# **Coaching Staff**



### Jamie King Head Coach

Jamie King is in his 13th season as head men's squash coach and director of racquet sports at Hamilton College. King was selected the 2012 NESCAC Coach of the Year by his peers, and Martin Bawden '14 was an all-conference second team pick for the second year in a row. Three squash studentathletes made the 2011-12 NESCAC Winter All-Academic Team.

Hamilton ended up 20th in last season's final College Squash Association (CSA) rankings after the CSA team championship. King guided the Continentals to a second consecutive Summers Cup consolation bracket title at the CSA team championship in 2010. Hamilton finished the season with 11 wins and was No. 21 in the final CSA rankings.

Hamilton received the prestigious Sloane Award for team sportsmanship at the 2010 CSA Team Championships. The Continentals also received the honor in 2008. The award is voted on by the coaches and is presented to the team that best displayed the highest level of sportsmanship during the season. King is the first individual to receive the award as a player (as captain of the 1984 Williams College team) and as a coach.

Hamilton won two out of three matches at the 2008 CSA Team Championships, and finished with its highest ranking under King at No. 19. He guided Hamilton to a career-best 13 victories in 2006-07. In 2008-09, John DeWitt '09 made the NESCAC all-conference team.

King's Hamilton men's squash teams have won 111 matches. The Continentals earned the 2002 Bill Barhite Award, which goes to the most improved team in the CSA. Hamilton finished 2001-02 with a 10-9 record after it went 2-16 the year before. The Continentals finished third in the Conroy Division at the 2002 CSA Team Championships and was second in 2003.

King played varsity squash, tennis and soccer at Williams. He was the squash team captain for two seasons. When King was a senior, Williams posted a 20-2 record and was ranked third in the nation. He graduated with a degree in political science and American studies. King earned his master's in sociology of sport from Skidmore College.

## **Dan Jonas**

#### Assistant Coach

Dan Jonas is in his fourth season as an assistant coach for the Hamilton College men's and women's squash teams. Jonas was a co-founder, captain and No. 1 player for his club team at Brown University.

Jonas' Brown program was ranked as high as 17th while he played there, and later achieved varsity status. He played high school squash at Germantown Friends School in Philadelphia. He graduated magna cum laude from Brown and went on to graduate cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania's law school.

# **Program Overview**

Two-time NESCAC all-conference selection Martin Bawden '14 leads Hamilton College men's squash into 2012-13. Hamilton lost two of its top three players from last season, including Alex Wood '12, who finished his career tied for second place on the program's all-time wins list. But 2012 NESCAC Coach of the Year Jamie King should find a way to replace the graduated seniors and build on the seven victories from 2011-12. The Continentals won two of three matches at the 2012 NESCAC Championships, defeated Wesleyan University in the first round at the College Squash Association (CSA) team championships and ended last season at No. 20 in the CSA rankings. Ronald German '13, Harry Keeshan '13 and Lyman Munschauer '13 are the seniors on the roster.

In 2009-10, the Continentals captured the Summers Cup "C" Division consolation bracket title at the CSA team championships for the second straight year. Hamilton won 11 matches and finished the season ranked 21st by the CSA. The Continentals extended their streak of consecutive seasons with 10 or more wins to six. Hamilton also received the Sloane Award for team sportsmanship for the second time in three seasons.

The Continentals were first given the prestigious Sloane Award at the 2008 CSA Team Championships. The award is voted on by the coaches and is presented to the team that best displayed the highest level of sportsmanship during the season. Coach King is the first person to receive the award as a player (1984 as Williams team captain) and as a coach. Hamilton went on to win two of three matches and finished third in the Summers Cup bracket.

The Buff and Blue have launched themselves into the upper half of the college squash rankings in recent years. In 2007-08, Hamilton wrapped up the season ranked 19th, which is the team's best performance in 12 years under King. The Continentals won the 2002 Bill Barhite Award, which goes to the most improved team in the CSA. After a 2-16 record in 2000-01, Hamilton went 10-9 and took third place in the Conroy Cup at the 2002 CSA Team Championships. The Continentals were the Conroy runners-up the following year. Hamilton brought home the Conroy team trophy in 1996.

Hamilton has experienced some individual success during the program's long history, which dates back to 1980. Elias Hassanali '91 was an All-America selection after the 1988-89 season. Hassanali won 17 out of 20 matches and led the Continentals to a 14-5 record. The 14 wins still stand as the team record for most in a season. John DeWitt '09, who is the career leader with 48 victories, made the 2009 NESCAC All-Conference Team.

Hamilton often travels during winter break for training trips so the players can go to places they have never seen before. A January 2010 training trip took the team to Washington, D.C., for six days. In 2009, the team spent a few days in the Cayman Islands. The Continentals visited Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif., for several days in January 2006. Eight years ago, the team traveled overseas for a week-long stay in the city of Amsterdam. Hamilton took advantage of the opportunity to play a number of European club teams and participated in intense training sessions.

## **All-Time Results**

#### History

1980-1981: 6-11	1996-1997: 9-10
1981-1982: 11-4	1997-1998: 6-12
1982-1983: 4-11	1998-1999: 6-11
1983-1984: 7-9	1999-2000: 4-10
1984-1985: 5-10	2000-2001: 2-16
1985-1986: 9-5	2001-2002: 10-9
1986-1987: 6-8	2002-2003: 7-8
1987-1988: 4-9	2003-2004: 8-10
1988-1989: 14-5	2004-2005: 11-9
1989-1990: 4-13	2005-2006: 12-12
1990-1991: 5-10	2006-2007: 13-12
1991-1992: 11-11	2007-2008: 10-11
1992-1993: 11-10	2008-2009: 12-11
1993-1994: 11-9	2009-2010: 11-15
1994-1995: 11-12	2010-2011: 8-15
1995-1996: 7-16	2011-2012: 7-13

#### **All-Time Record**

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ins	NESCAC
	All-Conference
48	
47	2011-12
47	Martin Bawden '14
47	2010-11
45	Martin Bawden '14
44	2008-09
42	John DeWitt '09
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## **Student-Athlete Profiles**

Harry Keeshan Senior Greenwich, Conn. Brunswick School



Won 24 matches and earned three varsity letters in his career. **2011-2012:** Recorded six wins at the fourth position. ... Won his last five matches.

2010-11: Won seven matches at the second through fourth positions ... Selected to NESCAC all-sportsmanship team ... Won two of three matches at the NESCAC Championships. 2008-09: Fifth on the team with 11 wins at fifth through seventh positions ... Recorded one victory at NESCAC championships ... Earned two wins at the CSA Team Championships ... Recorded wins in four of last five matches.



Martin Bawden Junior Short Hills, N.J. Pingry School

Won 12 matches and earned two varsity letters in his career. 2011-12: Named to NESCAC all-conference second team ... Selected to NESCAC

all-sportsmanship team ... Tied for second on the team with nine wins ... Played 17 of 20 matches at the second position ... Won two matches at the NESCAC Championships ... Won four of last five matches. **2010-11:** Named to NESCAC all-conference second team ... Competed at the first position in 22 of 23 matches ... Played in the CSA Individual Championships at Dartmouth College.

Teddy Black Sophomore Bala Cynwyd, Pa. The Loomis Chaffee School



**2011-12:** Recorded five wins at the third through fifth positions ... Won two matches at the NESCAC Championships.

# **Hamilton Facilities**

Hamilton College's home courts are in the **Little Squash Center**, named for Jeff Little, a member of the Class of 1971.

The center opened in the fall of 2006 and features 10 regulationsize squash courts, including two with exhibition gallery seating.



The men's squash team takes advantage of the

Charlean and Wayland Blood Fitness and Dance

**Center**, opened in 2006. The Center includes a large, glassenclosed aerobic/cardio training area that overlooks Steuben Field; two rooms for resistance and weight-training; a three-story, 39-foot climbing wall, and a dance studio that can be transformed in 10 minutes from working studio to performance space. Spinning classes are held on a group of bikes located on the second level cardio mezzanine overlooking the main aerobic/cardio area.



# Student-Athlete Perspectives

"I have been grateful for every aspect of my Hamilton squash experience. The team is very fortunate to have a world-class facility in the Little Squash Center and we enjoy the competition that comes from being in the NESCAC. However, the most rewarding part of the program is the relationship you develop with Coach King and your teammates. Kinger is a great mentor of the game, and is committed to developing a player and a team that values competitiveness, camaraderie and sportsmanship."

-Brett Morell '10

"The team at Hamilton has been the closest I've played on. Any disappointments or grudges that arise from frustrating challenge matches quickly dissipate as we group together to battle other schools. Hamilton squash is simply a fun, hard-working program."

-Alex Wood '12

"I've had a great time with Jamie King and the squash team. The team has a great work-hard, play-hard mentality which is a testament to both the guys and Jamie. We have a great time, but always know what is expected of us on the court."

-Jono Peters '10

# Hamilton Opponents

Hamilton College squash plays against tough competition every year. The Continentals compete in the New England Small College Athletic Conference and their non-conference schedule includes some of the best programs in the country. NESCAC and 2012-13 non-conference opponents are listed below, along with preseason 2012-13 College Squash Association rankings. Hamilton began the season at No. 20.

NESCAC members: Non-conference opponents:

#12 Williams College #14 Middlebury College #18 Colby College #21 Amherst College #22 Connecticut College #4 Cornell University #11 St. Lawrence University #13 Navy #24 Stanford University #25 Hobart College #30 Northeastern

# **About the NESCAC**

Founded in 1971, the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) is a group of eleven highly selective liberal arts colleges and universities that share a similar philosophy for intercollegiate athletics. The Conference was created out of a concern for the direction of intercollegiate athletic programs, and remains committed to keeping a proper perspective on the role of sport in higher education.

The formation of NESCAC originated with an agreement among Amherst College, Bowdoin College, Wesleyan University and Williams College first drafted in 1955. Along with these four institutions, Bates College, Colby College, Hamilton College, Middlebury College, Trinity College and Tufts University are sustaining charter members. Connecticut College joined in 1982, bringing the Conference's membership to its current total of 11 institutions.

NESCAC members believe intercollegiate athletic programs should operate in harmony with the educational mission of each institution. The Conference is committed to establishing common boundaries to keep athletics strong but in proportion to the overall academic mission of the member institutions. In pursuit of this mission, the Presidents of each NESCAC institution control intercollegiate athletic policy. Conference tenets are usually more restrictive than those of the NCAA Division III with regard to season length, number of contests and post-season competition.

NESCAC institutions also believe athletic teams should be representative of the entire student body. Thus, admissions and financial policies are consistent with the NCAA Division III policies that prohibit athletic scholarships and award financial aid solely on the basis of need.

In 1999, the NESCAC formally became a playing conference and now sponsors 26 conference championship sports (13 for men and 13 for women). Member schools offer extensive and broad based intercollegiate as well as club and intramural opportunities for both men and women. With member institutions sponsoring an average of nearly 30 varsity programs, NESCAC provides more than 7,500 opportunities for participation in intercollegiate competition at the Division III level. Teams and individuals have achieved great success on both a regional and national level. During the 2011-12 academic year, 55 teams participated in NCAA team championships. NESCAC student-athletes claimed 21 individual national championships and NESCAC teams won three national team championships.

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