

SPORTS NEWS



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Men's Soccer

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Bearcats head to Florida for pair of games

The Binghamton men's soccer team (1-3) stays on the road this weekend with a pair of games in Florida. The Bearcats visit Florida International (0-2-1) on Friday night at 7 p.m. before heading to Florida Atlantic (0-3) on Sunday at 1 p.m.

Like Binghamton, Florida International has gone up against some stiff competition early in the season. The Golden Panthers lost 3-0 to No. 11 California last weekend before playing Cincinatti (2-1-0) to a 0-0 draw. Florida Atlantic, meanwhile, has dropped its first three games of the season heading into the weekend.

Binghamton is 0-2 all time against Florida International. In 2000, the Bearcats dropped a 3-0 decision at the West Gym Field. The following year, they lost a 5-1 game on the road. This year will mark the first meeting between the two programs since Paul Marco became Binghamton's head coach in 2002.

The Bearcats won their only previous meeting against Florida Atlantic, 4-2, in 2001.

Germain on a roll

Sophomore midfielder Cody Germain (**Glenmont, N.Y./Bethlehem Central**) leads the squad with two goals, two assists and six points so far this season. He netted a career-high two goals in the Bearcats' 4-3 win over Long Island last Sunday, including the game winner with just 2:32 left in regulation. In addition to scoring twice, Germain assisted on another of Binghamton's goals.

Of the Bearcats' five goals so far this year, Germain has been involved in four of them.

Stiff competition

Binghamton had its first-ever game against the defending NCAA Division I national champion when it faced Maryland on Aug. 27. The Terps were also the first-ever top-ranked squad that the Bearcats have faced since moving up to the NCAA Division I level in 2001. The contest against Maryland marked only the second time any Binghamton team has taken on the reigning national champions since making the transition to the Division I level. The men's basketball team faced Syracuse on Dec. 13, 2003, the season after the Orangemen won their first ever national title.

The Bearcats' first five opponents this season currently have a combined record of 8-4-4. Binghamton's three losses have come against programs with a current combined record of 6-0-3.

Miscellaneous notes

The four goals Binghamton scored against Long Island represents the most times Bearcats have scored in a game since their 4-1 win over UMBC in the America East Conference semifinals on Nov. 9, 2005.

2006 Schedule/Results (1-3-1)

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	7 p.m.
10 Sun.	@ Florida Atlantic	1 p.m.
13 Wed.	LEHIGH	4 p.m.
16 Sat.	HARTWICK	2 p.m.
20 Wed.	@ Syracuse	7 p.m.
23 Sat.	*@ Maine	noon
27 Wed.	*NEWHAMPSHIRE	4 p.m.
30 Sat.	*@ Boston University	7 p.m.

OCTOBER

4 Wed.	*HARTFORD	3 p.m.
11 Wed.	*@ UMBC	3 p.m.
14 Sat.	*STONY BROOK	3 p.m.
18 Wed.	*@ Albany	4 p.m.
21 Sat.	*@ Vermont	2 p.m.
28 Sat.	America East Quarterfinals	TBA

*America East Conference game
+ adidas/Hypertherm Classic

2006 Leading Scorers

Name	G	A	Pts.
Cody Germain	2	2	6
Matt Narode	1	0	2
Bryan Arnault	1	0	2
Adam Chavez	1	0	2
Peter Sgueglia	0	2	2

2006 Goalkeeping Stats

Name	GP	GAA	Sv. %	SO
Ryan Bertoni	4	1.66	.696	0.0
Jason Stenta	1	3.00	.500	0.0