The Babson Swim Team had a good season winning their last 5 meets and finishing the year with an eight and five record.

The team was characterized all season by their hard work and a never say die attitude. Babson faced their strongest opposition early on in the year, and after eight meets they were 3-5, however, the swimmers neither quit nor lost their confidence. Babson finished the regular season going 5-0 beating Norwich, St. Michael's, Southeastern Mass., Colby, and Bridgewater. This end of the year winning streak earned Babson the right to participate in post-season play where they swam strong in the New England's and the National's.

Coach Rick Echlov's team was led by senior tri-captains Jamie Walsh, Mike Thomann and Paul Cuneo. These athletes were instrumental in Babson's success this season. Other strong performers for the Beavers this season were Doug Tobiasion — breaststroke, Billy Sullivan who swam in every race except the butterfly and was undefeated and Mike Weissman who was a strong performer all year.

by Rick Teel
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The 1984-85 season has been one full of ups and downs for the Babson Hockey team. Early in the season, it was doubtful that the Beavers would even reach the playoffs let alone be invited to participate in another National Tournament. With at least ten freshmen filling the ranks, not much could really be expected.

Everyone seemed to forget, though, about the returning lettermen who, only one season earlier, had savored the sweet taste of victory. It was the leadership of these veterans that guided, what turned out to be, an exceptionally talented group of freshmen through the rough transition from high school to college hockey.

Before long, Babson was once again threatening the league and found itself in a battle for first place. The Beavers firmly established themselves and remained among the top three teams in the league for the final three-quarters of the season. Unfortunately, they peaked one game too soon and suffered a heartbreaking loss in the championship game of the ECAC Tournament.

Salt was added to the wound in the playoffs of the NCAA Tournament. There is not much to be said about the loss of the two-game series in which Babson dominated play in five out of the six periods. Both tournaments were truly reflective of the luck Babson had all season. It always seemed to be there when they were up by three, but never when they were down by one.

Some personal highlights help illustrate the team’s hard work. Fran Murray’s 200+ career points made him team MVP and put him in second place on the all-time scoring list. Tom Sasso, a freshman, led the entire team in total points. He will surely make a run at
the record in his next three years. Last but not least, goalie Keith Houghton received All-American honors and has had offers to continue his career as a professional player.

by Joseph Puskarich