

Trinity Athletics Mission

Athletics contributes to the overall educational experience at Trinity College by providing comprehensive and varied athletic programs to all students. The Physical Education/Athletic Department is committed to the following:

* An elective physical education program for all students that stresses good health, physical fitness, and life-time sport activities.

* An intramural program that encourages students of varied abilities and skills to participate in a wide range of recreational athletic activities.

* Club sports that offer students the opportunity for intercollegiate competition in a less-structured environment.

* A vigorous, equitable intercollegiate men's and women's sports program that strives for achievement and excellence with an emphasis on the health and personal development of the student-athlete.

Trinity College embraces intercollegiate athletics as an educational experience that is an integral component of the academic mission of the College. Additionally, we pursue a competitive level of athletic excellence for each student-athlete and seek national achievement. We provide the necessary resources for each sport to assure equity in programs and to promote and facilitate high levels of performance. The College attracts a diverse group of student-athletes who will contribute academically, athletically, and socially to the life of our campus. Our athletic staff conducts all programs in an ethical manner in accordance with goals of the New England Small College Athletic Conference and the National Collegiate Athletic Association. We expect our student-athletes, as representatives of the College, to exhibit the highest ethical standards on and off the playing fields.



2008 Thanksgiving Tournament Champions

College Information

Founded in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1823, Trinity College (www.trincoll.edu) is an independent, nonsectarian liberal arts college with over 2,200 students from 44 states and 28 countries. It is home to the eighth-oldest chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in the United States. Trinity students integrate meaningful academic and leadership experience at all levels on the College's celebrated campus, in the capital city of Hartford, and in communities all over the world.



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Wes Vesprini '11



TRINITY COLLEGE Men's Ice Hockey



**2008 NESCAC Champions,
NCAA Quarterfinalists**

Men's Ice Hockey at Trinity

Recruiting

The Trinity Men's Ice Hockey program is committed to continuing its rich tradition of success. The NESCAC conference is considered one of the strongest hockey conferences in all of Division III. To be competitive in our league we are looking to attract the brightest and most talented players. Recruiting is approached on a national and international level by our coaching staff to help our program remain as one of the best in the country. Our players are highly motivated, focused, and extremely passionate about the sport of hockey. The coaches strive to create an environment that will allow our players to excel in the classroom, on the ice, and as leaders on our campus. Trinity has an extremely supportive faculty with an outstanding curriculum and resources. Our players are encouraged to reach their full potential in all aspects of their college life. Our team's primary objective at Trinity is to develop the balance of a true student-athlete.



Rick Hollistein '10

Philosophy

The players and coaches associated with the hockey program at Trinity are equally passionate and competitive about the sport of hockey and what it takes to become a great player. We believe in striving to be the best in the classroom and on the field. Our coaching staff creates an environment filled with high energy and enthusiasm in practice, conditioning and year-round athleticism. Practices are designed to be structured, challenging, and fast paced. We believe in mastery of fundamental skills and an intelligent and methodical approach to the game. Our goal is to be the best we can possibly be individually, collectively, and ultimately as a highly competitive team. Outside of hockey practice our players are committed to a year-round strength and conditioning program. The players work directly with one of our certified strength and conditioning coaches. The goal of our coaching staff is to enhance our skills, athletic ability, and knowledge of the game to compete at the highest level of Division 3.

2008-09 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
NOV. 21	AMHERST*	7 P.M.
NOV. 22	HAMILTON*	3 P.M.
Nov. 29	Wesleyan at Connecticut College#	1 pm
Nov. 30	Amherst/Conn. at Conn. College#	1/4 pm
Dec. 5	at Babson*	7 pm
Dec. 6	at Mass.-Boston*	3 pm
DEC. 9	WESLEYAN*	7:30 P.M.
Dec. 29	Becker at Assumption!	12:30 pm
Dec. 30	Assumption/JWU at Assumption!	12:30/3:30 pm.
JAN. 9	SOUTHERN MAINE*	7 P.M.
JAN. 10	SALEM STATE*	4 P.M.
Jan. 16	at New England College*	7:30 pm
Jan. 17	at St. Anselm*	4 pm
JAN. 20	SALVE REGINA	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 23	NORWICH*	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 24	ST. MICHAEL'S*	3 P.M.
Jan. 30	at Williams*	7 pm
Jan. 31	at Middlebury*	3 pm
FEB. 7	TUFTS*	7 P.M.
FEB. 8	CONNECTICUT COLLEGE*	4 P.M.
Feb. 13	at Colby*	7 pm
Feb. 14	at Bowdoin*	4 pm
FEB. 20	SKIDMORE*	7 P.M.
FEB. 21	CASTLETON STATE*	3 P.M.
Feb. 28-Mar. 8	NESCAC Championship Tournament	Mar. 2-23
	NCAA Division III Championship Semifinals/Finals	

Schedule and Facilities

Trinity College is committed to the success of our athletes and the facilities associated with the needs of our competitive athletics program. Ferris Athletic Center is home to our state-of-the-art fitness facility, which includes free weights, squat racks, platforms, and Cybex equipment that our players utilize in our strength program. In addition we have a large number of cardiovascular machines, including 10 stationary bikes, eight treadmills, seven elliptical, and three steppers. In addition to our fitness center, Ferris contains an eight-lane swimming pool, two regulation basketball courts, 10 international squash courts and a field house that contains a 1/10th mile track and space for indoor practice if needed. Trinity Hockey practices and plays its home contests at the Albert C. Williams '64 Rink located in the Koepfel Community Sports Center directly on campus. The KCSC opened its doors in November 2006 and is a multi-purpose athletic facility. It features a state of the art 200 x 90' ice arena that provides opportunities for faculty, students, and staff to collaborate with the community through academic and athletic mentoring programs.



Head Coach **David Cataruzolo**, a 1998 graduate of Bowdoin College, enters his second season as Trinity men's ice hockey coach, after beginning a new era last winter with a 16-11-2 season, a NESCAC Championship title, the second NCAA Championship win in the team's history, and a spot in the NCAA

Division III Quarterfinals. In his 11th year at the College, including eight as associate head coach, Cataruzolo has helped guide Trinity to unprecedented heights over the last decade including eight consecutive NESCAC Tournaments, two league titles, three trips to the NCAA Division III Championship Tournament, and an NCAA Final Four appearance in 2005. Three Trinity players have been named to the American Hockey Coaches Association (AHCA) Division III All-American Team in the last four years under Cataruzolo's tutelage.

Cataruzolo coached the Bantam forwards and served as the program's recruiting coordinator from 1998 to 2007, after a fine playing career as an ice hockey and baseball star at league rival Bowdoin. Captain of both teams as a senior, Cataruzolo earned All-NESCAC honors in each and is a member of both Bowdoin's 100-point club on the ice (126) and 100-hit club (128) on the diamond. Also 13-3 as a pitcher for the Polar Bears, Cataruzolo served as an assistant baseball coach at Trinity from 1999 to 2001, and 2005, helping that team to the NCAA Tournament in three of those seasons and to the NCAA Division III World Series in 2005.

Cataruzolo, who earned a master's degree from Trinity in public policy in 2001, is a member of the American Hockey Coaches Association. He is heavily involved in USA Hockey, coaching the New England District Selects at the 14-year old and 16-year old levels. Originally from Watertown, Mass., Cataruzolo currently resides in Granby, Conn., with his wife, Courtney.

Long-time assistant coach **Paul Davidson**, a Montreal native, was an outstanding defenseman for Clarkson, where he graduated in 1969 with a degree in engineering. Davidson has coached the defensemen since 1970, developing many fine blue-liners during his tenure.

Matt Greason, a 2002 Trinity graduate and former captain of the Bantam hockey squad, joins the staff in 2007-08. Greason earned All-NESCAC honors in both ice hockey and golf during his playing days at Trinity, and added All-New England accolades on the ice. He comes to Trinity after assisting at the prep school level at both Kent School and Kingswood-Oxford School for the last five seasons.