

# SPORTS NEWS



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## Men's Soccer

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### Nationally-ranked Binghamton remains red hot

With wins over Oneonta and Vermont this past week, the Binghamton men's soccer team (7-1-1, 1-0 AE) continues its torrid start. The Bearcats are currently ranked No. 25 in the *College Soccer News* Top 30 Poll and No. 21 in the NSCAA/adidas Top 25 Poll. The squad's lone defeat this season was to a Lehigh team currently ranked No. 30 in the *College Soccer News* poll.

### Narode continues outstanding season

Sophomore back **Matt Narode** (Glenmont, N.Y./Bethlehem Central) scored three goals in the Bearcats' two games last week and now leads the team with five goals and 10 points this season. After scoring twice against Oneonta, Narode scored a critical goal in the Bearcats' come-from-behind win at Vermont.

For his impressive week, Narode was named to the *College Soccer News* National Team of the Week.

### Vallone comes through in the clutch

Senior back **Luc Vallone** (Hoosick Falls, N.Y./Hoosick Falls) couldn't have picked a better time to have the best week of his career. He scored once against Oneonta and had a goal and an assist against Vermont. Vallone's goal against the Catamounts broke a 2-2 tie with 12:44 remaining in regulation.

For his breakthrough performance, Vallone was named the America East Conference Player of the Week.

### Ravangard, Pierce make key assists

Senior backs **Darius Ravangard** (Utica, N.Y./New Hartford) and **Ryan Pierce** (Cobleskill, N.Y./Cobleskill-Richmondville), who have been part of the Bearcats' outstanding back line, played pivotal roles in the Bearcats' wins last week.

Ravangard had an assist in each game last week. He assisted on Vallone's game-winning goal against Vermont and on Narode's second goal against Oneonta.

Pierce took the corner kick against Vermont just 1:22 into the game against Vermont that was headed in by senior back **Graham Munro** (Inverness, Scotland/Invergordon).

### Miscellaneous notes

With a 7-1-1 record, Binghamton is off to its best start through nine games since going 8-1-0 to start the 1980 season. The Colonials, as they were then known, advanced to the NCAA Division III quarterfinals that season ... Binghamton's win over Vermont marked the first time in four seasons it has defeated the Catamounts. It also marks the first time the Bearcats have won their first conference game of the season since joining the America East in 2002 ... half way through the 2005 regular season, Binghamton has surrendered just five goals. The school record for fewest goals allowed in the season is nine, set back in 2003.

### 2005 Schedule/Results (7-1-1)

#### SEPTEMBER

1 Thu.	+ Furman	T	1-1
3 Sat.	+ @ Coastal Carolina	W	1-0
7 Wed.	ST. JOSEPH'S	W	5-1
10 Sat.	++ Duquesne	W	1-0
11 Sun.	++ @ St. Bonaventure	W	1-0
14 Wed.	@ Hartwick	W	1-0
17 Sat.	@ Lehigh	L	0-1
20 Tue.	ONEONTA	W	3-0
24 Sat.	* @ Vermont	W	3-2
28 Wed.	@ Bucknell		7 p.m.

#### OCTOBER

1 Sat.	* MAINE		1 p.m.
5 Wed.	* UMBC		3 p.m.
11 Tue.	SIENA		3 p.m.
15 Sat.	* @ New Hampshire		1 p.m.
19 Wed.	* @ Stony Brook		7 p.m.
22 Sat.	* ALBANY		2 p.m.
29 Sat.	* @ Hartford		7 p.m.

#### NOVEMBER

2 Wed.	* BOSTON UNIV.		1 p.m.
5 Sat.	America East Quarterfinals		TBA
9 Wed.	America East Semifinals		TBA
12 Sat.	America East Finals		TBA

\* America East Conference game  
+ Coastal Carolina/adidas Invitational  
++ St. Bonaventure Invitational

### Leading Scorers

Name	G	A	Pts.
Matt Narode	5	0	10
Graham Munro	3	0	6
Luc Vallone	2	1	5
Peter Sgueglia	2	0	4
Kyle Antos	1	1	3
Danilo	1	1	3
Ibrahim Yusif	1	1	3
Darius Ravangard	0	3	3
Joey Neilson	1	0	2
Cody Germain	0	2	2
Barry Neville	0	2	2
Ryan Pierce	0	2	2
Adam Chavez	0	1	1
Joe Howe	0	1	1

### Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %	SO
Ryan Bertoni	9	0.55	.848	5.0