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MEN FOURTH, WOMEN SIXTH AT AMERICA EAST CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Durham, N.H. – **Robbie Freeman** finished sixth while **Andy Allstadt** placed seventh overall to help lead the UAlbany men's cross country team to a fourth-place finish at the America East cross country championships held on Saturday, Oct. 30. **Nicole Susser** was the top finisher for the Great Dane women, placing 22nd overall. She was followed by **Alyssa Lotmore** in 23rd, helping the UAlbany women's team to a sixth-place finish.

Freeman ran the 8,000-meter course in a time of 24:39.20, while teammate Allstadt was close behind in 22:40.80. Freshman **Ricardo Estremera** was 18th individually, covering the course in 25:17.90. **Ryan Gaedje** (21st, 25:38.80) and **Chris Pierson** (25th, 25:48.20) rounded out the top five UAlbany runners.

Susser covered the 5,000-meter women's course in a time of 18:32.90, while Lotmore turned in a time of 18:33.50. **Maureen Brown** (35th, 19:05.00), **Danielle Trimpop** (38th, 19:08.90) and **Theresa Juva** (48th, 19:26.20) were the remaining top five finishers for the UAlbany women.

New Hampshire's **Anthony Truax** claimed the men's individual title in a time of 24:27.00, the fourth-fastest time in conference history. Maine's **Michael Lansing** finished second overall to lead the Black Bears to their first conference team title. New Hampshire was second as a team, followed by Stony Brook, UAlbany and UMBC.

Boston University's **Victoria Botticelli** was the women's individual champion, finishing in a time of 17:22.50, to help lead the Terriers to their eighth team title in nine years. New Hampshire was second in the team standings, followed by Stony Brook, Binghamton and Vermont.

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2004 America East Cross Country Championships MEN

- 1. Maine, 28; 2. New Hampshire, 58; 3. Stony Brook, 71; **4. UAlbany, 76**; 5. UMBC, 118; 6. Boston University, 165; 7. Binghamton, 194; 8. Vermont, 201; 9. Northeastern, 280; 10. Hartford, 300. INDIVIDUAL
- 1. Anthony Truax (New Hampshire) 24:27.00, 2. Michael Lansing (Maine) 24:31.40, 3. Dale Summervale (Stony Brook) 24:32.20, 4. Jeff Caron (Maine) 24.32.80, 5. Edward Caron (Maine) 24:38.60, 6. Robbie Freeman (UAlbany) 24:39.20, 7. Andy Allstadt (UAlbany) 24:40.80, 8. Kirby Davis (Maine) 24:44.40, 9. Donald Drake (Maine) 24:46.50, 10. Timothy Perry (New Hampshire) 24:47.10.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

18. Ricardo Estremera, 25:17.90, 21. Ryan Gaedje, 25:38.80, 25. Chris Pierson, 25:48.20, 39. Sam Gonzalez, 26:27.00, 46. Bryant Cherry-Woode, 26:55.60, 54. Gered Burns, 27:20.60, 62. Tom Scahill, 27:22.70.

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WOMEN

- 1. Boston University, 27, 2. New Hampshire, 85, 3. Stony Brook, 93, 4. Binghamton, 117, 5. Vermont, 139, **6. UAlbany, 160**, 7. UMBC, 164, 8. Northeastern, 173, 9. Maine, 188, 10. Hartford, 330. INDIVIDUAL
- 1. Victoria Botticelli (Boston U.) 17:22.50, 2. Lenora Joy (Stony Brook) 17:31.80, 3. Abbey Sadowski (Boston U.) 17:35.10, 4. Caitlin Hayes (New Hampshire) 17:35.20, 5. Marissa Ryan (Boston U.) 17:38.80, 6. Megan Hepp (New Hampshire) 17:42.50, 7. Andrea Walkonen (Boston U.) 17:56.50, 8. Erica Angell (Binghamton) 18:00.00, 9. Hana Pelletier (Maine) 18:01.80, 10. Stacy Kramer (Binghamton) 18:02.90.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

22. Nicole Susser, 18:32.90, 23. Alyssa Lotmore, 18:33.50, 35. Maureen Brown, 19:05.00, 38. Danielle Trimpop, 19:08.90, 48. Theresa Juva, 19:26.20, 64. Jennifer Boshco, 20:04.10, 67. Gabrielle Malone, 20:16.60, 70. Natalie LeBron, 20:20.80.

UALBANY VOLLEYBALL PUSHES WIN STREAK TO 16 MATCHES

Albany, N.Y. – **Ashley DeNeal** registered a double-double to help lead UAlbany to a 3-0 victory over Hartford in America East Conference women's volleyball action on Saturday afternoon at University Gymnasium. DeNeal tallied 12 kills and 18 digs as the Great Danes stretched their unbeaten streak to 16 matches and remained perfect in conference action at 10-0.

Shelby Goldman totaled a match-high 16 kills, while Blair Buchanan added 43 assists. Eileen Nicole Rodriguez recorded 10 digs, while Susan Spierre chipped in nine kills, one solo block and three block assists. Freshman Ashley Crenshaw had a career day with seven kills and four block assists.

Mary Frances Feldman's six kills led the way for Hartford (5-23, AE 0-10). Jennifer Monroy added 12 digs and four kills.

UAlbany (22-5) returns to America East play on Friday at 7 p.m. when Stony Brook visits University Gymnasium.

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UAlbany (22-5, AE 10-0) def. Hartford (5-23, AE 0-10) 30-17, 30-15, 30-12.

UALBANY MEN'S SOCCER CLINCHES BERTH IN AMERICA EAST TOURNAMENT

Durham, N.H. - Sophomore **Peter Squeglia** netted the game's lone goal late in the second half as UAlbany clinched its first-ever berth in the America East Conference men's soccer tournament with a 1-0 victory over New Hampshire on Saturday afternoon at Lewis Field. The Great Danes are now 11-3-2 overall and 5-2-1 in the conference. The 11 victories are the most since 1992 when UAlbany went 13-3-2.

Squeglia scored unassisted on a bicycle kick in the box in the 83rd minute.



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Senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** stopped five shots for his 11th shutout of the campaign for UAlbany. For the Wildcats (5-5-6, AE 3-2-3), sophomore goalkeeper **Brian Levey** made three saves. UAlbany outshot New Hampshire in the match, 20-10.

UAlbany hosts Binghamton on Wednesday, Nov. 3 at 1:00 p.m. in an America East match. The final match will determine the seeding and home field in the conference tournament.

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Lewis Field -- Durham, N.H.
UAlbany (11-3-2, AE 5-2-1) 0 1 - 1
New Hampshire (5-5-6, AE 3-2-3) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany--Scoring: Peter Squeglia 1-0; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 5 saves, 0 GA) New Hampshire--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Brian Levey (90:00, 3 saves, 1 GA) Shots: UAlbany 20, New Hampshire 10; Corner Kicks: New Hampshire 10, UAlbany 3.

UALBANY FALLS TO NEW HAMPSHIRE, 2-1, IN WOMEN'S SOCCER FINALE

Albany, N.Y. - Senior **Katie Sullivan** netted the game-winning goal early in the second half as New Hampshire slipped past UAlbany, 2-1, on Saturday afternoon at Varsity Field in America East Conference women's soccer action. The Great Danes conclude their season at 2-18 overall and 0-9 in the America East.

Sullivan's shot from 25 yards out went off the hands of UAlbany freshman goalkeeper Catherine Nicholson. Nicholson tried to bat the shot out, but it crossed the goal line before she could clear it. Freshman Robyn Bishop recorded the assist on the tally. The Great Danes' best chance to tie it came with 22 minutes remaining in the match when senior Sara Rickard's shot hit the crossbar.

In the first half, the Wildcats got on the board at the 9:11 mark when junior **Julie Wernig** received a feed from junior **Ashlee Cieslak** and scored from 25 yards out. The Great Danes tied it with just over a minute left in the opening half when freshman **Uju Ogbuawa** received a crossing pass from sophomore **Patricia Sotirakis** and slipped it past New Hampshire sophomore goalkeeper **Lynn Gugliuzza**. The shot went off of Gugliuzza's foot and into the net.

Gugliuzza stopped five shots for the Wildcats, who finished their regular season at 10-7-2 overall and 6-3 in the conference. Nicholson turned away four shots in each half for a total of eight saves for the Great Danes. New Hampshire outshot UAlbany in the match, 18-10.

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Varsity Field - Albany, N.Y.

New Hampshire (10-7-2, AE 6-3) 1 1 - 2

UAlbany (2-18, AE 0-9) 1 0 - 1

UAlbany--Scoring: Uju Ogbuawa 1-0, Patricia Sotirakis 0-1; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 8 saves, 2 GA)



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New Hampshire--Scoring: Katie Sullivan 1-0, Julie Wernig 1-0, Robyn Bishop 0-1, Ashlee Cieslak 0-1; Goalkeepers: Lynn Gugliuzza (90:00, 5 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: New Hampshire 18, UAlbany 10; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4 New Hampshire 2.

UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY ENDS SEASON WITH A 3-2 OVERTIME LOSS TO VERMONT

Middlebury, Vt. – Despite two goals by senior **Amber Greiner**, the UAlbany field hockey team ended the 2004 season with a 4-3 overtime loss to Vermont in America East Conference action on Saturday, Oct. 30 at Middlebury College's Peter Kohn Field.

Vermont opened the scoring on a Merrie-Beth Maynard tally late in the first half. UAlbany scored all three of their goals in the second, with the first coming from senior Alexis Johnson early in the stanza off a Kristi Clausi assist.

The Catamounts took the lead just two minutes later on a **Stirling Winder** tally. Greiner tied the game with her first goal of the season with 23:22 left on the clock.

Less than two minutes passed before Greiner struck again, this time off a **Shelley Gebhardt** assist, to put the Great Danes ahead, 2-1.

Danielle Collins scored her sixth goal of the season off a Maynard assist to tie the game once again with just over 15 minutes left to play.

Christie Layden sealed the victory for Vermont just over a minute into the overtime period.

Barbara Czaplinski made two saves in the cage for UAlbany, while Ariel Eber stopped two shots for the Catamounts (3-15, AE 2-4).

UAlbany ends the season at 7-11 overall, 2-3 in America East play.

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Peter Kohn Field (Middlebury, Vt.)

UAlbany (7-11, 2-4 AE) 0 3 0 - 3 Vermont (3-15, AE 2-4) 1 2 1 - 4

UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): Amber Greiner (2-0), Alexis Johnson (1-0), Shelley Gebhardt (0-1), Kristi Clausi (0-1); Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (71:14, 2 saves, 4 GA).

Vermont—Scoring (G-A): Merrie-Beth Maynard (1-3), Christie Layden (1-0), Stirling Winder (1-0),

Danielle Collins (1-0), Liz Berry (0-1); Goalkeeper: Ariel Eber (71:14, 2 saves, 3 GA).



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QUARTERBACK NICHOLAS BAZAN RUNS FOR THREE TOUCHDOWNS IN 35-27 WIN

Albany, N.Y. – Senior quarterback **Nicholas Bazan** rushed for 222 yards and three touchdowns, as UAlbany rallied from a halftime deficit for a 35-27 Northeast Conference victory over Wagner on Saturday afternoon at University Field.

UAlbany (4-5, NEC 4-1), a winner in back-to-back games for the first time this season, moved into a three-way tie for first place in the conference standings with Central Connecticut State and Monmouth.

The Great Danes, who gained 411 of their 438 total yards on the ground, trailed 17-14 at the intermission, but regrouped with a 21-point third quarter. Bazan directed his team on an 85-yard scoring drive to begin the second half. Reserve tailback **Rohann Vidal**, who ran 13 times for 70 yards, did the bulk of the work, before **Omar Johnson** powered straight ahead on a 3-yard touchdown run.

UAlbany also reached paydirt on its next two possessions. Following a short punt, Bazan broke off a dazzling 50-yard scoring run, when he ran a quarterback counter through the middle and cut back against the defensive pursuit into the end zone. The Great Danes later pushed out to a 35-17 lead with another 85-yard march. Bazan, who went over the 200-yard rushing mark for the second straight week, scored on an 8-yard option run around left end.

"That play (50-yard run) was exactly how we practiced it," said Bazan, who set a school record by a quarterback with his 12th rushing touchdown this season. "The line sets up their guys, I hit the seam, and then it's off to the races. I haven't played (quarterback) since high school, so the experience of playing has made me more comfortable."

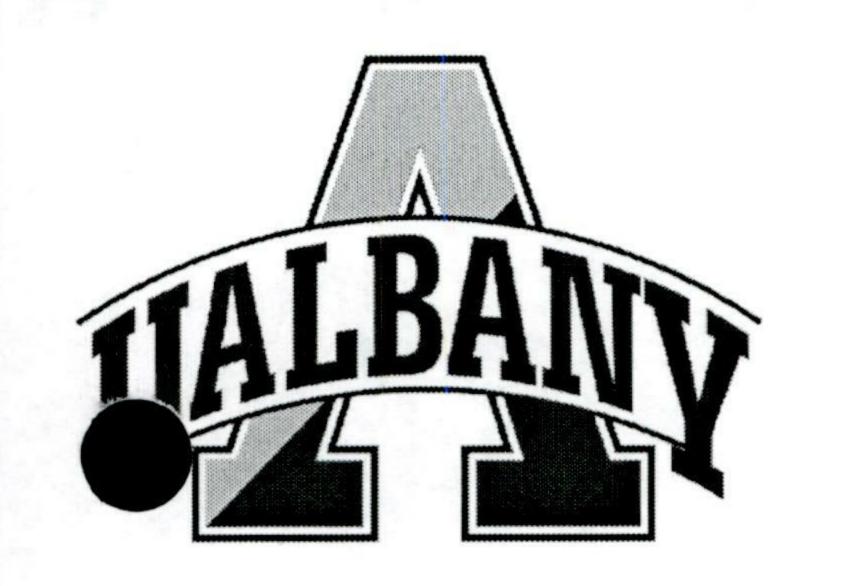
Wagner (5-4, 2-4) would rally in the fourth quarter behind the arm of quarterback **John Sciarra**, who completed 27 of 52 passes for 395 yards and one touchdown. Following Piotr Czech's 42-yard field goal, Sciarra, a UCLA transfer, hooked up with wideout **Mike Malik** on a 22-yard touchdown pass that closed the gap to 35-27 with 7:18 remaining.

The Seahawks had two chances in the final minutes to make things even tighter. The second opportunity came unexpectedly with 39 seconds to play, when Bazan fumbled the center exchange and Wagner's Tim Klemm fell on the ball at Albany 49. But on the last play of the game from the 22-yard line, Sciarra misfired over the head of intended receiver **Shaun Grover** in the end zone. Grover finished with seven receptions for 120 yards.

"In the third quarter we played with determination," said UAlbany's Bob Ford, whose team has won 14 of its last 16 conference games. "But you can't make mistakes that help your opponent; you can't be a contributor. We made it close, and that bothers me."

Wagner took a 10-7 lead in the early in the second quarter, when Czech booted a 27-yard field goal. Bazan put the Great Danes back in front on an 18-yard touchdown run, as he took a draw play through the middle and sprinted out to the left sideline. The Seahawks used an 80-yard drive to regain the lead at 17-14 with 3:37 left in the period. Aliga Betts raced two yards around right end with a pitch.

"We were in a three-deep zone at the end," said UAlbany linebacker Colin Disch, who had 10 tackles, 1.5 sacks and one interception. "We wanted to keep everything in front of us and not let the ball get over our heads. Their quarterback did a good job, especially early on with some deep throws, but we made some adjustments in the second half."



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UALBANY DEFEATS NORTHEASTERN, 3-1 TO REMAIN UNBEATEN IN A-EAST PLAY

Albany, N.Y. – **Ashley Hunter** recorded 19 kills to lead the UAlbany volleyball team in a 3-1 win over America East Conference rival Northeastern on Friday, Oct. 29. The Great Danes, currently on a 15-game winning streak, now sit at 9-0 in conference play with a two-game lead over the second-place Huskies.

UAlbany won the first game with a score of 30-20 before Northeastern evened the match with a 30-18 victory in game two. The Great Danes responded by winning the next two with scores of 30-14 and 30-18.

Shelby Goldman recorded a .485 hitting percentage, converting 16 of 33 attempts. **Ashley DeNeal** led the Great Danes defensively, notching 14 digs. **Blair Buchanan** led all players with 42 set assists, while **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** tallied five service aces, including three straight in game three to help stretch the score to 15-6.

Northeastern (16-9, AE 7-2) was led on the offensive charge by Whitney Turner and Ashley Reeves, who recorded 14 and 12 kills, respectively for the Huskies. Bree Peterson tallied 18 digs defensively, while also handing out 40 assists.

UAlbany (21-5, AE 9-0) will be back in action on Saturday, Oct. 30 as they host America East foe Hartford at 4:00 p.m. in University Gymnasium.

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UAlbany (21-5, AE 9-0) def. Northeastern (16-9, AE 7-2) 30-20, 18-30, 30-14, 30-18.



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MAINE GETS BY UALBANY, 4-0, IN AMERICA EAST WOMEN'S SOCCER

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman **Laura Harper** scored the game-winning goal late in the first half as Maine downed UAlbany, 4-0, in an America East Conference women's soccer match on Thursday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Harper received a pass from junior **Heather Hathorn** and chipped the shot over the head of UAlbany freshman goalkeeper **Catherine Nicholson** from 15 yards out with 1:05 remaining in the opening half.

Junior Maureen McHugh gave the Black Bears a two-goal lead six minutes into the second half when she finished a cross by Hathorn. Maine added two more goals by Hathorn and sophomore McKayla Bell, respectively to close out the scoring.

The Black Bears (12-4-1, AE 6-2) outshot the Great Danes in the match, 27-2. Junior goalkeeper **Tanya Adorno** made zero saves in the shutout for the Black Bears, while Nicholson stopped eight shots for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (2-17, AE 0-8) hosts New Hampshire in the season finale on Saturday, Oct. 30 at 1:00 p.m.

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Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.

Maine (12-4-1, AE 6-2) 1 3 - 4 UAlbany (2-17, AE 0-8) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 8 saves, 4 GA)

Maine--Scoring: Heather Hathorn 1-2, Laura Harper 1-1, McKayla Bell 1-0, Maureen McHugh

1-0; Goalkeepers: Tanya Adorno (90:00, 0 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Maine 27, UAlbany 2; Corner Kicks: Maine 6, UAlbany 0.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL RANKED THIRD IN NORTHEAST REGION

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany women's volleyball team held steady at third in the Northeast Region according to the latest RichKern.com/AVCA rankings released this week.

The Great Danes are behind Big East Conference teams Notre Dame and Pittsburgh. UAlbany (20-5) moved up 10 spots to 62 overall in the RPKI rankings, which are similar to the NCAA rankings that are used to help determine the NCAA Championship field.

UAlbany will place its school-record 14-match winning streak on the line against Northeastern on Friday, Oct. 29 at University Gymnasium. Match time is 7:00 p.m. The Great Danes are in first place in the America East Conference standings with an 8-0 record.

UALBANY MEN'S SOCCER REMAINS FOURTH IN NEW YORK REGION

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany's men's soccer team is fourth in this week's NSCAA/adidas New York Region rankings. UAlbany (10-3-2) is just behind St. John's, Hartwick and Binghamton.

The Great Danes established a school-record for single-season victories at the Division I level with their 10th victory on Oct. 27, a 1-0 double-overtime decision against non-league opponent Army.

Senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** leads the nation in goals against average with a 0.32 GAA. Coundoul, who has a .939 save percentage and allowed just five goals this fall, recorded his 10th shutout of the season against Army.



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UALBANY DOWNS ARMY, 1-0, WINS TENTH MATCH TO SET DIVISION I HIGH

Albany, N.Y. -- Senior **Rodrigo Marion** scored his first goal of the season as UAlbany downed Army, 1-0, in double overtime on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field in a non-conference men's soccer contest. The Great Danes are now 10-3-2, setting their best win total as a Division I program.

Marion's shot from 25 yards out was deflected by a Black Knight defender into the left side of the goal at the 103:35 mark. He received the pass from sophomore **Stephan Hall**, who stole the Army clearing attempt. Marion, who did not start for the first time this season, entered the match in the 98th minute.

Senior **Bouna Coundoul** recorded his 10th shutout of the season as he made six saves for the Great Danes. He made two game-saving stops, one with 30 seconds left in regulation and the early in the second overtime. For Army (4-9-2), senior **Matt Wesmiller** stopped four shots. The Great Danes outshot the Black Knights in the match, 20-15

UAlbany travels to New Hampshire on Saturday, Oct. 30 at 2 p.m. in America East Conference action. A tie by the Great Danes will clinch a berth in the America East Tournament.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Army (4-9-2) 0 0 0 - 0 UAlbany (10-3-2) 0 0 0 1 - 1

UAlbany--Scoring: Rodrigo Marion 1-0, Stephan Hall 0-1; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (103:35, 6 saves, 0 GA)

Army--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Matt Wesmiller (103:35, 4 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 20, Army 15; Corner Kicks: Army 5, UAlbany 4.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL STRETCHES WIN STREAK TO 14 MATCHES

Vestal, N.Y. – **Shelby Goldman** smacked 14 kills in helping to lead UAlbany to a 3-0 victory over Binghamton in America East Conference women's volleyball action on Tuesday evening at West Gym. The Great Danes notched scores of 30-23, 30-16 and 30-28 in extending their winning streak. The Great Danes ran their unbeaten string to 14 straight and remained perfect in conference play at 8-0.

UAlbany was fueled by Goldman who converted 14 of 24 attempts (.542). **Susan Spierre** (Averill Park) tallied nine kills and four block assists, while **Ashley Green** finished with seven kills, one solo block and four block assists. **Ashley DeNeal** spurred the defensive effort with nine digs in addition to her eight kills. **Blair Buchanan** added seven kills in to go along with her match-high 41 assists. The Great Danes out-hit the Bearcats .357 to .190 in the match.

For Binghamton (14-13, AE 4-4), Jen Smith led all players with 15 kills, while Michele Heck chipped in 10 kills.

UAlbany (20-5) reached the 20-win mark for the second consecutive year after posting 24 victories in 2003. The Great Danes continue conference action on Friday at 7 p.m. when Northeastern visits University Gymnasium.

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UAlbany (20-5, AE 8-0) def. Binghamton (14-13, AE 4-4), 30-23, 30-16, 30-28.



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NICHOLAS BAZAN NAMED FOOTBALL GAZETTE OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany's Nicholas Bazan has been named the Football Gazette I-AA Mid-Major Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts in last Saturday's 27-22 victory against Stony Brook. He received the Northeast Conference's weekly award on Monday.

Bazan rushed for a career-high 230 yards, including 145 in the first half, and three touchdowns. He scored on runs of three, 40 and six yards. His 6-yard dash through the middle provided the winning points with 4:22 remaining in the third quarter, as UAlbany moved into a tie for second in the conference standings.

Bazan, who rushed for the highest total by any Division I-A or I-AA quarterback this season, posted the fifth-best rushing mark in NEC history and tied the fourth-highest figure in school annals. He is fourth among the league leaders in rushing at 86.6 yards per game. The fifth-year senior leads the team with 693 net rushing yards and nine touchdowns, plus has passed for 505 yards and one TD.

UALBANY CROSS COUNTRY TO COMPETE AT AMERICA EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany men's and women's cross country teams will travel to Durham, N.H. on Saturday, Oct. 30 to compete at the 2004 America East Conference championships. The men's 8,000-meter race begins at 10 a.m. while the women's 5K event follows at 11 a.m.

Head coach **Craig McVey** expects the men's race to be extremely close. "There could be just five to seven points separating the top three teams," McVey said. "To be on the right side of the scoring, we need our number five and number six runners to race really well. It's definitely something we're capable of doing."

McVey will look to freshmen **Ricardo Estremera**, who was fourth at the 38th UAlbany Invitational, and **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa) to lead the effort. The two runners have emerged on the squad this season. Along with seniors **Andy Allstadt**, **Chris Pierson** and **Sam Gonzalez** (Fonda-Fultonville), and junior **Robbie Freeman**, McVey expects the Great Dane men to fight for championship.

On the women's side, the UAlbany team has suffered several significant injuries that McVey expects to hamper the team finish. "Not having someone who would have been a top-three runner for the team, that's tough," said McVey, about senior **Trista Neinast** who has a back injury. "The team has stepped up and tried to absorb that impact. Whatever is our best on that day is our best. They will race their best for suffering that kind of loss."

Sophomore **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn), who was third at the Great America Festival and fourth at the UAlbany Invitational, will challenge for individual honors. Seniors **Nicole Susser** (Colonie Central), **Theresa Juva** and **Maureen Brown** will also be competitive. Freshman **Danielle Trimpop**, who has made an immediate impact for UAlbany, is also expected to be a top-five finisher for her team.

New Hampshire claimed both men's and women's titles in 2003, while the UAlbany men place second. The Great Dane women finished fourth last season.



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FOOTBALL'S NICHOLAS BAZAN NAMED NEC OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Nicholas Bazan** has been selected as the Northeast Conference Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in last Saturday's 27-22 victory against Stony Brook. The Great Danes moved into a tie for second place in the conference standings.

A fifth-year senior quarterback, Bazan rushed for a career-high 230 yards, including 145 in the first half, and three touchdowns. He scored on runs of three, 40 and six yards. His 6-yard dash through the middle provided the winning points with 4:22 remaining in the third quarter.

Bazan, who rushed for the highest total by any Division I-A or I-AA quarterback this season, posted the fifth-best rushing mark in NEC history and tied the fourth-highest figure in school annals. He also shattered the UAlbany single-game record by a quarterback, previously established when Pat Ryder picked up 161 yards on the ground in 1987.

Bazan is second nationally among Division I-AA quarterbacks in rushing at 86.6 yards per game. He leads the team with 693 net rushing yards and nine touchdowns, plus has passed for 505 yards and one TD.

BUCHANAN AND RODRIGUEZ CAPTURE AMERICA EAST VOLLEYBALL AWARDS

Boston, Mass. – Junior **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** and sophomore **Blair Buchanan** were named America East Conference Co-Player of the Week and Setter of the Week, respectively, as announced by the conference office on Monday, Oct. 25. Rodriguez is a first-time honoree this season, while Buchanan earns the award for the third straight week and fifth time in six weeks.

Rodriguez became the NCAA Division I career service aces leader with a season-high 11 aces against UMBC last Friday. She broke Casie Alexander's record, as she had 416 aces for Seton Hall from 1990-93. The 11-ace performance marked the 11th time that Rodriguez has reached double-figures during her career.

Buchanan continues to be a catalyst for the Great Danes' offense by tallying 129 assists, 11 kills, 16 digs and three block assists. She set a career high and a UAlbany single-game record with 71 assists against Stony Brook last Saturday. Buchanan has recorded at least 50 helpers six times this season.

UAlbany improved to 19-5 overall and remained the only unbeaten team in America East play at 7-0. The Great Danes resume action on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at conference-rival Binghamton.

SATURDAY'S UALBANY FOOTBALL ON TIME WARNER CABLE-CHANNEL 3

Albany, N.Y. – Saturday's Northeast Conference football match-up between UAlbany and Wagner will be televised in the Capital Region on Time Warner Cable (Channel 3). Kickoff is 1:08 p.m. WNYT-TV Sports Director Rodger Wyland and Rodney Smith will provide the playby-play coverage.

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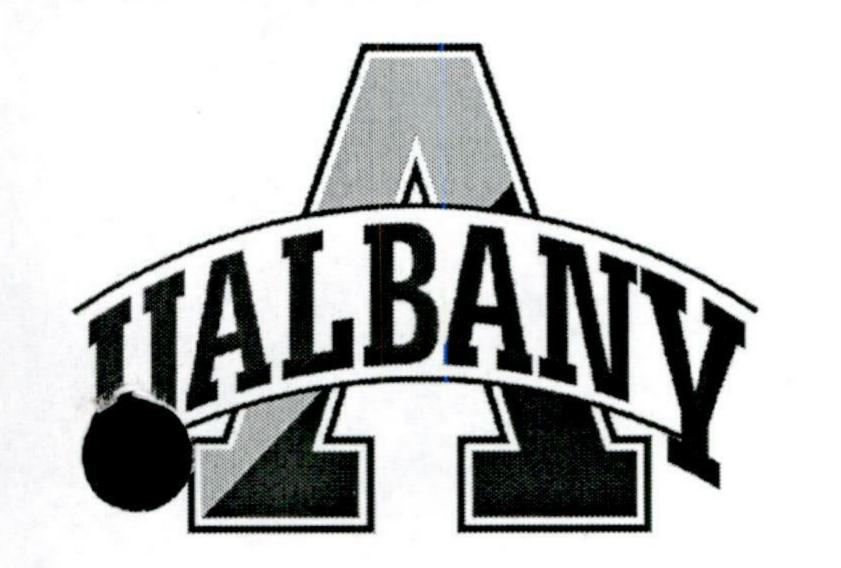
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Wagner (5-3, NEC 2-3) enters University Field ranked sixth in both The Sports Network and Football Gazette national mid-major polls. UAlbany (3-5, NEC 3-1) moved into a tie for second place in the conference standings with last week's 27-22 victory at Stony Brook. The Great Danes are ranked eighth among the NCAA Division I-AA leaders in rushing at 243.0 yards per game.

MEN'S BASKETBALL WILL SCRIMMAGE PRIOR TO SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL GAME

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany basketball coach Will Brown announced today that the program will conduct a Purple-Gold intrasquad scrimmage on Saturday, Oct. 30 at University Gymnasium in the Physical Education Building on campus. The one-hour scrimmage will be held from 10:00-11:00 a.m. prior to UAlbany's home football game.

The Great Danes have all five men's starters back, including top scorers **Levi Levine** and **Jon lati**, who averaged 14.3 and 14.0 points per game, respectively. lati, a 5-foot-9 sophomore, was last year's America East rookie of the year. **Jamar Wilson** also returns after missing nearly the entire 2003-04 campaign following knee surgery. Wilson averaged 18.9 points as a freshman when he was the conference's top rookie and a second-team all-league selection. Loyola transfer **Lucious Jordan**, a 6-foot-2 junior from Albany, N.Y., is expected to see major minutes after leading the Greyhounds in scoring with a 13.2 average in his final season with the program.



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GREAT DANES FALL TO MAINE, 2-1 IN DOUBLE OVERTIME

Schenectady, N.Y. – **Meagan Connolly** scored the game-winning goal on a penalty corner in the second sudden-death overtime as Maine defeated America East Conference rival UAlbany 2-1 in field hockey action on Sunday, Oct. 24 at Frank Bailey Field.

UAlbany freshman **Danielle Conklin** scored her first collegiate goal to open scoring with 6:26 left in the first half. Maine's **Traci Rainone** responded on a penalty corner with just over a minute remaining in the first stanza to tie the game.

Connolly capitalized with 3:36 left in the second overtime, when she was set up by **Emily Dooling** on a penalty corner.

UAlbany (7-10, AE 2-3) outshot the Black Bears 13-9, while Maine (12-4, AE 4-1) held a 11-8 advantage on penalty corners.

Barbara Czaplinski made four saves in the cage for UAlbany, while Jamie Morin stopped six shots for the Black Bears.

UAlbany will close out the regular season on the road against Vermont on Oct. 30 at 2:30 p.m., in a contest that has America East playoff implications.

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Frank Bailey Field (Schenectady, N.Y.)

UAlbany (7-10, AE 2-3)

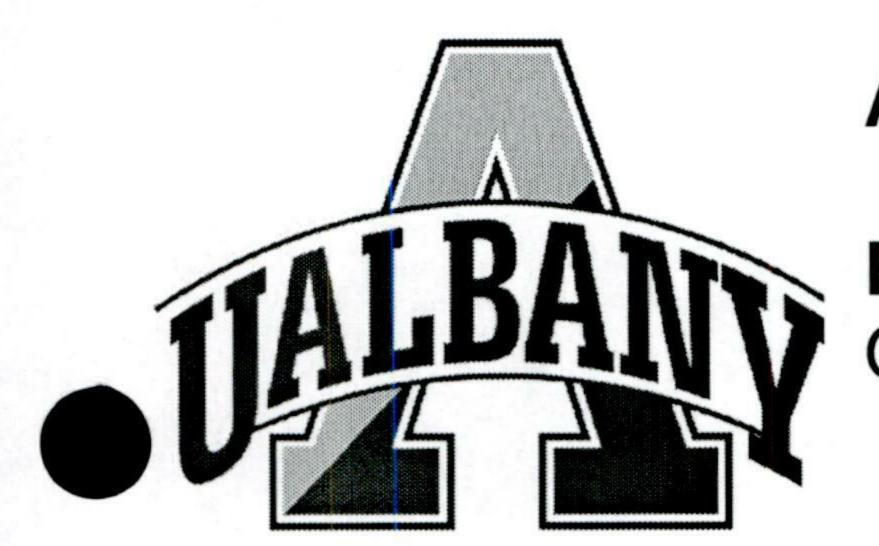
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Maine (12-4, AE 4-1)

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UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): Danielle Conklin (1-0), Alexis Johnson (0-1) Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (97:24, 4 saves, 2 GA).

Maine—Scoring (G-A): Traci Rainone (1-0), Megan Connolly (1-0), Emily Dooling (0-2); Goalkeeper: Jamie Morin (97:24, 6 saves, 1 GA).



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UALBANY WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS AT NORTHEASTERN, 4-0

Brookline, Mass. – Junior **Jessica Pfeifer** recorded a hat trick as Northeastern downed UAlbany, 4-0, on Sunday afternoon at Parsons Field in an America East Conference women's soccer match.

Pfeifer netted the game-winning goal at the 3:39 mark and scored her second tally of the match 25 minutes later when her crossing shot when into the right side of the goal.

Eight minutes into the second half, Peifer scored her final goal of the contest when she converted a directed kick. Sophomore **Nicole Bottino** completed the scoring in the 89th minute on a header. Junior **Jackie Spellman** picked up an assist on the Bottino goal.

Northeastern outshot UAlbany in the match, 22-1. Senior **Cynthia Slowik** made zero saves for the Huskies, who improve to 11-4-2 overall and 5-1-1 in the conference. For the Great Danes, freshman **Catherine Nicholson** stopped five shots.

UAlbany (2-16, AE 0-7) hosts Maine on Thursday, Oct. 28 at 2:00 p.m. in America East action.

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Parsons Field – Brookline, Mass.

UAlbany (2-16, AE 0-7) 0 0 - 0 Northeastern (11-4-2, AE 5-1-1) 2 2 - 4

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 5 saves, 4 GA) Northeastern--Scoring: Jessica Pfeifer 3-0, Nicole Bottino 1-0, Jackie Spellman 0-1;

Goalkeeper: Cynthia Slowik (90:00, 0 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Northeastern 22, UAlbany 1; Corner Kicks: Northeastern 9, UAlbany 2.

UAlbany Sports 2-2-2

UALBANY WOMEN'S GOLF FINISHES 10TH AT BUCKNELL FALL CLASSIC

Lewisburg, Pa. - **Diane Onofry** finished tied for 33rd with a two-day score of 171 to help lead the UAlbany golf team to a 10th-place team finish at the Bucknell Fall Classic, which concluded on Sunday, Oct. 24.

Onofry shot 84 on the second day of play to finish 29-over par. Lauren Bruce shot a two-day total of 172 to finish tied for 35th for the Great Danes. Also competing for UAlbany were Jill Friedman (90-85-175), Maggie Taylert (90-87-177) and Anne Lyons (92-87-179).

Harvard's **Katie Loncke** finished first individually with a two-day total of 151. **Brittany Lambertson** and **Maggie Steciuk** of St. John's finished second and third, respectively, to lead the Red Storm to a first-place team finish.

St. Francis (Pa.) was second in the team standings, followed by Harvard, Bucknell and Brown.

The Bucknell Fall Classic rounded out fall play for the UAlbany team.

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Bucknell Fall Classic

(Bucknell Golf Club - Lewisburg, Pa.)

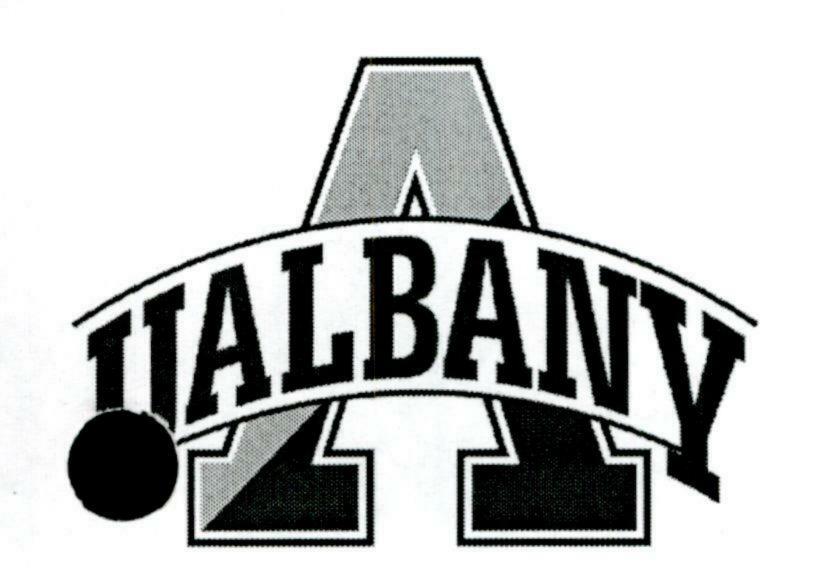
TEAM: 1.St. John's, 305-316-621; 2. St. Francis, 312-336-648: 3. Harvard, 326-323-649; 4. Bucknell, Brown, 331-338-669; 6. Radford, 348-324-672; 7. Youngstown, 343-331-674; 8. Dartmouth, 333-347-680; 9. Penn, 336-355-691; **10. UAlbany, 357-338-695**; 11. Kutztown, 353-345-698; 12. Fairfield, 341-359-700; 13. Lehigh, 351-351-702; 14. Central Conn., 353-364-717; 15. Bucknell Orange, 379-356-735; 16. McDaniel, 396-378-774; 17. SUNY-Cortland, 417-392-809.

INDIVIDUAL

1. Katie Loncke, Harvard, 76-75-151; 2. Brittany Lambertson, St. John's, 75-78-153; 3. Maggie Steciuk, St. John's, 76-78-154; 4. Megan Schaeffer, St. Francis, 77-79-156, 5. Jaclyn Sanders, St. John's, 78-79, Christin Thomson, St. John's, 76-81-157, 7. Tarah Schloss, St. Francis, 74-85, Samantha Milosh, St. Francis, 76-83-159, 9. Jeen-Joo Kang, Harvard, 80-81, Blythe Crane, Brown, 80-81, Kristen Phalen, Bucknell, 78-83, Elizabeth Dupuy, Dartmouth, 78-83-161.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

T33. Diane Onofry, 87-84-171, t35. Lauren Bruce, 90-82-172, 47. Jill Friedman, 90-85-175, t50. Maggie Taylert, 90-87-177, t55. Anne Lyons, 92-87-179.



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UALBANY WOMEN'S GOLF 14TH AFTER FIRST ROUND OF BUCKNELL FALL CLASSIC

Lewisburg, Pa. – UAlbany's **Diane Onofry** shot a first-round score of 87 to finish tied for 38th at the end of the first day of play at the Bucknell Fall Classic held at the Bucknell Golf Club on Saturday, Oct. 23.

Tarah Schloss of St. Francis (Pa.) led the field after the first round of play, finishing four over with a score of 74. St. John's **Brittany Lambertson** was second individually with a score of 75, putting the Red Storm in first in the team standings with a combined score of 312.

Onofry was the Great Danes' top finisher for the day, followed by **Jill Friedman**, who tied for 56th with teammates **Lauren Bruce** and **Maggie Taylert**, all with scores of 90. **Anne Lyons** also competed for UAlbany, finishing tied for 64th with a score of 92.

The Great Danes will continue play on the final day of the Bucknell Fall Classic on Sunday, Oct. 24, starting at 8 a.m.

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Bucknell Fall Classic

(Bucknell Golf Club – Lewisburg, Pa.)

TEAM: 1. St. John's, 305; 2. St. Francis (Pa.), 312; 3. Brown, 321; 4. Harvard, 326; 5. Bucknell, 331; 6. Dartmouth, 333; 7. Penn, 336; 8. Fairfield, 341; 9. Youngstown, 343; 10. Radford, 348; 11. Lehigh, 351; 12. Central Connecticut, Kutztown, 353; **14. UAlbany, 357**; 15. Bucknell Orange, 379; 16. McDaniel, 396; 17. SUNY-Cortland, 417.

INDIVIDUAL

1. Tarah Schloss, St. Francis, 74; 2. Brittany Lambertson, St. John's, 75; 3. Samantha Milosh, St. Francis; Katie Loncke, Harvard; Christin Thomson, St. John's; Maggie Steciuk, St. John's, 76; 7. Megan Schaeffer, St. Francis, 77; 8. Melissa Aylor, Penn; Jaclyn Sanders, St. John's; Tiffany Wade, Brown; Kristen Phalen, Bucknell; Elizabeth Dupuy, Dartmouth, Jennifer Rhee, St. John's, 78; 14. Brittany Jones, Youngstown, 79.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

T38. Diane Onofry, 87; t56. Jill Friedman, Lauren Bruce, Maggie Taylert, 90; t64. Anne Lyons, 92.



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UALBANY FOOTBALL EDGES STONY BROOK, 27-22, IN NEC ACTION

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Senior quarterback **Nicholas Bazan** ran for a career-high 230 yards and three touchdowns, as UAlbany held off Stony Brook, 27-22, in a Northeast Conference contest on Saturday evening at LaValle Stadium.

UAlbany (3-5, NEC 3-1) pushed out to a 27-16 lead with 4:22 left in the third quarter when Bazan reached the end zone for the third time on a six-yard dash through the middle. The two-point pass failed.

Stony Brook (2-5, 2-3) came right back with a 10-play, 84-yard drive. Senior quarterback **T.J.** Moriarty, who completed 20 of 42 passes for 301 yards and two touchdowns, finished off the march with a 28-yard strike to Josh Anderson. But UAlbany still lead 27-22 when the twopoint run attempt was thwarted.

The Great Danes, who accounted for 371 of their 403 total yards on the ground, twice came up empty in an effort to seal the outcome in the final period. Chimezie Okobi, a defensive tackle, intercepted a mishandled swing pass in the right flat at the Stony Brook 26, before UAlbany's Chris Lynch missed a 33-yard field goal with 1:48 remaining.

Moriarty, a first-team All-NEC selection, would drive to his team to the UAlbany 37, as the sequence was twice kept alive by defensive pass interference penalties. But on third-and-12, UAlbany cornerback Ryan Chrobak picked off a Moriarty pass at his own 28-yard line with 28 seconds left to preserve the victory.

"It was a game that tugs at your emotions," said UAlbany coach Bob Ford, whose team remained in second place in the conference standings. "The two quarterbacks were the story of the game. We did a lot of positive things, and they didn't quit. But I was happy that our defense kept them off the scoreboard at the end."

The Great Danes took a 7-0 lead in the first quarter, when Bazan scored on a three-yard option run. He added a 40-yard dash over the right side for a 14-6 advantage with 10:05 left in the second quarter.

Bazan, who rushed for the most yards ever by a UAlbany quarterback and tied the fourthhighest total in school history, later led his team on an eight-play drive that resulted in Dustin Wilson's three-yard touchdown run. Stony Brook closed to within 21-9, when Sean Forman booted a 31-yard field goal on the last play of the half.

Both teams played tough, and didn't want to die," Bazan commented. "I was nervous on the last drive, but I knew they (the defense) were going to come through. We had some injuries

up front tonight, but the linemen, receivers, and backs all made the adjustment and blocked well."

Stony Brook's **Londre Blocker** led all receivers with eight receptions for 173 yards, including an 82-yard touchdown in the second quarter. UAlbany's Wilson ran 14 times for 79 yards, while fullback **Dan Beigel** added 45 yards on the ground.



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UALBANY MEN'S SOCCER SHUTS OUT STONY BROOK, 3-0

Albany, N.Y. -- Sophomore **Peter Squeglia** scored a goal in each half, including the game-winning tally as UAlbany defeated Stony Brook, 3-0, in America East Conference men's soccer action on Saturday, Oct. 23. With the victory, the Great Danes tie their best all-time win total as a Division I program. UAlbany is now 9-3-2 overall and 4-2-1 in the conference.

Squeglia scored on a bicycle kick from 15 yards out at the 14:00 mark as he received a pass from senior **Lucas Machado**. Senior **Ousmane Toure** also notched an assist on the tally. Senior **Savvas Theofilou** scored 12 minutes later when his shot deflected off a Seawolf player and into the upper left corner to give UAlbany a 2-0 lead at halftime. Machado recorded his second assist of the match on the goal.

In the second half, Squeglia completed the scoring when he headed in a cross from sophomore **Stephan Hall** at 51:21.

UAlbany edged Stony Brook on shots, 17-16. Senior **Bouna Coundoul** made 10 saves, while sophomore **Alex Kuritzky** played the last four minutes in the combined shutout for the Great Danes. Sophomore **EJ Xikis** made five saves in the net for the Seawolves, who dropped to 8-5-2 overall and 2-3-2 in the America East.

UAlbany hosts Army in a non-conference match on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 2 p.m.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Stony Brook (8-5-2, AE 2-3-2) 0 - 0 UAlbany (9-3-2, AE 4-2-1) 2 1 - 3

UAlbany--Scoring: Peter Squeglia 2-0, Savvas Theofilou 1-0, Lucas Machado 0-2, Stephan Hall 0-1, Ousmane Toure 0-1; Goalkeepers: Bouna Coundoul (86:16, 10 saves, 0 GA), Alex Kuritzky (3:44, 0 saves, 0 GA)

Stony Brook--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: EJ Xikis (90:00, 5 saves, 3 GA) Shots: UAlbany 17, Stony Brook 16; Corner Kicks: Stony Brook 7; UAlbany 3.

UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DEFEATS STONY BROOK, 3-1

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Sophomore setter **Blair Buchanan** set a new UAlbany record with 71 assists in helping the Great Danes to a 3-1 victory over Stony Brook in America East Conference women's volleyball action on Saturday, Oct. 23. Buchanan surpassed her careerhigh of 65 set earlier this season and shattered the school mark of 66 set by Maureen Roberts in 1999.

Ashley Hunter recorded a match-high 20 kills to lead the Great Dane offense. Ashlee Reed registered her second consecutive double-double with 16 kills and 14 digs. Ashley DeNeal spurred the defensive effort with 34 digs.

For the Seawolves (11-12, AE 3-4), Melissa Votruba tallied 19 kills. Maria Samilo and Danielle MacKnight each chipped in 10 kills.

UAlbany (19-5, AE 7-0) extended its school-record unbeaten streak to 13 straight and finished the first half of the conference season with an unblemished record. The Great Danes continue conference action on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Binghamton.

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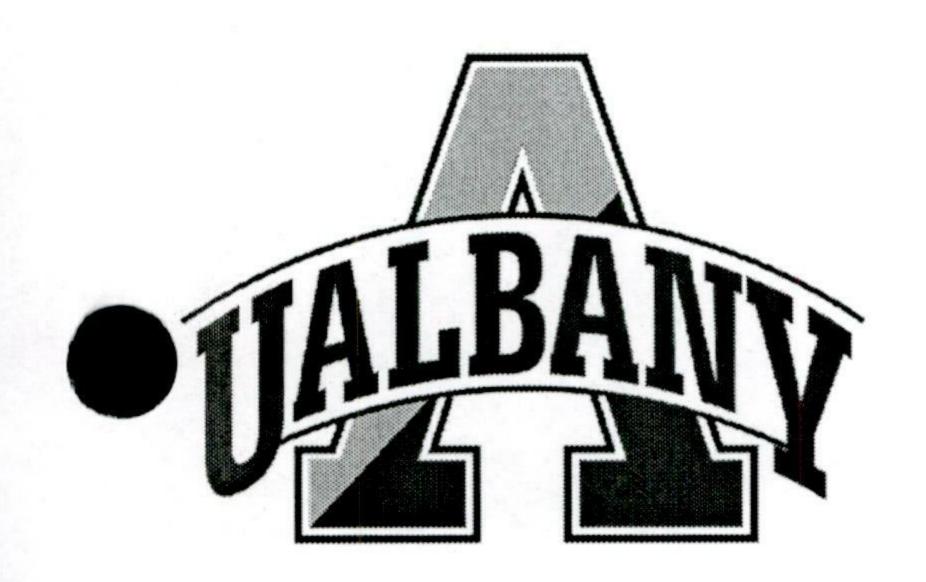
UAlbany (19-5, AE 7-0) def. Stony Brook (11-12, AE 3-4), 26-30, 30-23, 30-27, 30-26.

UALBANY TENNIS FALLS AT ITA REGIONALS

Philadelphia, Pa. – **Courtney Michels** dropped her opening singles match at ITA Eastern Regionals at the University of Pennsylvania on Saturday, Oct. 23. Michels fell to **Michele Spiess** of Massachusetts, 6-1, 6-2.

In doubles play, Aimee Kern teamed with Michels against Harvard's Celia Durkin and Melissa Anderson. The Great Danes lost to the Harvard duo, 8-3.

The regional competition marked the end of UAlbany's fall season.



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UALBANY'S EILEEN NICOLE RODRIGUEZ SETS NCAA CAREER RECORD

Baltimore, Md. – Junior **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** became the NCAA Division I career service aces leader with a season-high 11 aces in UAlbany's 3-1 victory over UMBC in America East Conference women's volleyball action on Friday evening at the RAC Arena. Rodriguez entered the match needing seven aces to break Seton Hall's Casie Alexander's career record of 416. Rodriguez, who recorded a double-figure match total for the 11th time as collegian, now stands at 421.

"I just started serving and once the first one or two came, I got on a roll," said Rodriguez, who eclipsed a mark established in 1993. "Then after I broke it, I served a couple of more because I was so excited. I didn't expect it to happen this soon."

Rodriguez, a left-hander who uses a jump-serve technique, already holds the NCAA single season record with 207 service aces during the 2002 season.

"The single-season record was very special because it was the first one," explained Rodriguez, whose team remained in first place in the conference standings with a perfect 6-0 mark. "This is bigger and makes me happier and more emotional. I'm just really happy that I did it."

Shelby Goldman's 26 kills led four Great Danes in double figures. **Ashlee Reed** finished with a double-double as she recorded 14 kills and 10 digs. **Ashley Hunter** and **Ashley Green** each chipped in with 11 kills. **Blair Buchanan** amassed a match-high 58 assists.

Emily Berman and Julia Hood registered 14 and 11 kills, respectively for the Retrievers (12-11, AE 2-4).

UAlbany (18-5) extended its winning streak to 12 straight with the four-game win. The Great Danes continue conference action on Saturday at 4 p.m. at America East-rival Stony Brook.

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UAlbany (18-5, AE 6-0) def. UMBC (12-11, AE 2-4), 29-31, 30-22, 30-23, 30-22.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER DOWNED AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY, 7-0

Boston, Mass. – Boston University freshman **Alexandra Riccomini** scored early in the first half and the Terriers added six goals in the second half to down UAlbany, 7-0, on Friday afternoon in an America East Conference women's soccer match at Nickerson Field.

Riccomini received a pass from junior **Melissa Shulman**, dribbled past a UAlbany defender and beat Great Danes' freshman goalkeeper **Catherine Nicholson** at the 3:52 mark.

In the second half, the Terriers scored four goals in a four-minute-and-four-second span. Shulman scored the first and third goals with junior **Meghann Cook** recording assists on both tallies. Sophomore **Lauren Erwin** scored the second goal from Cook. The scoring span was completed by Cook, with freshman **Nicole Lucey** notching the assist. Boston University added two more goals in a two-minute-and-eight-second span to cap the scoring.

Sophomore goalkeeper **Stephanie Dreyer** made two saves for the Terriers, who improve to 12-3-1 overall and 4-2 in the America East. Nicholson made eight of her 11 saves in the first half for the Great Danes. Boston University outshot UAlbany 25-5 in the match.

UAlbany (2-15, AE 0-6) will play at Northeastern on Sunday afternoon, with match time at 1 p.m. in America East action.

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Nickerson Field – Boston, Mass.

UAlbany (2-15, AE 0-6)

Boston University (12-3-1, AE 4-2)

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UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 11 saves, 7 GA) Boston University--Scoring: Melissa Shulman 2-1, Meghann Cook 1-3, Lauren Erwin 1-0, Susan Marschall 1-0, Adriane Musgrave 1-0, Alexandra Riccomini 1-0, Lauren Ciccone 0-1, Nicole Lucey 0-1, Tiffany Taylor 0-1; Goalkeeper: Stephanie Dreyer (90:00, 2 saves, 0 GA) Shots: Boston University 25, UAlbany 5; Corner Kicks: Boston University 6, UAlbany 0.



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UALBANY FALLS TO AMERICA EAST RIVAL BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Schenectady, N.Y. – **Pam Speuhler** and **Lauren Vendetti** scored two goals apiece to lead the Boston University field hockey team to a 7-1 victory over America East Conference rival UAlbany on Friday, Oct. 22.

The Terriers' **Jen Joyce** opened scoring with 18 minutes left to play in the first half. BU then rattled off four more goals, including Vendetti's first tally off assists from **Amy Seaman** and **Colleen McClay**.

UAlbany got on the board early in the second half on a penalty corner goal from **Danielle Costello**. **Shelley Gebhardt** assisted on the goal.

Vendetti finished the scoring in the closing seconds of the game, with assists from Seaman and McClay.

Erin Prediger made four saves in goal for BU (10-5, AE 4-0), while Barbara Czaplinski stopped eight shots for the Great Danes (7-9, AE 2-2).

UAlbany will be back in action on Sunday, Oct. 24 as they face America East opponent Maine at 1 p.m.

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Frank Bailey Field (Schenectady, N.Y.)

UAlbany (7-9, 2-2 AE) 0 1 - 1

Boston University (10-5, AE 2-2) 5 2 - 7

UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): Danielle Costello (1-0), Shelley Gebhardt (0-1); Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 8 saves, 7 GA).

Boston University—Scoring (G-A): Pam Speuhler (2-0), Lauren Vendetti (2-0), Jen Joyce (1-0), Ashley Parker (1-0), Adrienne Scibilia (1-0), Amy Seaman (0-2), Colleen McClay (0-2), Sarah Shute (0-1), Kara Rossi (0-1); Goalkeeper: Erin Prediger (70:00, 4 saves, 1 GA).



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VERMONT SQUEAKS BY UALBANY IN MEN'S SOCCER, 1-0

Albany, N.Y. -- Senior **Tony Anderson** scored the deciding goal early in the second half as Vermont snapped UAlbany's two-match unbeaten streak with a 1-0 America East Conference victory on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Anderson received a pass from junior **Jason Leahy**, beat a defender, and fired a low shot from the top of the box into the left corner past UAlbany senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** at the 49:22 mark. The Great Danes' best scoring chance came with 10 minutes left in the first half when **Stephan Hall's** shot was cleared by Catamount defender **Corey Bronner** just before the ball crossed the goal line.

Senior goalkeeper **David Sullivan** made six saves in the victory for Vermont (8-5-2, AE 3-3). Coundoul, who allowed just his fifth goal this season, turned away five shots for the Great Danes, who held a 16-11 shot advantage.

UAlbany (8-3-2, AE 3-2-1) hosts Stony Brook on Saturday, Oct. 23 at 1:00 p.m. in America East play.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

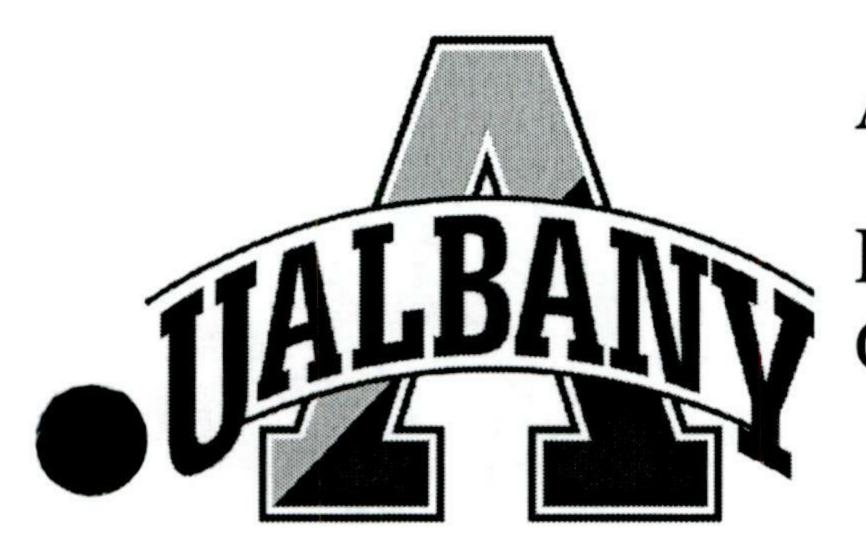
Vermont (8-5-2, AE 3-3) 0 1 - 1 UAlbany (8-3-2, AE 3-2-1) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 5 saves, 0 GA)

Vermont--Scoring: Tony Anderson 1-0, Jason Leahy 0-1; Goalkeeper: David Sullivan (90:00,

6 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 16, Vermont 11; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4, Vermont 1.



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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL MOVES TO THIRD IN NORTHEAST REGION RANKINGS

Albany, N.Y. – The women's volleyball team at the University at Albany moved up to third in the Northeast Region according to the latest RichKern.com/AVCA rankings released on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

The Great Danes are behind Big East Conference teams Notre Dame and Pittsburgh. UAlbany ranks 72nd overall in the RPKI rankings, which are similar to the NCAA rankings that are used to help determine the NCAA Championship field. The Great Danes, who are 17-5 overall and in first place in the America East Conference standings, are winners of a school-record 11 straight matches. UAlbany returns to the court on Friday in an America East road match against UMBC at 7:00 p.m.

GOALKEEPER BOUNA COUNDOUL LEADS NATION IN GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE

Indianapolis, Ind. – University at Albany's Bouna Coundoul is ranked first among NCAA Division I men's soccer goalkeepers in goals against average, as released today by the national office. Coundoul, a senior who has allowed just four goals this season, has a 0.32 GAA in 12 starting assignments. He recorded his ninth shutout in a 2-0 victory against Hartford last Saturday.

UAlbany (8-2-2, AE 3-1-1) climbed one spot to fourth in this week's NSCAA/adidas New York Region rankings. St. John's, Hartwick and Binghamton hold down the top three positions. The Great Danes, who are one victory from tying their best single-season win total at the Division I level, are tied for second in the America East Conference standings.

UALBANY GREAT DANES FALL SPORTS LUNCHEON ON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany's Department of Athletics will host its first Great Danes Sports Luncheon of the 2004-05 academic year on Wednesday, Oct. 20, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. The event will be held at The Pearl Restaurant, located in the former Steuben Athletic Club in downtown Albany. Join head football coach Bob Ford and the rest of the UAlbany fall sport coaches as they discuss their programs and seasons. The buffet lunch is \$10.00. For more information, call 442-4683.

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BUCHANAN AND GOLDMAN CAPTURE AMERICA EAST VOLLEYBALL AWARDS

Boston, Mass. – Sophomore outside hitter **Shelby Goldman** and sophomore **Blair Buchanan** were named America East Conference Player of the Week and Setter of the Week, respectively, as announced by the conference office on Monday, Oct. 18. The award is the first for Goldman, and Buchanan's second consecutive and fourth in five weeks.

Goldman sparked the Great Danes' offense with 29 kills in 3-0 victories against Maine and New Hampshire last weekend. She broke the 300-kill mark against New Hampshire and leads UAlbany with 301 kills on the season. Her 4.18 kills per game average ranks first among America East players. Goldman has reached double-digit kills in 20 consecutive matches and 21 of 22 contests this season.

Buchanan provided an all-around effort, as she tallied 80 assists, 14 digs, five kills and two block assists. She leads UAlbany with 854 assists and her 12.20 assists per game average is the best in America East. Buchanan also sits third on the team in digs (167) and fourth in total blocks (18).

UAlbany improved to 17-5 overall and remained the only unbeaten team in America East play at 5-0. The Great Danes resume action on Friday at 7:00 p.m. at UMBC.

BOUNA COUNDOUL EARNS AMERICA EAST MEN'S SOCCER AWARD

Boston, Mass. – Senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** was named America East Conference Co-Player of the Week in men's soccer, as announced by the conference office on Monday, Oct. 18. Coundoul shared the award with UMBC junior midfielder Powell Cucchiella.

Coundoul recorded his ninth shutout of the 2004 campaign with a 10-save performance in the Great Danes' 2-0 victory at Hartford last Saturday. His 10 stops were the most since an 11-save effort in a 1-0 victory at Duquesne on Sept 4. The UAlbany goalkeeper has not allowed a goal in the last 183 minutes of action. He has four shutouts in five conference matches this season, and has 15 for his career.

Coundoul has made 56 saves this season and began the season with a 398-minute shutout streak. The tri-captain's career long is 426 minutes, which lasted from Nov. 4, 2003 to Sept. 15, 2004. He has played every minute in goal for UAlbany this season and has a 0.32 goals against average, which ranks in the top five among the Division I leaders.

UAlbany (8-2-2, AE 3-1-1) is one victory away from tying its best win total as a Division I program. The Great Danes host America East-rival Vermont on Wednesday, Oct. 20 at 2:00 p.m.

UALBANY FOOTBALL LOSES TWO OFFENSIVE PLAYERS FOR THE SEASON Albany, N.Y. – Head football coach Bob Ford announced today that split end Ronnie DeAraujo

Albany, N.Y. – Head football coach Bob Ford announced today that split end Ronnie DeAraujo and tailback David Fantell will miss the remainder of the season with injuries.

DeAraujo, a 6-foot-2, 200-pound redshirt freshman, broke the second and third metacarpal bones in his left hand. The injury required surgery. Fantell, a sophomore, will have a surgical procedure to repair his left thumb's MCL ligament.

DeAraujo, who stepped into the starting lineup two weeks ago, had five receptions for 44 yards. Fantell is the team's third-leading rusher with 277 yards and one touchdown.

UAlbany (2-5, NEC 2-1) travels to conference-rival Stony Brook (2-4, NEC 2-2) on Saturday, Oct. 23 at 6:00 p.m.

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UMBC UPENDS UALBANY IN AMERICA EAST WOMEN'S SOCCER ACTION

Baltimore, Md. – Freshman **Kersha Walker** factored in on both goals in the first half, scoring on the first and assisting on the second, as UMBC defeated UAlbany, 4-0, in a America East Conference women's soccer match on Sunday afternoon at UMBC Soccer Stadium.

Walker scored three minutes into the match as she found the net from seven yards out with sophomore **Mary Hearin** picking up the assist. Walker and freshman forward **Jessica Young** assisted on junior **Kelly Fiorani's** goal at the 6:18 mark.

In the second half, the Retrievers scored three minutes into the period on a breakaway goal by Young. Junior **J.J. Golibart** concluded the scoring on a penalty kick with one minute and 13 seconds remaining.

UMBC (7-7-0, AE 2-3-0) outshot UAlbany in the match, 20-6. Junior **Robin Babaris** stopped two shots for the Retrievers. Freshman goalkeeper **Catherine Nicholson** made nine saves in the match for the Great Danes, who drop to 2-14 overall and 0-5 in the America East.

UAlbany travels to conference opponent Boston University on Friday, Oct. 22 at 4:00 p.m. -agate-

UMBC Soccer Stadium -- Baltimore, Md.

JAlbany (2-14, AE 0-5)

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UMBC (7-7, AE 2-3)

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UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 9 saves, 4 GA) UMBC--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Kersha Walker 1-1, Jessica Young 1-1, Kelly Fiorani 1-0, J.J. Golibart 1-0, Mary Hearin 0-1; Goalkeepers: Robin Barbaris (90:00, 2 saves, 0 GA) Shots: UMBC 20, UAlbany 6; Corner Kicks: UMBC 6, UAlbany 0.

UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY NIPS COLUMBIA, 1-0, ON ALEXIS JOHNSON'S GOAL

Schenectady, N.Y. – Senior forward **Alexis Johnson** scored the game's lone goal late in the second half, as UAlbany downed Columbia, 1-0, on Sunday afternoon in a non-conference field hockey match at Frank Bailey Field. The Great Danes improved their record to 7-8 overall.

Johnson deflected a pass from junior **Shelly Gebhardt** past Columbia sophomore goalkeeper **Kristina George** with four minutes and 38 seconds remaining. Johnson tallied her eighth goal of the season and 30th of her career.

Columbia (4-9) held a slim 8-7 lead in shots during the tight-fisted contest. Sophomore goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** turned away five shots in recording her third shutout this season for the Great Danes. George made three saves for the visitors.

UAlbany returns to action on Friday, Oct. 22 at 1:00 p.m. when the Great Danes host America East Conference opponent Boston University.

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Frank Bailey Field -- Schenectady, N.Y.

Columbia (4-9) 0 - UAlbany (7-8) 0 1 -

UAlbany--Scoring: Alexis Johnson 1-0, Shelley Gebhardt 0-1; Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 5 saves, 0 GA)

Columbia--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Kristina George (70:00, 3 saves, 1 GA)

UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DEFEATS NEW HAMPSHIRE, 3-0

Albany, N.Y. – **Shelby Goldman** and **Ashley Hunter** each recorded 14 kills to lead UAlbany to a 3-0 victory over New Hampshire in America East Conference women's volleyball action on Sunday, Oct. 17 at University Gymnasium. The Great Danes registered scores of 30-20, 30-27 and 30-23 to remain the conference's only unbeaten team at 5-0.

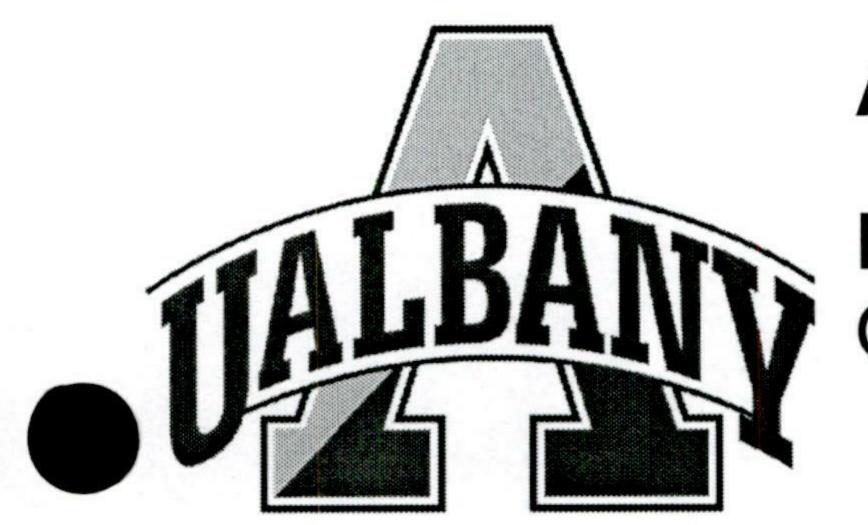
Ashley DeNeal played strong defensively for the Great Danes, tallying 23 digs. **Ashlee Reed** showed solid all-around effort with seven kills, nine digs and a team-best three block assists. **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** notched three aces and now needs seven to break the NCAA career mark.

Emmy Blouin paced the Wildcats (5-15, AE 1-4) with 13 kills, while **Jen Williams** registered 17 digs.

UAlbany (17-5, AE 5-0) extended its unbeaten streak to 11 matches and is a perfect 6-0 at home this season. The Great Danes resume conference play on Friday at 7 p.m. at UMBC.

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University at Albany (17-5, AE 5-0) def. New Hampshire (5-15, AE 1-4), 30-20, 30-27 and 30-23.



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UALBANY SHUTS OUT HARTFORD, 2-0, IN AMERICA EAST ACTION

West Hartford, Conn. – Sophomore **Peter Squeglia** (Mohonasen) and senior **Lucas Machado** each tallied goals in the first six minutes of action as UAlbany shutout Hartford, 2-0, in America East Conference play on Saturday night at Al-Marzooka Field.

Squeglia converted the Great Danes first penalty kick of the season 42 seconds into the match. The penalty kick was a result of sophomore **Stephan Hall** being fouled in the box by a Hawks' defender. Machado added the insurance goal at the 5:29 mark from the top of the box, with Hall picking up the assist.

Senior **Bouna Coundoul** notched his ninth shutout of the season as he stopped 10 shots. It was his second double-digit save performance of the season. The Great Danes improved to 8-2-2 overall and 3-1-1 in the conference. Junior **Ryan Carr** turned away three shots for the Hawks. Hartford drops to 2-7-3 overall and 0-3-2 in the America East.

UAlbany returns home on Oct. 20 for a 2:00 p.m. match against Vermont in America East play.

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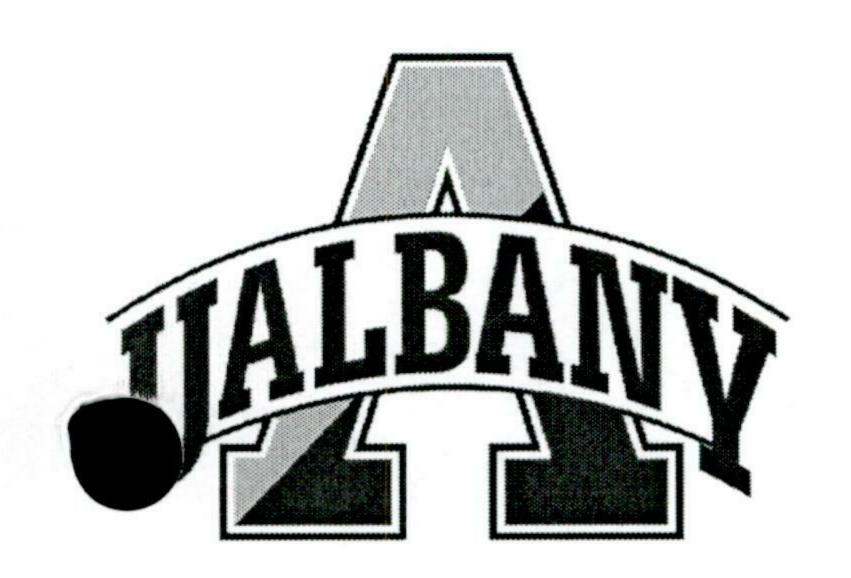
Al-Marzook Field -- West Hartford, Conn.

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

UAlbany--Scoring: Lucas Machado 1-0; Peter Squeglia 1-0, Stephan Hall 0-1; Goalkeeper:

Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 10 saves, 0 GA)

Hartford--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Ryan Carr (90:00, 3 saves, 2 GA) Shots: Hartford 16, UAlbany 11; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 5, Hartford 4.



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COURSE RECORDS BROKEN AT UALBANY INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – New Hampshire's **Anthony Traux** set a new course record, finishing in a time of 24:46, to lead the Wildcats to a second-place finish at the 38th Annual UAlbany Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 16. Traux became the first individual to win back-to-back titles in the history of the event. More than 500 runners represented 29 schools at the event.

Freshman **Ricardo Estremera** was the top UAlbany finisher, placing fourth overall in 25:20 over the UAlbany campus course. Freshman **Robbie Freeman** and **Andy Allstadt** placed seventh and eighth, respectively for the Great Danes. **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa) finished 26th individually, while **Sam Gonzalez's** 75th-place finish rounded out the top five UAlbany runners.

Colgate's **Mike Hanlon** was second overall over the 8,000-meter course, while St. Lawrence's **Jon French**, Estremera and **Ryan Corbett** of UMass rounded out the top five. Syracuse won the men's team championship with four runners among the first eleven finishers. Led by Traux's individual championship, UNH was second as a team, followed by UAlbany, UConn and UMass.

In the women's competition, Binghamton's **Erica Angell** broke the campus course record with a time of 17:40 for 5,000-meters. New Hampshire's **Caitlin Hayes** and **Megan Hepp** finished second and third, respectively, followed by UAlbany's **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn) and **Liz Cufari** of Syracuse. Lotmore was clocked in 17:54.

With five finishers in the top 20, New Hampshire claimed the team championship with a total of 48 points. Binghamton was second in the team standings, followed by Middlebury, Syracuse and St. Lawrence. UAlbany brought home seventh place as a team.

The Great Dane women were also represented by senior **Nicole Susser** (Colonie), who finished 31st in a time of 18:59. **Danielle Trimpop** (41st, 19:12), **Maureen Brown** (47th, 19:19) and **Theresa Juva** (49th, 19:23) rounded out the UAlbany top-five finishers.

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UAlbany Invitational (Albany, N.Y.)

Men

Team: 1. Syracuse, 60; 2. New Hampshire, 73; **3. UAlbany 113**; 4. Connecticut 133; 5. Massachusetts-Amherst 166; 6. NYU 197; 7. Marist 215; 8. Colgate 224; 9. SUNY-Cortland 232; 10. St. Lawrence 270; 11. Middlebury 307; 12. Long Island 401; 13. SUNY-Delhi 432; 14. Vassar 437; 15. Binghamton 438; 16. Siena 506; 17. Clarkson 508; 18. Oswego State 514; 19. Hamilton 538; 20. Northeastern 590; 21. SUNY-Potsdam 597; 22. St. Francis (N.Y.) 633; 23. Hunter College 640; 24. Saint Rose 657; 25. St. Thomas Aquinas 707; 26. Adelphi 785; 27. Paul Smiths 821; 28. Mercy College 883; 29. Lehman College 926. Individual: 1. Anthony Truax, New Hampshire, 24:46; 2. Mike Hanlon, Colgate, 25:02; 3. Jon French, St. Lawrence, 25:11; **4. Ricardo Estremera, UAlbany, 25:20**; 5. Ryan Corbett, Massachusetts-Amherst, 25:23; 6. Kyle Heath, Syracuse, 25:23; **7. Robbie Freeman, UAlbany, 25:24**; **8. Andy Allstadt, UAlbany, 25:24**; 9. David Wishart, Syracuse, 25:31; 10. John Graham, Syracuse, 25:31.

Other UAlbany Finishers: 26. Ryan Gaedje, 25:58; 72. Bryant Cherry-Woode, 26:48; 75. Samuel Gonzalez, 26:49; 86. Chris Pierson, 26:57; 140.

Women

Team: 1. New Hampshire, 48; 2. Binghamton 81; 3. Middlebury 97; 4. Syracuse 128; 5. St. Lawrence 159; 6. Massachusetts-Amherst 163; **7. UAlbany 165**; 8. Marist 173; 9. Northeastern 183; 10. Clarkson 295; 11. Siena 322; 12. Hamilton 345; 13. St. Francis (N.Y.) 423; 14. SUNY-Potsdam 449, 15. Saint Rose 495; 16. SUNY-Cortland 497; 17. Adelphi 522; 18. SUNY-Delhi 531; 19. Cazenovia 566; 20. Long Island 574; 21. Molly College 605. Individual: 1. Erica Angell, Binghamton, 17:40; 2. Caitlin Hayes, New Hampshire, 17:46; 3. Megan Hepp, New Hampshire, 17:52; **4. Alyssa Lotmore, UAlbany, 17:54**; 5. Liz Cufari, Syracuse, 17:56; 6. Stacy Kramer, Binghamton, 18:09; 7. Kathryn Murnane, Binghamton, 18:12; 8. Andrea Giddings, Middlebury, 18:14; 9. Christina DeRosa, Massachusetts-Amherst, 18:16; 10. Diane Matthews, Marist, 18:17.

Other UAlbany Finishers: 31. Nicole Susser, 18:59; 41. Danielle Trimpop, 19:12; 47. Maureen Brown, 19:19; 49. Teresa Juva, 19:23; 94. Jennifer Boshco, 20:12; 97. Natalie LeBron, 20:13.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL SWEEPS MAINE, 3-0, IN AMERICA EAST ACTION

Albany, N.Y. – **Shelby Goldman** tallied 15 kills and **Ashley Hunter** added 14 kills as UAlbany defeated Maine, 3-0, in America East Conference volleyball action on Saturday, Oct. 16. The Great Danes posted scores of 30-21, 30-20 and 30-16.

UAlbany (16-5, AE 4-0) remained the only unbeaten in conference action, and extended its win streak to 10 matches, its longest at the Division I level.

The Great Danes turned in one of their best hitting performances of the season, converting on 50-of-83 attempts for a .506 percentage, compared to .190 for the Black Bears. UAlbany setter **Blair Buchanan** totaled a match-high 43 assists and added a team-best eight digs. **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** recorded five service aces and now needs 10 to break the NCAA career mark.

Brittany Howe paced Maine (9-8, AE 3-2) with 10 kills and two block assists, while Kaili Jordan chipped in with eight kills.

UAlbany returns to conference action on Sunday at 4 p.m. when America East rival New Hampshire visits University Gymnasium. -agate-

UAlbany (16-5, AE 4-0) def. Maine (9-8, AE 3-2), 30-21, 30-20 and 30-16.

WOMEN'S GOLF TIES FOR EIGHTH AT RUTGERS INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – Senior **Jill Friedman** carded a final-round 83 to tie for 17th place overall, as UAlbany finished in a tie for eighth place in the team standings at the Rutgers Invitational on Saturday afternoon.

St. John's **Jaclyn Sanders** fired an even-par 72 over the final 18 holes to edge teammate **Brittany Lambertson** by a single stroke to win medalist honors. The Red Storm overhauled first-round leader St. Francis, Pa. to take the team title by 12 shots. Hartford was third, while Columbia placed fourth. The Great Danes put together a team score of 669 and were 57 strokes off the champion's pace.

Friedman, who shot a season-best 78 in the first round, finished with a 36-hole score of 161 over the par-72, 5,847-yard Rutgers Golf Course. **Anne Lyons** had a pair of 83s to end up in a tie for 30th place. **Maggie Taylert** (tie, 37th), **Lauren Bruce** (tie, 44th) **and Diane Onofry** (tie, 48th) were each among the top-50 finishers.
-agate-

Rutgers Invitational – Final Round

Team: St. John's 307-305-612, 2. St. Francis, Pa. 306-318-624, 3. Hartford 318-335-653, 4. Columbia 323-332-655, 5. Georgetown 318-339-657, 6. Rutgers 328-335-663, 7. Lehigh 326-342-668, T8. Albany 333-336-669, T8. Monmouth 325-344-669, 10. Central Connecticut State 329-352-681, T11. Mount Holyoke 340-357-697, T11. McDaniel College 350-347-697, 13. Boston U. 344-355-699, 14. Holy Cross 361-365-726, 15. Mount St. Mary's 361-366-727, 16. Hampton 361-374-735.

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Individual: 1. Jacklyn Sanders (St. John's) 76-72-148, 2. Brittany Lambertson (St. John's) 72-77-149, 3. Tarah Schloss (St. Francis) 76-74-150, 4. Kelly Cramp (McDaniel) 76-75-151, 5. Christin Thomson (St. John's) 76-76-152.

UAlbany Finishers: T17. Jill Friedman 78-83-161, T30. Anne Lyons 83-83-166, T37. Maggie Taylert 85-85-170, T44. Lauren Bruce 87-85-172, T48. Diane Onofry 89-85-174.

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College Football – Monmouth 25, Albany 24

Albany, N.Y. – **Steve Andriola** booted a 23-yard field goal as time expired, as Monmouth rallied for a 25-24 Northeast Conference victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon at University Field.

Monmouth (6-1, NEC 3-1) trailed 24-22 midway through the fourth quarter, but put together a 15-play, 86-yard march to set up the winning kick. Quarterback **Brian Boland** threw four consecutive completions to the Albany 14, and the drive was aided by a third-down defensive holding penalty.

UAlbany (2-5, NEC 2-1) took a 21-10 lead with 6:15 left in the third quarter, when quarterback **Nicholas Bazan** finished off an 11-play drive with a 5-yard option run around left end. Bazan ran 26 times for 91 yards, and completed 10 of 15 passes for 99 more.

The Hawks came back with the help of a 57-yard kickoff return by **David Jiles** to the Albany 29. Boland, who connected on 8 of 12 passes for 83 yards, hooked up with wide receiver Miles Austin for a 17-yard touchdown completion three plays later. The two-point pass was intercepted, and Monmouth was still behind, 21-16.

Monmouth, who shared the conference title with Albany last year, forced a turnover on the next series, when defensive tackle **Brian Sweeney** picked off Bazan's attempted screen pass in the middle of the field at the Great Danes 17. Five plays later, running **back Joe**Migliore scored over right tackle from one yard out for a 22-21 lead.

Bazan appeared to put his back in front on his team's next possession, when he raced 30 yards to end zone. But a downfield holding call wiped out the touchdown, and the Great Danes were forced to punt. However, cornerback **Ryan Chrobak** intercepted Monmouth reserve quarterback **Brendan Kennedy** near midifield. The turnover set up a nine-play sequence that resulted in freshman **Chris Lynch's** 33-yard field goal, and a 24-22 lead with 7:45 remaining.

"We showed both character and composure on that last drive," said Monmouth coach Kevin Callahan, whose team also won on the last play against Robert Morris earlier this season. "I thought a huge turning point came when we stopped them on fourth-and-inches inside our 10-yard line trailing 14-nothing. It gave us a big boost, we went and scored a couple of possessions later, and then the game went back-and-forth."

Albany jumped out to a 14-0 advantage in the first quarter. Senior tailback **Dustin Wilson**, who rushed for 149 yards on 15 carries, scored on a 45-yard scamper, before fullback **Dan Biegel** reached the end zone on a one-yard run. The Hawks got back into the contest behind Austin's 4-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter, and Andriola's 46-yard field in the third period.

"It was a tough loss," stated Chrobak, whose squad dropped a 10-7 defensive struggle in last year's match-up with Monmouth. "We played well at times and not well in other situations. You can't really say it's one single play; it's a team thing."

Safeties Matt Hill and Nick Castellano each had 14 tackles for the Hawks, who are ranked third in both Division I-AA mid-major national polls. UAlbany linebacker Colin Disch had 11 tackles, while Brian Becker added seven hits and an interception.

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WOMEN'S GOLF IN TENTH PLACE AFTER RUTGER INVITATIONAL'S FIRST ROUND

Piscataway, N.J. – Senior **Jill Friedman** fired a season-best six-over-par 78, as UAlbany stands in 10th place after the opening round of the Rutgers Invitational on Friday afternoon. The 36-hole tournament concludes tomorrow, with the final round set to get underway at 7:30 a.m.

St. Francis, Pa. holds a one-stroke lead over St. John's in the team standings, while Hartford and Georgetown are tied for third. The Great Danes are 27 shots off the pace with an opening-day total of 333.

Friedman is tied for 17th among the top individuals after carding a 37 over the last nine holes to go with a front-nine 41 on the par-72, 5,847-yard Rutgers Golf Course. St. John's **Brittany Lambertson** shot an even-par 72, and has a three-stroke advantage heading into the final round. Lambertson got off to a hot start with a 34 on the front side. **Juliana Carrillo** (Hartford), **Samantha Milosh** (St. Francis) and **Yvonne Kukora** (Lehigh) each had a 75.

UAlbany's **Anne Lyons** is tied for 32nd place after carding an 83. **Maggie Taylert** is in 43rd postion with an 85, while **Lauren Bruce** is tied for 49th after an 87. -agate-

Rutgers Invitational – First Round

Team: 1. St. Francis, Pa. 306, 2. St. John's 307, T3. Hartford 318, T3. Georgetown 318, 5. Columbia 323, 6. Monmouth 325, 7. Lehigh 326, 8. Rutgers 328, 9. Central Connecticut State 329, 10. UAlbany 333, 11. Mount Holyoke 340, 12. Boston U. 344, 13. McDaniel College 350, T14. Mount St. Mary's 361, T14. Hampton 361, T14. Holy Cross 361.

Individual: 1. Brittany Lambertson (St. John's) 34-38-72, T2. Juliana Carrillo (Hartford) 39-36-75, T2. Samantha Milosh (St. Francis, Pa.) 37-38-75, T2. Yvonne Kukora (Lehigh) 37-38-75.

UAlbany Finishers: T17. Jill Friedman 41-37-78, T32. Anne Lyons 42-41-85, T43. Maggie Taylert 44-41-85, T49. Lauren Bruce 45-42-87, T60. Diane Onofry 47-42-89.

GREAT DANES DEFEAT NEW HAMPSHIRE, 3-2 IN OVERTIME

Durham, N.H. – **Tina Bryson** scored two goals, including the game-winner, to lead the UAlbany field hockey team to a 3-2 overtime victory over America East Conference opponent New Hampshire on Friday, Oct. 15. The win was the Great Danes' first over UNH since joining the conference in 2001.

Freshman **Kristen Holder** opened the scoring just under 20 minutes into the contest on a rebound in front of the cage. New Hampshire's **Brittany Schneider** tied the game less than two minutes later off an **Emily Colton** assist during a penalty corner.

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The Wildcats took the lead at 24:01 when Caitlin Gillen converted a penalty stroke past UAlbany goalkeeper Barbara Czaplinski.

Bryson scored her first goal of the day, six minutes into the second half, off an **Alexis Johnson** assist to tie the game at two apiece. In the extra session, Bryson picked up the ball at midfield and drove to the cage, slipping the game-winning shot past New Hampshire goaltender **Christine Buckley** with less than thirty seconds left in the period.

Czaplinski finished with two saves for the Great Danes, while Buckley combined with **Margaux Shute** to make nine saves in goal for the Wildcats (2-13, AE 0-3).

UAlbany (6-8, AE 2-1) will be back in action on Sunday, Oct. 17 as they host non-league foe Columbia at 1 p.m.

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UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): Tina Bryson (2-0), Kristen Holder (1-0), Alexis Johnson (0-1); Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (84:33, 2 saves, 2 GA)

Syracuse—Scoring (G-A): Brittany Schneider (1-0), Caitlin Gillen (1-0) Emily Colton (0-1); Goalkeeper: Christine Buckley (66:35, 8 saves, 3 GA), Margaux Shute (17:58, 1 save, 0 GA).

UALBANY WOMEN'S SOCCER DEALT 4-2 SETBACK BY BINGHAMTON

Vestal, N.Y. - Binghamton scored three goals in the first half en route to a 4-2 defeat of UAlbany in America East Conference women's soccer action on Friday, Oct. 15.

Caitlyn O'Shaugnessy scored off a corner kick to put the Bearcats on the board at 17:52. Katie Kerrigan followed with a goal off another corner just five minutes later to give Binghamton a 2-0 cushion. Kerry O'Shaugnessy then assisted on Danielle White's tally that gave the Bearcats a 3-0 halftime lead.

In the second half, UAlbany's **Sara Rickard** fed **Elana Maccou** who scored her first collegiate goal and trimmed the gap to 3-1 at 59:46. Binghamton countered with a score by **Tatiana Mathelier** to go ahead 4-1. UAlbany's **Morgan Warwick** capped the scoring with her first goal of the season.

In goal, **Catherine Nicholson** made the start for the Great Danes and recorded 13 saves. **Kristie Bowers** stopped five shots in net for Binghamton (9-3-1, 3-1-0 AE). UAlbany (2-13, 0-4) returns to action on Sunday at 1 p.m. at UMBC.

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UAlbany (2-13, 0-4) 0 2 - 2

Binghamton (9-3-1, 3-1) 3 1 - 4

UAlbany - Scoring (G-A) - Sara Rickard (0-1), Morgan Warwick (1-0), Uju Ogbuawa (0-1), Elena Maccou (1-0); Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 13 saves, 4 GA). Binghamton - Scoring (G-A) - Katie Kerrigan (1-0), Lauren Massey (0-1), Caitlyn O'Shaugnessy (1-0), Tatiana Mathelier (1-0), Deli Plourde (0-1), Kelly Sanders (0-1), Kerry O'Shaugnessy (0-1); Goalkeeper: Kristie Bowers (90:00, 5 saves, 2 GA).

Shots: UA 8, BU 30. Corners: UA 2, BU 9.



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PRESEASON PRACTICE FOR UALBANY BASKETBALL TEAMS BEGINS OCTOBER 16

Albany, N.Y. – Preseason practice for the University at Albany men's and women's basketball teams begins on Saturday, October 16 in preparation for each program's fourth season as America East Conference members. The men are scheduled to practice from 8:00-11:00 a.m. in the Physical Education Building's University Gymnasium. The women take the floor for their first session, from 12 noon-2:30 p.m.

Head coach **Will Brown** has all five men's starters back, including top scorers **Levi Levine** and **Jon lati**, who averaged 14.3 and 14.0 points per game, respectively. lati, a 5-foot-9 sophomore, was last year's America East rookie of the year. **Jamar Wilson** also returns after missing nearly the entire 2003-04 campaign following knee surgery. Wilson averaged 18.9 points as a freshman when he was the conference's top rookie and a second-team all-league selection. Loyola transfer **Lucious Jordan**, a 6-foot-2 junior, is expected to see major minutes after leading the Greyhounds in scoring with a 13.2 average in his final season with the program.

UAlbany plays a 16-game conference schedule that concludes with the America East postseason tournament on March 4-12 in Vestal, N.Y. The Great Danes' list of non-league opponents includes Syracuse (Dec. 28), who has been in the NCAA field in six of the last seven years, NIT participant Villanova (Dec. 22) and crosstown-rival Siena (Nov. 23).

UAlbany's women's program has made great strides over the last two seasons. The Great Danes showed a four-win improvement overall from the previous year and captured five additional victories in conference play. Head coach **Trina Patterson** guided her team to a 13-16 record, as UAlbany reached the America East tournament semifinal round for the first time.

Danielle Hutcheson, a first-team All-America East center, was among the conference leaders in both scoring (12.7 ppg) and rebounding (9.6 pg). **Alicia Learn**, a 6-foot-1 senior, contributed 10.0 points and 5.8 rebounds, while **Becky Ayers** scored at a 12.2 clip. Senior forward **Maree Jones** added 7.4 points and 6.9 rebounds.

The Great Danes begin conference play on January 5 against New Hampshire. The America East Tournament is slated for Reich Family Pavilion in West Hartford Conn. on March 9-12. UAlbany is entered in a pair of regular-season tournaments, including Northern Arizona's Thanksgiving Tournament and Virginia's Cavalier Classic.

The Recreation and Convocation Center schedule has three men's and women's home doubleheaders on January 12 (Binghamton), February 5 (New Hampshire) and February 12 (Maine). The Feb. 5th doubleheader features Big Purple Growl, the University's Winter Homecoming.

UALBANY TO HOST 38TH ANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany will host its 38th Annual Cross Country Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 16. The men's race, which will be run on an 8,000-meter course through campus, will start at 10 a.m. The women's 5,000-meter race begins at 11 a.m. The campus course's start/finish line is on UAlbany's Western Avenue Practice Fields.

This year's event will feature 27 women's teams and 29 men's squads, including America East member New Hampshire. Also competing are Syracuse and Connecticut along with local school St. Rose. Middlebury, the women's team champion from 2003, returns to defend its title, while the UAlbany men attempt to take the championship for the second straight year.

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New Hampshire's **Anthony Traux**, who won the men's individual title last season, returns for the Wildcats, looking to become the event's first back-to-back individual champion. Stony Brook's **Jacquelin Nunez** claimed the women's title in 2003, running the third-fastest time on UAlbany's campus course.

The UAlbany women will be looking to sophomore **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn), who finished third at the Great American Festival in North Carolina on Oct. 1. Lotmore ran the 5K course in 18:36.76. Senior **Nicole Susser** (Colonie Central), one the squad's top competitors, will also compete along with seniors **Trista Neinast** and **Maureen Brown**, sophomore **Natasha Torres** and freshman **Danielle Trimpop**.

Senior **Andy Allstadt**, a two-time All-America East Conference selection, and freshman **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa) lead the way for the men. Gaedje was second at the Fordham meet in September, as he ran 26:23.05 at Van Cortlandt Park. Senior **Chris Pierson**, fifth at the Great American Festival, and junior **Robbie Freeman** will also look to finish high for the Great Danes.



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WILSON NAMED FOOTBALL GAZETTE ALL-PURPOSE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's **Dustin Wilson** has been selected the Football Gazette I-AA Mid-Major National All-Purpose Player of the Week for his performance in last Saturday's 38-0 Northeast Conference victory against St. Francis, Pa. Wilson was named the NEC's special teams player of the week on Monday.

Wilson, a fifth-year senior from Kirkwood, N.Y., accounted for 100-plus all-purpose yards for the third consecutive week with 136 against St. Francis. He blocked a punt that led to a third-quarter field goal, returned a kickoff for 20 yards, and rushed 12 times for a game-high 105 yards in his first career start at tailback. He is averaging 94.8 all-purpose yards per game.

Wilson, who plays on the punt cover, punt return and kickoff return special teams units, moved to 13th on the school's career list with 2,303 all-purpose yards. He is second on the team in rushing with 340 yards and is averaging 7.7 per carry.

UAlbany (2-4, NEC 2-0) meets Monmouth (5-1, 2-1) in a key conference battle on Saturday, Oct. 16 on Hall of Fame Weekend at University Field. Kickoff is 1:00 p.m. The Hawks are ranked third in both mid-major national polls.

UALBANY NAMES WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CAPTAINS FOR 2004-05

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany head basketball coach Trina Patterson announced today that **Danielle Hutcheson**, **Alicia Learn** and **Becky Ayers** will serve as women's basketball captains in 2004-05.

A three-year starter, Hutcheson became the first UAlbany women's basketball athlete to be named to the America East Conference first team after leading the Great Danes in both scoring (12.7 ppg) and rebounding (9.6 pg). Hutcheson, a 6-foot-4 center and native of Phoenix, Ariz., finished second in the conference in rebounding and ninth in scoring.

A 6-foot-1 senior from Watkins Glen, N.Y., Learn averaged 10.0 points per game and 5.8 rebounds. Her team-high 48 blocks last season fell one shy of matching the program's single-season record. She was named to the America East postseason all-tournament team.

Ayers, a 5-foot-8 junior guard, finished second on the Great Danes in scoring with an average of 12.2 points per game. The native of Canandaigua, N.Y. connected on 40 percent of her three-point field goals one year ago, when she made 52 of 128 attempts.

The Great Danes, who are coming off their best campaign at the Division I level, begin preseason practice on Saturday, Oct. 16.



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COLIN DISCH AND DUSTIN WILSON EARN WEEKLY NEC FOOTBALL AWARDS

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's **Colin Disch** and **Dustin Wilson** were both honored by the Northeast Conference with weekly awards for their performances in last Saturday's 38-0 league victory against St. Francis, Pa. Disch was named the NEC Rookie of the Week for the second time this season, while Wilson was the conference's Special Teams Player of the Week.

Disch, a redshirt freshman linebacker from North Plainfield, N.J., led the Great Danes in tackles for the sixth consecutive game. He totaled 12 tackles, including four unassisted and one for a loss. He also forced one fumble and added a pass break-up. Disch, who leads the NEC in tackles with 71, has reached double figures in all six contests this season.

UAlbany's defense recorded its first shutout since the 2002 season finale by limiting St. Francis to 227 total yards, including 85 on the ground, and forcing five turnovers.

Wilson, a fifth-year senior, accounted for 100-plus all-purpose yards for the third consecutive week with 136 against St. Francis. He blocked a punt that led to a third-quarter field goal, returned a kickoff for 20 yards, and rushed 12 times for a game-high 105 yards in his first career start at tailback.

Wilson, who plays on the punt cover, punt return and kickoff return special teams units, moved to 13th on the school's career list with 2,303 all-purpose yards. He is second on the team in rushing with 340 yards, and is averaging 94.8 all-purpose yards per game.

BLAIR BUCHANAN TABBED AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE SETTER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. -- University at Albany's Blair Buchanan has been selected America East Conference Setter of the Week as announced by the conference office on Monday, Oct. 11. The sophomore helped lead the Great Danes to three league victories in opening the America East schedule. This marks the third time in four weeks that Buchanan has earned the weekly honor.

Buchanan amassed 125 assists for an average of 13.89 per game, in addition to recording 12 kills, 20 digs and four block assists. She leads the Great Danes with 774 assists on the season and is third on the squad with 153 digs. Buchanan has also climbed to fifth on the UAlbany all-time assists list with 1.640 for her career.

UAlbany registered victories over Binghamton, Hartford and Northeastern by identical 3-0 scores to improve to 15-5 overall. This is the first time the Great Danes have started the conference season unscathed and the first time the program has defeated Northeastern. UAlbany also extended its unbeaten streak to nine matches, the program's longest at the Division I level, and has won 14 of their last 15 contests.

UAlbany returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 16 when America East-rival Maine visits University Gymnasium.

UALBANY AND MONMOUTH SQUARE OFF IN HALL OF FAME FOOTBALL GAME

Albany, N.Y. – Last year's Co-Northeast Conference football champions will tangle on Saturday, Oct. 16, when UAlbany (2-4, NEC 2-0) hosts Monmouth (5-1, 2-1) at University Field on Hall of Fame Weekend. Kickoff is 1:00 p.m. The Hawks, who have one of the top defenses in Division I-AA, are ranked third in both mid-major national polls.

Four former athletes will be enshrined into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday evening at the 21st annual HOF Dinner and Induction Ceremony. The new inductees are: **Xiomara Davila Diaz** '99, track & field; **Peter Pedro** '90, football; **Bill Vanos** '94, cross country/track; and **Kimberly Toone** '95, track & field (deceased). Pedro, one of the top fullbacks in UAlbany history, is among the school's all-time rushers with 2,612 yards and 22 touchdowns.

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VERMONT DOWNS UALBANY IN AMERICA EAST ACTION, 5-1

Albany, N.Y. – Senior **Kate Moran** scored in the opening minute to spark a three-goal first half as Vermont downed UAlbany, 5-1, in a America East Conference women's soccer match on Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Moran received a pass from sophomore **Amy Cochran** and shot the ball past a diving **Kate Lawler**. Senior **Leah Felis** made it a two-goal game at the 26:45 mark when she finished off a cross by sophomore **Cassandra VanLeeuwen**. The Catamounts pushed it out to a 3-0 lead with 12 minutes left in the opening half as **Jamie Koehnlein's** corner kick was headed in by senior **Libby Wood**.

In the second half, **Amy Cochran** netted both goals for Vermont, who improved to 7-5-1 overall and 2-2 in the conference. The Great Danes scored their lone goal of the match when freshman **Uju Ogbuawa** converted a breakaway with 26 minutes remaining. Junior **Nicole Hercules** and freshman goalkeeper **Catherine Nicholson** picked up assists on the play.

Vermont outshot UAlbany in the match, 18-6. Freshmen Lindsay Carfagna and Elana Cockburn combined for one save in the victory. Lawler and Nicholson played 45 minutes each and combined to make five saves.

UAlbany (2-12, AE 0-3) travels to Binghamton on Friday, Oct. 15 at 4:00 p.m. in America East action.

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Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.

Vermont (7-5-1, AE 2-2) 3 2 - UAlbany (2-12, AE 0-3) 0 1 -

UAlbany--Scoring: Uju Ogbuawa 1-0, Nicole Hercules 0-1, Catherine Nicholson 0-1; Goalkeepers: Kate Lawler (45:00, 2 saves, 3 GA), Catherine Nicholson (45:00, 3 saves, 2 GA)

Vermont--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Amy Cochran 2-1, Leah Felis 1-1, Kate Moran 1-0, Libby Wood 1-0, Jamie Koehnlein 0-1, Cassandra VanLeeuwen 0-1; Goalkeepers: Lindsay Carfagna (75:55, 1 save, 1 GA), Elana Cockburn (14:05, 0 saves, 0 GA) Shots: Vermont 18, UAlbany 6; Corner Kicks: Vermont 11, UAlbany 5.

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BUFFALO SWEEPS UALBANY AT BINGHAMTON TENNIS INVITATIONAL

Vestal, N.Y. – **Maggie Nenova** defeated **Courtney Michels** in straight sets at first singles, as Buffalo captured all 11 matches against UAlbany during the second day of action at the Binghamton Invitational. The two-day tournament used a non-scoring team format.

Nenova upended Michels, 6-4 and 6-2, and teamed with Kristen Ortman with a pro-set triumph at No. 1 doubles. Ortman and **Andreen Novaccanu** were also victorious at second and third singles, respectively.

UAlbany will wrap up its fall schedule at the ITA Eastern Regionals on Oct. 22-24.

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Buffalo vs. UAlbany

Singles

- 1. Maggie Nenova (BU) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 6-4, 6-2.
- 2. Kristen Ortman (BU) def. Christina Suarez (UA), 6-2, 6-2.
- 3. Andreen Novaccanu (BU) def. Amanda Hall (UA), 6-1, 6-1.
- 4. Katrin Fischer (BU) def. Aimee Kern (UA), 7-5, 7-5.
- 5. Tina Jacob (BU) def. Kim Westcott (UA), 7-5, 7-5.
- 6. Onessa Williams (BU) def. Amanda Brown (UA), 6-0, 6-0.
- 7. Jamie Jackson (BU) def. Lisa Fund (UA), 6-2, 6-4.
- 8. Elizabeth Paoletti (BU) def. Kerry Levis (UA), 9-7.

Doubles

- 1. Nenova/Ortman (BU) def. Michels/Kern (UA), 8-0.
- 2. Novaccanu/Jacob (BU) def. Suarez/Hall (UA), 8-4.
- 3. Fischer/Williams (BU) def. Westcott/Levis (UA), 8-1.

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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DEFEATS NORTHEASTERN, 3-0

Boston, Mass. – **Ashley Hunter** tallied 16 kills as UAlbany handed Northeastern its first America East loss, 3-0, on Saturday, Oct. 2 at Solomon Court. **Shelby Goldman** registered 13 kills as the Great Danes pushed their unbeaten streak to nine matches and remained perfect in conference play. UAlbany posted scores of 30-25, 30-20 and 30-19.

The UAlbany front proved formidable, tallying 11 total blocks compared to the Huskies' 5. **Ashley Green** led the way with eight block assists, while **Susan Spierre** managed six and **Ashlee Reed** chipped in with four block assists and nine kills. **Blair Buchanan** amassed a match-high 42 assists, while **Ashley DeNeal** recorded a team-high 15 digs.

UAlbany's **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** notched one service ace and now needs 15 to break the NCAA career record.

Whitney Turner led the Huskies (11-8, 2-1 AE) with 14 kills and seven digs. Kira Batura chipped in with nine kills and 15 digs.

The Great Danes (15-5, 3-0) return to the courts on Saturday at 4 p.m. against Maine.

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University at Albany (15-5, 3-0) defeated Northeastern University (11-8, 2-1), 30-25, 30-20, 30-19.

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NO. 10 NORTHEASTERN SHUTS OUT UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY

Schenectady, N.Y. - Whitney Shean scored two goals and added an assist to lead No. 10 Northeastern to a 7-0 victory over America East conference rival UAlbany on Saturday, Oct. 9.

Shean opened the scoring late in the first half on an unassisted shot past UAlbany goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski**. With 7:47 remaining in the same period, Shean assisted on **Sarah Eckhoff's** tally off a penalty corner. The sophomore forward continued her offensive charge in the beginning of the final half, scoring her second goal of the day less than five minutes into the stanza.

Jay Quinn scored the first of two goals on a penalty stroke with 26:45 remaining. **Liane Dixon**, who leads Northeastern with 31 points this season, scored on an unassisted shot at 17:15. Quinn scored her second of the day with less than four minutes remaining.

Czaplinski split time in the cage with **Jessica Montmarquet**, as the pair combined for 10 saves for the Great Danes. Northeastern's **Diana Nelson** stopped five shots for the Huskies.

The Huskies (11-2, 2-0 AE) outshot UAlbany, 25-7, and had a 17-5 advantage in penalty corners.

UAlbany (5-7, 1-1 AE) will be back in action on Tuesday, Oct. 12 as they travel to Hamilton, N.Y. to face Patriot League opponent Colgate at 7:30 p.m.

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Frank Bailey Field (Schenectady, N.Y.)

UAlbany (5-7, 1-1 AE) 0 - 0

Northeastern (11-2, 2-0) 2 5 - 7

UAlbany-Scoring (G-A): None; Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (66:32, 10 saves, 6 GA), Jessica Montmarquet (3:28, 0 saves, 1 GA).

Syracuse-Scoring (G-A): Whitney Shean (2-1), Jay Quinn (2-0), Sarah Eckoff (1-0), Liane Dixon (1-0), Mari Creatini (1-0); Goalkeeper: Diana Nelson (70:00, 5 saves, 0 GA).

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AIMEE KERN NETS SINGLES VICTORY IN UALBANY TENNIS ACTION

Vestal, N.Y. – Freshman **Aimee Kern** posted a singles victory against Colgate to lead UAlbany in day one of the Binghamton Invitational. The four-team tournament featured four matches in day one with UAlbany playing against Binghamton and Colgate.

Kern registered the Great Danes' lone win with a 6-2, 6-7 (3), (10-3) defeat of Colgate's Becca Smalley.

The Great Danes return to action at the invitational on Sunday.

Binghamton vs. UAlbany

- 1. Zeynep Altinay (BU) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 6-2, 6-1.
- 2. Lya Kushnirovich (BU) def. Amanda Hall (UA), 6-0, 6-1.
- 3. Jelena Koprivica (BU) def. Aimee Kern (UA), 6-1, 6-1.
- 4. Alyssa Freeman (BU) def. Kim Westcott (UA), 6-0, 6-2.
- 5. Jennifer Naegeli (BU) def. Amanda Brown (UA), 6-0, 6-0.
- 6. Vera Popova (BU) def. Lisa Fund (UA), 6-0, 6-1.
- 7. Lillian Santos (BU) def. Kerry Levis (UA), 6-2, 6-0.

Doubles

- 1. Altinay/Kushnirovich (BU) def. Michels/Kern (UA), 8-3.
- 2. Koprivica/Freeman (BU) def. Hall/Christina Suarez (UA), 8-1.
- 3. Naegeli/Popova (BU) def. Westcott/Levis (UA), 8-4.

Colgate vs. UAlbany

Singles

- 1. Jackie Couture (CU) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 6-0, 6-2.
- 2. Jamie Maldow (CU) def. Christina Suarez (UA), 6-0, 6-1.
- 3. Alex Seaton (CU) def. Amanda Hall (UA), 6-3, 6-0.
- 4. Aimee Kern (UA) def. Becca Smalley (CU), 6-2, 6-7 (3), (10-3).
- 5. Lindsey Grossman (CU) def. Kim Westcott (UA), 7-6 (3), 1-6, (10-8).
- 6. Jen Levy (CU) def. Amanda Brown (UA), 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles

- 1. Couture/Seaton (CU) def. Michels/Kern (UA), 8-1.
- 2. Maldow/Smalley (CU) def. Hall/Suarez (UA), 8-4.
- 3. Grossman/Levy (CU) def. Westcott/Levis (UA), 8-0.

College Football

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UAlbany 38, St. Francis, Pa. 0

Albany, N.Y. – Senior quarterback **Nicholas Bazan** rushed for three touchdowns and flanker **Topher Davey** scored twice in leading UAlbany to a 38-0 Northeast Conference victory over St. Francis, Pa. before a Homecoming crowd of 4,123 fans on Saturday afternoon at University Field.

UAlbany (2-4, NEC 2-0) scored on its opening three possessions to take control early. Bazan sliced his way through the middle on a 51-yard option run around right end to put his team on the scoreboard. Bazan, who ran for 95 yards and completed 6 of 11 passes for 70 more, then capped a 10-play drive with a 6-yard run over right tackle for a 14-0 lead. He fired a 30-yard completion to tight end **Eddie Unverzagt** on a third-and-12 play to keep the march alive.

The Great Danes, who piled up 523 yards in total offense, including 414 on the ground, later drove 62 yards in eight plays for a 21-0 advantage. Reserve quarterback **Uli Delgado** rolled right and delivered a 25-yard touchdown strike to Davey, who hauled in the pass over strong safety **Marcus Haines**.

In the second quarter, UAlbany moved out to a four-touchdown lead with Bazan back at the controls. He scampered 17 yards to the Red Flash 21, and later hit Davey with a 13-yard completion for another first down. Bazan completed the scoring sequence with his third touchdown of the day, a one-yard run over left guard. His three rushing TDs were the most by a UAlbany quarterback since 1991.

St. Francis, Pa. (3-3, NEC 1-2) was off to their best start in 22 years coming into the contest, but the Great Danes forced five turnovers and limited the visitors to 227 total yards in recording their first shutout since the 2002 season finale. Starting quarterback **Anthony Doria** was picked off three times, including twice in the red zone, as he connected on 14-of-34 through the air for 130 yards.

"We were solid on defense, picked up a notch on special teams, and the offense had moments of greatness," said Albany coach Bob Ford, whose squad remained in a virtual tie with Central Connecticut State for first place in the conference standings. "They are a young, upand-coming team, but they have a lot of sophomores and freshmen playing in key roles."

UAlbany tacked on 10 points within a two-minute span in the third period. Freshman **Chris Lynch** booted a 21-yard field goal, while Davey scored on a 9-yard reverse. Senior tailback **Dustin Wilson**, who also blocked a punt on special teams, led all rushers with 105 yards on 12 carries. Five players picked up 40-plus yards on the ground, as the Great Danes posted their third highest rushing total as a Division I-AA program.

"We're heading into the final stretch of the season, and it was time to step it up this week," said senior roverback **Kurt Campbell**, whose defense recorded four interceptions, including three in the second half, in nailing down the shutout. "We played well as a unit on first down today, and defended the ball in the air better."



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UALBANY NIPS AMERICA EAST-RIVAL MAINE, 1-0, ON STEPHAN HALL'S GOAL

Orono, Maine - Sophomore **Stephan Hall** netted the game's lone goal in the middle of the first half as UAlbany defeated Maine, 1-0, on Saturday afternoon in America East Conference men's soccer action at Memorial Field. The Great Danes improve their all-time mark against the Black Bears to 4-0.

Hall received a pass from senior **Lucas Machado** and put the ball past Maine junior goalkeeper **Chad Monegon** on a left-footed shot at the 22:34 mark. It was his second game-winning goal of the season.

Senior **Bouna Coundoul** recorded his eighth shutout of the season as he stopped two shots. The Great Danes improved to 7-2-2 overall and 2-1-1 in the conference. Monegon made four saves in the match for the Black Bears. Maine is now 3-3-3 overall and 0-2-2 in the America East.

UAlbany visits Hartford on Saturday, Oct. 16 for a 7:00 p.m. match in America East play. -agate-

Memorial Field -- Orono, Maine

UAlbany (7-2-2, AE 2-1-1) 1 0 - 1

Maine (3-3-3, AE 0-2-2) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany--Scoring: Stephan Hall 1-0, Lucas Machado 0-1; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 2 saves, 0 GA)

Maine--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Chad Monegon (90:00, 4 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Maine 12, UAlbany 10; Corner Kicks: Maine 7, UAlbany 2

WOMEN'S GOLF TIES FOR FOURTH AT BLUE DEVIL INVITATIONAL

New Britain, Conn. – **Diane Onofry** carded her second consecutive 83 to finish in a tie for eighth place, as UAlbany shared fourth in the team standings at Central Connecticut State's Blue Devil Invitational on Saturday afternoon. The two-day tournament was held at Stanley Quarter Golf Course, a par-72, 5,849-yard layout.

Central Connecticut State's **Leah Steinmiller** backed up her opening-round 75 with an 82 to win medalist honors by two strokes over Hartford's **Andriana DiLonardo**. **Audry Longo**, of Mount Holyoke, finished third, as her team edged first-round leader Hartford by two shots to take the team title. Fairfield had a 36-hole total of 678, while UAlbany and Central Connecticut State were eight strokes off the pace in fourth.

Onofry, who tied for eighth with a two-round score of 166, was among three UAlbany golfers in the top 25. **Jill Friedman** tied for 11th by following a first-round 81 with an 87 over the final 18 holes. **Lauren Bruce** shot 83 and 91, respectively, to tie for 22nd place. -agate-

CCSU Blue Devil Invitational

(Stanley Quarter Golf Course, New Britain, Conn.)

Team: 1. Mount Holyoke 664, 2. Hartford 676, 3. Fairfield 678, T4. UAlbany 682, T4. Central Connecticut State 682, 6. Long Island 685, 7. Amherst 698, 8. Boston U. 701, T9. Sacred Heart 714, T9. Monmouth 714, 11. Hofstra 735, 12. Pace 806.

Individual: 1. Leah Steinmiller (Central Conn.), 75-82—157, 2. Adrianna DiLonardo (Hartford), 76-83—159, 3. Audry Longo (Mount Holyoke), 79-81—160, 4. Veronica Lopes (Long Island), 76-86—162.

UAlbany Finishers: T8. Diane Onofry 83-83—166, T11. Jill Friedman 81-87—168, T22. Lauren Bruce 83-91—174, T25. Maggie Taylert 86-89—175, T27. Anne Lyons 86-90—176.



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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL WINS EIGHTH STRAIGHT WITH 3-0 VICTORY AT HARTFORD

West Hartford, Conn. – **Shelby Goldman** had 15 kills and posted a .517 hitting percentage in leading UAlbany to a 3-0 America East Conference victory over Hartford on Friday evening at Reich Family Pavilion. The Great Danes won by scores of 30-24, 30-22 and 30-20.

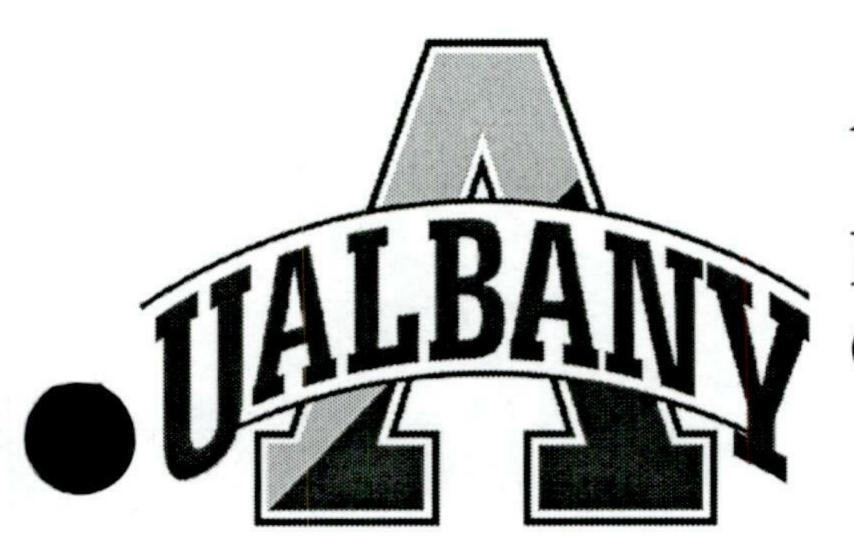
UAlbany (14-5, AE 2-0) has an eight-match winning streak, its longest as a Division I program, and has reached the win column in 13 of the last 14 contests. Goldman, a 6-foot-1 sophomore, has recorded double-figure kills in all but one match this season.

Sophomore setter **Blair Buchanan** totaled 38 assists and tied a season-high with eight kills. Hartford (5-15, AE 0-2) was led by freshman outside hitter **Jennifer Monroy**, who had 10 kills and six digs.

UAlbany's **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** had two services aces in the contest to bring her career total to 401. Rodriguez is 16 away from breaking Casie Alexander's all-time NCAA Division I record. Alexander had 416 aces at Seton Hall in the early 1990s. The Great Danes travel to Northeastern on Saturday for a 7:00 p.m. match.

UAlbany def. Hartford, 30-24, 30-22, 30-20

Records: UAlbany (14-5, AE 2-0), Hartford (5-15, AE 0-2).



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UALBANY GOLF IN SECOND AFTER FIRST DAY AT BLUE DEVIL INVITATIONAL

New Britain, Conn. – University at Albany's **Jill Friedman** carded a nine-over-par 81 on Friday afternoon, as the Great Danes are tied second after the opening round of Central Connecticut State's Blue Devil Invitational. The 36-hole tournament at Stanley Quarter Golf Course concludes on Saturday, with the final round beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Hartford leads by six strokes over UAlbany and Central Connecticut State in the team standings. The Blue Devils' **Leah Steinmiller** turned in the best round of the day with a 75, and is one shot better than Hartford's **Adrianna DiLonardo** and Long Island's **Veronica Lopez**.

UAlbany's Friedman is tied for seventh place among the top individuals. Her teammates **Diane Onofry** and **Lauren Bruce** each fired an 83 over the par-72, 5,849-yard course. -agate-

Blue Devil Invitational – First Round

(Stanley Quarter Golf Course, New Britain, Conn.)

Team: 1. Hartford 327, T2. UAlbany 333, T2. Central Connecticut State 333, 4. Fairfield 335, T5. Mount Holyoke 337, T5. Long Island 337, 7. Amherst 342, 8. Boston U. 347, 9. Sacred Heart 349, 10. Hofstra 366, 11. Monmouth 368, 12. Pace 406.

Individual: 1. Leah Steinmiller (Central Conn.), 75, T2. Adrianna DiLonardo (Hartford), 76, T2. Veronica Lopez (Long Island), 76, 4. Audry Longo (Mount Holyoke), 79, T6. Kara Solem (Mount Holyoke), 80, T6. Allison Mitchell (Central Conn.), 80.

Top UAlbany Finishers: T7. Jill Friedman 81, T13. Diane Onofry, 83, T13. Lauren Bruce, 83, T24. Anne Lyons 86, T24. Maggie Taylert 86.



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HARTFORD GETS BY UALBANY IN AMERICA EAST ACTION, 2-1

Albany, N.Y. – Senior **Malin Engman** scored the go-ahead goal with 17 minutes and 27 seconds remaining as Hartford slipped by UAlbany, 2-1, in a America East Conference match on Friday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Engman scored the game-winner when she tallied on a rebound off UAlbany junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler's** initial save. Engman's first attempt came about when she received a cross from freshman **Moa Lennartsson** in the goalmouth.

The Hawks opened the scoring at the 63:04 mark when senior **Katie Gardiner** chipped a shot over Lawler's head. Freshman **Maja Siosteen** received an assist on the tally. The Great Danes drew even five minutes later when junior **Nicole Hercules** notched her third goal of the season off of her own rebound. Junior **Lindsay Pirozzi** picked up her first career assist on the breakaway.

Hartford (2-7-2, AE 1-1-1) outshot UAlbany in the match, 18-6. Freshman **Liz Cook** turned away three shots for the Hawks, while Lawler had six saves, three in each half for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (2-11, AE 0-2) hosts Vermont on Sunday, Oct. 10 at 1:00 p.m. in America East action.

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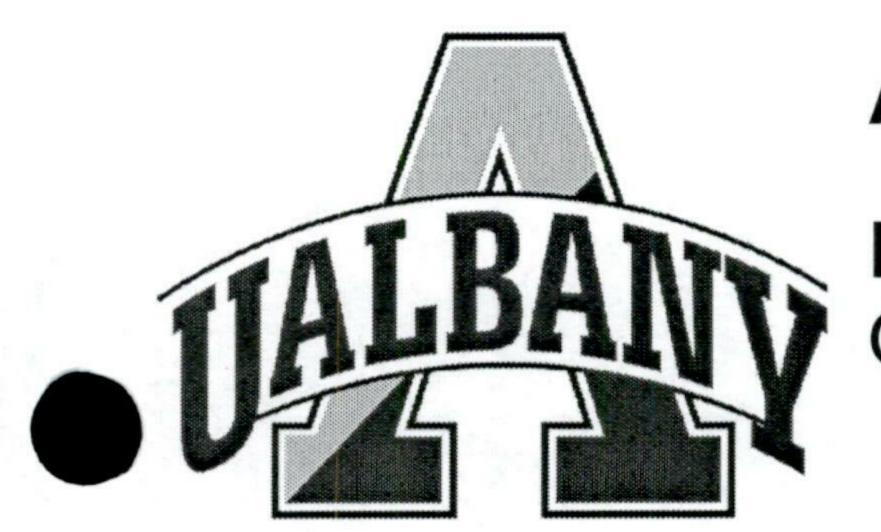
Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.

Hartford (2-7-2, AE 1-1-1) 0 2 - 2 UAlbany (2-11, AE 0-2) 0 1 - 1

UAlbany--Scoring: Nicole Hercules 1-0, Lindsay Pirozzi 0-1; Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 6 saves, 2 GA)

Hartford--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Malin Engman 1-0, Katie Gardiner 1-0, Moa Lennartsson 0-1, Maja Siosteen 0-1; Goalkeeper: Liz Cook (90:00, 3 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Hartford 18, UAlbany 6; Corner Kicks: Hartford 2, UAlbany 1.



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LATE GOALS LIFTS BOSTON UNIVERSITY PAST UALBANY, 2-1

Boston, Mass. – Junior **Sedrick Chin** scored the deciding goal with 3:50 left in the second half as Boston University downed UAlbany on Wednesday night, 2-1, in America East Conference men's soccer action at Nickerson Field.

Chin received a pass from senior **Federico Bianchi** and put it past UAlbany senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** on the left side. Great Dane senior **Vadim Ivanyushchenko** got UAlbany on the board first at 61:14 when he scored on a low shot into the left corner. Sophomore Stephan Hall picked up his first assist of the season on the goal. The Terriers drew even at the 76:30 mark when sophomore **Zach Kirby** redirected a cross by freshman **Roland Erlichman**.

Boston University (4-4-1, AE 2-0-1) outshot UAlbany in the match, 10-8. Sophomore goalkeeper **Chad Comroe** made six saves for the Terriers. Coundoul, who had his shutout of streak of 423 minutes snapped in the contest, turned away two shots for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (6-2-2, AE 1-1-1) travels to Maine on Saturday, Oct. 9 for a 3:00 p.m. match in America East action.

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Nickerson Field -- Boston, Mass.

UAlbany (6-2-2, AE 1-1-1)

Boston University (4-4-1, AE 2-0-1)

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UAlbany--Scoring: Vadim Ivanyushchenko 1-0; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 2 saves, 2 GA)

Boston University--Scoring: Sedrick Chin 1-0, Zach Kirby 1-0, Federico Bianchi 0-1, Roland Erlichman 0-1; Goalkeeper: Chad Comroe (90:00, 6 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Boston University 10, UAlbany 8; Corner Kicks: Boston University 4, UAlbany 2



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UALBANY BASKETBALL NAMES CAPTAINS FOR 2004-05 SEASON

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany men's basketball coach Will Brown announced today that **Chris Wyatt**, **Aquawasi St. Hillaire** and **Lucious Jordan** will serve as captains for the 2004-05 season.

St. Hillaire and Wyatt, a pair of 6-foot-6 seniors, were regulars in the UAlbany starting lineup one year ago. St. Hillaire, who received last year's team MVP award, averaged 9.8 points and was sixth among the America East Conference rebounding leaders at 6.8 per game. Wyatt, a three-year lettermen, averaged 6.3 points and 5.0 rebounds, plus shot 57 percent from the field.

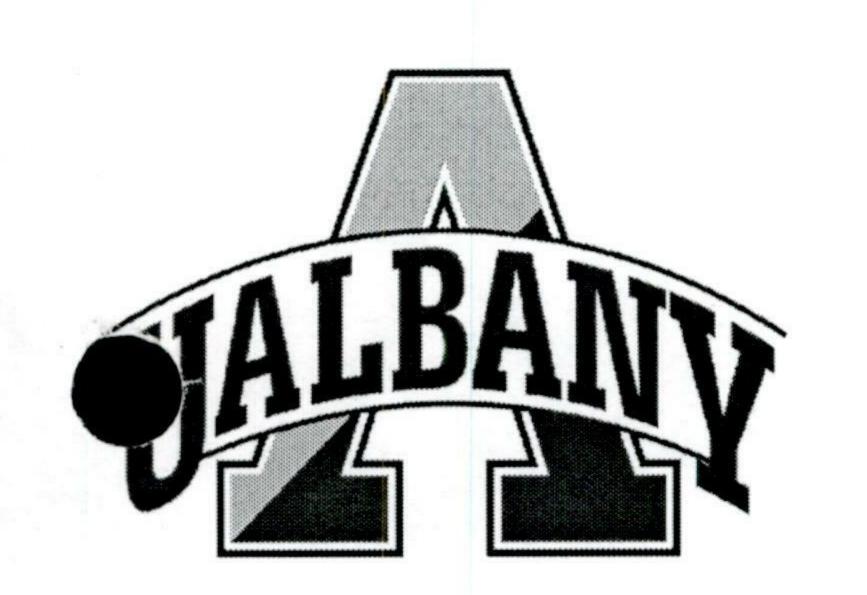
Jordan, a 6-foot-2 guard from Albany, N.Y., transferred from Loyola (Md.) College following the 2002-03 campaign. He averaged 13.2 points and 3.6 rebounds in his final season with the Greyhounds. Jordan earned second-team all-state and first-team all-area honors as a scholastic senior at Colonie Central High School.

UAlbany begins preseason practice on Saturday, Oct. 16. The Great Danes return all five starters, while Jamar Wilson, the 2003 America East Rookie of the Year, is back following last year's season-ending knee surgery.

MEN'S SOCCER FIFTH IN REGION, COUNDOUL SECOND AMONG NCAA LEADERS

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany's **Bouna Coundoul** is second among the NCAA Division I leaders in goals against average. Coundoul, who has a 0.21 GAA, has recorded seven shutouts this season. The senior goalkeeper is also first in the America East Conference with a .955 save percentage.

The Great Danes are ranked fifth in this week's NSCAA/adidas New York Region poll. UAlbany, off to its best start as a Division I program with a 6-1-2 record, trails St. John's, Hartwick, Binghamton and Stony Brook in the regional rankings.



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TINA BRYSON EARNS AMERICA EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's Tina Bryson has been chosen the America East Conference Player of the Week in women's field hockey announced on Monday afternoon by the conference office.

Bryson scored two goals, including the game-winner, in the Great Danes' 3-2 win over America East-rival UMBC last Saturday. The junior forward is second on the team in scoring with five goals and two assists for 12 points. Bryson had a game-high five shots in the victory over the Retrievers.

Bryson became the second UAlbany player to garner weekly conference honors this season. Freshman Kristen Holder earned the rookie of the week award on Sept. 27.

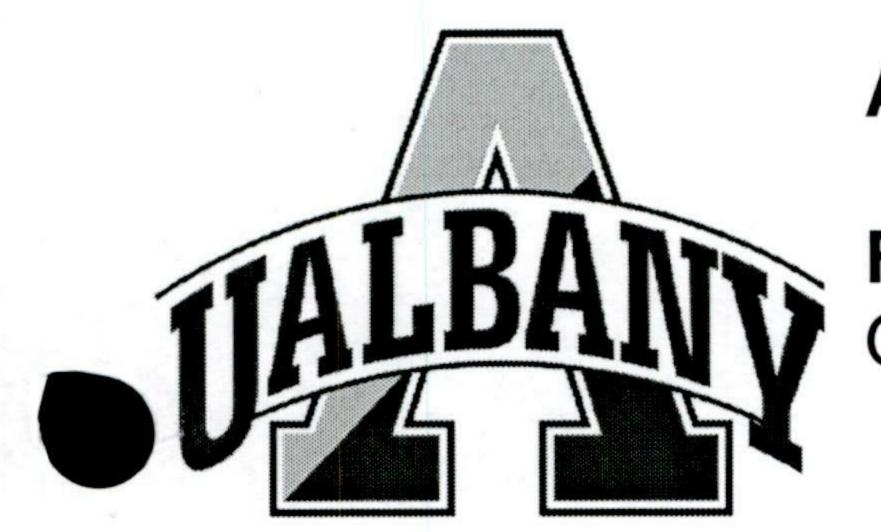
UAlbany (5-5, AE 1-0) returns to action on Tuesday, Oct. 5 on the road against Big East Conference foe Syracuse at 7 p.m.

UALBANY HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME ON TIME WARNER CABLE

Albany, N.Y. – Time Warner Cable will present a live broadcast of the University at Albany's football game with St. Francis, Pa. on Saturday, Oct. 9 as part of Homecoming and Family Weekend on campus. UAlbany kicks off against its Northeast Conference opponent at 1:07 p.m.

UAlbany's radio broadcast team of Rodger Wyland and Rodney Smith will provide the play-by-play coverage, while Capital News 9 Sports Director Damian Andrew will be the sideline reporter. Greg Bobbit will produce the broadcast, to be seen on Time Warner Cable's Channel 3.

The Great Danes, who are 21-10 in homecoming games, has dropped four its five opening games against a tough non-league schedule, including last Saturday's loss to nationally-ranked Lehigh. Colin Disch, a freshman linebacker, leads the Northeast Conference in tackles with 59, including 27 unassisted. St. Francis, Pa., ranked ninth among mid-major Division I-AA teams, is off to its best start in 22 years with a 3-2 record.



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STONY BROOK DOWNS UALBANY IN AMERICA EAST OPENER, 4-0

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman **Krista Shilts** scored two goals, one in each half as Stony Brook downed UAlbany, 4-0, in the America East Conference women's soccer opener for both squads on Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Shilts scored the lone goal of the first half at the 31:50 mark when she chipped in a direct kick from 30 yards out over the head of UAlbany junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler**.

In the second half, Shilts scored again from the same distance on a free kick over Lawler's head at 69:51 to give the Seawolves a two-goal advantage. It was the first of three goals in a three-minute-and-20-second span. Sophomore **Victoria Feliciano** scored on a free kick at 71:25 and sophomore **Jaclyn Boyle** concluded the scoring at 73:11 when she finished a corner kick by junior **Chelsea Van Horn**.

Stony Brook (4-4-3, AE 1-0) outshot UAlbany in the match, 25-4. Junior **Cindy Bennett** turned away four shots for the Seawolves. Lawler had a career-high 13-save performance for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (2-10, AE 0-1) hosts Hartford on Friday, Oct. 8 at 3:00 p.m. in America East action.

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Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.

Stony Brook (4-4-3, AE 1-0)

UAlbany (2-10, AE 0-1)

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UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 13 saves, 4 GA) Stony Brook--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Krista Shilts 2-0, Victoria Feliciano 1-0, Jaclyn Boyle 1-0, Chelsea Van Horn 0-1; Goalkeeper: Cindy Bennett (90:00, 4 saves, 0 GA) Shots: Stony Brook 25, UAlbany 4; Corner Kicks: Stony Brook 7, UAlbany 5.

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UALBANY GOLF HOSTS QUADRANGULAR MATCH

Altamont, N.Y. – Hartford's **Juliana Carrillo** earned medalist honors at UAlbany's quadrangular match at Orchard Greek Golf Course on Saturday, October 2. Carrillo fired a 77 to finish first out of 16 players.

Siena finished with the lowest team score at 324, edging out Hartford by three strokes. UAlbany carded a 337 on the day, while Fairfield tallied 346.

Jill Friedman was the top UAlbany finisher, shooting an 82 for the day, while Diana Onofry tied for eighth with an 83. Anne Lyons also placed in the top 10 with an 84.

UAlbany plays at the Central Connecticut State Invitational on Oct. 8-9.

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Team Results: 1. Siena, 324; 2. Hartford, 327; **3. UAlbany, 337**; 4. Fairfield, 346. Individual Results: 1. Juliana Carrillo, Hartford, 77; T2. Adrianna DiLonardo, Hartford, 79; T2. Laura Woodgar, 79; 4. Melissa Agostinelli, Siena, 81; **T5. Jill Friedman, UAlbany, 82**; T5. Bridget Erwin, Siena, 82; T5. Liz McCabe, Fairfield, 82; **T8. Diane Onofry, UAlbany, 83**; T8. Jillian Blanchard, Siena, 83; **T10. Anne Lyons, UAlbany, 84**; T10. Lindsey Ryan, Fairfield, 84; T10. Kerry Hassell, Hartford, 84.

Other UAlbany Finishers: 15. Maggie Taylert, UAlbany, 88.



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UALBANY FOOTBALL FALLS TO LEHIGH, 44-14 IN NON-LEAGUE ACTION

Bethlehem, Pa. – **Mark Borda** threw for 248 yards and three touchdowns and tailback **Marquez Thompson** scored three times in leading Lehigh to a 44-14 non-league victory over UAlbany on Saturday afternoon before 6,874 fans at Goodman Stadium.

Lehigh (3-1), ranked No. 21 nationally by The Sports Network and No. 23 in the ESPN/USA Today poll, scored on its opening three possessions to take a 17-0 lead. Borda fired a 35-yard scoring pass to Thompson with 8:53 left in the first quarter. **Justin Musiek** booted a 25-yard field goal to end an eight-play drive, as his club grabbed a 10-0 advantage. Finally, Borda hooked up with **Gerran Walker** on the left sideline with a 73-yard touchdown pass.

UAlbany (1-4) regrouped with a 10-play, 65-yard drive. **Eddie Unverzagt** pounded over left guard on a one-yard touchdown run. Senior quarterback **Nicholas Bazan's** 26-yard option run on a fourth-and-two play keyed the march. Bazan rushed for 84 yards on 21 attempts, and completed 9 of 15 passes for 86 more.

The two teams then traded second-quarter scoring drives, as Lehigh led 23-14 at halftime. Thompson hauled in a swing pass from Borda and cut through the middle for a 10-yard touchdown. UAlbany's **Mike Wall** scored on a 21-yard option reverse play.

The Mountain Hawks, who have won 35 of their last 38 home contests, put the game away with a pair of touchdowns. Thompson, who rushed for 89 yards on 19 carries, swept around left end on a 33-yard scoring run. The short drive was set up following a 29-yard punt by UAlbany's **Chris Lynch**. Reserve quarterback **Kyle Keating's** one-yard sneak gave Lehigh a 37-14 cushion with 12:44 remaining in the fourth quarter. Borda's 36-yard completion, under heavy pressure, to **Kevin Zebluim** was the key play in that scoring sequence.

"We put ourselves in a real hole with missed assignments and improper alignments," UAlbany head coach Bob Ford said. "I liked the way we bounced back in the second quarter. However, we failed to capitalize on our offensive opportunities early in the second half. Lehigh, as good teams do, took advantage of the situation."

The Great Danes, who started the game in a wishbone offense for the first time since 1989, accounted for 309 total yards, and were on the move on their next possession. But on first-and-10 at the Lehigh 19, Bazan's bad pitch was scooped up by **Tom Alfsen**, and the defensive end rumbled 74 yards, with an escort, to the end zone.

"He's a tough player," said UAlbany roverback **Kurt Campbell** about Borda, a 6-foot-2, 194-pound junior. "He stayed in the pocket or scrambled when he needed, and made big plays. We have a lot of new personnel this year (on defense). I think we have geled at times, and gone backwards at others. We know we have to play all four quarters."

FIELD HOCKEY EDGES UMBC, 3-2, IN AMERICA EAST OPENER

Baltimore, Md. – Junior **Tina Bryson** scored two goals to lead UAlbany to a 3-2 victory over UMBC in the Great Danes' America East opener on Saturday, Oct. 2. Senior **Alexis Johnson** also scored for UAlbany, notching her team-leading seventh goal of the season.

UMBC took a 2-0 lead early in the game as **Kristi Troster** and **Cecile Banas** both scored in the opening 20 minutes. Johnson then trimmed the deficit to 2-1, scoring off a **Kristi Clausi** assist at 22:43.

Bryson tied the game off a feed from Cheryl Varga at 41:32 and then scored the go-ahead goal 10 minutes later on a rebound of a **Kristen Holder** shot.

UAlbany goalie **Barbara Czaplinski** made five saves in the net, while **Meghan Polek** turned away nine shots for the Retrievers (3-7, 0-2).

The Great Danes (5-5, 1-0) return to action on Tuesday at 7 p.m. when they travel to Syracuse.

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UAlbany 3, UMBC 2

UMBC Stadium (Baltimore, Md.)

UAlbany Scoring – Tina Bryson (2-0), Alexis Johnson (1-0), Cheryl Varga (0-1), Kristi Clausi (0-1), Kristen Holder (0-1). Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 5 saves, 2 GA). UMBC Scoring – Cecile Banas (1-0), Kristi Troster (1-1). Goalkeeper: Meghan Polek (70:00, 9 saves, 3 GA).

UALBANY AND NORTHEASTERN DRAW IN MEN'S SOCCER, 0-0

Albany, N.Y. – Senior UAlbany goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** turned away three shots for his seventh shutout of the season, but junior Northeastern goalkeeper **Sergio Saccoccio** pitched his second blanking of the season as UAlbany and Northeastern tied, 0-0, in America East Conference action on Saturday afternoon at Varsity Field. Coundoul extends his shutout streak to 347 minutes.

The game's best scoring chance came with about five minutes left in the second half when Great Dane senior **Vadim Ivanyushchenko** took a shot from 10 yards out on the left side, but it went just wide.

The Great Danes outshot the Huskies in the match, 14-8. UAlbany (6-1-2, AE 1-0-1) travels to Boston University on Wednesday, Oct. 6 for a 7:00 p.m. match. Northeastern (2-5-2, 1-0-1) visits Maine on Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 3:00 p.m.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Northeastern (2-5-2, AE 1-0-1) 0 0 0 - 0 UAlbany (6-1-2, AE 1-0-1) 0 0 0 0 - 0

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (110:00, 3 saves, 0 GA) Northeastern--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Sergio Saccoccio (110:00, 4 saves, 0 GA) Shots: UAlbany 14, Northeastern 8; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 5, Northeastern 4

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ASHLEY DENEAL SPARKS UALBANY VOLLEYBALL to 3-0 WIN OVER IONA

Albany, N.Y. – **Ashley DeNeal** smacked a match-high 18 kills and recorded nine digs as UAlbany defeated Iona, 3-0, at University Gymnasium on Friday, Oct. 1. UAlbany posted scores of 30-17, 30-20 and 30-23. The Great Danes extended their unbeaten streak to six matches, which ties their longest stretch at the Division I level.

Shelby Goldman registered 13 kills and six digs, while Blair Buchanan and Jill Dombrowski finished with 22 and 16 assists, respectively. Eileen Nicole Rodriguez tallied three service aces and now needs 19 to break the NCAA career record.

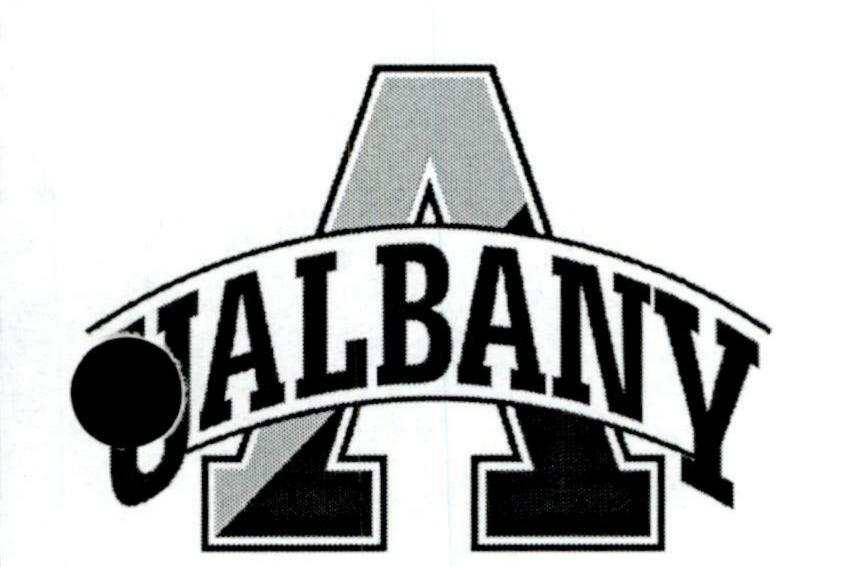
The Great Danes struggled in game two, falling behind 17-11 before **Ashlee Reed** served 12 consecutive points, creating what proved to be a pivotal swing in the match. Freshman **Ashley Crenshaw** made her first collegiate start and tallied three kills, two assists, a solo block and a block assist.

For Iona (5-12), Miki Hogg notched 10 kills and Emily Mansur managed 18 assists.

UAlbany (12-5) opens America East play on Tuesday at 7 p.m. when Binghamton visits University Gymnasium.

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University at Albany (12-5) def. Iona College (5-12), 30-17, 30-20, 30-23.



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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY FINISHES THIRD, WOMEN FIFTH AT GREAT AMERICAN FESTIVAL

Cary, N.C. – Sophomore **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn) finished third overall to lead the UAlbany women's cross country team to a fifth-place finish at the Great American Cross Country Festival held on Saturday, Oct. 1 at the SAS Soccer Park in Cary, N.C. Lotmore covered the 6-kilometer course in a time of 18:36.76. **Robbie Freeman** led the men's squad to a third-place team finish, placing fifth individually with a time of 25:54.57.

Andy Allstadt was the second Great Dane finisher for the men's team, placing 11th overall with a time of 26:31.86. Freshman **Ricardo Estremera** was 26th individually in a time of 27:10.12 while senior **Chris Pierson** brought home a 31st place finish in 27:20.15. Rounding out the top five UAlbany runners was **Bryant Cherry-Woode**, who finished with a time of 27:48.52 for 48th place.

Nicole Susser helped the Great Dane women to their fifth-place team finish by placing 15th overall in a time of 19:12.40. Sophomore **Jessica Oehlke** was 29th in 19:45.65 while freshman **Danielle Trimpop** finished 37th overall in a time of 20:10.62. Senior **Maureen Brown** closed out the top five UAlbany women, placing 40th with a time of 20:19.21.

Also running for the Great Dane men were **Sam Gonzalez** (62nd, 28:24.38) and **Ryan Gaedje** (74th, 28:52.72). **Theresa Juva** (44th, 20:27.67) and **Natasha Torres** (55th, 20:42.68) also competed for the women's team.

Jemissa Hess claimed the individual women's championship while also leading High Point University to the team championship. **Johanna Allen** of East Carolina was second while Lotmore, **Belinda Wilsher** (High Point) and **Andrea Rovegno** (Loyola) rounded out the top five. Liberty University finished second in the team standings, followed by Allegheny, Florida Atlantic and UAlbany.

Josphat Waweru led Jacksonville State to the men's team championship while claiming first overall in the men's standings. Kevin Pool of Allegheny finished second individually followed by Matt Hanlon of East Carolina and Mike Earle of Campbell. East Carolina was runner-up in the team standings, while UAlbany, Pittsburgh and Delaware rounded out the top five teams.

The UAlbany cross country teams will be back in action on Saturday, Oct. 16 as they host the 38th Annual UAlbany Invitational.

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2004 Great American Cross Country Festival

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Jacksonville 65, 2. East Carolina 97, 3. UAlbany 121, 4. Pittsburgh 122, 5. Delaware 127, 6. Georgia State 130, 7. Allegheny 145, 8. Campbell 234, 9. Loyola 238, 10. Mary Washington 259, 11. Ohio Northern 260, 12. UNC-Wilmington 269, 13. Lipscomb 329, 14. California U of PA 424, 15. Brevard 427, 16. Francis Marion 428.

Individal

Josphat Waweru, Jacksonville, 25:02.38, 2. Kevin Pool, Allegheny, 25:38.06, 3. Matt Hanlon, East Carolina, 25:39.49, 4. Mike Earle, Campbell, 25:43.89, 5. Robbie Freeman, UAlbany, 25:54.57, 6. Ryan McKay, Jacksonville, 26:01.02, 7. Wade Martin, Jacksonville, 26:09.13, 8. P.J. Meany, Delaware, 26:12.34, 9. Matt Cameron, Georgia State, 26;17.16, 10. Jeremy Helf, Campbell, 26:19.51.

Other UAlbany Finishers

11. Andy Allstadt, 26:31.86, 26. Ricardo Estremera, 27:10.12, 31. Chris Pierson, 27:20.15, 48. Bryant Cherry-Woode, 27:48.52, 62. Sam Gonzalez, 28:24.38. 74. Ryan Gaedje, 28:52.72.

WOMEN

1. High Point 65, 2. Liberty 82, 3. Allegheny 85, 4. Florida Atlantic 107, **5. UAlbany 117**, 6. East Carolina 136, 7. Loyola 180, 8. Delaware 221, 9. Mary Washington 237, 10. UNC-Wilmington 245, 11. Brevard 312, 12. Jacksonville 345, 13. Francis Marion 387.

Individual

Jemissa Hess, High Point, 18:09.38, 2. Johanna Allen, East Carolina, 18:13.88, 3. Alyssa Lotmore, UAlbany, 18:36.76, 4. Belinda Wilsher, High Point, 18:41.08, 5. Andrea Rovegno, Loyola, 18:42.16, 6. Jessica Collins, East Carolina, 18:45.54, 7. Samantha Pelletier, Liberty, 18:48.30, 8. Leigh Ciofani, Allegheny, 18:51.58, 9. Sarah Roberts, Liberty, 18:56.24, 10. Colleen O'Brien, Delaware, 19:02.44.

Other UAlbany Finishers

15. Nicole Susser, 19:12.40, 29. Jessica Oehlke, 19:45.65, 37. Danielle Trimpop, 20:10.62, 40. Maureen Brown, 20:19.21, 44. Theresa Juva, 20:27.67, 55. Natasha Torres, 20:42.68.