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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. 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 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.



Official Ball of the Northeast Water Polo Conference

2023 NORTHEAST WATER POLO CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday, November 17, 2023					Score
1:00	4th Seed - Iona University	vs.	5th Seed - MIT	1	
3:00	2nd Seed - Harvard University	vs.	7th Seed - Connecticut College	2	
5:00	3rd Seed - Brown University	vs.	6th Seed - Long Island University	3	
Saturday, November 18, 2023				Game #	Score
10:00	Loser Game 1	vs.	Loser Game 2	4	
Noon	1st Seed - Princeton University	vs.	Winner Game 1	5	
2:00	Winner Game 2	vs.	Winner Game 3	6	
4:00	Loser Game 2	vs.	Loser Game 3	7	
Sunday, November 19, 2023			Game #	Score	
9:00	Loser Game 1	vs.	Loser Game 3	8	
11:00	Loser Game 6	vs.	Loser Game 5	3rd Place	
1:00	Winner Game 5	vs.	Winner Game 6	1st 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 win-loss records from Games 4, 7 & 8 determine places Fifth-to-Seventh

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Conference Championships (Eastern/CWPA/NWPC Championship: 1972-2022)		
Brown University	1981, 1983, 1984, 1985, 2014	
Harvard University	2016, 2017, 2019	
Princeton University	1992, 2004, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2018, 2021, 2022	





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Brown University (19-7, 5-4 NWPC) starts the Northeast Water Polo Conference Championship after taking Third Place during the regular season...The Bears faced the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (19-8 W, 16-11 W, 9-7 W), Long Island University (15-11 W, 18-9 W). Iona University (15-11 W, 15-10 W), Princeton University (15-9 L, 14-7 L), Harvard University (17-13 L, 14-13 L) during the year. The 19-8 defeat of MIT as a non-conference game...A five-time Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA)/ Eastern Champion (1981, 1983-85, 2014) and six-time runner-up (1978, 1982, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1990) prior to the formation of the NWPC, Brown will aim to bring home its first Northcrown...The 2016 NWPC Championship runner -up as Brown fell by an 11-7 score to Harvard at Princeton, the team placed Third in 2017 at Harvard following

Brown University

NWPC Regular Season: Third Place

Head Coach: Felix Mercado

Assistant Coaches: JJ Addison, Britt Connell, Alex Matal Joe Gallagher Los Altos Hills, Calif. 1A Kole Newman Santa Monica, Calif. 1B Ryan Miele Fr. Greenwich, Conn. 2 Mate Tymcyna Eger, Heves, Hungary Fr. Goran Narancic Fr. Zagreb, Croatia **Trey Rogers** Manhattan Beach, Calif. So. Filip Aleksic Belgrade, Serbia Isaac Fernandez-Lopez Fr. Pearland, Texas Thomas Hoffmeister Sr. Greenwich, Conn. Ladera Ranch, Calif. Ben Kirshon Jr. Daniel Hadar So. San Anselmo, Calif. 10 Jaxson Tierney Fr. Sierra Madre, Calif. 11 Ramiz Megalli Fr. Seattle, Washington 12 Theo Pliner London England Fr. 13 Ventura, Calif. Evan Moore Sr. 14 **Gabe Chang** Jr. Seal Beach, Calif. 17 Mike Winter Sr. Lafavette, Calif. 21 Roberto Serrano So. Guaynabo, Puerto Rico 22 Nick Berry Sr. San Anselmo, Calif. 23 Mac Berry Fr. San Anselmo, Calif.

So.

an 11-9 overtime loss to Princeton in the semifinals and an 11-9 defeat of St. Francis College Brooklyn in the Third Place tilt...In 2018 at home in Rhode Island, the Bears finished in Fourth Place as the team topped MIT (8-7 W) prior to suffering setbacks against Harvard (11-10 L) and St. Francis Brooklyn (13-9 L)...In 2019 at MIT, Brown defeated Iona (13-11 W) and fell to Princeton (16-10 L) before upending St. Francis Brooklyn (19-18 W OT SD) in the Third Place game...Due

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to COVID-19, the Bears did not compete during the 2020/Winter 2021 season...In 2021, the Bears defeated Iona (14-11 W), dropped a game to host Princeton (14-9 L) and escaped Harvard (15-13 W) to claim Third Place...Last year at home in Providence, R.I., Brown dropped Iona (20-7 W), suffered a setback against Princeton (12-7 L) and came up short versus Harvard (11-9 L) in the Third Place contest...If Brown wins the NWPC, the Bears have prior meetings against Fordham University (18-13 W, 16-7 L), Bucknell University (12-6 W) and George Washington University (13-9 W), along with other potential National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship foes Pepperdine University (22-10 L), Santa Clara University (18-15 W OT), University of the Pacific (13-12 L)

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San Diego, Calif.

Los Angeles, Calif.

The Camels of Connecticut College (2-19, 0-1 NWPC) enter the Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) Championship by holding a unique position for the event...Connecticut agreed to accept the No. 7 seed for the NWPC Championship once again and did not contest a full regular season docket of league games... The Camels did face the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (19-6 L), Iona University (23-7 L, 16-7 L), Long Island University (13-7 L, 14-11 L) and Brown University (16-5 L)... This marks Connecticut's third appearance at an NWPC Championship as the team previously competed in the MAWPC-West Region from 2016-to-2019...In 2021, the

Connecticut College

NWPC Regular Season: Seventh Place

Head Coach: Matt Anderson Assistant Coach: Hannah Ellett

Assistant Coach. Hannan Lifett				
1A	Sebastian Parilov	So.	Brooklyn, N.Y.	
1B	Isaac Merwin	So.	Houston, Texas	
2	Cormac Stevens	Fr.	Philadelphia, Pa.	
3	Grant Archer	Sr.	Miami, Fla.	
4	Carson Neidert	So.	West Palm Beach, Fla.	
5	Liam Merrill	Jr.	Glastonbury, Conn.	
6	Jeffrey Harringto	nFr.	San Diego, Calif.	
8	Jonathan Rojas	Jr.	Houston, Texas	
10	Siaki Nelson	Jr.	Montgomery, Texas	
12	Matthew Maisch	oss So.	Malibu, Calif.	
13	Ethan Hipsky	Fr.	Glastonbury, Conn.	
14	Jesse Ellis	Fr.	Fresno, Calif.	
15	Brevin Master	So.	Burlingame, Calif.	
16	Graham Stuart	So.	Carlisle, Mass.	
18	Cully MacPherson	n So.	Brooklyn, N.Y.	
19	Edwin Smilack	Fr.	Cambridge, Mass.	

Camels dropped games to Harvard University (21-10 L), Iona (15-7 L) and MIT (10-3 L) to take Seventh Place at Princeton University...Last year at Brown, Connecticut came up short versus Harvard (22-4 L), Iona (21-9 L) and MIT (19-7 L) to again place Seventh...Prior to joining the NWPC, Connecticut experienced a run of success in the former Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC)-West Region...The Camels defeated La Salle University (19-9 W) and Salem University (19-15 W) prior to falling to Mercyhurst University (11-8 L) in the inaugural MAWPC-West Championship title game at the Hallman Aquatics Center in Erie in 2016...At the 2016 MAWPC Championship hosted by Bucknell University, Connecticut fell to Bucknell University (24-4 L), Wagner College (18-6 L) and Mercyhurst (15-11 L) to place Eighth...At the 2018 MAWPC-West Championship hosted at Hallman, Connecticut fell to La Salle (13-11 L) and defeated Washington & Jefferson College (19-10 W) before suffering a 7-6 loss to McKendree University in the Fifth Place game...In 2018 at Hallman, Connecticut dropped a 13-7 game to Mercyhurst , topped Monmouth College (16-4 L) and edged Washington & Jefferson College (14-13 W OT) to claim Fifth Place...Connecticut finished in Sixth Place at the 2019 MAWPC-West Championship hosted at Hallman as the Camels fell to Mercyhurst (14-12 L), defeated Monmouth (17-8 W) and slipped

versus Washington & Jefferson (9-8 L)...Connecticut College head coach Matt Anderson will aim for his seventh postseason championship in an East Coast league (Collegiate Water Polo Association, MAWPC, NWPC) as he previously won four CWPA Women's 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 Championships...Anderson is one of four coaches in the championship with prior post-season championships as he joins Princeton University's Dustin Litvak, Harvard's Ted Minnis and Brown's Felix Mercado.



2021 and 2023 Northest Water Polo Conference (NWPC) Champion Princeton University (25-5, 9-1 NWPC) comes into the event's 2023 edition seeking to three-peat and earn a return to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship...Princeton won its first NWPC title in 2018 as the team downed Iona University (16-7 W), St. Francis College Brooklyn (9-7 W) and Harvard University (12-10 W) to win the NWPC crown...In 2019 at MIT, Princeton topped Brown University (16-10 W) but fell in the title tilt to Harvard (8-7 L)...In 2021 at home in the Garden State, the Tigers took down Brown (14-9 W) and St. Francis Brooklyn (9-6 for the NWPC crown...Last year at Brown, Princeton picked up 12-7 and 13-8 defeats of Brown and St. Francis Brooklyn, respectively, to repeat as NWPC Champion...Overall, Princeton has six previous league championships (1992 vs. Slippery Rock University; 2004 vs. St. Francis Brooklyn; 2009 vs. Navy; 2011 vs. Navy; 2015 vs. Johns Hopkins: 2018 vs. Harvard: 2021

Princeton University

NWPC Regular Season: First Place

Head Coach: Dusty Litvak

Assistant Coaches: Derek Ellingson, Savanah Phillips,

Huw Helman

Huw Helman				
1	West Temkin	So.	Alamo, Calif.	
1A	Kristof Kovacs	Fr.	Hodmezovasarhely, Hungary	
1B	Christian Hartch	Sr.	Greenwich, Conn.	
2	Luke Johnston	So.	Menlo Park, Calif.	
3	Vladan Mitrovic	Jr.	Novi Sad, Serbia	
4	Mason Killion	Jr.	Irvine, Calif.	
5	Roko Pozaric	Jr.	Zagreb, Croatia	
5	George Carsas	So.	Manhattan Beach, Calif.	
7	Will Garlinghouse	Jr.	Atherton, Calif.	
3	Pierce Maloney	Sr.	Los Angeles, Calif.	
9	Matej Sekulic	Sr.	Belgrade, Serbia	
10	Isaac Rotenberg	Jr.	Atherton, Calif.	
11	Alex Roose	Sr.	Mill Valley, Calif.	
12	Luke Hammarskjold	Jr.	Atherton, Calif.	
13	Tigran Sennett	Fr.	Johannesburg, South Africa	
14	JP Ohl	So.	Greenwich, Conn.	
15	William Swart	Fr.	Atherton, Calif.	
16	Gavin Molloy	Jr.	Old Greenwich, Conn.	
17	Yurian Quinones	Sr.	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.	
18	Rees Barnes	So.	Portland, Ore.	
19	Rayan Elahmadi	So.	Dallas, Texas	
21	Chris Armstrong	Sr.	Ocala, Fla.	
22	Aidan Bruno	Jr.	Coral Gables, Fla.	
23	Finn Lesieur	Fr.	Newport Beach, Calif.	
25	Daniel Rodriguez	Jr.	Philadelphia, Penn.	
26	Bhavan Aulakh	So.	Birmingham, England	
30	Logan McCarroll	So.	Laguna Beach, Calif.	

vs. St. Francis Brooklyn; 2022 vs. St. Francis Brooklyn) with seven runner-up marks by placing second in 2003 (vs. Navy), 2006 (vs. Navy), 2008 (vs. Navy), 2013 (vs. St. Francis Brooklyn), 2014 (vs. Brown), 2017 (vs. Harvard) and 2019 (vs. Harvard)...Princeton posted the programs 14th 20-win season this year as the Tigers previously racked up 20 or more wins in 1999 (22-3), 2000 (24-10), 2002 (20-9), 2003 (23-4), 2004 (25-6), 2005 (21-10), 2011 (23-10), 2013 (22-6), 2014 (23-4), 2015 (22-5), 2017 (22-6), 2021 (26-8) and 2002 (27-6) since becoming a varsity sport in 1996...Among the Tigers' bevy of 20-victory seasons, five have concluded with championship plaques (2004, 2011, 2015, 2021, 2022).



The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (11-13, 1-9 NWPC) is unique among the Northeast Water Polo Conference teams—the Engineers already hold a postseason bid as the Engineers won the 2023 Division III Eastern Championship at home in the Zesiger Center Pool on October 22 via a 12-8 defeat of Johns Hopkins University. The win guarantees MIT one of four spots at the USA Water Polo Division III National Championship slated to be hosted at Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill...The Engineers have faced Connecticut College (19-6 W), Brown University (19-8 L. 16-11 L. 9 -7 L), Long Island University (13-12 L, 14-8 W), Princeton University (14-7 L, 16-11 L), Iona University (13-10 L, 11-10 L) and Harvard University (20-4 L, 17-11 L)...At the NWPC Championship, MIT has never finished higher than fifth place in part due

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

NWPC Regular Season: Fifth Place

Head Coach: Austin Ringheim

Assistant Coaches: Craig Cheney, Kale Rogers,

Matt Orton, Scott Stephens

	Matt Or	ton, Scot	t Stephens
1	Colin Weaver	Sr.	Huntington Beach, Calif.
2	Adam Ivatorov	So.	Rockaway, N.Y.
3	Luke Apostolides	So.	Greenwich, Conn.
4	Alexander Freedline	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
5	Bo Tignol	Gr.	Antwerp, Belgium
6	Kusk Khamesra	So.	Portland, Ore.
7	Richard Yun	Jr.	Irvine, Calif.
8	Jack King	Jr.	Los Altos, Calif.
11	Evan Kowal	Sr.	South Pasadena, Calif.
12	Matthew Price	Fr.	Johannesburg, South Africa
13	Jackson Kay	Fr.	Palo Alto, Calif.
14	David Keller	So.	Long Beach, Calif.
15	Andras Beleznay	Fr.	Delray Beach, Calif.
21	Kunal Rajadhyax	Fr.	Vernon Hills, III.
22	Kieran Kearns	Fr.	Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.
23	Victor Perez	Fr.	Key Biscayne, Fla.
24	Rick Lundh	Fr.	Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.
25	William Ewald	Fr.	Greenwich, Conn.

to Iona...In 2016 at Princeton, the Engineers fell to Harvard (14-8 L) prior to taking a 9-8 sudden death overtime loss to Iona in the Fifth Place game...In 2017 at Harvard, MIT slipped versus Brown (9-4 L) and suffered a loss to Iona (10-9 L OT) to finish sixth...At the 2018 championship hosted by Brown, the host Bears engineered an 8-7 defeat of MIT before the Engineers felled Iona (16-11 W) to take fifth place...Host MIT dropped a 10-8 game to St. Francis Brooklyn before upending Iona by a 16-6 count to claim fifth place at the 2019 NWPC Championship hosted in Cambridge...In 2021 at Priceton, MIT fell to St. Francis Brooklyn (12-5 L), defeated Connecticut

College (10-3 W), but again lost the Fourth Place game to Iona by an 11-7 count...Last year at Brown, the Engineers dropped a 17-8 game to St. Francis Brooklyn, turned back Connecticut by a 19-7 score and came up short against Iona, 11-7, to take home Sixth Place...An 11-time CWPA/Eastern Championship qualifier, MIT placed 10th (2014), Eighth (2004, 2012), Seventh (2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2015) and Sixth (2003, 2010) prior to the creation of the NWPC and Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC).



The Crimson of Harvard University (23-3, 9-1 NWPC) enters the Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) Championship tournament seeking to return to the top of the NWPC...The threetime (2016, 2017, 2019) NWPC Champions, the Crimson will aim to get back to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship in 2023...In 2016, the Crimson downed the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) (14-8 W), upended host Princeton University (14-13 W) and bested Brown University (11-7 W) at DeNunzio Pool in Princeton, N.J. to claim the inaugural NWPC Championship on the way to a Fourth Place finish at the 2016 NCAA Championship...Harvard had never won a league championship and previously advanced to a league title tilt just once since records were first

Harvard University

NWPC Regular Season: Second Place

Head Coach: Ted Minnis

Assistant Coaches: Jackie Puccino, Jacob Castro,

Cory Olcott

1	Tanner Furtak	So.	San Diego, Calif.
1A	Oliver Price	Fr.	La Jolla, Calif.
2	Tyler Zarcu	Jr.	Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.
3	Owen Hale	Sr.	El Segundo, Calif.
4	Colin Le	Sr.	Redondo Beach, Calif.
5	Mason Hunt	So.	Newport Beach, Calif.
6	Gabe Putnam	Sr.	Clovis, Calif.
7	Mot Stothart	Jr.	Barcelona, Spain
8	James Rozolis-Hil	l Jr.	Huntington Beach, Calif.
9	Bradford Dickson	Fr.	Imperial Beach, Calif.
10	Vilas Sogaard-Sril	krishnan	Fr. Greenwich, Conn.
11	Cam Dougherty	Sr.	Naperville, Ill.
12	Jacob Tsotadze	Fr.	Menlo Park, Calif.
13	Alex James	Jr.	Burlington, Ontario
14	Rishi Mohan	Jr.	Dallas, Texas
15	Alexandru Bucur	Sr.	Sierra Madre, Calif.
17	Kaleb Archer	Sr.	Clovis, Calif.
18	Jack Burghardt	Fr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif.
19	Cyrus Symington	Fr.	Paradise Valley, Ariz.

kept in 1972...In 1972, the Crimson reached the Eastern Championship (which later became the Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Championship), but fell to longtime Ivy League archrival Yale University...It marked the first of two consecutive league crowns for Yale...In 2017 at home in Blodgett Pool, Harvard downed Iona University (16-7 W), St. Francis College Brooklyn (9-7 W) and Princeton (12-11 SD OT W) to claim the program's second consecutive league title and

NCAA berth...In 2018 at Brown, Harvard won the regular season title, but missed out on becoming the first Ivy League institution to claim three consecutive league titles in men's water polo since Brown achieved the feat from 1983-to-1985. The Crimson defeated the host Bears (11-10 W), but suffered a 12-10 setback in the title game against Princeton...In 2019, Harvard topped St. Francis Brooklyn (15-9 W) and Princeton (8-7 W) at MIT in Cambridge, Mass., to win the program's third NWPC crown...This year, Harvard has previously faced Princeton (17-11 L, 14-13 W OT SD), Long Island University (16-6 W, 23-7 W), Iona (15-10 W, 19-10 W), MIT (20-4 W, 17-11 W) and Brown (17-13 W, 14-13 W)...The Crimson missed out on the No. 1 seed for the championship based on a tiebreaker of goal differential during Harvard's two games versus Princeton.





The Gaels of Iona University (12-15, 5-6 NWPC) will seek to do something the program has never previously accomplished by reaching the title tilt of a championship tournament...The Gaels join Long Island University as the only programs at the Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) Championship to never play in a championship (Division II, Division III, Eastern Championship, Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC), Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA), etc.) title game...The Gaels previously faced Connecticut College (23-7 W, 16-7 W), Brown University (15-11 L, 15-10 L), the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (13-10 W, 11-10 W), Harvard University (15-10 L, 19-10 L), Long Island (13-11 W, 18-16 L) and Princeton University (16 -9 L) this year...In the history of the NWPC Championship, the Gaels have experienced a consistent trend...In 2016

Iona University

NWPC Regular Season: Fourth Place

Head Coach: Brian Kelly

Assistant Coaches: Patrick Judge, Joe Przekota,

Greg Judge

	Greg Jud	age .	
1	Aleksandar Slavk	ovic So.	Belgrade, Serbia
1A	Diego Gomez	Sr.	San Juan, Puerto Ric
1B	Orlando Hernand	lez Fr.	East Palo Alto, Calif.
2	Jayden Arana	Fr.	Freeport, Texas
3	Zachary McAlliste	er-Sim Fr	. Auckland, New Zealand
4	William Harringto	on Jr.	Costa Mesa, Calif.
5	Sean Mulcrone	Fr.	Chicago, III.
6	Schuylre Newber	g So.	Gilbert, Arizona
7	Trippe Bauman	Sr.	Annapolis, Md.
8	Matthew Mischli	ch So.	Houston, Texas
9	Luksa Vlasic	Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
10	Luka Nastic	Jr.	Belgrade, Serbia
11	Edward Howanie	c Jr.	Orland Park, Ill.
12	Andrew Miller	Sr.	Richmond, Texas
13	Coby Scanlon	So.	Orlando Park, Ill.
14	Christian Stecco	Fr.	Perry Hall, Md.
15	Jack Folan	Sr.	Park Ridge, Ill.
17	Edward Imm	Jr.	Cincinnati, Ohio
19	James DiSalle	Sr.	Toledo, Ohio
21	Robert Freece	So.	Lansdale, Pa.
23	Rastko Jevdjovic	So.	Belgrade, Serbia

at the inaugural NWPC Championship hosted by Princeton, the Gaels fell to St. Francis Brooklyn (13-2 L) and topped MIT in sudden death overtime (9-8 W) in the Fifth Place game...In 2017 at Harvard, Iona fell to the host Crimson (16-7 L) and again felled MIT (10-9 OT W) in overtime for Fifth Place...In 2018 at Brown, Iona fell to Princeton (16-7 L) and MIT (8-7 L) to garner a sixth place finish...In 2019 at MIT, Iona slipped versus Brown (13-11 L) and MIT (16-6 L) to claim another sixth place finish...During the COVID-19 impacted 2020/Winter 2021 season, Iona competed in the Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) in three games versus the United States Naval Academy (19-6 L) and La Salle University (19-15 L, 15-11 L)...In 2021 at Princeton, the Gaels faced Brown (14-11 L), Connecticut (15-7 W) and MIT (11-7 W) to take Fifth Place...Last year at Brown, Iona stumbled against Brown (20-7 L) before turning back Connecticut (21-9 W) and MIT (11-7 W) to again place Fifth...The New York metropolitan area has a history of league

championship titles as St. Francis College Brooklyn (2005, 2010, 2012, 2013) and former varsity program Queens College (1997, 2002) previously captured CWPA/ Eastern Championships, while Fordham University is the two-time (2021, 2022) defending Mid-Atlantic Water Polo Conference (MAWPC) champion.



Long Island University will compete in the program's first Northeast Water Polo Conference (NWPC) Championship field after finishing 7-21, 1-9 in NWPC action...The Sharks have previous meetings with Princeton University (14-6 L, 16-8 L, 22 -7 L), the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (13-12 W, 14-8 L), Brown University (15-11 L, 18-9 L), Harvard University (16-6 L, 22-7 L), Iona University (13-11 L, 18-16 L) and Connecticut College (13-7 W, 14-11 W) during the 2023 regular season...A quartet of graduate students/transfers dot

Long Island University

NWPC Regular Season: Sixth Place

Head Coach: Gabby Juarez

ı	1	Ethan Zirh	Gr.	Sydney, Australia
	1A	Liam Schlosser	So.	San Rafael, Calif.
	2	Logan Morgan	So.	Camarillo, Calif.
I	4	Riyad Shehadeh	Sr.	Nicosia, Cyprus
I	7	Charlie Downey	So.	Sherman Oaks, Calif.
I	8	Josep Jodra Munoz	Jr.	Barcelona, Spain
I	9	Karl Lovett	Gr.	San Ramon, Calif.
I	10	Sam Odenkrik	Jr.	Santee, Calif.
I	13	Ben LeClair	So.	Orlando, Fla.
I	14	Tony Franco	Fr.	Miami, Fla.
	15	Anthony Guana	Fr.	Lodi, Calif.
	17	Gavin Garett	So.	San Bernardino, Calif.
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the Long Island roster as former Wagner College Seahawks Ethan Zirh and Karl Lovett are joined by prior St. Francis College Brooklyn Terriers Riyad Shehadeh and Josep Jodra Munoz...A firstyear team has never won a Northeast Water Polo Conference or Collegiate Water Polo Associa-

tion varsity championship in the program's inaugural season of competition...The Sharks' seven wins this year have come against Washington & Jefferson College (15-9 W), Whittier College (13-9 W), Mercyhurst University (14-9 W), Fresno Pacific University (12-10 W), Connecticut and MIT...Head coach Gabby Juarez is believed to be among three women coaching men's water polo teams joining Colleen Lischwe at McKendree University and Alana Burgess at Wheaton College (Mass.).



