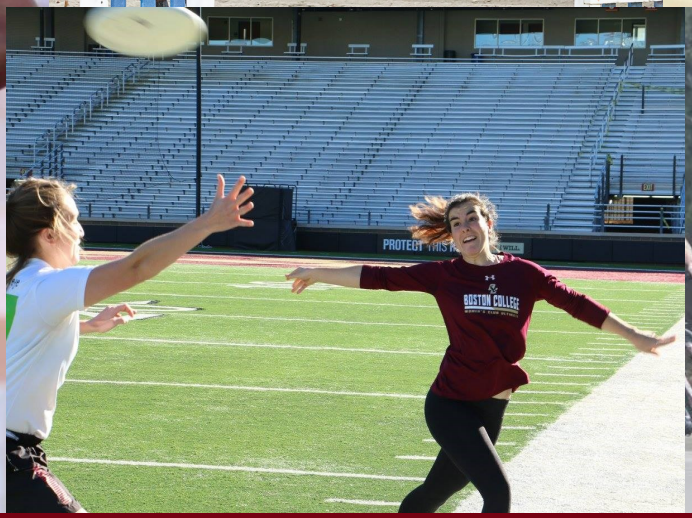
BC Club Sports Semester in Review

Spring 2017



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Men's Basketball

The Men's Club Basketball team had a very successful season. They joined a new league, the NCBBA, and played to a first place finish in the New England- North Conference with a record of 14-4. Unfortunately, they were unable to attend regionals but look forward to qualifying again next season. Overall, the boys finished with a season record of 23-8. This included a third place finish at the NIRSA regional tournament hosted at Boston University, following a close loss to Yale University in the semifinals. The team also competed in NIRSA National Championship at Ohio State in April. After losing the first game of the tournament to the University of North Carolina, they were able to rally and win five straight games before finally falling to the University of Wisconsin in the National Championship game. The streak included wins over Dayton (twice), Ivy Tech, and Ohio State (defending national champions). Fortunately, the team brings back all five starters and returns all of their key bench players as well. With more experience and great depth, the men anticipate competing for a national championship again next year.

23-7 Overall record
14-4 Conference record
NIRSA Nationals Championship Runner-Up

Women's Basketball

This was the third year of existence for the Women's Club Basketball team, which is comprised of a group of 17 amazing young women. They continued to have success on the court as they participated in several home and away games against their northeast competition including Northeastern, BU, UCONN, Harvard, Sacred Heart, and UMASS Lowell. They also participated in a few tournaments including one at Providence where they finished 2nd and one at UMass-Lowell where they made it all the way to the championship game and emerged victorious. The team entered this season as the two-time returning Regional Champions at the BU tournament but unfortunately came up a bit short, finishing 3rd overall. However, the team was still able to make it out to Columbus, Ohio for their second crack at the NIRSA National Tournament. Despite also coming up a bit short, the team showed a lot of growth this year as they implemented a lot more plays and found new ways to create a cohesive flow on the court. They were able to prove themselves by competing in every game they played at Nationals and, they hope to make it further in the tournament in the coming years. However, the girls did receive some hardware by winning the MATCH program implemented by club sports. As the team continues to grow and gain experience they hope to continue developing on and off the court. Catch them back in action on the court and on twitter next year!

2016-2017 MATCH Program Winners

Cycling

The Club Cycling team kicked off the year with their mountain bike season, which went better than the last and was one of the main goals for the team this year. The Eagles saw a dramatic rise in attendance at the mountain bike races, especially with their women, which was another important goal for this season. On the road, they unfortunately had some of their races cancelled as a result of weather, which cut the season short. They had some strong finishes in both individual and team events though. One of the highlights was a third place finish in the Team Time Trial in the Men's C-Division at the ECCC Championships. Additionally, some of the individual riders had top finishes in Road Races and Criteriums. They also saw a lot of new members, including both freshman and transfer students at their tri-weekly spin classes, something that they wish to continue going in to the new season next year.

ECCC Championships 3rd Place Team Time Trial - C Division
ECCC Championships 1st Place Road Race - E Division
ECCC Championships 2nd Place Criterium - E Division

Equestrian

The Club Equestrian Team had a very successful spring semester even though there were only two regular season shows, due to weather cancellations. Their first show was the Bridgewater State University Horse Show where they finished in fourth place. This show was the debut for freshmen Katherine Bade and Emily Mungovan who both earned second place finishes. Their second show was the Worcester State Horse Show where they once again finished fourth. This show was the debut for freshman Nicola Roux who put in a solid trip for fourth place. All of the seniors who were healthy and able to ride participated in the show. They had solid rides to conclude their regular season careers and will be dearly missed by the rest of the team. A highlight of the day was when senior Bridget Fitzgerald qualified for regionals in Novice Flat. The team's last show of the season was the IHSA Region Four Finals. Unfortunately, due to bad weather, the show had to be moved indoors, but that did not stop the BC riders from performing. Senior Nina Tedesco was fifth in the Intermediate Fences Final, senior Bridget Fitzgerald was fourth in the Novice Fences Final and sixth in the Novice Flat Final, and senior Cassie Gergely was fifth in the Novice Flat final. While none of the team's riders moved on to Zones, they all had great rides among tough competition and the team is looking forward to another great season next year!

Figure Skating

The Club Figure Skating team came back early from winter break in January for training week, where they practiced two or three times a day to get ready for the season. This was a critical time for the team members to improve their skills, perfect their program, and spend quality time as a team. This season, the team competed at the Open Collegiate level and participated in three competitions. Their first competition of this semester was at the end of training week. The team travelled to Attleboro, MA to compete in the LeeAnn Miele Synchronized Skating Competition and finished first! Later on in January, the team traveled to Hershey, PA, where they competed at the Eastern Synchronized Skating Sectional Championships, which is their biggest competition of the year. The team had a great time, finishing 6th overall, and even had a chance to spend some time in Chocolate World after they finished competing. In mid-February, the team competed in the Connecticut Classic in Simsbury, CT, where they also finished first! After their competition season was over, the team continued practicing to get a head start for next year. They are excited to incorporate some of the new skills they've learned in their program next year. Overall, it was a great season for the Club Figure Skating team and they are looking forward to the fall season!

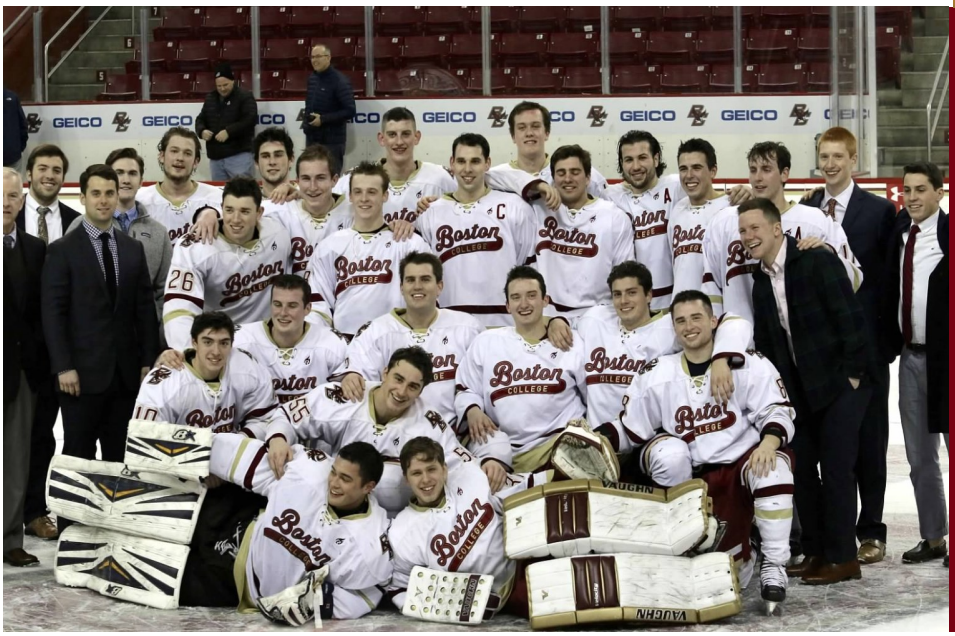
Golf

The Club Golf team played in two regional tournaments this semester and earned a qualifying bid to the national championship. Though sunny weather teased the northeast in February, March and April were cold and most courses did not open until late. The first regional was held on April 2nd at Agawam Hunt in Rumford, Rhode Island. Poor weather conditions cancelled the first day of play, pushing both rounds to Sunday. The team placed first with a two-day score of 753 and beat rival Providence College by 16 strokes. Strong individual performances came from Max Linemayer (75-71), Michael Lane (77-75) and Patrick Albanesi (71-78). The team placed second the following weekend in its second regional at Blackstone National in Sutton, Massachusetts. Michael Lane (81-72) and Patrick Albanesi (84-72) led the scoring for BC. Despite the second place finish, the combined score from the first two regionals was enough to qualify for nationals as the team was named the champion of the New England Region of the NCCGA. BC Club golf ended the Spring 2017 semester ranked 11th in the nation and finished with an average score of 384.5 per round and an average of 21.22 strokes over par as a team. The team would like to thank all of the graduating seniors and everyone who made this a successful season.

NCCGA New England Region Champions

Men's Ice Hockey

After getting off to an extremely hot start during the first semester, the Men's Club Ice Hockey team cooled off a bit coming off of winter break. The Eagles were able to find their stride again towards the end of the regular season, defeating Bryant University on senior night in front of a great crowd in Conte Forum. After disappointing losses in both the Club Beanpot and the NECHA Playoffs, the Eagles set their sights on the upcoming regional tournament, with a first round game slated against Northeastern. The team traveled down to Danbury, Connecticut on a dreary February day and ultimately lost 2 -3 to Northeastern in an extremely close and hard fought game. While it was not the result the team was looking for this season, the seniors leave behind a team with lots of young talent that will lead this team to new heights in the new few seasons. The Eagles finished the regular season with a record of 14-7-3, one of their best records in recent history. They would like to thank all of the graduating seniors for their tremendous effort over the last four years and especially for returning the team to its former glory after last year's hiccup. They would also like to thank to all of the loyal fans this year and are looking forward to getting back on the ice next season!



Season Highlights:

Regular Season
Record: 14-7-3

Team Point Leaders
1. Lindy Vicari 20-20-40
2. Bobby Mastrogiacomo 13-13 -26
3. Steven Schuwerk 6-17-23

Women's Ice Hockey

Season Highlights:

- 18-1 Regular Season Record
- IWCHL League Champions
- Attended ACHA National Championship for the 1st Time in Program History
- Named Boston College Student Organization of the Year

The past season for Women's Club Ice Hockey was a historic one. They had an 18-1 regular season record, won their league championships, and travelled to Columbus, Ohio for the National Championships for the first time in program history. The team beat tough league opponents like University of New Hampshire, Union, and Westfield State as well as out of conference teams such as Navy and Northeastern. They played the majority of their home games in the newly opened Warrior Ice Arena, an excellent facility where the Boston Bruins practice. In March, the team packed up their bags and flew to Columbus to face never before seen competition for the National tournament. They played two very strong teams, University of Minnesota Duluth and North Dakota State University. They lost the first game and tied the second. North Dakota State ended up playing in the championship game. Overall, the experience was incredible and the team is confident they will be back next year. They also had a player named to the ACHA All-American team, and three seniors received ACHA Academic honors. The team hopes to have players receive these honors again next year. Finally, another incredible highlight for the team this season was winning an Ever to Excel Award at Boston College. The team won the Student Organization of the Year Award, given out to the Student Organization "who exemplified their stated mission and enriched student life through their programmatic efforts". The women are extremely honored to have been nominated and chosen for this award, and are looking forward to continuing to build the team and providing women at Boston College with a competitive, rewarding atmosphere to play hockey.

Men's Lacrosse

The 2016-17 season was a highly competitive year for the Men's Club Lacrosse team. Following an unfortunate loss to UNH by one goal to start the year, the team traveled to Baltimore for the Battle of Baltimore tournament to play top-ranked Virginia Tech, Michigan State, and South Carolina. These teams were all ranked within the top 25 in the MCLA, and the eagles escaped 1-2 on the weekend with a victory against Michigan State. Later, the Eagles traveled to Buffalo to play conference opponent University of Buffalo and top-ranked University of Minnesota. They beat Buffalo handedly, but unfortunately lost a tight battle against University of Minnesota. To close the regular season the eagles swept UCONN and Northeastern at home in front of an exciting crowd. The team then beat Rhode Island in the last game of the season. After going 4-1 in the regular season against conference opponents, the Eagles finished ranked #1 in their conference. During the postseason, the team fell to UNH in a competitive battle at the PCLL Tournament, closing the 2016-17 season. They finished 5-5 on the year, and hope to build on a strong foundation next year led by the rising seniors. Despite the early exit, the Eagles had 9 members of the team honored with awards from the PCLL.

Women's Rugby

Due to weather, Women's Club Rugby had a very short season this Spring, playing only four 15's matches and one 7's tournament. The 15's match was played against Lasell College and the team won with a final score of 30-10. The second 15's win of the season came in the annual 15's tournament at Beast of the East. The team beat Northeastern University to win the bowl division at Beast, and came home with some new hardware to show for it. On April 30th, Women's Rugby entered two teams in the MIT Annual "Prom Dresses 7's". The 2nd side made it so the semifinals and the 1st side defeated MIT in the final, to repeat as champions and to once again be crowned as prom queen. Looking towards the fall, the team has a big task ahead to try to attain the success they had in the fall. They have no doubt that they have the potential to repeat their success and even go one step further to make it to the National Final. This will require a very strong commitment from all our players to get stronger and faster in order to keep up with the tough competition next year. The 50th year of rugby at BC is coming up and BCWRFC hopes to make it a very successful one!

Men's Soccer

Men's Club Soccer had one of its most successful seasons in recent history. The team went undefeated throughout the regular season and won their league, with notable 3-0 wins against Brown and Bryant to clinch the league title and qualify for the Regional Tournament. The team traveled to Delaware for regionals and had success against some of the best club teams in the country. Dramatic late goals brought them back from a two goal deficit to tie Delaware in their first game. Then, BCFC was able to keep the #1 ranked Penn State in check to tie their second game. After winning their last game at regionals, they finished the group stage with a win and two ties. Although still undefeated, BCFC was unfortunately eliminated on a tie-breaker. Then, BCFC traveled to Alabama to compete in the National Tournament, where they went 1-1-1, finishing the entire year with only one loss. In the spring, BCFC played some matches against BU and Harvard in order to prepare for next year's fall season. This was one of the team's most successful years, and they would like to thank the seniors for all they've done and wish them the best of luck in the future. BCFC is looking to return a strong team next year, and hopes to have the same type of success.

Men's Squash

The Men's Club Squash team had a very successful 2016-2017 season. The team opened the season against Boston University with a 7-2 win, highlighted by strong performances in tight matches from Captain Rob Fischer and sophomore Harrison Locke. The Eagles also had a strong 6-3 win against Northeastern that showcased the strength of the lower half of the ladder; although the Eagles dropped close matches in the top 3, spots 4-9 collectively swept the Huskies 5-0 and won 18 games while only dropping one. Over the course of the second half of the season, the Eagles traveled to Charlottesville, Virginia, to compete in the inaugural ACC tournament. The Eagles had a strong showing, recording decisive victories against Sewanee, Vanderbilt, and Duke. Ultimately the Eagles came in second place, falling to a supremely talented UVA team in the final. They used this momentum to carry them through to the end of the season when they competed in the Chaffee Cup at the CSA National Tournament held here in Boston. A first round victory against University of Chicago set them up with a contentious rematch against a formidable Haverford squad. They split the first 4 matches, yet ended up losing the match 6-3. The team finished the season ranked 36th nationally and #6 in club team rankings. Strong performances at the top of the ladder by freshmen Ryan Ashmore, Joseph Kim, and James Stevenson have generated a lot of excitement for next season, especially as they look to overcome the loss of a strong senior core in Rob Fischer, Elliot O'Brien, Chris Tozzi, and Colton Hardman.

Finished 36th overall at the CSA National Tournament (and 6th among club teams)

Tennis

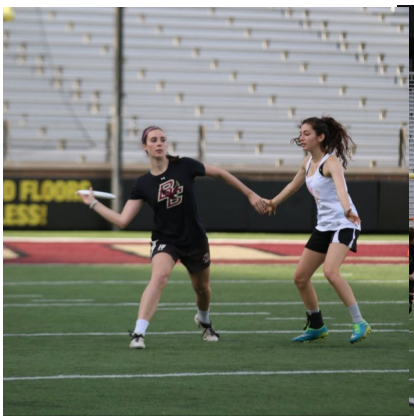
Club Tennis had one of its best seasons on the court in recent history. The team started off its fall season strong in October by heading across town to compete in the New England Sectional Championships, hosted by Harvard. The Eagles advanced to the semifinals of the gold bracket before falling just short to Yale. The squad then took down 2015 sectional champions Northeastern to capture 3rd in the tournament and claim an automatic bid to the National Championship in the spring. The team continued their success throughout the fall, travelling down to New Haven for the Yale Fall Invitational in early November. The Eagles took down UNH and Northeastern on their way to avenging their sectionals loss by beating Yale in the final of the tournament. Later in November, the team travelled down to Old Dominion for their final tournament of the fall season. The Eagles again emerged victorious, taking down every team that they faced the entire weekend. Moving on into the spring season, BCCT travelled up to Dartmouth in February to compete in Dartmouth's annual Club Tournament. The squad defeated BU and UConn before falling just short to Dartmouth to claim 2nd place. Finally, the team finished their season by taking flight to Orlando, Florida in April to compete in their biggest tournament of the year, the USTA Tennis-on-Campus National Championship. They got to compete at the recently opened USTA National Campus, which features over 100 tennis courts and new, state-of-the-art facilities. The Eagles ending up tying for their best finish in the club's history, falling in the final of the silver bracket to finish at 18th in the nation.

Men's Ultimate Frisbee

After graduating only a few seniors last year and showing promise in the fall, the Eagles traveled to South Carolina for the Cola Classic, their first tournament of the year. Their 2-1 performance on Saturday, which included a victory over the #1 seeded South Carolina University, put them in prime position to win the entire tournament, but unfortunately the remainder was canceled due to weather conditions. Following South Carolina, Men's Club Ultimate ventured to New Jersey for their largest tournament of the year, Bring the Huckus. After dominating their pool and defeating UConn and URI in the championship bracket, the Eagles earned 4th place out of the 41 teams. New England teams face the challenge of competing in the most unforgiving weather conditions, and this year was no different. A cold and rainy month of March led to the cancellation of the New England Open, and thus the Eagles rolled into the postseason with a 7-4 record. At their Conference Championships, they confronted the challenge of facing three of the top teams in the country: Northeastern, Tufts, and Harvard. The Eagles opened up the tournament with a thrilling comeback victory by edging out Northeastern on the final point of the game. With commanding victories over UMass Lowell, MIT, and BU, as well as hard-fought defeats to Harvard and Tufts, the Eagles finished #4 in the conference. Heading into regionals, the Eagles were optimistic that they could make a deep run in the tournament, but unfortunately there was only one bid for Nationals which they were not able to claim.

Women's Ultimate Frisbee

The Women's Club Ultimate Frisbee program had one of the most successful seasons in their 11-year history! This year they retained 50 returners and added 35 new players. In the fall, the program sent two teams to a tournament at MIT and also played at Huck a Hunk in Rhode Island. They split into the competitive A and developmental B teams before returning to campus for the spring semester, just in time to begin the primary season. They began the season with a trip to Virginia, playing in the Commonwealth Cup and finishing ninth overall, breaking seed. They then finished second at the Garden State 7 tournament in New Jersey. Finally, the semester ended with post-season play. The Eagles finished third overall in the highly competitive D1 Boston Metro section, earning a bid to Regionals as the fifth seed in New England. The A team finished the regular season ranked 26th in the country. The developmental B team found success as well as they won more games this year than ever before. They began the season at the Blizzard Bonanza tournament at Brandeis University and then traveled with the A team to Garden State 7 to compete in the developmental division. They then closed out the season at No Man's Land at Wellesley College.



Men's Volleyball

The Men's Club Volleyball team had an extremely busy and successful spring season this year. The team participated in two divisional tournaments and one interdivisional all in the month of February, hosting the first of those tournaments right on campus at the Plex. The Eagles had a hot start to divisional play with wins over Brandeis, Tufts, and BU, only falling to top-seeded Northeastern. The team then travelled to New Hampshire for their second divisional round where they swept the competition defeating Dartmouth, UNH, and Vermont. At their third tournament in February, the team participated in an interdivisional, bracket-style, tournament defeating Rhode Island, Yale, Fairfield, and BU, losing only to Columbia. The team managed to make it to the championship of the interdivisional, where they lost once again to Northeastern in the finals. At the NECVL Regional Championship at UNH, the Eagles made it to the second day of bracket-style play where they lost in the first round to Rhode Island. However, this did not stop the team's momentum as they propelled into the next weekend for the NCVF National Tournament in Kansas City, Missouri. The team proved to hold their own amongst many of the nation's best, defeating North Carolina, Syracuse, and Baylor, and finishing 21st in the nation. The team hopes to continue their tradition of hard-work and winning for the 2017-2018 season. They would also like to thank President Michael Hart and Vice President Dillon Dalton for all their hard work and wish them good luck after their graduation this year as well as the Club Sports Program and all of its members for making this year possible.

Regular Season Record: 11-3

2nd Best winning % in the New England Club Volleyball League

Women's Volleyball

The Women's Club Volleyball team started off the season on a high note when they travelled to the University of Connecticut for the NWVCL Kick Off Open Tournament. After winning their pool of four teams, the Lady Eagles advanced to the quarterfinals where they then defeated UConn. The Eagles then defeated Rutgers in the semifinals, but unfortunately lost to Northeastern in the finals. In the opening tournament, the Eagles finished 2nd out of 20 teams! This initial success carried them throughout their season as they went on to win both the Fairfield tournament and the tournament they hosted at BC. It was amazing to take home a win against Comm Ave rival, BU, in the Plex with family and friends cheering the team on. In the spring season, the Eagles travelled to local tournaments held at Boston University, Northeastern, and Providence. The Eagles finished 4th at the BU tournament and 2nd at the Providence Tournament. A huge highlight of the spring season was when the Eagles won the Northeastern tournament for the second year in a row. After handily beating Umass Amherst, Sacred Heart, and BU in pool play, BCWCVB faced Northeastern in the semifinals. The Eagles defeated Northeastern 25-20 and 25-17 to advance to the finals against BU. They lost the first set 20-25 and in the second set the Eagles quickly went down 7-16 at the start. However, after persevering, the Eagles made the biggest comeback of the season and came back to defeat BU 25-22 in the second set. The team took the crown after a nail-biting third set that ended 15-12! Overall, it was one of the most successful regular seasons in program history. To finish the year, the Eagles travelled to Kansas City, Missouri to compete in the NCVF National Tournament. The Eagles had wins over teams such as Toledo, Northern Kentucky, Ball State, and Santa Clara to finish the weekend tied for 5th in the D1AA Gold bracket. This is the highest BCWCVB has ever placed at the National Tournament. The Lady Eagles look forward to continuing this pattern of performing at higher levels in years to come!

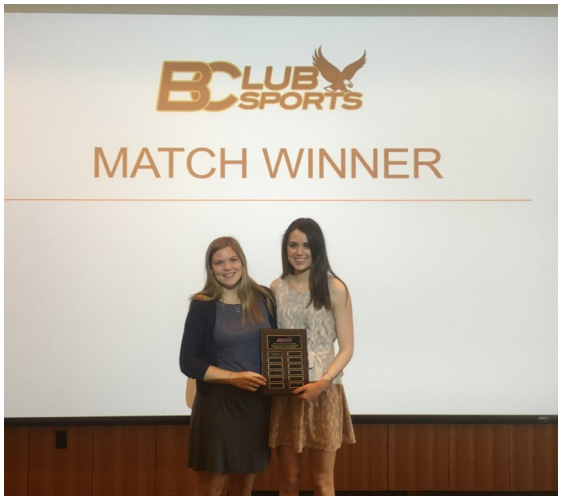
Senior Awards Brunch

The first annual Club Sports Senior Awards brunch was held on Saturday, May 6th in the Yawkey Murray Room. Planned and executed by the Club Sports Executive Board, the purpose of this event was to bring together the graduating members of the club sports community to celebrate together as well as honor some outstanding members of the program. A handful of awards were given out including the Most Valuable Senior Award. This was awarded to one graduating member of each team who most embodies the character and spirit of his or her program, by excelling in athletic competition and contributing to the intellectual, physical, social, and spiritual formation of his or her team. Each of the winners was nominated by his or her respective team, and each has made a unique and lasting impact on his or her team. Congratulations Most Valuable Seniors!

Most Valuable Seniors

Baseball: Jeff Elliott
Basketball (W): Katie Stewart
Men's Crew: JP Scaduto
Cycling: Ben Egan
Equestrian: Bridget Fitzgerald
Field Hockey: Molly Shields
Figure Skating: Erica Giarraputo
Ice Hockey (M): Ciaran Cleary
Ice Hockey (W): Lauren Wedell
Lacrosse (M): Mike Mikkelsen
Lacrosse (W): MT Forsyth
Rugby (M): Danny Schatzman,
Rugby (W): Laura Krivicich
Soccer (M): Matt Ovrom
Soccer (W): Dani de Torres
Squash (M): Robert Fischer
Tennis: Jana Haikal
Ultimate (M): Nick Crain
Ultimate (W): Daniele de Groot
Volleyball (W): Sarah McGowan
Water Polo (M): Nick McSweeney
Water Polo (W): Eliza Gross

2017 Award Winners



MATCH Program Winner:

Women's Basketball

Awarded to the team that has shown the most commitment to both supporting and developing relationships with fellow club sport teams and the program at large through their involvement with the MATCH program.

Organization of the Year:

Women's Ice Hockey

Awarded to the club sports program that has excelled in athletic competition, demonstrated good sportsmanship, and has positively represented BC club sports through excellent leadership, team management, and community involvement.

Program Advancement Award:

Shawn Quinn (Ice Hockey & Cycling; Executive Board President)

Awarded to the club sport student leader who has gone above and beyond expectations, giving unselfishly and positively impacting not only his/her individual team, but also the entire program at large

Eagles of The Year

The Eagle of the Year award is given to the male and female graduating athletes who are outstanding athletes, leaders, scholars, and citizens, have had a unique and lasting impact on Boston College Club Sports, and truly live out what it means to be an Eagle both on and off the field. Huge congratulations to our 2017 winners, Lauren Wedell of Women's Ice Hockey and Benjamin Egan of Cycling!

Lauren Wedell

(Women's Ice Hockey)

Benjamin Egan

(Cycling)

21 in-season teams

119 total events

14 regional tournaments

11 national tournaments

3965 points scored

860 athletes

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