

On Deck Behrend Athletic Events

Saturday

Women's Basketball @
Frostburg
2 p.m.

Men's Basketball @ Frostburg
4 p.m.

Wednesday

Women's Basketball vs.
Lake Erie
6 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs.
Lake Erie
8 p.m.

Thursday

Men's and Women's
Swimming & Diving
@Grove City Invitational
TBD

Friday

Men's and Women's
Swimming & Diving
@Grove City Invitational
TBD

Club Schedule

Men's Hockey
@ St. Vincent's College
2 p.m.

Intramural Schedule

Men's, Women's and COED
Ping Pong
Play begins Monday

Men's and Women's
Arena Football
Play begins Feb. 15

Men's, Women's and COED
Swimming
Entry deadline Feb. 20

4 vs. 4 COED Volleyball
Entry Deadline Feb. 27

Runners set new school records

by Amy Frizzell
sports editor

On Saturday the men's and women's indoor track team traveled to Case Western Reserve University for an invitational. Even though scores were not kept the teams were still able to record broken records and personal bests.

Collectively the teams took 10 first and second places and set six new school records. Senior Jessica Knapp took first place in 5000m, setting a new school record at 18:29.1.

Senior Jessica Sarver was right behind her taking first place in 1500m at 5:02.38, and second in the 800m with a time of 2:31.12. Sophomore Staci Banaszek dominated the long jump also setting a new record at 16 feet 4 inches." She also took first in the high jump, jumping 5 feet.

Freshman Jordan Gray walked away with first place in the triple jump, with a distance of 43

feet 7 inches. Junior Isiah Meek took first in 55m HH with a time of 8.06. Junior Mike Barlett ran away with second place in the 800m in 2:01.95.

Junior Donnie Hackworth vaulted 13 feet 6 inches to take second place in the pole vault. Taking second place in the long jump was freshman Jon McKinney with a jump of 19 feet 10.75 inches.

Freshman Brad Ruffo set a new school record when he took fifth place in the 5000m with a time of 16:17.0.

"I just performed the best that I could," said Ruffo of his new record.

Sophomore Jason Kuntz, Meek, senior Brian Pratt, and sophomore Shane Rock set a new record running in the 4x200m relay. They ran with a time of 1:36.96 to set the record and take fourth place.

"It's awesome that week after week we can continue to break the top records," said sopho-

more Nicole Mineweaser, a current Behrend outdoor record holder.

The team has had to change its training schedule due to harsh weather conditions and poor maintenance of the sidewalks which some feel may hinder the teams ability to keep up their stamina.

"I felt satisfied with my finish but I'm not quite where I'd like to be," said senior Dave Masilunas, who took fourth in the 55m HH. "I also think that goes for the team as well, but due to weather conditions and the absence of a proper track we don't feel we're competing to our full potential."

The team will travel to Fredonia to participate in its third invitational of the season.

"In talking to the team there has been a lot of anticipation. There's only going to be four teams there that we know of, so our chances of winning this meet are very good," said Masilunas.

Swimmers prepare for ECACs



PHOTO BY SAMANTHA CIBULA/BEHREND BEACON

The team finished the regular season strong with wins in key races.

by Samantha Cibula
staff writer

The men and women's swim team completed their last regular season meet at home last Friday against Nazareth. The women found themselves outnumbered as Nazareth out scored them 135-79. The men concluded their regular season meet with a 108-101 victory.

Leading the ladies was freshman sprinter Alison Jaskolski. Jaskolski won the 50 yd freestyle, 100 yd freestyle, and swam a leg on the record breaking

800 yd free relay.

The 800 yd freestyle relay was made up of the freshman quartet of Jaskolski, Whitney Marshall, Brittany Yost, and Alexis Puhala. The winning combination broke the pool record with a time of 8:41.07 missing the team record by 1- seconds.

Along with the relay record Marshall also won the 100 yd butterfly breaking her old record by one hundredth of a second.

The swim team also recognized seniors Tara Braden, Sarah McGarvey, and Carrie Smock.

"It was an emotional meet for Tara as her swim-

ming career is coming to a close," said head coach Jen Slack. "Tara swam for Gannon as a freshman and has swam her last three years for us." "Sarah and Carrie each have different sports to compete in which will be emotional for them as well."

"It's scary to think that I'm going to be done with swimming after doing it for so long," said Tara Braden.

"It was nice to be recognized as a senior," said McGarvey. "I was able to generate that energy and swim two of my fastest times in front of a home crowd and my parents."

The men didn't have any seniors to recognize but focused on a team win. The men jump started the meeting winning the 200 yd medley relay and the next four events. Freshman Kent McKee, Justin Ryder, junior Eric Phillips, and Joe Deely swam the winning medley relay.

Phillips, Ryder, and freshman Brandon Thiel each posted wins in their individual events as well.

Phillips who has become a dominant and versatile swimmer is looked up to and respected on the team as one team.

"I'm just starting to feel good and swim well," said Phillips.

The guys who started 22 points in the hole because they couldn't match Nazareth's pair of divers ended winning the meet by seven points.

"It was a team win once again and every race counted," said Ryder.

"We almost won every event and scored many places," said McKee and sophomore Steve Schleicher. "It was great win that finalized our regular season."

Hockey team falls short against Case Western Behrend player checks opponent through glass

by Amy Hiles
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The Behrend club hockey team was defeated in a matchup against Case Western by the close score of 2-1. The game was played on Saturday at the Cleveland Heights Arena.

Behrend played strong throughout the entire game. "We're coming together better," said junior Ryan Lang. "We've improved over the year."

That was the kind of battle that Saturday was when one line was going out and playing every other line change.

As a matter of fact, Behrend was working so hard that Behrend's Daren Douglas put a guy from Case Western through the glass, shattering it.

Behrend drew first blood, scoring 11 minutes into the second period when senior Fritts managed to travel around two opponents and roof it past Case Western's goaltender.

Fritts' goal would stand as the only one until just two minutes later when

Behrend got a minor penalty for having too many men on the ice. Case Western took advantage of the power play and scored on junior goaltender, Jon Stull.

Case Western's goal tied the game at 1-1 and would remain that way for about the next 14 minutes.

Things were not looking too good for Behrend when Case Western took over and scored another goal with 7 minutes remaining in the third period.

This goal from Case Western proved to be the game-winning goal as the Behrend players struggled to pull themselves up to at least a tie with Case Western.

Behrend out-shot Case Western in the game, 35-26. Stull was in goal for the entire game and allowed two goals while making 24 saves.

"I thought the guys really stepped up and everyone played a really great game," said Fritts.

Behrend will resume action with another away game on Sunday when they travel to Pittsburgh to tangle with St. Vincent at Center Ice.

"When we play St. Vincent, we are playing with a short bench so we are going to need more people to step up in the game," said Joe Antantis.

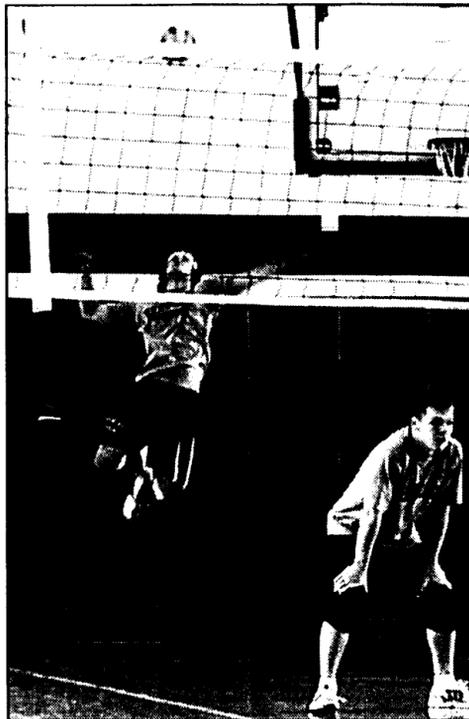


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ABOVE: The men's soccer team was honored during the men's basketball game on Wednesday for receiving its first ever bid to NCAAs. Athletic director Brian Streeter presents team members with plaques as head coach Dan Perritano and assistant coach Eric Kunzinger look on. LEFT: The men's club volleyball team beat Case Western University on Jan. 24th in its season opener. Senior DuWayne Stainbrook serves up an ace as freshman Millington Adkins looks on. The team will next travel to John Carroll University on Saturday.