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Women's Soccer

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BU extends win streak to four with pair of victories

Binghamton continued its offensive resurgence with 11 goals in a pair of wins during the week. The Bearcats toppled Howard, 7-1, and defeated Colgate, 4-3, to stretch the team's win streak to four games. After netting just one goal during a three-game winless streak in early September, coach Jeff Leightman's team has responded by outscoring opponents 17-6 during the current four-game stretch. The Bearcats now lead the entire America East in scoring.

Three goals in a six-minute stretch set the tone against Howard. Junior forward **Tracy Kasmarcik (Binghamton, N.Y./Susquehanna Valley)** registered a hat trick, and BU outshot its visitors 33-8. Freshman defender **Meghan Taylor (Campbell Hall, N.Y./Washingtonville)** scored her first collegiate goal, and five different Bearcats found the net.

Two days later at Colgate, BU squandered two leads and had a potential game-winning goal disallowed in the first overtime, before Kasmarcik's highlight-reel goal won the game late in the second overtime period. With the teams seemingly settling for a 3-3 draw as the final seconds clicked off the scoreboard clock, sophomore **Caitlin O'Shaughnessy (Stony Point, N.Y./North Rockland)** sent a 40-yard pass down the left side, where Kasmarcik controlled it, touching it up and over a pursuing defender. She then drilled a 15-yard right-footed volley into the top left corner with just two seconds left in the overtime, setting off a spirited celebration.

Kasmarcik moves into third place in career scoring

With her five goals on the week, junior forward **Tracy Kasmarcik (Binghamton, N.Y./Susquehanna Valley)** moved into third place on BU's all-time scoring list with 34 goals. Kasmarcik is also in fifth place in career points (83).

Kaz x 2: Kasmarcik named BU Athlete of Week and America East Player of Week

Junior forward **Tracy Kasmarcik (Binghamton, N.Y./Susquehanna Valley)** was named both BU Athlete of the Week and America East Player of the Week for Sept. 23-29. In the conference, the Bearcats have now captured the honor in back-to-back weeks, as sophomore striker **Tatiana Mathelier (Pomona, N.Y./Saddle River Day, N.J.)** was selected last week. Kasmarcik pumped in five goals in two games, including the game-winner against Colgate. She leads the nine-team league in both goals and points.

Up Next

The Bearcats now begin their America East Conference slate with seven consecutive league games. Binghamton was picked by conference coaches to finish seventh in the nine-team league. The first game is a home match with SUNY rival Albany, Wednesday at 4 p.m. The Bearcats defeated the Great Danes 5-2 last season, and own a 10-0-1 all-time series advantage. The tie occurred in 1987 during BU's third season as a varsity program. On Sunday, BU will travel to Orono, Maine for a first-ever encounter with the Black Bears, who were picked to finish third in the pre-season poll.

2002 Schedule/Results (6-2-1)

AUGUST

30 Fri. LAFAYETTE W 2-1

SEPTEMBER

1 Sun. MT. ST. MARY'S W 2-0

5 Thu. ST. FRANCIS (Pa.) (2ot) T 1-1

8 Sun. SYRACUSE (ot) L 0-1

10 Tue. @ St. John's L 0-2

20 Fri. FDU W 4-1

22 Sun. @ St. Bonaventure (ot) W 2-1

27 Fri. HOWARD W 7-1

29 Sun. @ Colgate (2ot) W 4-3

OCTOBER

2 Wed. *ALBANY 4 p.m.

6 Sun. *@ Maine noon

11 Fri. *@ Vermont 3 p.m.

17 Thu. *@ Stony Brook 3:30 p.m.

20 Sun. *BOSTON UNIVERSITY noon

24 Thu. *HARTFORD 4 p.m.

27 Sun. *NORTHEASTERN noon

31 Thu. @ Buffalo 7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

3 Sun. *@ New Hampshire 1 p.m.

8 Fri. America East Semifinals TBA

10 Sun. America East Champ. TBA

* America East Conference game

Leading Scorers

Name	G	A	Pts.
Tracy Kasmarcik	7	4	18
Tatiana Mathelier	5	4	14
Amanda Norman	2	4	8
Lauren Massey	2	1	5

Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %
Lauren Cherry	9	1.15	81.7