

# TOP 25 SENIOR ATHLETES



## ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

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Each year, the Sun chooses the top athletes from each class. Below are the 25 best seniors as selected by the members of the Sun's Sports Department. In addition, the Sun has named several honorable mentions.

### Courtney Farrell Women's Lacrosse



The question should be what has Courtney Farrell not done in her four-year career? Farrell's most obvious accomplishment is breaking the Cornell women's lacrosse record for most points in a career. With one game remaining in her career, Farrell has tallied 210 points, surpassing the previous record of 204. Along the way to that distinguished mark, she eclipsed the record for career assists and assists in a single season. Last year, she came within two points of tying the record for points in a single season. Without question, she is one of the most productive lacrosse players in Cornell history, and would have been a very good choice

for Athlete of the Year.

### Topher Scott Men's Hockey



Scott has been a fan favorite, and a face of the men's hockey team since netting an overtime game-winner against Clarkson in the second round of the ECAC Playoffs his freshman year. He played in all 137 possible games he could have in his four years at Cornell while accumulating 107 total points. This year, serving as a co-captain, Scott set a career high in points, with 30, and goals, with 10. Listed at 5-6 in the Media Guide, Scott has spent the second semester of his senior year playing with the Elmira Jackals, and will look to break in with an NHL team sometime in the future.

### Jenn Meunier Softball



Meunier has been Cornell's version of Jenny Finch the past four years. She compiled 17, 17 and 19 wins in each of her four seasons with a cumulative ERA of 2.22 —

hard numbers to top. But Meunier did just that, as she was nearly unhittable most of the season. Going into the final weekend of play, Meunier sported a sparkling 1.63 ERA and a nearly unblemished 19-1 record. Although she got touched up a bit, she finished the season with 20 wins and a 2.17 ERA. The 20 wins were good enough to tie her for best in the Ivy League, although she had 10 fewer appearances than her co-leader. Meunier's four-year dominance made her one of a few players who were in consideration for Athlete of the Year.

### Jenna Campagnolo Softball



Campagnolo hit 20 points better than the next best batter in the Ivy League. Campagnolo didn't hit for average, despite finishing at .423. She also swatted 10 home runs, drove in 51 base runners and collected 112 total bases, all second best on the team. Perhaps

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## Maduka Makes Mark On Cornell

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It's a breed of athletes that gets rarer and rarer as you ascend to the upper echelon of sports: the two-sport athlete. It's easy for children to play both tee-ball and soccer when they're five years old, but maintaining skills in two sports gets harder as the competition gets older and bigger. In the uncommon occurrence that one finds a two-sport athlete in collegiate athletics, it's almost guaranteed that he or she is an athlete of exceptional caliber, and Jeomi Maduka, the Sun's Athlete of the Year for 2008, is no exception.

Maduka competes in women's basketball and track, and to say that she excels in both would be an understatement. She led the basketball team in scoring, rebounds and steals and recently qualified for the Olympic A-trials in long

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Rox my sox | Jeomi Maduka (45) excels at basketball and track.



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Number of times that the men's lacrosse team has experienced Slope Day.

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## M. Lax Skips Slope Day to Play Hobart

By Yael Borofsky  
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Far away from Libe Slope and the debauchery known as "Slope Day," the men's lacrosse team will be

experiencing Hobart's version of a college celebration spectacle. Tonight, the Red will sum up its regular season by participating in the first night game ever held at Boswell

Field hosted by the Hobart Statesmen.

There is a lot on the line for both Cornell and Hobart. For the Red, this match-up could be the deciding factor in their bid to play in the postseason.

Winning this weekend will arguably be the most important step in the team's quest to make it back to the Final Four at Gillette Stadium. In addition, head coach Jeff Tambroni will be returning to his alma mater and the setting where he played college lacrosse.

"If we lose this game there is a very large possibility that we won't be in the postseason," said senior John Glynn. "This is a must-win. The playoffs started for us last week against Brown, so we just have to keep continuing to win."

The Statesmen are also playing for a possible shot at the postseason however there is

more on the their minds than just a regular season win. Next year, the Statesmen will make the leap from a

because they have the chance to make the playoffs if they beat us," Glynn said.

Division 1 to a Division 3 program. For the players on the squad this season, they will be coming in to this game intent on proving that no matter the division, they are a formidable lacrosse squad. The Red expects Hobart to come out to play and hold nothing back.

"I know a bunch of those guys aren't happy about that decision so I know they are going to come out flying,

To add to the competitive pressure, the Hobart crowd is expected to present in full force and excited to watch two upstate rivals compete under the lights. The Red will not only be combating for a playoff spot but working to maintain

focus amidst the uproar of a crowd known for heckling the visiting team. Facing one of the most competitive games in its regular sea-

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Old MacDonald had a stick | Andrew MacDonald (13) sees the ball well in the Red's 11-7 win over Brown at Schoellkopf Field last Saturday.