

# Maine Milestones



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**The 14U Southern Maine Tomahawks**, an AAU baseball team, was honored with an invitation to the Super Showcase in Orlando, Fla. The Tomahawks were among 10 teams selected to participate in the five-day tournament, which includes teams from Florida, Alabama, Virginia, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania and Guatemala. Team members are, from left to right: Front row: Matthew Beecher, Jonathan Vickers, Luke Veias, Jacob Brown, Anthony Degifico, Cameron Brochu and Christopher Foley; Back row: Coach Tim Downing, Coach David Vickers, Coach Dan St. Clair, Garrett McDonald, Andrew St. Clair, Ryan Ruhliri, Dylan Hapworth, Felix Del Vecchio, Brandon Wambolt, Nate Wessel, scorekeeper Savannah Ruhliri, Manager Winnie Degifico and Coach Troy Wessel.

**Kaitlyn Saldanha** of Scarborough earned All-America status by finishing fourth in the 800 meters at the NCAA Division III track and field championships in Delaware, Ohio. Saldanha, a senior at Middlebury, set a school record with her time of 2 minutes, 11.08 seconds in the preliminaries, then posted a time of 2:12.94 in the finals.

**Kinsey Tarbell** of Cape Elizabeth graduated magna cum laude from the University of Rhode Island on May 22 and was the recipient of the W.P. Kelley Academic Excellence Award. Kinsey holds six URI swimming records and was chosen as the team's most valuable performer.

**James Languirand** of Biddeford, a member of the Newbury College baseball team, received the school's Sportsmanship Award at the annual athletic banquet on April 27.

**Grace Fitzpatrick**, a Norwich University freshman from Falmouth, was selected for the Pilgrim Region second team by the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association.

Fitzpatrick, a Cheverus High graduate, led the Cadets with 42 goals, 57 ground balls and 36 caused turnovers (36) from her midfield position. She also was chosen as Great Northeast Athletic Conference Rookie of the Year after helping Norwich reach the NCAA tournament for the second straight year.

**Becca Colley**, a freshman from Wells, recently completed a strong debut season for the Guilford College women's lacrosse team. She tallied 19 goals, 26 draw controls, 38 ground balls and 15 caused turnovers, placing her among the team leaders in all categories.

**Emily Rousseau** of Biddeford is one of 15 nominees for the Northeast-10 Conference Woman of the Year Award.

Rousseau was a three-time all-conference player for Stonehill College in women's basketball and an All-America honorable mention selection this past season.

The Woman of the Year Award winner will be announced at the conference's end of the year.

## UMAINE

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We're just happy we're on the streak we're on right now."

Joey Martin of Portland, a co-captain and fifth-year senior, said he's awaited this moment his whole career.

"I knew we had something special from the get-go," said Martin. "Going to a regional is what I've wanted to do since I've been here. It's awesome."

He also said the team's ability to put together such an impressive string of wins has a lot to do with its approach to games.

"I think it's our quiet confidence and laid-back personalities," said Martin.

"We show up to a game and have fun. We have fun and play hard."

Maine Coach Steve Trimper said his team's run couldn't have come at a better time.

"Whether it's the NHL or MLB ... it's all about peaking at the

meetings in June in Providence, R.I.

**Mike Eaton** of Sabattus, a senior first baseman at the University of Southern Maine, was named to the American Baseball Coaches Association Division III All-America second team. Eaton hit .426 this season with 12 home runs, 50 RBI, 54 runs scored and 12 stolen bases. He led the Huskies in hits, doubles, homers, RBI and walks. Eaton also was selected to play for the Division II-III squad in the New England Intercollegiate Baseball Association All-Star Game on Thursday in Lowell, Mass. The game pits the best players from Division I against standouts from Division II-III. Eaton will be joined on the Division II-III team by St. Joseph's outfielder Todd Kenneborus of Hollis.

**Andrew Pochebit** of Portland, a senior at Endicott College, was named to the USILA All-America lacrosse team. The former Cheverus High standout anchored a defense that allowed just 7.57 goals per game. He caused 44 turnovers and scooped up 55 ground balls.

**Liz Garland**, a Bridgton resident and a senior at Greater Portland Christian School, was one of two recipients of sportsmanship awards handed out by the Maine Principals' Association for the 2010-11 school year. Garland also was the school's MVP for both girls' soccer and basketball, as well as the female athlete of the year.

**Deven Morrill**, the Nordic ski coach at Cape Elizabeth High, is the first recipient of the New England Nordic Ski Association's Adaptive Achievement Award, which seeks to recognize exceptional contributions to the sport of adaptive cross-country skiing in New England. Morrill was recognized for his work with Christina Kourou, who this winter became the first sit skier to compete on a Maine high school team.

**Katherine Pate** of Saco helped Westminster School defeat Taft School 3-1 in the Western New England Class A prep school softball championship game. It was the fourth consecutive Western New England title for Westminster, which finished with a 15-0 record.

played consistent great defense, pitched a lot better, cut down on the walks and our offense just got going."

Trimper said this spring's damp, cold weather hindered the Black Bears' offense, but also forced them to play small ball and learn how to manufacture runs.

"I don't think people realize how difficult it is to play on the road as many games as we did. Our offense sputtered a little," he said. "We played in more 38-degree, rainy days than I ever have in my career. But it made us a better ballclub. We started manufacturing runs, then when our bats got hot, we kept on rolling."

Trimper last took a team to a regional in 2006, also in North Carolina, whose pitching staff was led by Daniel Bard.

The Black Bears scored 26 runs in two games but lost both - 15-7 to North Carolina and 21-19 to North Carolina Wilmington.

"We played them tough, were

**The Matt Noyes Memorial Golf Tournament** will be held June 15, at Sable Oaks Golf Course in South Portland. The event honors a former Scarborough High football player and Cheverus High hockey player who died of brain cancer. All proceeds will benefit the Noyes Brain Tumor Foundation, Camp Sunshine and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The cost is \$375 per foursome, which includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, prizes, and a catered lunch provided by Famous Dave's BBQ. Visit [www.benefittournament.org](http://www.benefittournament.org) to sign up or for more information.

**Shawn Gagne** made a hole-in-one Thursday at Gorham Country Club. Gagne used a 3-hybrid for the 175-yard shot on the fourth hole. The ace was witnessed by Norm Gagne.

**Phil Leconte** scored a hole-in-one Thursday on the 13th hole at Gorham Country Club. Wanda and Don Burks and Tom Melson looked on as Leconte made the 155-yard shot with a 4-hybrid.

**Steve Green** aced the fourth hole Friday at Spring Meadows Golf Club in Gray. Green used a 7-wood for the 162-yard shot.

**Tina Goss** recorded a hole-in-one on the 17th hole at Merindale Country Club. Goss used a 7-hybrid for the shot, which was witnessed by Carmen Evard, Sylvia LeBlanc and Marilyn Closson.

**Bob Goettel** used a 5-wood to record a hole-in-one on the 164-yard 12th hole at Purpoodock Club. Witnesses were Leslie Newton and Art Vanderburg.

**John Daicy** of Old Orchard Beach carded a hole-in-one on the second hole at South Portland Municipal Golf Course on May 24. He used a pitching wedge for the shot, which was witnessed by Mark Pepin and Scott Smart.

**Roger Densmore III** of South Portland got his second career hole-in-one Monday, sinking a 192-yard shot on the 11th hole at Sable Oaks Golf Club. He used a 6-iron for the shot, which was witnessed by Catherine Studley.

of the loss to North Carolina. "But we also played them last winter in a three-game series. We were able to take one of those games so they're probably shaking in their boots a little."

Trimper said his team doesn't mind being the underdog.

"It's playing loose. The pressure's on them. They're getting preparing for a hot club," he said.

"We're not changing up all kinds of things. We'll play one game a time.

"It was Albany, Stony Brook, Binghamton, now North Carolina. After that's done, we'll go on to the next."

The Chapel Hill regional champion will advance to face the winner of the Cal State Fullerton Regional in a best-of-three super regional.

The eight super regional winners will advance to the College World Series in Omaha, Neb.

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# Sports Digest

## COLLEGE

### Virginia tops Maryland, takes NCAA lacrosse title

Colin Briggs scored five goals and seventh-seeded Virginia edged Maryland 9-7 Monday in the NCAA men's lacrosse championship in Baltimore.

Briggs, who did not play in Saturday's semifinals after being suspended due to a violation of team rules, scored three times on uncontested shots and twice beat defenders one-on-one, earning the most outstanding player award.

Matt White scored three times and Nick O'Reilly had a goal and four assists for the Cavaliers.

Grant Catalino had two goals and an assist for unseeded Maryland (13-6). Goalie Niko Amato made eight saves.

## TENNIS:

USC's Steve Johnson beat Tennessee's Rhyno Williams 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 to win the NCAA men's singles title and California's Jana Juricova dethroned Stanford's Stacey Tan, 6-0, 7-6(2), to win the women's championship in Stanford, Calif.

## BASKETBALL:

Penn State officials will interview Duquesne Coach Ron Everhart for their vacant position at an undisclosed location today, according to a person with knowledge of the situation.

## SOCCER

**FIFA:** The president of the South American football confederation wanted the FA Cup to be named after him as an inducement to support England's bid to host the 2018 World Cup, according to an English Football Association report into corruption.

The FA investigated claims made by former bid chairman David Triesman in a British Parliamentary hearing against CONMEBOL chief Nicolas Leoz of Paraguay and three other FIFA executive members about their behavior during the campaign.

The report by English attorney James Dingermans clears Leoz of demanding a knighthood from England's bid team, as Triesman claimed earlier this month at the select committee.

But Les Dickens, an adviser for England's failed bid, gave evidence that CONMEBOL official Alberto Almirall had said Leoz wanted the world's oldest football knockout competition to be named after the governing body's president.

**FIFA executive Mohamed bin Hammam** plans to appeal his suspension over bribery allegations, claiming he was being "punished before I am found guilty."

A FIFA ethics committee provisionally suspended bin Hammam and FIFA Vice President Jack Warner on Sunday, pending a full inquiry into

allegations. Caribbean were paid \$40,000. Qatar's now-abandoned FIFA presidency.

## U.S. NATIONAL TEAM:

FIFA is making the move to make the U.S. chance with the U.S. team.

The one-time phenom on Thursday. He was second division in Togo got the call to rejoin roster for the upcoming Gold Cup. Adu hasn't since 2009.

## PREMIER LEAGUE:

In Los Angeles scored a hat-trick to become the first Swansear beat Reading League Champions to become the first to earn a place in the E League.

## MLS:

The struggling Whitecaps fired Coach Salomon.

The expansion won in MLS since 19 - when they defeated 4-2 - and have a 1-5-5 record.

## HOCKEY

**NHL:** Forward Louie signed a two-year contract with the Ottawa Caporusso, from T for Michigan when in NCAA championship.

The 5-foot-10, 180-pounder played 41 games for this season, scoring adding 20 assists. In Michigan, he had 68 assists while registering minutes in 160 games second on the team his sophomore, junior seasons.

## CYCLING

**U.S. PRO ROAD RACE:** M won the USA Cycling race in Greenville, S at the line in a roussi national champions Busche, of Wauwatosa and Hincapie at the line.

Busche surged ahead after racing 115 miles.

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