

# History of the Collegiate Water Polo Association

The Collegiate Water Polo Association originally began as the Mid Atlantic Conference, founded by Dick Russell (Becknell University swimming & water polo coach) in the 1970's. Its founding membership included teams from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York.

The leadership and management of the organization relied on volunteer coaches until 1990, when it hired a commissioner to perform basic scheduling for the 15 member teams. Officiating assignments at the time were performed by an independent organization called the Eastern Water Polo Referees Association (EWPPA).

The next major milestone occurred in 1993, when the Southern and New England Conferences merged into the Mid Atlantic. The new structure combined all of the varsity teams in the East, along with the few sport clubs in existence at that time.

The CWPA's office is located in Bridgeport, Pennsylvania and is currently comprised of a Commissioner (Dan Sharadin), an Assistant Commissioner (Tom Tracey), a Director of Communications (Ed Haas), a Director of Multimedia (Justin Cypert), a Coordinator of Membership Services (Ian Thompson) and a Coordinator of Officials (Ed Reed). The staff oversees 280+ teams on the varsity and collegiate club level for both men and women to place the Collegiate Water Polo Association among the largest sports organizations in North America.

## Previous Division III National Collegiate Club Champions

<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
1999	Wesleyan University	University of Rochester
2000	Rochester Institute of Technology	Wesleyan University
2001	Trinity College	Rochester Institute of Technology
2002	Rochester Institute of Technology	Wesleyan University
2003	Middlebury College	Wesleyan University
2004	Wesleyan University	New York University
2005	Wesleyan University	New York University
2006	Lindenwood University	Wesleyan University
2007	Lindenwood University	Grinnell College
2008	Lindenwood University	New York University
2009	Tufts University	Monmouth College
2010	University of California-Santa Cruz	Monmouth College
2011	Washington University in St. Louis	Bowdoin College
2012	Monmouth College	Washington University in St. Louis
2013	University of California-Santa Cruz	Washington University in St. Louis
2014	University of California-Santa Cruz / Washington University in St. Louis	
2015	Washington University in St. Louis	Middlebury College
2016	Washington University in St. Louis	Carnegie Mellon University
2017	Washington University in St. Louis	Tufts University
2018	Washington University in St. Louis	Tufts University

## Understanding the Game of Water Polo

Water Polo can be a confusing game for spectators. The whistle is constantly blowing and the play never stops, even when someone is ejected for a penalty. In addition, there are many misconceptions about the game, including how the players keep their horses swimming. Well hang in there, because the following information should help to make the picture much clearer.

### General Information

1. Each team has six field players and a goalie.
2. Field players can only use one hand to touch the ball, goalies two.
3. The game consists of four quarters and the clock stops on the whistle. If the game is tied at the end of regulation, the teams play two three-minute overtime periods. If it is still tied, the game goes into sudden victory. A typical game lasts about an hour and ten minutes.
4. The object of the game is to score by placing the ball completely in the goal. Players may move the ball by swimming or passing.
5. Teams may substitute after a goal is scored, during a time-out, or during the play from the ejection area.
6. Each team receives three time-outs and one 30-second time-out per game.
7. Shots blocked out of bounds by defensive players result in the defensive team receiving possession. If a defender uses two hands to block a shot, the offensive team receives a penalty shot.

### Types of Fouls

When an infraction of the rules occurs, the referee will point in the direction of the team taking possession, while blowing his whistle. The ball is put back into play with an action called a free throw. This means the player gets three seconds of free time to throw the ball to another teammate or swim it up the pool. A player cannot shoot his free throw unless outside the five-meter line. If the ball is not put into play within three seconds, the other team takes possession.

Fouls can be ordinary or major. Ordinary fouls are best understood as minor fouls. For example, a defender may reach over an opponent's back to get at the ball while facing away from the goal. The penalty for an ordinary foul is a free throw for the opposing team.

Major fouls are more severe and are penalized accordingly. For example, when a defender fouls an opponent too aggressively, or from behind when the opponent is facing the goal, the defender is ejected for 20 seconds (players may reenter if their team recovers the ball before the ejection time is up, or if the opposing team scores). When the foul occurs within five meters of the goal and the referee believes the player had a high chance of scoring, the opposition shoots a penalty shot. Major fouls can also occur through disrespect to the referee or when a player interferes with an opponent's free throw. Players may only receive three major fouls before elimination.

If all of this has you totally confused, just sit back and enjoy the game. The easiest way to follow the play is by watching the scoreboard. If your team is ahead at the end, great! If not, well consider that you have expanded your horizons. When the game is over, you can at least explain to your friends that the horses never get wet.



*Official Ball of the  
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## 2019 Division III National Collegiate Club Championship Bracketing

1st Position: Washington University in St. Louis  
(Missouri Valley Division)

2nd Position: New York University  
(New York Division)

4th Position: U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
(Colonial Division)

3rd Position: Bates College  
(North Atlantic Division)

5th Position: Carnegie Mellon University  
(Mid-Atlantic Division)

6th Position: Macalester College  
(Heartland Division)

## 2019 Division III National Collegiate Club Championship Schedule

**Saturday, November 2, 2019**

				Game No.
3:00	Washington U. in St. Louis	vs.	Carnegie Mellon University	1
4:15	New York University	vs.	Macalester College	2
5:30	U.S. Coast Guard Academy	vs.	Carnegie Mellon University	3
6:45	Bates College	vs.	Macalester College	4
8:00	Washington U. in St. Louis	vs.	U.S. Coast Guard Academy	5
9:15	New York University	vs.	Bates College	6

**Sunday, November 3, 2019**

				Game No.
9:00	3rd in Bracket A	vs.	3rd in Bracket B	Fifth Place
10:15	2nd in Bracket B	vs.	2nd in Bracket A	Third Place
11:30	1st in Bracket A	vs.	1st in Bracket B	First Place

*Award Ceremony immediately following Championship Game*

*Teams listed first wear dark caps and are home on the scoreboard. Host team always wears dark caps and is listed first on the scoreboard regardless of bracket position.*

**2019 Division III Collegiate Club Championship Officials:**  
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## Team Information

### Bates College

Bates College enters the 2019 Division III Collegiate Club Championship as the North Atlantic Division Champion...An 8-7 victor over Colby College in the North Atlantic Division title game on October 20, the Bobcats have appeared in four consecutive North Atlantic Division title tilts as the team fell to Tufts University, now a member of the New England Division, by an 11-7 final score in 2016 prior to managing Colby (14-7 W) in 2017 and the University of Vermont (14-10 W) in 2018...The team will aim to improve on a Fourth Place finish



**Location:** Lewiston, Maine

**Nickname:** Bobcats

1	Charlie Nadel	So.	Westport, Conn.
2	Jem Bullock	Sr.	Bainbridge Island, Wash.
3	Ryan Fisse	So.	Los Altos, Calif.
4	JD Collins	Fr.	Lake Forest, Ill.
5	Mathew Engles	Sr.	Akron, Ohio
7	Will Green	Sr.	Swampscott, Mass.
8	James Calhoun	Jr.	Menlo Park, Calif.
9	Rex Hirschhorn	Jr.	San Francisco, Calif.
11	Kyle Crans	Sr.	Camden, Maine
12	Gus McAllister	Fr.	San Francisco, Calif.
15	Nate Reed	Sr.	Petosky, Mich.
17	Zander Rolph	Sr.	San Luis Obispo, Calif.

at the 2018 Division III Club Championship hosted by Wesleyan University. Last year, Bates topped the United States Coast Guard Academy (13-12 W) and fell to Tufts (13-9 L) in the semifinals prior to suffering a 14-13 setback versus New York University in the Third Place game...Bates recorded its first Top Four finish at the Division III Championship in 2017 by taking down Augustana College (26-1 W), falling to eventual National Champion Washington University in St. Louis (20-4 L) and turning back Carnegie Mellon (17-10 W) to finish in Third Place. The team previously finished in Fifth (2000), 10th (2001) and Seventh (2002) Place in prior trips to the Division III tournament...A North Atlantic Division team has previously captured the title as Tufts University won it all in 2009...The North Atlantic has consistently been among the top divisions at the tournament since 2007 as Tufts placed First (2009), Third (2007, 2008, 2010, 2013), Fourth (2014) and Fifth (2012, 2015, 2016) before Bates' Third (2017) and Fourth (2018) place marks...Coast Guard also placed Sixth in 2012...A North Atlantic team did not attend the 2011 event.

### Carnegie Mellon University

The Carnegie Mellon University Tartans will compete in their 10th consecutive and 12th overall Division III National Collegiate Club Championship tournament...CMU, which will compete in the Mid-Atlantic Division "A" Championship next weekend at The Pennsylvania State University, placed Seventh at the 2018 Division III Club Championship following losses to New York University (18-9 L) and host Wesleyan University (11-9 L) prior to downing Grinnell College (17-10 W)...In 2017, the Tartans placed Fourth at the Division III Club Championship hosted by Middlebury College...A year prior, the Tartans made history in 2016 at Hamilton College as the team advanced to the Division III Club Championship title game with wins against Grinnell College (12-10 W) and Amherst College (16-6 W) prior to suffering a 14-7 loss to Washington University in St. Louis for the crown...It marked the first time a Mid-Atlantic team made the Division III Championship title tilt...Prior to the Tartans' run, the highest mark by a Mid-Atlantic team at the tournament was Fourth Place by Grove City College in 2007...Before 2016, Carnegie Mellon netted back-to-back-to-back Sixth Place finishes at the Division III Club Championship for the then best marks by the program...Overall, CMU has placed Second (2016), Fourth (2017), Sixth (2005, 2013, 2014, 2015), Seventh (2008, 2010, 2018), Eighth (2011) and Ninth (2012) in prior trips to the event.



**Location:** Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Nickname:** Tartans

1/10	Harvey Zheng	Fr.	Andover, Mass.
2	Kelby Kramer	So.	Montara, Calif.
4	Jacob Gobbo	Sr.	Chino Hills, Calif.
5	Joe Segel	Sr.	Newtown, Pa.
6	Aneek Mukherjee	Sr.	Edison, N.J.
7	Justin Psaris	Fr.	New York, N.Y.
9	Rohan Dhesikan	So.	Flower Mound, Texas
12	Bryce Yeazell	Fr.	Austin, Texas
13	Roshan Paul	Fr.	West Windsor, N.J.
15	Raj Mehta	Fr.	
16	Andrew Liu	Fr.	Lake Oswego, Ore.
17	Tori Chen	Jr.	San Jose, Calif.

## Team Information

### Macalester College

Macalester College returns to the Division III Collegiate Club Championship for the first time since serving as host for the 2015 tournament. The Sons of Neptune placed Eighth in 2015 as Macalester fell to Williams College (12-6 L) and Carnegie Mellon University (12-8 L) before knocking off Emory University (12-6 W) in a nine-team field...Macalester finished as the runner-up in the Heartland Division this year as the team was downed by Grinnell College (18-6 L) in the division title game. However, Grinnell elected not to attend the 2019 Division III Club Championship...Macalester is making its sixth appearance at the Division III Club Championship since 2000 after previously placing 10th (2000), Seventh (2005), Fourth (2006) and Eighth (2010, 2015)...Two of Macalester's berths in the Division III Club Championship have come via serving as the host as St. Paul, Minn., was the site of the 2010 and 2015 clashes....Monmouth College, which departed the club ranks to become a varsity team, is the only Heartland Division team to win a National Championship (2012), a milestone Macalester hopes to equal in 2019.



**Location:** St Paul, Minn.

**Nickname:** Sons of Neptune

**Head Coach:** Anya Phillips

**Asst. Coach:** Sam Dyer

1/5	Daniel Cassel	Fr.	San Mateo, Calif.
2	Theo Fasciano	So.	Newton, Mass.
3	Daniel Chechnitsky	So.	Shoreview, Minn.
4	Gabe Berman	Jr.	Berkeley, Calif.
6	Pablo Monterroso	So.	Cuernavaca, Mexico
7	Sam Hickman	Jr.	Des Moines, Iowa
8	Nick Jacobson	So.	Grinnell, Iowa
9	Noah Furman	Fr.	San Antonio, Texas
10	Jonah Klein-Collins	Fr.	Naperville, Ill.
11	Franco Salinas	So.	Arequipa, Peru
12	Jay West	Sr.	Appleton, Wisc.
14	Radu Lungu	So.	Mereni, Moldova
15	Aidan Williams	So.	Chicago, Ill.
16	Ben Bloomquist	So.	Las Vegas, Nev.

### New York University

New York University returns to the Division III Collegiate Club Championship after finishing in Fifth Place at the New York Division Championship hosted by Hamilton College last weekend...Last year, NYU claimed Third Place at the Division III Club Championship hosted by Wesleyan University as the squad handled Carnegie Mellon University (18-9 W), fell to Washington University in St. Louis (12-5 L) and topped Bates College (14-13 W)...New York placed Third in 2016 at Hamilton College...At the 2015 tournament hosted by Macalester College, NYU finished in Fourth Place...In 2014 at Bowdoin College, NYU notched a Fifth Place mark. It marked New York's first appearance at the Division III Club tournament since a Sixth Place mark in 2011 at Hamilton...In the history of the championship, NYU has placed Second (2004 at Trinity University (Texas), 2005 at home, 2008 at Villanova University), Third (2009 at Bowdoin, 2010 at Macalester, 2016 at Hamilton, 2018 at Wesleyan), Fourth (2015 at Macalester), Fifth (2006 at Wesleyan), Sixth (2011 at Hamilton, 2014 at Bowdoin College), Eighth (2002 at Wesleyan) and Ninth (2003 at Bowdoin).



**Location:** New York, N.Y.

**Nickname:** Bobcats

**Coach:** Colin Hong

1	JP Faza	Fr.	Orange County, Calif.
2	Aaron Lawrence	Gr.	Dallas, Texas
3	Loki Wu	Jr.	Guangdong, China
5	Jaz Quaranta	So.	Baltimore, Md.
6	David Fonoll	So.	Barcelona, Spain
7	Simon Derby	So.	Greenwich, Conn.
8	Jordan Chen	So.	East Brunswick, N.J.
9	Ben Conley	Sr.	Orinda, Calif.
10	James Petland	So.	Honolulu, Hawaii
11	Malik Bouaoudia	Sr.	Geneva, Switzerland
13	Bassel Heiba Elfeky	Gr.	Cairo, Egypt
14	Mostafa Helaly	Jr.	Cairo, Egypt

## Team Information

### U.S. Coast Guard Academy

The United States Coast Guard Academy is back for another shot at claiming the program's inaugural Division III Collegiate Club Championship...The Bears rampaged through the Colonial Division this year to record an 11-0 mark, including a 28-5 victory over the University of Massachusetts at Middlebury College for the division title...This marks Coast Guard's fifth appearance at the Division III Championship after taking Fourth Place in 2008 at Villanova University, Sixth Place in 2012 at Middlebury, Seventh Place in 2017 at Middlebury and Fifth Place last year at Wesleyan University...In 2012, the Bears made it into the field as the North Atlantic Division runner-up, while the squad captured the North Atlantic crown in 2008 and 2018...In 2017, Coast Guard finished second in the Colonial Division but made the field at Middlebury due to champion Amherst College being unable to compete...Last year, Coast Guard fell to Bates College (13-12 L) before defeating Grinnell College (5-0 W Forfeit) and Wesleyan (20-9 W) to take Fifth Place...The Bears will aim to snap a nine-year run of non-East Coast teams winning the Division III Club Championship as Monmouth College, Washington University in St. Louis and the University of California-Santa Cruz have taken the crown every year since Tufts University earned the title in 2009 by downing Monmouth, 9-6, at Bowdoin College.



**Location:** New London, Conn.

**Nickname:** Bears

**Coach:** Lt. Kent Hunt

1	Owen Kratowicz	Sr.	
1A/15	Ben Morris	Fr.	
2	Tyler Clemmer	Jr.	
3	Javiar Alvarez	Fr.	
5	Ryan Weeks	So.	
6	Dylan Franks	Jr.	
7	Miguel Hernandez	Jr.	
8	Ryan Hurst	So.	
9	Aiden Kenna	Fr.	
10	Gabe Moreno	So.	
11	Garrett Dierkhising	So.	
12	Alex Hwang	So.	
13	Jack Kimmeth	Jr.	
16	Austin Brown	Sr.	
17	Jacob Haw	Sr.	
18	Bryan Chen	Fr.	
21	Matteo Acuna	Jr.	

### Washington University in St. Louis

The six-time Division III Club National Champion, Washington University in St. Louis has already made history as no other team has ever won four consecutive Men's National Championships in either the Division III or National Collegiate Club ranks....Washington, which tied for the 2014 title with the University of California-Santa Cruz due to a snowstorm induced power outage at Bowdoin College, repeated as National Champion in 2015 (at Macalester College), 2016 (at Hamilton College), 2017 (at Middlebury College) and 2018 (at Wesleyan University)...Last year, the Bears defeated Wesleyan (25-0 W), New York University (12-5 W) and Tufts University (10-6 W) to continue a streak of 14 consecutive Division III Club Championship wins dating back to a 13-9 loss to the University of California-Santa Cruz in the 2013 tournament at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa...Washington has appeared in the last eight Division III title games as the Bears defeated Bowdoin, 13-10, at Hamilton in 2011 and lost a 12-11 heartbreaker in sudden death overtime to Monmouth College in 2012 at Middlebury...In 2013, UC-Santa Cruz claimed a 13-9 victory at Franklin & Marshall College against the Bears...Since 2006, a Missouri Valley team has made the title game 11 times with Lindenwood University winning the 2006, 2007 and 2008 tournaments.



**Location:** St. Louis, Mo.

**Nickname:** Bears

1	Michael Lorberg	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.
1A	Brian Xu	Jr.	Irvine, Calif.
2	Ricky Kuehn	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo.
3	Levi Kohl	Jr.	Brentwood, Calif.
4	Chris Lovejoy	Jr.	Kailua, Hawaii
5	John Hooker	Sr.	Calabasas, Calif.
6	Brett Virgin-Downey	Gr.	St. Louis, Mo.
8	Thomas Fies	Jr.	Evanston, Ill.
10	David Ling	Jr.	Seattle, Wash.
11	Remy Hutheesing	Jr.	New York, N.Y.
12	Max Bernstein	Gr.	St. Louis, Mo.
13	Avery Fredman	So.	St. Louis, Mo.
14	Alex Figueres	So.	St. Louis, Mo.
15	Matthew Lorberg	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo.
16	Ollie Chessen	Fr.	San Francisco, Calif.
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