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Maine baseball holds on beat Binghamton in game two

By Chris Lessner
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Brody Rasmussen provided a game winning three-run double in the third inning on Saturday night, as the Maine baseball team hung on to beat Binghamton 8-6 in the middle game of an America East series at Mahaney Diamond in Orono. The Black Bears took an early 3-0 lead on an Aidan Bardi RBI single in the first inning, and RBI singles by Rasmussen and Drew Reynolds in the second. The visiting Bearcats evened the score in the top of the third helped by an RBI double by Zach Rogacki and a two-run single from Devan Bade. Maine picked up four runs in the bottom half of the frame that ultimately won the game. Evan Menzel led off with a walk and then stole second base, before Bardi followed with another walk. With one out, Damon Gaither singled to leftfield to load the bases. After Payton Whitehead lined out to the pitcher, Chris Bear walked to force in Menzel before Rasmussen

doubled into the gap in left center to clear the bases with a game winning three-run double to help snap a four game losing streak for his team. Freshman Tommy Martin would earn his first career win on the mound, while sophomore Jason Libby (Bangor Christian) was solid late out of the bullpen to pick up his second career collegiate save, and his first with the Black Bears. Rasmussen, Reynolds, Bardi, and Gaither each had two hits in the Maine victory. Rasmussen drove in four runs. Starter Caleb Leys only pitched 1.0 inning, as Martin (1-1) got that first career victory in relief by allowing six runs on five hits with four walks and three strikeouts in 4.1 innings. Libby did walk three in his 3.0 innings, but didn't allow a run on only one hit with one strikeout. Ryan Packard (3-5) suffered the pitching loss for Binghamton giving up five runs on six hits in 2.0 innings. Bade led the offense with two hits and three RBI, as the Bearcats fall to 22-22 and 10-10 in America East. Maine (20-26, 13-10 in conference play) will meet Binghamton in the rubber match at 12 p.m on Sunday in what will be their last America East regular season game. The Black Bears, who host the league tournament in Orono, are currently in second place just a few percentage points ahead of NJIT in trying to earn a top two seed and a first round playoff bye.

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Baker breaks all-time goals record in NCAA Tournament loss for Husson women's lacrosse

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The Husson women's lacrosse team had their season ended on Saturday afternoon in falling to William Smith College 25-2 in a first round NCAA Tournament game in Amherst, Massachusetts. In the loss, junior Averi Baker (Hall-Dale) set the new program record for goals scored in a career. Baker scored one of the two tallies in the Husson defeat, and now has 131 goals passing the previous record that was held by her head coach Amanda Deshaies

who had 130 from 2015-2018. The North Atlantic Conference Champion Eagles end their season with a record of 7-8. Box Score- <https://hussoneagles.com/sports/womens-lacrosse/stats/2025/william-smith-college/boxscore/14050>

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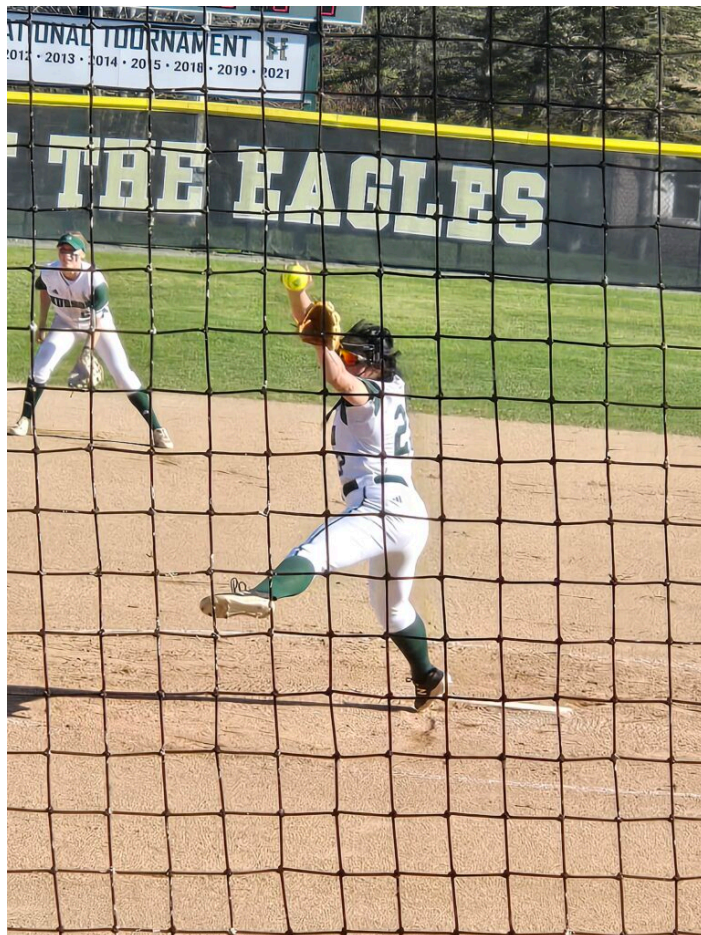
Bowdoin crushes Rivier in the second round of the NCAA Men's Lacrosse Tournament

By **Chris Lessner**

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On a rain soaked Whittier Field in Brunswick on Saturday afternoon, the #8 nationally ranked Bowdoin College men's lacrosse team had seven players score multiple goals led by a seven goal performance from Patrick Fitzgerald in rolling to a 28-3 victory over Rivier University in the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament. Fitzgerald now has 72 goals and broke the single season program record. The hosts built a 14-1 halftime lead, and also outscored the Raiders 14-2 in the last 30 minutes including a 10-goal fourth quarter to move into the third round. Bowdoin (14-3) had a 67-14 edge on shots attempted (49-10 shots on goal). Rivier got goals from Michael Ference, Parker Williams, and Chris Heitmiller in ending their season with a record of 17-2. The Polar Bears host Amherst College (11-5) in a third round game on Sunday beginning at 3 p.m. Box Score- <https://a>

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Husson softball rolls into the North Atlantic Conference Championship Round in mercy rule win over Thomas College

By Chris Lessner

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The Husson softball team pounded out 14 hits and cruised to a 10-1 mercy ruled six inning victory over rival Thomas College at the North Atlantic Conference Tournament on Saturday afternoon in Oneonta, New York. The Eagles were the first to advance to the championship round on Sunday, as they seek their seventh straight league title when they take on the host school SUNY Cobleskill. The Eagles poured it in on early by scoring five times in the third inning to take control. Bulla McCabe had a two-run single, Julia Gregiore (Massabesic) an RBI single, and Lexi Volinsky (Noble) added the second two-run single of the frame. Husson put four more on the board in the sixth inning to end it by the run rule as Gregiore smacked an RBI double, Volinsky had a two-run double, and Lyndsee Reed (Hermon) contributed an RBI single. Camryn King (Nokomis), Kiara McLeod (Oxford Hills), Morgan Tainter, Gregiore, Volinsky, and Reed all had two hits a piece. Volinsky drove in four and McCabe had

three RBI. Sky Johnson (14-3) pitched all 6.0 innings to earn her second victory in as many tries in the tournament in the circle allowing one unearned run on four hits with no walks and five strikeouts. Megan Oberholzer had two hits for Thomas College, and also took the pitching loss giving up 10 runs (seven earned) on 14 hits with three walks and two strikeouts in 6.0 innings. The #3 Terriers were knocked out of the tournament later on Saturday and finished the season with a record of 17-20. #1 seed Husson (26-10) will square off with the host #2 SUNY Cobleskill (22-11-1) on Sunday in the championship round that will be played at SUNY Oneonta beginning at 1 p.m. The Eagles need one win to capture the title. The Fighting Tigers need to win game one, and if they do a game two winner take all would follow 30 minutes later. SUNY Cobleskill rallied from a 7-1 deficit to defeat Thomas College 8-7 in an elimination game on Saturday evening. The NAC Tournament was moved back a day on Friday due to rain and field conditions at Cobleskill, which also changed the location for the remainder of the league postseason.

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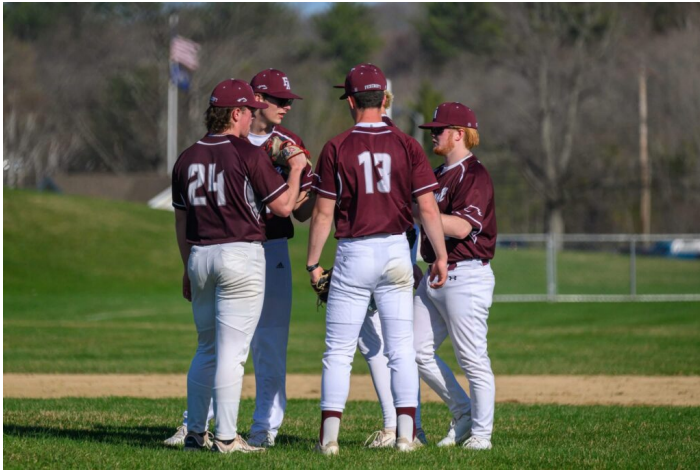


Ethan Doherty leads Dexter/PCHS to win over Stearns

By Marc
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Ethan Doherty had three hits and four RBI to lead Dexter/PCHS to an 11-1 win at Stearns on Friday afternoon. Brady Gaw and Will Simpson each had two RBI. Simpson allowed one run on two hits and two walks, while striking out 10 in five innings. Willis Rienhardt pitched the final two innings, allowing only one hit. Photo - Ethan Doherty from a game earlier this season courtesy of Ashley Clay

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Sands and Day lead Foxcroft to baseball win over WA

By Marc
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Lucas Sands had two hits, two RBI, including a triple, while Thomas Day hit a homer to lead Foxcroft baseball to an 8-3 win over Washington Academy on Friday afternoon. Hayden Strout had two hits, two runs scored, and pitched the first 3.2 innings. Strout allowed two runs on three hits and five walks, while striking out seven. Sands pitched 3.1 innings allowing one run on two hits and one walk, while striking out eight. Calvin Landry scored two runs. Colby Moholland reached base three times, including two hits for the Raiders. Photo from earlier this season courtesy of Eric Ogden Photography

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Cirone leads Washington Academy softball to win over Foxcroft

By Marc
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Bella Cirone dominated in the circle and Hayden Look got the game winning hit in the eighth inning to lift Washington Academy softball to a 5-3 extra inning win at Foxcroft Academy on Friday afternoon. Cirone allowed three runs (one earned) on three and three walks, while striking out 16. Meadow Rhode, Grace Howard, and Avery Libby had two hits each for the Raiders. Rachel Keeton had two RBI. Lili Bisson allowed five runs (four earned) on nine hit and two walks, while striking out 10 for the Ponies. Photo- Bella Cirone pitching during a game in 2024/courtesy of Ashley Cirone

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Maine baseball falls to Binghamton in the opener of their final regular season America East series

By **Chris Lessner**
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The Maine Black Bears rallied from a 4-1 seventh inning deficit on Friday to tie the game 4-4, before the Binghamton Bearcats pulled away for a 9-4 series opening victory in America East baseball action at Mahaney Diamond in Orono. The three game weekend set is the final three conference games for Maine in the regular season, as they fight for postseason seeding. The Black Bears never led, as the visiting Bearcats eventually built a 4-1 advantage. Maine (19-26, 12-10 America East) came alive in the last of the seventh to even the score. Chris Bear led off with a solo homerun to leftfield, while Evan

Menzel and Brody Rasmussen followed with back to back walks. With one out, Aidan Bardi chopped one into the hole at second base and beat the throw at first to allow a run to score. With two outs, Myles Sargent and Damon Gaither both walked as well for force in another run to make it 4-4. It didn't take Binghamton long to jump back into the lead for good in the top of the eighth inning, as Logan Haskell and Mike Stellrecht provided RBI singles. They scored three in the ninth to make up the final difference on a solo homer by Matt Bolton and a two-run single by Freddy Forgione. Rasmussen, Gaither, and Bear each had two hits in the Maine loss. Gaither had two RBI. Colin Fitzgerald got a no-decision pitching the first 6.2 innings allowing four runs on eight hits with one walk and five strikeouts. Pierce Friedman (1-1) suffered the defeat in relief. Haskell, Forgione, and Zach Rogacki had three hits each for Binghamton as part of a 17-hit attack. Forgione drove in three runs. Connor Griffin (1-1) picked up the pitching win in relief, as the Bearcats improve to 22-21 and 10-9 in America East. Game two of the series has been pushed back to a 7 p.m. start on Saturday.

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Seymour (Old Town) into the hole at short to throw him out at first and end the threat. The #1 seeded Eagles tagged on two more runs in the top of the ninth on an error and another single by Rendell to provide the final difference. Wallingford (Leavitt) got the win on the mound to improve to 4-1 for Husson despite leaving in the bottom of the sixth after throwing two pitches with an apparent shoulder injury. He fired 5.0 innings allowing just three hits with no walks and four strikeouts. Ben Phillips picked up his first save of the season working 2.1 innings and giving up one hit while striking out one. Rendell had two hits and his two RBI to lead the offense. Samuel Keblinsky (MDI) led Thomas College with a pair of hits. Willette (4-3) pitched a great game in the loss giving up two runs on four hits with four walks and 10 strikeouts in 6.2 innings. The #3 Terriers avoided elimination by defeating #2 Lesley University for the second time in the tournament 6-3 in game two on Friday in also moving into the championship round. Husson (23-14) and Thomas College (20-21) meet again for the 2025 title on Sunday in Bangor (moved from Saturday due to weather). The game time for game one is 11 a.m. The Eagles need one victory to claim the championship. The Terriers need to win game one, and if they do that would force a winner take all game two 30 minutes later.

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Timely hitting, pitching, and defense leads Husson baseball into the NAC Championship Round

By **Chris Lessner**
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BANGOR- Tanner Evans (Old Town) provided the game winning single on Friday, as Husson University blanked Thomas College 4-0 in the North Atlantic Conference Baseball Tournament at the Winkin Complex in Bangor. The win secures a spot in the championship round on Sunday, as the Eagles are one victory away from claiming their sixth straight league title. Both starting pitchers were good in this one, as Matt Wallingford for Husson and Jarrad Willette for Thomas put up zeros through five innings. The Eagles got their first hit in the sixth when Jackson Curtis (Ellsworth) singled to leftfield. With one out, Curtis advanced to second on a wild pitch before his brother Hunter Curtis flew out to right. Evans followed with a single up the middle to plate the only run that was needed. Cam Rendell added an RBI single in the seventh inning to double the advantage. The Terriers had the bases loaded in the last of the seventh, but Keegan Cyr (Bangor) made a great play on a ball hit by Matt



Gallant gets the big hit in Hawks win over Old Town

By Marc
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Kenzie Gallant had two hits and two RBI, including the go ahead hit in the sixth to help Hermon get a 3-2 softball win over Old Town on Thursday afternoon. Braelynn Wilcox had two hits, while Addy Waning, Sophie Peterson, and Katie Fowler each reached base twice. Wilcox picked up the win, allowing two unearned runs on four hits and four walks, she struck out nine. Fowler picked up the save, pitching two hitless innings, walking one and striking out three. Natalie Fournier reached base three times, including two hits for the Coyotes. Haley Sirois also reached base twice. Photos- Kenzie Gallant (two doubles, 2 RBI) and the pitchers of record, Braelynn Wilcox (W) and Katie Fowler (SV). Action shot is of Wilcox.

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Softball- Carrabec 9 Valley 2

By Marc
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Karen Baker reached base three times, including two hits (one triple), two runs scored, and two RBI to lead Carrabec to an 9-2 softball win over Valley on Thursday afternoon. Amiya Tibbetts had three hits, two runs scored, and one RBI for the Cobras. Ava Welch and Josephine Scheve had two RBI each. Jillian Robinson allowed two unearned runs on five hits and three walks, while striking out five. Carrabec scored eight unanswered runs after trailing 2-1 after two innings. Myranda Beane had two hits and one RBI, while Madeline Hill reached base twice and had one RBI for the Cavaliers.

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Maine softball has season come to an end on day two of the America East Tournament

By Chris Lessner
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The season ended on Thursday afternoon for the Maine softball team, as they were ousted by Bryant University 5-1 in an elimination game of the America East Tournament at the Bearcat Softball Complex in Binghamton, New York. Maine got off to a good start as Gabby Papushka doubled in Bailey Snowberger in the top of the first inning. Madison Simmerman did well in the circle to keep Bryant off the board in the first four innings, scattering five hits before the Bulldogs bats awoke in the bottom of the fifth. With one out, Laniya Lewis reached on an error and then Hannah Cochran singled. Makenna Coleman flew out for an RBI, before Meaghan Houk provided the game winning clutch three-run homerun to centerfield for a 4-1 lead. Bryce Clendenin nailed a solo homer in the last of the sixth inning to end the scoring. The hit by Papushka was the only one on the day for the Black Bears, while Simmerman (6-13) took the pitching loss allowing five runs (only one earned) on nine hits with one walk in 6.0 innings. Houk had two hits and three RBI for Bryant, and freshman Maddy Wachter (9-7) pitched a complete game in the circle giving up one run on one hit with three walks and seven strikeouts. The #4 seeded Bulldogs (20-31) move on to another elimination game against #3 Albany on Friday. Maine ends the season with a record of 12-37 under first year head coach Kimberly Stiles. Since the beginning of the 2021 season, the Black Bears overall have a record of 52-176 (.228 win percentage) and a mark of 17-73 (.188 win %) in America East that also includes the playoffs.

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Husson baseball and softball cruise into winner bracket games on Friday

By Chris Lessner
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The Husson University baseball and softball teams were looking to continue their championship runs as they began play in the North Atlantic Conference playoffs on Thursday. The baseball team is hosting the NAC Tournament in Bangor, while softball is on the road in the tourney that is being hosted by SUNY Cobleskill. Both teams got off to good starts, and advanced into winner bracket games coming up on Friday where they'll both face rival Thomas College. In the baseball game at the Winkin Complex in Bangor- Top seeded Husson scored twice in the third inning to take the lead for good in an 8-2 victory over SUNY Cobleskill. Cam Rendell gave the Eagles the advantage with an RBI double, while Jackson Curtis (Ellsworth) provided the game winner with an RBI single. The hosts pulled away to make it more comfortable with two more runs in the sixth on a Curtis homerun, and three in the seventh. Curtis ended up with three hits and three RBI, while Rendell and Akira Warren (Hall-Dale) had two hits a piece. Rendell also drove in three runs. Connor Abood (4-3) got the pitching win allowing one run on just two hits with two walks and 10 strikeouts in 7.2 innings. Husson (22-14) advances to play #3 Thomas College (19-20) on Friday at 11 a.m., with the winner having the upperhand and advancing to the championship round on Saturday. The Terriers took three of four games from the Eagles in the regular season. In the softball game at Fighting Tiger Park in Cobleskill, New York- Bulla McCabe doubled in the go ahead run in the third inning, as Husson pulled away for a 9-2 victory over the University of Maine-Farmington. The Eagles scored the first two runs, but the Beavers responded with two in the third on an error and an RBI single by Maddie Pike (Kennebunk) to knot it 2-2. The game winning double by McCabe came with two outs in bottom of the frame. They put it away with three runs each in the fourth and fifth. McCabe had two hits, while Lexi Volinsky (Noble) added two RBI. Camryn King (Nokomis) also had two RBI, two stolen bases, and scored a run. Sky Johnson (13-3) pitched a complete game in the circle allowing two runs on five hits with one walk and eight strikeouts. Melissa Mayo (Lake Region) suffered the pitching loss for UMF to fall to 3-8 giving up four runs (three earned) on three hits in 3.0 innings. #1 seed Husson (25-10) will take on #3 Thomas College (17-18) on Friday at 1 p.m., with the

winner having the upperhand and advancing to the championship round on Saturday. The Terriers won two games on Thursday, including knocking off the host #2 SUNY Cobleskill 6-2.

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Natalie Simpson leads Bucksport softball to win over Mattanawcook

By Marc

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Natalie Simpson hit two homers and pitched a one hitter to lead Bucksport softball to an 11-1 win over Mattanawcook on Thursday afternoon. Simpson reached base four times and had three RBI. Brianna Rotella hit a three run homer for the Bucks. Allie Hanscom had two hits and three RBI. Alivia Shute, Emma Clement, and Addison Harvey also had two hits each. In the circle, Simpson allowed one unearned run on one hit and no walks with 13 strikeouts. Addison Cyr had the only hit and RBI for the Lynx. Photo- Brianna Rotella from earlier this season courtesy of Bucksport Sports

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Orono rallies to get baseball win over Dexter

By **Marc**
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Orono took advantage of an error and scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to get a 5-3 baseball win over Dexter/PCHS at the University of Maine on Wednesday afternoon. Chase Farnsworth and Chase Lander each reached base for the Tigers. Brady Gaw allowed five unearned runs on three hits and three walks, while striking out eight. Will Francis reached base twice for the Red Riots. Kason Bagley pitched three shutout innings of relief to lock down the win.

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Maine softball falls to Albany at America East Tournament, stays alive with win over UMass-Lowell

By **Chris Lessner**
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The University of Maine softball team dropped their first game of the America East Tournament to Albany on Wednesday 7-3, but stayed alive by knocking out UMass-Lowell 3-0 in an elimination contest at Bearcat Softball Complex in Binghamton, New York. In the first game- Maine had two leads, but #3 seed Albany scored the final five runs to pick up the victory. The Black Bears final lead of 3-2 came on a line drive to centerfield by Kyrach Haba-Dailey that went as a two-run error in the top of the third inning. The Great Danes took over from there, scoring three times in their at bat in the last of the third on a two-run double by Deanna Grahek and another double by Victoria Vilarchao that also drove in a run. Gabby Papushka had two hits for Maine. Madison Simmerman

took the loss in the circle allowing four runs (three earned) on four hits in 2.0 innings. In the elimination game- Maine got single runs in the third, fourth, and fifth innings and a complete game shutout in the circle by Simmerman to keep their season alive. The Black Bears got the only run needed on a wild pitch in the third, and then got an RBI double from Keira Inman in the fourth, and an RBI triple from Papushka in the fifth. Simmerman (6-12) took care of the rest giving up just three hits while walking one and striking out one. Abby Rhee had two hits. Giana Lacendra (5-14) suffered the pitching loss for UMass-Lowell, as their season ends with a record of 17-29. Maine (12-36) advances to day two, and will play at 4 p.m. on Thursday against an opponent to be determined in another elimination game. Here is the first day of results and the schedule for Thursday- Game 1- #4 Bryant 10, #5 UMass-Lowell 2 (6 innings- mercy rule) Game 2- #3 Albany 7, #6 Maine 3 Game 3- #6 Maine 3, #5 UMass-Lowell 0 Thursday, May 8th Game 4- #1 Binghamton vs #4 Bryant- 11 a.m. Game 5- #2 UMBC vs #3 Albany- 1:30 p.m. Game 6- TBD vs #6 Maine- 4 p.m. (elimination game)

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Rivier cruises past Maine Maritime Academy in NCAA Men's Lacrosse Tournament, advances to meet Bowdoin

By **Chris Lessner**
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Rivier University scored the first nine goals of the game on Wednesday afternoon in building a 14-2 halftime lead, as they would cruise past Maine Maritime Academy 20-10 in a first round matchup of the NCAA Division III Men's Lacrosse Tournament at Joanne Merrill Field in Nashua, New Hampshire. Brendan Reddington (two goals, two assists), Trey Marcil (one goal, three assists), and Sam Nichol (three goals, one assist) each had four points in the loss for Maine Maritime Academy. Will Farrell (Lincoln Academy) played most of the game in net and made seven saves in just over 52 minutes. The Mariners season ends with a final record of 10-6. Michael Ference led all scorers in the game in tallying six goals and three assists for Rivier. The Knights take a 15 game win streak (now 17-1) into a second round matchup at Bowdoin College (13-3) on Saturday at 12 p.m. in Brunswick.

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Sara Young pitches Brewer past Brunswick

By Marc
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Sara Young pitched a one hitter to lead Brewer softball to a 3-0 win over Brunswick on Wednesday afternoon. Paige Oakes had three hits, including a triple and two runs scored from the leadoff spot for the Witches. Jordin Williams had two hits. Young allowed only one walk and struck out three.

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Calvin Landry leads Foxcroft to baseball win over MCI

By Marc
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Calvin Landry pitched a one hitter with his arm and had two hits with his bat to lead Foxcroft baseball to a 5-0 win over MCI on Wednesday afternoon. Landry had one RBI and one run scored. Aiden Harvey, Lucas Sands, Silas Topolski, and Josh Knapp each reached base twice. Landry allowed only one walk and struck out eight. He threw 93 pitches/69 strikes in the complete game effort. Photo: Calvin Landry from a game earlier this season courtesy of Eric Ogden photography

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