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## TWO BEARCATS SWEEP THE SWIMMING AWARDS WHILE TWO TERRIERS TAKE HOME DIVING HONORS

**CAMBRIDGE, Mass.** — Binghamton University sophomore Nolan Slesnick (Austin, Texas/LBJ-LASA) and junior Amanda Ciccone (Suffern, N.Y./Suffern) led the Bearcat squads to wins over conference rival Stony Brook on Saturday and garner the male and female Swimmer of the Week honors, respectively. Remaining dominant on the boards against Boston College, junior Tanner Knorr (San Diego, Calif./Valhalla) and freshman Melinda Matyas (Budapest, Hungary/Eotvos Jozsef Gimnazium) garner the male and female Diver of the Week accolades, respectively, for the week ending February 7. The award winners announced Tuesday afternoon are the final accolades of the season as teams gear up for the America East Championship February 25-28 at Boston University.

Slesnick captured titles in three individual events at the meet to lead the Bearcat men to victory. He won the 500 and 1,000 free in times of 4:43.21 and 9:45.94, respectively. Slesnick ranks in the top-10 in the America East performance list for the 500 free. He also moves into the top-five in the 1,000 free. After winning the 400 IM in 4:12.08 on Saturday, Slesnick now ranks seventh in the conference standings.

Ciccone led the Binghamton women over the Seawolf squad, claiming three individual titles and a relay victory at the meet. Ciccone swept the freestyle events, winning the 50 (24.38), the 100 (53.06) and 200 free (1:53.63). Ciccone is now tied for third in the 200 free conference standings. At the meet, Ciccone also swam a leg of the 400 free relay that won in 3:38.18.

Knorr continues to top the conference standings in the men's diving events. Against Boston College on Wednesday, Knorr swept the diving events, winning the one and three-meter events with scores of 274.65 and 305.93, respectively. This is Knorr's eighth weekly honor this season.

Matyas distanced herself from the field on Tuesday, outscoring her next closest competitor by over 40 points in both diving events. She won the one meter with a score of 278.02 and took home the three-meter title with a mark of 242.92. Matyas earns her ninth weekly award after sweeping the board events against Boston College.

Binghamton — Both Bearcat squads captured wins over conference foe Stony Brook on Saturday. Sophomore Joe Perez-Rogers (Woodstock, N.Y./Woodstock), and freshmen David Gleason (New York, N.Y./Robert Louis Stevenson) and Andrew Ellman (Yonkers, N.Y./Fordham Prep) led the men, starting Binghamton off with a win in the 200 medley relay before each posting individual victories. The relay team touched first in a time of 1:36.12 and moves to third in the conference standings. Perez-Rogers then captured titles in the 100 back (51.33) and the 100 fly (51.98). He moves to fourth in the conference standings in the 100 back and posted his season-best time in the fly. Gleason placed first in the 200 free (1:42.00) while Ellman swept the breast events, claiming first in both the 100 (1:08.82) and the 200 (2:12.21). Gleason ranks third in the conference standings in the 200 free while Ellman posted a personal season-best time in the 200 breast. Nolan Slesnick also turned in a top performance at the meet, claiming three titles. Slesnick won the 1,000 free (9:45.94), the 500 free (4:43.21) and the 400 IM (4:12.08). Slesnick moves into the top five in the 1,000 free and the top 10 in the 500 free. He also ranks seventh in the 400 IM. On the boards, freshman Anthony Foiles (Pomona, N.Y./North Rockland) placed first in the one meter with a score of 235.80 while senior Bob Nolte (Schenectady, N.Y./Schenectady) took first on the three meter with a score of 275.10. Nolte ranks third in the performance list. The Bearcat women were led by Amanda Ciccone, who raked in the individual titles, winning the 200 free (1:53.63), the 50 free (24.38), and the 100 free (53.06). Ciccone ties for third in the 200 free conference standings. Freshman Tin Wai Siu (Hong Kong, China/S.T.F.A. Leung Kau Kui) also captured three individual titles at the meet and swam a leg of the victorious 200 medley relay. Siu placed first in the 1,000 free (10:44.98), the 200 fly (2:08.92) and the 400 IM (4:33.30). Siu's time in the 400 IM places her at fifth in the conference standings. Sophomore Jenna Easton (Churchville, N.Y./Churchville-Chili) swept the diving events, placing first on the one meter and three meter with scores of 220.08 and 216.08, respectively. Easton earned a personal season-best score in the one-meter dive. Binghamton has completed its regular-season schedule and will return to the pool on February 25 in the America East Championship meet.

Boston U. — The Terrier squads swept crosstown rival Boston College on February 2-3. The women captured first in every individual event. The 200 medley relay team of junior Maria McIntyre (Herndon, Va./Chantilly), sophomore Kristen Connors (Mansfield, Mass./Bishop Feehan), senior Emily Munday (Butte, Mont./Butte) and junior Kirsten Tullis (Glenn Mills, Pa./Archmere Academy) started the Terriers out with a win, touching first in 1:45.54. McIntyre also won the 100 back in 58.39 while Connors claimed two titles in the 100 and 200 breast with times of 1:07.32 and 2:24.35, respectively. Munday also claimed individual titles, dominating the free sprints with wins in the 50 and 100 free in 24.23 and 52.31, respectively. Sophomore Amanda Schmitz (Pleasanton, Calif./Foothill) and freshman Lauren Drake (Wuerzburg, Germany/Heidelberg) also each captured a pair of victories at the meet. Schmitz won the 200 free (1:55.40) and the 200 fly (2:06.78) while Drake touched first in the 100 fly (57.75) and the 200 IM (2:09.95). Melinda Matyas swept both diving events for the women. Matyas led a sweep of the one-meter dive with a score of 278.02 and claimed victory on the three meter with a score of 242.92. The Terrier men won 14-of-16 events against the Eagles on Wednesday. The 200 medley relay team of juniors Bryon Kallert (New Milford, N.J./New Milford), Kyle Ernst (Seekonk, Mass./Seekonk), and Matt Rickett (Portland, Maine/Deering) and sophomore Jackson Hill (Naperville, Ill./Naperville North) started Boston U. off with a victory and then teamed up again in the 400 free relay to close the meet for the Terriers with another title. Kallert also claimed an individual win in the 200 back (1:50.38) while Ernst won the 200 breast (2:05.51) and Hill touched first in the 100 free (47.02). Senior Arik Seiler (Portland, Maine/Deering) and sophomore Daniel Kempf (Austin, Texas/Lyndon Baines Johnson) each added a pair of titles to the Terrier tally. Seiler won the 200 free (1:41.90) and the 200 IM (1:54.71). Kempf placed first in the 50 free (20.92) and the 100 fly (50.65). Tanner Knorr swept the board events for Boston U., winning the one and three-meter dives with scores of 274.65 and 305.93, respectively. Boston U. returns to action at the Orlando All-Star Diving Invitational on February 18th in its last competition before the conference championship meet.

Maine — The Black Bears will next compete in the America East Championship February 25-28 in Boston.

UMBC – The Retrievers ended their regular season with two dual meet wins and will return to the pool at the conference championship starting on February 25.

New Hampshire – The Wildcats defeated intrastate rival Dartmouth on Wednesday in their last meet of the regular season. Junior Amy Perrault (Kirkland Lake, Ontario/Ecole Catholique) led the team, finishing first in two individual events and helping the 200 medley and 200 free relay teams to claim titles. The 200 medley relay team opened the meet with a title for the Wildcats in a pool-record time of 1:47.32. Perrault also swam a leg of the 200 free relay that won with a time of 1:38.98. She then won the 100 and 200 back events with times of 57.79 and 2:07.33, respectively. Junior Kiersten Wollenzien (Holland Landing, Ontario/Dr. John M. Denison), who also swam a leg of the 200 free relay, earned an individual victory in the 200 free with a time of 1:57.40. Freshman Shelli Reed (Hollister, Calif./San Benito), a member of the victorious 200 medley relay team, captured two individual titles, touching first in the 100 free (53.22) and 100 fly (58.83). Reed's 200 medley teammate, freshman Mallory Morrell (Rush, N.Y./Rush-Henrietta Senior High), placed second in the 100 free. Morrell then won the 50 free in 24.04 ahead of Reed, who claimed second. Junior Allsion Nahin (Hartland, Wisc./Arrowhead) and sophomore Jessica Little (Barrie, Ontario/Barrie Central Collegiate Institute) then went 1-2 in two events. Nahin won the 100 breast in 1:05.36 while Little placed second. Little then captured the 200 breast in 2:23.18 ahead of Nahin, who claimed second. Nahin also claimed first in the 200 IM in 2:12.98. New Hampshire returns to the pool for the conference championship meet on Thursday, February 25.

Stony Brook – The Seawolf squads were swept by conference rival Binghamton on Saturday. Sophomore Sean Conway (Oakdale, N.Y./Connetquot) led the men with three first-place finishes. Conway won the 50 (22.00) and 100 free (47.86). He also was a member of the 400 free relay team that won in 3:12.10. Conway captured another top finish in the 200 free, placing second in 1:45.34. Freshman Ivan Kopas (Kikinda, Serbia/Technical School Kikinda) recorded the only other individual win for the Seawolf men, touching first in the 200 back in 1:50.55. Sophomore Darcy Heuser (Centerville, Ohio/Centerville) claimed the only title of the meet for the women, finishing first in the 500 free with a time of 5:15.66. Freshman Julie Policht (Mississauga, Ontario/Michael Power) picked up two top finishes for the women, placing second in the 1,000 free (10:58.29) and the 200 fly (2:11.05). On the boards for the women, sophomore Shanna Murphy (Chester, N.Y./Monroe-Woodbury) earned second-place in both events. She claimed second on the one-meter dive with a score of 198.15 and second on the three-meter with a score of 173.55. Stony Brook has completed the regular season portion of its schedule and will return to the pool on February 25 at the America East Championships.

Vermont – The Catamounts participated in the Middlebury Invitational for their final tune-up before the conference championship meet. Senior Blayne Knapp (Glens Falls, N.Y./Glens Falls) raced to a personal-best time in the 100 fly, touching first in 59.57. Knapp moves into the top-25 in the conference standings. Freshman Claire Musser (Unionville, Pa./Unionville) also posted a personal-best mark in the 200 back, winning with a time of 2:13.21. She also moves into the top-25 in the conference standings. Freshman Kailey Gardner (Ithaca, N.Y./Ithaca) claimed another first-place finish for Vermont, finishing first in the 400 IM in 4:36.60. Vermont next competes in the America East Championship on February 25 at Boston University.

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