Britt, 'Saders out of slump with OT win

Women's lacrosse saw their record fall to 5-8 (2-3 in the Patriot League) after they lost their last two games, but snapped a four-game losing streak with a huge comeback win over league rival Bucknell University earlier in the week. Britt and Julianne Daly each scored two goals in the second half, with two assists.

A season on the brink

The women's hockey team hosted the University of Connecticut on March 26 in a game of the following season. The Huskies picked up their first victory against the Crusaders, and in the process, the team fell to 5-8 (2-3 in the Patriot League). Coach Paul Pearl guided the Crusaders to the third seed in the MAAC playoffs and earned the award of MAAC Coach of the Year. Pearl, himself, attended Holy Cross and in his first championship, but this season he once again served as the assistant coach, this time for Brown University. With the conclusion of the 2001-2002 season, Pearl finished his seventh season behind the bench of Holy Cross. His first year came in 1995, inheriting a team that had made a mere one season in its last eight above the .500 mark. In his seven-year span, he has coached the team to 4-1 record for the spring. With snow covering the courts well into March, it has been difficult for the Crusaders to get in enough indoor practice time at the facilities in Paxton, MA, as compared to most of the competition. Nevertheless, the four team regular season games have faced thus far have certainly been formidable opponents.

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The women's tennis team began their spring season with four matches on the road against Brandeis University, Providence College, St. John's University and Alabama University. Despite an impressive 14-1 fall record, the team is off to an uncharacteristically shaky start – posting a 2-3 record and two ECAC Tournament appearances. Though the Crusaders defeated Providence by a score of 6-1 during the fall season, the Friars reversed this score on April 4, as Holy Cross came back to tie up the match 3-3 with one overtime win. It has been difficult for the Crusaders to get in enough indoor practice time at the facilities in Paxton, MA, as compared to most of the competition. Nevertheless, the four team regular season games have faced thus far have certainly been formidable opponents.

Brandeis captured 4 out of 7 points in the matches, two of the singles matches still in progress were discontinued. Junior Erica FugheSTER and sophomore Allison Levy were leading in their singles matches before they were discontinued. Other Holy Cross victories came from Melissa Levy (70') at 65 singles, and from Brittany Burns (95) and Sarah Spain (02') at 63 doubles. Though the Crusaders defeated Providence by a score of 6-1 during the fall season, the Friars reversed this score on April 4, as Holy Cross came back to tie up the match 3-3 with one overtime win. It has been difficult for the Crusaders to get in enough indoor practice time at the facilities in Paxton, MA, as compared to most of the competition. Nevertheless, the four team regular season games have faced thus far have certainly been formidable opponents.

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