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 (EWPRA).

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.

Located in Bridgeport, Pennsylvania, the CWPA office is comprised of a Commissioner (Dan Sharadin), a Director of Communications (Ed Haas), and a 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 collegiate 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. 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 inside five-meters, 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 approximately three seconds of free time to throw the ball to another teammate or swim it up the pool. A player cannot shoot a free throw unless outside the five-meter line and without hesitation. If the ball is not put into play within this time, 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.



Friday, April 22, 2022					Score		
1:00	2nd Seed — Harvard University	vs.	7th Seed— Mount St. Mary's University	1			
2:30	3rd Seed — Princeton University	vs.	6th Seed— Saint Francis University	2			
4:00	5th Seed — Bucknell University	vs.	4th Seed — Brown University	3			
Saturd	ay, April 23, 2022			Game #	Score		
11:30	Loser Game 2	vs.	Loser Game 1	4			
1:00	Winner Game 1	vs.	Winner Game 2	5			
2:30	lst Seed — University of Michigan	vs.	Winner Game 3	6			
4:00	Loser Game 3	vs.	Loser Game 1	7			
Sunday, April 24, 2022			Game #	Score			
9:00	Loser Game 3	vs.	Loser Game 2	8			
10:30	Loser Game 5	vs.	Loser Game 6	3rd Place			
Noon	Winner Game 6	vs.	Winner Game 5	1st Place			

2022 WOMEN'S CWPA CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

 1st Seed (University of Michigan) receives a first round bye for winning the regular season title

- The win/loss records from Games 4, 7 & 8 determine places Fifth through Seventh
- 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 tournament earns a qualification bid to the NCAA Women's Water Polo Championship. Due to the format for the NCAA Championship, it is possible the CWPA Champion will need to compete in a play-in game to earn a position in the NCAA Championship field at the University of Michigan on May 6-8.



<u>Commissioner</u> Dan Sharadin

CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIALS

Val Vasilchikov (Staten Island, N.Y.) Josh Kratz (Philadelphia, Pa.) Joe Peila (Las Vegas, Nevada) JR Perez (Longwood, Fla.) (Bucknell University/Athlete, 2016), Krista Peterson Polvi (Indiana University/ Athlete, 2017), Jeff Hilk (Bucknell University/Athlete, 2017), Patricia Ann "Trish" McGuire (Slippery Rock University/Athlete, 2018), Steve Ennis (Brown University/Athlete, 2018), Elyse Colgan (Princeton University/Athlete, 2019) and Garrin Kapecki (Bucknell University/Athlete, 2019). Former U.S. naval Academy standout and Princeton University head coach/current Navy head coach Luis Nicolao became the 38th inductee during the Fall of 2021.

During a career in Ann Arbor that spanned the 2006-to-2009 seasons, Hyrne was pivotal in the rise of the Maize & Blue in the league and on the national stage. A two-time Association of Collegiate Water Polo Coaches (ACWPC) All-America selection with Third Team (2008) and Honorable Mention (2009) recognition, she helped Michigan capture back-to-back CWPA Championships in 2008 and 2009 to cap off her career.

A two-time CWPA Western Division Most Valuable Player (2008, 2009) and a four-time All-CWPA Western Division selection (2006 – Second Team; 2007, 2008, 2009 – First Team), she earned Most Valuable Player honors at the 2008 CWPA Championship and was a three-time CWPA Championship All-Tournament selection (2007 – Second Team; 2008, 2009 – First Team).

A 10-time CWPA Player of the Week selection – the most in Michigan history – she captained both the 2008 and 2009 squads and received the 2008 Big Ten Sportsmanship Award. A 2009 CWPA Scholar-Athlete and ACWPC All-Academic selection, she garnered Academic All-Big Ten and received Michigan Academic Achievement Award recognition three times during her intercollegiate tenure.

She concluded her career with 237 goals and 118 assists for 355 points in 166 games (2.14 points/1.43 goals/0.71 assists per game) with 171 steals and 124 drawn exclusions.



Collegiate Water Polo Association Hall of Fame



Julie Hyrne of the University of Michigan will receive her induction into the Collegiate Water Polo Association Hall of Fame. An induction ceremony was slated to occur during the 2020 CWPA Championship on April 24-26 at Michigan's Canham Natatorium, however the cancellation of the event due to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 prevented an in-person presentation of the award. Similarly, the award was unable to be presented at the 2021 championship hosted by Michigan.

The third Michigan athlete named to the Hall of Fame joining previous inductees Betsey Armstrong (2008) and Shana Welch (2016), Hyrne was the 37th member of the CWPA Hall of Fame as the list of honorees included: Richard Hunkler (Slippery Rock University/Coach, 2002), Dick Russell (Bucknell University/Coach, 2002), Lynn Kachmarik (Slippery Rock University/Athlete, Bucknell University/Coach, 2003), Ed Reed (Brown University/Coach, 2003), John Barrett (University of Maryland/Athlete, 2004), Paul Barren (West Chester University/Referee, 2004), Sue Kolczak (Slippery Rock University/Athlete, 2005), George Gross (Yale University/Athlete, 2005), Robbie Bova (Slippery Rock University/Athlete, 2006), Scott Schulte (Bucknell University/Athlete, 2006), Katie Grogan (University of Massachusetts/Athlete, 2007), Russ Yarworth (University of Massachusetts/Coach, 2007), Armstrong (University of Michigan/Athlete, 2008), Tom Popp (United States Naval Academy/Athlete, 2008), Diane Stein Swigart (Slippery Rock University/Athlete, 2009), Lars Enstrom (Brown University/Athlete, 2009), Leslie Entwistle (Slippery Rock University/Athlete, 2010), Chris Judge (Fordham University/Athlete, 2010), Carrie Basye-Becker (Slippery Rock University, University of Maryland/Athlete, 2011), John Benedick (Massachusetts Institute of Technology/Coach, Administrator, 2011), Kristin Stanford (Indiana University/Athlete, 2012), Mark Gensheimer (Bucknell University/Athlete, 2012), Adele McCarthy-Beauvais (Princeton University/ Athlete, 2013), Simon Gould (University of Arkansas-Little Rock/Athlete, 2013), Tom Tracey (Villanova University/Director of Officials, 2014), Mike Schofield (United States Naval Academy/Coach, 2014), Goga Vukmirovic (Princeton University/Athlete, 2015), Rich Russey (Brown University/ Athlete, 2015), Welch (University of Michigan/Athlete, 2016), Tony Paxton

PREVIOUS CWPA CHAMPIONS

Year	Champion	Runner-Up
1988	Slippery Rock University	Bucknell University
1989	Slippery Rock University	Bucknell University
1990	Slippery Rock University	Harvard University
1991	Slippery Rock University	Bucknell University
1992	Slippery Rock University	University of Maryland
1993	Slippery Rock University	Harvard University
1994	Slippery Rock University	Bucknell University
1995	Slippery Rock University	Harvard University
1996	Slippery Rock University	University of Maryland
1997	University of Maryland	Slippery Rock University
1998	University of Massachusetts	University of Maryland
1999	University of Massachusetts	University of Maryland
2000	Princeton University	University of Massachusetts
2001	Brown University	Princeton University
2002	University of Michigan	Hartwick College
2003	Indiana University	Brown University
2004	Hartwick College	University of Michigan
2005	University of Michigan	Indiana University
2006	Hartwick College	University of Michigan
2007	Hartwick College	Princeton University
2008	University of Michigan	Hartwick College
2009	University of Michigan	Hartwick College
2010	University of Michigan	Indiana University
2011	Indiana University	University of Michigan
2012	Princeton University	University of Maryland
2013	Princeton University	University of Michigan
2014	Indiana University	Princeton University
2015	Princeton University	Indiana University
2016	University of Michigan	Indiana University
2017	University of Michigan	Princeton University
2018	University of Michigan	Princeton University
2019	University of Michigan	Princeton University
2020	COVID-19—Championship Can	celed
2021	University of Michigan	Bucknell University

Future CWPA Championship Sites (tentative):

2023—Saint Francis University (Loretto, Pa.) 2024—Princeton University (Princeton, N.J.) 2025—Harvard University (Cambridge, Mass.)





A special thanks to the Bucknell University Aquatics Director Ian Dye, head coach John McBride and the institution's athletics staff/ administration for hosting the 2022 CWPA Championship. Thanks to the league's coaches & athletes for their efforts during the past several COVID-19 impacted seasons.

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

The defending Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Champion Wolverines of the University of Michigan (24-8, 12-0 CWPA) hold the second most consecutive CWPA titles (five, 2016-2019, 2021) behind only Slippery Rock University's nine (1988-1996)...The Wolverines are 49-12 all-time at the championship, including a 43-11 mark since 2001...

ad Coach: Dr. Marcelo Leonardi istant Coaches: Josh Hower, Jessica Gaudreault					
Alex Brown Sophie Jackson Kayla Barone Maddy Steere Grace Harbaugh Annie Rankin Sammi Monroe Erin Neustrom Jess Henningsen Lola Ciruli Libby Alsemgeest Sofie Pontre Ava Morrant Kasey Umlauf Elise Walker Ashley O'Neill Sophie Tovani Alison Lock Maddie O'Reilly Kata Utassy Fiona Young	Jr. Sr. Jr. So. Jr. So. Sr. Jr. So. Gr. So. So. Fr. So. Fr. So. Fr.	Moraga, Calif. Moraga, Calif. Lafayette, Calif. Hamilton, N.Z. Perth, Western Australia Maple Ridge, B.C.			

In the history of the CWPA Championship, Michigan has finished Fifth (2001), First (2002, 7-6 W OT SD vs. Hartwick College at Princeton), third (2003), second (2004, 5-2 L vs. Hartwick at Bucknell University), first (2005, 8-7 W at Indiana University), second (2006, 11-8 L vs. Hartwick at Brown University), fourth (2007), first (2008, 10-7 W vs. Hartwick at home), first (2009, 12-6 W vs. Hartwick at Harvard University), first (2010, 7-5 W vs. Indiana at University of Maryland), second (2011, 5-3 L at Indiana), third (2012), second (2013, 7-5 L vs. Princeton at home), third (2014), fourth (2015), first (2016, 9-2 W vs. Indiana at Harvard), first (2017, 5-4 W vs. Princeton at Indiana), first (2018, 11-8 W vs. Princeton at Bucknell), first (2019, 10-6 W vs. Princeton at Brown) and first (2021, 12-5 W vs. Bucknell at home)...No team has appeared in more CWPA title games than Michigan with 14, shattering the previous league record of 10 title berths held by Slippery Rock University (1988-to-1997)...The Wolverines could record the program's eighth 30win season in 2022 following previous marks in 2004 (30-9), 2008 (34-11), 2009 (35-9), 2010 (33-8), 2011 (32-5), 2016 (30-8) and 2018 (32-9). However, the team will need to win all both games this weekend to capture the league crown, compete in a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship play-in game and then capture the NCAA Championship with victories in the guarterfinals, semifinals and title game on May 6-8 when the Maize & Blue host the national championship event...Three coaches have combined to win Michiaan's 10 CWPA Championships as Amber Drury (currently the NCAA Coordinator of Officials) won the 2002 title before Matt Anderson (currently the head coach at Connecticut College) claimed the 2005, 2008, 2009 and 2010 titles. Dr. Marcelo Leonardi accounts for the other half of the championships with five consecutive crowns in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2021...Michigan has not lost to a CWPA institution since an 8-7 sudden death overtime defeat by Princeton on April 8, 2018, at Harvard. The win by Princeton was the first regular season loss in conference play for the Maize & Blue since a 9-7 defeat by Princeton at home in DeNunzio Pool on April 11, 2015...2015 also marks the last time Michigan was defeated in CWPA Championship tournament play with overtime games versus Indiana (9-8 L OT) and Hartwick (11-10 L OT) to finish Fourth at Princeton.

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BROWN UNIVERSITY

Brown University (24-13, 7-5 CWPA) enters the 2022 Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Championship looking to claim the program's second women's league title...In 2001, Brown topped Princeton University, 11-10, in sudden death overtime at home in Providence, R.I for the lone women's CWPA Championship in team history...The Bears last reached the CWPA Championship title game in 2003 when Indiana University managed Brown, 7-5, at

Harvard University. During that run, the Bears defeated Gannon University (11-4 W), Hartwick College (5-3 W) and the University of Michigan (5-4 W) prior to falling to Indiana...Brown nearly reached the title tilt 10 years ago at home in Providence, R.I. before a last second goal by Princeton helped the Tigers best the Bears 7-6 in overtime in the 2012 semifinals...No team from New Enaland has won a women's CWPA Championship since Brown in 2001...The Bears are the last team from New England to reach the title tilt (2003) as 1998 and 1999 champion the University of Massachusetts preceded the Bears 2001 and 2003 berths with back-to-back-to-back appearances in 1998, 1999 and 2000...Expect extra-long games if the Bears' pattern at the championship continues as Brown has appeared in seven overtime games at the CWPA title tournament since 2000 (2000–16-14 L vs. Villanova University; 2001–11-10 W OT SD vs. Princeton; 2005–6-5 W OT SD vs. Bucknell University; 2006–10-8 L vs. Indiana; 2010–8-7 L vs. Bucknell; 2012—7-6 L vs. Princeton; 2014—11-9 L vs. Michigan)...Overall, Brown has finished among the Top Four teams 11 times since 2000 with first (2001), second (2003), fourth (2004, 2009, 2012), fifth (2000, 2007, 2008, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2019), sixth (2002, 2010, 2018), seventh (2005, 2016, 2017) and ninth (2011) place marks...Brown's last conference or postseason titles came in 2009 and 2010 when the team captured the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) tournament, an event no longer contested...This marks the Bears first appearance at the CWPA Championship since hosting the 2019 event as the 2020 championship was cancelled due to COVID-19 and the Bears did not compete during the 2021 season due to the pandemic...The Bears have previously faced Saint Francis University (7-3 W, 11-8 W), Bucknell (12-7 W, 8 -6 W), Mount St. Mary's University (15-4 W, 12-6 W), Harvard (7-6 W, 10-6 L), Michigan (14-5 L, 11-6 L) and Princeton (12-6 L, 10-6 L) this year...Brown head coach Felix Mercado has one prior CWPA Championship under his belt as he led the Bears to the 2014 Men's CWPA Championship at the United States Naval Academy.

TEAM INFORMATION



SAINT FRANCIS UNIVERSITY

Saint Francis University (9-19, 2-10 CWPA) will compete at the Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Championship for the fifth time...In 2017 at Indiana University under then head coach Pat Beemer, the Red Flash burned George Washington University (11-

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10 W) before falling to the University of Michigan (22-2 L), Indiana University (16-6 L) and Brown University (12-3 L) to earn an Eighth Place finish in the nine-team field...In 2018 at Bucknell University, Saint Francis fell to Harvard University (11-3 L), the host Bison (16-4 L) and Georae Washington (12-6 L) to take Ninth Place...In 2019 at Brown University, SFU fell to Princeton University (12-3 L), defeated George Washington (11-7 W) and dropped a 13-9 contest to the host Bears to earn Sixth Place in the seventeam field...Following a cancelled 2020 season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Red Flash returned to the championship in 2021 at Michigan to take Third Place in a four-team field with a loss to Bucknell (8-5 L) and a defeat of Mount St. Mary's University (17-1 W)...Saint Francis head coach Jay O'Neil will aim for its inaugural conference championship this weekend at his alma mater...A 1997 graduate of Bucknell University, he coached the Bison women's team for one-year as an assistant coach. He then took over as Salem International University's head coach for men's and women's water polo from 1999-2001 earning notice as the 2000 CWPA Women's Southern Division-West Region Coach of the Year. Following 10 years as the aguatics director and head swimming coach at Somerset High School, he returned to the intercollegiate ranks by assuming duties as head men's and women's coach at Washington & Jefferson College from February 2012 until November 2015. He led the Presidents of W&J to a combined record of 104-100, including a 56-38 mark on the women's side, and earned the 2012 CWPA Division III Women's Water Polo Coach of the Year honor. O'Neil appeared in four title games with the W&J women's team during his tenure in Washington, Pa., helping the squad reach the 2012, 2014 and 2015 CWPA Division III Championship tilts...The Red Flash stand at 3-10 overall against Mount St. Mary's (19-4 W, 16-10 W, 12-10 L), Bucknell (11-8 L, 11-8 W), Princeton (10-3 L, 12-5 L), Harvard (11-4 L, 18-8 L), Brown (7-3 L, 12-8 L) and Michigan (19-1 L, 14-3 L) with a non-conference win over the Mountaineers...This marks the third time SFU will compete in Lewisburg during the 2022 season as the team faced St. Francis College Brooklyn (12-8 W), the Virginia Military Institute (10-3 W), Gannon University (13-11 W) and Mount St. Mary's (19-4 W) on January 29-30 prior to meeting Brown (7-3 L), Mount St. Mary's (16-10 W) and Princeton (12-5 L) on February 26-27. Overall, the Red Flash are 9-13 in neutral site games with an 0-4 mark on the road and 0-2 at home in Loretto....Saint Francis has a direct connection to Ireland as the school was founded in 1847 by six Franciscan friars from Mountbellow, Ireland.

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TEAM INFORMATION



Princeton University (19-9, 8-4 CWPA) will aim to prevent Bucknell University from becoming the seventh host team since 2000 to

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win the CWPA Championship joining Indiana University (2011), the University of Michigan (2008, 2021), Brown (2001) and itself (2000, 2015)...The Tigers are making their 24th appearance at the CWPA Championship....The team had advanced to the tournament every year since becoming a varsity program in 1997—but missed last year (2021) due to the COVID-19 pandemic after the 2020 championship/ season was cancelled...The 2000, 2012, 2013 and 2015 CWPA Champion Tigers will seek to make their ninth title agme appearance as Princeton fell to Indiana (11-10 L in 2014 at Bucknell), Hartwick College (8-6 L in 2007 at Princeton), Brown (11-10 L OT SD in 2001 at Brown) and Michigan (5-4 L in 2017 at Indiana; 11-8 L in 2018 at Bucknell; 10-6 L in 2019 at Brown), while claiming the 2000 (6-4 W vs. University of Massachusetts at Princeton), 2012 (6-5 W vs. University of Maryland at Brown), 2013 (7-5 W at Michigan) and 2015 (7-6 W vs. Indiana at Princeton) crowns...However, Princeton has advanced to only three National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championships as the tournament did not begin until the year following the Tigers' 2000 title run...The Princeton-Michigan title game in 2019 made history as it marked the third consecutive time the Tigers and Wolverines met for the title. No pair of teams had played each other three straight years as Slippery Rock University-vs.-Bucknell (1988, 1989), Slippery Rock-vs.-Maryland (1996, 1997), Massachusetts-vs.-Maryland (1998, 1999), Michigan-vs.-Hartwick (2008, 2009), Indiana-vs.-Michigan (2010, 2011), Princeton-vs.-Indiana (2014, 2015) and Princeton-vs.-Michigan (2017, 2018) were all tied for the previous record at two...This year, the Tigers have previously faced Bucknell (14-3 W, 15-9 W), Saint Francis University (10-3 W, 12-5 W), Mount St. Mary's University (22-8 W, 14-6 W), Brown (12-6 W, 10-6 W), Harvard University (10-8 L, 12-11 L OT SD) and Michigan (16-11 L, 16-6 L) as the race for the No. 2 seed behind Michigan went down to the final day of the regular season. Due to Harvard's defeat of Brown on Saturday, April 16, the Crimson clinched the No. 2 spot. However, a Brown victory would have placed Princeton at No. 2...This weekend marks Princeton's second trip to Kinney Natatorium in 2022 as the team went 3-0 with wins over the host Bison (15-9 W), Brown (12-6 W) and Saint Francis (12-5 W) on February 26-27.



BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY

Bucknell University (9-15, 3-9 CWP, enters the Collegiate Water Polo A sociation (CWPA) Championshi seeking a championshi crown...Bucknell, which downe Brown University by a 9-4 count home in Kinney Natatorium in th 2018 tournament's Fifth Place gam the last time the Bison hosted the

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championship, has placed second (2021), third (2019), fourth (2006), fifth (2010, 2016, 2018), sixth (2008, 2014, 2017), seventh (2004, 2005, 2007, 2011, 2013, 2015), eighth (2003, 2012), ninth (2000) and 11th (2002) in the many versions of the CWPA/Eastern Championship since 1999...Bucknell did not appear in the 2001 CWPA Championship field...Last year, the Bison appeared in the league title game for the first time since 1994 as Bucknell fell by a 12-5 score to then host the University of Michigan for the 2021 CWPA Championship. The event was a four-team affair as Michigan, Bucknell, Mount St. Mary's University and Saint Francis University elected to compete during the COVID -19 pandemic impacted season....In 1994, Bucknell faced former varsity program Slippery Rock University...Overall, Bucknell has played for the league title five times (1988, 1989, 1991, 1994, 2021) with losses to "The Rock" in the first four appearances...No team from the Keystone State of Pennsylvania has won the CWPA Championship since those Slippery Rock teams...In 2019 at Brown University, the Bison defeated former varsity program George Washington University (12-7 W), fell to Princeton University (11-5 L) in the semifinals and tripped Harvard University (11-9 W) in the Third Place game. It marked Bucknell's highest finish at the CWPA Championship since 2000 prior to last year's runner-up mark....Since Brown captured the CWPA Championship in 2001, only Michiaan (2002, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021), former league member Indiana University (2003, 2011, 2014), former varsity team Hartwick College (2004, 2006, 2007) and Princeton (2012, 2013, 2015) have claimed the league title, a trend the Bison wish to terminate in 2022 and continue a rise from Third (2019) and Second (2021) to first...Further, the quintet of the Wolverines, Hoosiers, Hawks, Tigers and Brown Bears had combined for every title game appearance since the University of Massachusetts fell to Princeton in 2000 prior to the Bison's championship berth last year...This year, the Bison have faced Saint Francis (11-8 W, 11-8 L), Princeton (14-3 L, 15-9 L), Brown (12-7 L, 8-6 L), Harvard (8-7 L OT, 7-5 L), Mount St. Marv's (16-8 W, 7-4 W) and Michigan (14-4 L, 14-7 L)...Bucknell is 3-4 at home this year as the Bison previously faced La Salle University (10-9 W), St. Francis College Brooklyn (12-10 W) and Wagner College (15-3 L) on January 29-30 during the Bucknell Invitational. On February 26-27, the Bison met league foes Princeton (15-9 L), Brown (12-7 L), Harvard (8-7 L OT) and Mount St. Mary's (16-8 W).



HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Harvard University (21-6, 9-3 CWPA) is making its 13th appearance at the Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) championship tournament since 2007...In the modern history of the championship since 2001, Harvard has finished eighth

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2	Annabel Facey		Menlo Park, Calif.		
3	Josie Mobley		Honolulu, Hawaii		
4	Ella Prentice	So.	Santa Barbara, Calif.		
5	Annabelle Bisconti	So.	Atherton, Calif.		
6	Dany Zapata	Fr.	Cali, Colombia		
7	Quinne Pursell	Sr.	Oceanside, Calif.		
8	Inde Halligan	Sr.	Sydney, Australia		
9	Grace Thawley	Jr.	Santa Ana, Calif.		
10	Brooke Hourigan	So.	Newport Beach, Calif.		
11	Evan Tingler	Jr.	Laguna Beach, Calif.		
12	Kaity Greenwald	Fr.	Newport Beach, Calif.		
13	Jaiden Miller	Jr.	Coquitlam, B.C.		
15	Borden Wahl	Jr.	Greenwich, Conn.		
16	Erin Kim	Fr.	Irvine, Calif.		
18	Sasha Constandse	So.	Irvine, Calif.		

(2006, 2007, 2010), seventh (2001, 2002, 2009, 2012, 2014, 2018), sixth (2003, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016), fifth (2004, 2005), fourth (2017, 2019) and third (2000)...The team did not compete in either the 2020 or 2021 CWPA Championship...Harvard will seek to remain among Top Four in 2022 as the saugd managed then host Brown University (11-9 W) before falling to the University of Michigan (14-7 L) and Bucknell University (11-9 L) in the semifinals and Third Place game... The team placed seventh in 2018 at Bucknell by downing Saint Francis University (11-3 W), falling to Princeton University (12-4 L) and the host Bison (10-5 L) before upending George Washington University (10-2 W)...In 2017 at Indiana University, the Crimson managed the host Hoosiers 12-11, fell 11-5 to Michigan in the semifinals and took a 10-7 loss against Hartwick College in the Third Place agme...In 2016 at home in Blodgett Pool, the Crimson fell to Princeton (12-8 L), topped Connecticut College (13-3 W) and George Washington (11-6 W) prior to falling against Bucknell (11-7 L) in the Fifth Place game...In 2015, at Princeton, the team placed sixth after stumbling versus Hartwick (12-10 L), striking down Bucknell (14-7 W) and tripping against Brown (8-7 L) in the Fifth Place game...In 2014 at Bucknell, the Crimson posted a Seventh Place mark after falling to Princeton (12-6 L) and the host Bison (12-11 L) before topping Connecticut (17-7 W)...The Crimson last qualified for the National Championship Tournament, the precursor of today's National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship, in 2000 by placing third at the CWPA Championship with a 20-12 record. The team ultimately finished 15th at the National Championship Tournament. It marked Harvard's third appearance at the event as the team previously finished eighth in both 1995 and 1998...In the entire history of the program, Harvard has finished second (1988, 1990, 1995), third (1989, 1992, 1998, 2000), fourth (1999, 2017, 2019), fifth (1993, 1996, 2003, 2004, 2005), sixth (2003, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016), seventh (2001, 2002, 2009, 2012, 2014, 2018) and eighth (1997, 2006, 2007, 2010) at the women's CWPA/Eastern Championship...The Crimson come into the 2022 Championship with prior meetings against Saint Francis University (11-4 W, 18-8 W), Mount St. Mary's University (18-0 W, 13-3 W), Bucknell (8-7 W OT, 7-5 W), Brown (7-6 L, 10-6 W), Princeton (10-8 W, 12-11 W OT SD) and Michigan (12-10 L, 15-9 L)...The pair of wins over Princeton and Bucknell mark the first time that has occurred versus the Tigers and Bison since 1994 and 2015, respectively.



MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

The Mountaineers of Mount St. Mary's University (8-23, 1-11 CWPA) will make the program's second appearance at the Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Division I Championship—but the first with a field larger than four teams...Last

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Assistant Coach: Justin Vink					
1	Samantha Bright	Fr.	Auckland, N.Z.		
1A	Hannah Keyser	Fr.			
1B	Sibley Kuder	Fr.	San Antonio, Texas		
2	Beatrice Vieira	Fr.	Erie, Pa.		
3	Lola Fuhs	Fr.	San Clemente, Calif.		
4	Madison Szczublews	ki So.	Henderson, Nev.		
5	Robyn Currie	Fr.	Edmonton, Alberta		
6	Ana Luisa Cotta	So.	Orlando, Fla.		
7	Lauryn Thomas	So.	Simi Valley, Calif.		
8	Rebecca Valentine	Fr.	Blue Bell, Pa.		
9	Mara Davis	So.	Oceanside, Calif.		
11	Naomi Sanders	Gr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.		
12	Toria Peterson	Jr.	Alvin, Texas		
14	Emily Van Kerckhove	e So.	Cincinnati, Ohio		
15	Serena Thurman	Gr.	San Diego, Calif.		
16	Riley Thompson	So.	Murray, Utah		
20	Hannah Sayre	Fr.	Perkasie, Pa.		

year at the University of Michigan, the Mountaineers joined Bucknell University, Saint Francis University and the host Wolverines in competing for the 2021 CWPA Championship. The four team field—due to the COVID-19 pandemic preventing some institutions from competing-featured four games with Mount St. Mary's dropping a 16-0 matchup against the eventual champion Michigan on April 24 prior to being stopped by Saint Francis in the Third Place game by a 17-1 count....This year, the Mountaineers are 1-12 against the rest of the championship field with previous clashes versus Saint Francis (19-4 L, 17-10 L, 12-10 W), Princeton University (22-8 L, 14-6 L), Harvard University (18-0 L, 13-3 L), Bucknell University (16-8 L, 7-4 L), Brown University (15-4 L, 12-6 L) and Michigan (18-2 L, 15-1 L)...Graduate students Naomi Sanders and Serena Thurman possess prior championship tournament experience. Thurman competed on the varsity level at Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Wagner College—helping the Seghawks to the 2018 and 2019 MAAC titles - while Sanders was part of the Lindenwood University women's collegiate club program which competed at the National Collegiate Club Championship in 2018 and 2019...Head coach Alvssa Diacono previously served as a graduate assistant at Mercyhurst University for two seasons prior to taking over the Mountaineers in March 2020. A 2017 graduate of San Diego State University and a two-time Association of Collegiate Water Polo Coaches (ACWPC) All-America Honorable Mention selection (2015, 2016), she has led the building of the Mount St. Mary's men's and women's water polo programs since her appointment. Following an 0-15 rookie season in 2021, she led the Mountaineers' to eight wins to date this year with defeats of the Virginia Military Academy (14-11 W), Wittenberg University (18-7 W), Penn State Behrend (24-5 W), Gannon University (13-12 W OT), Mercyhurst University (13-2 W), Salem University (12-11 W) and the program's inguaural league win against Saint Francis (12-10 W)...Historically, the first women's water polo victory in program history came in the 2022 season-opener on January 30 against VMI at Bucknell...A 2015 Penn State Behrend araduate and Los Angeles native, assistant coach Justin Vink arrived in Emmitsburg, Md., following three semesters as a graduate assistant at Salem...No first-year coach has ever won a Collegiate Water Polo Association Division I Championship as former Princeton head coach Luis Nicolao and current Michigan leader Dr. Marcelo Leonardi hold the record by capturing crowns in their second years in New Jersey and Michigan, respectively...The last female head coach to win a CWPA Division I Championship was Amber Drury at Michigan in 2002.