All eyes are on home plate, as another Babson player is up to bat.

Okay pitcher, let's see what you got, I'm ready.

MVP Gary Raphael
BASEBALL

The 1988 Babson Baseball team finished up with a disappointing record of 13-15. In the first half of the year the team was 10-5 and had a legitimate shot at the ECAC tournament. The season began with a come-from-behind victory over Warner Southern College of Florida with late inning heroics from shortstop Ian Baxter. The team went on to sweep Husson College and Colby College in doubleheaders. After the games against Colby the team lost its number one hitter, Jeff Ewing, to a shoulder injury in a game against Clark University. Ewing was hitting .417 at the time and was sorely missed in the second part of the year.

The demise of the Beavers began with consecutive losses to Bryant College and Newport College. The squad rebounded and beat Tufts University, in extra innings, behind Dennis Fritchman's strong pitching performance. After the Tufts game Babson went on to lose the last five games of the season despite having 7-0 leads twice.

With six starting freshmen on the team, the team looks good for the future. Only the co-captains Gary Raphael and Chris Squire, both pitchers, will be lost to graduation. Jeff Ewing led the team in hitting with a .417 average and Jeff Robinson finished second at .304. John Hanewich had a good year catching and led the team in RBI's with 22. Lead off hitter Joe Barrett led the squad with 11 stolen bases and 27 walks.

Mike Barra had the best ERA at 3.33, for the pitchers. MVP Gary Raphael led the staff in wins with 4, while Dennis Fritchman was tops in strikeouts with 42 in 37 innings.

What could have been a great year turned out to be just an average one for Babson. The club suffered some key injuries and lacked in depth because of it. However, the 13 wins the team recorded were the most ever by a Babson Baseball team. The squad has the potential to make it to post season play in the near future, due to the young talent and their great desire to win. The Beavers are fast becoming one of the better Division III teams in New England.

Mel Allen

△ Catcher John Hanewich warming up.

◆ Team members congratulate each other for a job well done.
△ Have patience ... the ball will be here any minute!
△ Out by a long shot
△ Kevin McLaughlin throwing the ball to home plate.
You're out-a-here!!

Gary Raphael on the mound
Babson's Bionic Man in action!

Coach, I've got a boo-boo on my elbow
MENS’ SOCCER

The mens’ soccer team opened the 1987 season with four victories in their first five games, including three shutouts in a row. The Beavers improved their record to 7-2-2, with a 2-0 Homecoming win over the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. However, four losses in a row took Babo out of contention for a post-season tournament. The Beavers did rebound to finish the season on a positive note with a 2-0 triumph over WPI. Coach Jon Anderson closed the ’87 books with eight wins, six losses, and two ties.

Frank Millerick

MVP Paul Ostberg
After a shaky start, the women's soccer team ended their year in strong fashion. Two key injuries to co-captains Jenn Gottberg and Julie Doscher hurt Babson's chances of a .500 season. However, they were able to win five of their last seven games to finish the year with a 7-9-0 record. Included in the victories was a 1-0 win over Wheaton College in the New Eight Conference quarterfinal playoffs. Babson eventually lost to Smith College in the semifinals.

Frank Millerick

1987 WOMENS' SOCCER TEAM

MVP Jenn Gottberg
Julie Doscher along with a teammate are ready to compete with their opponent.

Outrunning a competitor to the ball is Lisa Fragola.

Jenn Gottberg kicks the ball to a teammate.

BABO's defense is able to knock the ball away from our net.

Julie Zybk runs down the field with the ball.
This is not the time to slam dance!
Babo takes the lead

Ozzie in motion!
Peter Gardner blocks the ball
The look of determination
Watch out SMU 'cause I'm a comin' through!

Woody on the attack!
Should I kick the ball, or trip the girl?