

Semester in Review

Fall 2015





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Cycling

This was a groundbreaking season for Club Cycling as they began their mountain bike program and had athletes compete in two of the race weekends. The team was represented at the MIT Sliderule Shredfest in Charlemont, MA and the NU Eastern Championships at Highland Mountain Bike Park in New Hampshire. They had riders in all of the possible categories: Cross Country, Short Track Cross Country, Dual Slalom, and Downhill. As it was their first season racing mountain bikes, it was exciting to add the five new riders to the team. The mountain bikers also had success in their first season as a team. Although Cycling did not place particularly high in the overall standings in their conference, they made a strong showing considering it was their first year participating. Bob Mitchell was a strong contender in the Men's B Cross Country, finishing consistently in the top 10, and Ben Egan was on the podium for Eastern Championships in the C Division. It was a great start for the Cycling Club's expansion to include mountain biking, and the team looking forward to building upon this next Fall. In the meantime, the team will be back in action in the Spring for their traditional road racing season.





Equestrian



The Club Equestrian team had a strong fall season as they consistently placed in the top four at every competition they participated in. They were able to achieve this success under the direction of their coach, Sheila Dunham, and their senior captains, Kate Casey and Sarah Loughlin. BCET has had wins in every division this semester, from walk trot to the Open level, against both Club Sport and Varsity teams. Fall season highlights included placing reserve high point team at the Stonehill horse show and having junior Cassie Gergely win reserve high point rider at the Boston University horse show. Additionally, three BC riders have already qualified for Regionals this spring. BCET also co-hosted a successful home horse show with Tufts University and implemented supplemental team practices at their barn in Grafton, MA. BCET will be holding an open try out early in the spring semester for both returning and new riders as they look to continue strengthening their competition team. They are looking forward to the spring horse shows, and getting more riders qualified to compete at regionals!

2016 Regional Qualifying Riders

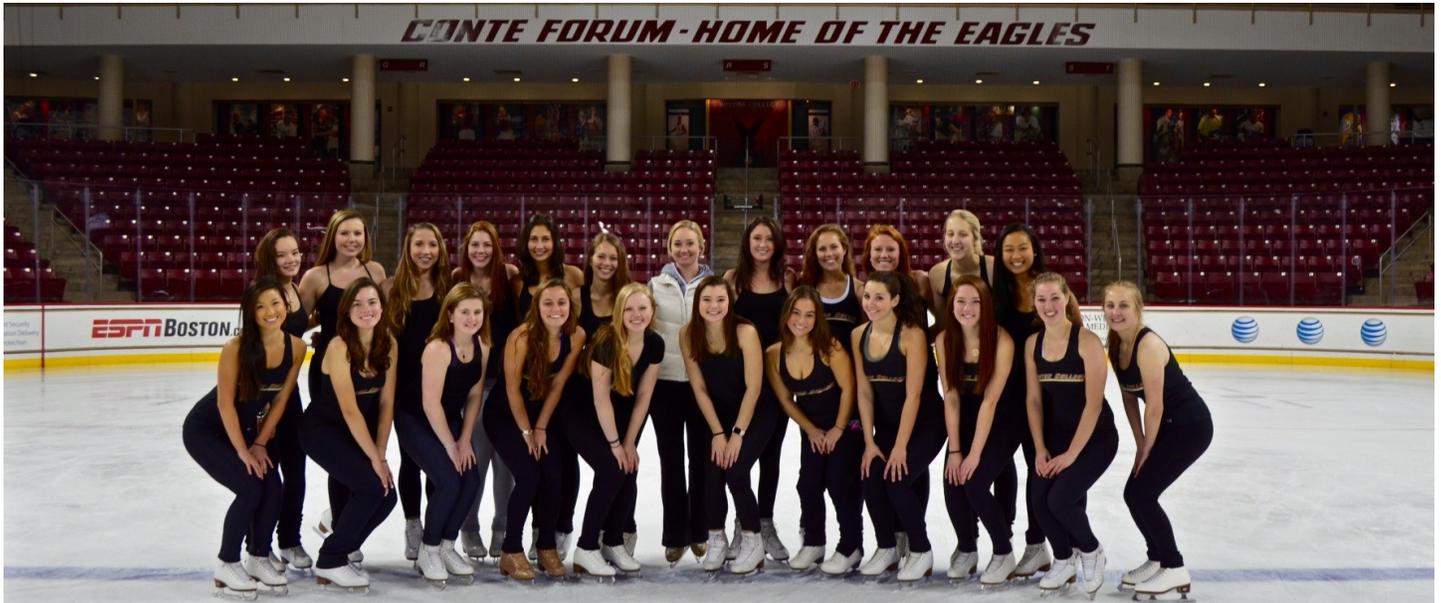
Marlena Hurlbut (2016)

Kate Casey (2016)

Cassie Gergely (2017)



Figure Skating



The Club Figure Skating team has been off to a great start this season with a strong team of 22 dedicated skaters. They are fortunate to have twelve new team members this year, including eleven freshmen and one sophomore, in addition to ten returning skaters, consisting of four seniors, one junior, and five sophomores. Many of the new girls on the team have never been involved in Synchronized Skating before so the experienced members have had a lot of fun teaching the new moves and elements as they put together their program. On December 6 the team traveled to Stamford, CT to compete in the Terry Connors Synchronized Skating Open which was their first competition of the season. After an early morning of doing their hair and makeup for the competition, they hit the road. They had a successful performance placing 1st overall, so it was a great way to kick-start the season. In January, the team will come back early from winter break for training week which is a time for them to improve their skills, perfect their program, and spend quality time as a team. The team is looking forward to a great year and cannot wait for more competitions next semester!



1st Place in the Terry Connors Synchronized Skating Open



Golf



The Club Golf team competed in two NCCGA regional tournaments this season. The first was at the Robert T. Lynch Golf Course in Putterham, MA and the second was at the Shining Rock Golf Course in Northbridge, MA. The team finished third behind UConn and Providence in the first tournament of the semester and came back stronger than ever in the second tournament, where they placed first. Overall, the team finished second within the New England region during the Fall Season while there were also BC golfers who received individual honors at each of the tournaments for their strong performances. They hope that the Boston winter passes quickly and look forward to getting back out on the links again soon. They will be continuing their season in the Spring where they will be playing in two additional regional tournaments with the goal of qualifying for Spring Nationals in April.



Finished 2nd in the New England Region



Men's Ice Hockey

With the team's first season with head coach Joseph Greeley underway, the Men's Club Ice Hockey Club team is slowly but surely adjusting to a new playing style and strategy. They started up in the middle of September and played a total of 17 games throughout the Fall semester. Many of these games involved hard fought battles with very tough teams and unfortunately they did not have much puck luck. As the season has progressed they have grown closer as a team and are now beginning to find their stride. The team hopes that this will carry over to the second semester and looks forward to stacking up some wins. They will be back in action on January 22nd against UMass to continue the 2015-2016 season.





Women's Ice Hockey



The Women's Club Ice Hockey team has had an exciting start to their season this fall. Currently 3-3 in regular season play, BCWCIH has proven to be a competitive force as a new member of the American Collegiate Hockey Association Women's Division II. With both veteran players and young talent making significant contributions on the ice, it is evident the team is developing chemistry. Looking to finish the fall semester strong with a victory over Merrimack, BCWCIH seeks to carry their competitive momentum through Christmas break. With a home game against Comm Ave rival BU and a road trip to Union College among the matchups on the spring schedule, BCWCIH eagerly anticipates the second half of their season. Considering two of the team's three losses have been one-goal deficits, the team is especially hungry for revenge in the spring semester. Overall, the team is off to a great start for the 2015-2016 season and looks forward to more intense competition in the spring semester with the hope of making the Independent Women's Club Hockey League playoffs in the end of February.





Men's Lacrosse



This fall has been a busy one for the Men's Club Lacrosse team. After a long and tireless tryout process, the team added 13 players from both the Freshmen and Sophomore classes to the roster. After that, they scrimmaged two formidable Division 3 teams: Merrimack and Springfield. Despite not being able to practice as a team beforehand, the Eagles emerged victorious in both games. After having practiced for a few more weeks, the Eagles played in a scrimmage tournament where they played both Northeastern and UNH and went undefeated. Aside from playing lacrosse, the Eagles were also busy serving their community by participating in the Club Sports Food Drive. The team paired up with their MATCH team, women's hockey, to donate a total of four hundred and twenty cans to the cause, coming in third place among all BC Club Sport teams. Perhaps the biggest highlight of the fall, however, was yet another successful Welles Remy Crowther 5k where the Eagles participated as both runners and volunteers. Allison and Jefferson Crowther talked to the team and inspired the team with their story, reminding them all what they play for. The Eagles will return to campus early in January in order to prepare for their next season. After preseason, the Eagles look forward to preparing for a difficult schedule in the spring where they will face some of the best teams in the country.



Women's Lacrosse

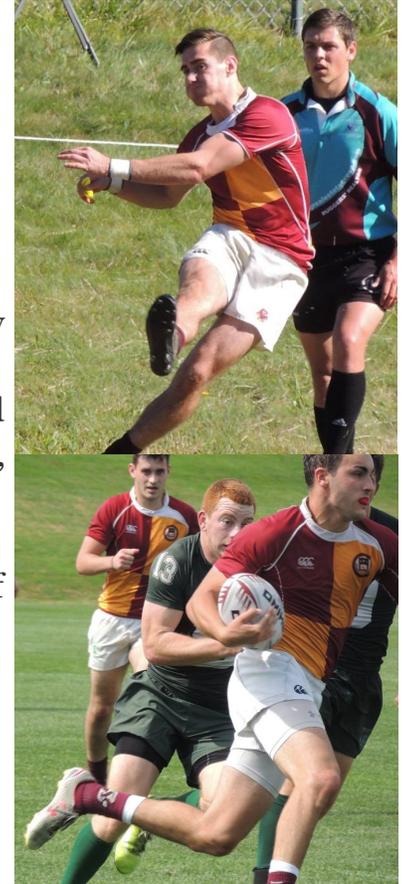


The Women's Club Lacrosse Team had a promising fall season. The Eagles held a well-attended tryout in late October and ultimately welcomed 10 new players to the roster. The team was put to the test early on at a tournament held by UMass Lowell where the new members were immediately thrown into the action. The team proved to be in sync though and they found success when they defeated UMass Lowell in their first game. This trend continued throughout the tournament with back-to-back victories against Northeastern University and the University of New Hampshire. This first tournament was followed by a host of intense practices and workouts that prepared the Eagles for a second set of games against the competitive Ivy League Schools. Their hard work certainly paid off as they finished 4-0 at a tournament hosted by Harvard University, where they defeated Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth, and Brown University. The Eagles will continue practicing hard throughout the winter months in hopes of continuing this success. The stage has set for an incredibly competitive and triumphant Spring season and the Boston College Women's Club Lacrosse Team is looking forward to getting back out on the field soon.



Men's Rugby

The Men's Rugby Club had one of the most successful seasons in the team's history this past fall. Starting in August, the Eagles progressed through a long season and achieved great success, finishing with a 10-1 record. This included victories over East Coast Rugby Conference newcomers New England College and Fairfield University, as well as traditional rivals Middlebury College and UMASS-Amherst. The fall 15s season concluded with a 26-20 victory over the University of Alabama in the American Collegiate Rugby Championship Bowl Series in Charlotte, NC. The team was propelled by senior standouts Ben Nathan, Tom Edwards, and Joey D'Antonio, playing the integral positions of prop, 8-man, and fullback respectively. Underclassmen center Danny Schatzman, big and powerful winger Thomas Whittam, and Willy Hock in the position of hooker also had very successful campaigns. All and all, the team had about 50 members, which helped in the mission of growing the game of rugby in the United States. The team is looking forward to building upon the success of the fall season this upcoming spring as they prepare for the Collegiate Rugby Championships in Philadelphia, PA in May.



Season Highlights

**26-20 victory over Alabama
in American Collegiate
Rugby Championship Bowl
Series**

**Joey D'Antonio - 100 points
(2nd in East Coast Rugby
Conference)**





Women's Rugby



The Women's Rugby Club had a strong season this fall and ended up finishing second in their Conference overall. They only lost one game during regular conference play and were undefeated (4-0) in their League. Unfortunately, they just barely missed making it to the National Championships throughout their post season play. The team's one loss during their regular season was against the University of Connecticut and was the first game of the season. Luckily, BCWRFC was able to kick things up from there though and maintain a six game winning streak. The team scored 244 points this season, not including a winning preseason scrimmage against Bryant. This level of scoring was thanks in part to sophomore Outside Center Monica Thorne who with 100 total points this season was the top scorer in the conference. BCWRFC is eagerly anticipating the coming spring and next fall's competition because the team will only be losing three seniors to graduation. In addition, the team played in post season without some of their top starters who were sidelined due to injury. While there was a strong performance by some rookies and they still finished second in their conference, the girls are excited to see how next season goes with everyone back and healthy!





Women's Soccer



The fall season for the Women's Club Soccer can be summed up in with word: dedication. The team was committed even before classes started and kicked off the new semester with an intense preseason which consisted of double-day practice sessions. The squad faced a range of tough competitors during the regular season, including UMass Amherst and UConn, both of which had success at the national and regional club soccer tournaments. The lady Eagles finished fourth in the league with a regular season record of 4-4-2. Lacking a bid to the regional tournament, they thought their season was over. However, they kept practicing hard on the field in addition to participating in events such as the Red Bandana run. They were rewarded when they found out in early November they earned a bid to compete in the open bracket of the National Club Soccer Tournament in Phoenix, Arizona. With quick planning and fundraising efforts, the team made it to Phoenix where they finished 1st in their pool after beating Vanderbilt and Oregon and tying with Rice. They moved on to beat USC in the playoffs but eventually lost to James Madison University in a tough semi-final battle. The team showed perseverance throughout the season though and is proud of their success on the field as well as their commitment to their teammates and the club soccer legacy.



NIRSA National Club Soccer Open Tournament Semifinalists

Anne Dovolis & Caitlin Keenan Named to the National All-Tournament Team



Tennis



This season so far was very encouraging for the Club Tennis team. They began their season in Delaware for Battle of the Sections, where they narrowly defeated Cornell in the final group match to advance to the quarterfinals of the tournament. Sophomores Dan Cunningham and Erica Pascocello clinched the win in mixed doubles. They ended up losing to eventual champion Penn State in the semis and finished third overall. A few weeks later, they traveled to the biggest tournament of their fall season, the Fall Invitational, which was in Hilton Head, South Carolina and consisted of 48 teams. The Eagles defeated the two-time defending champions, Florida, in the quarterfinals and went all the way to the finals before losing to Georgia 15-24. Sophomore singles player Alena Frye did not lose a match and junior Colin Crawford was unstoppable in men's singles. This second place finish qualified the team for Nationals in the spring. Later in the month,



the team went to the Badger Classic in Wisconsin, where they won their group and finished 7th overall. The team also competed in the New England Sectional Tournament at Harvard. After winning their group on the first day and defeating Brown and Dartmouth in the quarters and semis, they faced Northeastern in the final. Following a great effort by seniors Kim Simmons and Alexis Ditomassi in girls' doubles and sophomore Dan Cunningham and junior Michael Gauch in guys' doubles, BC came up just short, losing 25-26. However, the team is proud of their second place finish as they will be moving forward into the Spring and looking ahead towards Nationals in April.

Qualified for the USTA Tennis on Campus National Championship



Women's Volleyball



The Women's Club Volleyball team added seven new players to the roster in September, following a very competitive tryout. Since then they've played in four tournaments in the NWVCL and have been able to improve tremendously throughout the season, placing higher at each consecutive tournament. They kicked off the season at a tournament at UConn where they finished with a 5-3 record in pool play. This was followed by a 3rd place finish at the Boston University tournament, 2nd place at Providence College, and 1st place finish at their home tournament at Boston College. Each member of the club team has been a positive asset who has played an important role in every practice and tournament. In addition to practicing twice a week, they also were able to schedule a scrimmage with Northeastern earlier in the season. One of the main highlights of the semester though was defeating Boston University in two games in the championship match of their home league tournament in the Plex. With many more tournaments to come, the team is anxious to play other high level teams in their league and to continue to improve their play. The team is excited to continue competing in NWVCL (Northeast Women's Volleyball Club League) tournaments in the spring semester, with the ultimate goal of attending Nationals.





Women's Ultimate Frisbee

The Women's Club Ultimate Frisbee team spent most of the fall season preparing for their competitive season in the spring by attending various tournaments in the region and competing in scrimmages with nearby Boston teams. First, they attended the Lemony Fresh tournament in Warwick, RI where many of their new players had their first experience playing in a competitive Ultimate Frisbee game. It was a successful first tournament and ended with a win against Hartford. The team then went on to compete in a tournament at MIT where they continued to improve and bond as a team while also teaching their new team members the fundamentals and structure of an Ultimate Frisbee game. Their final tournament, Huck a Hunk, was held at Brown University. The Eagles finished in sixth place after winning competitive games against URI and UMass and losing a tough game against BU. Late in the fall season, the girls scrimmaged against Tufts and BU on the Brighton fields. Finally, the team traveled to BU to play their last game of the fall season. Like always, they played well in a very competitive game against BU and helped show the players new to the sport the importance of spirit, sportsmanship, and encouragement that makes Ultimate Frisbee the sport that it is. Overall, the fall season helped Women's Ultimate Frisbee develop and prepare for a great spring season and they look forward to seeing their team continue to grow and progress.





Men's Water Polo



The Men's Club Water Polo team had a strong fall season finishing second in the New England Division. Returning just one starter from the 2014 squad that finished 4th at the CWPA National Tournament, the team knew another nationals run would take hard work and dedication. The first match of the semester was a preseason scrimmage against MIT's varsity team. While the Eagles lost the contest, the close score of 4-4 at the half showed that the young team was filled with talent. The team had its first regular season tournament over Parents Weekend with games against UCONN, Middlebury College, Yale, and BU. The team won all four of the games with respective scores of 16-1, 21-6, 17-4, and 16-2. The second tournament of the season was held at Yale on October 10th and 11th. The two New England Division powerhouses, BC and Dartmouth, played their first game of the tournament against each other. After coming out flat in the first half with a score of 7-2 in favor of Dartmouth, an Eagles rally fell just short with a final score of 9-7. The team finished out the tournament with wins against Middlebury, BU, and UConn with scores of 13-4, 12-5, and 13-4, respectively. The Division Championship was held on October 24th and 25th at Middlebury College in Vermont. The team won the first game against UConn 21-3. The Eagles' smothering defense made 17 steals and did not allow a single shot on goal in the first quarter. In the semifinals of the tournament, the team defeated Yale 15-7 to advance to the title game against Dartmouth. The final score was 7-5 in favor of Dartmouth. While the season ended without the team going to nationals, Dartmouth finished 4th at that tournament, showing the high quality of the New England Division.



New England Division Runner-Up

First Team All-Conference: Dan Kelly '16, John Treinen '18, Sean Fisher '17, Trevor Prince '18.

Second Team All-Conference: Colin Derdeyn '19

199 games played

18 in-season
teams

110 matches
won

1169 points
scored

4 national
tournaments

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