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## Men's Soccer



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**Current record – 8-7-2 Overall (2-3-1 Mid-American Conference)**

### BULLS DROP HEARTBREAKER TO BOWLING GREEN IN MAC TOURNAMENT

Buffalo dropped a 1-0 triple overtime decision to Bowling Green in the quarterfinals of the Mid-American Conference Tournament in Akron, OH, on Friday night. Bowling Green's Jon Hundley scored an unassisted goal at the 121:33 mark during the third overtime to break a 0-0 tie.

### BULLS FINISH WITH 8-7-2 MARK

Buffalo finishes the season with an 8-7-2 overall record and a 2-3-1 conference mark. The Bulls, who ended the season going 3-1-1, began the year 3-0-1 before dropping three-straight games.

### WOZNIAK HAS STRONG YEAR IN GOAL FOR BUFFALO

Junior *Brian Wozniak (Canton, MI/Plymouth Salem)* kept the Bulls in the game against Bowling Green with another strong game in goal, recording 10 saves in the loss. For the season, Wozniak had a 1.07 goals against average in 16 appearances (1428:16 minutes) with a 6-6-2 record, allowing one goal or less in 13 games.

### BUFFALO'S THREE SENIORS END COLLEGIATE CAREER

The Bowling Green game marked the final match for seniors *Kevin Pitra (Solon, OH/Solon)*, *Bill Norberg (Allison Park, PA)* and *Matt Yeates (Kenmore, NY/St. Joseph's)*. Pitra, who was normally matched up against the team's top offensive threat, scored the gamewinner against Northern Illinois on October 30 (2-1). Norberg scored two of his three goals in a 3-2 victory over Marshall, who was ranked 23rd nationally at the time, on October 5. Yeates was slowed by an injury and appeared in only ten games.

### BECKLEY HAS SOLID SOPHOMORE SEASON

Sophomore *Patrick Beckley (Poughquag, NY/Arlington)* ended the season with a team-high 10 points, scoring a team-best four goals and adding two assists. Beckley, gave the Bulls a 1-1 tie with his first goal of the season against Detroit, scored the gamewinner in the victory over Marshall (3-2), tallied the first goal in a 2-0 win over Binghamton and was the difference in a 2-1 victory in the home finale against St. Francis (PA), assisting on the first goal and scoring the second.

### HIGGINS LEADS FRESHMEN IN SCORING

Freshman *Justin Higgins (Clifton Park, NY/Shenendehowa)* led the Bulls' freshman class in scoring with three goals, all coming in the last seven games of the season. Higgins scored the second goal in a 2-0 victory over Binghamton, tallied the first Bulls' goal in a 2-1 win over Bucknell and notched the first goal in a win over St. Francis (PA).

### 2001 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9/1	Lehigh ^	L, 0-5
9/2	vs. Army ^	W, 2-1
9/8	CENTRAL CONNECTICUT #	W, 1-0
9/9	SIENA #	W, 4-0
9/16	DETROIT	T, 1-1 2OT
9/21	AKRON *	L, 0-1
9/25	NIAGARA	L, 0-3
9/30	BOWLING GREEN *	L, 0-1 OT
10/5	MARSHALL *	W, 3-2
10/14	at Kentucky *	L, 1-3
10/16	BINGHAMTON	W, 2-0
10/19	CANISIUS	L, 0-1
10/21	at Bucknell	W, 2-1
10/28	at Western Michigan *	T, 1-1 2OT
10/30	Northern Illinois *	W, 2-1
11/2	at ST. FRANCIS (PA)	W, 2-1

### Mid-American Conference Tournament

11/9 vs. Bowling Green at Akron L, 0-1 3OT

\* - MAC Contests

^ Lehigh-Army Tournament

# Bulls Fall Invitational

### SCORING LEADERS

Name	Goals	Asst.	Points
Patrick Beckley	4	2	10
Mike Peplinski	2	4	8
Dave Pidgeon	3	1	7
Bill Norberg	3	0	6
Justin Higgins	3	0	6
Dan Wielechowski	2	2	6
Jenton Esworthy	1	2	4

### GOALKEEPER STATS

Name	GP	GAA	Pct.	W-L-T
Brian Wozniak	16	1.07	.782	6-6-2
Chris Vavrina	4	2.16	.765	2-1-0
T.J. Borawski	1	4.84	.333	0-0-0