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Women's Volleyball



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Current record – 9-21 Overall (1-15 Mid-American)

BULLS LOSE TO AKRON, BOWLING GREEN

The Bulls dropped a hard-fought five-game match to Akron on Tuesday night, 30-18, 27-30, 30-19, 23-30, 15-5. The Zips entered the match atop the MAC's East Division standings and ranked ninth in the NCAA's Midwest Region. Junior **Lindsay Matikosh** (*North Tonawanda, NY/North Tonawanda*) led the Bulls with match highs of 14 kills and 19 digs, and senior **Rebecca Ashare** (*Coram, NY/Longwood*) finished in double figures in kills for the Bulls with 11 while also adding five blocks. Sophomore **Molly Schrantz** (*Depew, NY/Lancaster*) added seven kills, 32 assists, 11 digs and five blocks, and sophomore **Kathryn Henry** (*Buffalo, NY/City Honors*) finished with nine kills, 14 digs and two blocks. Freshman **Katie Weekley** (*Dayton, OH/Chaminade-Julienne*) led the Bulls with six blocks on the night.

Buffalo then dropped a three-game decision at Bowling Green on Friday, 30-28, 31-29, 30-21. Matikosh again led the Bulls with nine kills, a match-high 16 digs and three blocks. Ashare added eight kills and four digs, and Schrantz, Weekley and junior **Alexis Bouie** (*Albion, NY/Albion*) each finished the night with seven kills apiece. Bouie added a match-high six blocks, and Weekley finished with four, including two solos. Freshman **Amy Brown** (*Pittsburgh, PA/Mt. Lebanon*) posted a double-double with 17 setter assists and 12 digs.

MATIKOSH REACHES MILESTONE

With her 14 kills and 19 digs against Akron on Tuesday night, junior **Lindsay Matikosh** (*North Tonawanda, NY/North Tonawanda*) become just the fourth player in UB history, and the second junior all-time, to record 1,000 career kills and 1,000 career digs. She also became just the third player ever to record 400 kills and 400 digs in the same season. Matikosh currently has 420 kills and 420 digs this season and 1,021 kills and 1,034 digs in her career. Her 420 kills and 420 digs this season both rank fifth in the UB single-season record books.

ASHARE NAMED TO VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAM

Senior **Rebecca Ashare** (*Coram, NY/Longwood*) was named to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-District I Volleyball First Team, as selected by CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America) and announced on Thursday, November 14. Ashare was one of six players named to the first team, and she now advances to the national Academic All-America ballot. The national Verizon Academic All-America Volleyball Team will be announced on December 5. Ashare, a middle hitter and team captain, was a Verizon Academic All-District I Volleyball Second Team selection in 2001, and she is a UB Scholar Athlete and a member of the Mid-American Conference Academic Honor Roll. Ashare holds a 4.0 grade point average at UB while majoring in psychology, and she plans to forgo her final year of playing eligibility in 2003 to concentrate on pursuing a master's degree in clinical psychology. Ashare has appeared in 23 of the Bulls' 30 matches on the season after missing the first seven matches with a back injury. She currently ranks fifth on the team in kills per game (1.37) and third in blocks per game (0.68).

CLOSING OUT THE SEASON

The Bulls host Ohio and Miami (OH) on Friday, November 22 and Saturday, November 23, respectively, to close out the 2002 season. Friday night's match against Ohio is a doubleheader with UB's men's basketball team which opens its 2002-03 season against Cornell following the 6 pm volleyball match. Saturday's season finale is scheduled to begin at 5 pm.

2002 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

		<u>UB/HAMPTON INN-VITATIONAL</u>	
August		COASTAL CAROLINA	L, 2-3
Fri., 30 -		BUCKNELL	W, 3-2
Sat., 31		CANISIUS	W, 3-0
September			
Tue., 3	at Cleveland State		L, 0-3
	at Illinois-Chicago Invite		
Fri., 6 -	vs. Illinois-Chicago		L, 0-3
Sat., 7	vs. Iowa		L, 1-3
	vs. Binghamton		L, 2-3
	at Syracuse Invitational		
Fri., 13 -	vs. Colgate		W, 3-0
Sat., 14	vs. Brown		W, 3-1
	vs. Syracuse		L, 0-3
Tue., 17	at Binghamton		W, 3-2
	WNY Holiday Inn Invitational		
Sat., 21 -	at Canisius		W, 3-2
Sun., 22	YOUNGSTOWN STATE		W, 3-1
	NIAGARA		W, 3-0
Thur., 26	at Akron*		L, 0-3
Sat., 28	MARSHALL*		L, 1-3
October			
Wed., 2	at Kent State*		L, 1-3
Fri., 4	NORTHERN ILLINOIS*		L, 1-3
Sat., 5	WESTERN MICHIGAN*		L, 2-3
Fri., 11	at Miami (OH)*		L, 0-3
Sat., 12	at Ball State*		L, 0-3
Fri., 18	TOLEDO*		W, 3-2
Sun., 20	CENTRAL MICHIGAN*		L, 1-3
Fri., 25	at Western Michigan*		L, 0-3
Sat., 26	at Eastern Michigan*		L, 0-3
November			
Fri., 1	KENT STATE*		L, 1-3
Fri., 8	at Marshall*		L, 0-3
Sat., 9	at Ohio*		L, 1-3
Tue., 12	AKRON*		L, 2-3
Fri., 15	at Bowling Green*		L, 0-3
Fri., 22	OHIO*		6 pm
Sat., 23	MIAMI (OH)*		5 pm

*Mid-American Conference contests

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS**

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