

History of the Collegiate Water Polo Association

The Collegiate Water Polo Association originally began as the Mid Atlantic Conference, founded by Dick Russell (Bucknell 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 (EWPR).

The next major milepost 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.

During the 1995 season, the conference received its first major challenge, as the organization experienced a strike by its officiating core. This strike ultimately resulted in the organization establishing its own officiating bureau, assuming responsibility for all of its officiating assignments.

The CWPA's office is located in Bridgeport, Pennsylvania and is comprised of Commissioner Dan Sharadin, Assistant Commissioner Tom Tracey, Director of Communications Ed Haas, Director of Multimedia Justin Cypert, Coordinator of Membership Services Ian Thompson and Coordinator of Officials Ed Reed.

The staff oversees 280+ teams on the varsity and club level for both men and women to place the Collegiate Water Polo Association among the largest sports organizations in North America.



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. The following information is here to make your game-viewing experience a little bit 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.

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.

2019 MEN'S MID-ATLANTIC WATER POLO CONFERENCE WEST REGION CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 9, 2019				Game #	Score
9:30	4th Seed — Mercyhurst University	vs.	5th Seed — Connecticut College	1	
11:00	2nd Seed — McKendree University	vs.	7th Seed — Monmouth College	2	
12:30	3rd Seed — Salem University	vs.	6th Seed — Wash. & Jefferson College	3	
2:00	Loser Game 1	vs.	Loser Game 2	4	
3:30	1st Seed — Gannon University	vs.	Winner Game 1	5	
5:00	Winner Game 2	vs.	Winner Game 3	6	
Sunday, November 10, 2019				Game #	Score
9:00	Loser Game 3	vs.	Loser Game 2	7	
10:30	Loser Game 6	vs.	Loser Game 5	3rd Place	
Noon	Loser Game 1	vs.	Loser Game 3	9	
1:30	Winner Game 5	vs.	Winner Game 6	1st Place	

The win-loss records from Games 4, 7 and 9 determine Fifth through Seventh Place

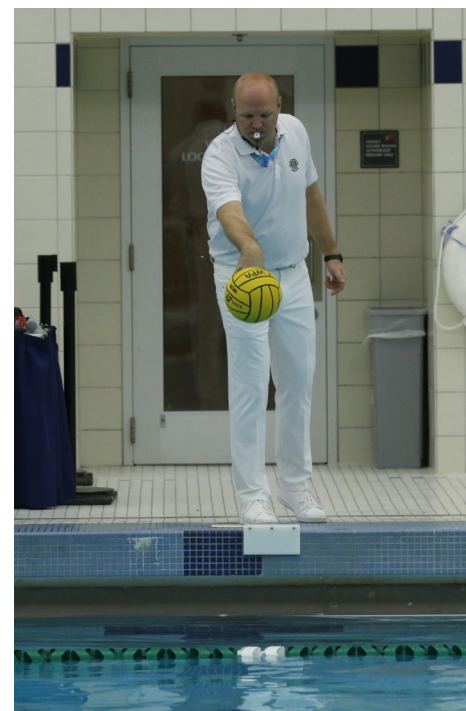
Teams listed first wear dark caps and are home on the scoreboard. Host team always wears dark caps and is home on the scoreboard regardless of bracket position.

The champion of the MAWPC-West Region Championship qualifies for the 2019 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference Championship on Friday-Sunday, November 22-24, at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pa., against Bucknell, Fordham University, George Washington University, Johns Hopkins University, La Salle University, the United States Naval Academy and Wagner College. The victor of the Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference Championship earns a bid to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Men's Water Polo Championship.



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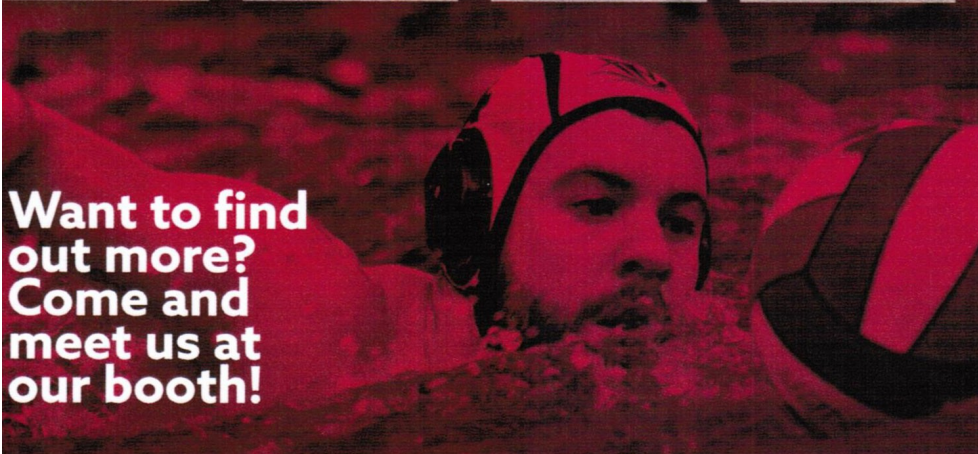
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TEAM INFORMATION



Location: New London, Conn.
Mascot: Camels
Head Coach: Matt Anderson
2019 Record: 4-9 (2-4 MAWPC-West)

1	Tanner Michaelis	Jr.	Ramona, Calif.
2	Rahul Gill	Sr.	Bethesda, Md.
5	Lucas Verrilli	So.	Evanston, Ill.
6	Sam Guy	Fr.	Portland, Ore.
9	Timofey Beloborodov	Sr.	Moscow, Russia
10	Arturo Freitas	Sr.	Weston, Fla.
12	Mike Gertsik	So.	Brooklyn, N.Y.
17	Sean King	Sr.	La Canada, Calif.
21	Christian Jacobson	Fr.	
22	Ulas Cini	Jr.	Powell, Ohio

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

The Connecticut College Camels' four wins this year have come against Penn State Behrend (11-8 W, Sept. 21), Monmouth College (19-14 W, Sept. 29), Washington & Jefferson College (19-11 W, Oct. 19) and Austin College (13-12 W, Oct. 26) with three of the four victories coming in Pennsylvania...Connecticut went 2-4 during the MAWPC-West Region regular season as the team faced Gannon University (20-9 L, Sept. 28), Mercyhurst University (18-12 L, Sept. 28), Monmouth (19-14 W, Sept. 29), Salem University (16-8 L, Oct. 19), W&J (19-11 W, Oct. 19) and McKendree University (25-12 L, Oct. 20) during a two weekend span...This weekend marks the Camels third trek to the Keystone State of Pennsylvania as Connecticut traveled to Washington & Jefferson in Washington, Pa., for three league games on September 28-29 before earning a Fourth Place finish at the Division III Eastern Championship hosted by W&J at Chartiers Valley High School in Bridgeville, Pa., on October 26-27. Connecticut downed Austin to open the championship, prior to suffering losses to Johns Hopkins University (20-14 L) and Penn State Behrend (12-7 L)...The 2016 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC)-West Region Championship runner-up Connecticut College will aim to improve on the past two seasons' Sixth (2017) and Fifth (2018) Place finishes...In 2018, Connecticut fell to Mercyhurst (13-7 L) and defeated Monmouth (16-4 W) prior to edging Washington & Jefferson (14-13 OT) to claim Fifth Place...The position was a one spot improvement over the team's final position in 2017 as the Camels fell to then West Region member/current East Region institution La Salle University (13-11 L), stopped Washington & Jefferson (19-10 W) and dropped the Fifth Place game to McKendree (7-6 L) to finish in Sixth Place...In 2016, Connecticut downed La Salle (19-9 W) and Salem University (19-15 W) in the opening two rounds prior to falling to Mercyhurst by an 11-8 count in the title game...If Connecticut wins the championship this weekend and earns a berth to the 2019 MAWPC tournament at Bucknell University on November 22-24, it will mark the teams' second appearance at the event. In 2016, the Camels' runner-up finish qualified Connecticut for the MAWPC Championship where the team fell to eventual champion/host Bucknell (24-4 L), Wagner College (18-6 L) and Mercyhurst (15-11 L)...Connecticut head coach Matt Anderson will aim for his seventh post-season championship in an East Coast league as he previously won four Women's Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Championships (2005, 2008, 2009, 2010) at the University of Michigan prior to leading the Camels' to the 2015 and 2016 CWPA Women's Division III crowns.

TEAM INFORMATION



GANNON UNIVERSITY

Gannon University enters the 2019 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conferene (MAWPC)-West Region Championship weekend as the No. 1 seed following a perfect 6-0 mark in league competition...The Golden Knights topped Connecticut College (20-9 W), Washington & Jefferson College (17-10 W)

and Salem University (17-14 W) on September 28-29 at W&J in Washington, Pa., prior to taking down Mercyhurst University (15-9 W), McKendree University (20-16 W) and Monmouth College (17-12 W) at Monmouth in Monmouth, Ill...Gannon has also faced league foes in non-conference action this year as the squad clashed with Mercyhurst (19-8 W, Sept. 7; 16-14 W OT, Oct. 26), Washington & Jefferson (5-0 L Forfeit), Salem (16-10 W, Sept. 14), McKendree (21-18 W, Oct. 26) and Salem (14-13 W OT, Oct. 27) outside the confines the MAWPC-West...The team will aim for its second title of 2019 as the Golden Knights claimed the Division II Eastern Championship on October 26-27 at Salem by downing Mercyhurst (16-14 W OT), McKendree (21-18 W) and the host Tigers (14-13 W OT)...The last time Gannon hosted the MAWPC-West Championship in 2017, the team claimed the title by cutting through the championship field with victories over W&J (17-2 W) and current MAWPC-East member La Salle University (12-9 W) prior to defeating Mercyhurst (15-10 W) for the program's first conference title. Courtesy the win, Gannon advanced to the MAWPC Championship at the United States Naval Academy where the team fell to George Washington University (10-7 L) and Johns Hopkins University (12-11 L) prior to holding off Mercyhurst (13-12 OT SD W) to finish in Seventh Place...This marks the fourth consecutive year Gannon is the No. 1 seed as no team other than the Golden Knights has held the spot in the history of the MAWPC-West Championship...In 2016, Gannon earned a first round bye, but host/eventual champion Mercyhurst clipped the Golden Knights, 12-10, in the semifinals. Gannon returned to the pool to manage Salem by a 14-7 score in the Third Place game...Last year, Gannon also earned a first round bye, but fell to eventual champion McKendree University, 12-9, prior to upending host Mercyhurst, 14-4, in the Third Place game...This marks Gannon head coach Shane Unger's inaugural quest for the MAWPC-West crown as the first-year head coach will aim to continue his program's history of Top Three marks.

Location: Erie, Pa.
Mascot: Golden Knights
Head Coach: Shane Unger
Assistant Coach: Brett Rehner
2019 Record: 15-2 (6-0 MAWPC-West)

1	Jacob Hollo	Fr.	Pittsburgh, Pa.
1A	Nate Winkler	Jr.	Southlake, Texas
2	Marty Kaverman	Fr.	Erie, Pa.
3	Jack Donnelly	Sr.	Temecula, Calif.
4	Lucas Petzold	Jr.	Hudsonville, Mich.
5	Garrett Takei	Fr.	Fremont, Calif.
6	David Gallion	So.	Arlington, Va.
7	Seth Johnson	Fr.	Sugar Hill, Georgia
8	Robert Bolmanski	So.	Erie, Pa.
9	Anthony Squeglia	Jr.	Erie, Pa.
10	Tim Baer	Jr.	San Diego, Calif.
11	John Vieira	So.	Erie, Pa.
12	Ethan Hamp	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.
13	Thomas Squeglia	Sr.	Erie, Pa.
16	Riley Hinkley	Sr.	Meshoppen, Pa.
18	Drago Marjanovic	So.	Belgrade, Serbia
20	Kaden Conley	Jr.	Fenton, Mo.
	Thomas Uht	So.	Erie, Pa.

TEAM INFORMATION



WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON COLLEGE

The Presidents of Washington & Jefferson College will seek to capture the first championship in the history of the institution's men's water polo team...A three-time Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Division III Championship runner-up (2007, 2009, 2011), W&J will seek to improve on a Sixth Place finish at the 2018 MAWPC-West Championship with a loss to

eventual champion McKendree University (18-8 L), a win over Monmouth College (21-9 W) and a 14-13 setback in overtime against Connecticut College...The team took Eighth Place in an eight-team field at the 2017 MAWPC-West Championship as the Presidents fell to eventual champion Gannon University (17-2 L), Connecticut (19-10 L) and Monmouth (14-12 L)...In 2016, W&J finished in Fifth Place by falling to eventual champion Mercyhurst (12-9 L) prior to defeating Monmouth (19-7 W) and La Salle University (23-6 W) in a seven-team field...This year, the Presidents are 2-8 against the MAWPC-West field with prior meetings against Mercyhurst (11-5 L, Sept. 7; 12-8 L, Sept. 14; 22-9 L, Sept. 29), Gannon (5-0 W Forfeit, Sept. 8; 17-10 L, Sept. 28), Salem University (21-8 L, Sept. 21; 24-13 L, Oct. 20), Monmouth (16-11 W, Sept. 28), McKendree (24-8 L, Oct. 19) and Connecticut (19-11 L, Oct. 19)...W&J enters the championship on a three-game losing streak as W&J knocked off Austin College on October 25 by a 23-20 score, but suffered setbacks against the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (17-8 L), Penn State Behrend (13-9 L) and Austin (16-7 L) at the Division III Eastern Championship hosted by Washington & Jefferson at Chartiers Valley High School in Bridgeville, Pa., last weekend.

Location: Washington, Pa.
Mascot: Presidents
Head Coach: Nikola Malezanov
2019 Record: 3-20 (1-5 MAWPC-West)

1	Nick Spehar	Jr.	Perkasie, Pa.
1A	Zishuo Ma	Fr.	Los Alamitos, Calif.
1B	Caine Dusza	Fr.	Souderton, Pa.
2	Will Kitsch	So.	Mohnton, Pa.
3	Keegan McLaughlin	Fr.	Wydnmoore, Pa.
4	Kyle Rubenstein	So.	Abington, Pa.
5	Ethan Moy	Jr.	New York, N.Y.
6	Jason Wright	So.	St. Louis, Mo.
7	Elijah Muzzi	Fr.	Honolulu, Hawaii
8	Robert Nino	Fr.	Madera, Calif.
9	Tyler Francis	Jr.	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
10	Robert Koch	So.	Worcester, Pa.
11	Cam Spicer	So.	Lansing, Mich.
12	Ian Geister	Sr.	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
13	Ostin Goodfin	Fr.	Bakersfield, Calif.
14	Ryan Bannon	Fr.	Bloomfield, Colo.
15	Anthony Ames	Fr.	Canyon County, Calif.
17	Dylan Gwinn	Sr.	Baltimore, Md.
18	Andrew Edwards	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio
21	Alex Lee	Fr.	Los Angeles, Calif.

PHOTOS from this weekend's games are available
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or at the information desk

TEAM INFORMATION



SALEM UNIVERSITY

Salem University comes into the 2018 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC)-West Region Championship on the heels of a runner-up finish at home during the 2019 Division II Eastern Championship. Milos Popovic was named Most Valuable Player at the event as the Tigers fell to McKendree University (17-14 L) prior to upending Mercyhurst University (21-7 W) and dropping a 14-13 game in overtime to Gannon University...Salem has never finished outside the Top Four at the MAWPC-Championship...Last year, the team defeated Monmouth College (25-10 W) and Mercyhurst (13-12 W) before taking a 13-12 loss to McKendree in the championship game...In 2017, the Tigers defeated McKendree (14-10 W) to make the tournament semifinals. However, Mercyhurst edged Salem by a 17-16 score in sudden death overtime prior to the Tigers taking a 16-13 victory against former MAWPC-West/current MAWPC-East member La Salle University in the Third Place game...Salem placed Fourth at the inaugural/2016 MAWPC-West Championship as the team defeated Monmouth (18-15 W) prior to falling to Connecticut College (19-15 L) and Gannon (14-7 L)...The Tigers finished 6-5 against the rest of the championship field this year in league and non-league competition with prior clashes against Gannon (16-10 L, Sept. 14; 17-14 L, Sept. 29; 14-13 L OT, Oct. 27), Washington & Jefferson College (21-8 W, Sept. 21; 24-13 W, Oct. 20), Mercyhurst (21-20 W, Sept. 28; 21-7 W, Oct. 26), Monmouth (18-12 W, Sept. 28), Connecticut (16-8 W, Oct. 19) and McKendree (20-14 L, Oct. 19; 17-14 L, Oct. 26)...Salem's first and only championship in men's water polo came in 2004 as the Tigers topped Mercyhurst in the Division II Eastern Championship...The 2005, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 Division II Eastern Championship runner-up, the Tigers will strive to give head coach Rob Bullion his first title and join Mercyhurst, Gannon and McKendree among the Division II schools which have claimed the MAWPC-West Championship.

Location: Salem, W.Va.
Mascot: Tigers
Head Coach: Rob Bullion
Assistant Coaches: Justin Kassab
Justin Vink
2019 Record: 10-11 (4-2 MAWPC-West)

1	Julen Alonso	Fr.	Madrid, Spain
1A	Jacob Badough	Fr.	Friendswood, Texas
2	Alvaro Leon Parra	So.	Cadiz, Spain
3	Saequan Miller	R-Fr.	Nassau, Bahamas
4	Milos Popovic	Sr.	Nis, Serbia
5	Mike Diaz	So.	Visalia, Calif.
6	Adam Hudson	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.
7	Austin Kephart	So.	Sanford, Fla.
8	Chad Rowley	Fr.	Port of Spain, T&T
9	Robert Juhas	Sr.	Pancevo, Serbia
10	Michael Rojas	Jr.	Valle del Cauca, Colombia
11	Manuel Soto Estela	Fr.	Puerto Rico
12	Salvador Orozco	Sr.	Commerce, Calif.
13	Nephtali Rivera	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.
14	Petar Leontijevic	Jr.	Belgrade, Serbia
16	Uros Jevtic	Jr.	Kragujevac, Serbia

The Collegiate Water Polo Association and the membership of the Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) extend a special thank you to the institutional staff of Gannon University, Cathedral Preparatory School, Villa Maria Academy and the David Hallman Aquatics Center. Thank you for your continued support of water polo and collaborative efforts.

TEAM INFORMATION



MCKENDREE UNIVERSITY

McKendree University enters the 2019 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC)-West Region Championship aiming to become the first program to repeat as champion...The third Division II team to capture the MAWPC-West Region title after previous winners Mercyhurst University (2016) and Gannon University (2017), the Bearcats downed Washington & Jefferson College (18-8 W), Gannon (12-9 W) and Salem University (13-12 W) to claim the 2018 MAWPC-West crown at the Hallman Aquatics Center...In 2017, the squad fell to Salem (14-10 L), defeated Monmouth College (18-10 W) and slipped past Connecticut College (7-6 W) to take Fifth Place...This marks the fourth postseason berth in as many seasons for the Bearcats who debuted as a collegiate club team in 2016 and advanced to the Men's National Collegiate Club Championship at the University of Notre Dame...Factoring both conference and non-conference competition, McKendree is 7-3 against the rest of the championship field as the squad downed Monmouth (22-5 W, Sept. 21; 21-6 W, Oct. 12), Mercyhurst (19-8 W, Oct. 13), Washington & Jefferson (24-8 W, Oct. 19), Salem (20-14 W, Oct. 19) and Connecticut (25-12 W, Oct. 19) with a loss to Gannon (19-15 L, Oct. 12). At the Division II Eastern Championship hosted by Salem on October 26-27, the Bearcats finished 1-2 as the team defeated Salem (17-14 W, Oct. 26), but suffered setbacks against Gannon (21-18 L, Oct. 26) and Mercyhurst (16-14 L, Oct. 27)...Unlike the other six competing teams, this weekend marks McKendree's first competition in Pennsylvania this year as the team competed in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Illinois, California, Connecticut and West Virginia, but has yet to compete in the Keystone State...Historically, the regular season runner-up has never won the MAWPC-West Championship as Mercyhurst (2016) and McKendree (2018) were the No. 4 seeds, while Gannon held the No. 1 spot in the 2017 field.

Location: Lebanon, Ill.
Mascot: Bearcats
Head Coach: Colleen Lischwe
Assistant Coach: Zach Roper
2019 Record: 10-11 (5-1 MAWPC-West)

1	Ori Scanlon	Jr.	Orlando, Fla.
1A	Marko Vucetic	Sr.	Belgrade, Serbia
1B	Bryce Tully	So.	Yucaipa, Calif.
2	Nico Rodriguez	So.	Bogota, Colombia
3	Izaya Owotor	Sr.	Portland, Ore.
4	Michael Krause	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.
5	Ben Brauer	So.	Duisburg, Germany
6	Abraham Allen	Jr.	Webster Groves, Mo.
7	Joseph Mahan	Sr.	Corinth, Texas
8	Josh Carlson	So.	New Lenox, Ill.
9	Adrian Maher	Jr.	Keller, Texas
10	Daniel Peralta	Sr.	Lakewood, Calif.
12	Jackson Spencer	So.	O'Fallon, Mo.
13	Sam Guffey	Fr.	University Place, Wash.
14	Pedro Osorio	Jr.	San Bernardino, Calif.
15	Tristan Clue	R-Fr.	Chino Hills, Calif.
16	Aaron Jacobs	So.	Houston, Texas
17	Tony Sunagawa	So.	Chino Hills, Calif.
18	Andrew Serrano	Jr.	Riverside, Calif.
20	Matthew Haygood	So.	Chino Hills, Calif.
21	Chava Osorio	Jr.	San Bernardino, Calif.



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MERCYHURST UNIVERSITY

Mercyhurst University will aim to make the program's third title game in four years....The 2016 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC)-West Region Champion after handling Washington & Jefferson College (12-9 W), Gannon University (12-10 W) and Connecticut College (11-8 W) in the inaugural event, Mercyhurst finished in Second Place at the 2017 championship after topping Monmouth College (19-5 W) and Salem University (17-16 W OT SD) before falling to top-seed Gannon (15-10 W) in the tournament title tilt...Last year, the Lakers finished in Fourth Place as Mercyhurst downed Connecticut (13-7 W) before dropping back-to-back games to Salem (13-12 L) and Gannon (14-4 L)...Mercyhurst has history on its side this weekend as the 2016 Lakers and the 2018 McKendree University Bearcats both captured the MAWPC-West Championship while playing as the No. 4 seed. The lone exception in the three years of the event was 2017 when top-seed Gannon defended its regular season position and claimed the MAWPC-West postseason title...An eight-time Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Division II Champion with titles in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015 and 2016, the Lakers will aim to advance to a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Men's Water Polo Championship qualifying tournament for only the third time in program history...The 2012 CWPA Southern Division Championship runner-up, Mercyhurst made the CWPA Eastern Championship at Princeton University and finished in Fourth Place among the eight teams in the field with a victory over the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (6-5 W) and losses to St. Francis College Brooklyn (12-11 L) and Princeton University (13-9 L)...In 2016, the Lakers finished Seventh at the MAWPC Championship hosted by Bucknell University as the team fell to George Washington University (17-6 L) and the United States Naval Academy (12-8 L) prior to topping Connecticut (15-11 W) in the Seventh Place game...This year, Mercyhurst has previously faced Gannon (19-8 L, Sept. 7; 15-9 L, Oct. 12; 16-14 L OT, Oct. 26), Washington & Jefferson (11-5 W, Sept. 7; 12-8 W, Sept. 14; 22-9 W, Sept. 29), Salem (21-20 L OT, Sept. 28; 21-7 L, Oct. 26), Connecticut (18-12 W, Sept. 28), Monmouth (20-12 W, Oct. 12) and McKendree (19-8 L, Oct. 13; 16-14 W, Oct. 27) to hold a 6-6 mark against the rest of the championship field...The Lakers are the lone team in the championship bracket to compete in the last week as Mercyhurst handled Penn State Behrend, 11-8, on November 2.

Location: Erie, Pa.
Mascot: Lakers
Head Coach: Curtis Robinette
Assistant Coaches: Petar Momcilovic
Alyssa Diacono
2019 Record: 8-15 (3-3 MAWPC-West)

1	Nash Greeven	So.	Vista, Calif.
1A	Jacob Tanner	Fr.	Cooper City, Fla.
2	Michael Gutman	So.	Columbus, Ohio
3	Matthew Virzi	Sr.	San Marcos, Calif.
4	Alex Cappuccio	Sr.	Havre de Grace, Md.
5	Daniel Alvarez	Sr.	Port of Spain, T&T
6	Dylan Shaffer	Jr.	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.
7	Mathieu Davis	So.	Montego Bay, Jamaica
9	Ryan Witoslawski	Sr.	Harleysville, Pa.
10	Derek Kagen	Fr.	San Diego, Calif.
11	Joel Parnell	So.	Saint Andrew, Jamaica
12	Reed Bearden	Fr.	Grand Blanc, Mich.
13	Jonathan Merkley Jr.		Portland, Ore.
14	Luke Tanner	Fr.	Cooper City, Fla.
15	Teagan Thomas	Fr.	St Louis, Mo.
16	Paul Goddard	Fr.	Orlando, Fla.
17	Connor Cross Duncan	Fr.	Orlando, Fla.
18	Nebyat Mamo	Sr.	Upper Arlington, Ohio

TEAM INFORMATION



Location: Monmouth, Ill.
Mascot: Fighting Scots
Head Coach: Peter Ollis
Assistant Coach: Tom Burek
2019 Record: 0-8 (0-6 MAWPC-West)

MONMOUTH COLLEGE

The Fighting Scots of Monmouth College return to Pennsylvania for the second time in 2019 after competing at the Washington & Jefferson College Round Robin tournament on September 28-29...The Scots will aim to capture their first title since taking the 2012 Men's Division III National Collegiate Club Championship prior to making the move up to the varsity ranks for the 2013 season...In 2016 at the Hallman Aquatics Center in the first-ever MAWPC-West Championship, the Scots fell to Salem University (18-15 L) and Washington & Jefferson College (19-7 L) prior to topping La Salle University (13-11 W) to take Sixth Place in a seven-team field...Two years back in 2017, the team dropped games to Mercyhurst University (19-5 L) and McKendree University (18-10 L) before defeating Washington & Jefferson (14-12 W) in the Seventh Place game...12 months ago, Monmouth went 0-3 by falling to Salem (25-10 L), W&J (21-9 L) and Connecticut College (16-4 L)...This year, Monmouth fell to Salem (20-13 L, Sept. 9; 18-12 L, Sept. 28), McKendree (22-5 L, Sept. 21; 21-6 L, Oct. 12), W&J (16-11 L, Sept. 28), Connecticut (19-14 L, Sept. 29), Mercyhurst (20-12 L, Oct. 12) and Gannon (17-12 L, Oct. 13)...The Fighting Scots are competing in their first games since October 13 as Monmouth was unable to attend the 2019 Division III Eastern Championship...Fifth-year head coach Peter Ollis is seeking to place the Fighting Scots in their first varsity championship game in program history...The 2012 Division III Collegiate Club Champion, Monmouth rose to the varsity ranks in 2013 after capturing the 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 Heartland Division Championships.

1	Kyle Jones	So.	Parkland, Fla.
2	Eli Kebschull	Fr.	Homewood, Ill.
3	Dakota Salmi	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.
4	Luke Mulcrone	Fr.	Chicago, Ill.
6	Kaveh Moaddeli	Fr.	Newport Beach, Calif.
7	Quentin Bartram	So.	Dublin, Ohio
11	Jared Hankinson	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.
15	Tommy Schneider	Sr.	Perkasie, Pa.
20	Joseph Addison	Fr.	Eads, Tenn.
21	Jesus Aguirre	Sr.	Cicero, Ill.

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