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Men's Soccer

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Bearcats begin America East slate against Boston

The Binghamton men's soccer team (7-2-0, 0-0-0 AE) begins its America East Conference title defense against Boston (5-4-0, 0-0-0 AE) on Saturday at the Bearcats Sports Complex. The Bearcats and Terriers were picked to finish first and second respectively in the America East Conference preseason poll.

The 7 p.m. game will be preceded by a 15-minute formal dedication of Binghamton's new outdoor facility. Present at the ceremony will be New York State Senator Thomas Libous, America East Commissioner Patrick Nero and Binghamton University President Lois DeFleur.

Scouting Binghamton

The Bearcats are coming off a 3-0 win over Cornell last Saturday before a program-record 1,862 fans at the Bearcats Sports Complex. Sophomore forward **Cameron Keith** (Aberdeenshire, Scotland), the current America East Player of the Week, became the first Binghamton player to record a hat trick since the program moved up to the NCAA Division I level.

Keith leads the Bearcats with three goals and seven points. Junior back **Justin Leskow** (Endwell, N.Y.) ranks first on the squad with three assists and second with five points. Sophomore goalkeeper **Jason Stenta** (Binghamton, N.Y.) has a 0.55 goals against average, which ranks 16th among NCAA Division I schools, and has posted six shutouts.

Binghamton leads the America East and ranks No. 14 among NCAA Division I programs with a 0.55 goals against average.

Scouting Boston

The Terriers upset No. 15 Brown 1-0 on Tuesday behind freshman forward Aaron O'Neal's third goal of the season. O'Neal and junior forward Petur Sigurdson are tied for the team lead with three goals each. Junior midfielder Neil Hlavaty leads the squad with eight points (two goals, four assists). Boston ranks second in the America East Conference with 1.62 goals per game.

The series against Boston

Without question, Boston has been Binghamton's most storied rival since the Bearcats joined the America East Conference in 2002. The Terriers lead the series 3-1-4 but three of the ties occurred in postseason play and were decided by a shootout.

In the 2004 conference title game, the Terriers and Bearcats played to a 2-2 tie up at Nickerson Field before Boston won the decisive shootout 5-3. The loss denied Binghamton its second straight championship. The following year, the two squads played to a 1-1 draw in an first-round game at West Gym Field before the Bearcats won the shootout 5-4. In the 2006 semifinals, Boston and Binghamton again played to a 1-1 deadlock and the Bearcats won the shootout 6-5.

Binghamton has never lost to Boston at home, going 1-0-3 in the process. The Bearcats' win was a 1-0 overtime decision in the 2005 regular-season finale.

2007 Schedule/Results (7-2-0)

| Date | Opponent | Result |
|----------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Sat. Sept. 1 | @ Radford + | W 1-0 |
| Sun., Sept. 2 | vs. Winthrop + | W 1-0 |
| Fri. Sept. 7 | vs. Robert Morris ^ | W 1-0 |
| Sun. Sept. 9 | @ Pittsburgh ^ | W 1-0 |
| Tues. Sept. 11 | @ Bucknell | W 1-0 |
| Fri. Sept. 14 | @ Richmond # | L 0-1 ot |
| Sat. Sept. 15 | vs. Duquesne # | L 1-3 |
| Sat. Sept. 22 | @ Hartwick | W 2-1 |
| Sat. Sept. 29 | CORNELL | W 3-0 |
| Sat. Oct. 6 | * BOSTON | 7 p.m. |
| Wed. Oct. 10 | * UMBC | 7 p.m. |
| Sat. Oct. 13 | *@ Hartford | 6 p.m. |
| Tues. Oct. 16 | COLGATE | 7 p.m. |
| Sat. Oct. 20 | * MAINE | 7 p.m. |
| Wed. Oct. 24 | *@ New Hampshire | 7 p.m. |
| Sat. Oct. 27 | * ALBANY | 7 p.m. |
| Wed. Oct. 31 | *@ Vermont | 2 p.m. |
| Sat. Nov. 3 | * @ Stony Brook | 1 p.m. |
| Sat. Nov. 10 | America East 1st Round | TBA |
| Wed. Nov. 14 | America East Semis | TBA |
| Sat. Nov. 17 | America East Finals | TBA |

* America East Conference Game
+ @ Radford Highlander Classic
^ @ Pittsburgh Invitational Tournament
@ Richmond Nike Challenge Cup
Home games in **BOLD CAPS** and played at the Bearcats Sports Complex

2007 Leading Scorers

| Name | G | A | Pts. |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cameron Keith | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Justin Leskow | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Darren McAllister | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Liam Carson | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Matt Narode | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Josh Sailer | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Ryan Tomko | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Josh Sailer | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Yusuf Yusuf | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Scott Zobre | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| TOTALS | 11 | 11 | 33 |
| OPPONENTS | 5 | 6 | 16 |

2007 Goalkeeping Stats

| Name | GP | GAA | Sv. % | SO |
|------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Jason Stenta | 9 | 0.55 | .815 | 6.0 |
| TOTALS | 9 | 0.55 | .839 | 6.0 |
| OPPONENTS | 9 | 1.21 | .744 | 1.0 |