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COACH FEDORJAKA'S 2015 FALL BALL RECAP



We had a very productive fall ball as we were able to look at many new guys at different positions. There were two reasons for this. The first is like always, we brought in a talented new Freshmen class (including a sophomore transfer from Fairfield) and the second is injuries. Fortunately, in my previous 25 years of collegiate coaching, I have not witnessed this volume of guys out for fall ball and scrimmages. The good news is that it's "only" fall ball and the bad news is that they missed a lot of key reps by not being able to participate in full capacity.

The biggest silver lining that happens when one guy goes down, another has the opportunity to step up. And that's exactly what happened this fall. We had two scrimmage days. The first one was at University of Maryland in Byrd Stadium and the second was part of the Nick Colleluori Headstrong tournament at UPenn. We scrimmaged Drexel and then UPenn. The guys that took advantage of those opportunities the most were by positional order: Brian Fee '16. Fee worked very hard (as usual) this summer and worked in with the first attack quite a bit. He is going to the goal hard and makes very good decisions. He has a well-balanced game and looks to be a contributor this spring. Also on attack was Nick Steinfeld '17. Clearly Nick worked very hard this summer spending much of his time in Colorado working on his game. He came back stronger, in better condition and improved skill work. He had a terrific fall and is pushing those guys ahead of him on the depth chart. It's great to see that type of improvement over the summer! Marshall Dickson '19 showed flashes of great vision and moxie. He impressed the staff with his lacrosse IQ and skill set. Now we need to work on getting him physically up to standard.

At midfield we saw a nice jump from John Reed '18. John came back stronger and more aggressive. We are seeing some of the physical tools that John brings and he played on the 2nd midfield all fall. Freshman Reed Malas had a terrific debut and he certainly showed why he was a High School scoring machine. Reed has great vision and lacrosse IQ along with poise, athleticism and patience. He will be in the line-up this spring.

Some of the veterans that really stood out on offense were: Thomas Flibotte '16 has been a three year all-conference player, came back much improved. He is bringing an enormous amount of energy and leadership to the team this fall. He has solidified himself as a great leader thus far. Kyle Shanahan '16 put it all together during the Penn Scrimage Day. He was very aggressive with his dodges and was able to get to the rack on a consistent basis. Sean Doyle '16 led the way with many outside shots for goals, and Will Sands '18 was our quarterback all day long distributing the ball and drawing the opponents' top defenseman. Tommy O'Connor '17 ran 1st line midfield for both scrimmage days and really broke out as an offensive force. Tommy really gained confidence as the fall progressed and we are looking for him to be a solid contributor this spring.

On Defense, Alex Spring '16 and Matt Gilray '18 were outstanding especially on the wings of face-offs. Mike Schiappa '17 was solid as always and Brock Ghelfi '16 is playing his best lacrosse yet. One of the brightest spots of fall ball was Eric Monfort '16. He has played many positions throughout his career. Eric has played

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CHRIS CARA '05 INDUCTED INTO BUCKNELL ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME

On Friday, October 23, all-time leading point scorer Chris Cara was inducted into the Hall of Fame along with four other Bucknellians. A decade after his graduation, CHRIS CARA '05 remains the all-time points



leader in Bucknell and Patriot League history with 249 points on 111 goals and 138 as-

sists. His assist total is tied with Hall of Famer Peter von Hoffmann for the Bucknell record, and Cara is the only player in program history to record at least 100 goals and 100 assists. As a junior in 2004, Cara led the nation in scoring with 78 points on 38 goals and 40 assists. The 78 points were one shy of Hall of Famer Justin Zackey's team record, and the 40

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F/O, offensive Midfield, SS dmid and now close defense. He was our best close defenseman this fall. The diverse background has groomed him for this position! There were some other guys that stepped up and look to contribute this spring: Mike Adelman '16 made some nice plays as a back up LSM and will definitely be in the mix for playing time this year. Transfer Benny Borgognone '18 made a lot of plays on both scrimmage days and will have an opportunity to earn a starting position if he continues to play with that much aggression.

The greatest impact of newcomers was at the Face-off and goalie positions. Freshman Jarett Witzal was truly remarkable against Maryland. We had a face-off session before the scrimmage and Jarett won all 7 of his draws in the exercise and then in the game he was able to win the majority during the scrimmage. Against Drexel the following week he won 8 of 9 in the first half before we rested him for the 2nd scrimmage vs. Penn. In the goal, Joey Altemus '19 made some real nice saves and cleared the ball well. We were without starting goalie Christian Klipstein '19 due to an injury sustained a couple of days before the Penn Scrimmage Day. This fall he was very composed while making all of the saves he is "supposed" to make and a bunch more that maybe he shouldn't have.

After evaluating our fall practices, scrimmages and off season workouts I believe that this team has the ability to compete for a Patriot League Championship. If we can continue to be solid in the goal and on face-offs, we could enjoy a very successful spring season!

Respectfully,



Frank Fedorjaka
Head Men's Lacrosse Coach

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assists remained the school record until broken by David Dickson in 2013.

Cara was named Patriot League Offensive Player of the Year as a junior and senior, and he was also the Patriot League Rookie of the Year in 2002. He earned All-Patriot League honors all four years, and he was picked as an Honorable Mention All-American in 2004 and a Third Team All-American in 2005. He became the first Bison to earn All-America honors above the Honorable

able Mention level since von Hoffmann all the way back in 1979. In his four years at Bucknell, the Bison went 19-6 in Patriot League play and shared the regular-season title three times.

As a senior, Cara was one of 16 national finalists for the Tewaaraton Trophy, which is given to the national player of the year. Cara played in the North-South All-Star game and was taken by the Long Island Lizards in the third round of the 2005 Major League Lacrosse Draft.



Cara and Bucknell's Director of Athletics John Hardt

It was a great to see Chris and his family attended the event. His mother, father, two sisters, their families, and of course Chris' wife and two month old baby girl were in attendance. It was a good thing Chris' family was able to attend, because ironically, all of Chris' classmates were attending a destination wedding in Miami, FL, for classmate Ned Hare '05.



2016 SCHEDULE

1/23	HOBART (scrimm.)	2:00 p.m.
1/30	@ Towson w/Hobart (scrm.)	TBA
2/6	DELAWARE	2:30 p.m.
2/13	@ Bryant	1:00 p.m.
2/20	@ Fairfield	1:00 p.m.
2/27	@ Colgate*	12:00 p.m.
3/5	NAVY*	1:00 p.m.
3/12	@ Holy Cross*	1:00 p.m.
3/15	VILLANOVA	3:00 p.m.
3/19	BOSTON UNIV.*	1:00 p.m.
3/26	@ Loyola*	1:00 p.m.
4/2	@ Army*	3:30 p.m.
4/8	MT. ST. MARY'S	7:00 p.m.
4/15	LAFAYETTE*	7:00 p.m.
4/22	LEHIGH*	7:00 p.m.
4/26	PL Tournament	TBA
4/29	PL Tournament	TBA
5/1	PL Championship	TBA

* - Patriot League game

2016 LACROSSE ALUMNI WEEKEND -- APRIL 22 --

We have set the date for our Annual Lacrosse Alumni Weekend. Last spring we launched our first "Annual" Alumni Weekend and it was a huge success. There were over 130 former lacrosse players in attendance for the big overtime win over Loyola 10-9.

The date this year will be Friday, April 22 2016. We will be playing Lehigh at 7pm in Christy Mathewson Memorial Stadium. The day will look just like last year. For those interested we will Tee-off at the Bucknell Golf Course at 1pm. There will be a tailgate before the game starting at 5pm. Immediately following the game we will head on down to the Town Tavern at the Shanty out back.

There will be a save-the-date card coming your way soon.

BUCKNELL WELCOMES ANOTHER STRONG FIRST-YEAR CLASS

This year's group of 12 freshmen help fortify every position on the field, and two of the newcomers were cited by Inside Lacrosse as being among the best at their position nationally among the Class of 2019.

Christian Klipstein was listed ninth among freshman goalies and No. 90 among all rookies at all positions by Inside Lacrosse. Reed Malas was picked No. 38 on the list of top first-year attackmen.

"This is a very talented group that also comes in with extremely high academic credentials," said head coach Frank Fedorjaka. "Faceoffs and goalie were two high-priority areas for us in this class, and I think we have some impact players there. We were looking to add a little more punch on offense and up the middle. We are fortunate to bring back a lot of key guys from last year, so hopefully that will give us some time to really develop the freshmen. They have fit in very well so far, and I am very excited about the group as a whole."

Joey Altemus | Goalie | 6-1, 155 | Kensington, Md./Georgetown Prep --- Frank Fedorjaka on Joey Altemus: "Joey is a very talented goalie. He started for a really strong program at Georgetown Prep. He reminds me a lot of [former Bucknell all-conference goalie] Kyle Feeney. He is tall, athletic and sees the ball well. He has quick hands and feet and is very vocal. Joey is pushing for a starting spot."

Marshall Dickson | Attackman | 5-9, 135 | Greenwich, Conn./Brunswick School --- Frank Fedorjaka on Marshall Dickson: "Marshall is a similar player to his brother David. He still has some physical development to do, but he has great skills, great hands and great vision. He is very creative and has a bright future."

Teddy Dumbauld | Midfielder | 6-0, 182 | New Canaan, Conn./New Canaan --- Frank Fedorjaka on Teddy Dumbauld: "Teddy is a good faceoff guy who is quick, tall and athletic. He is very quick off the whistle and good on ground balls."

Ryan Durkin | Midfielder | 5-10, 173 | Fayetteville, N.Y./Jamesville DeWitt --- Frank Fedorjaka on Ryan Durkin: "Ryan comes from a tremendously successful program and had a great senior year. He is fundamentally and technically sound, he is tough, and he has a high lacrosse IQ."

Jordy Elardo | Faceoff Specialist | 5-4, 167 | Parkton, Md./McDonogh --- Frank Fedorjaka on Jordy Elardo: "Jordy has good quickness and skills. He is a very good ground ball guy who is experienced and polished at the faceoff X."

Jack Feeley | Defenseman | 6-2, 223 | Darien, Conn./Darien --- Frank Fedorjaka on Jack Feeley: "Jack is a technically sound defenseman with a good lacrosse IQ and good size. He handles the ball well in clearing situations."

Christian Klipstein | Goalie | 6-1, 188 | Califon, N.J./Rutgers Prep --- Frank Fedorjaka on Christian Klipstein: "Christian is pushing to be our starting goalie. He sees the ball very well and is a great competitor. He has soft hands and a lot of confidence. He is smart and vocal and has tremendous outlet passes. He has the same type of lacrosse IQ his brother Ryan '11 had."

Brad Landry | Midfielder | 5-9, 161 | Boonton Twp., N.J./Mountain Lakes --- Frank Fedorjaka on Brad Landry: "Brad ran a 4.46 40 and is one of the fastest players on the team. He can absolutely fly. He is playing short-stick defensive midfield and has great feet. He can cover, he is good on ground balls, and he can run the ball out and spark transition."

Reed Malas | Midfielder | 6-1, 170 | Mamaroneck, N.Y./Mamaroneck --- Frank Fedorjaka on Reed Malas: "Reed is an exceptional talent. He can play attack or midfield, and right now he is part of our second midfield unit. He is good at everything. He carries the ball well, has terrific vision, and he shoots with both hands on the run. He is quick and tough and has a high lacrosse IQ."

Tom Smith | Midfielder | 6-1, 202 | Lebanon, N.J./Rutgers Prep --- Frank Fedorjaka on Tom Smith: "Tom missed all of fall ball due to a previous injury, but he is an extremely talented lefty who can play attack and midfield. He is big and strong and comes from a successful program. We are expecting big things from him this year."

Alec Talarico | Defenseman | 6-1, 185 | Oradell, N.J./Bergen Catholic --- Frank Fedorjaka on Alec Talarico: "Alec has not practiced yet this fall due to an injury, but we are really excited about him. He is a tough long-stick defensive midfielder. He is fast and strong and has good skills. We expect him to have an impact once he is healthy."

Jarett Witzal | Faceoff Specialist | 5-8, 190 | Bethesda, Md./Landon School --- Frank Fedorjaka on Jarett Witzal: "Jarett is a tremendously talented faceoff man. He has extremely quick hands, terrific balance and a warrior mentality. Jarett comes from a great high school program and had a huge role for them. He is going to have a huge impact this year."



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BISON LACROSSE IN FALL BALL ACTION



Eric Monfort '16 defending Maryland attackman (Rambo) in Byrd Stadium



Transfer Benny Borgognone '18 at Penn



(above) A Herd of defenders work together to stop Maryland



Nick Steinfeld '17 carries against a Maryland defender



Defensive huddle at Penn



Will Sands '18 goes to the goal against Maryland



(at right) Offensive celebration vs. Penn



(at left) Impact freshman Reed Malas '19 shoots against Drexel

(at right) Our dynamic duo LSM Alex Spring '16 and Matt Gilray '18 on the wing of a faceoff vs. Penn

