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## 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. We'll 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 six-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.



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## 2023 MID-ATLANTIC WATER POLO CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday, November 17, 2023				Game #	Score
4:30	2nd Seed - United States Naval Academy	vs.	7th Seed - Johns Hopkins University	1	
6:00	3rd Seed - Bucknell University	vs.	6th Seed - Mount St. Mary's University	2	
7:30	4th Seed - Wagner College	vs.	5th Seed - George Washington University	3	
Saturday, November 18, 2023				Game #	Score
1:00	Loser Game 3	vs.	Loser Game 1	4	
2:30	1st Seed— Fordham University	vs.	Winner Game 3	5	
4:00	Winner Game 1	vs.	Winner Game 2	6	
5:30	Loser Game 2	vs.	Loser Game 1	7	
Sunday, November 19, 2023				Game #	Score
9:00	Loser Game 3	vs.	Loser Game 2	8	
10:30	Loser Game 6	vs.	Loser Game 5	Third Place	
Noon	Winner Game 5	vs.	Winner Game 6	First Place	

Teams listed first wear dark caps and are home on the scoreboard. If final division standing is identical, the higher seed wears dark caps. Host team always wears dark caps and is home on the scoreboard regardless of bracket position.

The win-loss records from Games 4, 7 & 8 determine places Fifth-to-Seventh

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### Conference Championships (Eastern/CWPA/MAWPC Championship: 1972-2022)

Bucknell University	1974, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 2016, 2019, 2020/Winter 2021
United States Naval Academy	1986, 1987, 1988, 1990, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2008
George Washington University	2017, 2018
Fordham University	2021, 2022

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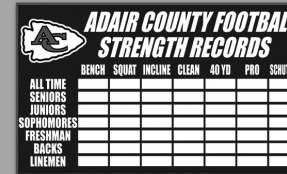
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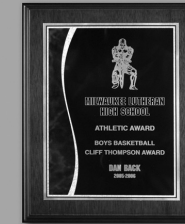
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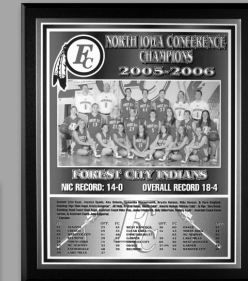
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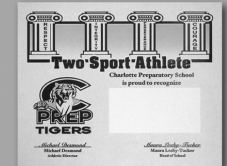
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## Bucknell University

MAWPC Third Place

Head Coach: John McBride

Assistant Coaches: Arturo Villalpando, Jillian Schultz

1	David Dumitru	Fr.	Bucharest, Romania
1A	Mateo Herrera	So.	Windermere, Fla.
3	Sean Michael Tunnicliff	Fr.	Long Beach, Calif.
4	Matt Ryckman	Jr.	Caracas, Venezuela
6	Aleksa Stefanovic	So.	Belgrade, Serbia
7	Walker Butler	Sr.	Blue Bell, Pa.
8	Ian Shultz	So.	Bellevue, Wash.
9	Jack Bruce	Jr.	Greenwich, Conn.
10	Liam Stott	Sr.	Modderfontein, South Africa
11	Jack Murad	So.	Stanford, Calif.
12	Shay Gillearn	Jr.	Woodland Hills, Calif.
14	Gregory Alexander Nordheim	Fr.	Boca Raton, Fla.
20	Maxime Touzot	So.	Greenwich, Conn.
21	Hasan Mogultay	Jr.	Istanbul, Turkey
22	Doruk Ozar	Sr.	Istanbul, Turkey
23	Andu Vlasceanu	Gr.	Bucharest, Romania

The three-time (2016, 2019, 2020/Winter 2021) Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Champion, 2017 Third Place finisher, 2021 First Place finisher along with 2018 and 2022 runner-up, the Bison of Bucknell University (10-15, 7-5 MAWPC) will seek to avenge last year's 14-7 title loss to host Fordham University and return to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship tournament this year...The Bison finished with a winning record against the rest of the Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Championship field with games versus Fordham (14-11 L, 16-12 L), George Washington University (13-11 W, 8-6 W), Johns Hopkins University (17-16 W, 18-9 W), the United States Naval Academy (15-10 L, 14-12 L), Mount St. Mary's University (15-13 W, 17-6 W) and Wagner College (13-10 W, 15-13 L)...Bucknell claimed the 2016 MAWPC title via an 11-5 final score at Kinney Natatorium on November 20...The title marked the program's first conference championship since taking home the 1980 Eastern Championship against Loyola University...Following a 12-11 overtime loss to George Washington in the 2018 title game at Fordham, the Bison won another MAWPC crown in 2019 on November 18 by dispatching George Washington via a 9-4 score in Lewisburg as the team has never lost a MAWPC Championship game at home...During the Winter of 2021, Bucknell topped La Salle University by an 11-3 score on March 7 to claim the 2020/Winter 2021 MAWPC title also in Lewisburg...In 2017 at Navy, the team downed Mercyhurst (15-4 W), fell to Wagner (10-8 L) and turned back Fordham (10-9 W) to claim Third Place...In 2021, the Bison dropped an 8-7 contest versus Wagner, upended Mount St. Mary's (17-11 W) and turned back Gannon University (9-7 W) to take Fifth Place at the 2021 MAWPC Championship hosted by Navy...Last year at Fordham, Bucknell downed Navy (8-6 W), managed George Washington (7-5 W) and slipped against the host Rams (14-7 L) in the title tilt...Since the 1980 title tilt, Bucknell has appeared in six championship games as the Bison competed for a league crown in 1985 (vs. Brown University), 1993 (vs. the University of Massachusetts), 2012 (vs. St. Francis College Brooklyn), 2016 (vs. George Washington), 2018 (vs. George Washington), 2019 (vs. George Washington), 2020/21 (vs. La Salle) and 2022 (vs. Fordham).



The two-time defending Mid-Atlant Water Polo Conference Champion, the Rams of Fordham University (22-7, 12-0 MAWPC) claimed the first conference championship in the history of the program in 2021 at the United States Naval Academy by managing Mount St. Mary's University (20-6 W), Wagner College (11-10 W OT) and the host Midshipmen (9-6 W)...Last year at home in the Bronx, Fordham rumbled past McKendree University (15-6 W), Salem University (19-8 W) and Bucknell University (14-7 W) to repeat as MAWPC Champion...It marked the first time the Rams advanced to back-to-back championship title games since the 1973 and 1974 finales against Yale University and Bucknell, respectively...This marks the 11th time since 1987 that the Rams have competed in a league championship tournament as the team placed Fifth (2009 at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology), Eighth (2010 at Bucknell),

11th (2013 at Brown University) and Ninth (2014 at Navy; 2015 at MIT) at the Eastern/Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Championship prior to Third (2016 at Bucknell), Fourth (2017 at Navy; 2018 at home; 2019 at Bucknell) and First (2021 at Navy; 2022 at Fordham) place marks at the MAWPC Championship.....This year, the team finished 12-0 in league competition by sweeping Bucknell (14-11 W, 16-12 W), Johns Hopkins University (21-8 W, 28-12 W), Wagner College (14-5 W, 17-11 W), Mount St. Mary's (21-11 W, 19-8 W), Navy (12-9 W, 10-8 W) and George Washington University (18-6 W, 11-10 W)...The road could be a struggle for Fordham as the team is 7-0 in the Bronx, but 7-4 on the road and 8-3 in neutral site games.

## Fordham University

### MAWPC First Place

Head Coach: Brian Bacharach

Associate Head Coach: Bill Harris

Assistant Coach: Ilija Duretic

Director of Video Analytics: Jake Miller-Tolt

1	Thomas Lercari Jr.	Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif.
1A	Riccardo Di Giuseppe Jr.	Miami Beach, Fla.
1B	Panayiotis Giannas Fr.	Athens, Greece
2	Balazs Berenyi So.	Budapest, Hungary
3	Barnabas Eppel Fr.	Budapest, Hungary
4	Christos Loupakis Sr.	Athens, Greece
5	Jagger McMannis So.	Tustin, Calif.
6	George Papanikolaou Jr.	Athens, Greece
7	Gabriel Melillo Jr.	Lija, Malta
8	Luca Silvestri Jr.	Barcelona, Spain
9	Nacho Ariste Jr.	Napoli, Italy
10	Lucas Niato Jasny Jr.	Barcelona, Spain
11	Mark Katsev Jr.	Brooklyn, N.Y.
12	Jacopo Parrella Jr.	Naples, Italy
13	Michael Rahner Sr.	Erie, Penn.
14	Christian Gotterup Fr.	Lafayette, Calif.
15	Christopher Gray Fr.	Johannesburg, South Africa
16	Reid Thorson Fr.	Lafayette, Calif.
17	Gabriel Guinane Fr.	San Juan Capistrano, Calif.
18	Brendan Cassidy So.	San Rafael, Calif.
19	Berk Oral Fr.	Istanbul, Turkey



Wagner College (16-13, 7-5 MAWPC), which fell to George Washington University by an 8-5 score in the 2017 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Championship title game at the United States Naval Academy, will aim to take the league championship crown back to the Spiro Sports Center in Staten Island... Wagner's run of never finishing outside the Top Five at the MAWPC Championship with prior Second (2017), Third (2018), Fourth (2021) and Fifth (2016,2019) place marks came to end last year at Fordham University. At the 2022 MAWPC Championship, the Seahawks fell to Salem University (17-13 L) and downed McKendree University (15-14 W OT) before taking a 17-14 setback against the United States Naval Academy in the Fifth Place game...At the 2016 MAWPC Championship, Wagner fell to Fordham (9-7 L) prior to taking care of Connecticut College (18-6

W) and Navy (16-13 W) to earn a Fifth Place mark...In 2017, the Seahawks downed Navy (9-8 W) and Bucknell University (10-8 W) before dropping an 8-5 game to George Washington to garner a runner-up finish...12 months later at Fordham, Wagner defeated Johns Hopkins (9-7 L) and slipped against George Washington (16-14 L) prior to taking out the host Rams (10-6 W) in the Third Place game...In 2019 at Bucknell, Wagner suffered a 16-12 setback versus Navy prior to topping La Salle University (15-13 W) and Johns Hopkins (14-11 W) to claim Fifth Place...Following a Winter 2021 season in which the team did not compete for the title due to COVID restrictions, Wagner downed Bucknell (8-7 W) before faltering in overtime to Fordham (11-10 L OT) and dropping an 11-9 contest to George Washington to place Fourth at the 2021 MAWPC tournament...This year, Wagner finished 7-5 in league competition as the squad faced Navy (13-12 W, 10-8 L), Johns Hopkins (15-13 W, 28-11 W), Fordham (14-5 L, 17-11 L), Mount St. Mary's University (16-11 W, 18-12 W), Bucknell (13-10 L, 15-13 W) and George Washington (15-11 W, 12-10 L).

## Wagner College

### MAWPC Fourth Place

Head Coach: Josh Hower

Assistant Coach: Ashley Hower

1	Djordje Stoilkovic	Gr.	Nis, Serbia
1A	Kevin Roach	Sr.	Commerce, Calif.
1B	Vaughn Bui	Jr.	Lake Forest, Calif.
2	Kyle Chambers	Jr.	Thousand Oaks, Calif.
3	Laszlo Strasser	So.	Budapest, Hungary
4	Andrew Cowie	Jr.	Maple Ridge, BC,
5	Barnabas Vidovics	Sr.	Szeged, Hungary
6	Maaran Nahari	Fr.	Givat Ela, Israel
7	Dylan Egan	Jr.	Swords, Ireland
8	Luis Camino Sosa	Jr.	Canary Islands, Spain
9	Vince Varga	Fr.	Budapest, Hungary
10	Zsombor Gyemant	Sr.	Budapest, Hungary
11	Mattia Bognolo	Jr.	Canberra, Australia
12	Ryan Kerry	So.	Long Beach, Calif.
13	Kristian Stanczewski	Jr.	Harleysville, Pa.
14	Patrick Ray	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio
18	Ryan Lanier	Sr.	Seabrook, Texas
20	Ben Zovickian	Gr.	San Francisco, Calif.
23	Gabe Johnson	Fr.	Northbrook, Ill.
24	Landin Romo	Fr.	Santa Barbara, Calif.
25	Eliot Alvarez	So.	San Leandro, Calif.
27	Bendert Jansen	Jr.	Amersfoort, Netherlands



## United States Naval Academy

### MAWPC Second Place

Head Coach: Luis Nicolao

Assistant Coaches: Ken Vincent, Jack Finch

1	Caden Capobianco Sr.	Laguna Beach, Calif.
1A	Jack Hightower So.	San Diego, Calif.
1B	Owen Gurich Sr.	Long Beach, Calif.
1C	Shaan Sandhoo So.	Laurel, Md.
1D	Francis Hendrickson Fr.	Washington, D.C.
1E	Adam Wuthrich So.	Houston, Texas
1F	Nihal Sandhoo Fr.	Laurel, Md.
2	Kyle Yelensky Sr.	Stamford, Conn.
3	Spencer Shelley Sr.	Grapevine, Texas
4	Ivan Pang Sr.	El Monte, Calif.
5	Luka Sekulic Fr.	Haverford, Penn.
6	Holden Seybold So.	Aliso Viejo, Calif.
7	Sean O'Boyle Jr.	Steilacoom, Wash.
8	Henry Williams Jr.	San Diego, Calif.
9	Aiden Day Fr.	Oceanside, Calif.
10	Hayden Kahn Sr.	San Clemente, Calif.
11	Kiefer Black Fr.	San Diego, Calif.
12	Michael Heller Jr.	Menlo Park, Calif.
13	Nathan Duchez Sr.	San Jose, Calif.
14	Billy Zech Fr.	Tiburon, Calif.
15	Tommy McKnew Jr.	Tiburon, Calif.
16	Max Fino Fr.	San Diego, Calif.
17	Peter Davids Fr.	Severna Park, Md.
18	Merle Richman Sr.	La Jolla, Calif.
19	Connor Cashman Fr.	Annaopolis, Md.
20	Jacques Dutton So.	Yorba Linda, Calif.
21	Alejandro Schmidt Corujo Fr.	Weston, Fla.
22	Rory Begin So.	Bakersfield, Calif.
23	Sam Collingwood Fr.	Orlando, Fla.
24	William True Fr.	Potomac, Md.
25	Liam McInerey Jr.	Annapolis, Md.
27	Travis Berzins Sr.	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.

down Wagner College (17-14 W) for a Fifth Place finish...This year, Navy went 9-3 in league competition against Wagner (13-12 L OT, 10-8 W), Mount St. Mary's University (16-7 W, 19-7 W), George Washington (15-6 W, 19-8 W), Fordham (12-9 L, 10-8 L), Johns Hopkins (19-10 W, 19-14 W) and Bucknell (15-10 W, 14-12 W).

The Midshipmen of the United States Naval Academy (19-5, 9-3 MAWPC) enter the 2023 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Championship with hopes of returning to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship for the first time since 2008...A nine-time league champion (1986, 1987, 1988, 1990, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2008) and eight-time runner-up (1984, 1991, 1994, 2002, 2005, 2009, 2010, 2011) under Mike Schofield, Navy last made a conference championship game in 2021 as the team fell to Fordham University by a 9-6 count in Annapolis...Navy previously finished Second (2021 at home), Third (2019 at Bucknell University), Fifth (2017 at home; 2022 at Fordham) and Sixth (2016 at Bucknell, 2018 at Fordham) in six prior tries at the MAWPC title...In 2021 under current head coach Luis Nicolao, the Mids defeated Gannon University (20-13 W) and George Washington University (11-7 W) before falling to Fordham (9-6 L) to finish in Second Place...Last year at Fordham, the Midshipmen stopped Mercyhurst University (21-9 W), fell to Buknell (8-6 L), edged Johns Hopkins University (15-11 W OT) and took



The 2017 and 2018 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Champion, George Washington University (11-13, 5-7 MAWPC) will aim to make the program's fifth MAWPC Championship title game appearance...In 2016, the Revolutionaries fell to host Bucknell University by an 11-5 final in the title game of the inaugural MAWPC Championship... At the United States Naval Academy in 2017, GW got over the hump and claimed the league crown by rolling through the field with victories over Gannon University (10-7 W) and Fordham University (16-15 W OT) before upending Wagner College (8-5 W) for the inaugural crown

in school history and the inaugural crown under then first-year head coach Barry King...In 2018 at Fordham, the squad handled McKendree University (16-6 W), Wagner (16-14 W) and finally Bucknell (12-11 OT W) to put another banner in the team's natatorium...In 2019 at Bucknell, the Revolutionaries lost the title game to the Bison by a 9-4 score...During the Winter 2021 season, GW dropped a 6-4 game to La Salle University in the opening game of the 2020/Winter 2021 MAWPC Championship...In 2021 at Navy, the team downed Johns Hopkins University (12-6 W), fell to the host Midshipmen (11-7 L) and posted an 11-9 defeat of Wagner in the Third Place game...Last year at Fordham, George Washington topped Johns Hopkins (15-5 W), fell to Bucknell (7-5 L) and picked up a victory over Salem University (23-16 W) to claim another Third Place mark...This is GW's 12th appearance at a league championship tournament since 2007...The program finished in Seventh Place at the 2013 CWPA Championship hosted by Brown University prior to earning Eighth Place at the 2014 CWPA Championship hosted by Navy...GW finished in 9th Place at the 2015 CWPA Championship hosted by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)...Earlier in the century, George Washington claimed Third Place at the 2007 CWPA Championship hosted by Harvard University after notching an Eighth Place mark at the 2003 CWPA Championship hosted by Navy...The Revolutionaries went 5-7 this year in MAWPC regular season competition as the team took on Bucknell (13-11 L, 8-6 L), Johns Hopkins (20-14 W, 16-8 W), Navy (15-6 L, 19-8 L), Fordham (18-6 L, 11-10 L), Mount St. Mary's University (15-14 W OT, 13-11 W) and Wagner (15-11 L, 12-10 W).

## George Washington University

### MAWPC Fifth Place

Head Coach: Barry King

Assistant Coach: Theodoros Pateros

1	Luca Castorina Sr.	Catania, Sicily
2	Mateus Stellet Gr.	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
3	Leo Lueddemann Jr.	Danville, Calif.
4	Alec Posluszny Fr.	Riverside, Ill.
5	Nik Schoening Sr.	Danville, Calif.
7	Kai De Orbeta Fr.	San Juan, Puerto Rico
8	Andrija Sekulic Jr.	Belgrade, Serbia
9	Kalan Smith Sr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif.
10	Karim Nasr Fr.	Palo Alto, Calif.
11	Viktor Jovanovic Sr.	Calgary, Canada
13	Patrick McCann Fr.	Palo Alto, Calif.
14	Peter Durkovic So.	Darien, Conn.
15	Michael Fearon Sr.	Millbrae, Calif.



## Johns Hopkins University

### MAWPC Seventh Place

Head Coach: Max Schlegel

Assistant Coach: Dimitris Giovanis

1	Saahil Naik	Gr.	Windermere, Fla.
1A	Chris Poisler	Fr.	Houston, Texas
2	Chris Lo	Jr.	Newton Square, Penn.
3	Cameron Burns	Sr.	Irvine, Calif.
4	Quint Steffey	So.	Capistrano Beach, Calif.
5	Seth Berke	Sr.	Boca Raton, Fla.
6	Shayan Sadiq	Sr.	Irvine, Calif.
7	Dado Soares	So.	Riverside, Conn.
8	Ethan Babel	Fr.	San Francisco, Calif.
9	Mark Poisler	Jr.	Spring, Texas
10	Jason Mihalopoulos	So.	Las Vegas, Nev.
11	Ian Raley	Jr.	Baltimore, Md.
12	Paul Gensbigler	Sr.	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
14	Max Blecher	Fr.	Princeton, N.J.
15	Gavin Brooke	So.	Fort Washington, Pa.
16	Alec Baker	Fr.	Redondo Beach, Calif.
17	Owen Bartlett	Fr.	Newport Beach, Calif.
18	Daniel Palfi	So	Mission Viejo, Calif.
20	Liam Housenbold	Sr.	Atherton, Calif.

Mary's University (12-11 W, 14-13 L) and the United States Naval Academy (19-10 L, 19-14 L)...The Blue Jays have made a Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA)/MAWPC league championship title game only once—the 2015 CWPA Championship title tilt at MIT against Princeton University...The most successful Division III team on the East Coast with 20 Division III Eastern Championships (1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022) and 10 runner-up (1991, 1992, 1993, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2010, 2014, 2018, 2023) finishes, the Blue Jays dropped their only league title game berth by a 7-6 count against the Tigers to miss out on the institution's first league title and National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship berth in the sport of men's water polo...The runner-up finish was historic as the Blue Jays became the first and only Division III institution to make a league title game on the East Coast...Johns Hopkins will make the program's 19th try at a league championship after placing Second (2015), Fourth (2009), Sixth (2006, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2014), Seventh (2002, 2007), Eighth (2000, 2001) and Ninth (2013) at Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Championships before placing Fourth (2016), Fifth (2018), Sixth (2017, 2019), Seventh (2021) and Eighth (2022) at the MAWPC Championship...For the sake of clarity, the pre-2013 appearances occurred in eight-team fields, while the 2014 and 2015 tournaments were both 12-team events.



Johns Hopkins University (5-17, 1-11 MAWPC) enters the 2023 Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Championship looking for an opportunity to extend their season...The Blue Jays fell in the 2023 Division III Eastern Championship game via a 12-8 outcome against the host Engineers of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) to miss out on the MAWPC/Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) bid to the four-team Division III Collegiate Water Polo National Championship sponsored by USA Water Polo...JHU stands at 1-11 against the rest of the championship field this year with prior games against Wagner College (15-13 L, 28-11 L), Fordham University (21-8 L, 28-12 L), Bucknell University (17-16 L, 18-9 L), George Washington University (20-14 L, 16-8 L), Mount St.

The newest program in the league, Mount St. Mary's University (7-20, 1-11 MAWPC) makes the program's third appearance at the Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) Championship following a 2020/Winter 2021 season in which the Mountaineers competed during an abbreviated regular season, but did not play at the four-team MAWPC Championship...In 2021 at the United States Naval Academy, the Mountaineers qualified eighth in an eight-team field and faced Fordham University (20-6 L), Bucknell University (17-11 L) and Johns Hopkins University (9-7 L) to place Eighth... Last year at Fordham, the Mountaineers fell versus Johns Hopkins (18-17 L), before downing Mercyhurst University (18-8 W) and Gannon University (9-8 W) to garner Ninth Place in an 11-team field...In the history of the league, only three teams from Pennsylvania have claimed CWPA/MAWPC/Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) crowns as

Bucknell and the University of Pittsburgh (1976) and Slippery Rock University (1991) achieved the feat since 1972...This year, Mount St. Mary's finished 1-11 in league competition with games against Fordham (21-11 L, 19-8 L), Navy (16-7 L, 19-7 L), Bucknell (15-13 L, 17-6 L), Wagner College (16-11 L, 18-12 L), George Washington University (15-14 L OT, 13-11 L) and Johns Hopkins (12-11 L, 14-13 W)...First year head coach Justin Vink will attempt to join George Washington University's Barry King as the only coaches in their first seasons at their respective institutions to capture a Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference Championship title. An assistant coach under then head coach Alyssa Diaconio at the The Mount since the program's inaugural season, Vink competed at Penn State Behrend and previously worked as a graduate assistant coach at Salem University.

## Mount St. Mary's University

### MAWPC Sixth Place

Head Coach: Justin Vink

Assistant Coaches: Bobby Halligan, Sara Marin

1	Joseph Maxson	Sr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
1A	Sherif Hosni	So.	Cairo, Egypt
1B	Frederick Brown	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif.
2	Nate Hopkins	Jr.	Rockford, Mich.
3	Nicholas Wallace-Whitfield Jr.		Nassau, Bahamas
4	Alex Hoy	Jr.	King of Prussia, Pa.
5	Chrysostomos Valavanis	So.	Athens, Greece
6	Michael Lemishko	Jr.	Wayne, Pa.
7	Gunner Lanquist	So.	Moorpark, Calif.
8	Eli Thalos	Gr.	Salt Lake City, Utah
9	Carter Zwirz	Jr.	Beaconsfield, Quebec
10	Nolan Williams	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz.
11	Kacper Cieplik	Sr.	Beaconsfield, Quebec
12	Wes Reising	So.	Annapolis, Md.
13	Zach Fischer	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.
14	Alexandros Bellesis	So.	Athens, Greece
15	Nate Valentine	Fr.	Blue Bell, Pa.
16	Aidan Zieger	So.	Timonium, Md
17	Ayden Hess	So.	Atlanta, Georgia
18	Aaron Tarr	Fr.	Johannesburg, South Africa
19	Jack Fox	Fr.	Jupiter, Fla.
20	Ivan Morales	Fr.	Gurnee, Ill.
21	Jacob German	Fr.	Northbrook, Ill.
22	Gabe Cieplik	Fr.	Lachine, Quebec

