



Coach's Corner *New Coaching Staff at Bucknell*

Dear Parents, Alumni, & Friends...

Hello from Bucknell! Another fun and exciting year has begun, with a few new faces joining the crowd. The Lacrosse coaching staff has a new look for the 2002-2003 season. Joining the Bison are head coach Randall Flynn and assistant coach Pam Lowie.

Flynn, a 1997 graduate of the University of Maryland, and most recently head coach at Division III Franklin & Marshall College, adds a great deal of experience and enthusiasm to the program. While in that role, she led the team to a top-15 national ranking in each season. In addition to her role as the head women's lacrosse coach, Flynn has also served as the assistant women's soccer coach for the Diplomats the past three years. Flynn's involvement with nationally ranked women's lacrosse programs extends beyond the Division III level. During the 1997-98 season, she was an assistant coach at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, a squad that advanced to the NCAA Final Four. Prior to her experience with the Tar Heels, Flynn was involved as either a player or a coach at Maryland. A student-athlete

on the Terps lacrosse squad from 1993-96, the four-year starter was a member of Maryland's back-to-back national championship teams in 1995 and 1996. In addition, she served as an assistant coach for her alma mater when the Terps won their third consecutive national title in 1997. Flynn is also involved in lacrosse on the international level. She has played on the United States Women's Lacrosse Team since 1994, was a member of the United States Touring Team in Australia during the summer of 2000, and most recently represented the United States as a member of the USA Women's Lacrosse World Cup Championship Team.

Also recently joining the lacrosse staff is Pam Lowie. Lowie, a 2002 graduate of the University of Connecticut joins the Bison as the first ever full time assistant coach. A four-year starter and captain while at Uconn, Lowie will work closely with the midfield and defensive units. In her last season with the Huskies, she was named to the All Big-East First team, and also selected as a All North Region First team, and IWLCA/ US Lacrosse Division I Third Team All American. Lowie holds University records for career goals, career points, and single scoring records for goals scored, and points. Lowie was named team MVP for the third straight year, and awarded the Uconn Club Outstanding Senior Athlete Award at the conclusion of her career. Lowie Graduated from the School Of Liberal Arts with degrees in both Sociology and Political Science. She was also a Big-East Academic All-Star and Scholar Athlete, a member of the Big East Honor Roll, and a Dean's list recipient.

Both Flynn and Lowie have high expectations for the upcoming season. With the support of parents, family, friends, and alumni, the sky is the limit for the Bison! Please take the time to introduce yourself to the new staff at the fall tournaments. You can contact Randall at rflynn@bucknell.edu or 570-577-3717. You can contact Pam at plowie@bucknell.edu or 570-577-3551. The laid back atmosphere at the fall tournaments is a great time to get to know the new staff, as well as the Class of 2006!

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BU's Fall I Season...

September 28th
 October 6th
 October 12th
 October 27th

@ AMERICAN FALL TOURNAMENT
 Penn state (PARENTS WEEKEND) at 1pm
 @ USTC TOURNAMENT
 @ Delaware FALL TOURNAMENT

Bison Fall Ball in Full Swing

Can you believe that yet another year of Bison Lacrosse is already here? With a fresh start this year; our young team hopes to accomplish many things in preparation for an outstanding spring season. With a new coaching staff, seven freshmen, and a transfer student, the fall season is going to be extremely important. It is a time to get to know each other, and bond as a team and family on and off the field. And the most important thing, to have fun playing the most exciting game in the world!

Our fall season kicks off on September 28th as we travel to American University for their Annual fall tournament. The team will face excellent competition against teams such as Longwood, American, and Mount St. Mary's.

Another exciting event this fall is a home scrimmage against in state rival Penn State. The home field contest will give everyone an early feel for the various home games scheduled this spring. The game is tentatively scheduled for Sunday October 6th at 1pm.

The third tournament that we will be competing in is the USTC Dowingtown tournament on October 12th. Many top teams will be in attendance, so this tournament will give the Bison some valuable experience to bring into the regular season.

The final competition of the fall season takes place at the University of Delaware on October 27th. Hopefully the previous tournaments will have fine-tuned the teams' play, and let everyone that Bucknell is not a team to take lightly!!

We are all very excited about our fall schedule this year. We will be playing in a number of shorter games, which will be an excellent way to try out new line ups, plays, and defenses. We look forward to seeing all of you cheering the Bison on this fall!!



roster 2002-2003

#	Name	Year
3	Abby Brewster	06
19	Emily Burman	06
11	Mia Donahue	04
10	Tory Field	06
13	Merryl Geisse	05
20	Annie Greenspun	05
21	Liz Hanhouse	06
15	Amy Hasler	04
22	Kristen Hughes	05
66	Nicole Kallis	03
29	Ellen Kurkowski	05
14	Amy Lee	05
25	Lizzie McDaniel	06
5	Laura Nuss	04
34	Jenny Osborn	06
4	Andrea Paraud	05
12	Cora Preston	05
	Rachel Prowler	06
7	Suzanne Raffaele	03
17	Tracy Ryan	06
1	Liz Schuster	04
16	Laura Seiboth	04
6	Maris Tomb	04
18	Maura White	04
23	Meredith Wright	04

Our seniors

Right: Suzanne Raffaele # 7



Left :Nicole Kallis#66





What is the Bison Club?

Bucknell has continued its long tradition of academic and athletic excellence in large part because of the Bison Club, which provides support for all of Bucknell's varsity intercollegiate athletic programs. The Bison Club has contributed to Bucknell winning another Patriot League Presidents' Cup in 2002 -- the ninth in the 12 years the award has existed. Bucknell's graduation rate is again among the nation's elite, finishing first in the nation twice in the last 10 years. Donations enable all 26 varsity sports to be played at a level that has helped Bucknell attain a program that successfully combines athletic and academic excellence. Much of the annual donations provide needed financial aid to deserving student-athletes. Your gifts also provide resources for recruiting efforts, training and equipment costs, and team travel funds. The championship banners proudly hanging in the Davis Gym, the gleaming trophies housed in crowded display cases, and the impressive number of nationally recognized scholar-athletes named every year. All these achievements can be traced to the loyalty and generosity of those alumni, parents, and friends who support university athletics.

Our team has already benefited from the funds, and we hope that the continuous support of the Bison Club and other donations will help us maintain and enhance our success. Thank you for all of you that have helped our program in the past! This fall, a "Shoot-a-thon" and t-shirt sale will take place to help alleviate the high costs of our spring break training trip, and new uniforms. If you would like additional information about donations, please contact Todd Newcomb at tnewcomb@bucknell.edu

Rule Changes Implemented for Fall 2002

The US rules committee voted in favor for colleges to play with several new rules this fall. These experimental rules have been implemented in order to move forward to a more international style of play. The three experimental rules that have been accepted for the fall are: Boundary rules, Goalie re-entry and Center draw procedures.

*The Rules committee voted in favor of a boundary line around the field. The referee will blow the whistle any time the ball or player is out of bounds. The player with the ball may have her stick out of boards, but has to keep her feet and body in bounds at all times. When the ball goes out of bounds, the player that last touched the ball shall lose possession of the ball. When a shot is deflected or goes out of bounds, the opponent nearest to the ball when it goes out of bounds will be rewarded the ball.

* Each half of the game and after every goal is started by a draw between two players. Only 5 players from each team may be between the restraining lines during the draw. All other players must be behind the restraining lines, and they may cross once the whistle has been blown.

*The final experimental rule pertains to the goalkeeper's possession of the ball within her goal circle. Once a team gains possession of the ball in the goal circle and the ball is cleared, the team must not intentionally return the ball to their goal circle until another player has played the ball. Played refers to the action when the ball leaves the players stick or is touched by another player, or she is checked. The ball does not have to be successfully dislodged from the stick. The goalie can only return the ball into her crease one time with out involving another player. The goalie must pass the ball to a teammate, and then get it back before she can reenter the crease with the ball.



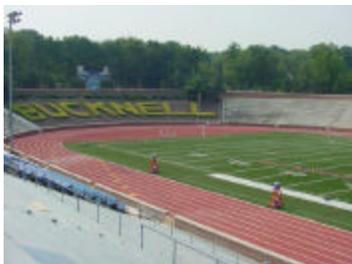
New Athletic Facilities To Be Opened in 2003

As a key element in keeping Bucknell competitive, one of the finest collegiate recreation and athletic facilities in the nation is set to open this year. The new facility, at a cost of \$46.6 million for construction and operating endowment, will fully meet the University's needs for modern athletic, recreation, and fitness programs. The project includes a 54-meter-by-25 yard Olympic size pool, spacious student fitness facility and strength and conditioning area, 4,000 seat Basketball arena, and coaches and administrative offices. The Davis gymnasium will be renovated as an auxiliary gym for volleyball, recreation, and fitness.

Located directly in front of the new natatorium and arena, an abundant amount of green space will be used for outdoor student recreation and special events. The initial portion of the project includes a new main entrance, a natatorium with locker rooms and offices, a new fitness center for use by all students, a new suite dedicated to sports medicine and athletic training. The new fitness center will house modern free-weight and exercise equipment, a nutrition bar and lounge. It will have 175 fitness positions, compared to the present 37, and also women's and men's locker rooms will be available.

The new state of the art arena will replace Davis Gymnasium as the home of men and women's basketball. The new arena will include "walk down" access to seating and unobstructed views of the playing surface for all spectators. Some of the 4,000 seats will be fixed in place and others will be retractable, enabling an open floor area for three practice courts.

Recently, the Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium was resurfaced. The stadium now has a field turf, which is primarily used by the football and lacrosse teams. We currently have six games scheduled on the stadium, which undeniably provides an exciting and fast-pasted game!



Christy Mathewson
Memorial Stadium



Main entrance to
the Fitness area



Olympic Size
Natatorium

Facts about the Patriot League

*The patriot league was founded on the principles of admitting athletes who are academically representative of their class. It is in its second decade of competition. Bucknell entered the league in 1986.

*In a recent report, the patriot league ranked first among all Division 1 conferences in student-athlete graduation rates and second in overall student graduation rates.

*Championship teams in the PL are guaranteed advancement into the NCAA tournament for Lacrosse. Lacrosse member schools include: Lehigh, Colgate, Holy Cross, American, Lafayette, and Villanova.

