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#### DON JOHNSON LEADS UALBANY TO 1-0 WIN OVER MAINE

Albany, N.Y. – Junior Don Johnson scored just under three minutes into the game to lead UAlbany to a 1-0 win over Maine in America East Conference men's soccer action at Varsity Field on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Johnson collected a loose ball and turned and fired a shot from just outside the penalty box arc into the upper right corner of the goal for the Great Danes. UAlbany controlled play much of the rest of the half, but could not add to its lead and the two teams went into intermission with UAlbany ahead, 1-0.

The second half was back-and-forth, but neither team could convert their opportunities. UAlbany had three shots turned away by Maine goalkeeper Nemanja Kostic in a 30-second span early in the second half. Maine had its best scoring opportunity at the 71:38 mark when Dimitri Anastasiou had a breakaway, but UAlbany keeper Steward Ceus came out of goal and used his 6-foot-6 frame to tip the ball away.

UAlbany outshot the Black Bears 13-7 in the contest, including 7-2 in the opening half. Junior Gaby Seguin-Gauthier led the Great Danes in shots with three. Maine used a 3-1 edge in corner kicks in the second half to hold a 4-3 advantage in the match. Ceus recorded three saves to register his third shutout of the season, while Kostic made five saves for Maine (3-13-1, AE 1-6-1).

UAlbany (3-10-3, AE 2-3-2) closes out its regular season on Sunday, Nov. 4 against Hartford at 2 p.m. Senior Mike DiNeen will be recognized prior to kick-off for his contributions to the Great Dane program. -agate-

Maine (3-13-1, AE 1-6-1) 0 0 - 0 UAlbany (3-10-3, AE 2-3-2) 1 0 - 0

Maine: Scoring – None. Goalkeeping – Nemanja Kostic (90:00, 1 GA, 5 saves).

UAlbany: Scoring – Don Johnson (1-0). Goalkeeping – Steward Ceus (90:00, 0 GA, 3 saves).



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# TERESA BORING GARNERS AMERICA EAST ROOKIE OF THE YEAR HONORS

Cambridge, Mass. – Freshman Teresa Boring was named the America East Conference Rookie of the Year, as announced by the conference on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Boring led the team in scoring with 20 points on nine goals and two assists. She tallied six consecutive goals for the Great Danes over a four game stretch from Sept. 14-26 in which UAlbany went 2-1-1. The native of Plainfield, III. also had a team-high three game-winning goals, which earned wins over Indiana State (9/14), Youngstown State (9/16), and Binghamton (10/11). The win over Binghamton was the first over the Bearcats in the program's history.

Boring, also named to the league's all-rookie squad, earned back-to-back rookie of the week honors (Sept. 4-9 and Sept. 10-16) after scoring five goals and adding an assist en route to a 3-0-1 record.

A four-year letterwinner at Plainfield High School, the 5-9 striker led the Wildcats to a 64-14-3 record and four conference championships. She scored 40 career goals and 17 career assists on her way to four all-conference and all-section selections and two conference most valuable player awards.

UAlbany concluded its season with a 5-10-3 record, the most successful season in the program's history since joining the Division I ranks in 1999. This is the second-consecutive season that the squad has posted an improving record.

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# WOMEN'S SOCCER CLOSES SEASON WITH 2-0 VICTORY OVER DELAWARE STATE

Albany, N.Y. – Ashley Tirabassi scored her third goal of the season to lead the UAlbany women's soccer team to a 2-0 win over Delaware State on Tuesday, Oct. 30 at Varsity Field. The victory gave the Great Danes a 5-10-3 overall record, making for the best finish in program history since moving to Division I in 1999.

UAlbany came out shooting in the first half, taking 22 shots, but were unable to beat the Hornet's keeper Courtney Haas. The best chance for the Great Danes to tally came with just under 16 minutes to play in the half when Uju Ogbuawa sent a blast from the top of the box to the far post that sent Haas sprawling for the save. The teams would head into the break knotted at 0-0.

The Great Danes struck just over a minute into the second half when Diana Barrera stripped a DSU defender and fed a ball through the heart of the box that Tirabassi finished to the top left corner. UAlbany would up its lead to 2-0 at the 63:23 mark when Teresa Boring scored her team-leading ninth goal of the season off of a Caitlin Mulligan corner kick.

UAlbany had an astounding 50-3 advantage in shots. Haas finished with 17 saves, while Maria Liguori was forced to only make one stop in her first shutout of the season for the Great Danes. Liguori played all 1702:50 minutes for UAlbany this season, making 109 saves.

The win over the Hornets snapped a four match losing streak for the Great Danes and cemented the second straight season in which the program saw improvement. UAlbany graduates eight seniors, who all saw action together for the first time this season over the last 10 minutes of the game.

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UAlbany: Scoring – Ashley Tirabassi (1-0), Teresa Boring (1-0), Diana Barrera (0-1), Caitlin Mulligan (0-1).

Goalkeeping – Maria Liguori (90:00, 0 GA, 1 saves).

Delaware St.: Scoring -None. Goalkeeping - Courtney Haas (90:00, 2 GA, 17 saves).



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#### FOOTBALL'S MIKE WALL NAMED NEC SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's Mike Wall has been selected as the Northeast Conference Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance in last Saturday's 24-10 victory against Wagner. Wall, a senior flanker, was chosen for the second time this season.

Wall returned the opening kickoff 58 yards to set up a first-quarter field goal. He also caught two passes for 34 yards and punted on a third-down quick kick. Wall's 15-yard touchdown reception, his first of the season, snapped a 3-3 deadlock early in the second period. Wall, who has accounted for 1,516 career all-purpose yards, has 13 receptions for 146 yards this season.

#### **UALBANY RANKED THIRD IN BOTH NATIONAL MID-MAJOR FOOTBALL POLLS**

Albany, N.Y. – Following last Saturday's victory over Wagner, UAlbany moved up one spot to third in The Sports Network Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) Mid-Major Poll. The Great Danes, who have won four straight games and went undefeated in the month of October for the first time since 1998, remained third in the Football Gazette rankings.

UAlbany (5-3, NEC 3-0) took over sole possession of first place in the conference standings. The Great Danes host Robert Morris in their final home game on Saturday, Nov. 3 at 1:00 p.m. The contest will be televised on the NEC TV Network and seen in the Capital Region on Time Warner Cable (TW3). UAlbany is ranked 19th among the NCAA Division I FCS national leaders in rushing defense (119.0 ypg) and has held five opponents under the 100-mark. The Great Danes are 28th nationally in rushing at 196.5 yards per game. Sophomore David McCarty, who ran for 125 yards and one touchdown against Wagner, has four 100-yard games this season.

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THE SPORTS NETWORK: 1. Dayton, 2. San Diego, 3. Albany, 4. Drake, 5. Iona, 6. Morehead State, 7. Central Connecticut State, 8. Davidson, 9. Duquesne, 10. Wagner.

FOOTBALL GAZETTE: 1. Dayton, 2. San Diego, 3. Albany, 4. Drake, 5. Morehead State, 6. Wagner, 7. Iona, 8. Davidson, 9. Central Connecticut State, 10. Valparaiso.

# MICHELLE SIMPSON EARNS AMERICA EAST FIELD HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS

Cambridge, Mass. – UAlbany's Michelle Simpson earned the final America East Conference Field Hockey Player of the Week award, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon. She earned the award for the second time this season.

Simpson scored two unassisted goals in the Great Danes' 3-0 win over America East rival New Hampshire on Oct. 27 as her team secured the second seed in the upcoming conference championship. Simpson scored both goals in the first half, recording her first tally of the game as she drove in the circle past several defenders and poked the ball into the left corner of the cage. She added her second goal at the 16-minute mark by converting a fastbreak opportunity. Simpson now has 11 goals and eight assists on the season for 30 total points. She is fourth in the America East in scoring at 1.67 points per game.

UAlbany (14-4) will face third-seeded Vermont in the semifinal round of the America East Championship on Friday, Nov. 2 at 2:30 p.m. The Great Danes are currently ranked No. 16 nationally.



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#### **UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY SEEDED SECOND FOR AMERICA EAST CHAMPIONSHIP**

Cambridge, Mass. – The 16th-ranked University at Albany field hockey team earned the No. 2 seed for the America East Conference Field Hockey Championship after posting a 14-4 record and a 4-1 mark in conference play. Boston University earned the No. 1 seed with a 2-0 win over Vermont on Saturday and will host the postseason tournament Friday, Nov. 2 and Sunday, Nov. 4 at MIT's Jack Barry Field.

The Terriers finished the regular season with a perfect 5-0 record in conference play. Boston U. (15-5) is ranked 14th in the most recent NFHCA/STX national poll. The Terriers will host No. 4 seed New Hampshire (9-10, AE 2-3) in the first semifinal. UAlbany will play No. 3 seed Vermont (12-6, AE 3-2) in the other semifinal. The Great Danes defeated the Catamounts, 1-0, in their regular-season matchup.

Semifinal game times are 12 noon and 2:30 on Friday. The championship game will be played at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Boston U. enters the championship as the two-time defending champions. New Hampshire looks for its second America East Championship crown, while both the Great Danes and the Catamounts are on the hunt for their first conference titles.

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2007 America East Field Hockey Championship (Cambridge, Mass.)

Semifinal Round (Friday, Nov. 2)

No. 1 Boston U. (15-5, AE 5-0) vs. No. 4 New Hampshire (9-10, AE 2-3), 12 p.m.

No. 2 UAlbany (14-4, AE 4-1) vs. No. 3 Vermont (12-6, AE 3-2), 2:30 p.m.

Championship (Sunday, Nov. 4)

Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 1:30 p.m.

# **UALBANY FALLS TO UMBC, 3-1, IN WOMEN'S SOCCER ACTION**

Baltimore, Md. – Morgan Warrington scored a goal and added an assist to lead UMBC to a 3-1 win over UAlbany in America East Conference women's soccer action on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2007 at UMBC Soccer Stadium. The Great Danes fall to 4-10-3 (AE 1-7), while the Retrievers improve to 3-13-2 (AE 2-6).

Caitlin Slattery opened the scoring just over five minutes into the contest when she took a cross from Warrington and buried a shot from six yards out to give UMBC a 1-0 lead. Warrington would tally what would hold up as the game-winner at the 17:04 when she carried the ball up the left side of the field and slotted a shot past Great Danes keeper Maria Liguori for the insurance goal. The Retrievers would take the 2-0 lead into the intermission.

Diana Barrera scored her fourth goal of the season five minutes into the second half for UAlbany to cut the deficit to 2-1, courtesy of a Teresa Boring assist. UMBC put the game away in the 85th minute when Erin Johnson beat Liguori to the top right corner of the goal.

Liguori finished with eight saves, while UMBC goalie Catie Bukowski made three stops.

The Great Danes will conclude their season on Tuesday, Oct. 30 when they host Delaware State at 2 p.m. at Varsity Field.

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UAlbany (4-10-3, AE 1-7-0) 0 1 -- 1 UMBC (3-13-2, AE 2-6-0) 2 1 -- 3

UAlbany: Scoring- Diana Barrera (1-0), Teresa Boring (0-1); Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00

UMBC: Scoring- Morgan Warrington (1-1), Caitlin Slattery (1-0), Erin Johnson (1-0), Kali Schwartz (0-1); Goalkeeping- Catie Bukowski (90:00 minutes, 1 GA, 3 saves).



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# BINGHAMTON TOPS UALBANY, 3-0, IN AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE PLAY

Vestal, N.Y. - Cameron Keith scored a goal and dished out an assist to lead Binghamton to a 3-0 win over visiting UAlbany in America East Conference men's soccer action at the Bearcats Sports Complex on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Keith, the reigning conference player of the week, took a feed into the middle of the penalty box from Kyle Kucharski and deposited a shot into the goal. Just over four minutes later, Barry Neville converted a penalty kick to give the Bearcats a two goal lead. The teams played a scoreless final 25 minutes of the first half to go into intermission with Binghamton leading 2-0.

UAlbany and Binghamton played the first 43 and a half minutes of the second half without a goal until Scott Zobre tallied in the 89th minute off a feed from Keith.

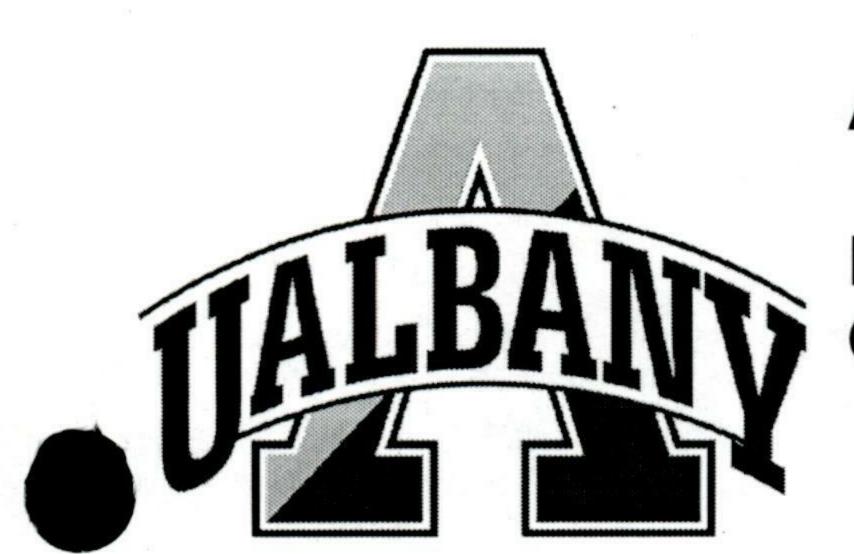
Binghamton outshot the Great Danes 15-6 in the contest, including 9-3 in the first half. Junior Gaby Seguin-Gauthier paced UAlbany with two shots. The Bearcats also held a 5-1 advantage in corner kicks. Junior goalkeeper Steward Ceus registered three saves in goal, while Jason Stenta recorded three saves for Binghamton (12-4, AE 4-2).

UAlbany (2-10-3, AE 1-3-2) returns home for two games against conference opponents to wrap-up the regular season. The Great Danes face Maine on Wednesday, Oct. 31 and Hartford on Sunday, Nov. 4. -agate-

UAlbany (2-10-3, AE 1-3-2) 0 0 - 0 Binghamton (12-4, AE 4-2) 2 1 - 3

UAlbany: Scoring – None. Goalkeeping – Steward Ceus (90:00, 3 GA, 3 saves). Binghamton: Scoring – Cameron Keith (1-1), Barry Neville (1-0), Scott Zobre (1-0), Kyle Kucharski (0-1).

Goalkeeping – Jason Stenta (90:00, 0 GA, 3 saves).



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# **UALBANY VOLLEYBALL SWEEPS HARTFORD, 3-0, IN AMERICA EAST MATCHUP**

West Hartford, Conn. – Junior middle blocker Kamisha Kellam recorded a team-high 15 kills and nine total blocks to lead UAlbany to a three-game sweep of Hartford in America East Conference volleyball action on Saturday evening. The Great Danes won the match with scores of 30-27, 30-23 and 30-24.

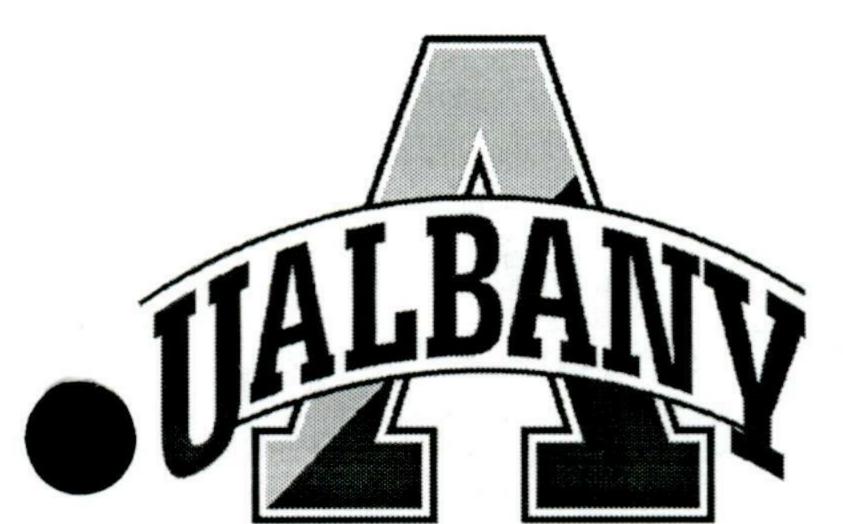
Freshman outside hitter Amanda Cowdrey recorded her 14th double-double of the season, and her 10th straight match with double-figure kills, finishing with 12 kills and a team-high 15 digs. She also tallied two service aces and two block assists. Freshman outside hitter Kate Eckhart added eight kills, six digs and two block assists, while freshman setter Brooke Stanley finished with 35 assists and five digs.

Katie O'Hara led Hartford (7-19, AE 0-8) with 12 kills and six total blocks. Sarah Boss led the Hawks defensively with 11 digs while Lindsay Ford finished with 11 assists and eight digs. Erin Macro added eight kills and two total blocks for Hartford.

UAlbany (16-8, AE 5-3) returns home after being on the road for five straight matches, hosting America East rival Binghamton on Friday, Nov. 2.

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UAlbany (16-8, AE 5-3) def. Hartford (7-19, AE 0-8), 3-0 (30-27, 30-23, 30-24).



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# **UALBANY DEFEATS WAGNER, 24-10, IN NORTHEAST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL ACTION**

Staten Island, N.Y. -- Sophomore tailback David McCarty rushed for 125 yards and one touchdown in leading UAlbany to a 24-10 Northeast Conference victory over Wagner on Saturday afternoon at Wagner College Stadium. The Great Danes, who have strung together four straight wins, moved into first place in the conference standings after Central Connecticut State fell from the unbeaten ranks in league play.

UAlbany (5-3, NEC 3-0) put the game away late in third quarter when cornerback Ross Bertrand picked off Wagner quarterback Matt Abbey and returned the ball 37 yards to the Seahawks' 21. Omar Johnson, who ran for 53 yards, all in the second half, later powered over left guard on a three-yard run for a 24-3 lead on the second play of the final period.

Wagner (5-3, NEC 3-2) closed within two touchdowns with 3:56 remaining on a two-yard blast by fullback Richard Parker. Senior tailback Jason Butler, who ran for 100-plus yards for the eighth time this season, set up the TD with a 47-yard scamper. UAlbany sacked Abbey twice on his team's last series to end any threat.

"We felt that first down was critical," said UAlbany head coach Bob Ford. "We wanted to take the run away and make them throw the ball. As the game wore on, our ability to run the football took its toll on their defensive line."

In an opening half that featured several gadget plays, a faked punt by Wagner backfired. UAlbany took advantage of a short field to break a 3-3 tie early in the second quarter. Vinny Esposito fired a 15-yard scoring pass to flanker Mike Wall, who hauled in the ball over the shoulder of cornerback Tavares Lee with 13:19 left in the stanza.

The Great Danes took a 17-3 lead by marching 69 yards for a touchdown. Esposito hit Wall with a boot-leg pass for 19 yards, before scrambling for another first down. David McCarty then cut over left guard and into the end zone untouched on a 14-yard scamper with 3:03 remaining before halftime.

Both teams used several trick plays in the first quarter. Wagner's Matt Abbey connected with Lon Woods for 46 yards off a flea-flicker on his team's first offensive set. Piotr Czech's 29-yard field goal tied the contest at three apiece. Wall's 58-yard return with the opening kickoff led to Jason Fralicker's 37-yard field goal.

"I told the line to make the holes and lead the way and I will follow them," said McCarty, who toppled the 100-yard rushing mark for the fourth time this season. "It's good to know that there are backs like (Colin) Simmons and (Omar) Johnson behind me. There's no jealously about who gets the most carries."

Wagner's Abbey completed 21 of 30 passes for 218 yards, but was intercepted twice. Butler finished with 116 rushing yards in 24 carries. Esposito threw for 91 yards and added 20 on the ground for the Great Danes, who ran for 240 against a defense that was ranked among the best in the Division I FCS ranks heading into the contest.

"We played team defense today," said UAlbany's Michael Dungey, who had seven tackles, including four solo and a half-sack. "No one tried to do things that they were not supposed to; we stayed in our gaps. It's nice but it doesn't matter that we are in first place. You only get a trophy at the end of the season."

### SIMPSON LEADS #16 UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY OVER A-EAST FOE NEW HAMPSHIRE, 3-0

Albany, N.Y. – Senior midfielder Michelle Simpson scored two goals to lead #16 UAlbany to a 3-0 win over New Hampshire in America East Conference field hockey action on Saturday afternoon at Alumni Turf Field. With the win, the Great Danes improve to 14-4 overall, with a 4-1 record in conference play.

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Sophomore forward Nicole Savage scored the Great Danes' first goal of the game on a penalty corner with 24:06 on the clock. Jess Lindsey and Anouk Vandenberg recorded assists on the tally. Simpson scored her first goal less than a minute later, driving past defenders into the circle and slipping a shot past New Hampshire goalkeeper Margaux Shute. Simpson gave the UAlbany a three-goal lead at the 16:00 mark, taking a fast break into the circle and scoring an unassisted goal.

UAlbany outshot New Hampshire 12-6, while the Wildcats had a 9-6 advantage in penalty corners. Shute made four saves in the cage for New Hampshire (9-10, AE 2-3) while UAlbany goalkeeper Ashley Ross made two stops for the Great Danes in her sixth shutout of the season.

UAlbany will wait for the outcome of the Boston U./Vermont game to find out the final regular-season standings and the seeding for the America East Tournament. The A-East tournament will be held at the highest seed on November 2-4.

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UAlbany (14-4, AE 4-1) 3 0 - 3 New Hampshire (9-10, AE 2-3) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany: Scoring – Michelle Simpson (2-0), Nicole Savage (1-0), Jess Lindsey (0-1), Anouk Vandenberg (0-1). Goalkeeper – Ashley Ross (70:00, 0 GA, 2 saves).

New Hampshire: Scoring - None. Goalkeeper - Margaux Shute (70:00, 3 GA, 4 saves).

# **CUMMINGS PLACES 14TH, YURKEWECZ 16TH AT AMERICA EAST CHAMPIONSHIP**

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Junior Laura Cummings placed 14th and Brian Yurkewecz placed 16th to lead the UAlbany women's and men's cross country teams at the America East Conference Championship meet at Stony Brook on Saturday, Oct. 27. The Great Danes placed sixth in the team standings in the women's competition, while the men were seventh as a team. Stony Brook captured the women's team competition to end Boston U's three-year reign, while New Hampshire won the men's team title for the second straight year.

Cummings covered the 5,008-meter course in a time of 18:35.0 to cross the finish line 14th. Freshman Kristine Mun was the second Great Dane to finish, completing the course in 24th place in 19:12.1. Senior Jessica Chichester finished 37th in 19:52.4, freshman Ally Panos placed 49th in 20:36.7, and junior Tashia Alexander crossed the finish line 52nd in 20:58.1 to round out the top-five competitors for UAlbany.

Boston U's Andrea Walkonen won the women's race in a time of 17:27.2 to lead the Terriers to a second place team finish.

Yurkewecz completed the 8,124-meter men's course 16th in a time of 26:44.3. Senior Ricardo Estremera completed his final America East Championship race in 24th place with a time of 27:07.9. Freshman David Rothman finished 37th in 28:04.1, junior Joe Belokopitsky completed the course in 29:10.4 to place 51st, and junior Jared Jupin finished 52nd in 29:16.5 to round out the top-five harriers for the Great Danes.

Alex Felce led a trio of Stony Brook competitors in the top-five by winning the race in 25:32.0. -agate-

# Women's Championship (5,008 meters)

**Team Scores:** 1. Stony Brook (38), 2. Boston U. (66), 3. New Hampshire (73), 4. Maine (131), 5. Binghamton (141), 6. **UAlbany (176)**, 7. UMBC (182), 8. Vermont (184), 9. Hartford (229). **Individual:** 

- 1. Andrea Walkonen (Boston U.), 17:27.2, 2. Catherine Parker (New Hampshire), 17:38.8, 3. Alex Hyland (UMBC), 17:55.1, 4. Jessica Hampson (Stony Brook), 17:58.3,
- 5. Anne Wighton (Boston U.), 18:01.8, 6. Jessica Belliveau (Maine), 18:04.1, 7. Holly Van Dalen (Stony Brook), 18:06.6, 8. Elizabeth Carlson (Stony Brook), 18:07.4, 9. Laura Huet (Stony Brook), 18:08.8, 10. Lucy Van Dalen (Stony Brook), 18:11.3.

#### **UAlbany Finishers:**

14. Laura Cummings (18:35.0), 24. Kristine Mun (19:12.1), 37. Jessica Chichester (19:52.4), 49. Ally Panos (20:36.7), 52. Tashia Alexander (20:58.1), 57. Danielle Trimpop (21:28.0), 59. Kristin Grab (21:57.0), 74. Esperanza Blanco (22:40.7), 76. Briana McNamee (23:00.0).

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# Men's Championship (8,124 meters)

#### Team Scores:

1. New Hampshire (35), 2. Stony Brook (37), 3. Boston U. (85), 4. Maine (114), 5. UMBC (125), 6. Binghamton (140), **7. UAlbany (180)**, 8. Vermont (200), 9. Hartford (271),

#### Individual:

- 1. Alex Felce (Stony Brook), 25:32.0, 2. Robert Edgerton (New Hampshire), 25:37.4, 3. Shaun Krawitz (Stony Brook), 25:42.3, 4. Matthew O'Connor (New Hampshire), 25:51.8,
- 5. Tim Hodge (Stony Brook), 26:07.3, 6. Nick Goodman (Boston U.) 26:20.5, 7. Jordan Horwitz (New Hampshire), 26:23.8, 8. Joshua Kearns (New Hampshire), 26:25.3, 9. Zach Tyerman (Stony Brook), 26:32.4, 10. Paul Zwama (UMBC), 26:33.5.

# **UAlbany Finishers:**

16. Brian Yurkewecz (26:44.3), 24. Ricardo Estremera (27:07.9), 37. David Rothman (28:04.1), 51. Joe Belokopitsky (29:10.4), 52. Jared Jupin (29:16.5), 54. Chris Jimenez (29:24.3), 58. Brian Lasky (30:06.5), 67. Mitch Troise (30:34.8).



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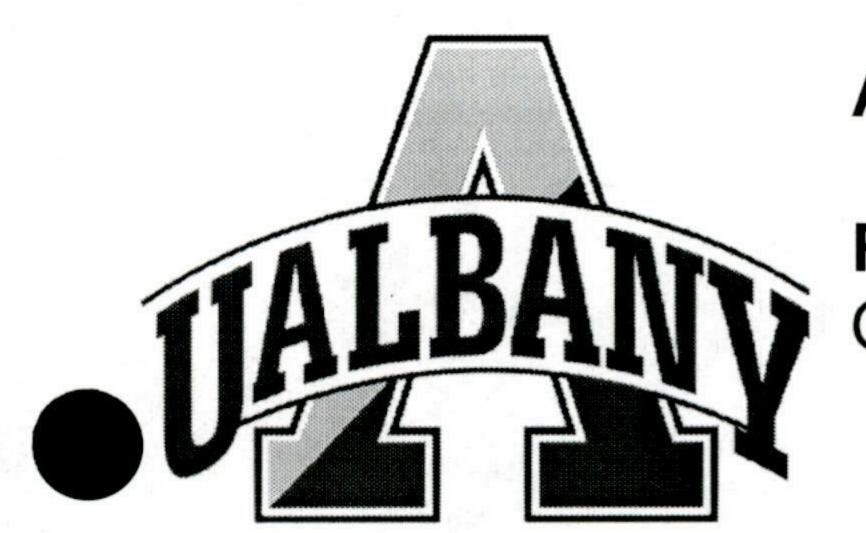
# **UALBANY VOLLEYBALL FALLS TO STONY BROOK, 3-2, IN AMERICA EAST ACTION**

Albany, N.Y. – Morgan Sweany recorded a double-double with a 22 kills and 12 digs to lead Stony Brook to a 3-2 comeback-victory over UAlbany in America East Conference volleyball action on Friday evening. The Seawolves won by scores of 27-30, 23-30, 30-21, 30-28 and 15-12. Stony Brook improves to 19-7 overall, 7-1 in conference play while UAlbany falls to 15-8 overall and 4-3 in A-East play.

Senior middle blocker Ashley Crenshaw finished with a team-high 18 kills for UAlbany, while freshman outside hitter Amanda Cowdrey recorded a double-double of the kill-dig variety, tallying 17 kills and 15 digs. Junior middle blocker Kamisha Kellam added 11 kills while sophomore outside hitter Kate Eckhardt finished with a team-high 21 digs to go along with six kills, three service aces, three assists and two block assists.

Jackie Ahlers led all players with 31 kills for Stony Brook while setter Kaitlyn Deutsch recorded a match-high 67 assists and 17 digs. Amy Oleksiej added 11 kills. Noelle Bay and Linda Weber helped lead the Seawolves defensively with 21 and 18 digs, respectively.

UAlbany continues America East play on Saturday afternoon, visiting Hartford at 6 p.m.



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## HARTFORD EDGES UALBANY 1-0 IN WOMEN'S SOCCER

Albany, N.Y. – Sara Flowers headed a ball over the out-stretched hands of UAlbany goalie Maria Liguori to lead Hartford to a 1-0 win over the Great Danes in America East Conference women's soccer action on Thursday, Oct. 25 at Varsity Field. The Great Danes are now 4-9-3 (AE 1-6-0), while the Hawks improve to 6-6-4 (AE 4-1-2).

Hartford broke the scoreless tie just eight minutes into the second half when Ashley Carreira lobbed a ball into the box that Flowers redirected with her head into the net for the game-winner. UAlbany threatened to send the match into overtime with just over three minutes remaining when Diana Barrera sent a shot that struck off the far post and was recovered by Hawks' keeper Elizabeth Cook.

UAlbany had a 14-13 advantage in shots taken and both sides put seven shots on goal. Liguori made six saves, while Cook made seven stops in the shutout.

The Great Danes honored eight seniors prior to the game for their dedication and contribution to the program. Meghan Garrity, Rachel Boles, Alicia Gibson, Adrienne Heady, Uju Ogbuawa, Scovia Oraro, Jaclyn Schaaf, and Kaylin Connolly will play their final home game on Tuesday, Oct. 30 against Delaware State.

UAlbany will conclude America East Conference action on Sunday, Oct. 28 at UMBC.

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UAlbany (4-9-3, AE 1-6-0) 0 -- 0 Hartford (6-6-4, AE 4-1-2) 0 1 -- 1

UAlbany: Scoring-None; Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00 minutes, 1 GA, 6 saves)

Hartford: Scoring- Sara Flowers (1-0), Ashley Carreira (0-1); Goalkeeping- Elizabeth Cook (90:00

minutes, 0 GA, 7 saves).



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# **UALBANY FALLS TO STONY BROOK, 1-0, IN AMERICA EAST PLAY**

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Maurice Brown scored just under 15 minutes into the second half to lead Stony Brook to a 1-0 victory over the UAlbany men's soccer team in America East Conference action at LaValle Stadium on Wednesday, Oct. 24

The teams played a back-and-forth first half to go into intermission knotted at zero. Each team registered seven shots, but neither team could convert their chances.

Brown got the Seawolves on the scoreboard in the 59th minute on an unassisted goal. The Great Danes had three opportunities late in the game, but came up unsuccessful. In the 69th minute, UAlbany had a shot inside the goal box wiped off due to being offsides. Junior captain Erik DiLorenzo sent a header attempt high in the 74th minute and junior Don Johnson had a loose ball shot go just wide into the side-netting six minutes later.

UAlbany was outshot in the contest 13-9, including 6-2 in the decisive second half. DiLorenzo recorded a game-high four shots for the Great Danes. The Seawolves held a 2-1 edge in corner kicks, recording both in the second half. Junior goalkeeper Steward Ceus registered five saves, while Dawid Ditrich turned aside three shots for Stony Brook (8-6-2, AE 2-3-1).

UAlbany (2-9-3, AE 1-2-2) returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 27 at Binghamton at 7 p.m.

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UAlbany (2-9-3, AE 1-2-2) 0 0 - 0 Stony Brook (8-6-2, AE 2-3-1) 0 1 - 1

UAlbany: Scoring – None. Goalkeeping – Steward Ceus (90:00, 1 GA, 5 saves).

Stony Brook: Scoring - Maurice Brown (1-0). Goalkeeping - Dawid Ditrich (90:00, 0 GA, 3 saves).



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#### UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY REMAINS RANKED NO. 16 IN STX/NFHCA DIVISION I COACHES POLL

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany field hockey team is ranked No. 16 in the STX/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll, as announced on Tuesday afternoon. The Great Danes, who remained in the same position as last week's poll, have been nationally ranked for seven consecutive weeks.

UAlbany (13-4, AE 3-1) dropped a key conference matchup against No. 14 Boston University, 3-1, on Saturday, Oct. 20 before defeating non-conference opponent Rutgers, 2-1, last Sunday. The Great Danes host New Hampshire in their regular-season finale on Saturday, Oct. 27 at 1 p.m.

The Great Danes, who have won eight of their last nine contests, are ranked fifth in goals against average (0.98) and 22nd in scoring (2.59 goals/game) among the NCAA leaders. Nicole Savage, who leads the team in scoring with 13 goals and three assists, is 16th nationally in goals scored. Michelle Simpson adds nine goals and eight assists. Ashley Ross is sixth among Division I's top goalkeepers with a 1.04 goals against average.

# FIVE UALBANY SOFTBALL STUDENT-ATHLETES HONORED BY NFCA

Albany, N.Y. – The National Fastpitch Coaches Association has honored five UAlbany student-athletes for their achievements in the classroom in the 2006-07 academic year, as announced on Tuesday afternoon.

Nicole Kothe, Amber Maisonet, Kelly Ogden, Laura Gremillion and Bailey Van Deest all earned NFCA Scholar-Athlete recognition. Ogden, a 2007 graduate with a degree in psychology and sociology, finished her career ranked at the top of several of UAlbany career charts. Ogden was first in hits (202), home runs (26), RBI (156) and doubles (38). Maisonet, a psychology major with a minor in mathematics, will return to the Great Danes in the spring after leading UAlbany with a .382 average last season. Kothe, a sophomore psychology major, is back after hitting .297 a year ago. Van Deest, who started 46 games in the outfield for the Great Danes last season, is a sophomore political science major. Gremillion saw action in 34 games as a junior, and is majoring in biology.

The NFCA recognizes student-athletes who achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above.



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#### CORRIN CONROY FINISHES TIED FOR EIGHTH AT KNIGHTS INVITATIONAL

Hillsborough, N.J. – Freshman Corrin Conroy shot a final round 79 to lead the UAlbany women's golf team at Fairleigh Dickinson's Knights Invitational at Royce Brook Golf Club on Tuesday, Oct. 23. The Great Danes finished in sixth place at the two-day event with a team total of 697.

Conroy finished the invitational in a tie for eighth place with a total score of 165 on rounds of 86 and 79. Conroy was one of only eight competitors to card a sub-80 round. Senior Maggie Taylert finished in a tie for 16th place with a second round 90 to finish at 172. Junior Sun Hwa Kim followed up her opening round 91 with an 88 on the second day for a two-day score of 179 and a 26th place finish. Sophomore Jessica Signorelli tallied an 89 in the final round to finish in a tie for 29th at 181. Senior Rebecca Lukac rounded out the Great Dane competitors with a 94 on Tuesday for a 192 total score.

Host Fairleigh Dickinson captured the top three individual scores to win the team competition with a final score 646. Michele Holzwarth won the individual portion of the invitational with a two-day score of 156, after carding an invitation-best round of 76 on Tuesday.

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# **TEAM SCORES**

1. Fairleigh Dickinson 326-320 - 646; 2. Hofstra 325-341 - 666; 3. Hartford 333-337 - 670; 4. Rutgers 346-325 - 671; 5. Monmouth 333-349 - 682; **6. UAlbany 351-346 - 697**; 7. Central Conn. St. 356-364 - 720; DNF. Wagner 340-DNF.

# INDIVIDUAL SCORES

1. Michele Holzwarth (Fairleigh Dickinson) 80-76 - 156; T2. Eva Mayr (Fairleigh Dickinson) 78-82 - 160; T2. Lisa Warrilow (Fairleigh Dickinson) 82-78 - 160; T2. Amy Hoffmann (Hofstra) 77-83 - 160; 5. Lauren Huhnerkoch (Rutgers) 83-78 -161; T6. Rylee Plitz (Monmouth) 81-81 - 162; T6. Juliana Carrillo (Hartford) 78-84 - 162; **T8. Corrin Conroy (UAlbany) 86-79 - 165**; T8. Lucie Sarochova (Central Conn. State) 81-84 - 165; T10. Alison Hanlon (Hofstra) 78-88 - 166; T10. Terry Grandis (Rutgers) 87-79 - 166; T10. Morgan Heyrman (Hofstra) 82-84 - 166;

## **UALBANY SCORES**

T16. Maggie Taylert 82-90 - 172; 26. Sun Hwa Kim 91-88 - 179; T29. Jessica Signorelli 92-89 - 181; 35. Rebecca Lukac 98-94 - 192.



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#### MAGGIE TAYLERT EIGHTH AFTER DAY ONE AT KNIGHTS INVITATIONAL

Hillsborough, N.J. – Senior Maggie Taylert shot an opening-round 82 to lead the UAlbany women's golf team after the first day of the Knights Golf Invitational hosted by Fairleigh Dickinson at the Royce Brook Golf Club on Monday, Oct. 22. UAlbany is in seventh place with a team score of 351 after the first round.

Taylert is in a tie for eighth place after shooting a 43 on the front nine and a 39 on the back nine for an 11-over par round of 82. Freshman Corrin Conroy is in a tie with three other competitors for 19th place after shooting a 46 on the first nine and 40 on the second nine for an 86. Junior Sun Hwa Kim carded a first round 91 with a front nine score of 46 and a back nine score of 45 to place in a tie for 29th individually. Sophomore Jessica Signorelli rounded out the Great Danes top-four competitors with a round of 92 on a front nine score of 47 and a back nine score of 45. Senior Rebecca Lukac tallied a first day 98 for UAlbany.

Hofstra leads by one stroke over host Fairleigh Dickinson after the first day of competition with a team total of 325. Amy Hoffman of Hofstra leads the individual field after carding a 77.

The second round of the invitational starts at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 23.

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#### **TEAM SCORES**

1. Hofstra 325; 2.Fairleigh Dickinson 326; T3. Hartford 333; T3. Monmouth 333; 5. Wagner College 340; 6. Rutgers 346; 7. UAlbany 351; 8. Central Conn. St. 356.

#### INDIVIDUAL SCORES

1. Amy Hoffmann (Hofstra) 77; T2. Juliana Carrillo (Hartford) 78; T2. Alison Hanlon (Hofstra) 78; T2. Eva Mayr (Fairleigh Dickinson) 78; 5. Michele Holzwarth (Fairleigh Dickinson) 80; T6. Lucie Sarochova (Central Conn. State) 81; T6. Rylee Plitz (Monmouth) 81; T8. Brigid Cahill (Monmouth) 82; T8. Morgan Heyrman (Hofstra) 82; T8. Maggie Taylert (UAlbany) 82; T8. Lisa Warrilow (Fairleigh Dickinson) 82; T8. Sadie Heald (Hartford) 82.

#### **UALBANY SCORES**

19. Corrin Conroy 86; 29. Sun Hwa Kim 91; 34. Jessica Signorelli 92; 39. Rebecca Lukac 98.



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# NORTHEAST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL HONORS DAVID McCARTY & DANIEL BOCANEGRA

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's David McCarty (LaSalle Institute) has been named the Northeast Conference Offensive Player of the Week in football for his performance in last Saturday's 58-21 victory over Saint Francis, Pa. UAlbany's Daniel Bocanegra was chosen NEC Special Teams Player of the Week.

McCarty, a sophomore from Gansevoort, N.Y., rushed for a career-high 170 yards and two touchdowns. He scored on runs of 13 and 10 yards in the first half as his team built a 31-7 lead at the intermission. McCarty scampered 63 yards on the first play of the third quarter to set up another touchdown. His rushing total was the highest by a Great Dane since Oct. 30, 2004.

McCarty, who has run for 140 or more yards three times this season, moved from flanker to tailback last spring. He leads the team in rushing with 663 yards and five touchdowns.

Bocanegra, a junior from Daly City, Calif., accounted for 112 all-purpose yards against Saint Francis. His 53-yard punt return in the first quarter, the longest by a UAlbany player since 1999, in the first helped set up a touchdown. He returned three punts for 80 yards, the highest total by a Great Dane against an NEC opponent. Bocanegra, who was last year's starting quarterback, also caught two passes for 32 yards. He is the squad's top receiver with 21 catches for 267 yards this season.

# UALBANY FOOTBALL MOVES UP IN THE SPORTS NETWORK FCS MID-MAJOR POLL

Albany, N.Y. – Following a 58-21 victory over Saint Francis, Pa. last Saturday, UAlbany moved up two spots to fourth in The Sports Network Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) Mid-Major Poll. The Great Danes remained third in the *Football Gazette* FCS rankings.

UAlbany (4-3, NEC 2-0) scored its most points in a conference game and tied another mark with eight touchdowns last week. The Great Danes, who have won three straight, rushed for 334 net yards, the highest single-game total since 2004. UAlbany is ranked 29th in rushing among the NCAA Division I FCS national leaders at 190.29 yards per game and is 10th in turnover margin (+1.43). The Great Danes are the lone FCS team among 116 programs to have not lost a fumble this season.

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THE SPORTS NETWORK FCS POLL: 1. San Diego, 2. Dayton, 3. Central Connecticut State, 4. Albany, 5. Duquesne, 6. Drake, 7. Wagner, 8. Iona, 9. Morehead State, 10. Davidson.

### ALYSIA HOUGH NAMED AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE FIELD HOCKEY ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Cambridge, Mass. – UAlbany's Alysia Hough was named the America East Conference Rookie of the Week in field hockey, as announced by the conference on Monday afternoon. It is the first weekly honor for Hough this season.

Hough recorded two goals in two games for the Great Danes last week. She was responsible for UAlbany's lone goal against Boston University, taking a pass from Michelle Simpson and directing it into the cage. Hough, a freshman midfielder who hails from Lehighton, Pa., also scored the Great Danes' first goal in Sunday's 2-1 win over Rutgers. She has three goals and one assist on the season.

UAlbany (13-4, AE 3-1) wrap up regular-season play on Saturday, Oct. 27, hosting conference opponent New Hampshire at 1 p.m.

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# AIMEE KERN WINS TWO SINGLES MATCHES AND TWO DOUBLES MATCHES AT BROWN INVITATIONAL

Providence, R.I. – Senior Aimee Kern won two singles matches and was a part of two doubles wins to lead the UAlbany women's tennis team at the Brown Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 20 and Sunday, Oct. 21.

On Saturday, in the first round of the "red" flight, Kern dropped the first set to Kristen Liu of Rhode Island 7-6, but responded to win the second set 6-2 and the tiebreaker 10-8. In the second round, Kern fell in straight sets to Chelsea Jones of Syracuse 6-2, 6-2. On Sunday, Kern defeated Brooke Hoover of Rhode Island 6-2 in the first set and 6-3 in the second set.

Sophomore Caitlin Crowley fell in her three matches in the "red" flight. In the first round, Crowley lost to Hoover 6-4 and 6-1. Crowley was beat by Alison Koch of Connecticut 6-1, 6-0 in the second round and lost to Liu 6-2, 6-4 in action on Sunday.

In the "brown" flight, the Great Danes were winless in six matches. Junior Charlotte Tatler lost to Liz Corrao of Boston U. in the first round 6-3 and 6-1, Megan Doran of Connecticut 3-6, 6-1, and 8-6 in the tiebreaker in the second round, and Grace Hedstrom of Rhode Island 1-6, 6-4, and 11-9 in the tiebreaker on Sunday. Freshman Susan Ma was defeated by Brown's Tanja Vucetic 6-4 and 7-6 in the opening round, Boston U's Danielle Abraham 6-0 and 6-1 in the second round, and Yana Sadovskaya of Boston U. on Sunday 6-1 and 6-1.

In double's action, Kern and Crowley went 2-2 over the two days of competition. On Saturday, the duo lost to Emily Ellis and Brett Finkelstein of Brown 8-4. They came back to beat Nyssa Peele and Hedstrom of Rhode Island 8-4 in their second match of the day. On Sunday, Kern and Crowley split two matches against competitors from Syracuse. They lost to Simone Kalhorn and Ashley Spicer 9-7 in their first match and defeated Ally Wickman and Chelsea Jones 8-6 in their second match of the day.

The Great Danes' second doubles team of Ma and Tatler went 1-2 on the weekend. The duo won their first round match 8-2 over Katlyn Haycock and Jacquelynn Tang from Syracuse. In round two, the team lost to Vucetic and Kelley Kirkpatrick of Brown 8-3. On Sunday, Ma and Tatler lost to Sadovskaya and Corrao of Boston U. 8-3.

The Brown Invitational wrapped up the fall portion of the schedule for the Great Danes. They open their spring season at home on Saturday, Feb. 2 against Fairfield.
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#### Singles:

#### **Brown Flight:**

Liz Corrao (Boston U.) def. Charlotte Tatler (Albany) 6-3, 6-1

Megan Doran (UConn) def. Charlotte Tatler (Albany) 3-6, 6-1, 1-0 (6)

Grace Hedstrom (URI) def. Charlotte Tatler (Albany) 1-6, 6-4, 1-0 (11-9)

Tanja Vucetic (Brown) def. Susan Ma (Albany) 6-4, 7-6(6)

Danielle Abraham (Boston U.) def. Susan Ma (Albany) 6-0, 6-1

Yana Sadovskaya (Boston U.) def. Susan Ma (Albany) 6-1, 6-1

## Red Flight:

Brooke Hoover (URI) def. Caitlin Crowley (Albany) 6-4, 6-1

Alison Koch (UConn) def. Caitlin Crowley (Albany) 6-1, 6-0

Kristen Liu (URI) def. Caitlin Crowley (Albany) 6-2, 6-4

Aimee Kern (Albany) def. Kristen Liu (URI) 6-7(3), 6-2, 1-0 (8)

Chelsea Jones (Syracuse) def. Aimee Kern (Albany) 6-2, 6-2

Aimee Kern (Albany) def. Brooke Hoover (URI) 6-2, 6-3

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# Doubles:

Ellis/Finkelstein (Brown) def. Kern/Crowley (Albany) 8-4 Kern/Crowley (Albany) def. Peele/Hedstrom (URI) 8-4 Kalhorn/Spicer (Syracuse) def. Kern/Crowley (Albany) 9-7 Kern/Crowley (Albany) def. Wickman/Jones (Syracuse) 8-6 Ma/Tatler (Albany) def. Haycock/Tang (Syracuse) 8-2 Vucetic/Kirkpatrick (Brown) def. Ma/Tatler (Albany) 8-3 Sadovskaya/Corrao (BU) def. Ma/Tatler (Albany) 8-3



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# CRENSHAW LEADS GREAT DANES AS UALBANY VOLLEYBALL RALLIES TO DEFEAT SIENA, 3-2

Loudonville, N.Y. – Ashley Crenshaw recorded 19 kills and a career-high 10 block assists to lead the UAlbany volleyball team to a 3-2 win over crosstown-rival Siena on Sunday afternoon at the Alumni Recreation Center. The Great Danes victory snapped Siena's 17-match win streak, which was tied for the longest winless stretch in the nation. UAlbany came back from a two-game deficit to win the match with scores of 27-30, 23-30, 31-29, 31-29 and 15-8.

After cruising to wins in the first two games, Siena's Aubrey Bobo gave the Saints a 29-27 lead in game three. Crenshaw then recorded consecutive kills to tie the game at 30-30 before Siena setter April London was called for a ball handling error, giving the Great Danes the win.

London was instrumental in a game-four comeback for the Saints, serving six straight points to bring Siena back from a 28-22 deficit to tie the game at 28-28. UAlbany regained a 30-29 lead on a Siena attack error before junior middle blocker Kamisha Kellam slammed home a kill to tie the match at two games apiece.

UAlbany jumped out to an early 7-2 lead in game five and controlled the remainder of the game to record the Great Danes' sixth straight win over the Saints.

Kellam finished with 15 kills and three total blocks for the Great Danes. Sophomore outside hitter Valerie Sourbeer and freshman outside hitter Teresa Coppiellie both recorded 13 kills apiece. Sourbeer added seven digs, six total blocks and two service aces while Coppiellie added six digs defensively for UAlbany. Setter Brooke Stanley tallied 45 assists, five digs, four block assists, two kills and two service aces, while libero Tawny Dahmes led the team defensively with a match-high 20 digs.

Siena (17-4), which had not recorded a loss wince August 31, was led Bobo, who recorded a double-double for the Saints with a match-high 25 kills and 18 digs. Senior outside hitter Nadiege Honore added 19 kills for Siena while sophomore middle hitter Burgandy McCurty finished with 12 kills and four block assists. London led all players with 62 assists to go along with six digs, five block assists, four kills and three service aces.

UAlbany (15-7) returns to action on Friday, Oct. 26, continuing America East Conference play at Stony Brook at 7 p.m.

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UAlbany (15-7) def. Siena (17-4), 3-2 (27-30, 23-30, 31-29, 31-29, 15-8).



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# ALYSIA HOUGH & NICOLE SAVAGE SCORE TO LEAD UALBANY TO 2-1 VICTORY

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman Alysia Hough scored in the 43rd minute to lead No. 16 UAlbany to a 2-1 victory over Rutgers in a non-conference field hockey game on Sunday, Oct. 21 at Alumni Turf Field.

Sophomore Nicole Savage got the Great Danes on the scoreboard at the 17:09 mark with her team-leading 13th goal of the season. Freshman Anouk Vandenberg registered her team-high 11th assist of the season with a cross from the left side to Savage. The Great Danes took the lead to the locker room.

Hough scored the eventual game-winning goal just over seven minutes into the final period, when she tallied from five yards out after a cross from the right side by senior Michelle Simpson.

Rutgers (7-10) cut the deficit in half with 12:23 remaining on a goal by Carrie Grainger off an assist by Amy Lewis.

UAlbany outshot Rutgers 16-9 in the contest, including a 9-5 edge in the second half. The Great Danes also held an 11-5 advantage in penalty corners. Junior goalkeeper Ashley Ross made four saves in the cage, while the Scarlet Knights' Rosalyn Wentko recorded five saves.

UAlbany (13-4) returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 27 in its regular-season finale against conference-rival New Hampshire.
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Rutgers (7-10) 0 1 - 1 UAlbany (13-4) 1 1 - 2

Rutgers: Scoring – Carrie Grainger (1-0), Amy Lewis (0-1). Goalkeeping – Rosalyn Wentko (70:00, 2 GA, 5 saves).

UAlbany: Scoring – Nicole Savage (1-0), Alysia Hough (1-0), Anouk Vandenberg (0-1), Michelle Simpson (0-1). Goalkeeping – Ashley Ross (70:00, 1 GA, 4 saves).

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#### McCarty Leads Ualbany Football to a 58-21 Win Over Nec Foe St. Francis

Loretto, Pa. - David McCarty rushed for a career-high 170 yards and two touchdowns in UAlbany to its third straight win in a 58-21 Northeast Conference victory over Saint Francis, Pa. on Saturday afternoon at DeGol Field.

UAlbany (4-3, NEC 2-0) accounted for 482 total yards in recording its highest point total since Oct. 4, 2003. The Great Danes moved into a virtual share of first place in the conference standings with Central Connecticut State.

McCarty, a sophomore tailback, broke two tackles and cut back to his right on a 63-yard scamper to begin the second half. Quarterback Vinny Esposito, who connected on 11-of-15 for 130 yards, found split end Irani DeAraujo with an eight-yard scoring pass on a slant pattern for a 38-7 lead.

Saint Francis (0-6, 0-3) came right back with two quick touchdowns. George Little, who passed for 283 yards on 19-of-30 attempts, fired a 60-yard bomb to Antoine Rivera to set up the first score. Following an on-side kick recovery, the Red Flash closed the gap to 38-21 on Little's three-yard TD pass to Ryan Zarnich.

UAlbany then used its ground game to halt any comeback and chew up the clock. Esposito's one-yard sneak capped an eight-play sequence, with McCarty running on five of those plays. In the fourth quarter, Omar Johnson scored on a six-yard blast and freshman fullback Chris Bright reached the end zone on a two-yard run. The Great Danes finished with 334 net rushing yards, the highest figure since 2004.

"It was close to a magnificent day for our special teams and they just couldn't match up upfront with our offensive line," said UAlbany head coach Bob Ford. "The score went higher because we gave up a long pass and then an on-side kick (in the third quarter), so we had to put the game away."

The Great Danes snapped a 7-7 tie in the first quarter when flanker Tim Bush reached paydirt on a 31-yard scoring pass from Esposito. Bush hauled in the throw in the left flat and crossed the goal line courtesy of DeAraujo's downfield block inside the five-yard line.

McCarty scored on a 13-yard run over right guard to hand his team a 21-7 advantage. Daniel Bocanegra's 53-yard punt return, the longest by a UAlbany player since 1999, set up the touchdown. McCarty's 10-yard scoring run completed a seven-play drive in the second quarter. The sophomore tailback drove through a pile of players and into the end zone for his fifth rushing TD of the season. Jason Fralicker's 24-yard fiield goal with 34 seconds left in the quarter gave his team a 31-7 halftime lead.

UAlbany struck first when outside linebacker Trevor DuPont picked off Little's pass in the left flat on the second play of the game and returned it 25 yards for a touchdown. The Red Flash regrouped with a 75-yard march. Little delivered a 43-yard scoring strike to Troy Eison, who got behind the free safety on the left sideline.

"The offensive line had their way and have been getting stronger in every game," said Esposito, whose team had no turnovers for the fourth time this season. "We played well enough to score points, but it was not 100 percent perfect. (David) McCarty is running with confidence. He feels comfortable because he has established himself. It's his position with his ability to run and pass block."

#### #14 BOSTON U. DEFEATS #16 UALBANY 3-1 IN AMERICA EAST FIELD HOCKEY ACTION

Cambridge, Mass. – Suus Dekker converted a penalty stroke at 42:08 to score what would prove to be the gamewinner, giving #14 Boston U. a 3-1 win over #16 UAlbany in America East Conference field hockey action on Saturday afternoon. With the win, the Terriers take over sole possession of first place in the conference with a 4-0 mark in league play. UAlbany is second with a 3-1 record in the conference.

Hadley Adams struck first for Boston U., taking an assist from Pam Spuehler and redirecting the pass inside the right post just six minutes into the game. After Dekker scored on her penalty stroke, Shara Shute gave the Terriers a three-goal advantage a minute later, taking an unassisted shot into the right corner from just inside the circle.

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Freshman Alysia Hough got UAlbany on the board in the final minute of play, redirecting a pass from senior forward Michelle Simpson in front of the cage past Terrier goalkeeper Kim Kastuk.

Boston U. (13-5, AE 4-0) outshot the Great Danes 10-8. The teams each had four penalty corner opportunities. Kastuk finished with zero saves for the Terriers, while UAlbany goalkeeper Ashley Ross made for stops in the cage for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (12-4, AE 3-1) returns to action on Sunday afternoon, hosting non-conference opponent Rutgers at 3 p.m. at Alumni Turf Field.

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UAlbany (12-4, AE 3-1) 0 1 - 1 Boston U. (13-5, AE 4-0) 1 2 - 3

UAlbany: Scoring – Alysia Hough (1-0), Michelle Simpson (0-1). Goalkeeper – Ashley Ross (70:00, 3 GA, 3 saves).

Boston U.: Scoring – Hadley Adams (1-0), Suus Dekker (1-0), Sarah Shute (1-0), Pam Spuehler (0-1). Goalkeeper – Kim Kastuk (70:00, 1 GA, 0 saves).

# **UMBC SNAPS UALBANY'S UNBEATEN STREAK 2-0**

Baltimore, Md. – Chris Williams scored in the 22nd minute as UMBC snapped the UAlbany men's soccer team's three-game unbeaten streak, 2-0, in an America East Conference match at UMBC Soccer Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 20.

Williams headed in a corner kick by Bryan Moffa at the 21:51 mark of the first half to score the only goal the Retrievers would need.

UMBC tacked on a second goal in the 62nd minute as the beneficiary of an own goal by the Great Danes.

UAlbany was outshot in the contest 15-8, including 8-3 in the first half. The Great Danes held a 7-5 advantage in corner kicks, including 5-2 in the second stanza. Sophomore Brian Gordon led the Great Danes with three shots. UAlbany junior goalkeeper Steward Ceus registered eight saves in the match, while Steve King recorded two saves in between the pipes for UMBC (7-4-3, AE 3-1-1).

UAlbany (2-8-3, AE 1-1-2) takes to the road on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at Stony Brook for a 7 p.m. start. -agate-

UAlbany (2-8-3, AE 1-1-2) 0 - 0 UMBC (7-4-3, AE 3-1-1) 1 1 - 2

UAlbany: Scoring - None. Goalkeeping - Steward Ceus (90:00, 2 GA, 8 saves).

UMBC: Scoring – Chris Williams (1-0), Bryan Moffa (0-1), OWN GOAL. Goalkeeping – Steve King (90:00, 0 GA, 2 saves).

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# **VERMONT TAKES 3-1 DECISION OVER UALBANY IN WOMEN'S SOCCER**

Burlington, Vt. – Carson Laderoute tallied a goal and two assists to lead Vermont to a 3-1 win over UAlbany in America East Conference women's soccer action on Thursday, Oct. 18 at Centennial Field. The Great Danes fall to 4-8-3 (AE 1-5), while the Catamounts improve to 2-12-1 (AE 1-4).

Vermont took a 1-0 lead just over four minutes into the contest when Lexie Kaknes found the back of the net on a corner kick. Jessica Becker and Laderoute earned assists on the score. The two squads would combine for 18 shots in the first half, but the Catamounts would settle for just a one-goal lead heading into the second half.

The Catamounts upped their lead to 2-0 in the 54th minute when Laderoute converted a UAlbany turnover into a goal. The Great Danes would cut the deficit in half just under two minutes later when Ashley Tirabassi recorded her second goal of the season, a 25-yard blast to beat Catamount goalkeeper Elisa Bradley. Vermont would add an insurance goal in the 83rd minute when Gabby Bonfigli headed a cross from Jessica Becker to earn the 3-1 victory. Laderoute also earned an assist on the play.

Vermont had a 19-17 advantage in shots taken and had a 5-3 edge in corner kicks. Maria Liguori made four saves in net for the Great Danes, while Bradley made six stops for the Catamounts.

UAlbany will return to America East Conference action on Thursday, Oct. 25 at home against Hartford.

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UAlbany (4-8-3, AE 1-5) 0 1 -- 1 Vermont (2-12-1, AE 1-4) 1 2 -- 3

UAlbany: Scoring- Ashley Tirabassi (1-0); Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00 minutes, 3 GA, 4 saves) Vermont: Scoring- Carson Laderoute (1-2), Lexie Kaknes (1-0), Gabby Bonfigli (1-0), Jessica Becker (0-2), Kaitlin Francis (0-1); Goalkeeping- Elisa Bradley (90:00 minutes, 1 GA, 6 saves).



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#### DILORENZO SCORES TO LEAD UALBANY TO 1-1 TIE WITH BOSTON U.

Albany, N.Y. – Junior captain Erik DiLorenzo headed in a corner kick in the 69th minute to lead the University at Albany men's soccer team to a 1-1 tie with Boston U. in America East Conference action at Varsity Field on Wednesday, Oct. 17. The match marked head coach Johan Aarnio's 200th game of his coaching career.

The Great Danes and the Terriers played a back-and-forth first half to go into intermission deadlocked 0-0. UAlbany had two chances to score in the opening half. Junior Gaby Seguin-Gauthier had an open goal shot turned away by a Boston U. defender in the 17th minute and DiLorenzo sent a free kick from the top of the penalty box just over the crossbar in the 34th minute following a Boston U. foul.

DiLorenzo put the Great Danes on the scoreboard with his second goal of the season on a header from the top of the goal box on a corner kick by Mikael-Taylor McNamara.

The Terriers responded with a goal just over three minutes later on a corner kick of their own. Neil Hlavaty sent a ball into the goal box and Derek Puerta knotted the score at one following a scramble for the ball.

UAlbany was outshot in the contest 17-10, but the Great Danes held a 5-1 advantage in the two overtime periods. The Terriers also held a 9-2 advantage in corner kicks in the match. Junior goalkeeper Steward Ceus posted four saves in goal for UAlbany, while Joe Cullaro made two saves in between the pipes for Boston U. (7-5-1, AE 1-1-1).

UAlbany (2-7-3, AE 1-0-2) returns to action at UMBC on Saturday, Oct. 20 at 1 p.m.

-agate-

Boston U. (7-5-1, AE 1-1-1) 0 1 0 0 - 1 UAlbany (2-7-3, AE 1-0-2) 0 1 0 0 - 1

Boston U.: Scoring – Derek Puerta (1-0). Goalkeeping – Joe Cullaro (110:00, 1 GA, 2 saves). UAlbany: Scoring – Erik DiLorenzo (1-0), Mikael-Taylor McNamara (0-1). Goalkeeping – Steward Ceus (110:00, 1 GA, 4 saves).



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#### JUSTIN GOULET NAMED UALBANY'S ASSISTANT STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Athletic Director and Vice President Lee McElroy announced today the hiring of Justin Goulet as assistant strength and conditioning coach.

Goulet joins the Great Danes after spending 16 months as the head strength and conditioning coach at Division II Merrimack College in Massachusetts. While at Merrimack, he was responsible for the oversight and development of all aspects of the strength and conditioning programs for 16 varsity teams. He administered individualized programs to add student-athletes in the development of strength, speed, power, agility, balance, flexibility and basic nutrition. He was also responsible for managing the strength and conditioning facility, including maintenance of equipment, training of student assistants, scheduling of varsity teams, budgeting, and purchasing of new equipment.

Goulet previously spent three years as the head strength and conditioning coach at Norwich University in Vermont. He also served as the assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of Rhode Island from 2002-03.

A Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist by the NSCA, Goulet earned his B.S. in kinesiology and exercise science from New Hampshire in 2001.

#### **UALBANY NAMES ALISHA HENNET INTRAMURAL AND RECREATION COORDINATOR**

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Athletic Director and Vice President Lee McElroy announced today the hiring of Alisha Hennet as intramural and recreation coordinator.

Hennet, a Guilderland, N.Y. native, comes to UAlbany after two years at Wake Forest University in North Carolina. Hennet was the primary athletic trainer for the Demon Deacons' volleyball and tennis programs, while also serving as the director of nutrition and dietician services for student-athletes. She also served as a health and exercise science tutor for student-athletes studying anatomy, physiology, biomechanics and behavioral sciences.

Hennet previously served as the specialty director and fitness coach at the Guilderland YMCA, and was the aquatics director at Outings at Camp Nassau, also located in Guilderland. Hennet is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association and the National Athletic Training Association.

Hennet earned her B.S. in rehabilitation studies from Springfield College in 2004. She also received a master's in physical therapy from Springfield the following year. Hennet will earn her transitional doctor in physical therapy and sports physical therapy certification from the University of St. Augustine in May 2008.

#### UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY RANKED #16 IN STX/NFHCA DIVISION I NATIONAL COACHES POLL

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany field hockey team is ranked No. 16 in the STX/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll, as announced on Tuesday afternoon. It is the sixth straight week the Great Danes have been nationally ranked.

UAlbany (12-3, AE 3-0) defeated non-conference opponent Cornell, 5-1, on Saturday, Oct. 13. Freshman midfielder Anouk Vandenberg earned America East Conference rookie of the week honors after scoring one goal and adding an assist in the victory. Junior midfielder Michele Polizois scored two goals for the Great Danes in the win.

The Great Danes visit #14 Boston U. in a key conference match-up on Saturday, Oct. 20 at 1 p.m.



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# COWDREY AND STANLEY LEAD UALBANY VOLLEYBALL OVER BINGHAMTON, 3-1

Vestal, N.Y. – Amanda Cowdrey and Brooke Stanley both recorded double-doubles to lead the UAlbany volleyball to a 3-1 win over Binghamton in America East Conference action on Monday evening. Cowdrey finished with a match-high 20 kills to go along with 17 digs while Stanley recorded 48 assists and 10 digs for the Great Danes, who won with scores of 30-23, 28-30, 30-27 and 30-24.

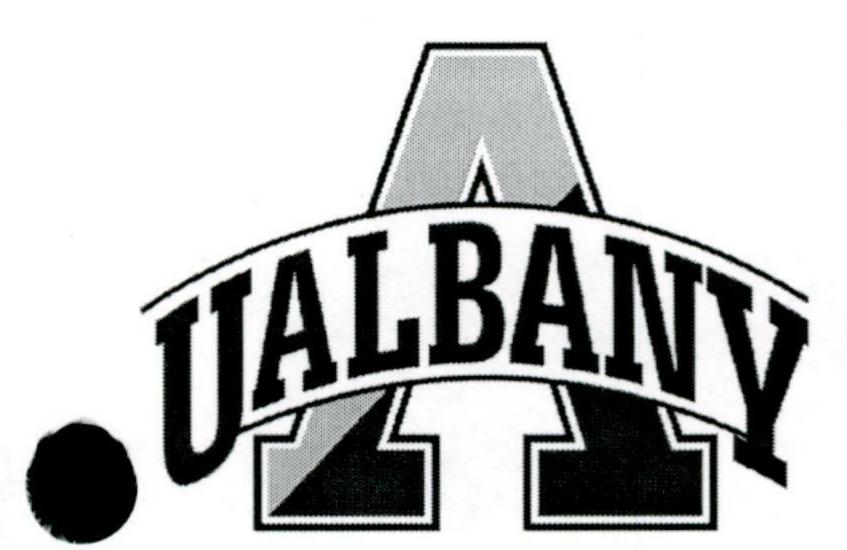
Cowdrey and Stanley also combined for seven service aces in the match for UAlbany. Junior middle blocker Kamisha Kellam finished with double-digit kills, recording16 to go along with five total blocks. Senior middle blocker Ashley Crenshaw, who totaled five block assists, also added 13 kills. Freshman libero Tawny Dahmes led the Great Danes defensively with 18 digs while sophomore outside hitter Kate Eckhardt recorded seven kills, nine digs, six assists, three solo blocks and two service aces.

Binghamton (11-14, AE 3-2), which had not lost on its home court in America East play since 2004, was led by Kathleen Schauer with 16 kills. Michelle McDonough recorded a double-double of the kill-dig variety, tallying 12 kills and 13 digs along with five solo blocks. Jacki Kane, who also finished with five solo blocks, added 10 kills for the Bearcats.

UAlbany (14-7, AE 4-2) will return to action on Sunday, Oct. 21, as they visit crosstown-rival Siena at 4 p.m.

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UAlbany (14-7, AE 4-2) def. Binghamton (11-14, AE 3-2), 3-1 (30-23, 28-30, 30-27, 30-24).



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#### VANDENBERG NAMED AMERICA EAST FIELD HOCKEY ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Cambridge, Mass. – Freshman midfielder Anouk Vandenberg was named the America East Conference Rookie of the Week, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon.

Vandenberg earned her first weekly award of the season after finishing with one goal and two assists in the Great Danes' 5-1 win over non-conference opponent Cornell on Saturday. Vandenberg, who has a teamhigh 10 assists on the season, assisted on both of Michele Polizois' goals in the first half, including the gamewinner just before halftime. She then scored her first collegiate goal to complete scoring in the second half.

UAlbany (12-3, AE 3-0) visits America East rival Boston U. on Saturday at 1 p.m. before hosting non-conference opponent Rutgers on Sunday at 3 p.m.

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# STONY BROOK TOPS UALBANY WOMEN'S SOCCER 1-0

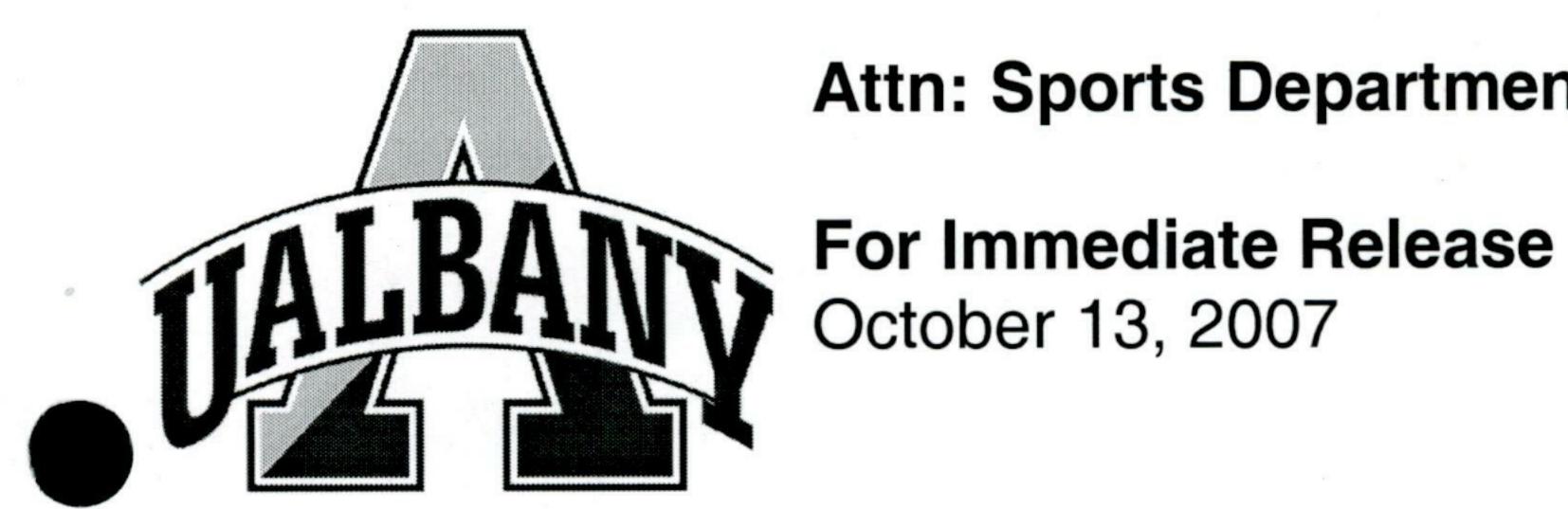
Stony Brook, N.Y. – Trine Allenberg scored in the 86th minute to lead Stony Brook to a 1-0 win over UAlbany in America East Conference women's soccer action on Sunday, Oct. 14 at LaValle Stadium. The loss drops the Great Danes to 4-7-3 (AE 1-4), while the Seawolves improve to 7-2-4 (AE 3-0-1).

Stony Brook had a 17-10 advantage in shots and had a 3-2 edge in cornerkicks. Maria Liguori made nine saves in goal for the Great Danes, while Marisa Viola made seven stops in net for the Seawolves to earn her eighth straight shutout.

UAlbany will return to America East Conference action on Thursday, Oct. 18 at Vermont. Kickoff is set for 3 p.m. -agate-

UAlbany 0 -- 0 Stony Brook 0 1 -- 1

UAlbany: Scoring- None. Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00 minutes, 1 GA, 9 saves) Stony Brook: Scoring- Trine Allenberg (1-0), Kristin Mishrell (0-1); Goalkeeping- Marisa Viola (90:00 minutes, 0 GA, 7 saves).



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# POLIZOIS SCORES TWICE TO LEAD #17 UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY, 5-1, OVER CORNELL

Ithaca, N.Y. - Michelle Polizois scored two first half goals as #17 UAlbany defeated Cornell, 5-1, in nonconference field hockey action on Saturday evening.

Polizois scored her first goal of the game on a corner at 28:49, with assists going to Jess Lindsey and Anouk Vandenberg. The trio teamed up again later in the stanza to give the Great Danes a 2-0 lead going into the halftime break.

Sophomore Nicole Savage added to the UAlbany total on a corner at the 47 minute mark off assists from Lindsey and Vandenberg. Freshman Joanna Irey scored her first collegiate goal at 49:33to give the Great Danes a 4-0 lead off an assist from Michelle Simpson.

Cornell (6-5) broke the shutout at 65:40, as Katie De Stio took an assist from Brenna Gulotta and slipped a shot past UAlbany goalkeeper Ashley Ross. A minute and a half later, Vandenberg gave the Great Danes back their four-goal advantage, scoring an unassisted tally.

Ross finished with four saves in the cage for the Great Danes while Cornell goalkeeper Shannon Prescott made five stops for the Big Red. UAlbany outshot Cornell 15-10 and held a 7-5 advantage in penalty corners.

UAlbany (13-3), which has been ranked in the STX/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll for five straight weeks, has a seven-day layoff before traveling to America East Conference rival Boston U. on Saturday, Oct. 20 at 1 p.m.

-agate-

**UAlbany** (13-3) Cornell (6-5)

UAlbany: Scoring – Michele Polizois (2-0), Nicole Savage (1-0), Joanna Irey (1-0), Anouk Vandenberg (1-2), Jess Lindsey (0-2), Michelle Simpson (0-1). Goalkeeper – Ashley Ross (70:00, 1 GA, 4 saves). Cornell: Scoring – Katie De Stio (1-0), Brenna Gulotta (0-1). Goalkeeper – Shannon Prescott (70:00, 5 GA, 5 saves).

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# Albany 38, Sacred Heart 7

Albany, N.Y. – Quarterback Vinny Esposito passed for two touchdowns and ran for another score as UAlbany opened its Northeast Conference schedule with a 38-7 victory over Sacred Heart on Saturday afternoon at University Field. A homecoming crowd of 6,417 was the fifth-largest in the program's history

Sacred Heart (2-5, NEC 0-3) closed within 14-7 with 55 seconds left in the first half when quarterback Dale Fink hit Steve Tedesco with a seven-yard scoring pass. Senior tailback Jason Payne, who rushed 16 times for 82 yards, had three runs of 10 or more yards during the series that came after a blocked field goal.

UAlbany (3-3, NEC 1-0) then broke the Pioneers' back with a 70-yard touchdown drive just before intermission. Justin Gannon's 17-yard run on third-and-15 from the Great Danes' 39 kept the sequence alive. Esposito, who completed 17 of 27 attempts for 236 yards, then delivered a 44-yard strike to Jason Smith for a 21-7 lead with two seconds remaining. Smith slid behind two Sacred Heart defensive backs and hauled in the throw in the back of the end zone.

"Vinny threw a good ball and they left me by myself," explained Smith, a 6-foot-2 sophomore. "I thought I had a chance to catch it and I was confident that it was going to get there. They focused on Jason Poore coming underneath and I just got behind them."

The Great Danes, who have won seven of nine conference openers since joining the league in 2001, put the game away in the third quarter with a pair of 11-play drives. Esposito reached paydirt untouched on a four-yard option run around left end. Omar Johnson's six-yard blast through the middle handed his team a 35-7 lead with 1:48 left in the period. Tim Bush keyed that offensive series with a 13-yard reverse and a 17-yard reception on back-to-back plays.

"I thought that we were soft on defense and didn't control the line of scrimmage on offense in the first half," said UAlbany coach Bob Ford, whose team has reached the win column in 24 of 35 homecoming games. "We were trying to get the ball down the field and then bang, it's 21-7. That's just a horrible sensation for a team and coaching staff. In the second half, we looked much better and played tougher defense."

UAlbany built a 14-0 lead early in the second quarter. The Great Danes scored on their first possession of the game, as David McCarty scored on a seven-yard run when he cut back to the left. The sophomore tailback finished with 97 yards on the ground, while Gannon ran for 62 on 13 carries. Esposito fired a 24-yard touchdown pass to Bush to cap a 93-yard march. Bush, who had four receptions for 66 yards, caught the ball in the middle of the field and sprinted to his right across the goal line.

Fink connected on 17 of 24 passes for 107 yards, but was sacked six times. UAlbany's Jason Fralicker booted a 39-yard field goal in the final quarter to become the school's all-time leader in that category with 23. The Great Danes balanced the run and pass for a season-high 524 total yards.

"It's good to start out with a win in conference play," said Esposito, who passed for more than 200 yards for the second time this season. "We had some miscues early and didn't exactly send the message we wanted. We were looking to hit a dig (route) on that last play of the half, but I saw him open deep."



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## SIGNORELLI'S 81 LEADS UALBANY AT RUTGERS INVITATIONAL

Piscataway, N.J. – Jessica Signorelli shot an 81 to lead the University at Albany women's golf team in the second round of the Rutgers Invitational at the RU Golf Course on Saturday, Oct. 13. The Great Danes finished the invitational in 16th place with a two-day total of 706.

Signorelli finished in a tie for 39th at 169 as she followed her first round 88 with an 81 in round two. Freshman Corrin Conroy shot an 82 in the second round for a two-day total of 171 and in a tie for 47th. Senior Maggie Taylert finished in a tie for 74th with a 181 after an 89 in the second round and junior Sun Hwa Kim shot a 90 in the second round for a two-round score of 185. Senior Rebecca Lukac rounded out the Great Dane competitors with a final round 95.

UAlbany returns to action at the Fairleigh Dickinson Tournament in Hillsborough, N.J. on Monday, Oct. 22 and Tuesday, Oct. 23.

#### -agate-

#### **TEAM SCORES**

- 1. Bethune-Cookman 318-306 624; 2. Yale 329-304 633; 3. St. John's 337-305 642; 4. Siena 331-314 645; T5. USC Upstate 344-322 666; T5. Rutgers 336-330 666; T5. Bucknell 341-325 666; 8. Lehigh 342-331 673; 9. Central Connecticut St. 343-333 676; T10. Sacred Heart 348-331 679; T10. Fairleigh Dickinson 345-334 679; 12. Boston U. 347-343 690; T13. Hartford 353-339 692; T13. Monmouth 359-333 692;
- 15. St. Francis (PA) 365-333 698; 16. UAlbany 364-342 706; 17. Mount St. Mary's 371-363 734; 18. Hampton 384-357 - 741.

#### INDIVIDUAL SCORES

1.Ellie Brophy (Yale) 76-74 -150; 2. Brittany Lambertson (St. John's) 77-74 - 151; 3. Kim Wong (Bethune-Cookman) 80-74 - 154; T4. Becky Dowell (Bethune-Cookman) 78-79 - 157; T4. Katelynn Mannix (Siena) 81-76 - 157; 6. Emma Tayler (Bethune-Cookman) 83-75 - 158; T7. Lucie Sarochova (Central Conn. St.) 79-80 - 159; T7. Lois Kim (St. John's) 85-74 - 159; T9. Richelle Wedzik (USC Upstate) 83-77 - 160; T9. Rylee Plitz (Monmouth) 82-78 - 160; T9. Katie Jurenovich (Bucknell) 83-77 - 160; T9. Fern Grimshaw (Bethune-Cookman) 78-82 - 160; T9. Harriet Owers-Bradle (Yale) 84-76 - 160; T9. Maria Garrido (Bethune-Cookman) 82-78 - 160.

#### **UALBANY SCORES**

T39. Jessica Signorelli 88-81 - 169; T47. Corrin Conroy 89-82 - 171; T74. Maggie Taylert 92-89 -181; T82. Sun Hwa Kim 95-90 - 185; 97. Rebecca Lukac 111-95 - 206.

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#### ESTREMERA FINISHES SECOND OVERALL AT 41ST ANNUAL UALBANY X-COUNTRY INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – Ricardo Estremera finished second overall in a personal best time of 24:49.2 over the 8,000-meter course to lead the Great Danes at the 41st Annual UAlbany Invitational on Saturday afternoon. Laura Cummings was the top finisher for the UAlbany women, placing 16th overall in a time of 18:13.4 on the 5,000-meter women's course. The Great Danes placed eighth in the team standings in the men's competition, while the women were 10th as a team. Harvard took both team titles.

David Raucci of Marist was the individual winner for the men, covering the 8,000m in 24:41.8. Harvard's Brian Holmquest (24:53.4), Andrew Lipkin (25:00.0) and Chas Gillespie (25:06.7) took the third, fourth and fifth spots to round out the top five.

"The course was wet, but everyone did a great job getting it prepared and being organized," said Estremera, who posted the top finish for a Great Dane runner since 2001, when UAlbany's Jamie Rodriguez was the individual champion. "It was a harder course than in the past, but I knew I had to give it all I could. It was my best race ever – I have never broken 25:00 in an 8,000m race, so I am very happy with my performance."

Brian Yerkewecz finished 10th overall for UAlbany in a time of 25:39.3. John Moore (52nd, 26:35.2), David Rothman (70th, 26:59.1) and Jon Hilbert (78th, 27:07.2) wrapped up the top five finishers for the Great Danes.

Christina DeRosa of Massachusetts led the women's field with a time of 17:21.7. Smita Gupta (17:22.2) and Arielle Wright (17:31.1) took the next two spots for Brown while Jamie Olson (17:41.2) and Claire Richardson (17:41.3), both of Harvard, rounded out the top five.

Freshman Kristine Mun was the second finisher for UAlbany with a time of 18:33.4, placing her 26th individually. Jessica Chichester (18:58.3) was 55th overall while Danielle Trimpop (98th, 20:01.8) and Aly Panos (102nd, 20:03.0) finished out the top five for the Great Danes.

"There was a lot of good competition in the field," said Cummings, who was competing in her first UAlbany Invitational. "The course was great."

In the Men's Purple race, Adam Daoud finished first in a time of 26:32.7 over 8,000m to lead Harvard to a first-place team finish. Meghan Houser (18:23.1) and Meghan Cleary (18:43.2) placed first and third in the Women's Gold race to lead the Crimson to their fourth team title of the day.

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# 41st Annual UAlbany Invitational

# R.K. Munsey Men's Championship (8,000 meters)

Team Scores: 1. Harvard (38), 2. RIT (140), 3. Massachusetts (152), 4. Hofstra (153), 5. Brandeis (180), 6. Marist (181), 7. Middlebury (195), 8. UAlbany (212), 9. Colgate (223), 10. Canisius (257), 11. Northeastern (264), 12. Wagner (302), 13. Adelphi (311), 14. Springfield (358), 15. Delhi (422), 16. Ramapo (442), 17. Siena (505), 18. UMass Dartmouth (528), 19. Binghamton (559), 20. St. Thomas Aquinas (580), 21. Long Island (660), 22. Paul Smith (688), 23. Clarkson (708), 24. St. Bonaventure (709), 25. Mercy (785), 26. Molloy (789). Individual: 1. David Raucci (Marist), 24:41.8, 2. Ricardo Estremera (UAlbany), 24:49.2, 3. Brian Holmquest (Harvard), 24:53.4, 4. Andrew Lipkin (Harvard), 25:00.0, 5. Chas Gillespie (Harvard), 25:06.7, 6. Lyle Tolli (Colgate) 25:09.5, 7. Dan Chenoweth (Harvard), 25:11.7, 8. Jared Burdick (RIT), 25:14.6, 9. Erik van Ingen (Canisius), 25:21.7, 10. Brian Yurkewecz (UAlbany), 25:29.3.

**UAlbany Finishers:** 52. John Moore (26:35.2), 70. David Rothman (26:59.1), 78. Jon Hilbert (27:07.2), 90. Chris Jimenez (27:23.5), 106. Joe Belokopitsky (27:47.0).

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Bobbi Palma Women's Championship (5,000 meters)

**Team Scores:** 1. Harvard (42), 2. Brown (52), 3. Colgate (89), 4. Massachusetts (141), 5. Binghamton (172), 6. Middlebury (185), 7. Northeastern (231), 8. Hofstra (242), 9. Marist (290), 10. UAlbany (297), 11. Canisius (331), 12. Rhode Island (336), 13. Springfield (369), 14. Siena (396), 15. Adelphi (432), 16. Brandeis (436), 17. Wagner (448), 18. RIT (504), 19. Saint Rose (548), 20. Ramapo (593), 21. Long Island (673), 22. St. Bonaventure (701), 23. Clarkson (754), 24. St. Francis (764), 25. Hudson Valley (806), 26. Lehman (831), 27. Molloy (856), 28. Herkimer (863), 29. St. Thomas Aquinas (890).

Individual: 1. Christina DeRosa (Massachusetts), 17:21.7, 2. Smita Gupta (Brown), 17:22.2, 3. Arielle Wright (Brown), 17:31.1, 4. Jamie Olson (Harvard), 17:41.2, 5. Claire Richardson (Harvard), 17:41.3, 6. Alexandra Kreig (Middlebury), 17:44.5, 7. Stacey Marion (Colgate), 17:45.3, 8. Eliza Ives (Harvard), 17:52.1, 9. Elizabeth Kennedy (Colgate), 17:54.2, 10. Ashley Horton (Binghamton), 17:55.0.

**UAlbany Finishers:** 16. Laura Cummings (18:13.4), 26. Kristine Mun (18:33.4), 55. Jessica Chichester (18:58.3), 98. Danielle Trimpop (20:01.8), 102. Ally Panos (20:03.0), 136. Tashia Alexander (21:01.4), 154. Briana McNamee (21:55.2).

# Men's Purple Race (8,000 meters)

**Team Scores:** 1. Harvard (5), 2. Middlebury (46), 3. Marist (88), 4. Vassar (127), 5. Delhi (133), 6. Suffolk C.C. (155), 7. Springfield (162), 8. Siena (227), 9. Clarkson (280).

Individual: 1. Adam Daoud (Harvard), 26:32.7, 2. Bobby Kenney (Harvard), 26:47.8, 3. Dan Emont (Harvard), 26:54.6, 4. Mark Hirschboeck (Harvard), 26:56.5, 5. Tom Hutchinson (Harvard), 26:59.6, 6. Peter Hoffman (Middlebury), 27:03.9, 7. Alex Brenner (Harvard), 27:14.1, 8. Dan Kaufman (Middlebury), 27:19.0, 9. Jack Terrett (Middlebury), 27:22.7, 10. Robert Schaaf (Harvard), 27:29.7.

# Women's Gold Race (5,000 meters)

**Team Scores:** 1. Harvard (19), 2. Middlebury (40), 3. Northeastern (125), 4. Suffolk (130), 5. Adelphi (152), 6. Marist (153), 7. Delhi (167), 8. Siena (193), 9. Springfield (223), 10. Ramapo (252).

Individual: 1. Meghan Houser (Harvard), 18:23.1, 2. Sophia Spring (Middlebury), 18:37.6, 3. Meghan Cleary (Harvard), 18:43.2, 4. Thea Lee (Harvard) 18:56.0, 5. Brendan Cohen (Harvard), 19:09.1, 6. Alison Liewer (Harvard), 19:15.6, 7. Tara Doyle (Middlebury), 19:22.3, 8. Meredith MacGregor (Harvard), 19:23.7, 9. Ellie Buechner (Middlebury), 19:26.0, 10. Sarah Norton (Middlebury), 19:30.6.

#### UALBANY TIES NEW HAMPSHIRE 0-0 IN AMERICA EAST HOME OPENER

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany tied New Hampshire, 0-0, in double overtime in America East Conference men's soccer action at Varsity Field on Saturday, Oct. 13.

After a back-and-forth first half, the two teams went into intermission knotted at zero. The second half was much of the same and forced overtime. The two overtime periods did not produce a goal, despite chances for both teams. The biggest threat the Great Danes could muster was a shot by junior Don Johnson on a breakaway late in the first overtime period.

UAlbany outshot the Wildcats 15-14 in the contest, including a 3-2 advantage in the two overtime periods. New Hampshire registered 9-2 advantage in corner kicks, but the Great Danes kept the Wildcats off the scoreboard.

Reigning conference co-player of the week Steward Ceus made four saves in goal for UAlbany, while Mike Jenne recorded two saves in net for New Hampshire (3-4-5, AE 0-1-2).

UAlbany (2-7-2, AE 1-0-1) returns to action at home on Wednesday, Oct. 17 at 4 p.m. against Boston U.

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New Hampshire (3-4-5, AE 0-1-2) 0 0 0 0 - 0 UAlbany (2-7-2, AE 1-0-1) 0 0 0 0 - 0

New Hampshire: Scoring – None. Goalkeeping – Mike Jenne (110:00, 0 GA, 2 saves). UAlbany: Scoring – None. Goalkeeping – Steward Ceus (110:00, 0 GA, 4 saves).



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# **UALBANY VOLLEYBALL FALLS TO UMBC, 3-2, IN A-EAST CONFERENCE ACTION**

Baltimore, Md. – Ashley Oscars recorded a match-high 24 kills to go along with 11 digs to lead UMBC to a 3-2 win over UAlbany in America East Conference volleyball action on Friday afternoon. The Retrievers defeated the Great Danes with scores of 24-30, 32-30, 21-30, 30-27 and 15-11.

UAlbany freshman outside hitter Amanda Cowdrey led UAlbany with her 12th double-double of the season, recording a team-high 18 kills and 18 digs. Junior middle blocker Kamisha Kellam finished with 16 kills while Valerie Sourbeer and Ashley Crenshaw added 16 and 11 kills, respectively. Freshman setter Brooke Stanley tallied 61 assists and completed her ninth double-double of the season with 17 digs. Freshman libero Tawny Dahmes led the Great Danes defensively with 28 digs.

UMBC (19-5, AE 4-1) received 14 kills and 18 digs from Sabrina Hoeks, while Bridget Scheetz added 14 kills with a .444 hitting percentage. Tiffany Johnson also finished in double-digits, recording 12 kills and six block assists. Bianca Sande led the Retrievers defensively with 19 digs, while setter Kira Giles added 68 assists and 18 digs.

UAlbany (13-7, AE 3-2) will return to action on Monday, continuing America East Conference play on the road at Binghamton at 7 p.m.

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UMBC (19-5, AE 4-1) def. UAlbany (13-7, AE 3-2), 3-2 (24-30, 32-30, 21-30, 30-27, 15-11).

#### SIGNORELLI SHOOTS OPENING ROUND 88 AT RUTGERS INVITATIONAL

Piscataway, N.J. – University at Albany's Jessica Signorelli shot an opening-round 88 to lead her team on the first day of the Rutgers Invitational at the RU Golf Course on Friday afternoon. The Great Danes are in 14th place after the first round with a team score of 364.

Signorelli was followed in scoring by freshman Corrin Conroy's round of 89. Senior Maggie Taylert shot a 92 and junior Sun Hwa Kim fired an opening-round total 95 to round out the top-four scorers for UAlbany. Senior Rebecca Lukac shot a 111 to close out scoring for the Great Danes.

The second round of the Rutgers Invitational takes place on Saturday.

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**UAlbany Scores** 

Jessica Signorelli – 88; Corrin Conroy – 89; Maggie Taylert – 92; Sun Hwa Kim – 95; Rebecca Lukac – 111.

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# TIRABASSI, BORING LEAD UALBANY TO FIRST-EVER WIN OVER BINGHAMTON

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore Ashley Tirabassi tallied her first goal of the season and freshman Teresa Boring scored her conference-high eighth to lead UAlbany to its first-ever win over Binghamton, 3-1, in America East Conference women's soccer action on Thursday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Great Danes snapped an 11-game losing streak to the Bearcats.

The Great Danes took a 1-0 lead with 25:33 to play in the first half when Alicia Gibson sent a free kick from the left of the goal into the box that found its way through a string of Binghamton defenders to Tirabassi at the top of the box. Tirabassi sent a shot that struck the crossbar and fell in behind Bearcat keeper Erin Iman for the goal. UAlbany would take the one-goal lead into the intermission.

Boring scored what would stand as the game-winner with 41:20 left to play in the second half when she took an Uju Ogbuawa feed and beat a pair of Binghamton defenders for the score. The Bearcats fought back to tally just over two minutes later to make the score 2-1 on an Amanda Casares shot that beat UAlbany goalie Maria Liguori high and to the left. The Great Danes added an insurance goal in the 82nd minute from Caitlin Mulligan when her shot from 30 yards out slipped through Iman's hands.

UAlbany outshot Binghamton (2-9-2, AE 1-3) 14-11 in the contest. Liguori made six saves in goal for UAlbany, while Iman stopped six shots for Binghamton.

UAlbany (4-6-3, AE 1-3) will return to America East Conference action on Sunday, Oct. 14 at Stony Brook.

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UAlbany: Scoring- Ashley Tirabassi (1-0), Teresa Boring (1-0), Caitlin Mulligan (1-0), Uju Ogbuawa (0-1), Alicia Gibson (0-1); Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00 minutes, 1 GA, 6 saves) Binghamton: Scoring- Amanda Casares (1-0); Goalkeeping- Erin Iman (90:00 minutes, 3 GA, 6 saves).

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# PRESEASON PRACTICE FOR UALBANY BASKETBALL TEAMS BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

Albany, N.Y. – Preseason practice for the University at Albany men's and women's basketball teams begins this weekend as the programs prepare for their seventh season as America East Conference members. The men will conduct their first practice on Friday, Oct. 12 at 7:00 p.m. in SEFCU Arena. The UAlbany women will take the floor the following day in University Gymnasium for the first time at 1:00 p.m.

The Great Danes captured their second consecutive America East Conference championship and NCAA Tournament berth last season. UAlbany posted a 23-10 record, the first back-to-back 20-win campaigns in 17 years. Brent Wilson, a 6-foot-8 senior, is one of three returning starters. Wilson, who earned third-team all-conference honors, averaged 11.0 points and 5.0 rebounds, plus led the team in three-point field goals with 71. Brian Lillis, a 6'5" senior, was named the America East's defensive player of the year. He contributed 6.9 points and 4.9 rebounds.

UAlbany opens its schedule with a pair of non-league road games against Bucknell (Nov. 10) and Central Connecticut State (Nov. 14). The Great Danes meet Columbia in their SEFCU Arena debut on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 7:00 p.m.

UAlbany's women's team has a strong nucleus returning from a group that took perennial America East power Hartford to the wire in last year's tournament quarterfinals. Kristin Higy, a 6-foot-1 senior, scored in double figures at 10.4 points per game and led the squad in rebounding (6.2 pg). Gia Sanders, a member of the conference's all-defensive team, added 6.3 points and 5.8 rebounds, and was one of the league's top shot-blockers with 51. Senior Sherri Mikus (9.3 ppg) and sophomore Britney McGee (8.4 ppg) provide scoring punch from the backcourt.

The Great Danes begin on the road at NIT Participant Indiana on Friday, Nov. 9. UAlbany faces Colgate in the home opener at SEFCU Arena on Thursday, Nov. 15 at 7:00 p.m.

#### INDIVIDUAL HOME GAME BASKETBALL TICKETS GO ON SALE ON TUESDAY, OCT. 16

Albany, N.Y. – Vice President and Director of Athletics Lee McElroy announced today that the University at Albany will begin the sale of individual home game tickets for the 2007-08 men's and women's basketball season on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 9:00 a.m. Tickets will be available by calling 518-442-4683. The Physical Education Building's Ticket Office will be open from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Individual tickets are \$10.00 for reserved seats. Children (12 & under) can purchase the same ticket for \$1.00. Season tickets are currently available for reserved seating only and are priced at \$100.00. Reserved season tickets for children are \$30.00. Season parking passes (SEFCU Arena Lot) are on sale for \$50.

### **UALBANY TO HOST 41ST ANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL**

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany will host its 41st Annual Cross Country Invitational on the campus course this Saturday, Oct. 13. The R.K. Munsey Men's Championship Race, an 8,000-meter course, starts at 10:45 a.m. The Bobbi Palma Women's Championship Race, a 5,000-meter event, begins at 11:30 a.m.

# **UAlbany 2-2-2**

This year's field includes 33 men's teams and 34 women's teams, including Capital Region schools Siena and Saint Rose. New Hampshire won the men's team competition for the second consecutive year in 2006. On the women's side, Guelph University captured the team title at last year's UAlbany Invitational.

New Hampshire senior Catherine Parker returns to defend her women's championship, while Colgate's Mike Hanlon won the men's title in 2006 in a course record-setting time of 24:23.8.

Senior Ricardo Estremera, the Great Danes' top finisher in all four meets this year, including wins at the Monmouth Kickoff Classic on Sept. 1 and Stony Brook's Seawolves Invitational on Sept. 7, looks to improve upon last year's ninth-place finish at the UAlbany Invitational.

Junior Laura Cummings has paced the Great Danes to top-10 finishes in all four events this season. Cummings has been among the top four in three races in her first season with the UAlbany program after transferring from North Carolina.

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## **41st UAlbany Cross Country Invitational**

Schedule of Events (Campus Course)

10:00 a.m. - Men's Purple 8K Race

10:45 a.m. – R.K. Munsey Men's Championship 8K Race

11:30 a.m. – Bobbi Palma Women's Championship 5K Race

12:00 p.m. – Women's Gold 5K Race



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### **WELTMAN LEADS UALBANY TO 7-0 SWEEP OVER UNION**

Albany, N.Y. – Kim Weltman earned a win in No. 1 doubles and No. 2 singles to lead the UAlbany women's tennis team to a 7-0 victory over Union on Tuesday afternoon at University Bubble. Weltman won her No. 2 singles match in straight sets over Roni Brumberger (6-2, 6-0) and then paired up with Amanda Hall for an 8-1 win over Hallie Mabrey and Jessica Meola.

In other singles action, Susan Ma defeated Mabrey in No. 1 singles (6-4, 6-2), Aimee Kern took the win in No. 3 singles over Kathleen Rucci (6-0, 6-3), and Charlotte Tatler earned a 6-0, 6-0 win over Meola at the No. 4 singles spot. Caitlin Crowley beat Marla Feldman (8-6) at No. 5 singles and Melissa Coughlin won at No. 6 singles over Libby Johnson (8-3).

At No. 2 doubles, Ma and Tatler defeated Brumberger and Rucci (8-2), and Crowley Kern completed the sweep for the Great Danes, beating Johnson and Feldman (8-1).

UAlbany (2-0) will next play in the ITA Regional Championships Oct. 18-19 in Norfolk, Va. -agate-

# Doubles:

- I. Hall/Weltman (UAlbany) def. Mabrey/Meola (Union), 8-1
- 2. Ma/Tatler (UAlbany) def. Brumberger/Rucci (Union), 8-2
- 3. Kern/Crowley (UAlbany) def. Johnson/Feldman (Union), 8-1

### Singles:

- 1. Ma (UAlbany) def. Mabrey (Union), 6-4, 6-2
- 2. Weltman (UAlbany) def. Brumberger (Union), 6-2, 6-0
- 3. Kern (UAlbany) def. Rucci (Union), 6-0, 6-3
- 4. Tatler (UAlbany) def. Meola (Union), 6-0, 6-0
- 5. Crowley (UAlbany) def. Feldman (Union), 8-6
- 6. Coughlin (UAlbany) def. Johnson (Union), 8-3

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#### UALBANY ATHLETICS SET FOR HOMECOMING AND FAMILY WEEKEND ON OCT. 12-14

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany will celebrate its Homecoming and Family Weekend on Oct. 12-14. The festivities begin with the 24th annual Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony on Friday evening. Alan Cornfield '85, lacrosse (posthumously); Mike Grever '99, football; and Kelly Poynton '99, softball, will be enshrined into the Athletic Hall of Fame.

Saturday's athletic schedule includes the homecoming football game with Northeast Conference opponent Sacred Heart at 4:00 p.m. The contest will be televised on Time Warner Cable (TW3) in the Capital Region. SEFCU will sponsor a fireworks display following the game.

The 41st annual UAlbany Cross Country Invitational will be held on the campus course, with more than 20 men's and women's teams competing. The men's championship 8,000-meter race begins at 10:45 a.m., while the women's championship 5,000-meter race follows at 11:30 a.m.

UAlbany's men's basketball program will conduct its Purple & Gold scrimmage at 1:30 p.m. in the SEFCU Arena. The Great Danes have made two consecutive NCAA appearances after winning the America East Conference championship. In addition, men's soccer is home at Varsity Field against conference-rival New Hampshire at 1:00 p.m.

## 2007 University at Albany Homecoming Schedule

Friday, Oct. 12

7:00 p.m., 24th Annual Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner and Induction Ceremony (SEFCU Arena Hall of Fame Room)

Saturday, Oct. 13

SEFCU Arena Parking Lot Opens (\$5.00)

10:00 a.m., 41st UAlbany Cross Country Invitational - Campus Course (free)

1:00 p.m., Men's Soccer vs. New Hampshire – Varsity Field (free)

1:30 p.m., Men's Basketball – Purple & Gold Scrimmage – SEFCU Arena (free)

2:00-4:00 p.m., Touchdown Tailgate - SEFCU Arena Parking Lot (free)

Band – Hair of the Dog

Family Fun Zone

2:30 p.m., Football Box Office Opens and Gates to University Field Open

4:00 p.m., Football vs. Sacred Heart - University Field

Admission – Adults \$8.00, Children \$1.00 (under 12)

SEFCU Fireworks Following Game

#### AMANDA COWDREY EARNS AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE ROOKIE OF THE WEEK HONORS

Cambridge, Mass. - University at Albany freshman outside hitter Amanda Cowdrey earned her third America East Conference Rookie of the Week award of the season as announced by the conference office on Tuesday afternoon.

Cowdrey averaged a team-high 3.38 kills per game and was second with 3.38 digs per game in leading the Great Danes to an America East split last week. The rookie recorded her 11th double-double of the season in a 3-2 loss to New Hampshire on Friday, finishing with a team-high 15 kills and 18 digs. Cowdrey, a native of Brampton, Ontario, finished with 12 kills and nine digs in a 3-0 win over Maine, while also finishing with five service aces against the Black Bears. Cowdrey's average of 0.62 service aces per game last week put her fourth in the conference.

UAlbany (13-6, AE 3-1) will hit the road for its only match of the week on Friday, a 4 p.m. contest at UMBC.

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### STEWARD CEUS NAMED AMERICA EAST CO-PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Cambridge, Mass. - University at Albany junior goalkeeper Steward Ceus was named the America East Conference Men's Soccer co-Player of the Week, as announced by the conference office on Tuesday afternoon.

Ceus recorded nine saves in posting his first shutout of the season in UAlbany's 1-0 double overtime victory at Vermont on Saturday, Oct. 6. For the season, Ceus has a 1.99 goals against average and is tied for first in the conference with 52 saves, while playing every minute in goal for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (2-7-1, AE 1-0) returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 13 as they host conference opponent New Hampshire at 1 p.m. as part of Homecoming and Family Weekend.

### **UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY RANKED #17 ON STX/NFHCA DIVISION I NATIONAL COACHES POLL**

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany field hockey team is ranked #17 in the STX/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll, as announced on Tuesday afternoon. It is the fifth-straight week the Great Danes have been nationally ranked.

UAlbany (11-3, AE 3-0) were undefeated in two games last week. The Great Danes continued America East Conference play with a 1-0 win over Vermont on Saturday before defeating Fairfield, 3-0, at home on Sunday. Sophomore defender Jess Lindsey scored two goals and recorded an assist in the two victories, while junior goalkeeper Ashley Ross earned her fifth solo shutout of the season in the blanking of Vermont.

The Great Danes will take a break from conference play as they travel to Cornell on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.



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#### UALBANY'S RASHAD BARKSDALE MAKES HISTORY IN NFL'S CHIEFS-JAGUARS GAME

Kansas City, Mo. – Former University at Albany football standout Rashad Barksdale made history in Sunday's National Football League game between the Kansas City Chiefs and the Jacksonville Jaguars. Barksdale became the first UAlbany player to appear in an NFL regular-season game when he took the field on special teams for the opening kickoff. He also played on the punt cover and punt return units and made a fourth-quarter tackle with 6:08 remaining.

"When I first stepped onto the field it was the first play of the game," said Barksdale, whose team fell to Jacksonville, 17-7, at Kansas City's Arrowhead Stadium. "The crowd was really into it and it was so loud ... a great experience."

Barksdale, a native of Hudson, N.Y. who had been on the inactive list for the Chiefs' opening four games, was added to Kansas City's 53-man roster in early September. He was selected in the 2007 NFL Draft by the Philadelphia Eagles in the sixth round. The Eagles released him at the end of the preseason to get down to their final roster before Kansas City claimed him off waivers.

"I have come a long way to get where I am right now," offered Barksdale, who came to the UAlbany program as a walk-on in the summer of 2006 after playing two years on the school's baseball team. "The UAlbany football program has done the same where they actually have now had someone play in a real NFL game. I have never been able to say, I was the first to do something, but that all changed today."

Barksdale earned honorable mention Football Gazette mid-major All-America and All-Northeast Region honors as a senior cornerback in leading the Great Danes to a 7-4 record last season. Barksdale, who not played football since high school, totaled 37 tackles, three interceptions and three pass break-ups as a collegian.

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#### ECKHARDT LEADS UALBANY VOLLEYBALL TO 3-0 SWEEP OF MAINE IN A-EAST ACTION

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore outside hitter Kate Eckhardt recorded a career-high 13 kills and completed her first career double-double with 13 digs to lead the UAlbany volleyball team to a 3-0 sweep of Maine in America East Conference action in University Gymnasium on Sunday afternoon. The Great Danes won with scores of 30-14, 30-19 and 30-19.

Freshman outside hitter Amanda Cowdrey also finished with double-digit kills, tallying 12 to go along with nine digs and five service aces. Sophomore outside hitter Valerie Sourbeer finished with double-digit kills for the third straight match, recording 11 to go with a .455 hitting percentage. Freshman setter Brooke Stanley notched a match-high 43 assists and nine digs.

Maine was led by middle hitter Amy Lawson, who finished with 11 kills. Emily Root led the Black Bears defensively with 15 digs while Lindsay Allman added 12 digs and eight kills. Paige Tortorello recorded 17 assists for Maine (1-15, AE 0-4).

UAlbany (13-6, AE 3-1) hit the road for a five-game stretch, visiting UMBC no Friday, Oct. 12 at 4 p.m. -agate-

UAlbany (13-6, AE 3-1) def. Maine (1-15, AE 0-4), 3-0 (30-14, 30-19, 30-19).

#### **JESS LINDSEY RECORDS GOAL AND ASSIST IN 3-0 UALBANY WIN**

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore defender Jess Lindsey recorded a goal and an assist to lead No. 16 UAlbany to a 3-0 win in America East Conference field hockey action at Alumni Turf Field on Sunday, Oct. 7.

Lindsey tallied the first goal of the game just over two and a half minutes into the contest as she redirected a shot by junior Michele Polizois off a penalty corner.

The Great Danes scored their second goal of the game in the 27th minute off another penalty corner. Freshman Sam Daly registered the goal off assists from Lindsey and freshman Anouk Vandenberg.

UAlbany scored its third goal off a scramble in front of the cage by freshman Chelsea Neff at the 59:03 mark.

The Great Danes outshot the Stags 19-2, including a 13-0 margin in the second half, and had an 18-1 advantage in penalty corners. UAlbany junior goalkeeper Ashley Ross made one save in the first half before giving way to freshman Christine Hoffman, who did not need to make a save in her 35 minutes of action. Elizabeth Thomas made seven saves in goal for Fairfield (2-11, AE 0-3).

UAlbany (11-3, AE 3-0) returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 13 at Cornell at 7:30 p.m.

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Fairfield (2-11, AE 0-3) 0 - 0 UAlbany (11-3, AE 3-0) 2 1 - 3

Fairfield: Scoring - None. Goalkeeping - Elizabeth Thomas (70:00, 3 GA, 7 saves).

UAlbany: Scoring – Jess Lindsey (1-1), Sam Daly (1-0), Chelsea Neff (1-0), Michele Polizois (0-1), Anouk Vandenberg (0-1). Goalkeeping – Ashley Ross (35:00, 0 GA, 1 save), Christine Hoffman (35:00, 0 GA, 0 saves).

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#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE DOWNS UALBANY 3-0 IN WOMEN'S SOCCER**

Durham, N.H. – Julie O'Shaughnessy had a goal and an assist to lead New Hampshire to a 3-0 America East Conference win in women's soccer action on Sunday Oct. 7 at Lewis Fields.

Michelle Sheehan gave the Wildcats a 1-0 lead in the 34th minute when she lobbed a shot over Great Danes keeper Maria Liguori. O'Shaughnessy and Caitlin Whelan were credited with the assists.

UNH (7-4-1, AE 3-0) would add a pair on insurance goals in the second half. O'Shaughnessy tallied off of a rebound in the 57th minute and Shaunna Kaplan scored an unassisted goal with just under 13 minutes to play in the game to seal the victory.

Liguori made 10 saves in goal for UAlbany, while Nikki Golding stopped six shots in for UNH in the shutout.

UAlbany (3-6-3, AE 0-3) will return to America East Conference action on Thursday Oct.11 when they host Binghamton at 3 p.m.

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UAlbany	0	0	0
UNH	1	2	3

UAlbany: Scoring- None; Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00 minutes, 3 GA, 10 saves)
New Hampshire: Scoring- Michelle Sheehan (1-0), Julie O'Shaughnessy (1-1), Shaunna Kaplan (1-0), Caitlin Whelan (0-1); Goalkeeping- Nikki Golding (90:00 minutes, 0 GA, 6 saves).

# College Football - October 6, 2007

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## Albany 24, Stony Brook 23

Albany, N.Y. – Jason Fralicker booted a 17-yard field goal with nine seconds remaining to lift UAlbany to a 24-23 victory over Stony Brook in a non-conference matchup on Saturday evening at University Field. The game was delayed twice for a combined one hour and 38 minutes due to lightning and thunderstorms.

Stony Brook (3-3) rallied from a 21-6 deficit in the third quarter behind the play of wide receiver Lynell Suggs, who hauled in a career-high 13 passes for 200 yards. Quarterback Josh Dudash hooked up with Suggs on a 69-yard scoring strike down the left sideline to begin the comeback. Dudash, who completed 20 of 32 passes, then engineered a 14-play, 86-yard drive on his team's next possession. He found Dwayne Eley in the right flat to the UAlbany two-yard line for a first down. But Eley fumbled while fighting for more yardage and Suggs recovered the loose ball in the end zone for a touchdown. Dudash then hit Suggs on a slant pattern for the two-point conversion and a 21-21 tie.

The Seawolves, who had won the last two meetings in this series based partly on UAlbany turnovers, used a safety to take the lead with 11:36 remaining in the final quarter. Dan Archer's snap went over punter Chris Lynch's head and out of the end zone for a 23-21 lead.

After the teams traded a series of punts, UAlbany took possession with 3:29 left and marched 79 yards in 15 plays for the winning field goal. Quarterback Vinny Esposito, who connected on 14 of 23 attempts for 155 yards, made a pair of successful third-down throws to keep the sequence alive. He hit flanker Daniel Bocanegra with a 17-yard pass to the Stony Brook 16. Sophomore tailback Dave McCarty then rumbled inside the five on a 14-yard run to set up Fralicker's winning kick.

"There was point in that game where we looked in control," said UAlbany coach Bob Ford, who was coaching against Chuck Priore, a former Great Dane player and assistant. "There were peaks and valleys, but good teams find a way to win. The offense put it together when they absolutely needed to."

UAlbany (2-3) took a 7-0 lead on its opening drive when Esposito scored on a one-yard sneak. The sophomore tossed a 15-yard completion to McCarty in a third-down situation and later scrambled seven yards for a first down. The Great Danes, who were coming off a loss to nationally-ranked Montana two weeks ago, moved out to a 14-3 lead in the same period when McCarty burst through the middle and broke two tackles en route to an 18-yard TD scamper. The touchdown was set up by linebacker Mark Peretore's fumble recovery.

Stony Brook closed within 14-6 at halftime on Luke Gaddis' second field goal of the half, a 23-yarder with 8:45 left in the period. UAlbany built its 15-point lead on the first series of the third quarter. McCarty, who rushed 18 times for a career-high 157 yards, reached paydirt on a 46-yard dash over the left side.

"I have never really kicked a (winning) field goal in my life," offered Fralicker, who tied the school's record with his 22nd career field goal. "It's never easy to make one of those and Chris (Lynch) made an amazing hold of the (high) snap."

Stony Brook's Conte Cuttino led all rushers with 204 yards on 34 carries, including a 63-yard scamper that produced his team's first field goal. The Seawolves, who are playing as an independent this season, will join the Big South Conference in 2008.

"We were pretty excited to get a chance (at the end)," explained Esposito, whose 69-yard scoring pass to Mike Wall in the fourth quarter was wiped out by a holding call. "This was a big win because we needed some momentum going into the conference schedule. This is where the season starts for us."



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#### SAVAGE SCORES IN FIFTH STRAIGHT GAME TO LEAD UALBANY PAST VERMONT 1-0

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore Nicole Savage scored in the 50th minute to lead the No. 16-ranked UAlbany field hockey team to a 1-0 victory over Vermont on Saturday afternoon at Alumni Turf Field.

Savage scored off a penalty corner for the Great Danes to tally a goal in her fifth consecutive contest. Freshman Anouk Vandenberg and sophomore Jess Lindsey were credited with assists on the goal.

The Great Danes outshot the Catamounts 7-5 in the contest and held a 6-3 advantage in penalty corners. Junior goalkeeper Ashley Ross recorded three saves to register her fifth shut-out of the season, while Kristen Heavens made five saves in goal for Vermont (8-5, AE 1-1).

UAlbany (10-3, AE 2-0) returns to action on Sunday, Oct. 7 at 3 p.m. against America East Conference foe Fairfield.

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Vermont (8-5, AE 1-1)	0	0	-	0
UAlbany (10-3, AE 2-0)	0	1	-	1
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Vermont: Scoring - None. Goalkeeping - Kristen Heavens (70:00, 1 GA, 5 saves).

UAlbany: Scoring – Nicole Savage (1-0), Anouk Vandenberg (0-1), Jess Lindsey (0-1). Goalkeeping – Ashley Ross (70:00, 0 GA, 3 saves).

### AARNIO EARNS 100TH CAREER COACHING VICTORY IN GREAT DANES 1-0 WIN AT VERMONT

Burlington, Vt. – The UAlbany men's soccer team defeated Vermont on Saturday afternoon, 1-0, in double overtime on an own goal by the Catamounts. Great Danes head coach Johan Aarnio earned his 100th career coaching victory with the win.

Freshman Ian Peach served a shot parallel to the goal line in the 107th minute and a Vermont defender knocked the ball into the goal as he was sliding to keep it out.

Aarnio improves his overall record to 100-77-21 in 13 combined years at RPI and UAlbany, including a 59-61-16 record in eight seasons at UAlbany.

UAlbany was outshot in the contest 21-12, including a 14-3 margin in the second half, but was able to keep the Catamounts off the board. Vermont also held a 5-2 advantage in corner kicks. UAlbany senior goalkeeper Steward Ceus recorded nine saves in the contest, including a wide open shot by Vermont's Marty Galvin early in the second overtime period. Roger Scully stopped two shots in goal for Vermont (3-8, AE 0-1).

UAlbany (2-7-1, AE 1-0) returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 13 at 1 p.m. against America East opponent New Hampshire.

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Vermont: Scoring - None. Goalkeeping - Roger Scully (106:26, 1 GA, 2 saves).



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### NEW HAMPSHIRE DEFEATS UALBANY, 3-2, IN A-EAST CONFERENCE VOLLEYBALL ACTION

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore middle hitter Kirsten Bates recorded a match-high 28 kills to go along with 22 digs in leading New Hampshire to a 3-2 win over UAlbany in America East Conference volleyball action on Friday evening. The Wildcats won with scores of 25-30, 30-24, 26-30, 30-26 and 15-10.

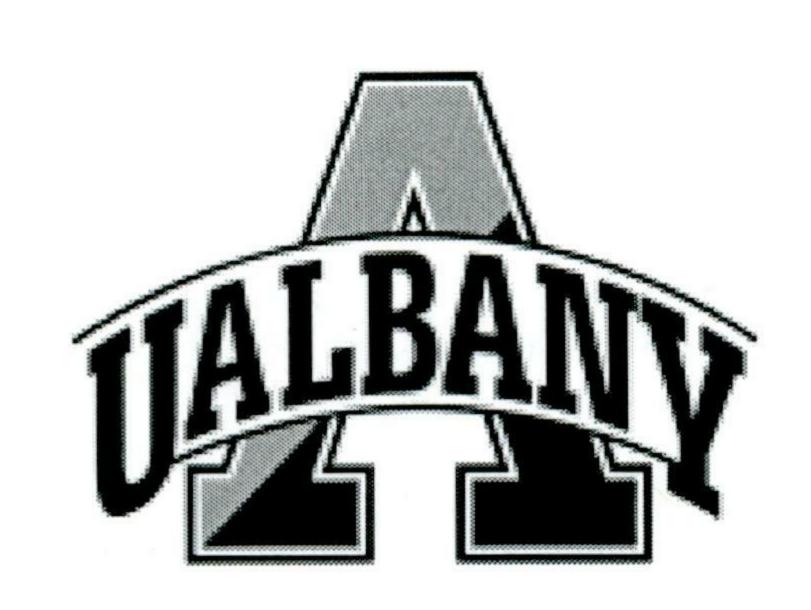
Freshman outside hitter Amanda Cowdrey continued her strong play for the Great Danes, finishing with a team-high 15 kills and 18 digs for her eleventh double-double of the season. Senior middle blocker Ashley Crenshaw also recorded double-digit kills, recording 13 to go along with four total blocks. Sophomore middle blocker Kamisha Kellam added 12 kills while sophomore outside hitter Valerie Sourbeer recorded 10 kills. Freshman setter Brooke Stanley recorded a double-double of the assist-dig variety for UAlbany with 53 assists and 15 digs, along with three service aces and two block assists.

Bates also helped New Hampshire out-block the Great Danes, 16-7, as she finished with five total blocks. Senior outside hitter Toni Barnas finished with 12 kills, while Emmy Blouin and Jessica Compton added 12 and 10 kills, respectively. Libero Alyse Lahti led the team defensively with a match-high 28 digs while Compton recorded eight total blocks. Setter Kate Uitti finished with 61 assists and 12 digs for New Hampshire (12-6, AE 1-2).

UAlbany (12-6, 2-1) will continue conference play on Sunday, hosting Maine at 2 p.m. in University Gymnasium.

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New Hampshire (12-6, AE 1-2) def. UAlbany (12-6, AE 2-1), 3-2 (25-30, 30-24, 26-30, 30-26, 15-10)



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# **UALBANY ANNOUNCES MEN'S & WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2007-08 SCHEDULES**

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Vice President and Director of Athletics and Recreation Lee McElroy announced today the school's men's and women's basketball schedules for the 2007-08 season. The America East Conference has released schedules for all nine member institutions.

The men's conference schedule begins on Jan. 3 against New Hampshire at Lundholm Gymnasium. The season concludes with the America East Conference Tournament on March 7, 8, 9 and 15. Binghamton University's Events Center will host the first round, quarterfinals and semifinals.

The Great Danes, who are coming off consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances, open their schedule on the road with a pair of 22-win clubs in Bucknell (Nov. 10) and Central Connecticut State (Nov. 14). UAlbany's non-conference schedule features Duke, a program that has won three national titles under head coach Mike Krzyzewski, and an appearance in the ESPNU BracketBusters series for the third consecutive season. Boise State, last year's BracketBusters opponent, is among five non-league opponents that will play at SEFCU Arena. The Great Danes will also host Columbia (Nov. 17), Lehigh (Nov. 20), Sacred Heart (Nov. 25) and St. Francis, N.Y. (Dec. 15). UAlbany faces lowa State on Dec. 30 in the program's first-ever meeting with a Big 12 Conference school and tangles with Siena in the crosstown-rivalry's 48th meeting on Saturday, Dec. 1.

UAlbany will again make several television appearances in 2007-08, with 11 games scheduled to be aired on a national or regional basis. ESPN2 will televise the matchup with Duke on Monday, Dec. 17 at 7:00 p.m. The Great Danes will appear three times on the America East TV package, including dates with Vermont (Jan. 6 & Feb. 11) and Boston University (Jan. 16). Time Warner Cable is tentatively scheduled to air seven home games, highlighted by the Big Purple Growl contest with Stony Brook on Saturday, Feb. 2.

The women's program has a 16-game America East schedule that starts on Jan. 5 at New Hampshire. The Great Danes meet Maine in their first conference home game on Sunday, Jan. 13 at 2:00 p.m. The season ends with the America East Conference Tournament on March 13-16 at the University of Hartford's Chase Arena.

UAlbany begins play on the road against NIT participant Indiana on Nov. 9, while the home opener at SEFCU Arena against Colgate is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 15 at 7:00 p.m. The non-league slate includes an appearance in Long Island's Turkey Classic on Nov. 23-24 and a first-round matchup with defending Patriot League champion Holy Cross. In addition to the Colgate contest, UAlbany meets non-conference opponents Buffalo (Dec. 5), Marist (Dec. 22) and St. Francis, N.Y. (Dec. 28) at home. The crosstown meeting with Siena returns to a doubleheader format at the Times Union Center on Dec. 1.

The Great Danes entertain Boston University at SEFCU Arena on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 12 noon, as part of NCAA Commitment to Education Day. The game will be televised by Time Warner Cable in the Capital Region. UAlbany squares off with Stony Brook in the first half of the Big Purple Growl doubleheader, the University's Winter Homecoming, on Feb. 2.

2007-08	MEN'S	BASKETBALL	SCHEDULE
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Nov. 10 (Sat.)	at Bucknell	7:00
Nov. 14 (Wed.)	at Central Connecticut State	7:00
Nov. 17 (Sat.)	Columbia	7:00
Nov. 20 (Tue.)	Lehigh	7:00
Nov. 25 (Sun.)	Sacred Heart	2:00
Dec. 1 (Sat.)	at Siena	7:00
Dec. 5 (Wed.)	at Delaware	7:00
Dec. 8 (Sat.)	at St. Bonaventure	7:00
Dec. 15 (Sat.)	St. Francis, N.Y.	2:00
Dec. 17 (Mon.)	at Duke (ESPN2)	7:00
Dec. 22 (Sat.)	Boise State (TWC)	7:00
Dec. 30 (Sun.)	at Iowa State	8:00
Jan. 3 (Thu.)	at New Hampshire*	7:00
Jan. 6 (Sun.)	Vermont* (AE-TV)	1:00
Jan. 9 (Wed.)	at Stony Brook*	7:00
Jan. 12 (Sat.)	Binghamton* (TWC)	2:00
Jan. 16 (Wed.)	at Boston U.* (AE-TV)	8:00
Jan. 19 (Sat.)	at Hartford*	2:00
Jan. 23 (Wed.)	Maine* (TWC)	7:00
Jan. 30 (Wed.)	at UMBC*	7:00
Feb. 2 (Sat.)	Stony Brook* (TWC) - BPG	7:00
Feb. 6 (Wed.)	New Hampshire* (TWC)	7:00
Feb. 9 (Sat.)	Hartford*	2:00
Feb. 11 (Mon.)	at Vermont* (AE-TV)	7:30
Feb. 14 (Thu.)	at Maine*	7:00
Feb. 20 (Wed.)	UMBC* (TWC)	7:00
Feb. 22-23	at ESPNU BracketBusters	TBA
Feb. 27 (Wed.)	at Binghamton*	7:00
Mar. 2 (Sun.)	Boston U.* (TWC)	2:00

<sup>\*</sup>America East Conference Opponent BPG - Big Purple Growl

# 2007-08 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov. 9 (Fri.)	at Indiana	7:00
Nov. 13 (Tue.)	at St. Bonaventure	7:00
Nov. 15 (Thu.)	Colgate	7:00
Nov. 19 (Mon.)	at La Salle	7:00
Nov. 23 (Fri.)-	at LIU Turkey Classic+	
	(Youngstown State vs. Lo	ng Island, 2:00
	(UAlbany vs. Holy Cross,	4:00)
Nov. 24 (Sat.)	at LIU Turkey Classic+	
	(Consolation/Championsh	ip, 2:00/4:00)
Nov. 28 (Wed.)	at Sacred Heart	7:00
Dec. 1 (Sat.)	at Siena	5:00
Dec. 5 (Wed.)	Buffalo	7:00
Dec. 8 (Sat.)	at Detroit Mercy	1:30
Dec. 19 (Wed.)	at Richmond	4:30
Dec. 22 (Sat.)	Marist	2:00
Dec. 28 (Fri.)	St. Francis, N.Y.	7:00
Jan. 5 (Sat.)	at New Hampshire*	1:00
Jan. 13 (Sun.)	Maine*	2:00
Jan. 16 (Wed.)	at Vermont*	7:00
Jan. 22 (Tue.)	UMBC*	7:00
Jan. 26 (Sat.)	at Hartford*	2:00
Jan. 30 (Wed.)	Binghamton*	7:00
Feb. 2 (Sat.)	Stony Brook* - BPG	4:30
Feb. 6 (Wed.)	Boston U.* (TW3)	12:00
Feb. 10 (Sun.)	New Hampshire*	2:00
Feb. 13 (Wed.)	at Maine*	7:30
Feb. 16 (Sat.)	Vermont*	2:00
Feb. 20 (Wed.)	at UMBC*	7:00
Feb. 23 (Sat.)	at Stony Brook*	2:00
Feb. 27 (Wed.)	Hartford*	7:00
Mar. 5 (Wed.)	at Binghamton*	7:00
Mar. 8 (Sat.)	at Boston U.*	1:00

<sup>+</sup>LIU Turkey Classic (Brooklyn, N.Y.)

\*America East Conference Opponent
BPG - Big Purple Growl

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#### **UALBANY WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO BOSTON UNIVERSITY 4-0**

Albany, N.Y. – Marisha Schumacher-Hodge had a goal and two assists to pace Boston University to a 4-0 America East Conference win over UAlbany in women's soccer action on Thursday, Oct. 4 at Varsity Field. The loss drops the Great Danes to 3-5-3 (AE 0-2). The Terriers improve to 5-5-1 (AE 2-0).

Boston U. got onto the board just over six minutes into the game when a corner kick taken by Schumacher-Hodge found its way through the box to Casey Brown on the back post for the tap-in goal. The Terriers upped the lead to 2-0 with 26:31 left to play in the half when Schumacher-Hodge found Emily Pallotta open on the back post for the tally. Boston U. would take a 3-0 lead into the intermission when Schumacher-Hodge found the back of the net with 11:57 to play on an assist by Mara Osher.

Stephanie Croghan would earn the final goal for the Terriers, scoring with 24:10 left to play in the game when she finished a rebound from Pallotta from the top of the box.

UAlbany's Maria Liguori made 11 saves in goal, while Christina Reuter and Lauren Stewart combined for the shutout for the Terriers.

The Great Danes will return to America East Conference action on Sunday Oct. 7 at New Hampshire. Kickoff is set for 1:00 p.m.

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UAlbany: Scoring- None; Goalkeeping- Maria Liguori (90:00 minutes, 4 GA, 11 saves)
Maine: Scoring- Marisha Schumacher-Hodge (1-2), Emily Pallotta (1-1), Casey Brown (1-0),
Stephanie Croghan (1-0), Mara Osher (0-1); Goalkeeping- Christina Reuter (67:56 minutes, 0 GA, 0 saves), Lauren Stewart (22:04 minutes, 0 GA, 1 save).

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### UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY MOVES UP TO #16 IN STX/NFHCA DIVISION I NATIONAL COACHES POLL

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany field hockey team moved up one spot to #16 in the STX/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll, as announced on Tuesday afternoon. It is the highest placing for the Great Danes, who have been ranked for four straight weeks.

UAlbany (9-3, AE 1-0) were undefeated in two games last week. The Great Danes opened up America East Conference play with a 3-0 win at Maine on Friday evening before defeating Massachusetts, 3-1, at home on Sunday. Sophomore forward Nicole Savage earned conference player of the week honors after scoring three goals in the two victories.

The Great Danes will continue conference play this weekend, hosting Vermont on Saturday, Oct. 6 at 1 p.m. and Fairfield Sunday, Oct. 7 at 3 p.m.



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#### NICOLE SAVAGE NAMED AMERICA EAST FIELD HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Cambridge, Mass. – University at Albany's Nicole Savage was named the America East Conference Field Hockey Player of the Week, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon. It is Savage's first weekly honor this season.

Savage, a sophomore from Wilkes-Barre, Pa., scored three goals in two games last week, including a pair of game-winning plays in victories over Maine and Massachusetts. The sophomore forward recorded the first goal of the game against Maine to lead the Great Danes to a 3-0 America East win in their conference opener. She then scored UAlbany's first goal of the game against UMass, then added her second, which would prove to be the difference, in a 3-1 defeat of the Minutewomen.

UAlbany (9-3, AE 1-0), currently ranked 17th on the STX/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll, will continue conference play this weekend, hosting Vermont on Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. and Fairfield on Sunday at 3 p.m.

### **VOLLEYBALL'S BROOKE STANLEY EARNS A-EAST SETTER OF THE WEEK HONORS**

Cambridge, Mass. – University at Albany's Brooke Stanley earned America East Conference Setter of the Week for volleyball, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon. It is the first weekly award for Stanley this season.

Stanley, a freshman setter from Hendersonville, N.C., averaged 14.0 assists and 2.38 digs per game to help lead the Great Danes to an undefeated weekend in conference play. She recorded her seventh double-double of the season with 45 assists and 11 digs in a 3-0 win over conference-rival Hartford before posting a career-high with 67 assists, just four shy of UAlbany's single-match record, in a grueling five-game win against Stony Brook. Against Hartford, Stanley added four kills, three block assists and one service ace. In the 3-2 victory over the Seawolves, she added eight digs and three kills.

UAlbany (12-5, AE 2-0) will place their 10-match winning streak on the line this Friday, Oct. 5, as they host conference opponent New Hampshire at 7 p.m. in University Gymnasium. The Great Danes will continue A-East play on Sunday, hosting Maine at 2 p.m.