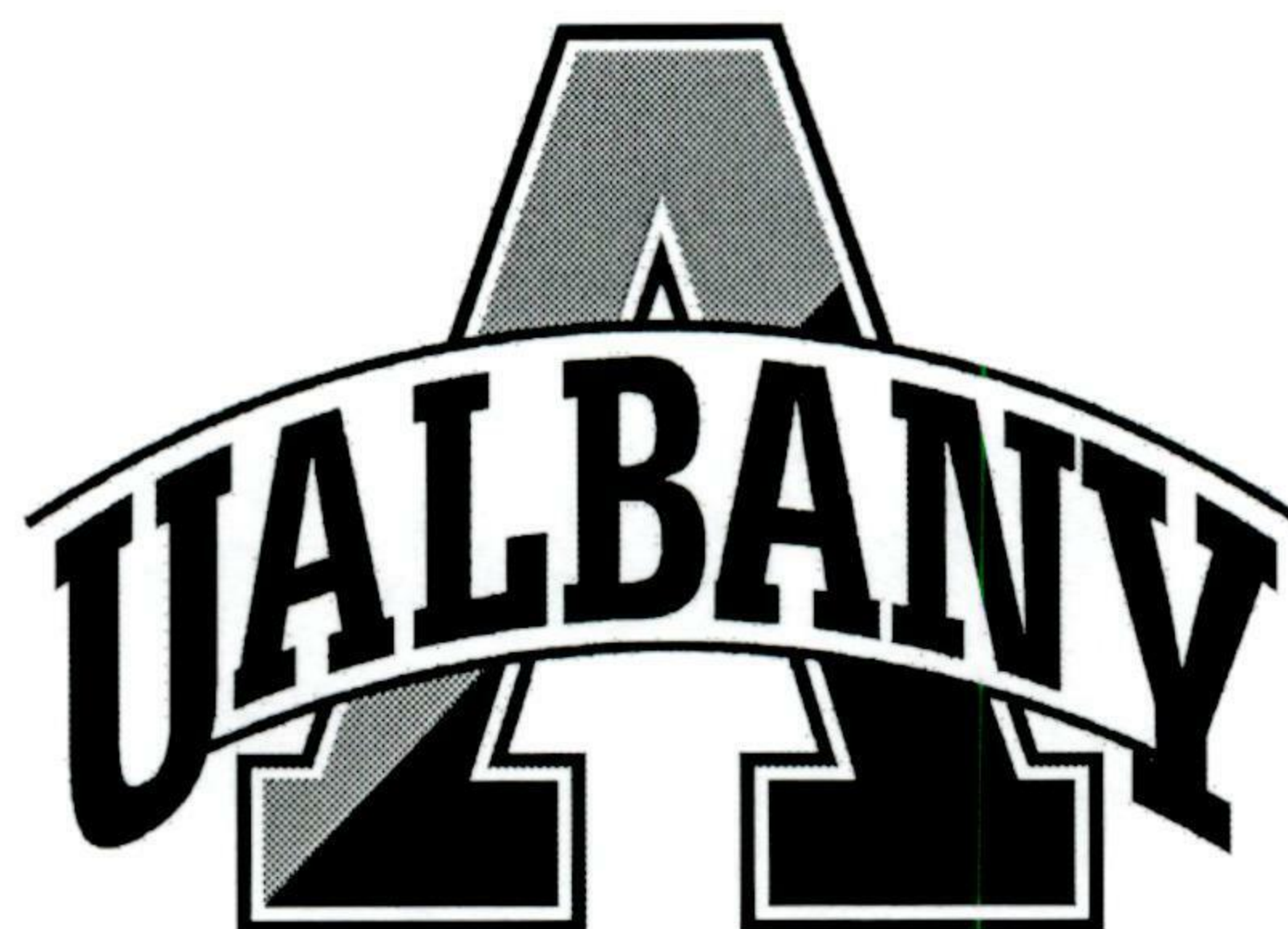
UAlbany (4-4-2)	0	3	0	0	3
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Marist (1-5-1)	1	2	0	0	3
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UAlbany- Scoring: Brad Ray 1-1, Trevor Elmo 1-0, Alex Ruhe-Lischke 1-0, Stephan Hall 0-1, Timba Bimont 0-1, Erik DiLorenzo 0-1; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (110:00, 3 GA, 8 saves)

Marist- Scoring: Keith Detelj 1-1, Kyle Nunes 1-0, Bobby Van Dyke 1-0, Anthony Graci 0-2; Goalkeeper: Daniel Owen (110:00, 3 GA, 6 saves)

Shots: Marist 23, UAlbany 14; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 9, Marist 4



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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ENSHRINES FIVE INTO ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Albany, N.Y. – Four former athletes and a university administrator will be enshrined into the University at Albany Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, October 7 at the 22nd annual HOF Dinner and Induction Ceremony. A reception for the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees begins at 6:00 p.m., with the dinner and ceremony to follow in the Recreation and Convocation Center (RACC) on campus. The induction ceremony is part of Homecoming and Family Weekend, which also includes Saturday's football game at University Field with Northeast Conference-rival Stony Brook at 4:00 p.m. A men's soccer match with Boston University and a women's field hockey contest with New Hampshire both begin at 1:00 p.m.

The new inductees and their sports: **Dan Gmelin** '98, football; **Rafaela Nikas** '98, lacrosse & volleyball; **Joe Rajczak** '80, football; and **Joe Savino** '98, football. **Dr. Richard Hall**, a distinguished professor of sociology and the school's NCAA faculty representative, is being inducted as an honorary member.

With this year's class, there are 108 former athletes, coaches, and administrators who have been inducted into the University at Albany's Athletic Hall of Fame.

Dan Gmelin (1994-97) -- One of the top wide receivers and punt returners in school history, Gmelin helped lead the Great Danes to the 1997 Eastern Football Conference championship and a single-season mark for victories with an 11-1 record.

Gmelin earned first-team Division II non-scholarship All-America recognition by Football Gazette and was named first-team All-ECAC-North and first-team All-EFC as a senior. He established single-season records for receptions (57), receiving yardage (1,070) and TD catches (10). He also set marks at the time for all-purpose yards (1,705), points scored (72), touchdowns (12) and punt return yards (368). Gmelin, who ranked seventh among the NCAA Division II leaders in punt returns at 15.3 yards per attempt, had three 200-yard all-purpose games in that season. He hauled in 11 passes for 215 yards against Southern Connecticut State in the EFC's Atlantic Division title game, and followed with nine receptions for 160 yards and one TD in the league championship victory at American International.

In 1996, Gmelin was a Football Gazette first-team All-American as a punt returner, while earning honorable mention status as a receiver. He was fourth nationally in punt returns with a 15.3 average, and caught 46 passes for 720 yards and three touchdowns. Gmelin accounted for 1,032 all-purpose yards. His top performance came against Pace, when he had 11 receptions for 181 yards.

Gmelin, who made 32 consecutive starts over his last three seasons, went on to sign an NFL free-agent contract with the San Diego Chargers and the Saskatchewan Roughriders of the Canadian Football League. He is among the school's all-time leaders in receptions (136) and receiving yards (2,243), and is on the career lists in touchdown receptions (17) and all-purpose yards (3,185).

A native of Bedford Hills, N.Y., Gmelin earned his B.S. in economics with a minor in business administration. He currently serves as Senior Underwriter for Professional Indemnity Agency, Inc., a premier provider of specialized insurance products. Gmelin and his wife, Raquel, were married last year.

Rafaela Nikas (1994-98) -- A two-time lacrosse All-American and an all-conference standout in volleyball, Nikas is one of the top women's athletes in UAlbany sports history. She was voted the school's 1997-98 Female Athlete of the Year.

A native of Bay Shore, N.Y., Nikas was selected first-team Division II All-American by both Brine/IWLCA and the U.S. Women's Lacrosse Association (USWLA). As a senior midfielder she established a school single-season record with 52 goals, plus added 10 assists to tie another standard with 62 points. Nikas led the Great Danes to the ECAC Division II championship final for the second time in three years with an 11-4 record. She finished her career among the school's all-time leaders with 97 goals, 35 assists, 132 points and 324 ground balls.

An outside hitter in volleyball, Nikas was a member of the 1997 All-New England Collegiate Conference second team. She averaged 3.70 kills per game and was second nationally in digs (5.55 pg). Nikas captained UAlbany to a 20-11 record and an ECAC Division II tournament appearance. She is the program's all-time leader in digs with 1,607, plus is third in career kills (1,281) and seventh in career kill average (3.54 pg). In 1996, she made the All-NECC first team, when she averaged 3.69 kills and was among the national leaders in dig average (4.54 pg).

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Nikas earned her undergraduate degree in English with a dual minor in communication and women's studies. She is presently both an English teacher and head women's volleyball and lacrosse coach at Valley Stream South High School in Long Island. Nikas earned her M.A. in secondary education and English from Long Island University-C.W. Post, and was an assistant coach on the school's 2001 NCAA Division II national champion women's lacrosse team.

Joe Rajczak (1976-79) -- An outside linebacker and defensive back in the late 1970s, Rajczak was the first UAlbany football player to earn All-America honors and was a member of the 1977 NCAA Division III playoff team.

Rajczak earned four varsity letters from 1976-79 as a defender in the team's 4-4 alignment. He was named to the Division III All-America second team as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and received ECAC Upstate New York All-Star recognition as a senior. Rajczak was also voted the Albany Times Union Player of the Year, as the best college football player in the Capital Region, and the Capitaland Player of the Year. One of his top performances came against Brooklyn College, when he finished with 10 tackles, two pass deflections and one interception in a 56-0 victory. He led the team in tackles and assists for the season.

Rajczak, who was a member of the UAlbany lacrosse team in 1978, has coached in the Capital Region over the last two decades. He served as Scotia-Glenville High School's women's lacrosse head coach from 1989-99, and as head wrestling coach from 1989-91. Rajczak's lacrosse teams won seven sectional titles, made two regional appearances, and reached the '98 state semifinals. He began his football coaching career as a Troy High assistant in 1981, and eventually would serve as both offensive and defensive coordinator at Scotia-Glenville.

Rajczak, who hails from Niagara Falls, N.Y., and his wife, Terri, have three children, Jenn, Krissy and Joey. His daughter, Jenn, finished her UAlbany lacrosse career in 2004, while Krissy will be a junior midfielder on this year's team. He currently is the principal at Cohoes (N.Y.) High School, and is an Executive Board Member of the Empire State Supervisors and Administrators Association, plus president of the Colonial Council.

Joe Savino (1994-97) -- UAlbany's all-time leading passer led the Great Danes to the 1997 Eastern Football Conference championship and a school-record 11-1 campaign. He was chosen as the school's 1997-98 Male Athlete of the Year.

A native of Norwood, N.J., Savino was a first-team Football Gazette Division II non-scholarship All-America quarterback. He was voted the ECAC-North Player of the Year and was the EFC's most valuable player after setting single-season records with 2,377 passing yards and 22 touchdowns. Savino, who also rushed for 10 TDs as a senior, threw for a single-game record 398 yards in the conference's Atlantic Division title game against Southern Connecticut State, and was the EFC championship MVP with 314 passing yards in a 27-20 victory over American International.

Savino, who ranked nationally among the NCAA leaders in passing efficiency (156.4 rating) and total offense (229.3 yards per game), was both an ECAC-North and EFC first-team selection. He received the ECAC-North and EFC offensive player of the week award three times and made the ECAC Honor Roll on four occasions. The 5-foot-9 signal-caller established 25 school records during his career, including most passing yards (7,015), touchdown passes (56) and most yards gained in total offense (7,660).

In 1996, Savino was named to the ECAC Intercollegiate Football Conference Division II All-Star Team, when he passed for 1,494 yards and 11 touchdowns, plus added 194 yards on the ground. He was chosen the 1994 ECAC Division III Upstate New York Rookie of the Year as a freshman. As the top-rated quarterback in the region, Savino threw for 1,742 yards and 12 touchdowns while completing 51.4 percent of his attempts.

Savino earned his undergraduate degree in accounting with a minor in business administration. He presently serves as Director of Finance for TMP Worldwide Advertising and Communications, a global HR communications business and HR solutions provider. Savino, a certified public accountant in the state of New York, married his wife, Tara, earlier this month.

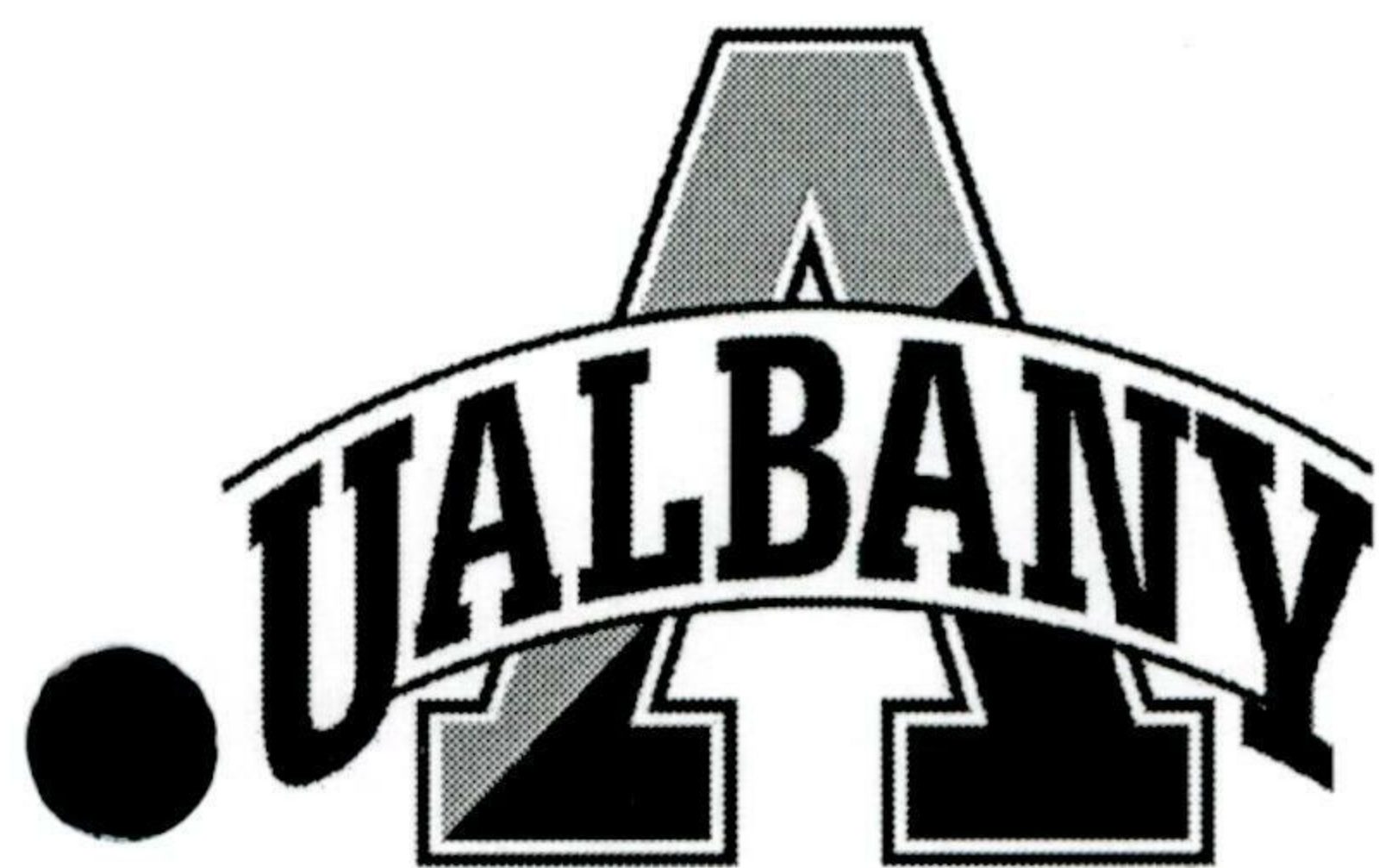
Dr. Richard Hall (honorary) -- Dr. Richard Hall, a distinguished service professor of sociology, is being inducted into UAlbany's Athletic Hall of Fame as an honorary member. Dr. Hall has served as the University's NCAA Faculty Representative and as Chair of the Intercollegiate Athletic Advisory Board (IAAB) since 1989.

Dr. Hall was a key figure in the elevation of UAlbany's intercollegiate athletics program to its current NCAA Division I status in September 1999. Under his supervision, the IAAB recommended the athletic program's upgrade to Division I in January 1997. Eventually the move was supported by the University Senate's Educational Policy Council and then approved by the entire University Senate, a group comprised of faculty, staff and students.

The University successfully completed the NCAA's second cycle of Division I athletics certification in August 2003 with Dr. Hall acting as a guiding force. In March 1995, he helped develop the school's intercollegiate athletics model that made a commitment to gender equity while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

Dr. Hall also served on the University Athletic Policy and Planning Board from 1984-89, the Commission on University Athletics, and the America East Conference Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., Dr. Hall came to UAlbany in 1977 as professor of sociology, and has received numerous honors including the 2002 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. He and his wife, Sherry, have two children, Tom and Julie. Dr. Hall, who has attended the World Congress of Sociology on five occasions, had the ninth edition of his book *Organizations: Structures, Processes and Outcomes* published by Prentice-Hall in 2005.



UALBANY'S COLIN DISCH CHOSEN NEC DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's **Colin Disch** has been selected the Northeast Conference Defensive Player of the Week in football, as announced by the league office on Monday afternoon.

Disch, a sophomore inside linebacker, posted a career-high 18 tackles, including five for a loss, and added two sacks for minus-9 yards and one forced fumble in his team's 14-13 NEC loss to Central Connecticut State on Sept. 24.

Disch's tackle total is the most by any UAlbany player against an NEC opponent, and tied the program's single-game Division I-AA standard. Josh Bazan also had 18 tackles versus Drake in 2000.

A native of North Plainfield, N.J., Disch is second among the NCAA Division I-AA leaders in tackles at 13.67 per game. He has recorded double-figure tackles in 13 of 14 games as a collegian.

NCAA Division I-AA Tackles Leaders (as of Sept. 25)

Name	Pos.	G	Total	Avg.
Maguell Davis, Norfolk State	LB	3	47	15.67
Colin Disch, Albany	LB	3	41	13.67
Robert Napier, Texas Southern	LB	2	26	13.00
Kevin Rex, Cornell	DB	2	26	13.00
Zach DeOssie, Brown	DB	2	26	13.00
Brian Hulea, Villanova	LB	3	38	12.67

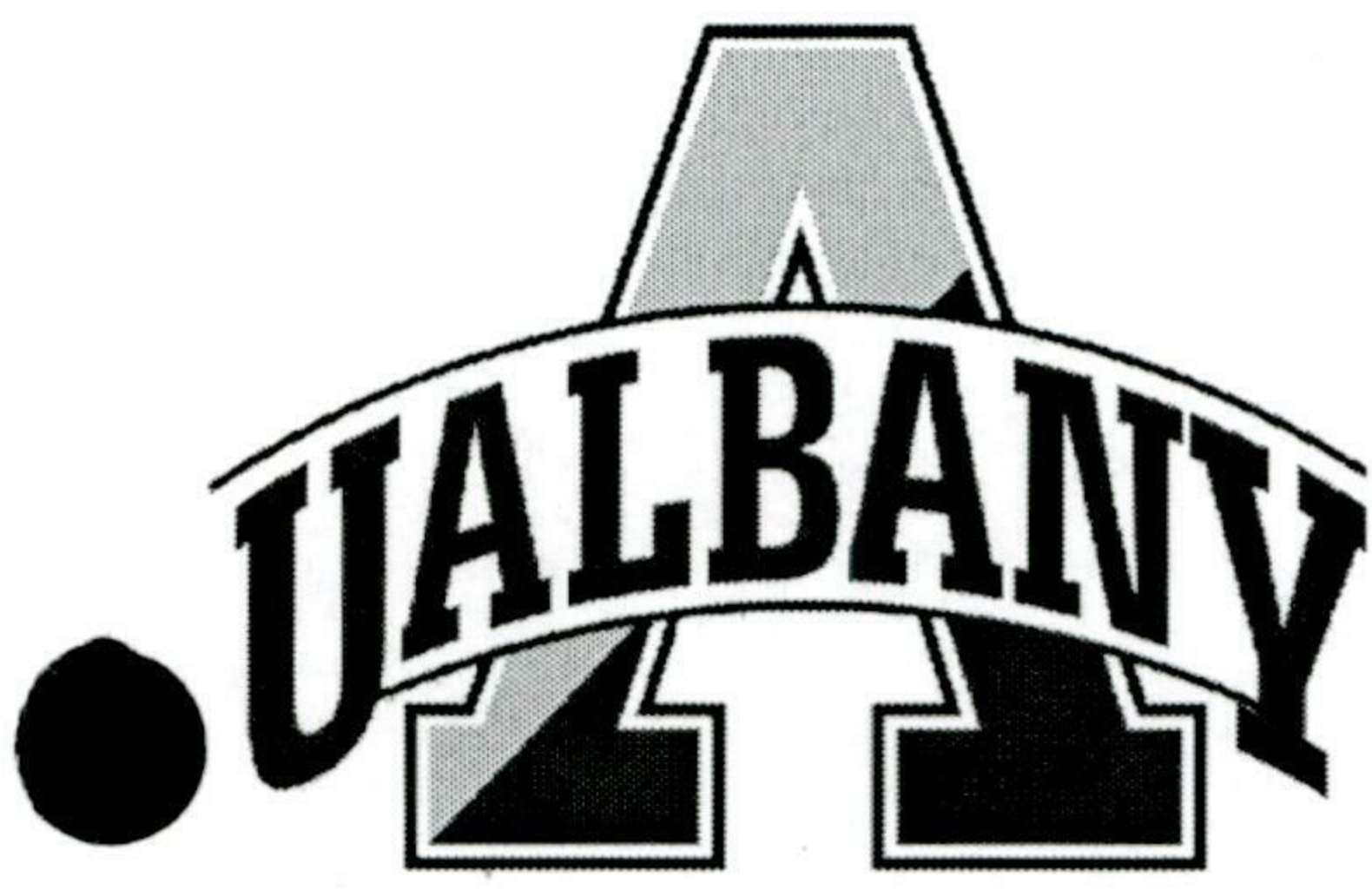
UALBANY'S BLAIR BUCHANAN NAMED AMERICA EAST SETTER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's **Blair Buchanan** has been named the America East Conference Setter of the Week in women's volleyball, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon. The junior setter has won the award three out of four weeks this season and nine times during her career.

An AVCA honorable mention All-American last season, Buchanan averaged 11.00 assists, 2.22 digs and 1.22 kills per game en route to earning all-tournament honors at the Fairfield Invitational on Sept. 24-25. She registered her fourth double-double of the season with 33 assists and 10 digs to go along with five kills in a 3-0 victory over Long Island.

Buchanan ranks first among America East leaders with 11.83 assists per game. She is also sixth in the conference with a .289 hitting percentage. Buchanan is second on Great Danes with an average of 2.33 digs.

UAlbany (12-2) opens America East Conference play at home against Stony Brook on Friday at 7 p.m.



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GREAT DANES FINISH FOURTEENTH AT THE PRINCETON INVITATIONAL

Princeton, N.J. – **Sharla Cloutier** shot a 69 on the second day of the Princeton Invitational to capture the individual title and lead the Princeton Tigers to the team title at the Springdale Golf Club on Sunday. UAlbany finished fourteenth in the two-day, 72-hole tournament.

Princeton's **Marlowe Boukis**, who led the field at the end of the first day of competition after shooting an even-par 72, finished in a tie for second place with Yale's **January Romero**.

Amanda McPhee led the Great Danes by finishing in a tie for 51st place, shooting a 79 on Sunday to give her a combined 170. **Maggie Taylert** finished with an 83 on the day and a 176 overall. **Sun Hwa Kim** and **Samantha Williams** recorded an 89 and 95 on Sunday, respectively, to tie for 81st place with a 183 overall. **Tracey Berns** rounded out the UAlbany field with a 103 (198). The Great Danes finished with a 712 team score.

The Great Danes return to competition on Tuesday, October 4 when they take on Siena.
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Princeton Invitational

(Springdale Golf Club – Princeton, N.J.)

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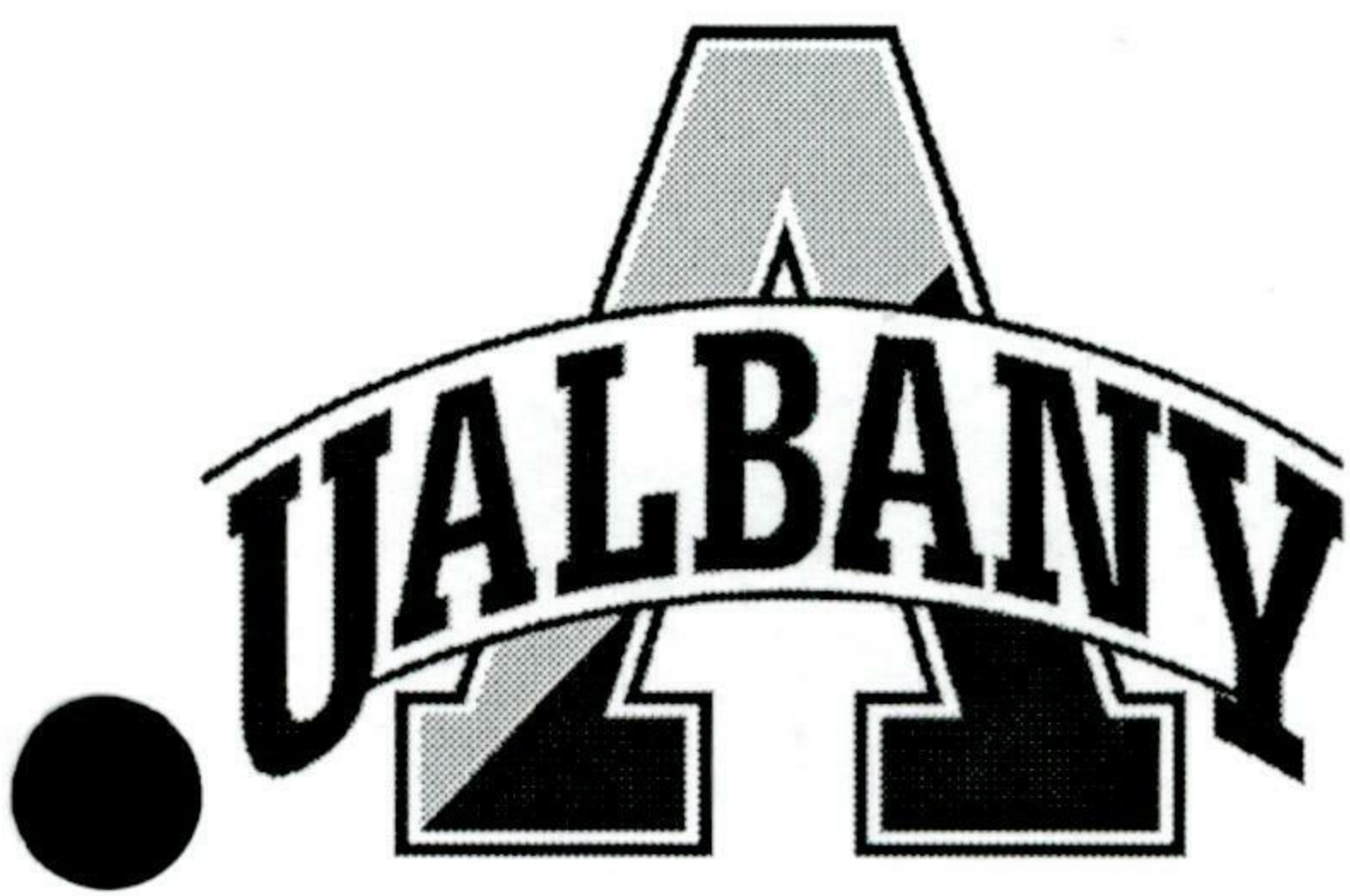
1. Princeton 299-306—605, 2. Yale 309-316—625, 3. Richmond 323-308—631, 4. Georgetown 323-312—635, 6. Siena 333-313—646, 7. Harvard 326-323—649, 8. Bucknell 338-316—654, 9. Rutgers 329-329—658, 10. Dartmouth 329-332—661, 11. Brown 331-331—662, 12. UPennsylvania 344-338—682, 13. Lehigh 347-338—685, 14. UAlbany 366-346—712, 15. Long Island University 360-357—717, 16. Wagner 376-360—736, 17. Sacred Heart 368-369—737

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1. Sharla Cloutier (Princeton) 76-69—145, T2. Marlowe Boukis (Princeton) 72-77—149, T2. January Romero (Yale) 73-76—149, 4. Susannah Aboff (Princeton) 75-75—150, 5. Rosario Germino (Richmond) 77-74—151, 6. Ellie Brophy (Yale) 74-78—152, 7. Christin Thomson (St. John's) 77-76—153, 8. Annika Welander (Princeton) 78-77—155, T9. Teri Schlang (Bucknell) 79-77—156, T9. Laura Woolgar (Siena) 81-75—156, T9. Brittany Lambertson (St. John's) 77-79—156, T9. Ally Caffrey (Richmond) 80-76—156, T9. Maggie Ward (Georgetown) 82-74—156, T9. Caitlin Sullivan (Princeton) 80-76--156

UALBANY SCORES

T51. Amanda McPhee 91-79—170, T67. Maggie Taylert 93-83—176, T81. Sun Hwa Kim 94-89—183, T81. Samantha Williams 88-95—183, 92. Tracey Berns 95-103—198



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UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY FALLS TO PRINCETON, 3-0

Princeton, N.J. - Freshman midfielder **Kristin Schwab** scored on an assist from **Hillary Schmidt** early in the first period to give Princeton the only goal it would need in its 3-0 shutout over UAlbany on Sunday afternoon at Class of '52 Stadium.

Princeton (4-4) added another goal in the first half when **Sarah Yuki** scored on an assist by **Paige Schmidt**. Paige Schmidt, a sophomore forward, went on to score the Tigers' last goal with an unassisted tally 1:34 into the second period.

UAlbany (4-6) has dropped its last three contests, two of them in overtime.

Freshman goalkeeper **Ashley Ross** had three saves in the loss to bring her season total to 44.

The Great Danes return to action in their Northeast Conference opener on Sunday, Oct. 2 at 1:00 when they travel to Maine.

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Princeton 3, UAlbany 0 (Class of '52 Stadium)

UAlbany (4-6) 0 0 0

Princeton (4-4) 2 1 3

UAlbany-Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (70:00, 3 GA, 3 saves)

Princeton-Scoring: Paige Schmidt 1-1, Kristin Schwab 1-0, Sarah Yuki 1-0, Hillary Schmidt 0-1; Goalkeeper: Allison Nemeth (70:00, 0 GA, 0 saves)

WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO HARTFORD, 1-0, IN A-EAST OPENER

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman Melissa Pelletier scored her first career to goal to power Hartford past UAlbany, 1-0, in the America East Conference opener for both teams Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field. Pelletier knocked home a loose ball from 10 yards out, 11:25 into the second half, to secure the Hawks' second-consecutive shutout victory.

Sophomore goalkeeper Liz Cook, an America East all-rookie selection in 2004, made five saves for her second win of the season. Junior Andrea Dunn had one save in net for UAlbany.

The Great Danes (1-10-0, 0-1-0 AE) return to action Thursday when they travel to Vermont for a 4 p.m. conference match.

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Hartford 1, UAlbany 0 (Albany, N.Y.)

Hartford (3-8-0, 1-0-0 A-East) 0 0 0 UAlbany (1-10-0, 0-1-0 A-East) 0 1 1 Hartford- Scoring:

Melissa Pelletier 1-0; Goalkeeper: Liz Cook (90:00, 0 GA, 5 saves)

UAlbany- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Andrea Dunn (90:00, 1 GA, 1 save)

Shots: UAlbany 12, Hartford 9; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4, Hartford 3

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UALBANY WOMEN'S TENNIS CAPTURES ALBANY INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – Five UAlbany players registered two singles victories to help the Great Danes capture the Albany Invitational championship on Sunday afternoon at Dutch Courts. The Great Danes (4-0) defeated Monmouth, 7-0, and Montreal, 6-1.

Freshman **Lisa Klarmann** and sophomores **Aimee Kern** and **Kim Westcott** improved to 4-0 in singles play this season. Klarmann recorded two wins at first singles, while Kern won both of her fifth singles matches.

Amanda Hall and **Kim Weltman** notched consecutive victories at third and fourth singles, as both moved to 3-1 this season. **Courtney Michels** picked up one victory at second singles against Monmouth.

The Great Danes also captured all six doubles matches on the day, with Kern and Weltman improving to 4-0 at third doubles.

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Albany Invitational (Dutch Courts)

UAlbany 7, Monmouth 0

Singles:

1. Lisa Klarmann (UA) def. Sarah Ragan (MU), 6-0, 6-1.
2. Courtney Michels (UA) def. Ashleigh Johnson (MU), 6-2, 3-1.
3. Amanda Hall (UA) def. Laura Giuliari (MU), 6-2, 5-0.
4. Kim Weltman (UA) def. Kaitlin Gallgher (MU), 6-0, 6-1.
5. Aimee Kern (UA) def. Kelly Shedelbower (MU), 6-1, 6-1.
6. Kim Westcott (UA) def. Ashley Fornaro (MU), 6-2, 6-0.

Doubles:

1. Klarmann/Michels (UA) def. Johnson/Gallagher (MU), 8-6.
2. Westcott/Hall (UA) def. Ragan/Shedelbower (MU), 8-4.
3. Weltman/Kern (UA) def. Giuliari/Fornaro (MU), 8-0.

UAlbany 6, Montreal 1

Singles:

1. Lisa Klarmann (UA) def. Isabelle Soucy (UM), 6-3, 6-0.
2. Perrine Huss (UM) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 3-6, 6-4, 8-2.
3. Amanda Hall (UA) def. Catherine Garand-Butcher (UM), 6-1, 6-4.
4. Kim Weltman (UA) def. Catherine Rode (UM), 6-3, 6-1.
5. Aimee Kern (UA) def. Maude Page (UM), 6-1, 5-7, 10-3.
6. Kim Westcott (UA) def. Karine Touzin (UM), 1-6, 7-6, 10-3.

Doubles:

1. Klarmann/Michels (UA) def. Soucy/Garand-Butcher (UM), 6-3.
2. Westcott/Hall (UA) def. Huss/Touzin (UM), 8-1.
3. Weltman/Kern (UA) def. Page/Julie Touzin (UM), 8-3.

Siena 7, Fairfield 0

Singles:

1. Sarah Mayer (SC) def. Gabriela Davila (FU), 6-0, 6-2.
2. Taylor Barvoets (SC) def. Megan Stauffer (FU), 6-0, 6-2.
3. Denisa Hluchova (SC) def. Alexis Accomando (FU), 6-4, 6-1.

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4. Karina Davis (SC) def. Lauren Bonanno (FU), 6-2, 6-4.
5. Meghan Slenkamp (SC) def. Christina Chacharone (FU), 6-0, 6-0.
6. Sugam Langer (SC) def. Michelle Geller (FU), 6-1, 6-2.

Doubles:

1. Mayer/Barvoets (SC) def. Davila/Bonanno (FU), 8-1.
2. Hluchova/Davis (SC) def. Stauffer/Accomando (FU), 8-0.
3. Slenkamp/Langer (SC) def. Chacharone/Michaela Kehoe (FU), 8-3.

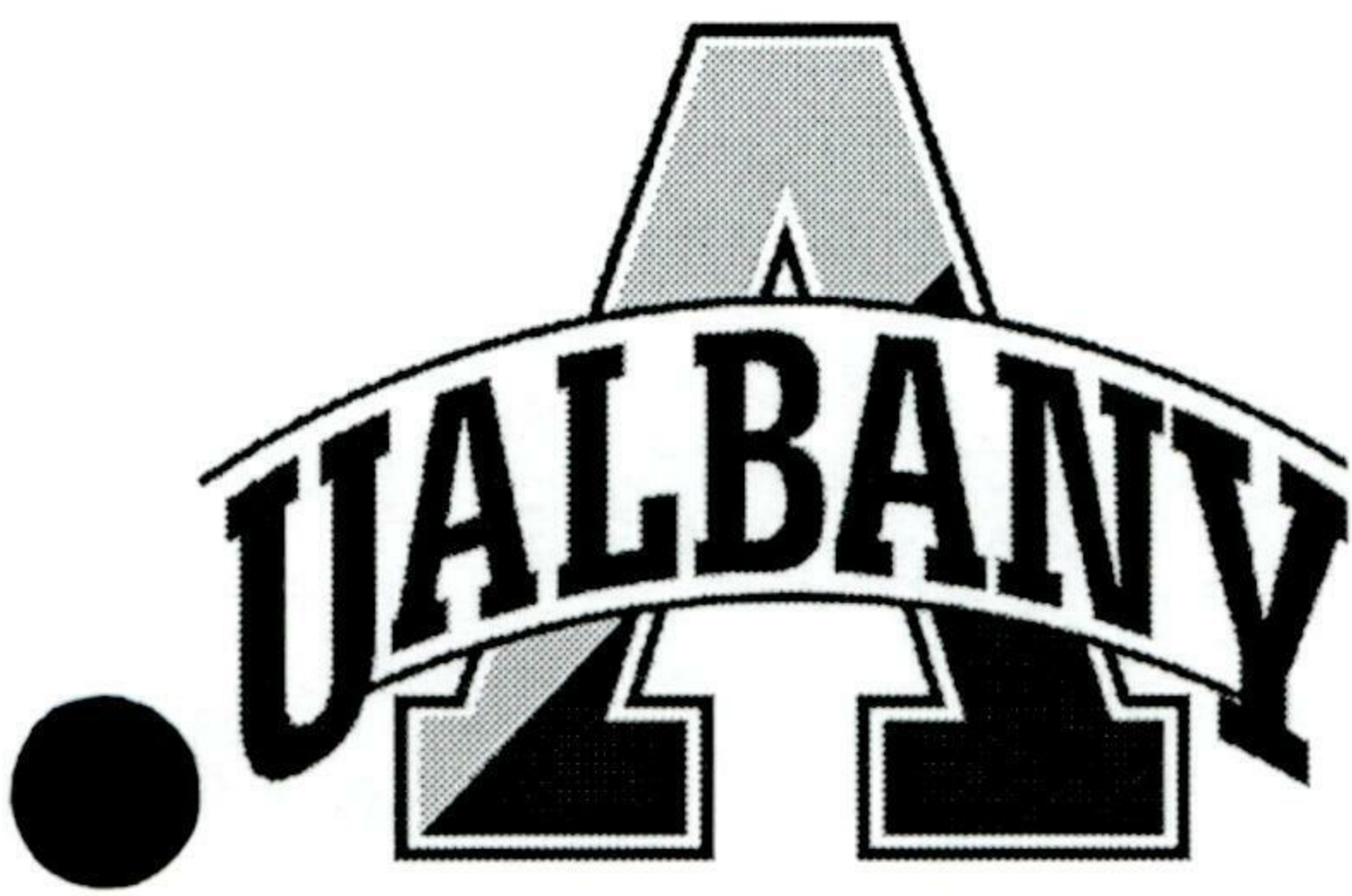
Montreal 4, Fairfield 3

Singles:

1. Isabelle Soucy (UM) def. Gabriela Davila (FU), 6-1, 6-2.
2. Perrine Huss (UM) def. Megan Stauffer (FU), 7-5, 6-2.
3. Catherine Garand-Butcher (UM) def. Alexis Accomando (FU), 7-5, 6-4.
4. Lauren Bonanno (FU) def. Catherine Rode (UM), 6-1, 6-1.
5. Christina Chacharone (FU) def. Maude Page (UM), 6-4, 2-6, 10-8.
6. Karine Touzin (UM) def. Michelle Geller (FU), 6-4, 2-6, 10-8.
7. Julie Touzin (UM) def. Tiffany Marsocci (FU), 1-6, 6-1, 10-3.
8. Sandra Bertay (UM) def. Courtney Price (FU), 4-6, 6-4, 11-9.

Doubles:

1. Soucy/Garand-Butcher (UM) def. Davila/Bonanno (FU), 8-5.
2. Stauffer/Accomando (FU) def. Huss/K. Touzin (UM), 8-6.
3. Chacharone/Kehoe (FU) def. Page/J. Touzin (UM), 8-2.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL CAPTURES FAIRFIELD INVITATIONAL

Fairfield, Conn. – **Ashlee Reed** led three players in double-figure kills as UAlbany defeated Long Island, 3-0, on the final day of the Fairfield Volleyball Invitational on Saturday. **Shelby Goldman** smacked 11 kills to lead the Great Danes past Columbia, 3-0, in the final match of the tournament.

Reed tallied 12 kills, eight digs and four blocks to fuel the Great Danes (11-2) against Long Island. **Ashley Hunter** added 10 kills, while **Ashley Crenshaw** chipped in with 10 kills and three blocks. Setter **Blair Buchanan** recorded her fourth double-double of the season with 33 assists, 10 digs and five kills. The Great Danes also limited Long Island to a .102 hitting percentage.

Long Island (6-9) was led by **Martina Wagner** with 11 kills and six digs. **Ivana Vasiljevic** tallied 14 assists and seven digs.

Long Island, the Northeast Conference champions last season, is the fifth NCAA-Tournament team that the Great Danes have faced this year. UAlbany improved to 3-2 in those matches.

In the second match of the day, Crenshaw added 10 kills, while DeNeal tallied 13 digs.

Nikki Learned paced Columbia (2-7) with nine kills and two blocks, while **Ashley Kim** recorded a team-high 10 digs.

DeNeal was voted the tournament's MVP, while Buchanan and Goldman were also named to the all-tournament squad.

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UAlbany (11-2) def. Long Island (6-9), 30-23, 30-26, 30-25.

UAlbany (12-2) def. Columbia (2-7), 30-15, 30-28, 30-24.

UALBANY WOMEN'S GOLF 15TH AFTER DAY ONE OF PRINCETON INVITATIONAL

Princeton, N.J. – UAlbany's **Samantha Williams** shot an 88 at the Princeton Invitational on Saturday at the Springdale Golf Club. Princeton University leads a field of 17 teams with a 10-stroke lead over second-place Yale.

Princeton's **Marlow Boukis** shot an even-par 72 on the 6058-yard course to sit atop the leaderboard. Williams led the Great Danes and is tied for 60th place. **Amanda McPhee** finished with a 91 and returnee **Maggie Taylert** shot a 93. **Sun Hwa Kim** recorded a 94 and **Tracey Berns** rounded out the UAlbany field with a 95.

The Great Danes are in 15th place after one day of play with a combined team score of 366.

Competition resumes Sunday, Sept. 25 for the conclusion of the tournament.

-agate-

Princeton Invitational

(Springdale Golf Club – Princeton, N.J.)

TEAM

1. Princeton 299, 2. Yale 309, 3. St. John's 315, T4. Richmond 323, T4. Georgetown 323, 6. Harvard 326, T7. Rutgers 329, T7. Dartmouth 329, 9. Brown 331, 10. Siena 333, 11. Bucknell

338, 12. Upennsylvania 344, 13. Lehigh 347, 14. Long Island University 360, 15. **UAlbany 366**, 16. Sacred Heart 268, 17. Wagner 376

INDIVIDUAL

1. Marlowe Boukis (Princeton) 72, 2. January Romero (Yale) 72, 3. Ellie Brophy (Yale) 74, 4. Susannah Aboff (Princeton) 75, T5. Sharla Cloutier (Princeton) 76, T5. Annika Windon (Princeton) 76, T7. Christin Thomson (St. John's) 77, T7. Rosario Germino (Richmond) 77, T7. Brittany Lambertson (St. John's) 77, T7. Natasha Spackey (Yale) 77

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T60. Samantha Williams 88, T75. Amanda McPhee 91, T82. Maggie Taylert 93, T84. Sun Hwa Kim 94, T86. Tracey Berns 95

UALBANY WOMEN'S TENNIS EARNS TWO VICTORIES AT ALBANY INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman **Lisa Klarmann** recorded two victories at the top singles position to help UAlbany to a 6-1 defeat of Fairfield and a 4-3 win over Siena on the first day of the Albany Invitational at Dutch Courts on Saturday afternoon.

Aimee Kern and **Kim Westcott** also won both of their matches, at fifth and sixth singles, respectively. Kern teamed with **Kim Weltman** for a 2-0 day at third doubles for the Great Danes. **Amanda Hall** and Weltman each picked up one singles victory on the afternoon.

In other tournament action, Siena defeated Monmouth 7-0, and Montreal swept Monmouth, 7-0. The tournament concludes on Sunday afternoon with UAlbany facing Monmouth at 9 a.m. and Montreal at 12 p.m.

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Albany Invitational (Dutch Courts)

UAlbany 6, Fairfield 1

Singles:

1. Lisa Klarmann (UA) def. Gabriella Davila (FU), 6-0, 6-3.
2. Courtney Michels (UA) def. Megan Stauffer (FU), 6-4, 5-7, 10-5.
3. Alexis Accomando (FU) def. Amanda Hall (UA), 6-2, 3-6, 10-6.
4. Kim Weltman (UA) def. Lauren Bonanno (FU), 6-0, 6-2.
5. Aimee Kern (UA) def. Michelle Geller (FU), 7-6, 6-1.
6. Kim Westcott (UA) def. Michaela Kehoe (FU), 6-1, 6-1.
7. Courtney Price (FU) def. Priya Patel (UA), 6-0, 6-1.

Doubles:

1. Klarmann/Michels (UA) def. Bonanno/Davila (FU), 8-1.
2. Westcott/Hall (UA) def. Christina Chacharone/Stauffer (FU), 7-2.
3. Weltman/Kern (UA) def. Lindsay Pease/Accomando (FU), 8-1.

UAlbany 4, Siena 3

Singles:

1. Lisa Klarmann (UA) def. Sarah Mayer (SC), 6-4, 6-2.
2. Taylor Barvoets (SC) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 6-4, 6-1.
3. Amanda Hall (UA) def. Denisa Hluchova (SC), 7-5, 7-5.
4. Karina Davis (SC) def. Kim Weltman (UA), 7-6, 5-7, 10-5.
5. Aimee Kern (UA) def. Meghan Slenkamp (SC), 6-3, 6-4.
6. Kim Westcott (UA) def. Sugam Langer (SC), 6-4, 6-3.

Doubles:

1. Mayer/Barvoets (SC) def. Klarmann/Michels (UA), 9-7.
2. Hluchova/Davis (SC) def. Westcott/Hall (UA), 8-6.

3. Weltman/Kern (UA) def. Slenkamp/Langer (SC), 8-2.

Siena 7, Monmouth 0

Singles:

1. Sarah Mayer (SC) def. Sarah Ragan (MU), 6-0, 6-1.
2. Taylor Barvoets (SC) def. Ashleigh Johnson (MU), 6-2, 6-2.
3. Denisa Hluchova (SC) def. Laura Giuliani (MU), 6-0, 6-0.
4. Karina Davis (SC) def. Kaitlin Gallagher (MU), 6-0, 6-0.
5. Meghan Slenkamp (SC) def. Kelly Shedelbower (MU), 6-0, 6-2.
6. Sugam Langer (SC) def. Ashley Fornaro (MU), 6-2, 6-1.

Doubles:

1. Mayer/Barvoets (SC) def. Johnson/Gallagher (MU), 8-3.
2. Hluchova/Davis (SC) def. Regan/Shedelbower (MU), 8-3.
3. Slenkamp/Langer (SC) def. Giuliani/Fornaro (MU), 8-2.

Montreal 7, Monmouth 0

Singles:

1. Isabelle Soucy (UM) def. Sarah Ragan (MU), 6-3, 6-1.
2. Perrine Huss (UM) def. Ashleigh Johnson (MU), 6-2, 6-0.
3. Catherine Garand-Butcher (UM) def. Laura Giuliani (MU), 6-0, 6-2.
4. Catherine Rode (UM) def. Kaitlin Gallagher (MU), 6-4, 6-1.
5. Maude Page (UM) def. Kelly Shedelbower (MU), 6-2, 6-4.
6. Karine Touzin (UM) def. Ashley Fornaro (MU), 6-1, 6-2.
7. Julie Touzin (UM) def. Christina Cella (MU), 6-2, 6-0.
8. Sandra Bertay (UM) def. Sara Davidson (MU), 6-2, 6-4.

Doubles:

1. Soucy/Garand-Butcher (UM) def. Johnson/Gallagher (MU), 8-2.
2. Huss/K. Touzin (UM) def. Regan/Shedelbower (UM), 8-3.
3. Rode/J. Touzin (UM) def. Giuliani/Fornaro (UM), 8-2.



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CENTRAL CONN. STATE HOLDS OFF UALBANY IN NEC OPENER

New Britain, Conn. – Reserve quarterback **Aubrey Norris** ran for one touchdown and passed for another, as Central Connecticut State held off UAlbany, 14-13, in the Northeast Conference opener for both teams on Saturday afternoon at Arute Field.

Central Connecticut State (2-2, NEC 1-0) reversed a 7-0 deficit in the second quarter with a pair of touchdowns. Norris, a freshman, scored on the second play of the period, when he rolled left, picked up two blocks, and dove inside the pylon, on an 8-yard run.

The Blue Devils, who shared last year's NEC championship, then capitalized on UAlbany receiver **Irani DeAraujo's** fumble at his own 30-yard line. Five plays later, Norris threw a 5-yard scoring pass to **Josh Roth** for the go-ahead touchdown. Roth finished off the third-and-three situation by diving headfirst into the corner of the end zone for a 14-7 lead.

After a scoreless third quarter in which both defenses dominated, UAlbany (0-3, 0-1) put together a short drive that stalled out at the CCSU 19. Freshman **Eric Althardt** then missed a 38-yard field goal following a low snap from center.

The Great Danes were back in business on the next series. Linebacker **Colin Disch**, who totaled a career-high 18 tackles with 2 sacks, hit starting quarterback **Tim Sheard** from behind and **Will Boone** recovered the fumble at the CCSU 17.

UAlbany stayed on the ground for the next seven plays, with fullback **Dan Beigel** scoring his second touchdown of the game on a one-yard run over right guard. However, the Great Danes still trailed, 14-13, when Althardt's extra-point attempt missed to the right.

The Great Danes defense, who limited Central Connecticut State to 46 second-half yards, forced another three-and-out to give their team another chance. Quarterback **Daniel Bocanegra**, a redshirt freshman who completed 16 of 31 passes for 122 yards, moved his club past midfield. But the drive ended when he failed to connect on a fourth-and-two pass with 48 seconds remaining.

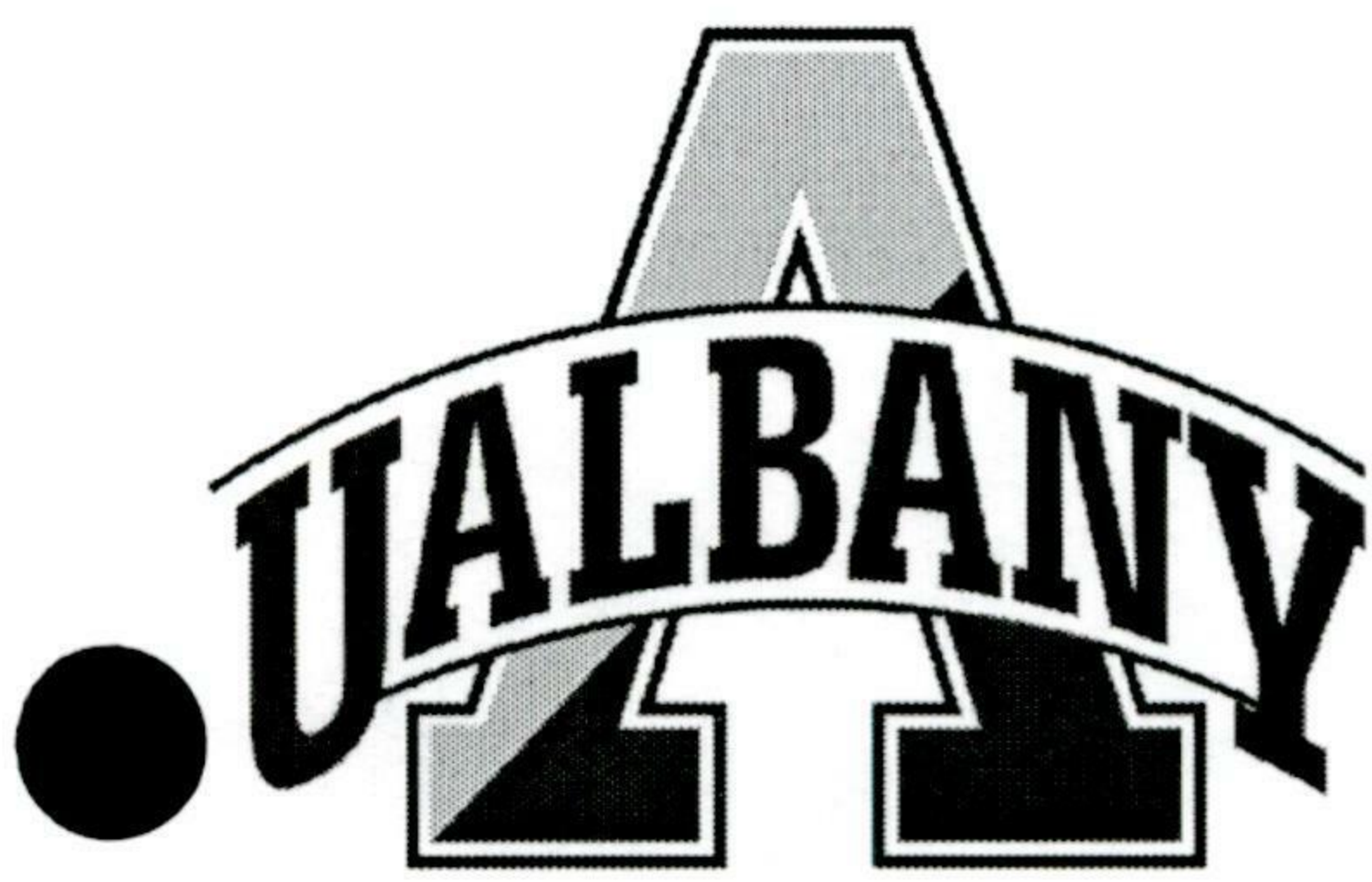
"We struggled on offense but played pretty good defense," said CCSU coach **Tom Masella**, who led the program to an 8-2 record last year. "We had a bead on what they were trying to do. When you are up one score, it does a lot for you and allows you to be more aggressive."

Beigel gave UAlbany a 7-0 lead in the opening quarter when he capped a 12-play, 80-yard, march with a 4-yard touchdown reception. Beigel, a sophomore fullback, finished with 12 carries for 30 yards on the ground.

"Our defense played well enough to win," said UAlbany coach **Bob Ford**, whose team is off to an 0-3 start for the second consecutive year. "We made more than our share of mistakes on

offense and some in the kicking game. They had a lot of success in the bunch formation early in the game, before we made the necessary corrections.”

● CCSU's Norris completed all seven of his pass attempts for 58 yards, while Sheard hit on three-of-seven for 58 through the air. **Nigel Monge** and **Brian Sullivan** had 12 and 10 tackles, respectively, for a defense that allowed 235 total yards.



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BIMONT'S FIRST CAREER GOAL LIFTS MEN'S SOCCER OVER NO. 23 UNH, 1-0

Albany, N.Y. – Junior **Timba Bimont** knocked home a cross from senior **Jonathan Stroud** with 11:25 left in regulation, as UAlbany dealt 23rd-ranked New Hampshire its first loss of the season, 1-0, in its America East Conference opener on Saturday afternoon at Varsity Field. The win was the Great Danes' second-straight victory over a ranked opponent. UAlbany defeated 23rd-ranked Binghamton last season, 3-2.

"This (victory) was a huge confidence builder for us," said head coach Johan Aarnio. "We are a young and promising team. We're going to get better playing together and working hard."

Freshman goalkeeper **Steward Ceus** had five saves for his second career shutout. UAlbany (4-4-1, 1-0-0 AE) has won five consecutive America East regular-season matches dating back to last season and is 3-1-1 all-time against UNH (6-1-1, 0-1-0 AE).

The Great Danes return to action Wednesday when they host Marist, in a non-conference match, at 4 p.m.

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UAlbany 1, #23 New Hampshire 0 (Albany, N.Y.)

UAlbany (4-4-1, 1-0-0 A-East)	0	1	1
UNH (6-1-1, 0-1-0 A-East)	0	0	0

UAlbany- Scoring: Timba Bimont 1-0, Jonathan Stroud 0-1; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (90:00, 0 GA, 5 saves)

UNH- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Brian Levey (90:00, 1 GA, 4 saves)

Shots: UNH 10, UAlbany 9; Corner Kicks 3, UAlbany 1

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UALBANY MEN AND WOMEN FINISH 12TH AT IONA MEET OF CHAMPIONS

Bronx, N.Y. – The UAlbany men's and women's cross country teams each placed 12th at the Iona Meet of Champions held on the Van Cortlandt Park course on Saturday morning. Cornell led the women's field of 23 teams, while Arkansas took the men's title in the field of 25.

Lindsey Scherf of Harvard won the women's individual competition with a time of 21:19.3. UAlbany junior **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop-Maginn) was again the leading runner for the women, finishing 26th with a time of 22:54.9. Freshman **Jenna Ortman** came in 27th, only one second behind Lotmore, and **Jessica Ortman** rounded out the top 100 for the women, finishing 67th.

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Iona's **Richard Kiplagat** took first in the men's individual competition, finishing with a time of 23:54.4. The Great Dane men were led by senior **Robbie Freeman** and sophomore **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa), who finished 48th and 83rd, respectively.

Also running for the Great Dane women were **Danielle Trimpop** (127th), **Natasha Torres** (137th), **Jennifer Russell** (172nd), **Jessica Chichester** (195th), **Alex Brown** (205th), and **Colleen Murray** (214th). **Ricardo Estremera** (107th), **Bryant Cherry-Woode** (112th), Guilderland's **Gered Burns** (121st), **Chris Jimenez** (203rd), and **Eric Zorrilla** (287th) also competed for the men.

The Great Danes return to action on Saturday, Oct. 1 when they travel to the George Mason Invitational at Bull Run Park in Centreville, Virginia.

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Iona Meet of Champions

MEN

1. Arkansas 20, 2. Iona 77, 3. Cornell 101, 4. Brown 137, 5. LaSalle 148, 6. Lehigh 181, 7. Pittsburgh 230, 8. Harvard 241, 9. UMass-Lowell 269, 10. Marist 329, 11. Stonehill 338, **12. UAlbany 353**, 13. Army 361, 14. UConn 412, 15. Manhattan 426, 16. South Florida 435, 17. Rider 440, 18. Connecticut College 466, 19. Loyola 496, 20. Hofstra 578, 21. Long Island University 612, 22. Lafayette 615, 23. Saint Peter's 749, 24. Pace 763, 25. Molloy 807

INDIVIDUAL

1. Richard Kiplagat (Iona) 23:54.4, 2. Shawn Forrest (Arkansas) 24:01.7, 3. Josphat Boit (Arkansas) 24:43.4, 4. Chris Barnicle (Arkansas) 24:45.1, 5. Adam Perkins (Arkansas) 24:46.1, 6. Marc Rodrigues (Arkansas) 24:49.6, 7. Sean Connolly (Unattached) 24:55.3, 8. Stephen Chemlany (Iona) 24:59.5, 9. Sean Quigley (LaSalle) 25:01.9, 10. Bruce Hyde (Cornell) 25:04.2

UAlbany Finishers:

48. Robbie Freeman, 26:00.1, 83. Ryan Gaedje, 26:35.7, 107. Ricardo Estremera, 26:53.5, 112. Bryant Cherry-Woode, 27:00.0, 121. Gered Burns, 27:05.8, 203. Chris Jimenez 28:18.0, 287. Eric Zorrilla 31:48.1

WOMEN

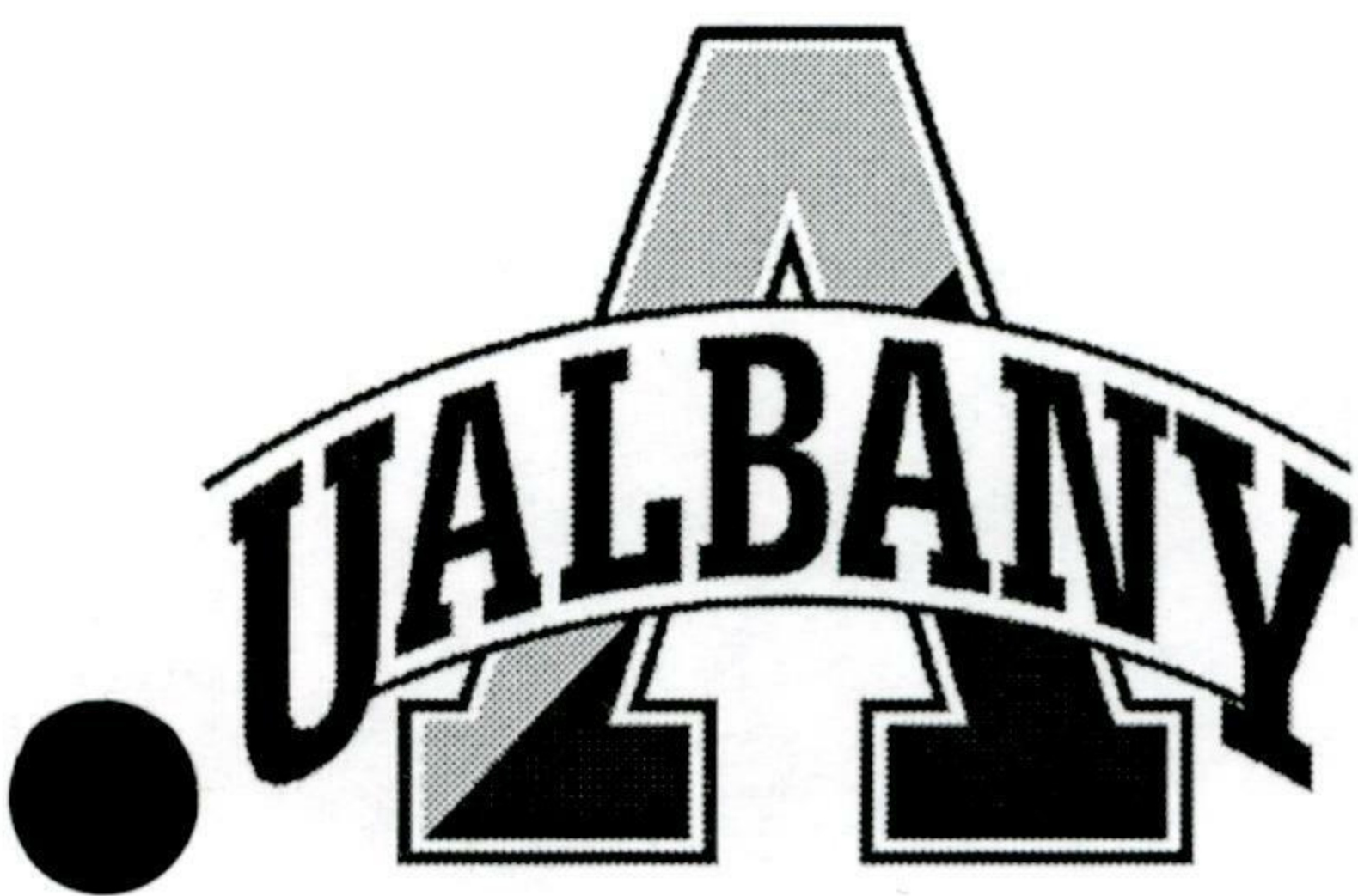
1. Cornell 67, 2. Iona 115, 3. Dartmouth 124, 4. LaSalle 127, 5. Princeton 181, 6. Brown 199, 7. Harvard 212, 8. Pittsburgh 256, 9. Lehigh 285, 10. Loyola 300, 11. UConn 319, **12. UAlbany 320**, 13. South Florida 332, 14. Army 371, T15. UMass-Lowell 378, T15. Stonehill 378, 17. Hofstra 403, 18. Texas 410, 19. Lafayette 485, 20. Manhattan 517, 21. Rider 665, 22. Saint Peter's 755, 23. Pace 767

INDIVIDUAL

1. Lindsey Scherf (Harvard) 21:19.3, 2. Salmore Kosgei (Iona) 21:31.3, 3. Melanie Schorr (Dartmouth) 21:34.6, 4. Hilary Dionne (Dartmouth) 21:55.4, 5. Caitlin Dunne (Loyola) 21:56.3, 6. Rachel Papin (LaSalle) 21:56.7, 7. Mary Sullivan (Hofstra) 21:57.4, 8. Susan Dunklee (Dartmouth) 22:07.2, 9. Jillian Sullivan (UConn) 22:17.5, 10. Michelle Gallagher (Iona) 22:19.3

UAlbany Finishers:

27. Alyssa Lotmore, 22:54.9, 28. Jenna Ortman, 22:55.9, 67. Jessica Ortman, 23:34.4, 127. Danielle Trimpop, 24:28.0, 137. Natasha Torres, 24:35.7, 172. Jennifer Russell, 25:19.5, 195. Jessica Chichester, 26:15.4, 205. Alex Brown, 26:36.9, 214. Colleen Murray, 28:42.8



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GOLDMAN & REED POWER UALBANY VOLLEYBALL PAST FAIRFIELD

Fairfield, Conn. – **Shelby Goldman** and **Ashlee Reed** each registered double-figure kills in leading UAlbany to a 3-0 sweep of host Fairfield on the first day of the Fairfield Volleyball Invitational on Friday night. Goldman smacked a match-high 16 kills, while Reed chipped in with 10 kills and seven digs.

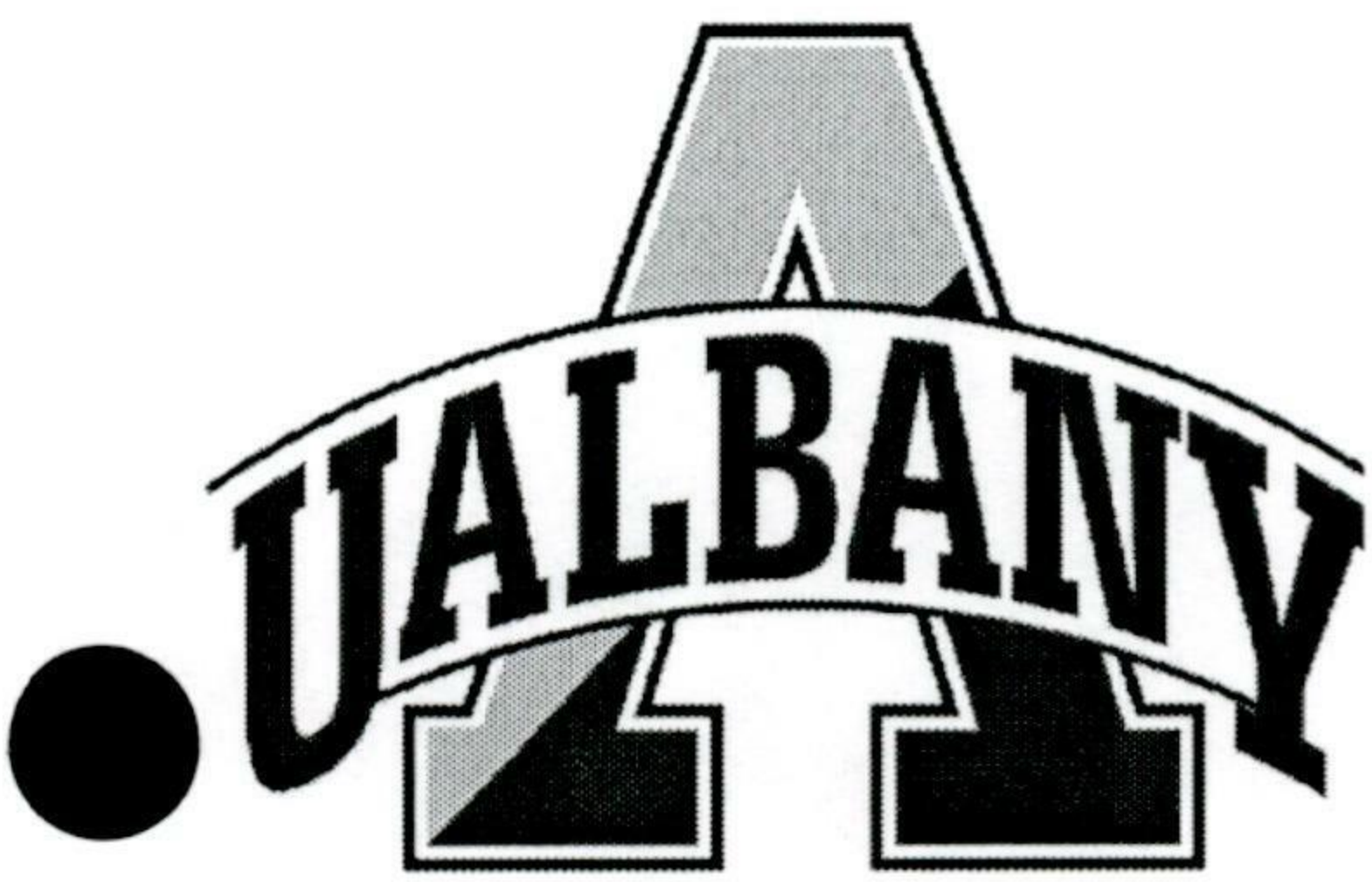
Blair Buchanan recorded 34 assists and seven digs for UAlbany (10-2), while **Ashley DeNeal** tallied a match-high 15 digs. Middle blocker **Ashley Crenshaw** notched her third straight match with at least five blocks.

Fairfield (7-8) was paced by **Casey Machon** with seven kills. **Lindsey Lee** added six kills and a team-high 11 digs.

UAlbany resumes tournament play on Saturday, taking on Long Island at 12 p.m. and Columbia at 5 p.m.

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UAlbany (10-2) def. Fairfield (7-8), 30-21, 30-17, 30-27.



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GREAT DANES FALL TO COLUMBIA IN FOURTH STRAIGHT OVERTIME GAME

Hempstead, N.Y. – Columbia senior **Courtney Robinson** deflected a corner kick past goalie **Ashley Ross** to give the Lions the 1-0 overtime win over UAlbany in field hockey action on Wednesday evening at James M. Shuart Stadium.

UAlbany (4-5) played into overtime for the fourth straight game, holding Columbia (3-3) scoreless for over 81 minutes. Robinson, a midfielder for the Lions, found the back of the net with assists from junior defender **Kim Branich** and senior defender **Erin Wesseldine**.

Ross, the Great Danes' freshman goalkeeper, had seven saves to bring her total to 41. She improved her save percentage to .672 on the season.

The Great Danes return to action on when they travel to Princeton on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 1:00 to take on the Tigers.

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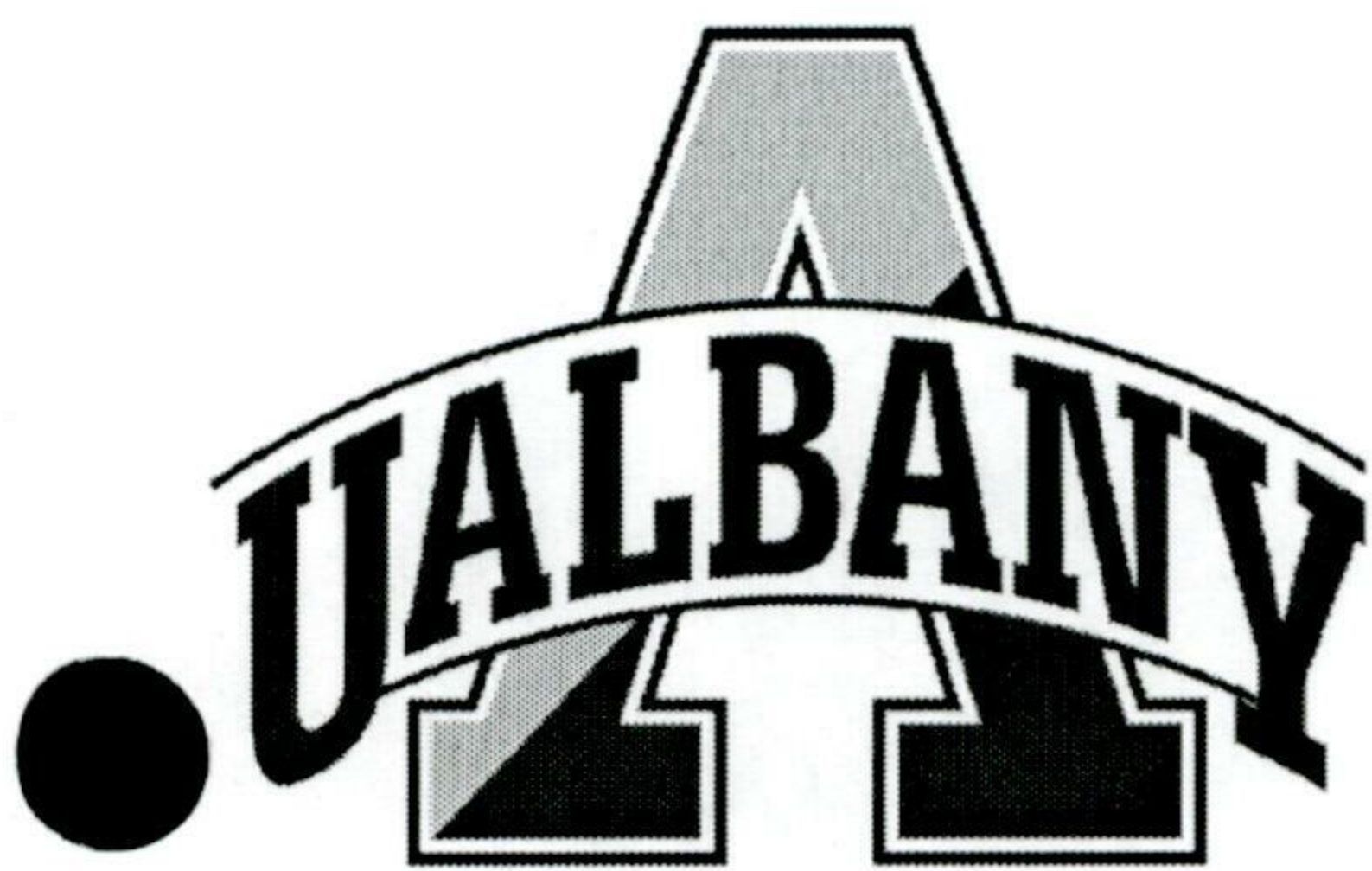
Columbia 1, UAlbany 0 (OT), James M. Shuart Stadium

UAlbany	0	0	0	0
Columbia	0	0	1	1

UAlbany—Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (81:11, 1 GA, 7 saves)

Columbia—Scoring: Courtney Robinson 1-0, Kim Branich 0-1, Erin Wesseldine 0-1;

Goalkeeper: Kristina George (81:11, 0 GA, 2 saves)



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UALBANY MEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO CROSSTOWN-RIVAL SIENA, 1-0

Loudonville, N.Y. – Senior forward **Caio Silva** scored the game's lone goal with 13:21 remaining in regulation to lift Siena over UAlbany, 1-0, in a matchup of crosstown foes on Wednesday afternoon.

Silva is second on the Saints with five points and two goals this season. Junior goalkeeper **Patrick Henry** saved four Great Dane shots for his fourth career shutout, while freshman **Steward Ceus** had two saves in net for UAlbany.

The Great Danes (3-4-1) return to action on Sunday at 1 p.m. when they host 23rd-ranked New Hampshire (5-0-1) in their America East Conference opener.

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Siena 1, UAlbany 0 (Loudonville, N.Y.)

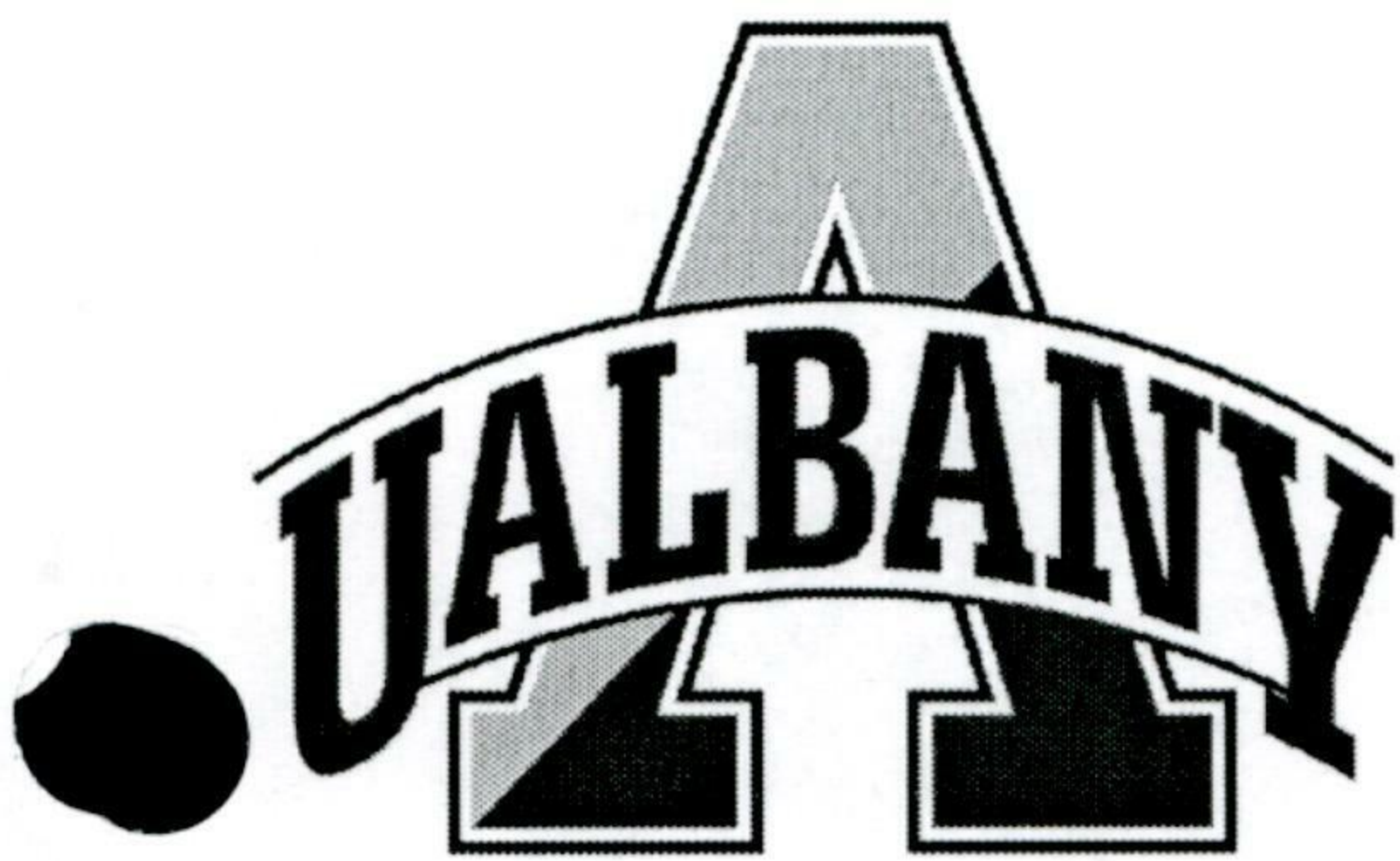
Siena (2-2-0) 0 1 1

UAlbany (3-4-1) 0 0 0

Siena- Scoring: Caio Silva 1-0; Goalkeeper: Patrick Henry (90:00, 0 GA, 4 saves)

UAlbany- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (90:00, 1 GA, 2 saves)

Shots: UAlbany 9, Siena 6; Corner Kicks: Siena 6, UAlbany 4



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UALBANY WOMENS SOCCER FALLS TO QUINNIPIAC, 1-0

Hamden, Conn. – Junior back **Jen Hirsch** scored the game's lone goal on a corner kick from sophomore **Brittany Lockwood** to lift Quinnipiac over UAlbany, 1-0, in a non-league match on Wednesday afternoon.

Hirsch, a transfer from the University of Hartford, headed home Lockwood's cross 18:50 into the match for her first career goal as a Bobcat. Lockwood leads Quinnipiac with three assists this season.

The Great Danes (1-9-0) return to action on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. when they host Hartford in their America East Conference opener.

-agate-

Quinnipiac 1, UAlbany 0 (Hamden, Conn.)

Quinnipiac (4-3-1)	1	0	1
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UAlbany (1-9-1)	0	0	0
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Quinnipiac- Scoring: Jen Hirsch 1-0, Brittany Lockwood 0-1; Goalkeeper: Sarah Lusto (90:00, 0 GA, 3 saves)

UAlbany- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Andrea Dunn (90:00, 1 GA, 0 saves)

Shots: UAlbany 5, Quinnipiac 3; Corner Kicks Quinnipiac 1, UAlbany 0



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UALBANY MEN'S LACROSSE WILL PLAY IN TWO FALL TOURNAMENTS

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany men's lacrosse team will participate in two tournaments during the month of October in preparation for the 2006 season. The Great Danes will travel to the Price Modern "Lacrosse of Leukemia" Fall Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 1 and Syracuse University's "Pumpkin Stickout" on Sunday, Oct. 16.

The "Lacrosse for Leukemia" Tournament will feature the 2006 U.S. Men's National Team. UAlbany coach Scott Marr is a national team assistant and a member of John Desko's staff. Desko, who has guided Syracuse to three national championships, is serving as USA's head coach at the 2006 World Championship in Canada. The Great Danes will face St. John's at 10:00 a.m. and Loyola, Md. at 12 noon. The tournament features a 12-team field and will be held at St. Paul's School near Baltimore, Maryland.

Syracuse's Pumpkin Stickout brings together college lacrosse programs from all three NCAA divisions. UAlbany meets 2005 Division II national semifinalist Le Moyne at 12:30 p.m., before battling Nazareth and Cortland, a pair NCAA Division III teams last spring. The tournament will be held at the Lampe Athletics Complex near Manley Field House.

UAlbany earned its third consecutive NCAA Division I Tournament appearance in 2005 after winning the America East Conference championship. The Great Danes, who have put together three straight 10-win campaigns, return three of the top four scorers from a squad that ranked sixth nationally at 11.63 goals per game. Merrick Thomson, a first-team All-America East attacker, led the nation in goals (54) and was second in points (74). Frank Resetarits, who had 29 goals and 21 assists, and Chris Martocchia, who added 35 goals and 11 assists, are also 40-plus point producers.

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Price Modern "Lacrosse for Leukemia" – Saturday, Oct. 1 (Baltimore, Md.)

10:00 a.m.

Field 1 – Loyola vs. Team USA

Field 2 – Air Force vs. Johns Hopkins

Field 3 – Villanova vs. Washington College

Field 4 – Syracuse vs. Towson

Field 5 – Penn State vs. UMBC

Field 6 – Albany vs. St. John's

12 noon

Field 1 – Team USA vs. Johns Hopkins

Field 2 – Albany vs. Loyola

Field 3 – Penn State vs. Syracuse

Field 4 – UMBC vs. Washington College

Field 5 – St. John's vs. Villanova

Field 6 – Air Force vs. Towson

Pumpkin Stickout – Sunday, Oct. 16 (Syracuse, N.Y.)

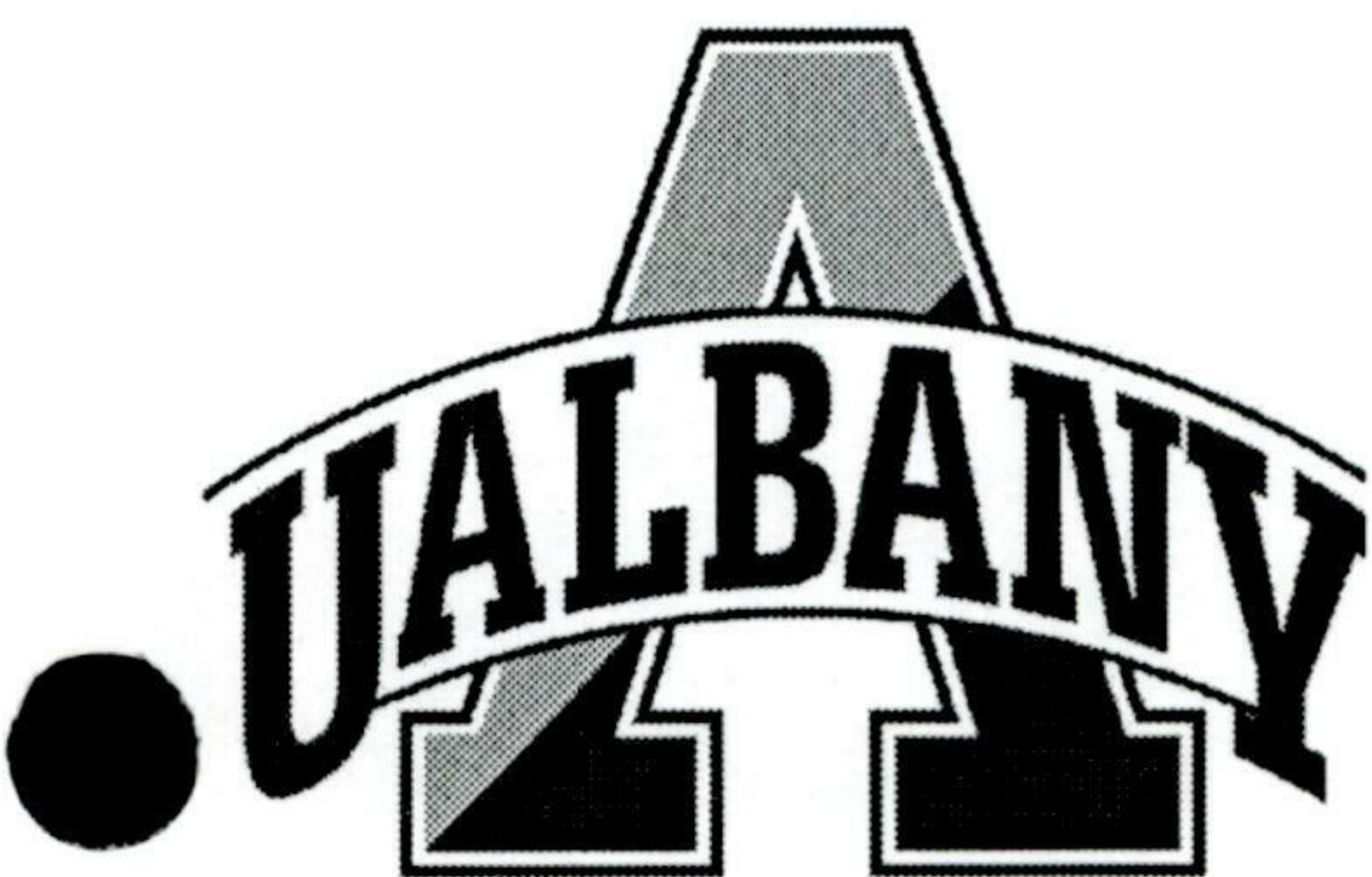
9:30 a.m. – Syracuse vs. Le Moyne & Cortland vs. Herkimer

11:00 a.m. – Syracuse Alumni Game & Nazareth vs. Herkimer

12:30 p.m. – Syracuse vs. Cortland & Le Moyne vs. Albany

2:00 p.m. – Syracuse vs. Herkimer & Albany vs. Nazareth

3:30 p.m. – Albany vs. Cortland & Le Moyne vs. Nazareth



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ASHLEE REED NAMED AMERICA EAST VOLLEYBALL CO-PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's Ashlee Reed has been named the America East Conference Co-Player of the Week in women's volleyball, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon. Reed shared the award with Stony Brook's Morgan Sweany.

Reed was named the MVP of Virginia's Jefferson Cup Tournament last weekend as UAlbany (9-2) posted three victories against Liberty, Appalachian State, and Virginia. The senior middle hitter averaged 2.58 kills, 1.67 digs, 0.67 blocks and 3.33 points per game. She also hit for a .410 percentage.

Reed smacked a season-high 14 kills against Appalachian State and recorded her first double-double of the season with 11 kills and 16 digs to go along with five blocks in the championship match against host Virginia. She helped the Great Danes post 11 team blocks in two of three matches, which is the highest single-game total in the program's Division I history.

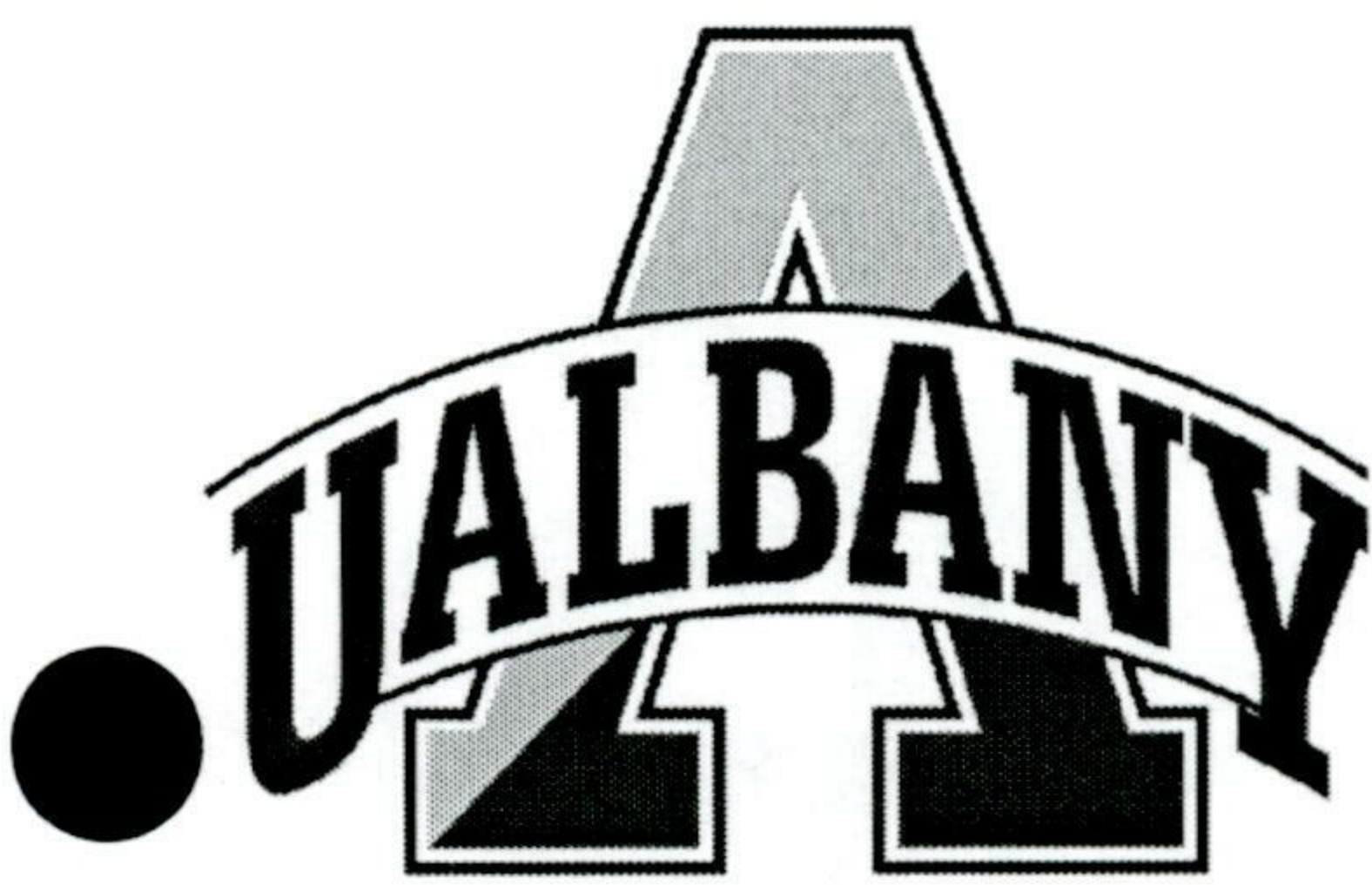
Reed, a native of Round Rock, Texas, also registered her 900th career dig last weekend and moved to seventh on the school's career charts with 913. She is second among conference leaders with a .326 hitting percentage.

The Great Danes return to action on Sept. 23-24 when they play in the Fairfield Invitational.

FOOTBALL MEETS CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE ON FOX SPORTS NEW YORK

New Britain, Conn. – UAlbany will play its Northeast Conference opener against Central Connecticut State, the league's defending co-champion, on Saturday, Sept. 24 at 1:00 p.m. The contest will be televised by Fox Sports New York (Time Warner Cable - Channel 26). Paul Dottino and former New York Giants quarterback Scott Brunner will provide the play-by-play coverage.

Central Connecticut State posted its first winning campaign since 1988 with an 8-2 record last season, including a 6-1 mark in conference play to share the title with Monmouth. UAlbany opened its 2005 schedule with two nationally-ranked opponents in Hofstra (No. 17) and Massachusetts (No. 23).



UALBANY FALLS TO RUTGERS IN THIRD STRAIGHT OVERTIME GAME

Saratoga Springs, N.Y. – Freshman forward **Karen Brewster** pushed a goal past UAlbany's **Ashley Ross** 12 minutes into overtime to give Rutgers a 2-1 win in women's field hockey action on Sunday afternoon at Skidmore Field.

Senior **Kara Spector** started the action for Rutgers (5-3) with 21:44 on the clock, when she scored on a penalty corner with assists from **Jocelyn Mattina** and **Amy Lewis**. UAlbany (4-4) trailed at the half, but senior forward **Tina Bryson** put the Great Danes on the board less than five minutes into the final period, with assists from **Vanessa Walter** and **Michele Polizois**. Brewster scored unassisted to record the decisive goal.

Tina Bryson's goal gives her four for the season and ties her with **Kristen Holder** for the team lead with 10 points. It was Bryson's 27th career goal, good for fifth place on UAlbany's all-time list.

UAlbany played into overtime for the third straight game. The Great Danes had won the previous two, against Ohio and Lock Haven.

The Great Danes return to action on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 7:00 when they travel to Columbia University.

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Rutgers 2, UAlbany 1 (OT) (Skidmore Field)

Rutgers	1	0	1	2
UAlbany	0	1	0	1

Rutgers—Scoring: Karen Brewster 1-0, Kara Spector 1-0, Amy Lewis 0-1, Jocelyn Mattina 0-1; Goalkeeper: Rosalyn Wentko (82:14, 1 GA, 6 saves)

UAlbany—Scoring: Tina Bryson 1-0, Michele Polizois 0-1, Vanessa Walter 0-1; Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (82:14, 2 GA, 4 saves)

UALBANY MEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO HOLY CROSS, 2-0

Worcester, Mass. – Junior forward **Josh Trott** scored 17 minutes into the second half to give Holy Cross the go-ahead goal en route to a 2-0 shutout over UAlbany on Sunday afternoon. The victory over UAlbany gave the Crusaders their fourth straight win.

Holy Cross (4-3) freshman midfielder **Andreas Andrews** added a goal with less than eight minutes left in the game off a pass from **Andrew Lunney**. UAlbany (3-3-1) recorded 10 shots on goal, but was unable to score against the Crusaders' **Richard Whipple**, who played the entire game in goal for Holy Cross. Freshman goalie **Steward Ceus** recorded eight saves for the Great Danes.

UAlbany returns to action on Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 4 p.m. when they travel to Siena.

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Holy Cross 2, UAlbany 0 (Worcester, Mass.)

UAlbany	0	0	0
Holy Cross	0	2	2

UAlbany—Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (90:00, 2 GA, 8 saves)

Holy Cross—Scoring: Andreas Andrews 1-0, Josh Trott 1-0, Andrew Lunney 0-1; Goalkeeper: Richard Whipple (90:00, 0 GA, 3 saves)

Shots: Holy Cross 17, UAlbany 10; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4, Holy Cross 3

WOMEN'S SOCCER BEATEN BY HOWARD IN GOVERNOR'S CUP SECOND ROUND

Albany, N.Y. – Howard senior **Obioma Ogbuawa** broke a 1-1 tie with less than 10 minutes remaining in the second half to lift the Bison over UAlbany, 2-1, in the second round of the Governor's Cup on Sunday afternoon. The win was Howard's first of the season.

UAlbany junior **Jamie Dougherty** started the scoring 35 minutes into the contest on a pass from sophomore **Alicia Gibson**. Howard senior **Natalie Williston**, Howard's top-returning scorer from last season with nine goals, tied the match 11:13 into the second half on a breakaway.

Junior **Andrea Dunn**, an all-tournament team selection, had six saves for UAlbany.

Dougherty, also an all-tournament team selection, leads the Great Danes in points (6) and goals (3) this season. Gibson is tied for first in assists with two.

In the first game of the day, Navy defeated Siena, 2-0, for the Governor's Cup championship. Freshman **Iris Boivin** and sophomore **Kari Weniger** scored the goals for the Mids, while senior **Haley Crain** had six saves, including one on a penalty kick, for the shutout victory. Navy junior forward **Meggie Curran** was named the offensive most valuable player of the tournament, while senior back **Lindsay Adlam**, Navy's lone captain, earned defensive MVP honors.

The Great Danes (1-8-0) return to action Wednesday when they travel to Quinnipiac for a 3 p.m. match.

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Governor's Cup Standings:

1. Navy, 2. Siena, 3. Howard, 4. UAlbany

Offensive MVP: Meggie Curran (Navy)**Defensive MVP:** Lindsay Adlam (Navy)

All-tournament Team: Lindsay Adlam (Navy), Molly Burd (Navy), Meggie Curran (Navy), Sarah Hessinger (Navy), Amy Loughridge (Siena), Erin Morine (Siena), Madeline Rickard (Siena), Obioma Ogbuawa (Howard), Michelle Williston (Howard), Jamie Dougherty (UAlbany), Andrea Dunn (UAlbany)

Howard 2 UAlbany 1 (Albany N.Y.)

UAlbany	1	0	1
Howard	0	2	2

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UAlbany—Scoring: Jamie Dougherty 1-0, Alicia Gibson 0-1; Goalkeeper: Andrea Dunn
(90:00, 2 GA, 6 saves)

Howard—Scoring: Obioma Ogbuawa 1-0, Michelle Williston 1-0; Goalkeeper: Haley Crain
(90:00, 1 GA, 5 saves)

Shots: Howard 16, UAlbany 11; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4, Howard 3

Navy 2 Siena 0 (Albany N.Y.)

Navy	1	1	2
Siena	0	0	0

Navy—Scoring: Iris Boivin 1-0, Kari Weniger 1-0, Kristi Coonfare 0-1; Goalkeeper: Haley Crain (90:00, 0 GA, 6 saves)

Siena—Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Patti Carroll (90:00, 2 GA, 6 saves)

Shots: Navy 21, Siena 10; Corner Kicks: Siena 3, Navy 0

UALBANY WOMEN FINISH 16th AT THE DARTMOUTH INVITATIONAL

Hanover, N.H. - **Sara Ovadia** finished in first place and led Columbia to the team title at the Dartmouth Invitational at the Hanover Country Club on Sunday. UAlbany finished sixteenth in the two-day, 36-hole tournament.

Ovadia shot a second-round 74 and a 148 overall on the 72-par course. First-round leader **Christin Thomson** of St. John's finished five back of Ovadia, in a tie for sixth place.

UAlbany's **Amanda McPhee** shot a second-round 79 and a 161 overall to finish in a tie for 27th place. Returnee **Maggie Taylert** shot an 84, nine strokes under her first day total, for a 177 overall. **Sun Hwa Kim** shot a 97 (185) and **Tracey Berns** finished with a 94 (195) in the second round. **Samantha Williams** rounded out the team's day with a 96 (200). The Great Danes finished with a 717 team score.

UAlbany returns to action on Saturday, Sept. 24 when they travel to New Jersey for the two-day Princeton Invitational.

Dartmouth Women's Invitational
(Hanover Country Club - Hanover, N.H.)

TEAM

1. Columbia 307-303-610, 2. Siena 311-314-625, 3. Harvard 326-303-629, 4. Brown 318-318-636, 5. Rutgers 318-319-637, 6. St. John's 313-325-638, 7. Boston College 322-317-639, 8. Dartmouth 325-318-643, 9. Hartford 335-336-671, 10. Middlebury 344-332-676, 11. Boston University 345-336-681, 12. Wellesley 342-340-682, 13. Central Connecticut 336-358-694, 14. Sacred Heart 349-361-710, 15. Mount Holyoke 361-352-713, 16. UAlbany 364-353-717, 17. Amherst 389-375-764

INDIVIDUAL

1. Sara Ovadia, Columbia, 74-74-148; 2. Ali Bode, Harvard, 77-71-148; T3. Ashley Kozlowski, Rutgers, 77-74-151; T3. Tiffany Wade, Brown, 79-72-151; 5. Christy Yun, Columbia, 79-73-152; T6. Susan Choi, Wellesley, 75-78-153; T6. Chrstin Thomson, St. John's, 72-81-153; 8. Laura Woolgar, Siena, 77-77-154; 9. Jillian Blanchard, Siena, 78-77-155; T10. Brittany Lambertson, St. John's, 75-81-156; T10. Emily Cannon, Boston College, 79-77-156

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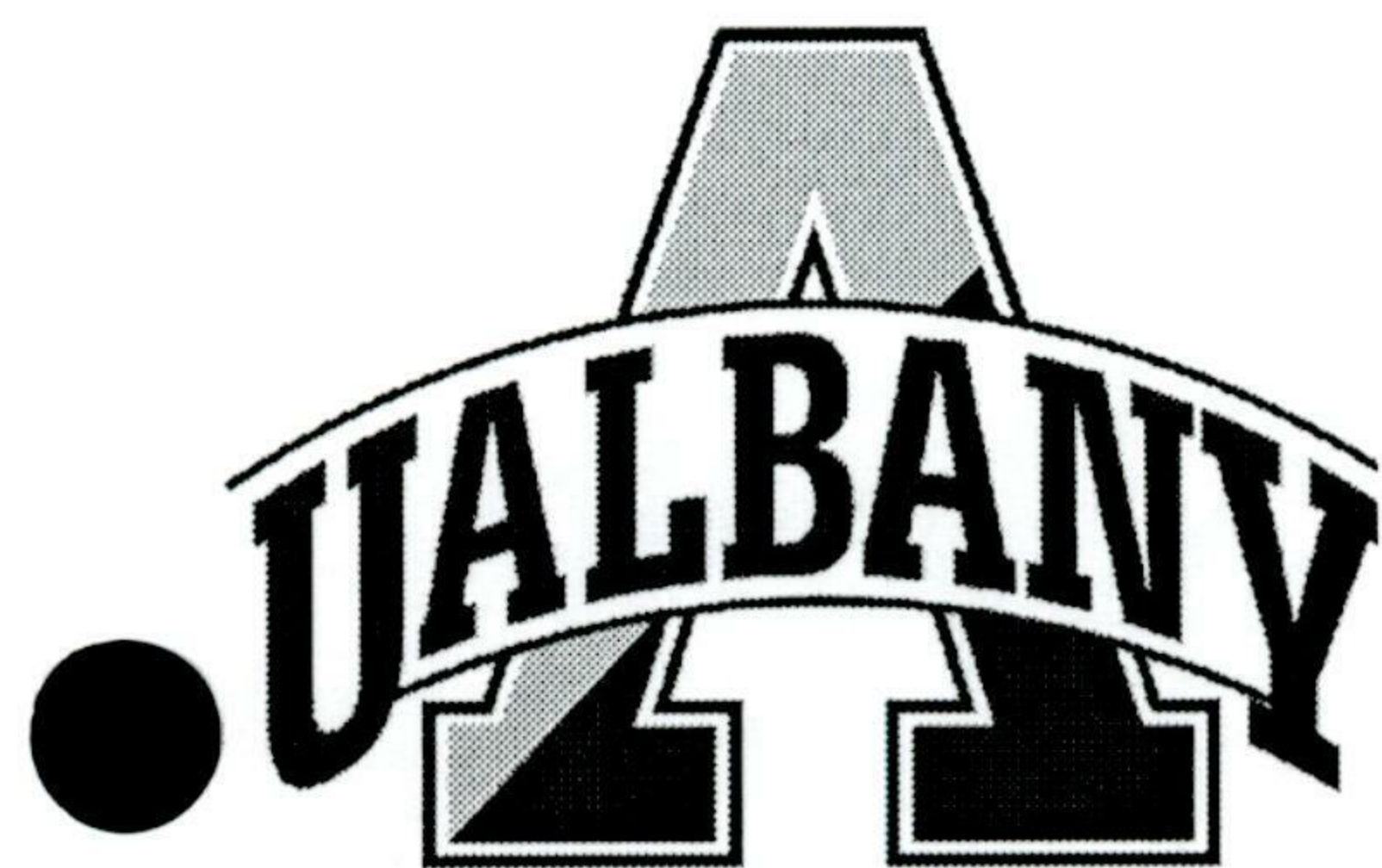
T27. Amanda McPhee 82-79-161, T71. Maggie Taylert 93-84-177, T78. Sun Hwa Kim 88-97-185, T85. Tracey Berns 101-94-195, 88. Samantha Williams 104-96-200

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COBBS LEADS NO. 25 MASSACHUSETTS TO 40-0 VICTORY OVER UALBANY

AMHERST, MASS. – **R.J. Cobbs** ran for two touchdowns and No. 25 Massachusetts registered an NCAA Division I-AA with three safeties en route to a 40-0 victory over UAlbany on Saturday evening before 10,177 fans at McGuirk Alumni Stadium.

UMass (2-1) scored on its opening possession with a seven-play, 64-yard drive. Quarterback **Liam Coen** fired a 22-yard strike to **J.J. Moore** against a blitzing defense to set up **Steve Baylark's** one-yard touchdown run over right guard. Baylark, a Walter Payton Award candidate, finished with 77 yards on 18 carries.

In the second quarter, Coen, who connected on 14-of-20 attempts for 213 yards, helped his team move out to a 14-0 lead. Coen, on third-and-goal, hit **Rasheed Rancher** on a crossing route for an eight-yard touchdown pass.

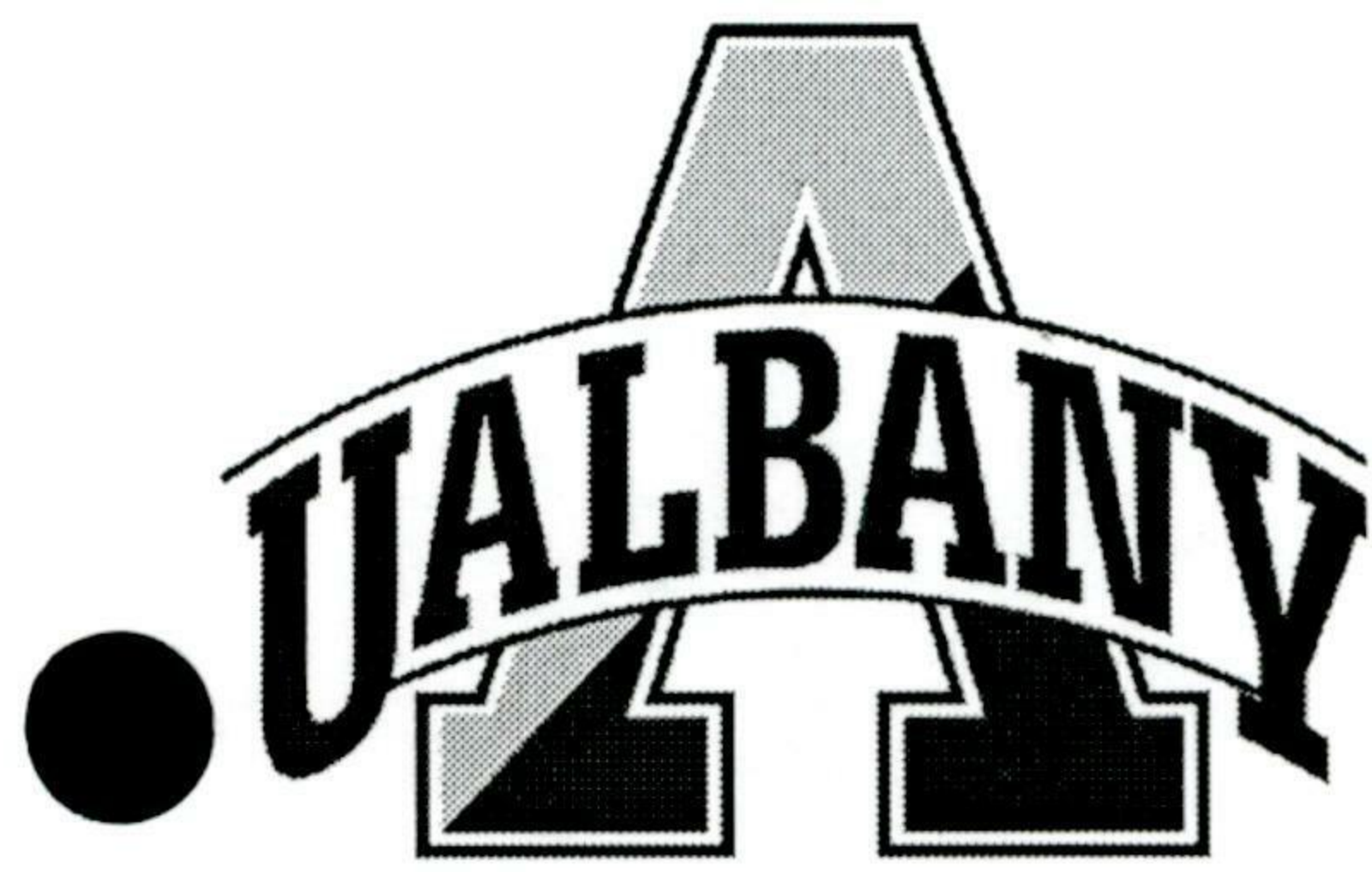
UMass posted a 16-0 halftime advantage with the first of three consecutive safeties. UAlbany quarterback **Daniel Bocanegra** was sacked in the end zone by nose tackle **John Hatchell**.

The Minutemen added 10 points in the third quarter due to UAlbany breakdowns on special teams. A pair of punt snaps went over **Marc Pallozzi's** head for safeties. Another poor snap led to a two-yard scoring run by Cobbs, who rushed 14 times for 73 yards.

"We played fairly hard, but obviously had problems in the kicking game," said UAlbany coach Bob Ford, whose team lost to its second straight Atlantic 10 Conference opponent. "Their two backs are as good as we have ever faced. They have a pretty decent young quarterback and a defense that comes at you in several ways with sheer team speed and different looks."

In the final quarter, UMass used its ground attack to score two touchdowns. Cobbs reached paydirt on a four-yard run, before reserve tailback **Justin Montgomery** scored on a one-yard run. UMass showed nearly a 50-50 balance with 440 total yards.

Meanwhile, the UAlbany defense kept this game close for nearly three quarters behind the play of inside linebacker **Colin Disch**, who had 14 tackles and cornerback **Kamar Elliott** (9 tackles, 1 pass breakup). However, UMass' defense limited the Great Dane offense to 31 total yards, including minus-37 yards rushing. It was the lowest total on the ground by a UMass opponent in 42 years.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL CAPTURES VIRGINIA'S JEFFERSON CUP TOURNAMENT

Charlottesville, Va. – **Ashley Hunter** delivered 20 kills to lead four Great Danes with double-figure kills as UAlbany defeated host Virginia, 3-2, in the championship match of the Jefferson Cup Tournament on Saturday evening. The Great Danes won by scores of 30-26, 28-30, 30-19, 23-30 and 15-9.

Ashley Crenshaw added 14 kills and five blocks, while **Ashlee Reed** recorded her first double-double of the season with 11 kills and 16 digs. **Shelby Goldman** added 11 kills for the Great Danes (9-2). **Ashley DeNeal** chipped in with a match-high 22 digs.

Beth Shelton and **Sarah Kirkwood** each registered 17 kills to lead Virginia (5-4). Setter **Emily Kirkwood** amassed 58 assists and five digs.

Earlier on Saturday, Goldman smacked a season-high 22 kills as UAlbany downed Appalachian State, 3-1, in other tournament action.

Reed tallied a season-best 14 kills, while Crenshaw added 13 kills and five blocks. Crenshaw recorded a match-high .458 hitting percentage (13-of-24), while Reed hit .429 (14-of-28). **Blair Buchanan** notched her third double-double this season with 46 assists and a season-high 14 digs. DeNeal fueled the defensive effort with 17 digs, while **Kristin Fiorillo** chipped in with a career-high 10 digs.

Stefanie Panzer sparked Appalachian State (6-5) with 15 kills, while **Chrissy Finch** added 16 digs.

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UAlbany (9-2) def. Virginia (5-4), 30-26, 28-30, 30-19, 23-30, 15-9.

UAlbany (8-2) def. Appalachian State (6-5), 30-16, 28-30, 30-21, 30-26.

UALBANY WOMEN 16th AFTER ONE DAY OF DARTMOUTH INVITATIONAL

Hanover, N.H. - UAlbany's **Amanda McPhee** shot a first-round 82 to land in a tie for 35th-place after one day of play at the Dartmouth Invitational at the Hanover Country Club on Saturday. Columbia University currently leads a field of 17 teams with a 307 team score on the 72-par, 5803-yard course.

Four Great Danes joined McPhee in competition for UAlbany, combining for a team score of 364. **Sun Hwa Kim** shot an 88, **Maggie Taylert** finished with a 93, **Tracey Berns** recorded a 103, and **Samantha Williams** rounded out the UAlbany field with a 104. The Great Danes are currently in 16th place in their first tournament of the season.

Christin Thomson of St. John's shot an even-par 72 for a two-stroke lead over Columbia's **Sara Ovidia**.

Competition resumes on Sunday, Sept. 18 at 8:00 a.m.

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Dartmouth Women's Invitational
(Hanover Country Club - Hanover, N.H.)

TEAM

1. Columbia 307, 2. Siena 311, 3. St. John's 313, T4. Rutgers 318, T4. Brown 318, 6. Boston College 322, 7. Dartmouth 325, 8. Harvard 326, 9. Hartford 335, 10. Central Connecticut 336,

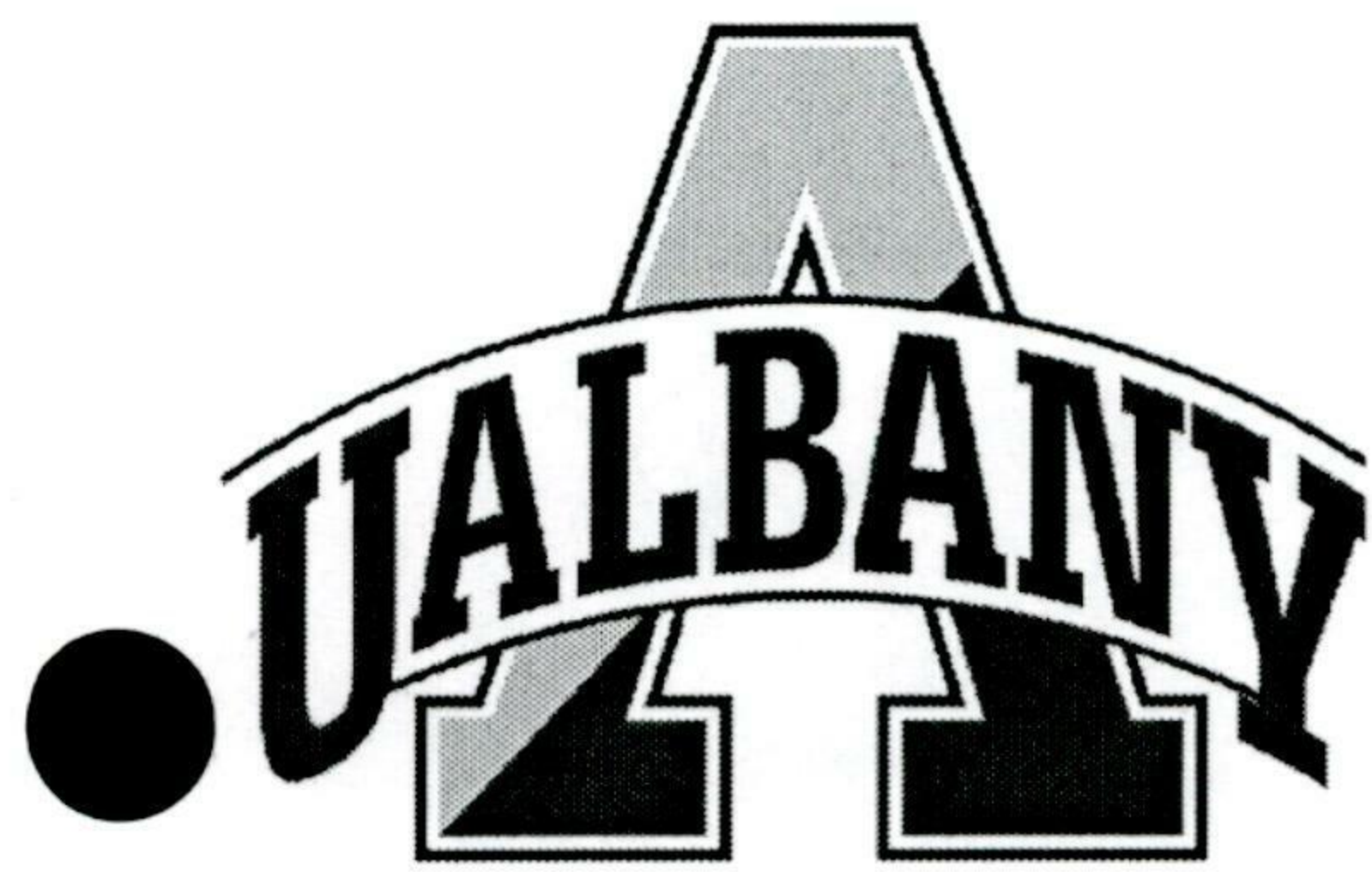
11. Wellesley 342, 12. Middlebury 344, 13. Boston University 345, 14. Sacred Heart 349, 15. Mouth Holyoke 361, 16. UAlbany 364, 17. Amherst 389

INDIVIDUAL

1. Christin Thomson, St. John's, 72; 2. Sara Ovadia, Columbia, 74; 3. Susan Choi, Wellesley, 75, T3. Brittany Lambertson, St. John's, 75; T5. Alana Johnson, Columbia, 76, T5. Courtney Tincher, Boston College, 76; T7. Ashley Kozlowski, Rutgers, 77, T7. Leah Steinmiller, Central Connecticut, 77, T7. Lara Smilnak, Boston College, 77, T7. Laura Woolgar, Siena, 77, T7. Ali Bode, Harvard, 77, T7. Elizabeth Weneger, Dartmouth, 77, T7. Karin Freed, Brown, 77, T7. Bridget Erwin, Siena, 77

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T35. Amanda McPhee 82, T61. Sun Hwa Kim 88, T80. Maggie Taylert 93, 87. Tracey Berns 101, 88. Samantha Williams 104.



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UALBANY DOWNS LOCK HAVEN FOR SECOND STRAIGHT OVERTIME WIN

Saratoga Springs, N.Y. – UAlbany freshman **Arlette Westdorp** scored on a penalty corner in overtime to give the Great Danes the win over Lock Haven, 2-1, on Saturday afternoon at Skidmore Field. It was Westdorp's second game-winning goal in as many matches.

Senior forward **Tina Bryson** started the action for UAlbany (4-3) on an assist from Westdorp with less than two minutes left in the first half. The Great Danes held the lead for over 20 minutes before Lock Haven (3-3) midfielder **Blair Wynne** scored on a pass from forward **Nikki Sweger**. The teams headed to overtime, and UAlbany's Westdorp scored on a penalty corner with assists from **Vanessa Walter** and **Kasey Weaver** with 2:32 played in the extra period.

This was UAlbany's second straight overtime game. The team improves to 4-3 on the season, and 2-0 in overtime contests. Lock Haven, the defending Northeast Conference champion, evens its season record to 3-3.

Ashley Ross played the entire 72:32 between the pipes for the Great Danes, tallying three saves and allowing only one goal. Lock Haven's **Becca Yerkes** played the entirety in goal, recording two saves on two goals.

The Great Danes return to action when they host Rutgers at 1:00 on Sunday, Sept. 18 at Skidmore Field.

-agate-

UAlbany 2, Lock Haven 1 (OT), Skidmore Field

UAlbany	1	0	1	2
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Lock Haven	0	1	0	1
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UAlbany—Scoring: Arlette Westdorp 1-1, Tina Bryson 1-0, Vanessa Walter 0-1, Kasey Weaver 0-1; Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (72:32, 3 saves, 1 GA)

Lock Haven—Scoring: Blair Wynne 1-0, Nikki Sweger 0-1; Goalkeeper: Becca Yerkes (72:32, 2 saves, 2 GA)



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL SWEEPS LIBERTY AT JEFFERSON CUP TOURNAMENT

Charlottesville, Va. – **Shelby Goldman** tallied seven kills to lead UAlbany to a 3-0 victory over Liberty on the first day of the Jefferson Cup Tournament at the University of Virginia on Friday night. Ten different Great Danes registered at least one kill in the match.

Ashley Crenshaw and **Ashlee Reed** each notched six kills for UAlbany (7-2), while **Blair Buchanan** recorded 28 assists. Freshman middle hitter **Kamisha Kellam** set a career-high with five kills. The Great Danes delivered 12 service aces, with eight coming from NCAA record-holder **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez**.

Kendall Nichols led all players with 11 kills for Liberty (3-6). **Lara Bartolomeo** added 24 assists and a team-high eight digs.

UAlbany returns to tournament action on Saturday and will face Appalachian State at 11 a.m. and Virginia at 7 p.m.

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UAlbany (7-2) def. Liberty (3-6), 30-20, 30-14, 30-22.

WOMEN'S SOCCER DEFEATED BY NAVY IN GOVERNOR'S CUP FIRST ROUND

Albany, N.Y. – Senior forward **Sarah Hessinger** scored two goals less than 10 minutes apart to open the game, as Navy beat UAlbany, 5-0, in the first round of the Governor's Cup on Friday afternoon at Varsity Field. Junior forward **Meggie Curran** assisted on both goals and scored one of her own.

Curran ranks first in the Patriot League in points with 18 and assists with 8. She leads the Mids with five goals this season. Sophomore **Kari Weniger** and freshman **Elise McCaskey** added the other goals for Navy, which improves to 5-1-2 on the season.

UAlbany (1-7-0) was outshot by the Mids 21-5. Goalkeeper **Andrea Dunn** had six saves for the Great Danes.

In the first game of the day, Siena beat Howard 8-0. Senior **Alicia Lackey**, junior **Erin Morine** and freshman **Courtney Preziosi** all had two goals for the Saints. Both of Preziosi's goals, the first and second of her career, came on penalty kicks. Sophomore forward **Chelsea Maguire** had three assists for Siena.

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Navy will face Siena on Sunday at 1 p.m. in the Governor's Cup championship match.

UAlbany will play Howard at 3 p.m.

Aggregate-

UAlbany (1-7-0)	0	0	-	0
Navy (5-1-2)	4	1	-	5

Navy: Scoring: Sarah Hessinger 2-0, Meggie Curran 1-2, Elise McCaskey 1-0, Kari Weniger 1-0, Iris Boivin 0-1, Molly Burd 0-1, Kristen Laraway 0-1; Goalkeepers: Lizzie Barnes (45:00, 2 saves, 0 GA), Jill Lyons (45:00, 1 save, 0 GA)

UAlbany: Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Andrea Dunn (90:00, 6 saves, 5 GA)

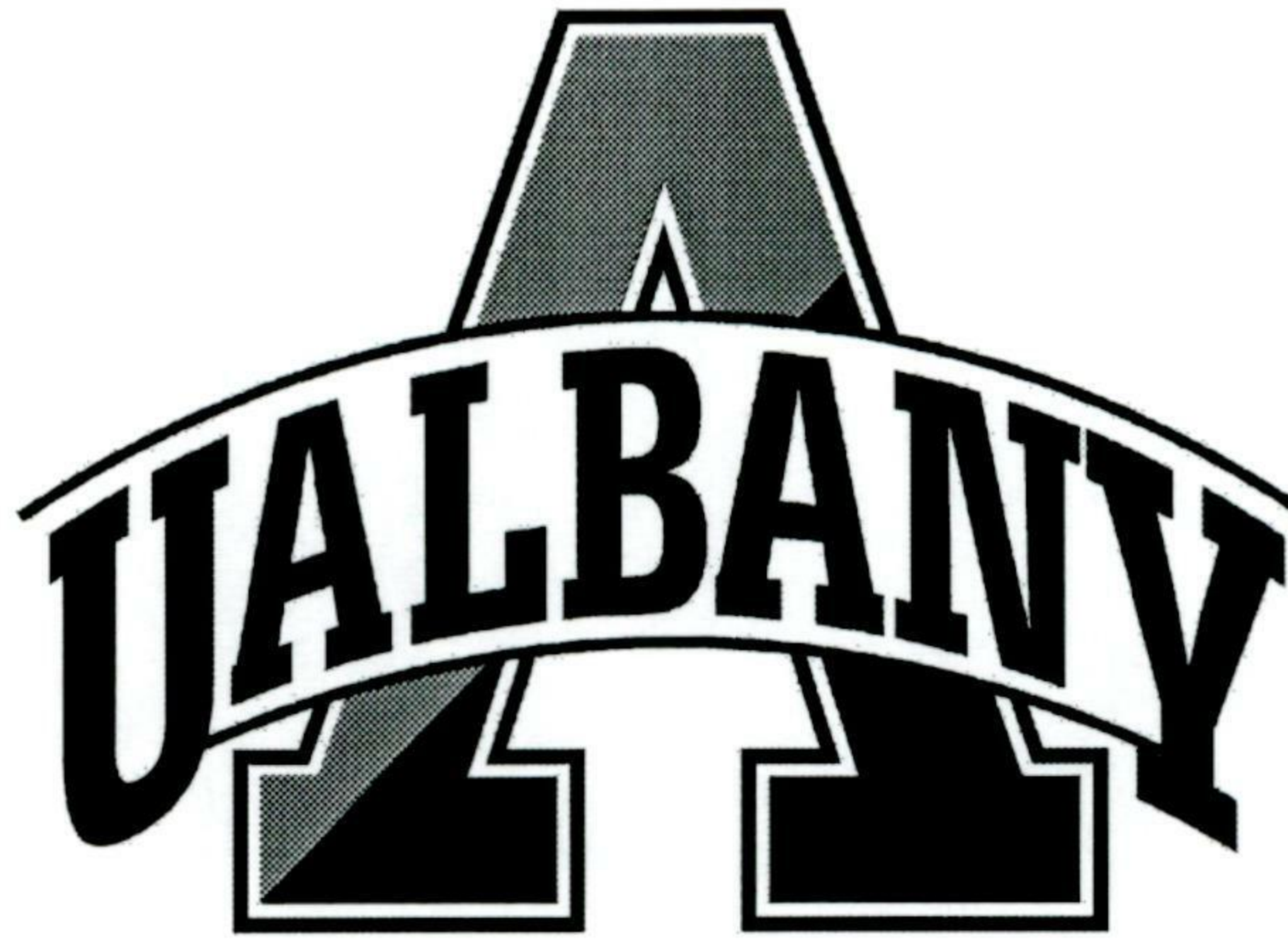
Shots: Navy 21, UAlbany 5; Corner Kicks: Navy 3, UAlbany 1

Siena (3-3-0)	6	2	-	8
Howard (0-6-0)	0	0	-	0

Siena: Scoring: Alicia Lackey 2-1, Erin Morine 2-0, Courtney Preziosi 2-0, Erinn Flaherty 1-0, Kristen Turner 1-0, Chelsea Maguire 0-3, Susie Blaisdell 0-1, Corry Silon 0-1; Goalkeepers: Patti Carroll (30:00, 2 saves, 0 GA), Carey Winkler (30:00, 3 saves, 0 GA), Natalie Bennett (30:00, 5 saves, 0 GA)

Howard: Scoring: None; Goalkeepers: Lindsey Walton (45:00, 5 saves, 6 GA), Jessamyn Perkins (45:00, 5 saves, 2 GA)

Shots: Siena 27, Howard 19; Corners: Siena 5, Howard 3



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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY WILL PARTICIPATE IN ESPN BRACKET BUSTER SATURDAY

Albany, N.Y. -- The University at Albany men's basketball team has been invited to participate in the ESPN Bracket Buster Saturday series on Feb. 18, 2006. The Great Danes are among 100 teams representing 18 conferences in the event. UAlbany is joined by defending America East Conference champion Vermont in the field.

Now in its fourth year, Bracket Buster Saturday is an ESPN television property that provides potential NCAA Tournament-caliber teams the opportunity to meet in a one-day, 50-game event. The format involves "wild-card" pairings for the pool of participating teams, with half of the Bracket Buster Saturday teams pre-designated as "home" and the remaining half as "road" teams. In an effort to provide an even greater showcase for these type of programs, the event has expanded its pool of teams each year (18 in 2003, 46 in 2004 and 64 in 2005) to produce a better cross section of squads. The actual pairings take place three weeks in advance of the event, and those match-ups are determined on the basis of regular-season play.

A total of 11 games will be televised, including six games on ESPN or ESPN2, and five games on ESPNU -- ESPN's new collegiate network that was launched on March 4, 2005. ESPN, in consultation with the conference commissioners, will make pairing decisions for the 11 televised games on Sunday, Jan. 29. Pairing decisions for the remaining 39 contests will be announced on Thursday, Feb. 2.

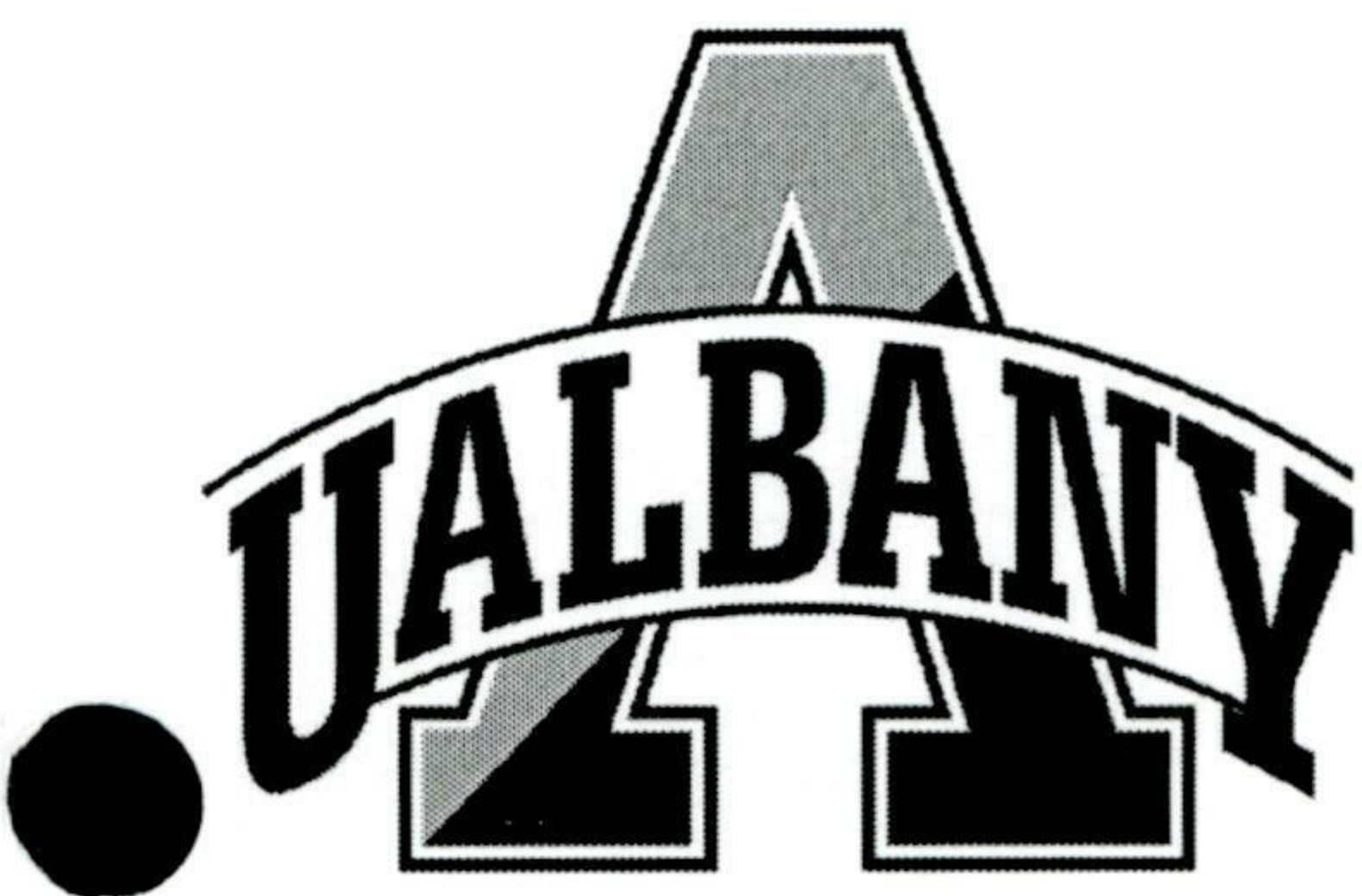
"We are extremely excited to have two of our members be selected to this year's Bracket Buster pool," America East Commissioner Patrick Nero said. "Having the chance to get national exposure through ESPN's various networks is a tremendous opportunity for both Albany and Vermont as well as America East."

UAlbany will be among the America East preseason favorites with the starting backcourt tandem of Jamar Wilson and Lucious Jordan both returning. Wilson and Jordan, a pair of second-team all-conference selections, averaged 16.9 and 14.8 points, respectively. Levi Levine, who accounted for 10.4 points and 6.0 rebounds per game, and Kirsten Zoellner, a 7-foot-1 center, were also in last year's starting lineup. Jon Iati, the 2004 America East Rookie of the Year, is back after missing most of last season with a shoulder injury. Brent Wilson (6'8") and Brian Lillis (6'5") are coming off solid freshman campaigns.

"UAlbany's participation in ESPN's Bracket Buster is an example of how much the basketball program has grown over the last four years," said UAlbany coach Will Brown, whose team finished 13-15 last year, an eight-win improvement from the previous season. "We continue to gain national respect with this announcement. It's a tremendous honor for a young program."

Another important component for Bracket Buster Saturday participants is future scheduling. Each team that participates in the event agrees to enter into a home-and-home series with its to-be-named opponent. The return game is made in November or December of the following season. This contest allows for completion of the two-game series contract and is not part of the Bracket Buster Saturday in that second year.

UAlbany's 2005-06 schedule already includes the 2K Sports College Hoops Classic benefiting Coaches vs. Cancer on Nov. 9-10. The Great Danes are in the Gainesville Regional with Florida, Oakland and St. Peter's. UAlbany's non-conference slate is also highlighted by a trip to the west coast to face both San Diego State (Nov. 26) and UCLA (Nov. 29). Other opponents include crosstown-rival Siena (Dec. 3), Cleveland State, Harvard, Brown and Cornell.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER SET TO HOST SIXTH ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S CUP

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany women's soccer team will welcome Howard, Navy and Siena to Varsity Field for the sixth annual Governor's Cup on Friday, Sept. 16 and Sunday, Sept. 18. The tournament begins on Friday with Siena facing Howard at 2 p.m. and UAlbany taking on Navy at 4 p.m. The second day features Siena playing Navy at 1 p.m. and UAlbany battling Howard at 3 p.m.

UAlbany is 1-6-0 this season with a victory over Siena on Sept. 15. Sophomore **Alicia Gibson** scored her first career goal, while sophomore **Elana Maccou** had her first game-winning tally as a Great Dane. Junior goalkeeper **Ashley Nuessle** leads the America East Conference in saves per game with 33 in five games.

Howard, which is making its inaugural appearance in the tournament, is 0-5 this season. The Bison, who compete in the United Soccer Conference, won six of their final eight games in 2004 to finish 6-8. Junior **Obioma Ogbuawa**, sister of UAlbany's **Uju Ogbuawa**, and freshman **Lauren White** lead Howard with three points each this season.

Navy (4-1-2) is ranked 14th in Soccer Buzz Magazine's Mid-Atlantic Regional Poll. The Mids are unbeaten in their last three matches with wins over Georgia State and Mount St. Mary's, and a tie against Seton Hall. Junior **Meggie Currie**, a first-team All-Patriot League selection in 2004, leads the league in points (14) and assists (6). She is second in goals with four.

Siena, the 2000 Governor's Cup champion, is 2-3-0 with wins over Colgate and America East-opponent Hartford. Three Saints, junior **Kristen Turner**, sophomore **Susie Blaisdell** and freshman **Chelsea Maguire**, each have two goals and one assist this season. Freshman goalkeeper **Patti Carroll** was named the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference's Defensive Player of the Week on Aug. 29.

Yearly Participants: 1999: UAlbany, Army, Buffalo, Wagner. 2000: UAlbany, Maine, Sacred Heart, Siena. 2002: UAlbany, Bucknell, Long Island, Sacred Heart. 2003: UAlbany, Rider, Sacred Heart, Siena. 2004: UAlbany, Columbia, Sacred Heart, Siena. 2005: UAlbany, Howard, Navy, Siena.

Governor's Cup Champions

1999: Buffalo. 2000: Siena. 2002: Bucknell. 2003: Rider. 2004: Columbia.



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HALL SCORES IN GREAT DANES' 2-1 LOSS AT COLGATE

Hamilton, N.Y. – Junior forward **Devin Deane** scored at the 56:51 mark to break a 1-1 tie, as Colgate beat UAlbany, 2-1, Wednesday night at Van Doren Field.

Colgate's Eric Anton started the scoring at the 31:32 mark to give the Raiders a 1-0 lead. UAlbany midfielder **Stephan Hall** evened the score for the Great Danes on a penalty kick four minutes later. It was his team-leading fourth goal of the season. Hall ranks second in the America East Conference in goals with four and points with 11.

Colgate, which is unbeaten at 2-0-2, had six corner kicks to UAlbany's three.

The Great Danes (3-2-1) return to action Saturday when they travel to Holy Cross for a 4 p.m. match.

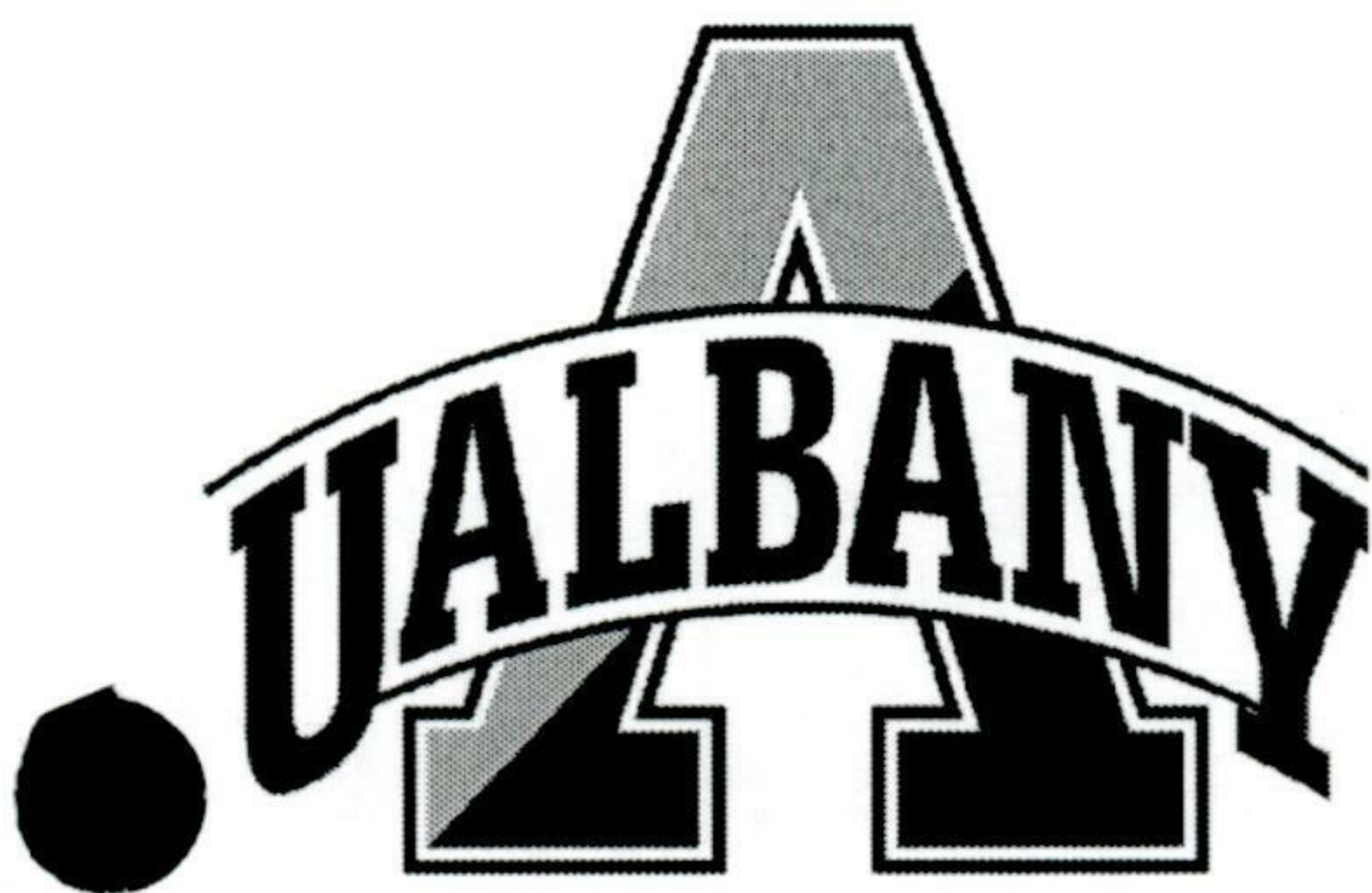
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Colgate (2-0-2)	1	1	-	2
UAlbany (3-2-1)	1	0	-	1

Colgate- Scoring: Eric Anton 1-0, Devin Deane 1-0, Dan Belke 0-1, Bryant Meckley 0-1;
Goalkeeper: Doug Litvack (90:00, 1 GA, 4 saves)

UAlbany- Scoring: Stephan Hall 1-0; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (90:00, 1 GA, 3 saves)

Shots: UAlbany 17, Colgate 10; Corner Kicks: Colgate 6, UAlbany 3



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UALBANY WOMEN'S SOCCER BEATEN BY IONA, 6-0

Albany N.Y. – Junior forward **Jayne Read** scored twice, and added an assist, as Iona beat UAlbany 6-0 on Wednesday at Varsity Field. Read leads the Gaels with three goals this season.

Sophomore **Emily Martin** started the scoring off a cross from **Cassie Batinich** 13:17 into the contest, and assisted on a goal by junior back **Rosamaria Iacono**, who also had an assist. Freshman **Julianne Marinaro** also found the back of the net, while freshman **Stephanie Sommers** had the other tally for the Gaels.

Sophomore goalkeeper **Jessica Martin**, a MAAC all-rookie selection last season, had six saves for her fifth career shutout. UAlbany junior goalkeepers **Ashley Nuessle** and **Andrea Dunn** had six and seven saves, respectively.

The Great Danes will welcome Howard, Navy and Siena to Varsity Field for the sixth annual Governor's Cup on Friday, Sept. 16 and Sunday, Sept. 18. On Friday, Siena will face Howard at 2 p.m. and UAlbany will take on Navy at 4 p.m. On Sunday, Siena plays Navy at 1 p.m. and UAlbany battles Howard at 3 p.m.

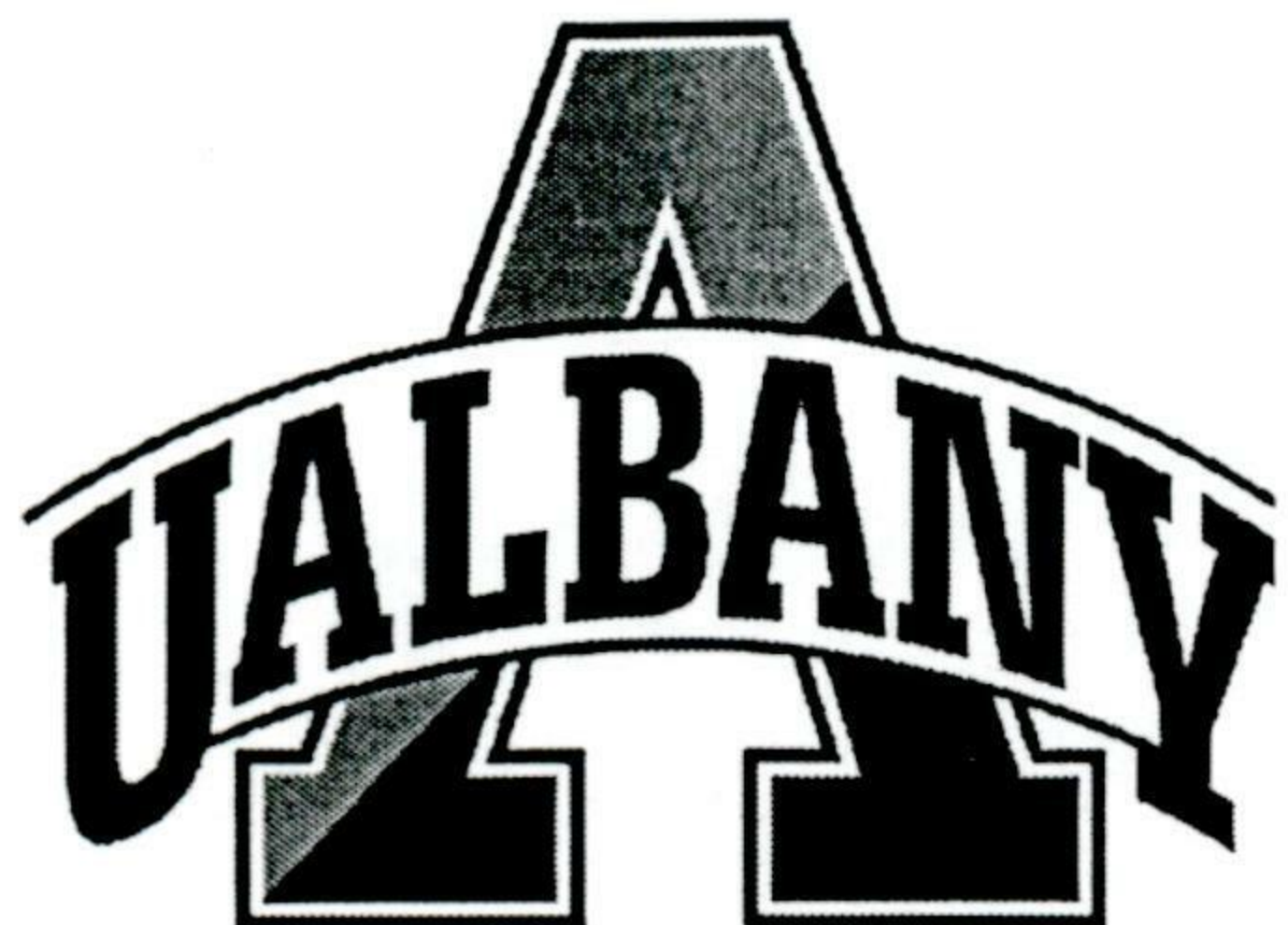
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Iona (2-3-1)	3	3	-	6
UAlbany (1-6-0)	0	0	-	0

Iona- Scoring: Jayne Read 2-1, Rosamaria Iacono 1-1, Julianne Marinaro 1-0, Emily Martin 1-0, Stephanie Sommers 1-0, Cassie Batinich 0-1, Sherry Black 0-1; Goalkeepers Jessica Martin (71:04, 6 saves, 0 GA), Tician DiCarlo 18:56, 0 saves, 0 GA)

UAlbany- Scoring: None; Goalkeepers: Ashley Nuessle (45:00, 6 saves, 3 GA), Andrea Dunn (45:00, 7 saves, 3 GA)

Shots: Iona 25, UAlbany 10; Corner Kicks: Iona 6, UAlbany 3



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UALBANY CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS PICKED TO FINISH THIRD, FIFTH IN A-EAST

Boston, Mass. – The UAlbany men's cross country team was picked to finish third in the America East Conference Preseason Poll, in voting by the conference head coaches as announced on Wednesday. The women's team was selected to finish fifth.

The New Hampshire men were voted to finish first in the America East, earning four first-place votes. UAlbany received one first-place vote after the team's fourth-place finish at the America East Championships last October.

The Great Dane men will look to senior **Robbie Freeman** to lead the pack this season after his sixth-place finish at the America East meet last season. Freeman won the IC4A Championship in November, the first UAlbany runner ever to accomplish that feat. Sophomore **Ricardo Estremera** will also be a top runner after finishing 18th at the conference championship. Other returning letterwinners include **Gered Burns** (Guilderland), **Bryant Cherry-Woode** and **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa).

Boston U. had seven first-place votes en route to being selected to repeat as America East women's champions. The Terriers will also defend their 2004 New England championship. UAlbany received 36 overall votes after finishing sixth at the America East Championships last year.

Junior **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn) comes off a 23rd-place finish at the America East Championships last season and will look to lead the Great Dane women in 2005. Freshmen twin sisters **Jenna** and **Jessica Ortman** have already provided a spark for the Great Danes, finishing in the top five at the Monmouth Kickoff Classic on Sept. 3 and in the top 25 at the Binghamton Invitational on Sept. 10. Returning letterwinners include **Jennifer Boshco**, **Natasha Torres**, and **Danielle Trimpop**.

The UAlbany squads continue their season on Saturday, Sept. 24 when they travel to Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx for the Iona Meet of Champions.

2005 America East Men's Cross Country Preseason Coaches' Poll:

1. New Hampshire (4), 2. Maine (3), 3. UAlbany (1), 4. Stony Brook, 5. UMBC, 6. Boston U., 7. Binghamton, 8. Vermont, 9. Hartford
() – first place votes

2005 America East Women's Cross Country Preseason Coaches' Poll:

1. Boston U. (7), 2. Stony Brook, 3. New Hampshire (1), 4. Binghamton, 5. UAlbany, 6. Vermont, 7. UMBC, 8. Maine, 9. Hartford
() – first place votes

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Florida, Syracuse, Texas Tech, Wake Forest to Host Regional Rounds

PRINCETON, N.J. (September 12, 2005) – Florida, Syracuse, Texas Tech, and Wake Forest — four teams projected to be among this year's top 25 — will host the Regional Rounds of the 2K Sports College Hoops Classic benefiting Coaches vs. Cancer, the nation's premier season-opening college basketball tournament.

2K Sports, creator of the "College Hoops 2K" series of video games, has made a four-year commitment to become the Title Sponsor of the 2K Sports College Hoops Classic benefiting Coaches vs. Cancer. 2K Sports develops and publishes the popular and highly acclaimed 2K series of sports video games, which are known for delivering the most innovative and realistic sports simulation gaming experience to fans every year.

The Coaches vs. Cancer program, created by the National Association of Basketball Coaches, exists to leverage the strength, community leadership and celebrity of our country's basketball coaches to raise awareness and reduce cancer risk through education programs while raising funds for Coaches vs. Cancer. Since 1996, the Gazelle Group, producers of the 2K Sports College Hoops Classic benefiting Coaches vs. Cancer, has raised over \$2.8 million for the benefit of Coaches vs. Cancer.

"We are excited to tip off the college basketball season and support the Coaches vs. Cancer program," said 2K Sports Marketing and Promotions Director Tim Rosa. "The 2K Sports family is extremely proud to support further efforts in the fight against this serious disease."

The Regional Rounds of the tournament, which feature teams from 16 conferences, will be played November 8th-11th. The winner of each Regional Round will compete for the Championship at Madison Square Garden in New York City on November 17th and 18th.

Syracuse returns to the Classic to defend its 2004 title. Last year, the Orange defeated Memphis, 77-62, in the Championship Game ([Click here](#) for video highlights of last year's event).

Outlined below are the dates, locations, and matchups for the 2005 Event ([Click here](#) for a complete bracket). Television coverage will be announced in the near future.

Regional Rounds:**Gainesville Regional — O'Connell Center**November 9th, 5:00 p.m. EST

Albany vs. Oakland

Florida vs. Saint Peter's

November 10th, 5:00 p.m. EST

Regional Consolation

Regional Championship

Lubbock Regional — United Spirit ArenaNovember 10th, 5:30 p.m. EST

Portland vs. Georgia Southern

Texas Tech vs. San Jose State

November 11th, 6:30 p.m. EST

Regional Consolation

Regional Championship

Syracuse Regional — Carrier DomeNovember 8th, 6:00 p.m. EST

Saint Francis (Pa.) vs. Cornell

Syracuse vs. Bethune-Cookman

November 9th, 6:00 p.m. EST

Regional Consolation

Regional Championship

Winston-Salem Regional — Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial ColiseumNovember 10th, 5:00 p.m. EST

George Mason vs. UC Irvine

Wake Forest vs. Mississippi Valley State

November 11th, 5:00 p.m. EST

Regional Consolation

Regional Championship

Championship Rounds:**Semifinal Doubleheader — Madison Square Garden**November 17th, 7:00 p.m. EST

Winston-Salem Regional Winner vs. Gainesville Regional Winner

Syracuse Regional Winner vs. Lubbock Regional Winner

Championship Doubleheader — Madison Square GardenNovember 18th, 7:00 p.m. EST

Consolation Game

Championship Game

All four host teams, which averaged 25 wins last season, are projected to be in the top 25 this year. Five of the teams in this year's Event made the NCAA tournament last year, including the four hosts (who were all seeded No. 6 or higher) and Oakland. Each host will be led by all-conference performers from last season, including Eric Williams (Wake Forest), Corey Brewer (Florida), Jarrius Jackson (Texas Tech), and Gerry McNamara (Syracuse).

"This Event is a good test for any program because there are teams in it every year who compete for the national championship," Texas Tech head coach Bob Knight said. "Plus it's a great chance to support the fight against cancer. There aren't any of us anywhere that haven't been touched in some way by cancer."

Ticket Information:

Championship Round tickets at Madison Square Garden are on sale now and can be purchased by calling Ticketmaster at (212) 307-7171 or through www.Ticketmaster.com.

For VIP Ticket packages, contact Chris McLaughlin at (609)921-1300 or cmclaughlin@gazellegroup.com.

Tickets for the Regional Rounds can be purchased through the host school's box office. On-sale dates for individual game tickets will be announced in the near future.

Syracuse: 1-888-DOMETIX or www.dometix.com

Wake Forest: 1-888-758-DEAC or www.wakeforestsports.com

Florida: 1-800-34-GATOR or www.gatorzone.com

Texas Tech: 1-888-GO-BIG12 or www.texastech.com

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HOLDER AND WESTDORP SWEEP A-EAST WEEKLY FIELD HOCKEY HONORS

Boston, Mass. – UAlbany's **Kristen Holder** has been named the America East Conference Player of the Week in field hockey, as announced by the conference office on Monday. **Arlette Westdorp** was chosen as the conference's rookie of the week. Both Holder and Westdorp were instrumental in the Great Danes' two wins last week.

Holder, who was named to the 2004 America East Conference All-Rookie Team, leads UAlbany (3-3) with five goals and 10 points. She scored twice in UAlbany's 4-1 win over Siena on Sept. 7, including the game-winning goal. The sophomore forward also had the Great Danes' lone goal in their 4-1 loss to Ohio State on Sept. 9. Holder moved to 10th place on UAlbany's all-time goals list with nine.

Westdorp leads UAlbany in assists (4) and is tied for second on the team in points (6). She leads Great Dane freshmen in both categories. The midfielder recorded the assist on Holder's game-winning goal against Siena, for her second of the season. Westdorp scored the unassisted go-ahead tally in UAlbany's 3-2 overtime win against Ohio on Sept. 11. She also assisted on each of UAlbany's two other goals in the game. Westdorp's goal against Ohio was the first of her collegiate career.

BUCHANAN EARNS SECOND STRAIGHT A-EAST WEEKLY VOLLEYBALL AWARD

Boston, Mass. – UAlbany's **Blair Buchanan** has been named the America East Conference Setter of the Week for the second consecutive week, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon. The junior setter has earned the award eight times in her career.

Buchanan, an AVCA honorable mention All-American last season, averaged 12.00 assists, 3.00 digs and 1.91 kills per game en route to earning all-tournament honors at the UAlbany Volleyball Classic last weekend. She also recorded her first two double-doubles of the season with 47 assists and 12 digs against Ohio, and 51 assists and 12 digs in a win over Pennsylvania.

The 2004 America East player and setter of the year ranks first in the America East with 12.63 assists per game and second with a .341 hitting percentage.

UAlbany (6-2) won two of three matches in its tournament last weekend, picking up a 3-1 win over Penn and a 3-0 victory over Iona. The Great Danes fell 3-1 to Ohio in the championship match.



MEN'S SOCCER BEATS ST. FRANCIS (N.Y.) AT UALBANY CLASSIC

Albany, N.Y. – Junior **Yan Gbolo** scored two goals to lift the Great Danes over St. Francis (N.Y.), 4-0, on the second day of the UAlbany Classic Sunday afternoon. Freshman **Brad Ray's** second career goal was the game-winning tally for UAlbany. The Great Danes beat Canisius 2-1 on Saturday in their first round contest.

Graduate student **Vadim Ivanyushchenko** had a goal and two assists in the two games and was named the tournament's most valuable player. Sophomore back **Mike Dineen** was named most outstanding defensive player. Junior captain **Stephan Hall** had a goal and added an assist, earning all-tournament honors. Ivanyushchenko, Gbolo and sophomore **Eric Zekiroski** were also named to the all-tournament squad.

"It's very important to get two wins," Ivanyushchenko said. "We have a lot of young kids and this helps build unity and confidence. Our team has been improving in the practices and games. We start sloppy but then pick it up at the end."

UAlbany (3-1-1) travels to Colgate for its next game, Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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UAlbany (3-1-1)	0	4	-	4
St. Francis (1-2-0)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany- Scoring: Yan Gbolo 2-0, Stephan Hall 1-1, Brad Ray 1-1, Erik DiLorenzo 0-1, Vadim Ivanyushchenko 0-1, Jon Stroud 0-1; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (90:00, 3 saves, 0 GA)
St. Francis- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Rosario Candela (90:00, 1 save, 4 GA)
Shots: UAlbany 14, St. Francis 11; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 2, St. Francis 4

WESTDORP SCORES IN OVERTIME AS UALBANY TOPS OHIO

Athens, Ohio – Freshman **Arlette Westdorp** scored on a rebound at the 77-minute mark in overtime to push UAlbany past Ohio, 3-2, on Sunday afternoon in women's field hockey action at Peggy Pruitt Field.

Ohio (1-4) took a 2-0 lead into halftime with goals by **Estienne Coetzee** and **Megan Rentschler**. **Erica Bundalo** and **Chelsea Mearig** had assists on Rentschler's goal, which came with 1:12 left in the opening half.

UAlbany (3-3) rallied behind the play of several freshmen. Midfielder **Kasey Weaver** scored in the eighth minute of the second half on an assist from Westdorp. With 22 seconds left to play in regulation, midfielder **Michele Polizois** scored off a penalty corner with assists from Weaver and Westdorp.

Midway through overtime, **Tina Bryson** had a breakaway in front of the Ohio net. Her shot was stopped by Bobcat goalie **Jennifer Cote**, but Westdorp scooped up the rebound and found the back of the cage exactly seven minutes into sudden death for her first collegiate goal.

Ashley Ross played all 77 minutes in goal for the Great Danes, tallying seven saves and allowing only two goals.

The Great Danes return to action on Saturday, Sept. 17 at 1 p.m. when they host Lock Haven at Skidmore College.

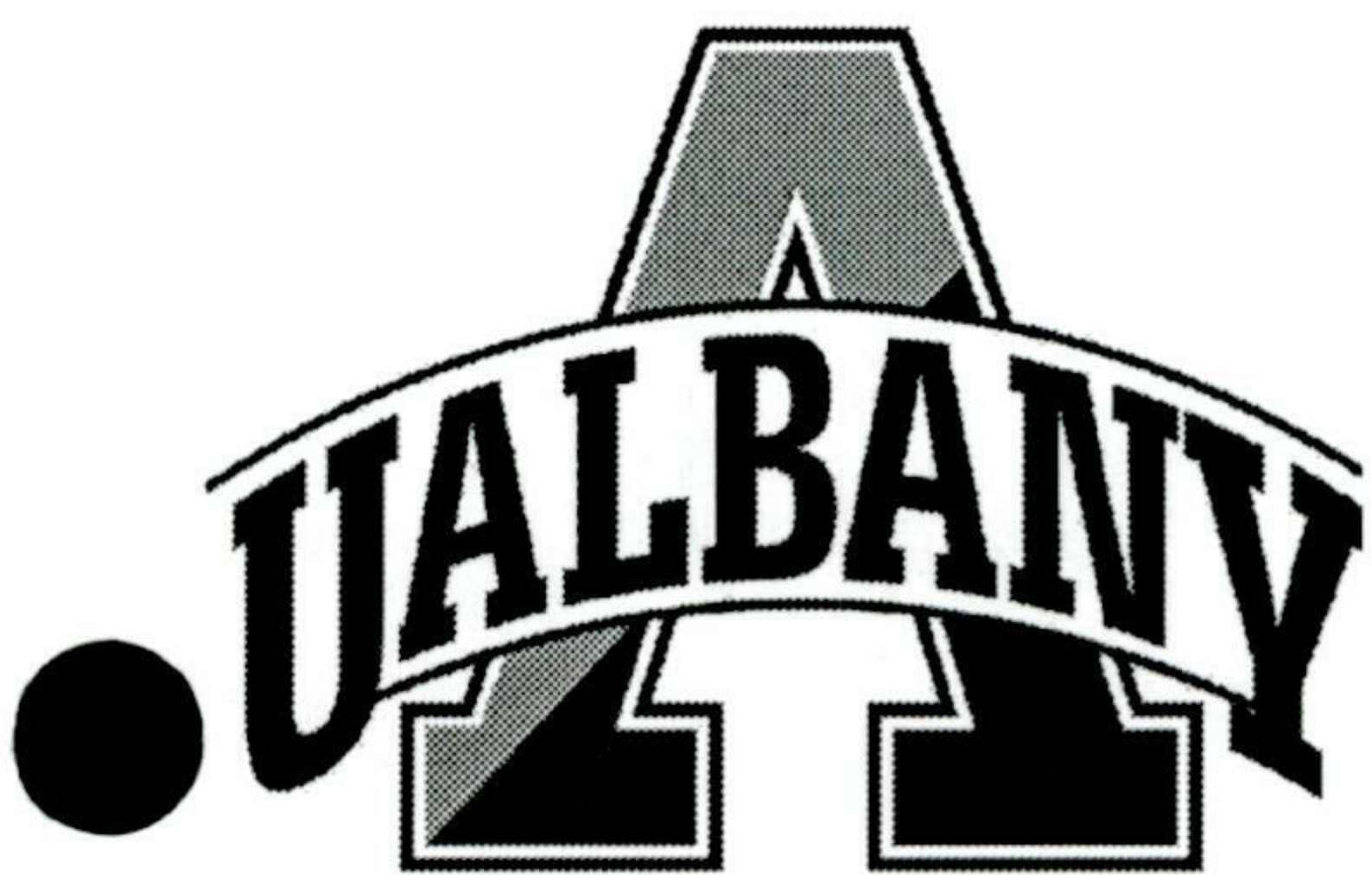
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UAlbany 3, Ohio 2 (OT), Peggy Pruitt Field

UAlbany	0	2	1	3
Ohio	2	0	0	2

UAlbany—Scoring: Arlette Westdorp 1-2, Kasey Weaver 1-1, Michele Polizois 1-0;
Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (77:00, 7 saves, 2 GA)

Ohio—Scoring: Estienne Coetzee 1-0, Megan Rentschler 1-0, Erica Bundalo 0-1, Chelsea Mearig 0-1; Goalkeeper: Jennifer Cote (77:00, 3 saves, 3 GA)



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HOFSTRA 36, ALBANY 7

Albany, N.Y. – **Anton Clarkson** threw two touchdown passes and **Terry Crenshaw** rushed for 121 yards and one score, as Hofstra posted a 36-7 victory over Albany on Saturday evening in the season opener for both teams before 6,212 fans at University Field.

Albany reached the end zone on its first possession with a 10-play, 51-yard drive. Redshirt freshman quarterback **Daniel Bocanegra** completed a pair of third-down passes to keep the sequence alive, before tailback **Kenny Williams** scored on a 2-yard run over the left side.

Hofstra regrouped when Crenshaw scored on a 36-yard dash down the left sideline before the point-after try was missed. Clarkson, who connected on 24 of 33 attempts for 291 yards, then fired a 44-yard touchdown strike to **Marques Colston**, who eluded a defender at seven-yard line on his way to paydirt. Clarkson then hooked up with Colston on a two-point pass for a 14-7 lead midway through the second quarter.

The Pride, who are No. 24 in this week's Division I-AA national rankings, then pulled away with a 17-point third period. **Rob Zarrilli** booted a 34-yard field goal to cap a 12-play march. Following an 11-yard punt by Albany's **Marc Pallozzi**, Hofstra would build a 24-7 advantage as Clarkson fired a 31-yard touchdown pass to Colston, who worked his way free on a post pattern. Colston, a 6-foot-4, 230-pound senior who missed all of last season with an injury, finished with six receptions for 118 yards.

Outside linebacker **Chris Sebald** added to the third-quarter blitz, when he picked off Albany quarterback Brett Hall's pass in the right flat and returned it 29 yards for a touchdown and a 31-7 lead.

"Offensively we could have scored more points, but we self-destructed with penalties," said Hofstra coach **Joe Gardi**, whose team is expected to challenge in the Atlantic 10 Conference this season. "Our defense deserves credit for make adjustments in the second half. Albany really hurt us with the blitz game, and that's something we did work enough on in the preseason."

Bocanegra completed 10 of 16 passes for 90 yards, while Hall connected on 6-of-12 for 50 yards. Each Albany signal-caller was intercepted once, as the Great Danes were limited to 206 total yards. Junior tailback **Marcus Allen** was the top rusher with 11 carries for 45 yards.

"We had a good start but could not keep it up for four quarters," explained Bocanegra, the first Albany quarterback to start his first game as a collegian since Joe Savino in 1994. "We're a young team that made some mistakes and missed a few assignments. A loss is a loss no matter how you get it, but we really beat ourselves."



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HALL SCORES GAME-WINNING GOAL TO LIFT MEN'S SOCCER OVER CANISIUS

Albany, N.Y. – Junior captain **Stephan Hall** scored his team-leading second goal of the season with 15:43 to go in regulation, as UAlbany beat Canisius, 2-1, on Saturday afternoon in the opening game of the 2005 UAlbany Classic. Holy Cross beat St. Francis (N.Y.) 3-1 in the second game.

Graduate student **Vadim Ivanyushchenko** had the assist and scored a goal of his own, the fifth of his career. Sophomore **Eric Zekiroski** had his third career assist. Ivanyushchenko's goal came with the Great Danes trailing 1-0 after Canisius took an early lead on a goal by junior **Brian Brehm**.

Freshman goalkeeper **Steward Ceus** stopped three Canisius shots for his first career win. The Great Danes (2-1-1) outshot the Golden Griffins 24-9.

UAlbany will play St. Francis on Sunday in the final game of the UAlbany Classic at 2 p.m. Canisius faces Holy Cross at noon.

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UAlbany (2-1-1)	0	2	-	2
Canisius (1-2-0)	1	0	-	1

UAlbany—Scoring: Vadim Ivanyushchenko 1-1, Stephan Hall 1-0, Eric Zekiroski 0-1; Goalkeeper: Steward Ceus (90:00, 3 saves, 1 GA)

Canisius—Scoring: Brian Brehm 1-0, Rudy Pikuzinski 0-1; Goalkeeper: Matt Houghton (90:00, 5saves, 2 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 24, Canisius 9; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 10, Canisius 1

UALBANY WOMEN FINISH FOURTH, MEN SIXTH, AT BINGHAMTON X-C INVITE

Binghamton, N.Y. – University at Albany sophomore **Ricardo Estremera** placed fourth overall and junior **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop-Maginn H.S.) placed 10th overall to lead the Great Dane men and women to a sixth and fourth place finish, respectively, on Saturday afternoon at the Binghamton Invitational.

In the field of eight, the University of Maine took first place for the men, led by individual winner **Donald Drake**. Columbia took the women's competition, led by the third-place finisher **Stephanie Lenihan**.

UAlbany saw four of its men finish in the top 50; Estremera finished with a time of 25:58, only 29 seconds behind the top finisher. Senior **Robbie Freeman** placed 23rd overall with a time of 26:17, and Shenendehowa's **Ryan Gaedje** finished with a time of 26:57, good for 30th overall. Rounding out Great Danes in the top 50 were **Bryant Cherry-Woode** with a 34th-place finish and a time of 27:04.

Freshman **Jenna Ortman** (15th, 19:30) and twin sister **Jessica Ortman** (21st, 20:17) joined Lotmore (19:08) in the top 25 for the women. Sophomore **Danielle Trimpop** (29th, 20:40) and junior **Natasha Torres** (38th, 21:01) rounded out UAlbany's finishers in the top 50.

Also running for the Great Dane men were Guilderland's **Gered Burns** (57th, 28:20), **Chris Jimenez** (72nd, 29:06), and freshman **Joe Belokopitsky** (73rd, 29:08). **Alex Brown** (52nd, 21:49), **Jennifer Russell** (54th, 21:50), and **Jessica Chicester** (55nd, 22:14) also competed for the women.

The UAlbany cross country teams return to competition on Saturday, Sept. 24 when they travel to Cary, N.C. for the Great American Festival.

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Binghamton Cross Country Invitational

MEN

1. Maine 51, 2. Columbia 60, 3. New Hampshire 79, 4. UMBC 110, 5. Syracuse 115, **6. Albany 123**, 7. Binghamton 189, 8. Siena 220

INDIVIDUAL

1. Donald Drake (Maine) 25:29, 2. Izudin Mehmedovic (UMBC) 25:39, 3. Robert Edgerton (New Hampshire) 25:57, **4. Richardo Estremera (UAlbany) 25:58**, 5. David Wishart (Syracuse) 26:01, 6. Kirby Davis (Maine) 26:01, 7. Paul Rupprecht (Maine) 26:06, 8. Joshua Trevino (Maine) 26:07, 9. Matt Russell (New Hampshire) 26:08, 10. Greg Hughes (Columbia) 26:09

Other UAlbany finishers:

23. Robbie Freeman, 26:17; 30. Ryan Gaedje, 26:57; 34. Bryant Cherry-Woode, 27:04; 57. Gered Burns, 28:20; 72. Chris Jimenez, 29:06; 73. Joe Belokopitsky, 29:08

WOMEN

1. Columbia 25, 2. Syracuse 62, 3. Binghamton 98, **4. UAlbany 110**, 5. Colgate 118, 6. Maine 118, 7. UMBC 179, 8. Siena 228

INDIVIDUAL

1. Katie Radzik (Binghamton) 18:21, 2. Elizabeth Cufari (Syracuse) 18:38, 3. Stephanie Lenihan (Columbia) 18:56, 4. Caroline Bierbaum (Columbia) 18:56, 5. Carmen Ballard (Columbia) 18:56, 6. Hilary Bontz (Columbia) 18:56, 7. Tenke Zolanti (Columbia) 18:56, 8. Laura Meyers (Columbia) 18:56, 9. Heather Jovanelli (Maine) 18:58, **10. Alyssa Lotmore (UAlbany) 19:04**

Other UAlbany finishers:

15. Jenna Ortman, 19:30; 21. Jessica Ortman, 20:17; 29. Danielle Trimpop, 20:40; 38. Natasha Torres, 21:01; 52. Alex Brown, 21:49; 54. Jennifer Russell, 21:50; 55. Jessica Chichester, 22:14

OHIO UNIVERSITY DEFEATS UALBANY FOR VOLLEYBALL CLASSIC TITLE

Albany, N.Y. – **Holly Schetzle** smacked 22 kills to lead Ohio past UAlbany, 3-1, to capture the UAlbany Volleyball Classic championship at University Gymnasium on Saturday afternoon. **Julia Winkfield**, who was voted the tournament's most valuable player, added 17 kills for the Bobcats (8-1).

Michaele Blackburn, who joined Schetzle on the all-tournament team, led all players with 20 digs. **Savanah Parra** amassed 48 assists for Ohio, who is the two-time defending champion of the Mid-American Conference.

Shelby Goldman led the way for UAlbany (6-2) with 17 kills, while **Ashley Hunter** chipped in with 12 kills. **Blair Buchanan** recorded her second double-double this season with 47 assists and 12 digs. **Ashley DeNeal**, who was named to the all-tournament squad along with Buchanan, registered 18 digs.

In the Great Danes' first match of the day, Goldman fired a match-high 11 kills as UAlbany swept Iona, 3-0. **Ashlee Reed** added 10 kills and seven digs, while DeNeal recorded 22 digs. The Great Danes also benefited from 10 service aces, including five by DeNeal. For Iona (0-5), **Kristin Allain** registered 11 kills and eight digs, while **Chelsea White** chipped in with 17 digs.

Allain of Iona and Pennsylvania's **Linda Zhang** also earned all-tournament honors.

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Ohio (8-1) def. UAlbany (6-2), 30-21, 22-30, 30-18, 30-17.

UAlbany (6-1) def. Iona (0-5), 30-28, 30-15, 30-20.

Pennsylvania (1-2) def. Iona (0-6), 33-31, 30-24, 24-30, 30-26.



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CRENSHAW SMACKS CAREER-HIGH 16 KILLS TO LEAD UALBANY PAST PENN

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore **Ashley Crenshaw** smacked a career-high 16 kills to lead UAlbany past Pennsylvania, 3-1, on the opening day of the UAlbany Volleyball Classic at University Gymnasium on Friday night. Crenshaw surpassed her previous best of 10 kills set earlier this season.

Shelby Goldman and **Ashlee Reed** added 14 and 13 kills, respectively, for the Great Danes (5-1). Junior libero **Ashley DeNeal** tallied 31 digs, which fell just three shy of her career best. Junior setter **Blair Buchanan** registered her first double-double this season with 51 assists and 12 digs.

Cara Thomason paced the Quakers (0-2) with 16 kills and 21 digs. **Michelle Kauffman** chipped in with 12 kills, while **Meredith Damore** notched a team-best 24 digs. Earlier in the day, Penn also dropped a 3-0 contest to Ohio.

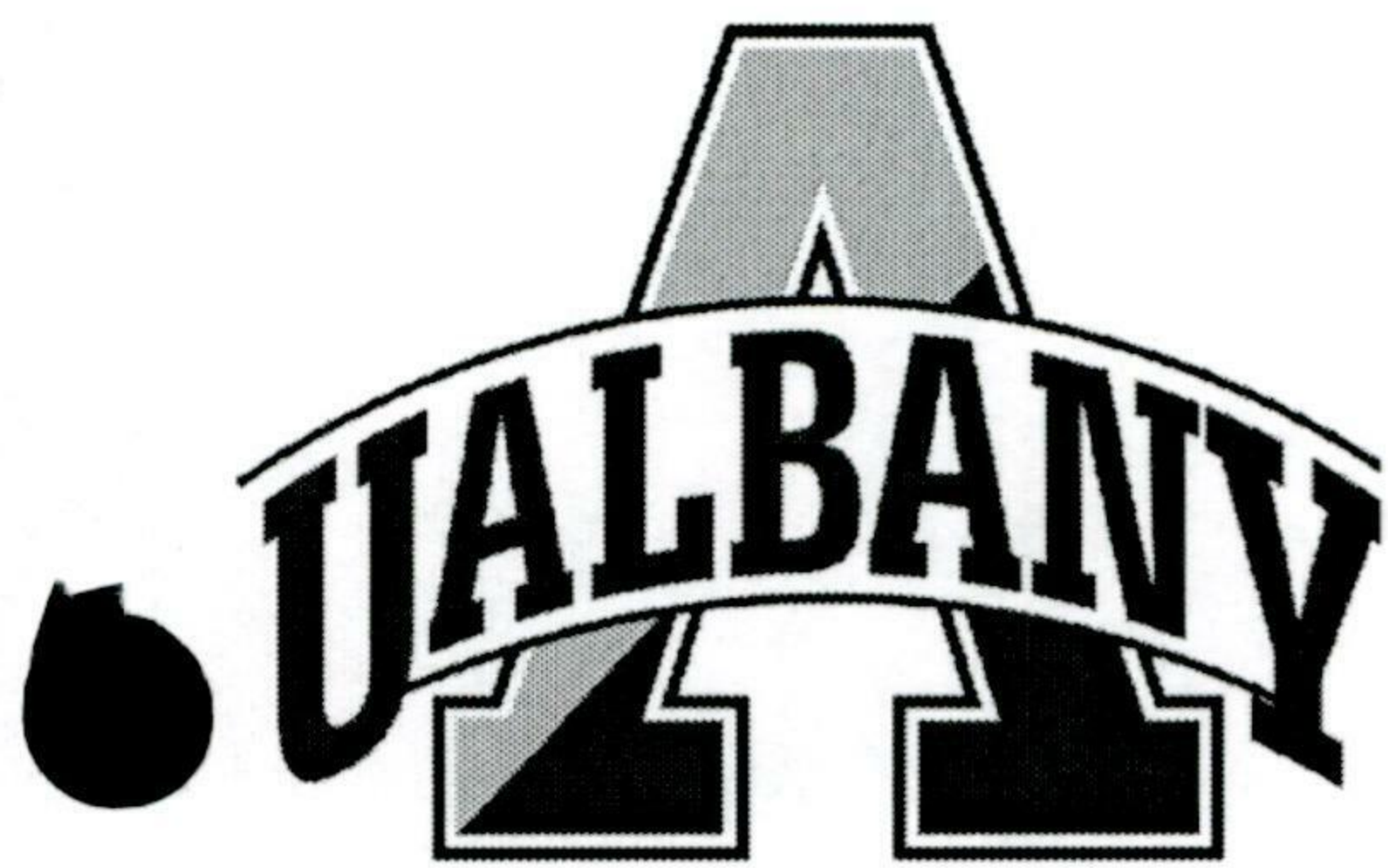
In other tournament action, Ohio defeated Iona, 3-1. Tournament play resumes on Saturday at 11 a.m. when UAlbany faces Iona.

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UAlbany (5-1) def. Pennsylvania (0-2), 30-27, 27-30, 30-22, 30-26.

Ohio (6-1) def. Pennsylvania (0-1), 30-23, 30-16, 30-25.

Ohio (7-1) def. Iona (0-4), 30-24, 24-30, 30-13, 30-26.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER DROPS 1-0 DECISION TO FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON

Albany, N.Y. – Senior **Kristen Habenicht** scored the game's lone goal on a penalty kick at the 42:59 mark, as Fairleigh Dickinson beat UAlbany 1-0 on Friday at Varsity Field. The Knights improve to 3-2-0, while the Great Danes fall to 1-5-0.

Junior **Andrea Dunn**, who had 10 saves in the loss, has stopped 17 shots in her last 130 minutes of play, the lone goal coming on Habenicht's penalty kick. Fairleigh Dickinson, which won the Northeast Conference regular-season championship in 2004, outshot UAlbany 19-9.

UAlbany hosts Iona Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 4 p.m.

-agate-

FDU (3-2-0)	1	0	-	1
UAlbany (1-5-0)	0	0	-	0

FDU- Scoring: Kristen Habenicht (1-0); Goalkeeper: Courtney Smith (90:00, 1 save, 0 GA)

UAlbany- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Andrea Dunn (90:00, 10 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: FDU 19, UAlbany 9; Corner Kicks: FDU 5, UAlbany 2

UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY FALLS TO OHIO STATE, 4-1

Columbus, Ohio – Freshman midfielder **Linda Haussener** scored on an assist from senior midfielder **Lucy Clayton** with just under eight minutes into the second half to give the Ohio State Buckeyes the 2-1 lead, en route to a 4-1 victory over UAlbany on Friday afternoon.

Ohio State defender **Saskia Mueller** started the scoring with just over a minute in play on a penalty shot, while UAlbany sophomore forward **Kristen Holder** scored unassisted 30 minutes later to tie the game at one as they entered the half. The Buckeyes came back strong after the half, and Mueller and Clayton added goals on assists from junior **Yesenia Luces** after Haussener's game-winning goal.

The lone UAlbany goal was Holder's fifth of the season. She leads the Great Danes both in goals, and in overall points, with 10. Freshman goalie **Ashley Ross** played the entire game between the pipes for the UAlbany for the fourth time this season.

The Great Danes return to action on Sunday, Sept. 11 when they travel to the University of Ohio to take on the Bobcats at 1 p.m.

-agate-

Ohio State 4, UAlbany 1 (Woody Hayes Athletic Center)

UAlbany	1	0	1
Ohio State	1	3	4

UAlbany—Scoring: Kristen Holder 1-0; Goalkeepers: Ashley Ross (70:00, 5 saves, 4 GA)
Ohio State—Scoring: Saskia Mueller 2-0, Linda Haussener 1-0, Lucy Clayton 1-0, Yesenia Luces 0-2; Goalkeeper: Lindsay Williams (70:00, 1 save, 1 GA)



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MEN'S SOCCER SET TO HOST UALBANY CLASSIC ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

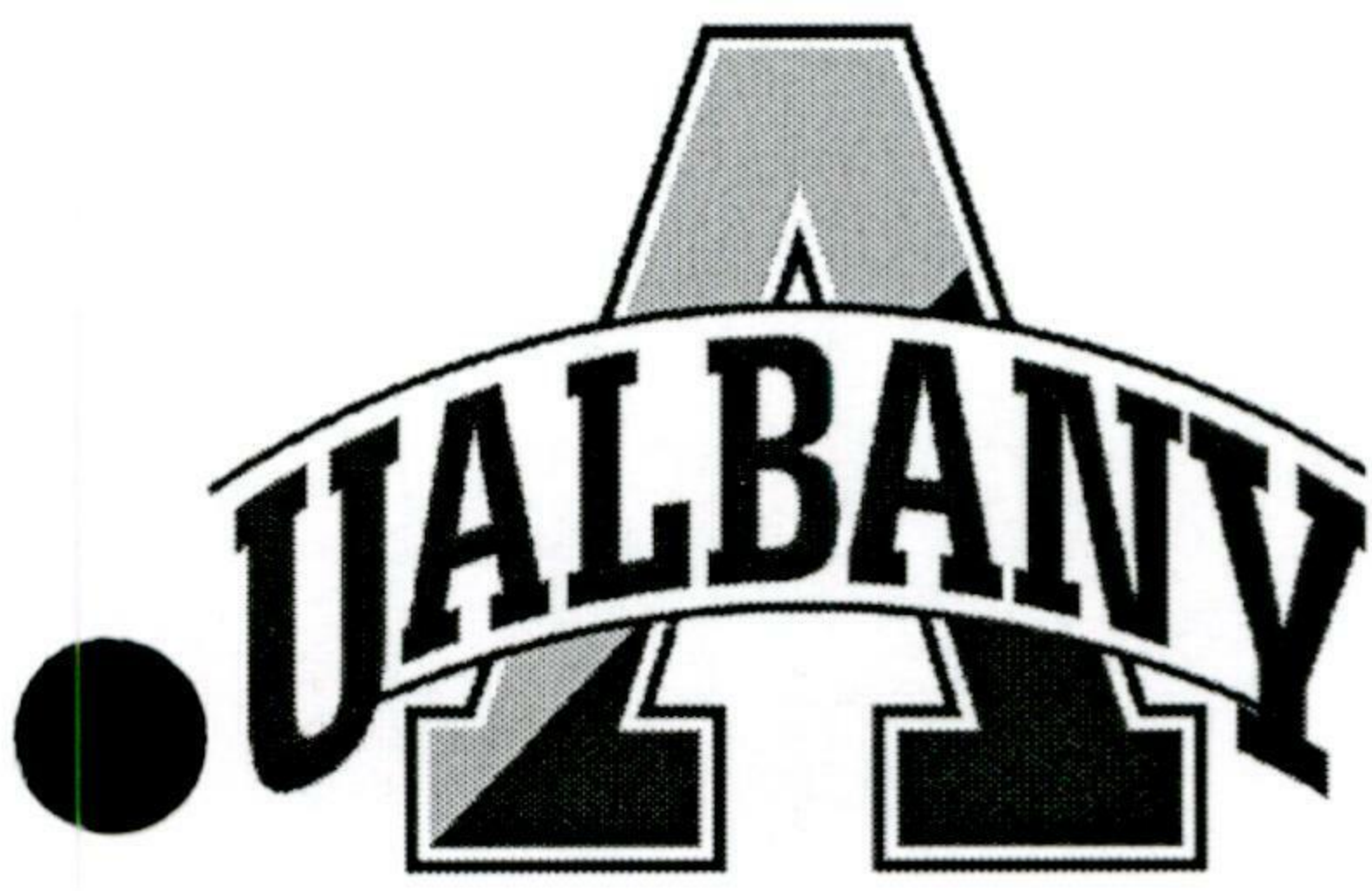
Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany men's soccer team will welcome Canisius, Holy Cross and St. Francis (N.Y.) to Varsity Field for the UAlbany Classic on Saturday, Sept. 10 and Sunday, Sept. 11. On Saturday, UAlbany will face Canisius at 12 noon and Holy Cross will play St. Francis at 2 p.m. On Sunday, Canisius battles Holy Cross at 12 noon and UAlbany takes on St. Francis at 2 p.m.

UAlbany, 2004 America East regular season co-champions, is 1-1-1 this season, coming off a 1-0 victory over Rider on Sunday, Sept. 4 at the Bronc Fall Classic. Junior **Yan Gbolo** scored the game's lone goal. Seven of his nine career tallies have come on game-winning shots. Junior captain **Stephan Hall**, a second-team All-America East selection last season, leads the team with four points on one goal and two assists this season.

Canisius opened its campaign with a 1-1 tie against Cleveland State on Thursday, Sept. 1, and followed with a 1-0 loss to Valparaiso Sept. 3. Freshman **Simba Aberdeen** scored his first career goal against Cleveland State. Junior **Fabien Lewis**, a second-team All-Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference selection in 2004, was named to the Preseason All-MAAC squad.

Holy Cross (0-2) opened with losses to Big East Conference-opponents seventh-ranked St. Johns and Rutgers at the Phillips/Adidas Classic last weekend in Piscataway, N.J. Junior captain **Josh Trott** was a NSCCA All-Region and All-New England selection last season. Trott, also a member of the All-Patriot League first team in 2004, led the team in points with 12 and goals with five.

St. Francis (N.Y.), currently ranked ninth in the NSCAA New York Regional Poll, won its only match of the season, a 2-0 win over Adelphi on Sunday, Sept 4. Senior **Peter Ramirez** and junior **Vincenzo Conigliaro** scored the goals for the Terriers. Ramirez led the team in goals last season with four while Conigliaro was the team leader in points with 16.



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UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY BEATS CROSSTOWN-RIVAL SIENA, 4-1

Saratoga Springs, N.Y. – Sophomore **Kristen Holder** scored two goals to lift UAlbany over crosstown-rival Siena, 4-1, on Wednesday night at Skidmore Field. Freshman **Arlette Westdorp** had the assist on Holder's first goal and senior captain **Tina Bryson** had the assist on the second. The win was the Great Danes' 10th straight over the Saints.

Bryson started the scoring with an unassisted goal just over eight minutes into the game. Holder added the next two and freshman **Vanessa Walter** scored her first career goal in the second half. **Emily Wilson** scored Siena's lone goal on a penalty shot to make the final score 4-1. Freshman **Jennifer Tesak** had 10 saves in goal for the Saints.

UAlbany improves to 2-2 on the season, the other win a 4-2 decision over Temple on September 2. Holder leads the team in points this season with eight and in goals with four.

The Great Danes return to action on Friday, Sept. 9 when they travel to Ohio State to take on the Buckeyes at 4 p.m.

-agate-

UAlbany 4, Siena 1 (Skidmore Field)

UAlbany	2	2	4
Siena	0	1	1

UAlbany—Scoring: Kristen Holder 2-0, Tina Bryson 1-1, Vanessa Walter 1-0, Arlette Westdorp 0-1; Goalkeepers: Ashley Ross (35:00, 0 saves, 0 GA), Barbara Czaplinski (35:00, 0 saves, 1 GA)

Siena—Scoring: Emily Winslow 1-0; Goalkeeper: (70:00, 10 saves, 4 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 19, Siena 2; Penalty Corners: UAlbany 10, Siena 2



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UALBANY SET TO HOST VOLLEYBALL CLASSIC ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany women's volleyball team will welcome Ohio, Iona and Pennsylvania to University Gymnasium for the UAlbany Classic on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 9-10. The four-team tournament is a round-robin format with each squad playing three matches.

UAlbany, the 2004 America East Conference champions, is led offensively by senior outside hitter **Ashley Hunter** (5.64 kills per game) and junior outside hitter **Shelby Goldman** (3.31 kpg). Hunter earned America East co-player-of-the-week honors on Tuesday, while junior setter **Blair Buchanan** (13.06 assists per game) was tabbed the conference's setter of the week.

Ohio, the two-time defending champions in the Mid-American Conference, returns four all-conference honorees from 2004. Sophomore outside hitter **Stephanie Blackburn** (4.00 kpg) and sophomore middle blocker **Melissa Griffin** (3.89 kpg) lead the Bobcats offensively.

Iona captured the 2004 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference championship and made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament. Senior middle blocker **Miki Hogg**, who was named the MAAC Offensive Player of the Year, is averaging 3.82 kills and 1.0 blocks per game this season.

Pennsylvania kicks off its 2005 schedule this weekend after finishing 14-11 overall last year. Senior middle hitter **Michelle Kauffman** and senior outside hitter **Cara Thomason** are the top returnees for the Quakers after earning All-Ivy League accolades last season.

UAlbany Volleyball Classic Schedule University Gymnasium (Albany, N.Y.)

Friday, Sept. 9

Pennsylvania vs. Ohio – 1:30 p.m.

Ohio vs. Iona – 4:30 p.m.

UAlbany vs. Pennsylvania – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 10

Iona vs. UAlbany – 10 a.m.

Pennsylvania vs. Iona – 1:30 p.m.

UAlbany vs. Ohio – 4:00 p.m.



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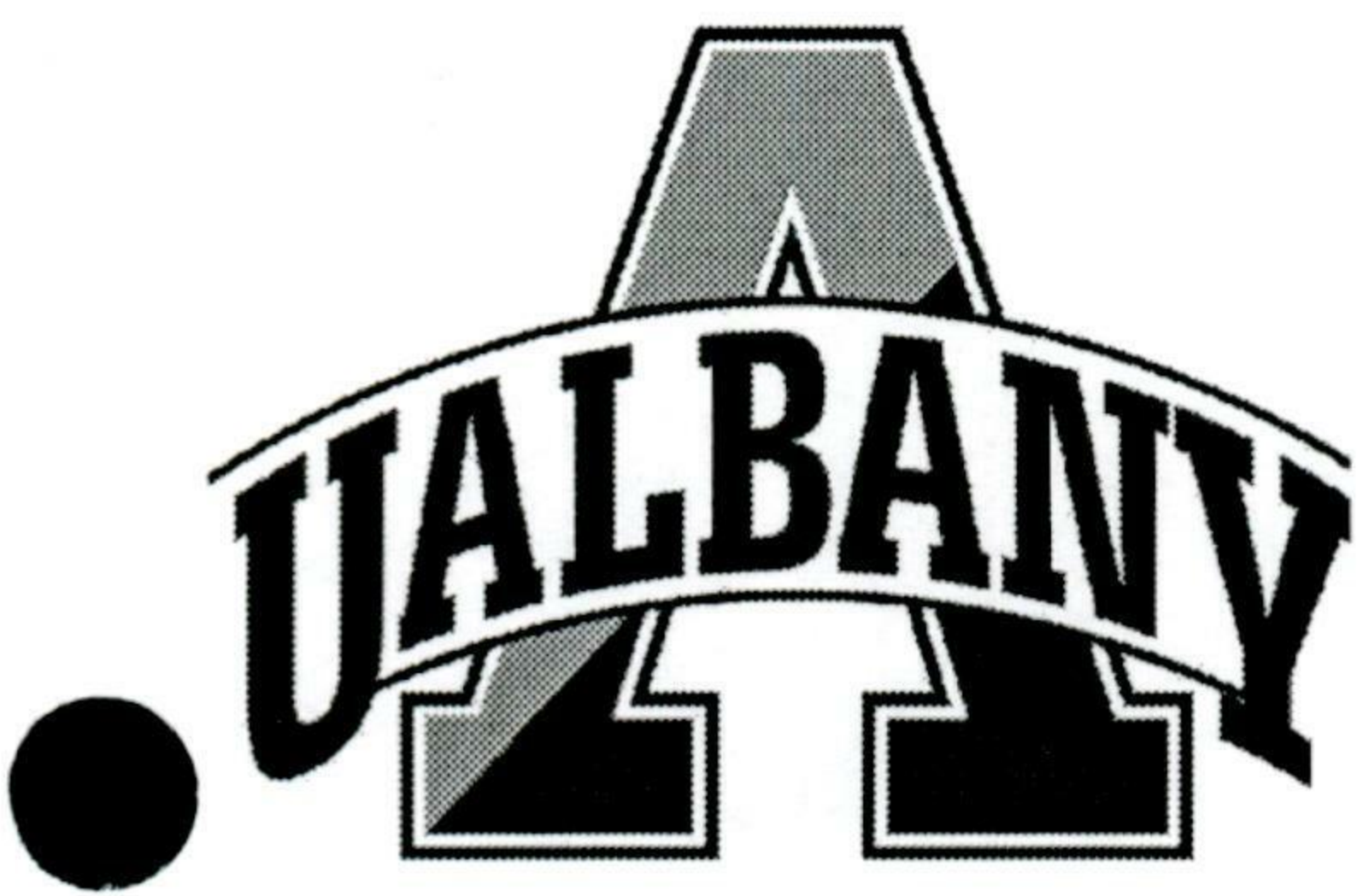
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BUCHANAN AND HUNTER EARN A-EAST WEEKLY VOLLEYBALL HONORS

Boston, Mass. – UAlbany's **Blair Buchanan** has been named the America East Conference Setter of the Week, as announced by the conference office on Tuesday afternoon. **Ashley Hunter** was voted America East co-player of the week, sharing the honors with Binghamton's **Megan Hoag**. The Great Danes are off to their best start in the program's Division I history at 4-1.

Buchanan, the 2004 America East player and setter of the year, leads the conference with an average of 13.06 assists per game. Through the first five matches of the season, the junior setter has amassed 209 assists, including two occasions with at least 50. Buchanan has also tallied 1.19 kills, 1.94 digs and 0.25 blocks per game. An AVCA honorable mention All-American, Buchanan has earned the award for the seventh time in her career.

Hunter, the 2004 America East tournament most outstanding player, ranks first in the conference in kills per game (5.64) and points per game (6.14). The senior outside hitter also is sixth among league leaders with a .298 hitting percentage. Hunter, who garnered the first weekly award of her career, climbed to 20th on UAlbany's career kills chart with 460.



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UALBANY ATHLETICS DONATES TO HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF FUND

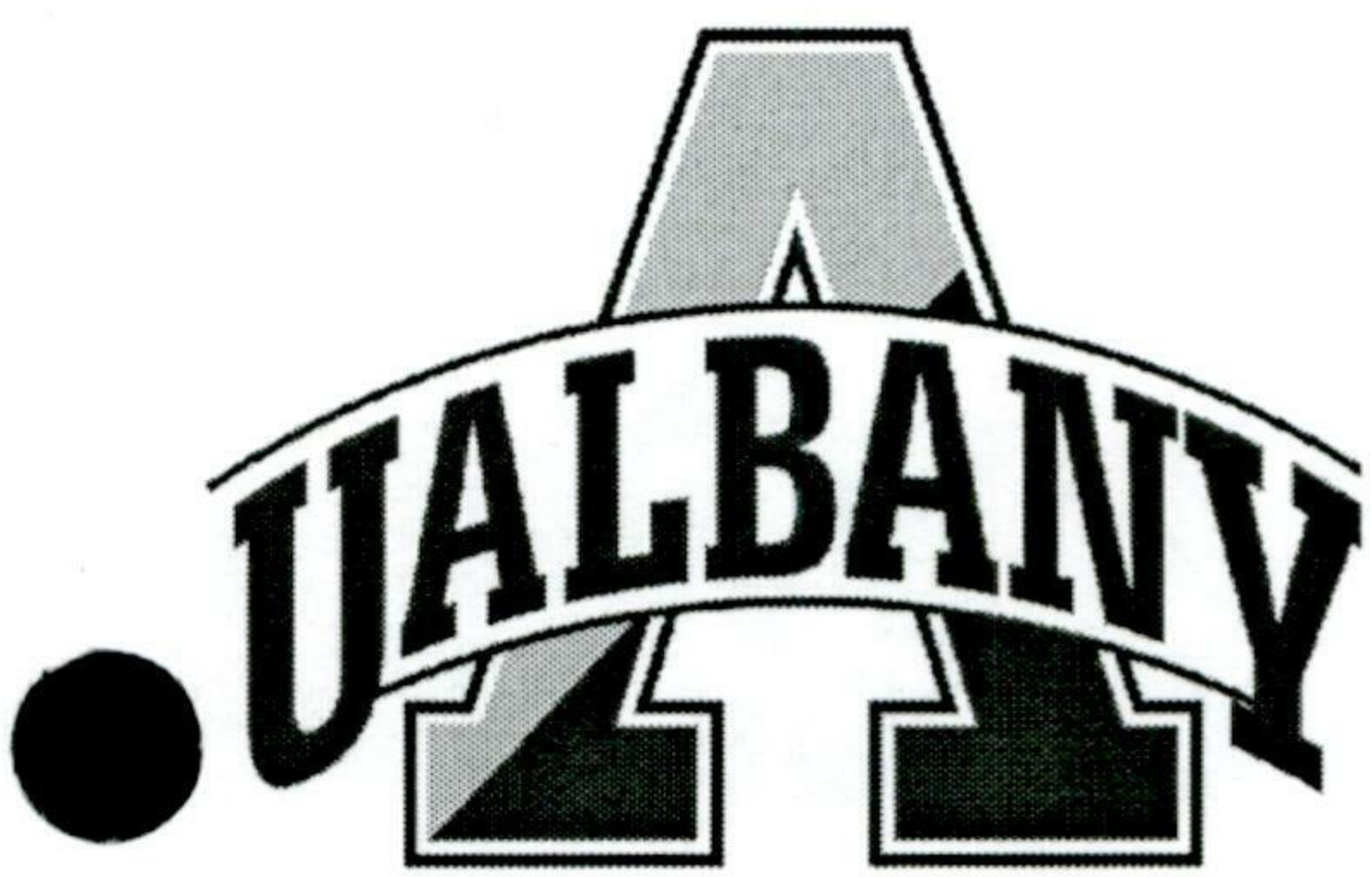
Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany and its Department of Athletics today announced an effort to assist the victims of Hurricane Katrina, a powerful storm that hit the Gulf Coast of the United States on Aug. 29 and devastated the states of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Fifty percent of funds generated through the sale of tickets and a percentage of all merchandise and parking revenue at the football season opener with Hofstra on Sept. 10 will be donated to the Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

Chartwells will also donate a percentage of its concession sales from Saturday's game, plus UAlbany student-athletes will collect donations, non-perishable food and other supplies that fans bring through the gates.

"The tragic effects of last week's hurricane have affected millions of people and this is one way that the UAlbany athletic community can support fellow Americans in their time of need," said UAlbany Vice President and Director of Athletics Lee McElroy, whose department will work with the local Red Cross and the U.S. Army to properly distribute donations. "As a native of New Orleans, our defensive line coach (Art Tolliver) has been directly impacted by this storm. We hope and pray for his family members' safety."

In addition, UAlbany President Kermit L. Hall announced on Sept. 1 that the University community would be victims of Hurricane Katrina through a special campus drive. UAlbany will forward 100 percent of funds raised to a number of relief organizations that have been selected based on their proven track record for dealing with disasters and the needs of those affected.

Contributions for this special effort can be sent by Sept. 20 to: University Auxiliary Services, UAB 232, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12222. Please make check payable to UAS-Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund.



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MACCOU SCORES GAME-WINNING GOAL, WOMEN'S SOCCER GETS FIRST WIN

Colonie, N.Y. – Sophomore **Elana Maccou** scored at the 71:31 mark to lift UAlbany to its first win of the season over cross-town rival Siena, 2-0, at Colonie Central High School ON Monday night. Sophomore **Uju Ogbuawa** centered the ball from the right corner and when Siena defenders attempted clear it, Maccou picked up the loose ball and found the back of the net. Sophomore **Alicia Gibson** tallied the first goal of her career 9:47 later when she pounded home an errant goal kick from 18 yards out.

Junior goalkeepers **Ashley Nuessle** and **Andrea Dunn** each played a half and combined for the shutout. Nuessle had six saves and Dunn had seven, earning her first career victory.

“It’s a work in progress,” said UAlbany head coach Kalekeni Banda after his team’s first shutout since Sept. 28, 2003. “Having so many new players, it’s difficult to finish opportunities,” he said. “Tonight we were able to finish some of those opportunities.”

Siena, which is ranked 13th in Soccer Buzz Magazine’s Northeast Regional Poll, outshot UAlbany 25-9. The Great Danes improve to 1-4-0 after their first win in five tries against Siena since moving to Division I.

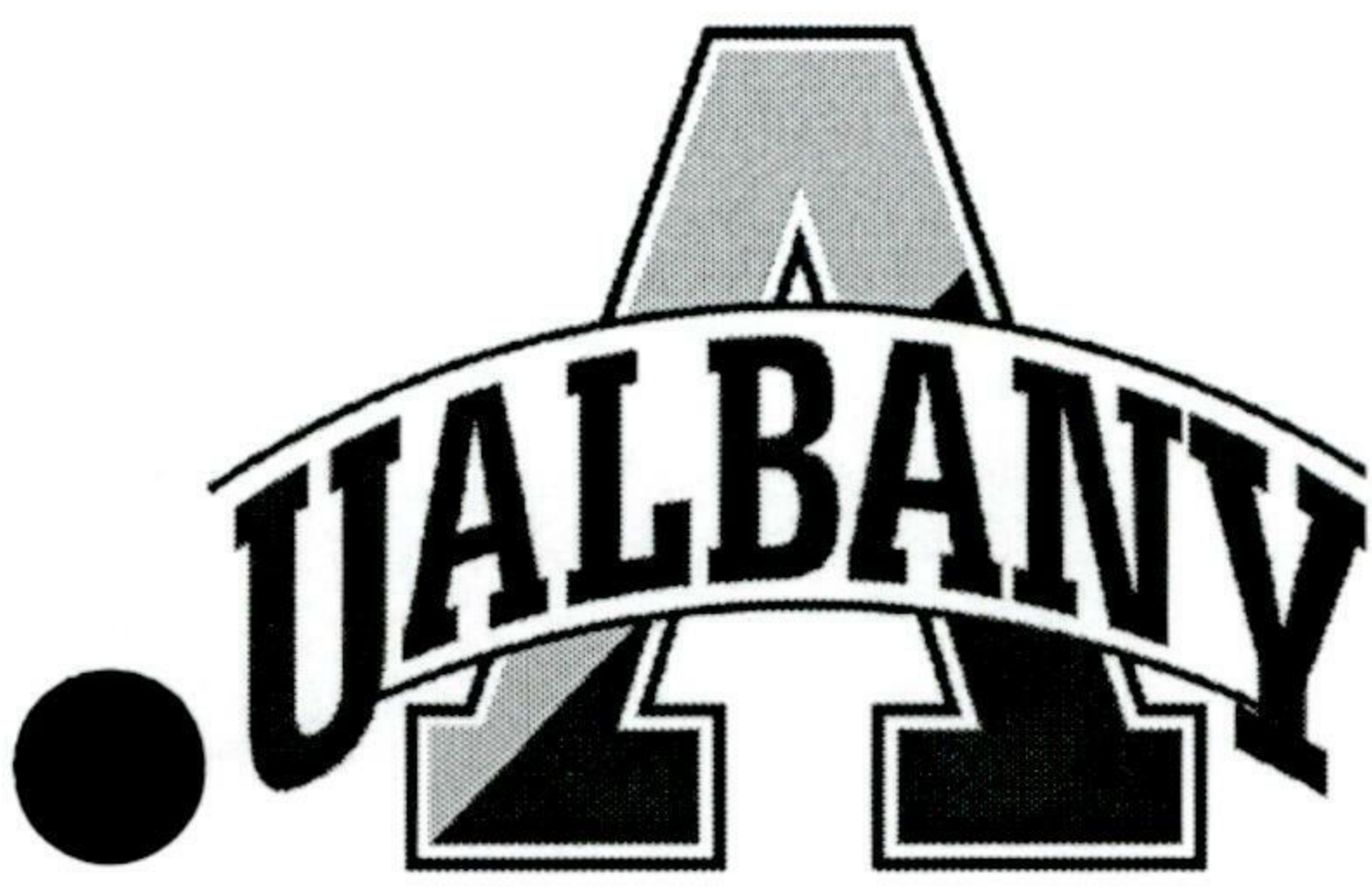
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UAlbany (1-4-1)	0	2	-	2
Siena (1-2-0)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany-- Scoring: Elana Maccou 1-0, Alicia Gibson 1-0; Goalkeepers: Ashley Nuessle (45:00, 6 saves, 0 GA), Andrea Dunn (45:00, 7 saves, 0 GA)

Siena—Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Patti Carroll (90:00, 5 saves, 2 GA)

Shots: Siena 25, UAlbany 9; Corner Kicks: Siena 8, UAlbany 2



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19TH-RANKED CALIFORNIA HANDS UALBANY VOLLEYBALL FIRST LOSS

San Marcos, Texas – **Angie Pressey** and **Morgan Beck** each tallied 15 kills to lead No. 19 California to a 3-0 victory over UAlbany on the third day of the Century Tel/Honda Classic Premier Tournament at Texas State University on Sunday afternoon. The Golden Bears, who received an at-large berth in the 2004 NCAA Tournament, won by scores of 30-28, 34-32 and 30-11.

Ashley Hunter registered 11 kills to lead UAlbany (4-1), while **Ashley Crenshaw** added a season-high nine kills. **Ashley DeNeal** recorded 10 digs for the Great Danes, who played its second NCAA Tournament team in as many days. DeNeal and **Ashlee Reed** were each named to the Texas State all-tournament squad.

Alicia Powers added 13 kills for California (4-0), while **Ellen Orchard** also hit double-figures with 11 kills. **Jillian Davis**, who was named the tournament MVP, led all players with 17 digs.

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No. 19 California (4-0) def. UAlbany (4-1), 30-28, 34-32 and 30-11.

FIELD HOCKEY FALLS TO UNDEFEATED AMERICAN, 4-0

Washington, D.C. - American's **Camila Infante** scored early in the second half to break a scoreless tie and give the Eagles the only goal they would need in their 4-0 victory over UAlbany on Sunday afternoon.

Shannon Goans and **Irene Schickhardt** teamed up for the assists on Infante's goal, then did the same 13 minutes later as **Maureen Daniel** scored to make the score 2-0. American (4-0) freshman **Jesika Pufnock** tallied the first goal of her career, unassisted, and **Javiera Villagra** scored the Eagles' fourth goal off an assist from Infante.

Despite a quiet first half, freshman **Ashley Ross** made seven saves in the net for UAlbany (1-2).

American is undefeated in its first four games on the season after finishing seventh in the nation last year. The Eagles were recently selected to repeat a Patriot League first-place finish in the preseason coaches' poll.

The Great Danes return to action on Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 7:00, when they host cross-town rival Siena at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs.

-agate-

American 4, UAlbany 0 (Reeves Field)

UAlbany 0 0 0

American 0 4 4

UAlbany-Scoring: none; Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (70:00, 7 saves, 4 GA)

American-Scoring: Camila Infante 1-1, Maureen Daniel 1-0, Jesika Pufnock 1-0, Javiera Villagra 1-0, Shannon Goans 0-2, Irene Schickhardt 0-2; Goalkeeper: Makinsie Sheridan (70:00 9 saves, 4 GA).

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YAN GBOLO SCORES GAME'S ONLY GOAL, MEN'S SOCCER EARNS FIRST WIN

Lawrenceville, N.J. – Junior forward **Yan Gbolo** scored the match's lone goal at the 22:22 mark of the first half as UAlbany beat Rider, 1-0, on Sunday afternoon on the second day of the Rider Bronc Fall Classic. The Great Danes dropped a 2-1 decision to Fordham in the first round.

Gbolo, the team's second-leading scorer last season who was coming off a knee injury, received a pass from captain **Rodrigo Marion** and one-touched the ball past goalkeeper **Daniel Rivero**. Seven of Gbolo's nine career goals have come on game-winning shots.

Freshman goalkeeper **Kyle Edsall** saved four shots in his first career start for the shutout. UAlbany improved to 1-1-1, while Rider fell to 0-1-1.

The Great Danes return to action when they host Canisius, Holy Cross and St. Francis (N.Y.) at the UAlbany Classic Saturday, Sept. 10 and Sunday, Sept. 11. UAlbany will play Canisius on Saturday at noon, while Holy Cross faces St. Francis at 2 p.m. On Sunday, Canisius faces Holy Cross at noon and UAlbany plays St. Francis at 2 p.m.

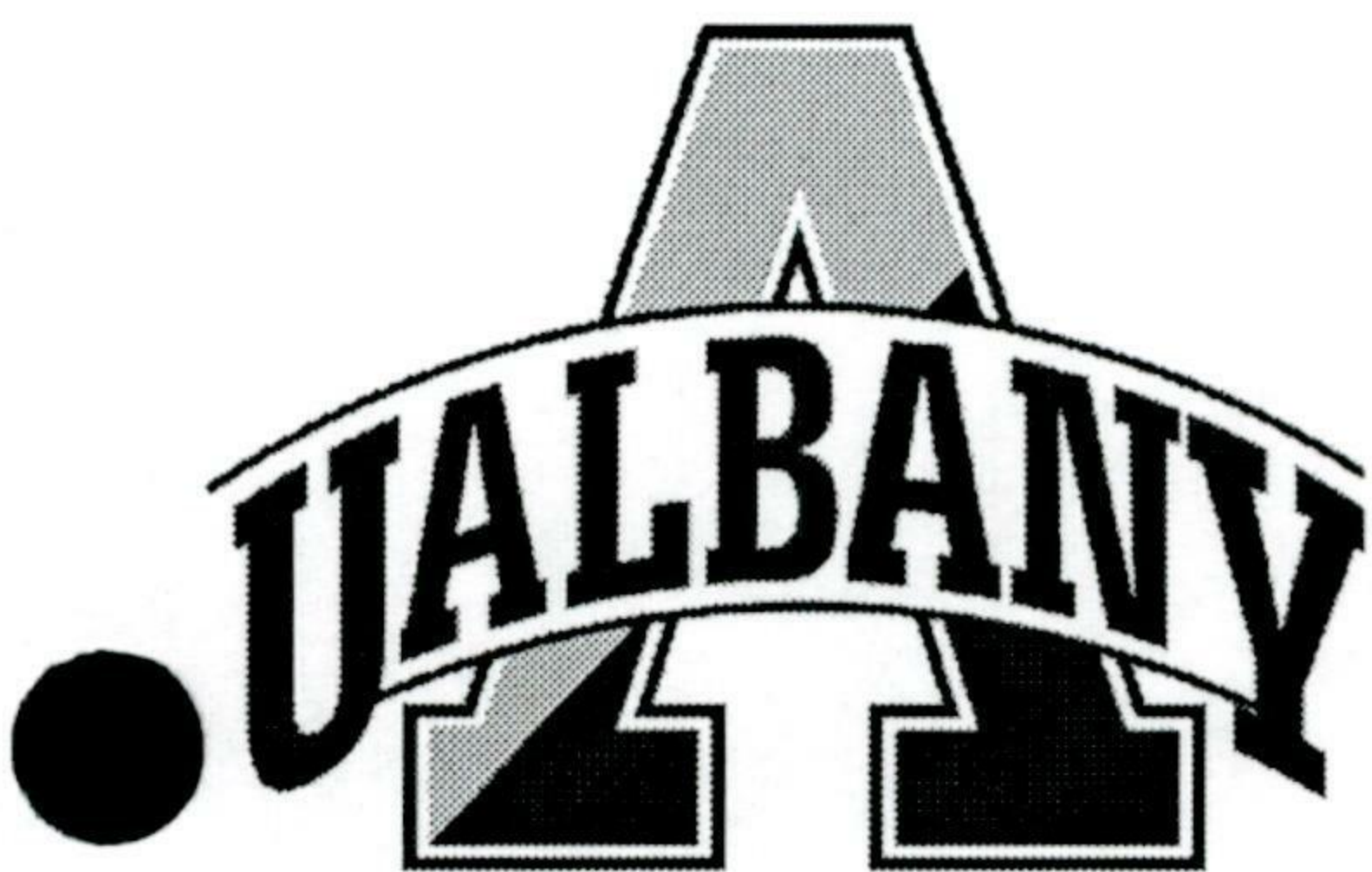
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UAlbany (1-1-1)	0	0	-	1
Rider (0-1-1)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany—Scoring: Yan Gbolo 1-0, Rodrigo Marion 0-1; Goalkeeper: Kyle Edsall (90:00, 4 saves, 0 GA)

Rider—Scoring: None; Goalkeepers: Daniel Rivero (87:39, 2 saves, 1 GA), Jesse Forsythe (1:21, 0 saves, 0 GA), Randall Zapolski (1:00, 0 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Rider 14, UAlbany 8; Corner Kicks: Rider 4, UAlbany 3



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HUNTER & GOLDMAN SPARK UALBANY VOLLEYBALL TO WIN OVER TEXAS STATE

San Marcos, Texas – **Ashley Hunter** registered 19 kills and **Shelby Goldman** chipped in with 12 kills as UAlbany defeated Texas State, 3-0, on the second day of the Century Tel/Honda Classic Premier Tournament at Texas State University on Saturday afternoon. The Great Danes won a hard-fought match by scores of 30-28, 30-28 and 30-24.

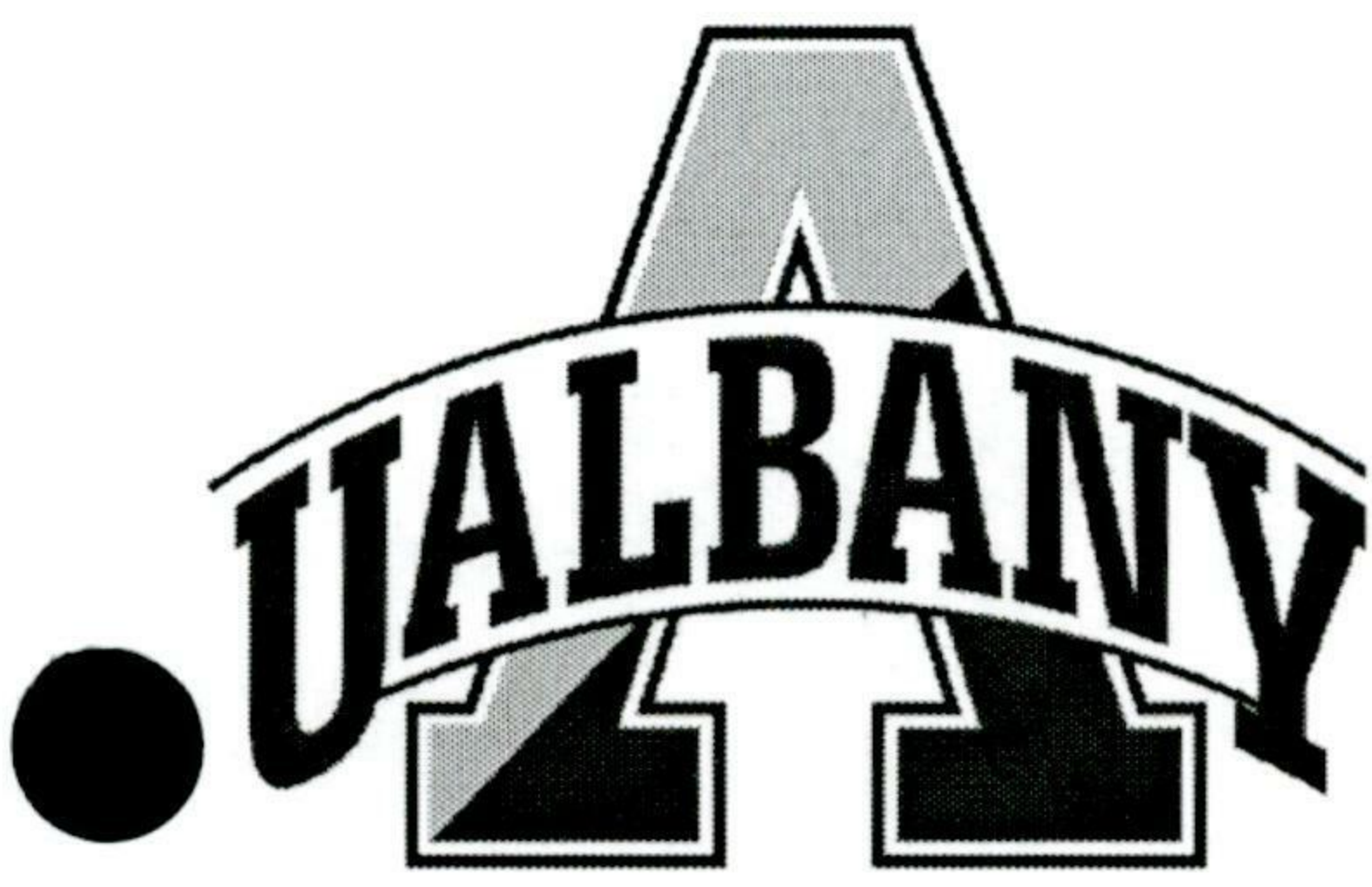
UAlbany (4-0) is off to its best start in its Division I history after defeating the Bobcats, who captured the 2004 Southland Conference Championship and advanced to the NCAA Tournament.

Ashley DeNeal tallied a match-high 21 digs, while **Ashlee Reed** added 16 digs and eight kills. **Blair Buchanan** just missed a double-double, recording 44 assists and nine digs. For Texas State (1-2), **Lawrencia Brown** was the only player in double-digit kills with 10.

The Great Danes conclude tournament play on Sunday at 2 p.m. against 19th-ranked California.

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UAlbany (4-0) def. Texas State (1-2), 30-28, 30-28 and 30-24.



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CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS DEFEAT THREE OPPONENTS AT MONMOUTH KICKOFF CLASSIC

West Long Branch, N.J. – University at Albany's **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn H.S.) won the women's competition by a 40-second margin, as the Great Danes defeated three opponents at the Monmouth Kickoff Classic on Saturday afternoon at Thompson Park. The men's team also opened their season with three wins, led by a third-place finish by senior **Robbie Freeman**. The Great Danes defeated Monmouth, Fairleigh Dickinson, and Wagner.

Both the UAlbany men's and women's squads had five runners place in the top 10 overall. Lotmore, who covered the 4,000-meter course in 13:51, was joined among the top-10 finishers by Great Dane newcomers **Jenna Ortman** (3rd, 14:34.0) and **Jessica Ortman** (5th, 15:07.2), as well as veterans **Natasha Torres** (8th, 15:26.4) and **Jennifer Russell** (10th, 15:41.7).

Freeman, last year's IC4A champion, raced the 6,000-meter layout in 19:02.2, and was three seconds behind first-place finisher Matt Caporaso of Monmouth. **Bryant Cherry-Woode** (4th, 19:04.2), Shenedehowa's **Ryan Gaedje** (5th, 19:06.9), **Ricardo Estremera** (7th, 19:31.3), and Guilderland's **Gered Burns** (9th, 19:35.2) for the men. Freshman **Joseph Belokopitsky** (Shaker) took 18th place (20:30.0) in his first competition as a collegian.

The UAlbany cross country teams return to action on Saturday, Sept.10 when they compete at the Binghamton Invitational.

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Monmouth Kickoff Classic

MEN

Team

UAlbany 22, Monmouth 33; UAlbany 15, Fairleigh Dickinson 46; UAlbany 16, Wagner 42

Individual

1. Matt Caporaso (Monmouth) 18:59.1; 2. Craig Cocchio (Long Island University) 19:00.3; **3. Robbie Freeman (UAlbany) 19:02.2**; **4. Bryant Cherry-Woode (UAlbany) 19:04.2**; **5. Ryan Gaedje (UAlbany) 19:06.9**; 6. Larry Schau (Monmouth) 19:13.7; **7. Ricardo Estremera (UAlbany) 19:31.3**; 8. Mouhamed Halwani (Wagner) 19:33.7; **9. Gered Burns (UAlbany) 19:35.2**, 10. Andrew Hadzor (Monmouth) 19:36.6

Other UAlbany Finishers

18. Joseph Belokopitsky, 20:30.0; 21. Chris Jimenez, 20:52.1

WOMEN

Team

UAlbany 21, Monmouth 40; UAlbany 15, Fairleigh Dickinson 50; UAlbany 21, Wagner 39

Individual

1. Alyssa Lotmore (UAlbany) 13:51.0; 2. Katina Alexander (Monmouth) 14:31.1; **3. Jenna Ortman (UAlbany) 14:34.0**; 4. Brecken Drager (Wagner) 14:58.1; **5. Jessica Ortman (UAlbany) 15:07.2**; 6. Malia Lyles (Monmouth) 15:12.4; 7. Meaghan Robbins (Wagner) 15:14.3; **8. Natasha Torres (UAlbany) 15:26.4**; 9. Megan Melvin (Wagner) 15:38.3; **10. Jennifer Russell (UAlbany) 15:41.7**

Other UAlbany Finishers

11. Danielle Trimpop, 15:50.3; 12. Alex Brown, 15:51.9; 17. Jessica Chichester, 16:24.6

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RAY SCORES FIRST CAREER GOAL AS MEN'S SOCCER LOSES TO FORDHAM

Lawrenceville, N.J. – Fordham junior captain **Omer Rozen** scored the game-winning goal at the 72:29 mark and added an assist, as Fordham beat UAlbany 2-1 at the Bronc Fall Classic on Saturday afternoon. The loss for the Great Danes was their first of the season.

Fordham (1-0-0) junior **Ryan Brown** scored his first career goal to start the scoring 10:44 into the second half. Rosen, a transfer from Long Island University, scored 16:44 later on a loose ball header.

UAlbany (0-1-1) freshman **Brad Ray** scored his first career goal with just 4:23 remaining in regulation got the Great Danes on the board. Junior captain **Stephan Hall**, who leads the team with four points this season, had the assist.

Junior **Alex Kuritzky** had three saves in net for UAlbany, which outshot Fordham 11-10.

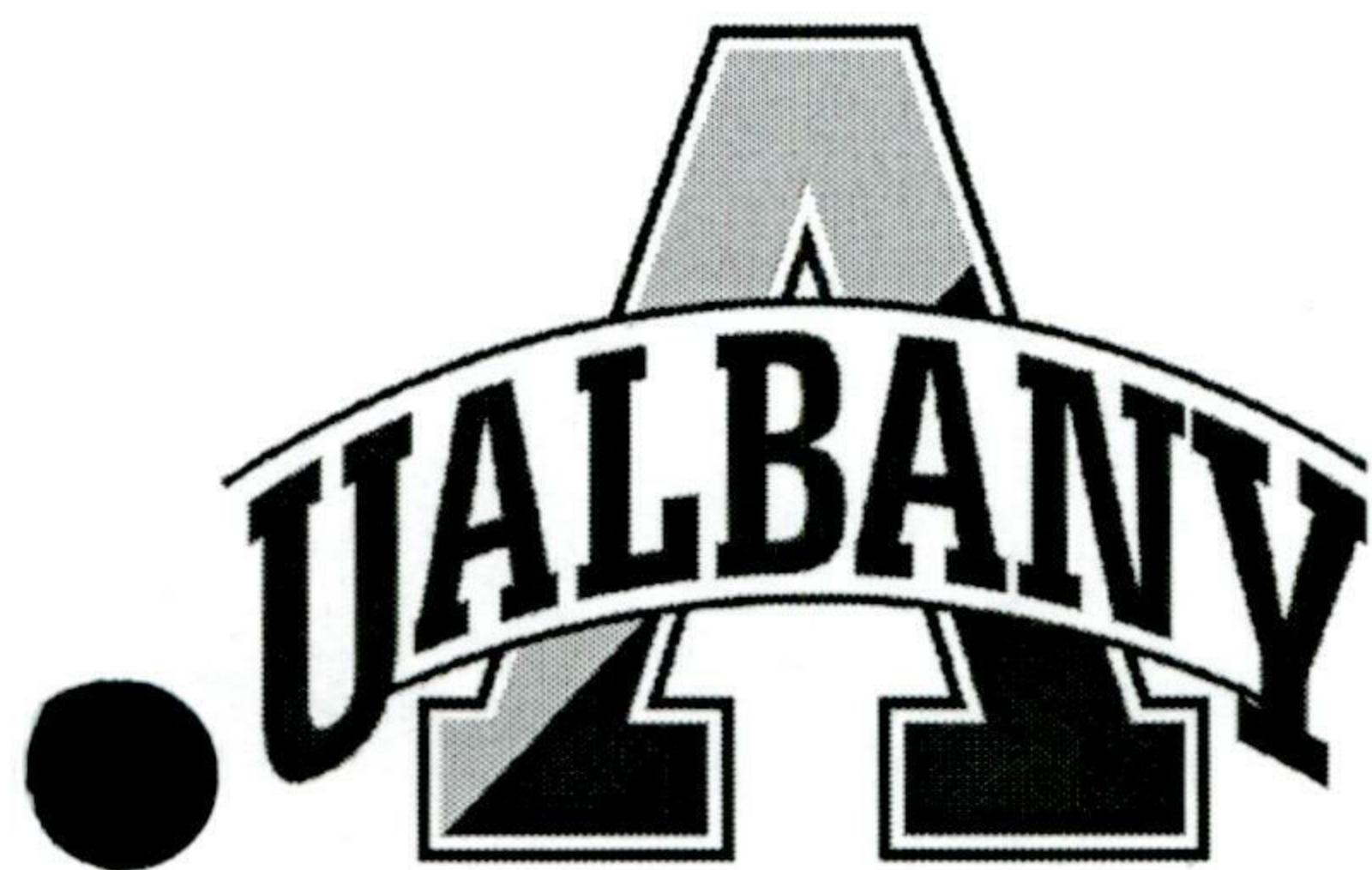
The Great Danes will face host-school Rider in the second round of the Bronc Fall Classic tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

-agate-

Fordham 2, UAlbany 1

Fordham—Scoring: Omer Rozen 1-1, Ryan Brown 1-0; Goalkeeper: Justin Burse (90:00, 4 saves, 1 GA)

UAlbany—Scoring: Brad Ray 1-0. Stephan Hall 0-1; Goalkeeper: Alex Kuritzky (90:00, 3 saves, 2 GA)
Shots: UAlbany 11, Fordham 10; Corner Kicks: Fordham 5, UAlbany 2



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL SWEEPS MORGAN STATE AT TEXAS STATE TOURNAMENT

San Marcos, Texas – **Ashlee Reed** tallied nine kills and **Allie Wolfe** added eight kills to pace UAlbany in a 3-0 sweep of Morgan State in the opening round of the Century Tel/Honda Classic Premier Tournament at Texas State University on Friday night. The Great Danes won by scores of 30-18, 30-12 and 30-13 to improve to 3-0 this season.

Reed added a season-high 16 digs to go along with her nine kills and two blocks. Wolfe, a freshman outside hitter, converted on eight of 14 attempts for a .500 hitting percentage. **Ashley Crenshaw** and **Ashley Green** each added seven kills for the Great Danes. **Ashley DeNeal** totaled a team-high 17 digs, while **Blair Buchanan** notched 37 assists.

Mandisa Richardson and **Esther Johnson** tallied seven kills apiece for Morgan State (0-2). **Ashley Preston** chipped in with a match-high 21 digs.

UAlbany resumes tournament action on Saturday against host Texas State at 4 p.m. before taking on 19th-ranked California on Sunday.

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UAlbany (3-0) def. Morgan State (0-2), 30-18, 30-12 and 30-13.

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UALBANY WOMEN'S SOCCER SHUT OUT BY RANKED COLGATE 2-0

Hamilton, N.Y. -- Freshman forward **Josie Johnson's** goal 2:43 into the game was the only scoring Colgate would need as the Raiders defeated UAlbany 2-0 on Friday night. Johnson added a second goal for good measure with just 11:13 remaining in regulation. They were the first and second of her career.

The win for Colgate, ranked seventh in Soccer Buzz Magazine's Northeast Regional Poll, was its first of the season after it dropped its opener to Siena 2-1 Sunday. The Raiders (1-1-0) advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament last season before losing to UConn.

UAlbany (0-4-0) junior goalkeeper **Ashley Neussle** had eight saves in nine chances in the second half.

Colgate out shot UAlbany 30-5, including 22-1 in the second half.

The Great Danes return to action Monday night when they host regional rival Siena at 7 p.m. at Colonie Central High School.

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Colgate 2, UAlbany 0

Colgate—Scoring: Josie Johnson 2-0, Margot Campbell 0-1; Goalkeeper: Carly Sousa (90:00, 1 save, 0 GA)

UAlbany—Scoring: None; Goalkeepers: Andrea Dunn (45:00, 4 saves, 1 GA), Ashley Neussle (45:00, 8 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Colgate 30, UAlbany 5; Corner Kicks: Colgate 9, UAlbany 0



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UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY DOWNS TEMPLE, 4-2, TO PICK UP FIRST WIN OF THE SEASON

Philadelphia, Pa. – UAlbany freshman **Michele Polizois** scored the winning goal for the Great Danes and added another assist to lead the Great Danes to a 4-2 win over Temple on Friday afternoon.

Freshman midfielder **Kasey Weaver** started the action for UAlbany just over a minute into the game with an unassisted goal. After Temple's **Lindsay Holman** tied the game at one, Great Dane forward **Tina Bryson** put UAlbany back in the lead off an assist from Polizois.

Lindsay Holman tied the game again with an assist from Temple's **Rachel Barber** after the start of the second half. UAlbany took the lead for good when Michele Polizois scored off a corner, assisted by freshmen **Vanessa Walter** and **Arlette Westdorp**. Sophomore **Kristen Holder** then added a final unassisted goal for the Great Danes.

Ashley Ross (1-1) made her second straight start in the net for UAlbany. The Great Danes took a season-high 14 shots against freshman **Erin Hanshue** (1-2).

The Great Danes return to action on Sunday, Sept. 4 when they visit American University at 1:00.

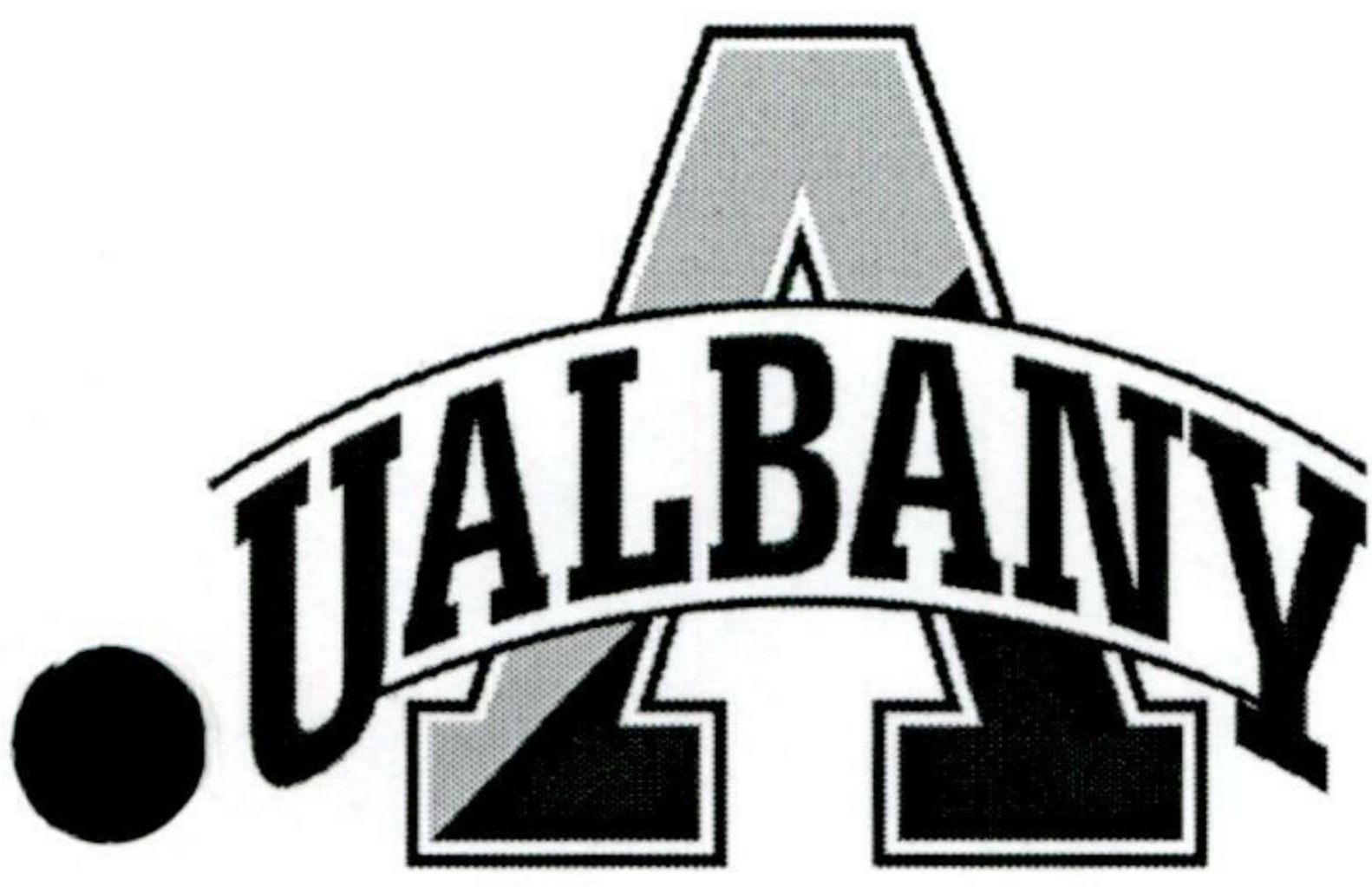
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UAlbany 4, Temple 2 (Geasey Field, Philadelphia, Pa.)

UAlbany	2	2	4
Temple	1	1	2

UAlbany—Scoring: Kasey Weaver 1-0, Kristen Holder 1-0, Michele Polizois 1-1, Tina Bryson 1-0, Vanessa Walter 0-1, Arlette Westdorp 0-1; Goalkeeper: Ashley Ross (70:00 2 saves, 2 GA)

Temple—Scoring: Lindsay Holman 2-0, Rachel Barber 0-1; Goalkeeper: Erin Hanshue (70:00 9 saves, 4 GA)



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UALBANY MEN'S SOCCER OPENS SEASON WITH 2-2 TIE AGAINST ONEONTA

Oneonta, N.Y. – UAlbany freshman forward **Gaby Seguin-Gauthier** scored his first career goal with 3:01 remaining in the second half to tie Oneonta State at two and force overtime. The game, both team's season openers, ended in a 2-2 deadlock, just the second tie in 33 meetings between the two schools.

Junior captain **Stephan Hall**, a second-team all-America East selection in 2004, assisted on the goal and added one of his own on a penalty kick in the first half.

Oneonta (0-0-1) senior **John Simone** scored both goals for the Red Dragons. The first came 12:13 into the game on a breakaway after sophomore **Herbert Deleon** cleared the ball up to Simone. Sophomore **Keith Manscuk** assisted on the second, 14:51 into the second half.

UAlbany (0-0-1) freshman goalkeeper **Steward Ceus** had four saves in 88 minutes of action, while the starter, junior **Alex Kuritzky**, had three in 22 minutes.

The Great Danes out shot Oneonta 20-14 and improved to 7-24-2 all-time against the Red Dragons.

UAlbany will participate in the Bronc Fall Classic hosted by Rider Saturday, Sept. 3 through Sunday, Sept. 4. The Great Danes will face Fordham Saturday at 2:30 p.m., and host school Rider Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

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UAlbany 2 Oneonta 2

UAlbany—Scoring: Stephan Hall 1-1, Gaby Seguin-Gauthier 1-0; Goalkeepers: Alex Kuritzky (21:56, 3 saves, 1 GA), Steward Ceus (88:04 4 saves, 1 GA)

Oneonta—Scoring: John Simone 2-0, Herbert DeLeon 0-1, Keith Manscuk 0-1; Goalkeeper: Timothy Melia (110:00 3 saves, 2 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 20 Oneonta 14; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 10, Oneonta 0