

# SPORTS NEWS



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## Men's Soccer

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### Bearcats face Harvard in NCAA first round game

Having won its second America East title in four seasons, the Binghamton men's soccer team (9-6-5) heads to Ivy League champion Harvard (13-4-0) for a NCAA Tournament first round game on Saturday at 1 p.m. The winner squares heads to eighth-seeded UCLA to meet the Bruins on Wednesday at 10 p.m. EST.

### Scouting Binghamton

Sophomore back **Barry Neville** (Mearns Castle, Scotland), who was named the tournament MVP, converted a penalty kick with 58 seconds left in the first sudden-death overtime period as Binghamton topped Vermont 1-0 in the America East Conference final this past Saturday. Senior forward **Joey Neilson** (Boothwyn, Pa.), sophomore midfielder **Cody Germain** (Glenmont, N.Y.) and redshirt freshman goalkeeper **Jason Stenta** (Binghamton, N.Y.) joined Neville on the all-tournament team.

Stenta was one of five Bearcat players to earn America East all-conference honors during the regular season. He was named to both the second team and all-rookie squad. Junior back **Adam Chavez** (Endicott, N.Y.) was named to the first team while junior midfielder **Matt Narode** (Glenmont, N.Y.) and senior forwards **Ibrahim Yusuf** (Spring Valley, N.Y.) and **Peter Squeglia** (Schenectady, N.Y.) garnered second-team accolades.

### Scouting Harvard

The Crimson, which is ranked No. 17 in the latest adidas/NCAA Top 25 poll, returns to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1996. Led by six players in double figures in points, Harvard finished the regular season as the highest-scoring team in Division I (2.59 goals per game).

Freshman forward Andre Akpan has a team-high 32 points (10 goals and 12 assists) while senior forward Charles Altcheck leads the squad with 12 goals.

### Binghamton in the NCAA Tournament

The Bearcats are making their second appearance in the NCAA Division I Tournament. Three years ago, Binghamton upset No. 15 Fairleigh Dickinson 1-0 in the first round before dropping a 1-0 overtime decision at seventh-seeded St. Louis in the second round. Current senior forward **Joey Neilson** (Boothwyn, Pa.) netted the game winner in the 80th minute of the win over Fairleigh Dickinson.

### Binghamton's soccer history

Binghamton competed on the NCAA Division III level from 1960-1997. The Colonials, as they were then known, made nine NCAA appearances, advancing as far as the quarterfinals in 1975 and 1980. In 1998-2000, Binghamton was a NCAA Division II program. The following year, Binghamton moved up to the NCAA Division I level. Binghamton has been a member of the America East Conference since the 2002 season.

### 2006 Schedule/Results (9-6-5, 6-1-1 AE)

#### AUGUST

25 Fri.	BUCKNELL	T	1-1
27 Sat.	@ No. 1 Maryland	L	0-3
29 Tue.	@Colgate	L	0-1

#### SEPTEMBER

1 Fri.	@ Dartmouth +	L	0-2
3 Sun.	vs. Long Island +	W	4-3
8 Fri.	@ Florida International	T	2-2
10 Sun.	@ Florida Atlantic	L	0-1 (OT)
13 Wed.	LEHIGH	T	0-0
16 Sat.	HARTWICK	W	1-0
20 Wed.	@ Syracuse	L	0-1
23 Sat.	*@ Maine	W	2-1
27 Wed.	*NEW HAMPSHIRE	W	1-0
30 Sat.	*@ Boston Univ.	L	0-1

#### OCTOBER

4 Wed.	*HARTFORD	W	1-0
11 Wed.	*@ UMBC	W	3-1
14 Sat.	*STONY BROOK	W	1-0
18 Wed.	*@ Albany	W	1-0
21 Sat.	* VERMONT	T	0-0

#### NOVEMBER

1 Wed.	** BOSTON	T	1-1
4 Sat.	** VERMONT	W	1-0
11 Sat.	# @ Harvard		1 p.m.

\*America East Conference game

\*\* America East Conference Tournament

# NCAA Tournament

+ adidas/Hypertherm Classic

### 2006 Leading Scorers

Name	G	A	Pts.
Peter Squeglia	4	4	12
Bryan Arnault	2	3	7
Cody Germain	2	3	7
Matt Narode	2	2	6
Barry Neville	2	1	5
Adam Chavez	2	0	4
Ibrahim Yusuf	2	0	4
Joey Neilson	2	0	4
Liam Carson	1	0	2
Jason Stenta	0	1	1

### 2006 Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %	SO
Jason Stenta	13	0.65	0.825	8.0
Ryan Bertoni	4	1.66	0.696	0.0