



Intramural Sports Roundup FOR THE RECORD

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Men's Basketball Champion

Future Legends of Boyden

Since their crowning as the champion of the fall holiday basketball tournament, **Future Legends of Boyden** have worn a target on their backs as the team to beat in the 2009 men's intramural basketball season. **L.O.X.** assembled a squad full of athleticism and talent and vowed to challenge the early favorites. Cruising through the regular season, both powerhouses posted undefeated records while not giving opposing teams a significant chance of smelling success. As the regular season wound down, the friendly rivalry between **Future Legends** and **L.O.X.** began to heat up as they openly bantered about meeting in the championship. Being set on opposite sides of the men's playoff bracket, the framework was set to showcase this much-anticipated match-up. **Future Legends** seemed to take their foot off the gas, winning in the first two rounds of the playoffs without displaying their usual dominance. **L.O.X.** seemed to be hitting their stride and outscored their opponents 127-36 in their opening two rounds. However, in the following round, **L.O.X.** faced a scare from a fearless **Rim Jobs** team which held the lead until the final minutes of a thriller. **L.O.X.** utilized their relentless full-court press and clutch sharp shooting from leader Daniel Francois to pull ahead in overtime to prevent the upset. Both teams buckled down late in the playoffs to confidently charge into the final to put the bantering to rest. As the game tipped off,

Future Legends quickly jumped to a 9-3 lead while forcing three early turnovers. **Future Legends'** point guard Octavious Hawkins led his team in the first half while **L.O.X.'s** Donald Davis did not allow his squad to fall too far behind by contributing 10 points, including a three-point play the old fashioned way for the 34-30 **Future Legends** halftime lead. **L.O.X.** refused to back down in the second half while staying in **Future Legends'** rearview mirror. Taking advantage of Hawkins's foul trouble, Davis's two free throws and Francois's three-pointer pulled **L.O.X.** to within two points at 42-40 with 12 minutes left to play. Ryan Bjorn and Michael Maresca led **Future Legends** on a 7-0 run before Hawkins returned to the court. As the 3-minute mark approached, **L.O.X.** seemed to panic and force shots. **Legends** used their gritty defense and efficient offense to score 12 of the last 14 points scored on the way to a 54-42 final tally. **Future Legends of Boyden** solidified their legacy as one of the finest squads in recent UMass intramural history. *Ramim Bhuiya*

Future Legends of Boyden: Ryan Bjorn, Joshua Burke, Roland Claudomir, Adrian Dennis, Daniel Drucker, Octavious Hawkins, Michael Maresca, Justin McCarthy, Daniel Smith, Evan Violette

L.O.X. (Living Off Experience): Calvin Belfon, Donald Davis, Daniel Francois, Michael Garcia, Charles Koech, Eugene Montague, Danielson Tavares, Brandon Thorpe



Women's Basketball Champion

The Terminators

In the women's final, **The Terminators** and **Team Buckettes** emerged from a competitive bracket to duel for the coveted championship. **The Terminators** staked themselves an early 7-0 lead with the help of a hot start from freshman Aira Lei Dungca who dropped the game's first five points. Dungca would finish with 7 points, 3 rebounds, 4 steals & 5 assists. **Team Buckettes** quickly recovered from their slow start as sophomore sharpshooter Paige Kelley nailed a three-pointer from the top of the arc to make it a four-point game. Kelley would finish the night 3-5 from beyond the arc & do her best to keep **Team Buckettes** in the game. At the half, **The Terminators** led 14-13 in what looked to be an exciting second half. However, **The Terminators** would have none of that, as they went on a ten-point run and did not allow **Team Buckettes** a single point in the first seven minutes of the half. Senior Arianna Burke led all scorers with 11 points, 10 rebounds & 4 assists to record the double-double as **The Terminators** cruised through much of the second half en route to a 33-21 victory. *Joshua Nadreau*

The Terminators: Mary Kate Bradley, Arianna Burke, Madeleine Cochet, Aira Lei Dungca, Meredith Herdter, Melissa Karlen, Kathryn Keefe, Emily Vartabedian, Sarah Warren

Team Buckettes: Erika Bourdon, Alyssa Cooke, Paige Kelley, Shonneau Lippett, Stephanie Miller, Meghan O'Malley, Carolyn Romano, Maria Rougeau, Alyssa Rousseau

Co-Rec Basketball Champion

Tune Squad

The co-rec championship featured **Ballas** versus **Tune Squad**, both undefeated in their respective leagues and with two playoff victories. Scoring was minimal for both teams with only a 3-2 score after six and half minutes. Paige Kelley scored the three points for **Tune Squad** while Rachael Doyle added the bucket for **Ballas**. Doyle & Christy MacDonald provided excellent defense in the paint for **Ballas**, snatching rebounds and forcing hard shots for **Tune Squad's** Melissa ten Napel & Michella Marino. The defenses continued to dominate and the score remained 11-7 at the half. In the 2nd half, ten Napel and Kelley showed their muscle in the paint by preventing easy **Ballas** scoring and second chances at the basket. After the **Ballas** got a quick basket by MacDonald to make it a two-point game, **Tune Squad** went on a 14-0 run, including nine points from Nick Privitera, to open up the score to 25-9 with nine minutes to go. **Tune Squad** never looked back, despite not scoring again until 1:20 left in the game and allowing **Ballas** to climb to within six points at 25-19. In the end, defense prevailed for **Tune Squad** as they captured the championship with a 28-19 final score. **Ballas'** MacDonald lead all scorers with 19 points. With balanced scoring, **Tune Squad's** Privitera lead the way with 9 points and Kelley, Marino, and Liz Rosseel chipped in with key baskets.

Matthew Lee

Tune Squad: Ramim Bhuiya, Paige Kelley, Jennifer Krawiec, Michella Marino, Nicolas Privitera, Elizabeth Rosseel, Aron Tensae, Melissa ten Napel, Natacha Vautier

Ballas: Nicholas Celularo, Katelyn DiCristofano, Rachael Doyle, Kerianne Flavin, Jeremy Laverdiere, Christy MacDonald, Lauren Mackay, Timothy Rogacz, Jennifer Swick

Wallyball Champion

Smashed

It would take three games to decide this year's wallyball champion, an exciting matchup between **Party Planning Committee** and **Smashed**. It appeared that **Party Planning** was going to run away with the first game when they jumped to an 11-4 lead. After losing serve, **Smashed** closed the lead to 11-9. **Party Planning's** Dan McComb and Jeff McPherson were instrumental over the next several points for **Party Planning's** 18-17 lead. The teams alternated serve nine times before **Party Planning** sealed the deal in the first game 20-17. Game two belonged to **Smashed**. With great team play and excellent returns from Sun Jae Song, they started fast with a 14-4 lead. **Party Planning** showed some fight, but **Smashed** held on to win the second game 20-13. Game three featured long rallies and little early scoring. With the game tied at three, **Smashed** broke the **Party Planning** serve to snatch momentum. **Smashed** went on auto-pilot to win the next 17 of 22 points. Contributions from each player and several unforced errors from **Party Planning** easily secured game three 20-8 for **Smashed** & the wallyball championship.

John Poole

Smashed: Atanas Gizdov, Sun Jae Song, Michael Spiro, Rojay Wagner

Party Planning Committee: Matthew Grazewski, Daniel McComb, Jeffrey McPherson, Thomas Orszulak

Sports Trivia Champion

Bruso & Galicia

Who was the 1st QB to throw 30 touchdown passes in one season? What franchise has played in the most NBA finals since 1947? What year was the WNBA's inaugural season? These and other questions were posed to

contestants in the sports trivia contest. In the end, **Mark Bruso** & **Tyler Galicia** bested last year's team champion, **Corey Dineen** & **Paul Mohringer**, to take 1st. Bruso & Galicia amassed 48 points of a possible 57. Dineen & Mohringer's 2nd place score of 44 bested 3rd place finishers, **William Fogerty** & **Michael Porciello**.

Answers to trivia questions above:
Johnny Unitas, Los Angeles Lakers, 1997

Campus Recreation recognizes & congratulates these intramural officials who were selected to work the basketball championship games:

Brian Cole
Nicolas Corcoran
Matthew Medney
Kyle O'Brien
Matthew Perry
Kara Pinsky
Andrew Pomfret
Michael Sullivan
Melissa ten Napel

Campus Recreation recognizes and congratulates the following basketball officials who officiated at regional tournaments as part of the NIRSA National Campus Championship Series: **Ramim Bhuiya**, **Jennifer Krawiec**, **John Poole** and **Kara Pinsky** at Boston University and **Matthew Lee** and **Joshua Nadreau** at the University of Maryland.

Jennifer Krawiec was selected All-Tournament official and received an officiating bid to the NIRSA NCCS National Basketball Championships in Hoop City, Detroit at the men's Final Four.