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## 1993 Maine Softball Alphabetical Roster

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** - Co-Captains  
* - Returning letterwinners

**Head Coach:** Janet Anderson (Maine, 1968)  
**Assistant Coach:** Lynn Coutts (Maine, 1987)

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**Back row standing from left to right:** Lynn Coutts, Kris Gorman, Nikki Lovell, Cindy Harrington, Kristin Steele, Deb Smith, Paula Linder, Janet Anderson. Middle row kneeling: Sharon Dupuis, Lisa Swain, Lauren Moore, Sandy Smith, Nancy Deshane, Kelly Dow, Judy Collins. In front sitting: Tenley Libby, Angel Gamache, Laurie LeBlanc, Mary Campbell.

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**On the cover:** Sophomore shortstop Kris Gorman makes the play.  
**On page 1:** Junior Angel Gamache makes the play from second against Vermont.
Black Bear Facts

Location: Orono, Maine 04469
Founded: 1865
Enrollment: 12,165
President: Dr. Frederick Hutchinson
Director of Athletics: Michael Ploszek
Faculty Representative: Dr. George Jacobson
Nickname: Black Bears
Colors: Blue and White
Facility: Lengyel Field
National Affiliation: NCAA Division I
League Affiliation: North Atlantic Conference

Head Coach:
Janet Anderson (Maine '68)
Career Record: 221-242 (12 yrs.)
Assistant Coach:
Lynn Coutts (Maine '87)
Team Trainer: Paula Linder
Equipment Manager: Sharon Dupuis
Softball Office Phone: (207) 581-4065

Assoc. AD for Compliance:
Linwood Carville
Assoc. AD for Intramurals and Recreation:
Dave Ames
Assoc. AD for Academic Support:
Margaret Zillioux
Asst. AD for Internal Operations and Finance:
Anne McCoy
Assoc. AD for External Affairs and Development:
Michael Palisi

Sports Information Director:
Matt Bourque
Office: (207) 581-1086
Home: (207) 866-0307
Fax Number: (207) 581-3297

Captains: Nikki Lovell, Tenley Libby
Players Ret./Lost: 9/6
Starters Ret./Lost: 6/2
1992 Record: 16-18
League Record: 4-2

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The University of Maine

The University of Maine, located in Orono, is the largest campus in the statewide university system. There is plenty of open space on its 1,200 acres, where students are offered the diversity and the challenge of a large university in an invigorating atmosphere of a small college. The campus at Orono is in a classic New England setting, located 10 miles north of Bangor, Maine’s third largest city. The region is conveniently located close to ski slopes, outdoor recreation areas and the beautiful Maine coastline.

The University, with a variety of exciting and challenging course opportunities, offers an outstanding faculty. Baccalaureate degree programs are offered through eight colleges: Applied Sciences and Agriculture, Arts and Humanities, Business Administration, Education, Engineering and Technology, Forest Resources, Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences. The campus houses the expansive Raymond Fogler Library and a number of respected research facilities to give the student an excellent learning environment.

Students from 45 states and 74 countries studied at the University last year, and more than 20 percent of the total enrollment of 12,165 is admitted from outside the state of Maine.

Student activities at the University create an important balance between the classroom experience and the personal life of the individual scholar. There are seven scholastic honor societies, four non-scholastic honor societies, 22 departmental honor societies, 56 associations, clubs and organizations, and six religious groups. Twelve fraternities and seven sororities have chapters in Orono. In short, a variety of opportunities exists for students, both academically and socially, outside the classroom. The Maine Center for the Arts, host to concerts, comedy, theatre, recitals and other popular entertainment, is located on campus and features nationally and world renowned entertainers.

The University offers its students, the community and the state an outstanding athletic tradition. Several Black Bear teams have excelled to regional and national prominence.

Included on Maine’s athletic staff is a full-time academic coordinator responsible for closely monitoring the progress of each of the 600 varsity student-athletes. Coaches also monitor and advise their student-athletes, frequently holding meetings specifically to discuss academic situations. Study halls and special tutorial sessions are scheduled daily as a way to enhance the learning process. This support and close scrutiny has been a significant reason the overall grade point average of student-athletes has been higher than that of the general student body. The primary goal of the University and the athletic department is to see each individual reach his or her academic potential.

The recreation and intramural department offers organized competition in a number of events throughout the year. Students can participate in a variety of sports from basketball, softball and soccer to water polo, mountain bike racing and broomball. Open facilities are also available to students for informal play. Maine’s 19 Division I athletic teams entertain more than 100 intercollegiate events on campus each year. The University offers students a wide spectrum of opportunities to enhance the overall college experience.
JANET ANDERSON  
Head Coach

Janet Anderson enters her 13th season as the head coach of the Black Bear program. Anderson has posted a career record of 221-242, including two Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference titles in the last eight years (1985 and 1987).

The veteran coach has inspired tremendous growth in the softball program at Maine, particularly over the last six years. In 1984, Anderson instituted a two-week spring trip to Florida which has continued since that time.

During this southern trip Maine faces some of the finest teams in the country to prepare the Black Bears for their tough New England schedule.

Anderson, who earned a bachelor’s in education in 1962 from Wayne St. College in Wayne, Neb., and a master’s in education in 1968 from Maine, was also the head volleyball coach at Maine for nine years until the program was dissolved. At that position, she recorded a career record of 218-59.

Anderson teaches volleyball skill and softball coaching classes at the University of Maine. She resides in Bradley.

LYNN COUTTS  
Assistant Coach

Entering her third season as an assistant, Lynn Coutts is a 1987 Maine graduate. She earned her bachelor of science degree in physical education with an emphasis in fitness and health.

Coutts is no stranger to the Black Bear program; she played four years under coach Anderson. She holds school records in the following categories: most innings pitched in a career (544.3), most strikeouts in a season (152) and career (318), and most victories in a season (18) and career (41). As a senior, she was named to the 1987 ECAC All-Star team and the 1987 All-New England team. In addition, Coutts was selected to the 1987 NCAA Northeastern All-American second team.

Coutts also works at the Old Town YMCA as a Health/Fitness specialist. Originally from Shawville, Quebec, she now resides in Bangor and is married to Mike Coutts, assistant head baseball coach at the University of Maine.

Nikki Lovell  
Co-Captain  
Senior  
First base  
Bangor, Me.

Received the 1992 Maine Golden Glove Award as the team’s best defensive player... consistency, attitude and leadership are her strengths... played for coach Lisa Richards at Bangor HS... lettered three years... an all-around athlete who also lettered in basketball and soccer... captained basketball and soccer teams her senior year... a PVC First Team All-Star in soccer as a senior... she enjoys basketball and listening to music... an elementary education major... born 9/29/70... daughter of Mark and Nora Lovell.

Tenley Libby  
Co-Captain  
Senior  
Outfield/Shortstop  
Warren, Me.

A natural athlete and an aggressive leader at the plate and in the field... quick and accurate as an outfielder... played for coach Pat Cross at Medomak Valley HS... captained the team for two years with a .450 batting average as a senior... a two-year All-Star... MVP in 1987... a three-year MVP in soccer... enjoys reading, biking and art... plans to pursue a coaching and teaching career... an education major... born 1/30/69... daughter of Douglas and Patricia Libby.

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Mary Campbell
Senior
Pitcher
Montague, PEI

A determined player... working hard for a great 1993 season... senior year should be her best... played for coach Richard Fraser at the Canada games... Junior Female Athlete of the Year for Prince Edward Island in 1988... Eastern Canadian Championship top pitcher in 1988... Provincial and team MVP 1988-89... enjoys weightlifting and tennis... a health fitness major... born 11/27/71... daughter of Louis and Helen Campbell.

Nancy Deshane
Freshman
Outfield
Bangor, Me.

Possesses a work ethic that will make her a better player in the future... played for coach Bob McCarthy at John Bapst Memorial HS... named captain and MVP her senior year... given the Coach's Award her junior year... enjoys sailing and writing... a mass communications/broadcasting major... born 4/2/74... daughter of Henry and Barbara Deshane.

Kelly Dow
Freshman
Catcher
Holliston, Mass.

Has the skills to excel as a hitter and behind the plate as a catcher... will be an impact player her first year for the Black Bears... played for coach Debra Guenther at Holliston HS... named captain of the team and given the Slugger Award her senior year... led the league in hitting with a .678 batting average her senior year... also led the league in RBIs with 46... played soccer and basketball as a three-time league all-star... an elementary education major... born 12/13/73... daughter of Leonard and Barbara Dow.

Angel Gamache
Junior
Second base
Lisbon Falls, Me.

An aggressive player who plays a vital role in Maine's defense... has improved her hitting and will be counted on for hits and runs... played for coach Charlene Bennett at Lisbon HS... 1990 Class B State Champions... Mountain Valley Conference Champs 1988-90... and Western Maine Champs 1990... Mountain Valley All-Star in softball 1988-90... Western Maine All-Star in softball and soccer... enjoys working with children... an elementary education major... born 9/14/72... daughter of Daniel and Phyllis Gamache.

Kris Gorman
Sophomore
Shortstop/Catcher
Dracut, Mass.

A competitive player who has all the tools to become one of the best shortstops in Maine's recent history... named 1992 Co-Rookie of the Year for the Black Bears... played for coach Dana Morrill at Dracut HS... captained the team as a senior... 1990 Boston Globe All-Star... Merrimack Valley Conference Champions 1989-90... All-Conference Player 1989-91... recorded a 17-2 record, 122 strikeouts and a 0.272 ERA as a pitcher... batted .308... a sociology major... born 2/2/73... daughter of Harry Gorman and Susan Belfonteine.

Cindy Harrington
Sophomore
Pitcher
Lexington, Mass.

Named Maine's 1992 Co-Rookie of the Year... will be a dominant force for Maine in 1993... gained valuable experience as a starter in her first season... played for coach Laura Lasa at Lexington HS... captain her last two seasons... Middlesex League Champs and Division I North finalists in 1991... 1991 Boston Globe Division I Player of the Year... struck out 402 with an ERA of 1.01 and a record of 47-20 over her four-year career... 1991 Boston Herald and 1990 Boston Globe All-Scholastic Team... three-time League All-Star... a speech pathology major... born 7/26/73... daughter of Leo and Carolyn Harrington.
Player Profiles

Laurie LeBlanc
Freshman
Outfield/2B
Madison, Me.

Will add depth to the outfield... her quickness allows her to cover ground defensively and beat out the infield hit... played for coach Colin Campbell at Madison Area Memorial HS... a member of the Class C State Championship Team... lettered all four years in high school... enjoys sports, dancing and spending time with family and friends... a social and behavioral sciences major... born 9/23/74... daughter of Neil and Lisa LeBlanc.

Lauren Moore
Freshman
Outfield
Rockland, Me.

Works hard to develop her skills... her quickness on the bases will keep other defenses off balance... played for coach Ed Mazurek at Rockland District HS... a Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference All-Star for two years... Courier Gazette All-Star three-time selection... Rockland MVP her senior year... a bio-resource engineering major... born 9/15/73... daughter of Cindy and Richard Leonard.

Deb Smith
Junior
Pitcher
Munnsville, N.Y.

Voted by Maine coaches as the Black Bear MVP for 1991 and 1992... considered one of the region's top Division I pitchers and players... played for coaches Jennifer Foulett and Thad Lawrence at Stockbridge Valley Central HS... two-year captain... NY State Class D Champions 1989-90... pitched 17 no-hitters... a CCL League All-Star 1988-90... also a volleyball and soccer standout... a physical education major... born 2/26/72... daughter of Dale and Joanne Smith.

First Year Player

Sandy Smith
Sophomore
Outfield
Rockland, Me.

Possesses great foot speed... will be a threat on the bases... works hard at her sport... played for coach Ed Mazurek at Rockland District HS... a Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference first-team selection for twostraight years... a Courier Gazette All-Star for two years... lettered three years for the Tigers... captained the team her junior and senior seasons... also played field hockey and basketball at Rockland... a health fitness major... born 4/23/73... daughter of Leo and Ann Smith.

Kristin Steele
Junior
Third base
Gill, Mass.

Bear's top contributors for 1993... named Maine's 1992 Most Improved Player... played for coach Sandy Hayward at Northfield Mount Hermon... captain her senior year... 1990 Girls Softball Award winner... played varsity soccer and captained the ice hockey team... coaches youth soccer and teaches baseball in her summers... a natural resources major... born 7/28/72... daughter of Raymond and Anna Steele.

Lisa Swain
Junior
First base/DH
York, Me.

Loves to hit... will be a constant threat at the plate... plays a vital role in Maine's offense... Black Bears' 1991 Most Improved Player... played for coach Rob Butler at York HS... captain as a senior... State Champions in 1988-89... batting average of .361 and fielding average of .984... knocked in 40 runs... also captained field hockey and basketball... received the 110% Award in basketball... a business administration major... born 1/30/72... daughter of Marvin and Debbie Swain.

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Maine went 9-13 during its spring trip to the Rebel Games in Ocoee, Fla., and at the South Florida Pepsi Classic in Tampa. There, the Black Bears won four consecutive games over Valparaiso, Robert Morris, Southeast Missouri State and Evansville. Maine ended on a positive note by beating Winthrop College, 7-3, after falling to nationally-ranked Iowa and Hofstra.

Like many teams, the Black Bears suffered numerous game postponements or cancellations because of poor weather. Maine posted a 7-3 record in the regular season, after returning to the Northeast.

In its first game back from Florida, Maine edged last year’s Division III runner-up Eastern Connecticut State, 2-1. Maine took the second game as well in a 6-1 decision. From that point, the Black Bears split doubleheaders with Boston College and NAC opponents Boston University and Drexel. The Black Bears swept the series with Delaware by scores of 4-3 and 5-0.

Maine’s Kim Reed led the conference in batting. As a team, Maine was atop the conference in fielding percentage.

Deb Smith and Mary Campbell finished second and third, respectively, for ERA in the conference. Junior outfielder Tenley Libby was named NAC Player of the Week for the week of April 5.

The NAC Tournament saw Maine drop out in just two games of the double-elimination affair. Boston University and Drexel, two teams which Maine split doubleheaders with during the regular season, each accounted for one of Maine’s losses. The Terriers defeated the Black Bears 1-0 and the Lady Dragons ousted Maine by the score of 4-1.

Pitcher Deb Smith and catcher Kim Reed were named to the North Atlantic Conference All-Tournament Team.

Lisa Swain was named All-Conference first team, in the designated hitter slot, for her .412 batting average in conference play. Reed and Smith were named to the second team as catcher and pitcher respectively.

The Black Bears finished at 4-2 in regular season conference play, good for second place behind Drexel.
The 1993 Season Outlook

The 1993 season is the second year of softball in the North Atlantic Conference. Boston University, the University of Delaware, Drexel University, the University of Hartford and the University of Vermont join the Black Bears in hopes of attaining one goal: to win the NAC Championship.

Position by position, the Maine team has more experience to rely upon than in the recent past. With one NAC First-Team All-Conference player and two NAC Second-Team All-Conference players returning, the Black Bears should have the talent it takes.

If the emphasis placed on hitting and aggressive base running in the preseason pays off, Maine will produce more, offensively, than last season.

The defensive side of things looks to be solid with all infielders from 1992 returning, as well as all three pitchers from a year ago.

The Battery

Pitching coach Lynn Coutts will have three returning pitchers in the circle for the 1993 campaign. Senior Mary Campbell would like her final season to be her best at Maine. Junior Deb Smith, Maine’s 1991 and 1992 MVP, and sophomore Cindy Harrington, 1992 Co-Rookie of the Year, will give additional depth to this year’s pitching staff.

Catching chores will be handled by first year player Kelly Dow (Holliston, Mass.). An outstanding high school receiver, Dow is a very talented ball player. She has the skills to become one of the best catchers in New England.

The Infield

Experience is the key between the bases. All of the infield players from the 1992 team return as veterans for 1993. At first base is 1992 Golden Glove recipient, senior co-captain Nikki Lovell. Also seeing action at first will be junior Lisa Swain. The middle infield will be handled by the double-play duo of junior Angel Gamache, at second base, and sophomore Kris Gorman, at shortstop. Junior Kristin Steele, the 1992 Most Improved Player, will anchor the hot corner. Steele is a challenge to every opposing hitter from her third base spot.

The Outfield

The outfield will be anchored by senior co-captain Tenley Libby in center field. Swain will see action in the outfield along with first-year player Laurie LeBlanc (Madison). These three players have the ability to take away the long hits and keep the base runners from scoring. Maine will look for major contributions from sophomore rookie Sandy Smith (Rockland) and from first-year players Nancy Deshane (Bangor) and Lauren Moore (Rockland).

Black Bear Offense

During the preseason, major time contributions have been given to the area of hitting. At the plate, Maine wants to be aggressive and disciplined. With nine returning players in the lineup, the Black Bears expect to see solid contact that will provide Maine with an exciting offense. Included in Maine’s returning line-up is junior Lisa Swain.

Last year, Swain finished first in the NAC with a batting average of .412 in conference games.

Once on base, the Black Bears will be more aggressive as base runners. Everyone will be after the extra base whenever possible.

1993 Schedule

Maine’s schedule offers a variety of competition this year. The 22-game Florida trip will be a challenge to the team’s endurance.

The southern swing will test the Maine team and prepare the Black Bears for North Atlantic Conference competition in April.

This year, the conference tournament will include all six teams in a double-elimination format. Delaware was chosen as the host of the 1993 tourney.

The ECAC playoff teams are determined by a committee. The strength of a team’s schedule and its record (.500 and better) are among the criteria to be considered for a school to receive a bid to the tournament.

The Black Bears will face talented Division I teams such as St. Louis University, Temple University, the University of Illinois-Chicago and Indiana State.

Last year, the inaugural season for softball in the North Atlantic Conference, Maine finished second with a 4-2 record, during regular season play. The Black Bears failed to get past the second game of the double elimination tournament. This year, Maine hopes to fare much better.

The 1993 season is looked upon by the coaching staff and players with great anticipation. Maine starts nine players with a year or more of playing experience. When you complement this with exceptional rookie players, everything points to success for the Black Bears this season.
## 1992 Maine Softball Results

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Junior Kristin Steele returns to anchor the hot corner for the Black Bears.

Junior pitcher Deb Smith was named to the All-Conference Second Team last season.
1992 Maine Softball Stats

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Games Played  
Season 46 by Angel Gamache*, Mel Harris, Nikki Lovell*, Dorothy MacMichael, Deb Smith*, Kristin Steele* '91  
Career-155 by Michelle Duprey '87

Most At-Bats  
Season 166 by Denise Boutin '86  
Career-394 by Michelle Duprey '87

Most Runs Scored  
Season 35 by Kim Reed '89  
Career-93 by Tina Ouellette '87

Highest Average  
Season-.513 by Cathy Woodhams '79  
Career-.404 by Cathie Macklin '79

Most RBI  
Season 29 by Denise Boutin '87  
Career-57 by Susan Goulet '87

Most Doubles  
Season 12 by Kim Reed '89  
Career-27 by Kim Reed '92

Most Triples  
Season 7 by Michelle Duprey '87  
Career-12 by Michelle Duprey '87

Most Homeruns  
Season 4 by Cathie Macklin '79  
Career-5 by Cathie Macklin '82

Most Walks  
Season 29 by Kristin Steele '91*  
Career-62 by Kim Reed '92

Most Strikeouts  
Season 30 by Kerrie Higgins '86  
Career-57 by Michelle Duprey '87

Most Stolen Bases  
Season 18 by Tina Ouellette '87  
Career-41 by Tina Ouellette '88

Most Errors  
Season 27 by Asa Brown '87  
Career-90 by Asa Brown '87

Most Innings Pitched  
Season 210.2 by Deb Smith '91*  
Career-543.3 by Lynn Hearty-Couts '86

Most Strikeouts  
Season 132 by Lynn Hearty-Couts '87  
Career-318 by Lynn Hearty-Couts '87

Lowest ERA  
Season-.06 by Sherry Denis '82  
Career-1.45 by Sherry Denis '82

TEAM RECORDS

Most Games 51 in '86, '91  
Most Wins 29 in '87  
Most Losses 31 in '86  
Best W-L 8-2 in '79  
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Most Doubles 47 in '87  
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Most Walks 122 in '91  
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Most Innings Pitched 342 in '86  
Most Walks 94 in '80  
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Maine Record Book

Season-18 by Lynn Hearty-Couts '87  
Career-41 by Lynn Hearty-Couts '87

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Maine’s Softball All-Stars

ECAC Tournament All-Stars  
Lynn Hearty-Couts P 1987  
Michelle Duprey 1B 1987  
Sue Goulet 3B 1987  
Denise Boutin 2B 1987  
Chris Bouchard DH 1987  
Stacey Curran OF 1987

All-New England  
Lynn Hearty-Couts P 1987  
Michelle Duprey 1B 1987  
Stacey Curran OF 1987  
Tina Ouellette OF 1988  
Jocelyn Kondrotas 3B 1989  
Mel Harris C 1991

NCAA Northeast All-American (2nd team)  
Lynn Hearty-Couts P 1987  
Stacey Curran OF 1987  
Tina Ouellette

North Atlantic Conference (First Team)  
Lisa Swain DH 1992

North Atlantic Conference (Second Team)  
Deb Smith P 1992  
Kim Reed C 1992

Angel Gamache tries for the double play from second base.
**1993 Maine Softball Schedule**

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