

Regionals 2025: “Bummed :(”

Going into the weekend, we had grand intentions of Nationals glory and competition. We knew that we were going to face a stacked set of teams, but our scouting and intense preparation had us feeling ready. Unfortunately, things don't always go as planned, and we missed out on Nationals this year. We will be back better than ever next year, looking to avenge our losses and get new wins.

To start our weekend, we faced Boston College, a solid team of athletic players. However, our superior throws, cuts, and lockdown defense were able to apply intense pressure and generate frequent goal-scoring opportunities. Jem, in particular, took advantage of this, bringing in 3 goals for a well-deserved hat trick. We managed to secure a clean 15-4 victory, and it was a great feeling to run our sets and get the first win under our belts.

Our next game came against Vermont on the showcase field for the chance to win our pool. We knew that UVM would be one of our biggest competitors at Regionals, and we wanted to assert our dominance early on. In the beginning, we got off to a slow start, getting broken twice. Despite this, we showed our fighting spirit and resilience, with our O-line shoring things up, and our D-line getting some massive breaks thanks to a huge sky from Karl over two defenders (in addition to a layout D) in front of his home crowd, and great offensive baking by Adrian and Eli. We were able to transform a 6-7 deficit to an 11-7 lead, energizing the whole team and allowing us to bring in a huge win.



Next up was an incredibly important crossover game against Northeastern, which would decide which side of the bracket we would end up on. We got off to an early lead, with our scouting report dictating our game plan. This contributed to smart defense and clean offense, and we executed early to take an 8-6 lead into halftime. Unfortunately, the second half was a different story, as their staunch defense and surprising playmaking put all of our lines under pressure. Sadly, despite some heroic possession-saving bids from Nolan, Jason, and Oscar, we failed to convert our own break chances and took a tough 14-12 loss.



For our last game of the day, we were up against McGill in quarters. Fired up after our loss (and wanting to continue our earlier season dominance), our energy immediately led to some quick breaks, including a full field huck from Ryan to Aayush, who expertly boxed out multiple defenders. Teo facilitated the offense with some perfectly thrown hucks, making many of our O points very easy. We held on at the end for a 15-12 victory. Going home after McGill, pumped that we were able to beat them despite the highs and lows of the day, we rested our legs and prepared ourselves for the day to come tomorrow. We also enjoyed two crucial team cultural events: celebrating Nolan's birthday with cake and showing *Survivor* to Jake.

Come Sunday, we faced our first challenge against UMass. A solid competitor, we recognized the difficulty of beating UMass, but also that we could secure our bid to Nationals by beating

them. Regrettably, these nerves seemed to get to us a bit, and despite great energy, we were on the wrong end of an early break train. Recognizing that we wanted to prepare for our coming games, we decided to spend the rest of the game working on our sets and making sure that we were as well prepared as possible.

In the first of two games we needed to win to earn our ticket to Nationals, we faced up against Vermont in a game to be remembered. Sadly, due to lingering effects of the weekend of tough competition, we fell to an early three-goal deficit. Knowing that we could rally and had done so before, thinking back to the day before when we played Vermont and were faced with an early deficit, Jack tried to set the tone, getting a massive backfield layout block leading to our first break. This fantastic defensive playmaking was continued by Eli, getting a definitive layout catch-block on the goal line, and spectacular defensive pressure by Adrian. However, as the game wore on and we both traded holds, with the finish line quickly approaching, we summoned the 'Babadook' and punched in two critical late-game breaks. Yet, we summoned the Babadook a bit too late, and tragically, all of a sudden, we found our season over.

Ironically, following our heart-rending loss, we had to play McGill in our last game of the season. While we still held ourselves to the standard of 'always compete', it was nice to have one last game with our seniors. Fun deep shots were put up and after putting on our senior line to close out the game, we won several points later.

Despite the sad results from this weekend ending our season, it still remains clear that we came a huge way this season. Both on and off the field, BMo grew as a team and improved significantly. While we will miss dearly the times we could have spent together at Nationals, we are thankful for the times we did get to spend together.



We will truly miss our graduating seniors this year, thank you all for everything you have given to the team, and we loved being teammates with you all. Patrick, you amaze us with your storytelling ability and constant banter, and are apparently the “#1 hand-on-disc block getter” according to Jake; Caleb, you held the team together with your amazing organizational and leadership skills, and always made us laugh in conversations; Teez, your personality is electric and your great vibes will be missed, as well as your hard work on the field; Luca, your incredible leadership and game-sense has contributed a huge amount to the team’s development throughout your career; Andy, your ability to bring people together and make us all laugh, in addition to your ball-knowledge will be missed dearly; Noah, your intensity on the field and fun spirit off the field have been a great addition to this team; Oscar, your grit and determination impresses us and has pushed our team so far. We hope you all will stay in touch!



Everyone signed the team flag. Please write in to tell us who has the coolest signature.