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Women's Volleyball



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Current record – 5-19 Overall (0-14 Mid-American)

BULLS STILL LOOKING FOR FIRST CONFERENCE WIN OF THE YEAR

The University at Buffalo volleyball team appeared to be on its way to earning its first Mid-American Conference victory of the season on Saturday night, but the visiting Thundering Herd of Marshall University stormed back from a 2-0 deficit to win the match in five games (30-32, 24-30, 30-20, 30-27, 15-12). The Bulls were led by sophomore **Lindsay Matikosh (North Tonawanda, NY/North Tonawanda)** with 16 kills, 17 digs and four blocks and sophomore **Becky Ashare (Coram, NY/Longwood)** with 15 kills, five blocks and two service aces. Senior setter **Larissa LaCour (West Islip, NY/West Islip)** finished the night with 45 assists, nine digs and a career-high nine blocks, and sophomore **Alexis Bouie (Albion, NY/Albion)** finished the match with a career-high nine blocks, seven kills and six digs.

Prior to Saturday's loss, the Bulls dropped a three-game match to visiting Eastern Michigan on Friday (30-20, 30-16, 30-11). Ashare led the Buffalo attack with seven kills, and Matikosh and senior **Heather Barfuss (Huntington, NY/John H. Glenn)** each had five kills, with Matikosh adding team highs of nine digs and three blocks.

LA COUR MOVES UP ON CAREER ASSISTS LIST

Senior setter **Larissa LaCour (West Islip, NY/West Islip)** recorded 45 assists in Buffalo's five-game loss to Marshall on Saturday, giving her 839 assists for the season (9.43 per game) and 2,211 assists for her career. The 2,211 assists pushes her past Cheryl Glose (1986-89, 2,174 career assists) into the fourth spot on Buffalo's all-time assists list.

ASHARE TIES CAREER HIGH IN KILLS VERSUS MARSHALL

Buffalo sophomore **Becky Ashare (Coram, NY/Longwood)** tied her career high with 15 kills in Buffalo's loss to Marshall on Saturday. She currently has 151 kills on the year (third on the team, 2.29 per game), well more than the 92 kills she compiled as a freshman. Ashare continues to lead the Bulls with a .254 hitting percentage this season. She has hit .301 in her last six matches, making just 19 errors in 133 attempts while recording 59 kills.

LA COUR, BOUIE POST CAREER HIGHS IN BLOCKS

In addition to her 45 assists, senior **Larissa LaCour (West Islip, NY/West Islip)** also posted a career-high nine blocks (one solo, eight assists) against the Thundering Herd on Saturday. Sophomore **Alexis Bouie (Albion, NY/Albion)** also posted a career-high nine blocks (all assisted), giving her a team-leading 73 total blocks for the season (0.87 per game). As a team, the Bulls finished with 16 blocks on the night, their second-highest blocks output of the season. They posted a season-high 18.5 team blocks in a 3-0 win over Colgate on October 9.

SEASON WINDING DOWN

The Bulls' season is winding down with only four matches remaining. Buffalo next hosts Kent State on Friday, November 9 and Akron on Saturday, November 10. Both matches are set to begin at 7 pm.

2001 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

August	UB MORGAN CLASSIC	
Fri., 31 -	STONY BROOK	W, 3-1
September		
Sat., 1	ST. JOHN'S	L, 0-3
	CANISIUS	W, 3-0
	<u>at Massachusetts Invitational</u>	
Fri., 7 -	vs. New Hampshire	L, 2-3
Sat., 8	vs. Massachusetts	L, 1-3
	vs. Dartmouth	L, 1-3
	<u>at UMBC Tournament</u>	
Fri., 14 -	vs. Morgan State	dnp
	vs. UMBC	dnp
Sat., 15	vs. Virginia Commonwealth	dnp
	vs. Loyola	dnp
Wed., 19	at Syracuse	L, 1-3
Fri., 21	at Marshall*	L, 1-3
Sat., 22	at Ohio*	L, 1-3
Fri., 28	at Toledo*	L, 0-3
Sat., 29	at Northern Illinois*	L, 0-3
October		
Wed., 3	at Niagara	W, 3-2
Fri., 5	BOWLING GREEN*	L, 2-3
Sun., 7	MIAMI (OH)*	L, 1-3
Tues., 9	COLGATE	W, 3-0
Fri., 12	WESTERN MICHIGAN*	L, 1-3
Sun., 14	BALL STATE*	L, 0-3
Fri., 19	at Kent State*	L, 1-3
Sat., 20	at Akron*	L, 0-3
Wed., 24	BINGHAMTON	W, 3-1
Fri., 26	at Bowling Green*	L, 0-3
Sat., 27	at Central Michigan*	L, 0-3
November		
Fri, 2	EASTERN MICHIGAN*	L, 0-3
Sat., 3	MARSHALL*	L, 2-3
Fri., 9	KENT STATE*	7 pm
Sat., 10	AKRON*	7 pm
Fri., 16	at Miami (OH)*	7 pm
Sun., 18	OHIO*	2 pm

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS**

*Mid-American Conference contests

dnp - did not participate