

Two new coaches to lead PSH teams

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Two new coaching changes accompany the new school year at Penn State Harrisburg.

Mark Ashley will take over the duties of the soccer team while Brad Markey is now the new head coach of the men's basketball team.

Ashley comes to Capital College via a 1988 graduation from Houghton College in New York.

Majoring in Physical Education and minoring in Athletic Training, Ashley is now working as an Athletic director for a school in nearby Litz.

While at Houghton, he played on the soccer team and was an assistant coach for both the men's and women's soccer teams.

Penn State Harrisburg Athletic Director Duane Crider feels Ashley has outstanding credentials.

The soccer team is still looking for players and has an organizational

meeting scheduled for Wed. Aug. 30. Contact Ginny, in the Athletic office at 948-6266 for more information.

Markey, the new basketball coach comes to Capital College from an assistant coaching job at Dallastown High School.

Prior to coaching at Dallastown, Markey went to Franklin and Marshall where he graduated on dean's list with a degree in Physics. While at Franklin and Marshall, he accompanied them to several division three playoff berths.

Other coaching experience includes coaching in the Dallastown summer league and coaching at both Franklin and Marshall's and York college's basketball camps.

While at Harrisburg, Markey is going to pursue a graduate degree in Engineering.

Other Penn State Harrisburg coaches are: Stacey Shroder-Crider, women's basketball; Gary Pritchard, baseball; David Hume, Volleyball; and Mike Paulishin, Golf.

Beaver Stadium changes delayed

University Park, Pa. -- Penn State announced that expansion of Beaver Stadium will not be complete before the 1991 football season. The University had hoped the project, announced in early April, would be finished in time for the 1990 season.

"We feel sufficient time needs to be devoted to a study of the final design, an investigation of facilities that have had a similar expansions and a careful deliberation of alternative proposals that might be appropriate," Athletic Director Jim Tarman said.

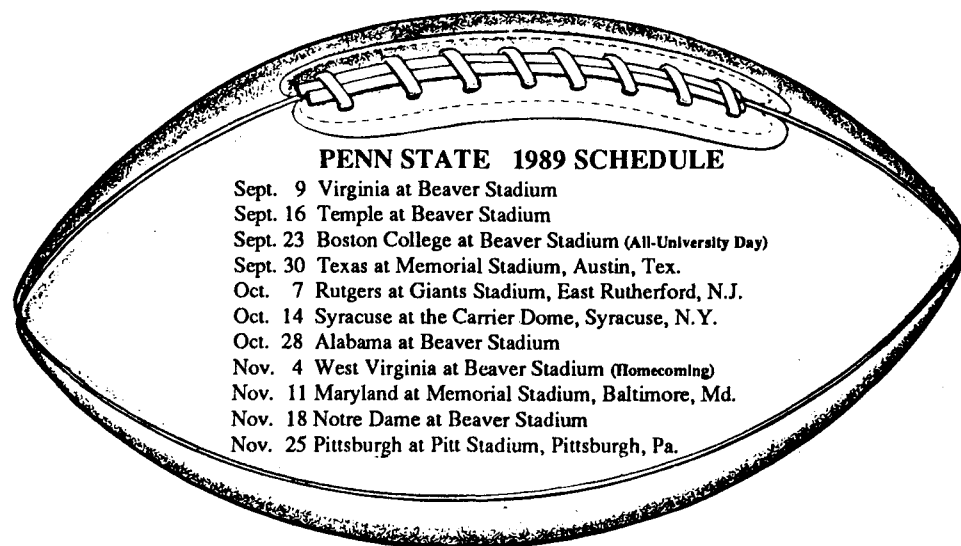
Penn State unveiled plans in early April for a 9,200-seat addition that would make Beaver Stadium the second largest on-campus stadium in the country (based on the 1988 seating capacities). Only Michigan Stadium (101,701) presently is larger. The additional seats were to be added by constructing a second deck on the East side of the field extending goal line to goal line.

The University revealed that, while approximately 9,000 seats remain the

target, the final total might be slightly low or higher based on design and safety considerations. Options other than a second deck on the East side also will be studied before the project begins.

"The last thing we want to do is proceed too rapidly with this expansion," Tarman said. "We want to be comfortable with the location of the new seats, their suitability from a spectator standpoint, accessibility, the provision of essential services and all of the other factors that should be reviewed before construction commences."

Beaver Stadium, which currently seats 83,370, has been sold out for 65 consecutive games. When expansion plans were announced in April, Tarman said "the unparalleled success of Penn State's football program has taxed the seating capacity of Beaver Stadium beyond its current limit." Season ticket renewals for the last three years (1987-1989) have exceeded 98 percent and all student and faculty tickets have sold out by early July, including this year.



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Fall sports set to start . . .

--intercollegiate

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Yes, Virginia, there are athletics here at Capital Campus and these teams need students to support them. Throughout the school year Penn State Harrisburg fields teams to compete in the NAIA.

The fall is busy with soccer and baseball. Going into winter we have both men's and women's basketball along with women's volleyball. Spring finishes out the year with baseball again.

Fans are able to watch the soccer team play on the field behind the CUB. The field is equipped with lights for night games. So how about some beautiful fall night come out and watch the guys play some European flavored foosball.

In addition to watching Europe's favorite sport, you can also take in the great American past time.

The fall baseball schedule is a short but competitive one, and our team is hungry for some victories before a long winter nap.

Baseball is played on the field just east of the Olmsted Building. Why not come out between classes for an afternoon.

With the arrival of winter and colder weather the sports fan's attention is switched to the warmth of the CUB's gym. In the gym both the volleyball team and the basketball teams take action.

The volleyball matches are action packed, while basketball, especially men's, brings out the most spectators and offers students a chance to release some stress by yelling at the referees.

Spring brings along the arrival of baseball and a long schedule of exciting games.

Most of the games are double-headers, so if you miss the first game you can still catch the second one. Just a side note, beer and peanuts are not sold at the, uh, stadium.

So Virginia, Penn State football it isn't, but we are Penn State and yes, we do have varsity athletics.

--and just among friends

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If you are athletically minded and like to participate in events, Penn State Harrisburg has an intramural sport for you. The athletic department offers many fun and competitive events for students.

The Capital College version of Penn State football can be found in the intramural flag football games played under the lights on the soccer field.

The games are fast moving and bring out the competitor in everyone. Playing under the lights on a chilly October night makes the games seem like real football; well, almost.

Slow-pitch softball is a fun way to get into the intramural sports scene. Just grab ten of your friends and come out. These games are good preparation for your post-college softball career. Almost everyone looks for a company with a team. Don't you?

Taking place on the Capital Union Building racquetball courts is the Non-invitational Come As You Are Intramural racquetball tournament. Racquetball is a good way to burn off those Domino's pizza and Sunburst beers. Also on the same courts, the walleyball tournament takes place. Walleyball is a cross between racquetball and volleyball where almost anything goes.

Volleyball runs rampant in the spring when both the athletic department and the Lion Ambassadors run tournaments.

These games prove to be more exciting and almost as entertaining as those family picnic matches with fat Uncle Sid. The games are scheduled between teams of the same ability, so anyone can play, well, except for Sid.

Hoops are probably the most popular activity in the CUB's gym. Intramural 3-on-3 half court games prove to be a game of excellent outside shooting, while the full court 5-on-5 has the action under the boards as well. Besides the intramural program, pick-up games are usually being played almost every afternoon during the week. These games turn out to be fast paced, running games where the strategy is not involved.

If weight lifting is your favorite, the CUB's weightroom is where you want to be. Inspiration and instruction can be provided by Capital Iron. Capital Iron is the campus's lifting weight club, why not join today? Aerobics are offered in the CUB's multi-purpose room. Aerobics is a great way to shed some poundage and guys its a great way to check out the girls.

If you like water, then this is for you. Penn State Harrisburg students are able to use Harrisburg Area Community College's pool. Check with our athletic office for the hours.

So as you can see, no matter what you like, Penn State Harrisburg has something for you and if you have an idea for an activity, mention it to someone in the athletic office. Maybe someone else had the same idea and all they need is people.