



BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY 2002 MEN'S SOCCER NEWS



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Awards Banquet a Success

Nearly ninety people attended the 2001 Men's Soccer Award Banquet held on Saturday, January 26th in the Terrace Room of the Langone Center. The 2001 team and their families came together one last time not only to celebrate the season but to enjoy each other's company. The theme of the evening became family as each one of the seniors expressed their fondness for their teammates. More than the practices, games, and travel - the thing that would be missed most would be each other. A majority of families were able to attend the event - some even flying in for the affair. The highlight of the evening may have been the senior speeches, the last event of their career. Captain **Andy Aurand** (Middleburg, PA), as well as **Nathan Hopfinger** (Pittsford, NY), **Greg Stunzenas** (Marshfield, MA), and **Ryan Weber** (Niwot, CO) mixed seriousness and comedy together to provide some truly great speeches. Also presented during the evening were the Academic Awards, Support Staff Recognition, and the Team Awards. The banquet has evolved into a semi-formal event with a very casual attitude, a way for the players and their families to come together one last time.



Andy Aurand



Nathan Hopfinger



Greg Stunzenas



Ryan Weber



Mike Lookingland



Nick Taylor



Mark Mascarenhas

Team Awards Handed Out

The 2001 Team Awards were handed out during this years' banquet. All of the awards were voted on by the players at the conclusion of the season. Each of the recipient's parents were able to come to Lewisburg for the weekend and attend the banquet.

Rookie of the Year - **Michael Lookingland II** (Fallston, MD) was awarded this award after a season in which he started and played in every match. He was named the Patriot League Rookie of the Week for the week ending September 30th. For the season, Mike tallied 2 goals and 2 assists from his spot as a defender, including the game winning goal in the first win of the season, a 1-0 defeat of Robert Morris at home.

Peter Weidenbacher Award - Most Improved Player - **Mark Mascarenhas** (Marietta, GA) - Mark was a clear candidate for this award, after seeing limited action throughout his first year and a half. His chance came in the middle of this season and he never looked back. He scored the game-tying goal at Navy before the team fell in overtime. His perserverence during practice made him a better player and allowed him to enjoy the successes he earned during the final half of the 2001 season.

Craig A. Reynolds Award - Sportsmanship and Class - **Aundrew Aurand** (Middleburg, PA) - Named after the long-time Bucknell Coach, Andrew was the captain of this years' team. He led by example, ending his career with a dynamite game-winning goal over Army in his final collegiate game. He handled adversity early in the season, having to sit out the first game at Penn State because of a knee injury. Despite this, he still led the team in points and showed the younger players what it means to make the most out of a career.

David P. Rath Award - Most Valuable Player - **Nick Taylor** (Cleveland, OH) - Nick was a first-team All-Patriot League player as a sophomore and became the focus of team defenses throughout the year. Nick was still able to lead the team in assists and was second in points. More than that was the competitive attitude that he brought to practice every day. Nick's will to win and his overall skill and ability made him an obvious choice for this award.

Academic Awards Announced

The Bucknell Men's Soccer Team had an exceptional first semester in the classroom. The team GPA was a 3.28, up significantly from last year. Out of the 18 returning players, 12 improved their cumulative GPA, some by significant margins. The most notable improvements were made by **Andrew Aurand** (Middleburg, PA, '02), **Greg Stunzenas** (Marshfield, MA, '02), **Patrick Glennon** (South Orange, NJ, '04), **Nathan Hopfinger** (Pittsford, NY, '02), **Mark Mascarenhas** (Marietta, GA, '04), **Ian McVeigh** (Northampton, MA, '03), **Elliot Maruffi-Cowley** (North Branford, CT, '03), and **Steve Whitaker** (Wayne, PA, '03). The freshmen class was not outdone however, with a class GPA of 3.37. Twenty of the twenty-seven players associated with the program had a term GPA at or above 3.0. Currently over half of the player's have a cumulative GPA over 3.0.

Patriot League Honor Roll Announced

Fourteen of the twenty-four players on the roster qualified for this year's Patriot League Honor Roll. To qualify, a student-athlete must letter in their sport and have a term GPA of a 3.2 or higher in the same semester in which they lettered. This year's recipients from the men's soccer team are:

Ori Adrabi	Freshman	West Hills, California
Andy Aurand	Senior	Middleburg, Pennsylvania
Greg Buzzell	Freshman	DuBois, Pennsylvania
Dennis DeLuca	Freshman	Far Hills, New Jersey
Alex Far	Freshman	Redding, Connecticut
Jon Hemmert	Freshman	Westerville, Ohio
Nathan Hopfinger	Senior	Pittsford, New York
Brian Johnson	Junior	Creamridge, New Jersey
Elliot Maruffi-Cowley	Junior	North Branford, Connecticut
Mark Mascarenhas	Sophomore	Marietta, Georgia
Tom Ryan	Junior	Pine City, New York
Otto Tancaitor	Freshman	North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania
Chip Witte	Junior	Wall, New Jersey
Ryan Weber	Senior	Niwot, Colorado



Ten Student-Athletes Qualify for Dean's List

Ten of the twenty-seven players with the program qualified for the Dean's List this semester. To qualify, a student must have a term GPA of a 3.5 or higher. This year's honorees are:

Ori Adrabi	Freshman	West Hills, California
Greg Buzzell	Freshman	DuBois, Pennsylvania
Pat Glennon	Sophomore	South Orange, New Jersey
Jon Hemmert	Freshman	Westerville, Ohio
Nathan Hopfinger	Senior	Pittsford, New York
Mark Mascarenhas	Sophomore	Marietta, Georgia
Ian McVeigh	Junior	Northampton, Massachusetts
Otto Tancaitor	Freshman	North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania
Chip Witte	Junior	Wall, New Jersey
Ryan Weber	Senior	Niwot, Colorado

Weber Earns President's Award for Distinguished Academic Achievement

Senior Ryan Weber continued his strong academic career at Bucknell with a 4.0 this past semester. He was able to raise his cumulative GPA to a 3.92. With this, he again qualified for the President's Award for Distinguished Academic Achievement, given to any student who maintains a 3.9 or higher cumulative GPA. This is the third year that Weber has qualified for the honor, one of the toughest to achieve at Bucknell.



Previous Bucknellians Excel this Past Season on the Field

Several former Bucknellians have continued their soccer careers as college coaches. These include **Eric Davis** ('01), former Assistant Coaches **Mike Jacobson** and **Doug Hess**, **Ken Prothero** ('96) and **Scott Racek** ('91). **Eric Davis** had a memorable first season with the St. John's Red Storm. He was hired this past summer to work with the men's soccer team as well as other sports as the strength and conditioning coach. St. John's, always strong nationally, made a run at another national title. Eric Davis was on the sidelines during the Final Four in Columbus, Ohio as St. John's fell to Indiana. Last year's assistant, **Coach J**, is furthering his education at Cal State Dominguez Hills as well as serving as the Assistant Men's Soccer Coach. This past season the defending NCAA Division II National Champions again made it to the finals, succumbing in the final game of the season. Former Assistant Coach **Doug Hess** was just named the new head men's coach at Campbell University after having served as the assistant coach there for the past two seasons. **Ken Prothero** was recently named the head women's coach at Cabrini College in Radnor, Pennsylvania. **Scott Racek** has just completed his fifth season as the head men's coach at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. This past season was another winning season for Racek, whose team compiled a 10-6-2 record, just one win short of the school record his team set in 1999.

Employment of Student-Athletes

There are some important NCAA rules and regulations pertaining to the employment of student-athletes that must be followed. Listed below are some of these NCAA Regulations. We are required to print this material once a year.

1. Prior to the commencement of employment, the student-athlete and employer must sign a written statement to be kept on file in the athletics department, which specifies the following:
 - (a) The student-athlete's compensation may not include any remuneration for value or utility that the student-athlete may have for the employer because of the publicity, reputation, fame, or personal following that he or she has obtained because of athletic ability.
 - (b) The student-athlete is to be compensated only for work actually performed; and
 - (c) The student-athlete is to be compensated at a rate commensurate with the going rate in that locality for similar services.
2. It is not permissible for a student-athlete to receive compensation related to his or her speaking/lecturing at an institutional athletics booster club function.
3. An institution or its representatives shall not provide a prospect free transportation to and from a summer job unless it is the employer's policy to transport all employees to and from the job site.

2002 Spring Schedule

March 23	@ Bloomsburg Tri-Scrimmage w/Susquehanna University	12:00 PM
March 30	Easter Weekend	OFF
April 5	@ Messiah College	7:00 PM
April 13	Bucknell University 11v11 Tournament Bloomsburg, Elizabethtown, Lock Haven St. Francis (PA), Caldwell College William Paterson, York College (PA)	All Day
April 20	@ Lock Haven University Tournament	All Day
April 27	@ Lafayette College Tournament	All Day

2002 MEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE



DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Wed. Aug 28	East Stroudsburg University (PA) (scrimmage)	4:00 PM
Sat. Aug 31	@Robert Morris College (PA)	3:00 PM
Wed. Sept. 4	@Binghamton University (NY)	4:00 PM
Sat. Sept. 7	Bulls Fall Classic	TBA
Sun. Sept. 8	@University of Buffalo (NY)	
Sat. Sept. 14	@HOLY CROSS (MA)	3:00 PM
Sat. Sept. 21	COLGATE UNIVERSITY (NY)	2:00 PM
Sun. Sept. 29	Monmouth University (NJ)	2:00 PM
Tues. Oct. 1	Philadelphia University (PA)	4:00 PM
Sun. Oct. 6 (Parent's Weekend)	@AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (DC)	1:00 PM
Sat. Oct. 12	University of Pittsburgh (PA)	2:00 PM
Tue. Oct. 15	@Saint Francis College (PA)	4:00 PM
Sat. Oct. 19 (Fall Break)	@LEHIGH UNIVERSITY (PA)	7:00 PM
Tues. Oct. 22 (Fall Break)	@Sacred Heart University (CT)	2:00 PM
Sun. Oct. 27	Mount Saint Mary's (MD)	2:00 PM
Wed. Oct. 30	@LAFAYETTE COLLEGE (PA)	7:00 PM
Sun. Nov. 3	US NAVAL ACADEMY (MD)	2:00 PM
Wed. Nov. 6	@University of Maryland (MD)	7:00 PM
Sun. Nov. 10 (Homecoming)	US MILITARY ACADEMY (NY)	2:00 PM
<i>Fri.-Sun. Nov 15-17</i>	<i>Patriot League Tournament</i>	<i>TBA</i>

PATRIOT LEAGUE GAMES ARE IN BOLD - games subject to change

Calling All Bucknell Men's Soccer Alumni

If any Bucknell Men's Soccer Alumni would like us to publish news and notes concerning weddings, family or career developments, or anything else, please write, email or call Coach Nash or Coach B at the soccer office. We would be happy to hear from you and also to update other Bucknell Soccer Alumni in our next issue.

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