

SPORTS NEWS



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Volleyball

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Bearcats head to Syracuse, host BU Tournament

The Binghamton volleyball team travels to Syracuse for a Wednesday match at 7 p.m. and then returns home for its first home action of the season. The Bearcats host the Binghamton Tournament this coming weekend with Cornell, St. Francis (N.Y.) and Fairleigh Dickinson as the other competing teams.

Crocus named America East Player of the Week

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus (Bethlehem, Pa./Freedom)** was named the America East Conference Player of the Week for Sept. 13-19. It marked the second time this season that she earned the award.

Crocus earned the award by virtue of her performance in the George Washington Invitational this past weekend. In the Bearcats' three matches, she averaged 4.23 kills and 1.61 blocks per game. Binghamton finished second out of four teams. Crocus nailed a career-high 26 kills in the Bearcats' five-game win over Akron on Friday. It also marked the third time this season that she has posted at least 20 kills in a match.

The George Washington Invitational marked the third weekend in a row that Crocus has been the Bearcats' representative on an all-tournament team. She also got the nod at the Western New York Tournament and the Villanova Wildcat Classic.

Crocus currently leads the conference with 4.18 kills per game, 1.59 blocks per game and a .345 attack percentage.

Moving up the charts

Heading into the George Washington Invitational, senior outside hitter **Michele Heck (Chicago, Ill./ Resurrection)** has posted 1,142 career kills, which is the third-highest total in school history. She needs 71 kills to tie Nicole Canestrare (1993-96) for second place all-time. In addition, Crocus has 506 career total blocks, which ranks third all-time. Julie Van Schaick (1984-87) ranks second with 601 total blocks.

Miscellaneous notes

Other solid performers for the Bearcats at the George Washington Invitational included sophomore setter **Ashley Meffert (Louisville, Ky./Fern Creek)**, who averaged 11.38 assists and 3.46 digs per game, senior outside hitter **Jen Smith (North Tonawanda, N.Y./ North Tonawanda)**, who averaged 3.30 kills and 3.61 digs per game, and senior outside hitter **Michele Heck (Chicago, Ill./ Resurrection)**, who also averaged 3.30 kills per game.

2004 Schedule/Results (5-6, 0-0 AE)

SEPTEMBER

3 Fri.	^ vs. Buffalo	L 0-3
4 Sat.	^ at Niagara	W 3-1
4 Sat.	^ at Canisius	W 3-0
5 Sun.	^ vs. Texas-Arlington	L 1-3
10 Fri.	~ vs. Fairfield	L 0-3
11 Sat.	~ at Villanova	L 0-3
11 Sat.	~ vs. VCU	W 3-0
17 Fri.	% vs. Akron	W 3-2
18 Sat.	% at George Washington	L 2-3
18 Sat.	% vs. Jacksonville	W 3-1
19 Sun.	at Hofstra	L 0-3
22 Wed.	at Syracuse	7 p.m.
24 Fri.	+ CORNELL	7 p.m.
25 Sat.	+ ST. FRANCIS (N.Y.)	1 p.m.
25 Sat.	+ FDU	6 p.m.

OCTOBER

1 Fri.	++ vs. West Virginia	4:30 p.m.
2 Sat.	++ at St. Francis (Pa.)	12:30 p.m.
2 Sat.	++ vs. Canisius	4:30 p.m.
5 Tues.	* at Albany	7 p.m.
8 Fri.	* at Northeastern	7 p.m.
9 Sat.	* at Hartford	6 p.m.
10 Sun.	* at Siena	1 p.m.
15 Fri.	* MAINE	7 p.m.
16 Sat.	* NEW HAMPSHIRE	5 p.m.
22 Fri.	* at Stony Brook	6 p.m.
23 Sat.	* at UMBC	2 p.m.
26 Tues.	* ALBANY	7 p.m.
29 Fri.	* HARTFORD	7 p.m.
30 Sat.	* NORTHEASTERN	5 p.m.

NOVEMBER

5 Fri.	* UMBC	7 p.m.
6 Sat.	* STONY BROOK	5 p.m.
12 Fri.	* at New Hampshire	7 p.m.
13 Sat.	* at Maine	4 p.m.
19 Fri.-	America East Champ.	TBA
21 Sun.		

^ Western New York Tournament @ Canisius
~ Wildcat Classic @ Villanova
% George Washington Tournament
+ Binghamton Tournament
++ St. Francis (Pa.) Tournament
* America East Conference match

2004 Binghamton Statistical Leaders

Kills Per Game	
Anne Crocus	4.18 kpg.
Digs Per Game	
Ashley Meffert	3.15 dpg.
Assists Per Game	
Ashley Meffert	11.13 apg.
Service Aces Per Game	
Kristin Stephens	0.43 sapg.
Total Blocks Per Game	
Anne Crocus	1.59 bpg.

BEARCATS BY THE NUMBERS

0.43

Freshman **Kristin Stephens** leads the team with 0.43 service aces per game.

.625

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** hit .625 in Binghamton's match against Virginia Commonwealth on Sept. 11. She had 19 kills and made just one error in 26 attack attempts.

1

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** currently leads the conference in three statistical categories; kills per game (4.18), hitting percentage (.345) and blocks per game (1.59).

2

Senior outside hitter **Jen Smith** ranks second on the team in two statistical categories--kills per game (3.38) and digs per game (3.00).

2

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** has been named the America East Conference Player of the Week twice this season (Sept. 1-6 and Sept. 14-20)

3

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** has been named to the all-tournament team three times this season-- at the Western New York Tournament, the Villanova Wildcat Classic and the George Washington Invitational

4.18

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** ranks third in the America East Conference with 4.18 kills per game.

26

Senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** nailed a career-high 26 kills against Akron on Sept. 17.

56

Sophomore setter **Ashley Meffert** posted a season-high 56 assists against Akron on Sept. 17.

506

With 480 career total blocks, senior middle blocker **Anne Crocus** ranks third all-time in school history. Julie Van Schaick (1984-87) ranks second with 601 total blocks.

1,142

Senior outside hitter **Michele Heck** has posted 1,142 career kills, which is the third-highest total in school history. She needs 109 kills to tie Nicole Canestrare (1993-96) for second place all-time.

1,795

Sophomore setter **Ashley Meffert** already ranks fifth all-time in school history with 1,795 assists. In fourth place is Jocelyn Torres (1996-98) with 1,861 assists.

CAREER HIGHS

Emily Collins

Digs

5, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 18, 2004)

Service Aces

1, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 18, 2004)

Anne Crocus

Kills

26, vs. Akron (Sept. 17, 2004)

Attack Percentage (min. 12 attempts)

.769 (10-0-13) vs. Youngstown State (Sept. 9, 2003)

Service Aces

7, vs. Buffalo (Sept. 7, 2002)

Digs

8, vs. George Washington (Aug. 31, 2002)

Blocks

17, SCHOOL RECORD, vs. Canisius (Sept. 4, 2004)

Michele Heck

Kills

26, vs. Northeastern (Nov. 1, 2003)

Attack Percentage (min. 12 attempts)

.750 (14-2-16), SCHOOL RECORD, vs. Lafayette (Sept. 24, 2002)

Assists

4, vs. Hartford (Nov. 15, 2002)

Service Aces

5, twice, most recently vs. UMBC (Oct. 2, 2003)

Digs

21, vs. Canisius (Sept. 2, 2001)

Blocks

6, vs. Illinois-Chicago (Sept. 7, 2002)

Megan Hoag

Kills

16, vs. Northeastern (Nov. 1, 2003)

Attack Percentage (min. 12 attempts)

.417 (11-1-24) vs. Canisius (Oct. 3, 2003) and .417 (14-4-24) vs. New Hampshire (Nov. 7, 2003)

Assists

5, vs. Albany (Oct. 31, 2003) and vs. Northeastern (Nov. 1, 2003)

Service Aces

5, vs. UMBC (Oct. 28, 2003)

Digs

21, vs. Stony Brook (Oct. 10, 2003)

Blocks

6, four times, most recently vs. Albany (Oct. 31, 2003)

Amanda Hubbard

Digs

8, vs. Buffalo (Sept. 3, 2004)

Service Aces

1, vs. George Washington (Sept. 18, 2004)

Jacki Kane

Kills

1, vs. Canisius (Sept. 4, 2004) and vs. Villanova (Sept. 11, 2004)

Blocks

1, vs. Canisius (Sept. 4, 2004) and vs. Villanova (Sept. 11, 2004)

Ashley Meffert

Kills

8, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 18, 2004)

Attack Percentage (min. 12 attempts)

.471 (8-0-17) vs. George Washington (Sept. 18, 2004)

Assists

69, vs. New Hampshire (Nov. 7, 2003)

Service Aces

4, vs. Maine (Nov. 8, 2003)

Digs

19, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 18, 2004)

Blocks

6, vs. Winthrop (Sept. 27, 2003)

Megan Phillips

Kills

1, vs. Akron (Sept. 17, 2004)

Digs

10, vs. George Washington (Sept. 18, 2004) and vs. Hofstra (Sept. 19, 2004)

Service Aces

2, vs. Niagara (Sept. 4, 2002)

Katelyn Robertson

Kills

9, vs. George Washington (Sept. 18, 2004)

Attack Percentage (min. 12 attempts)

.375 (6-0-16), vs. Akron (Sept. 17, 2004)

Assists

5, vs. Canisius (Sept. 13, 2003)

Service Aces

1, vs. Quinnipiac (Sept. 12, 2003) and vs. Akron (Sept. 17, 2004)

Digs

11, vs. Akron (Sept. 17, 2003) and vs. George Washington (Sept. 18, 2003)

Blocks

3, vs. Niagara (Oct. 4, 2003) and vs. Akron (Sept. 17, 2004)

Kathleen Schauer

Kills

5, vs. Niagara (Sept. 4, 2004)

Digs

10, vs. Virginia Commonwealth (Sept. 11, 2004)

Blocks

2, three times, most recently vs. Texas-Arlington (Sept. 5, 2004)

Jen Smith

Kills

30, vs. Hartford (Nov. 15, 2002)

Attack Percentage (min. 12 attempts)

.550 (12-1-20) vs. Youngstown (Sept. 13, 2003)

Assists

22, vs. Stony Brook (Oct. 18, 2002)

Service Aces

8, vs. Colgate (Sept. 5, 2003)

Digs

21, vs. Army, September 7, 2001

Blocks

7, vs. Central Connecticut (Oct. 15, 2001)

Kristin Stephens

Kills

7, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 17, 2004)

Digs

2, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 18, 2004) and vs. Hofstra (Sept. 19, 2004)

Service Aces

3, vs. Jacksonville (Sept. 18, 2004)

Blocks

2, vs. Hofstra (Sept. 19, 2004)