



MEN'S WEEKEND PREVIEW

Pete Souris
Assistant Commissioner
for Public Relations
Hockey East Association
 591 North Ave – #2
 Wakefield, MA 01880
 Office: (781) 245-2122
 Cell: (603) 512-1166
 psouris@HockeyEastOnline.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2011

WEEKEND PREVIEW #18

NO. 6 UNH AND NO. 11 MERRIMACK SHOWDOWN IN HOME-AND-HOME SERIES ~UMass hosts No. 14 BU on CBS College Sports: Vermont travels to Maine for two ~

Vermont at Maine - Two-Game Series (Fri., Sat. at Alford Arena)

• Stu Haskell will be honored with the prestigious Hockey East Founders Medal prior to Friday night's game against Vermont. Haskell was the third Commissioner of Hockey East serving five years from (1988-1993). He was also athletic director at the University of Maine from 1982-1987.

- Maine is 9-1-1 on the season when scoring 4+ goals in a game. The lone loss was to UNH on Feb. 5
- Vermont is 6-4-1 all time at Alford Arena and swept the last two-game series played on Maine's home ice (Feb. 27/28, 2009).

No. 11 Merrimack vs. No. 6 UNH - Two-Game Series (Fri. at UNH, Sat. at MC)

• Merrimack has wins in 10 of its last 11 games and will look to lock up a playoff spot, while UNH can lock up a home ice spot over the weekend for the 15th straight season in several different scenarios.

- UNH won the only meeting so far this season, 2-1, back on Nov. 27 at the Whittemore Center.
- Athletic Republic Player of the Week Chris Barton had nine points last weekend against UMass and NU, getting a career-high five on Saturday after tallying a career-high four assists on Friday.
- Merrimack has won seven straight away from home, something the program had not accomplished since 1987 when it was a Division II team.

Northeastern at UMass-Lowell (Fri. at Tsongas Center)

• NU goalie Chris Rawlings owns a 4-1-2 record with a 1.25 GAA, .962 save percentage and four shutouts in his last seven starts for the Huskies.

- The Huskies are 6-2-2 in their last 10 games and have won 70% of their games to start the New Year in two of the last three seasons.
- The River Hawks lead in the all-time series with Northeastern, 53-38-7. When hosting the Huskies, the River Hawks are 24-16-2 and 10-9-1 since the opening of the Tsongas Center. This season however, Northeastern claimed both games by scores of 3-1 on Oct. 23 and Jan. 8.

No. 1 Boston College at Providence (Fri. at Schneider Arena)

• BC is 8-0-2 in its last 10 games against the Friars. The last time the Friars defeated the Eagles was on February 28, 2008, at Conte Forum by a 3-2 score.

- The PC penalty kill ranks 19th nationally at a 83.9% conversion rate. In the last 11 games, the Friars have killed off 64 of 71 penalties (90%).

No. 14 Boston U. (Fri.), Providence (Sat.) at Massachusetts (at Mullins Center)

• The Terriers lead the season series so far, 1-0-1 with a pair of games back in October, BU won the most recent meeting, 4-3, on Oct. 22.

- Providence leads the series with UMas, 1-0-1, which included a 3-2 Friars win back on Oct. 30 at Schneider Arena.
- The UMass penalty kill had gone 37 of 42 (88%) over the last 10 games. UMass has not allowed an extra man goal in seven of the last 11 games.
- The Minutemen are 5-0-0 when leading after the second period this season.

RECENT RESULTS

Friday, February 4

at No. 1 Boston College 5, Massachusetts 0 *
 at No. 6 UNH 6, No. 15 Maine 3 *
 No. 12 Merrimack 4 at Northeastern 3 (OT) *
 at No. 14 Boston U. 3, UMass-Lowell 1 *
 Providence 1 at Vermont 1 (OT) *

Saturday, February 5

at No. 6 UNH 5, No. 15 Maine 4 *
 at No. 12 Merrimack 11, Massachusetts 2 *
 at Vermont 7, Providence 1 *

Monday, February 7

59th annual Beanpot Tournament
 Northeastern 4 vs. Harvard 0
 No. 1 BC 3 vs. No. 14 Boston U. 2 (OT)

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, February 11

Vermont at Maine *
 No. 11 Merrimack at No. 6 UNH *
 Northeastern at UMass-Lowell *
 No. 14 Boston U. at UMass * (7:30pm, CBSCS)
 No. 1 Boston College at Providence *

Saturday, February 12

Vermont at Maine *
 No. 6 UNH at No. 11 Merrimack *
 Providence at Massachusetts *

ALL TIMES EST, 7PM, unless noted

*** denotes conference game**

2010-2011 HEA STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	New Hampshire *	19	15	2	2	32	17-5-4	3.53 (67)	1.89 (36)
2.	Boston College *	20	15	5	0	30	20-6-0	3.80 (76)	2.10 (42)
3.	Merrimack	19	11	5	3	25	17-5-4	3.47 (66)	2.21 (42)
	Boston University	20	10	5	5	25	13-8-7	2.85 (57)	2.65 (53)
5.	Maine	19	8	7	4	20	11-9-6	3.16 (60)	2.95 (56)
6.	Northeastern	20	7	8	5	19	9-11-6	2.50 (50)	2.25 (45)
7.	Massachusetts	19	5	10	4	14	6-15-4	2.47 (47)	3.21 (61)
8.	Vermont	19	4	11	4	12	6-15-5	1.89 (36)	3.11 (59)
9.	Providence	19	3	11	5	11	7-13-6	2.00 (38)	3.47 (66)
10.	UMass-Lowell	20	3	17	0	6	4-21-2	2.10 (42)	3.95 (79)

* clinched playoff berth

**The 27th ANNUAL HOCKEY EAST CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT
 MARCH 18-19, 2011**



TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!!!
at the TD Garden Box Office
or by calling 800-745-3000 or
at www.ticketmaster.com



* information as of 2/10/2011

2010-11 HOCKEY EAST SEASON SUPERLATIVES

SHUTOUTS

Date	Goalie	Team	Opponent	Svs	Result
10/9	John Muse	BC	at Northeastern	35	W, 2-0
10/16	Parker Milner	BC	at Denver	20	W, 3-0
11/5	Alex Beaudry	PC	vs. Merrimack	29	W, 2-0
11/12	Matt DiGirolamo	UNH	vs. Massachusetts	19	W, 3-0
11/19	John Muse	BC	vs. Maine	32	W, 4-0
11/20	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. Providence	29	W, 5-0
12/2	Matt DiGirolamo	UNH	at UMass-Lowell	25	W, 3-0
12/5	Martin Ouellette	Maine	at Providence	32	W, 5-0
1/15	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. Vermont	17	W, 2-0
1/15	Joe Cannata	MC	vs. UAH	24	W, 7-0
1/19	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. Harvard	34	W, 3-0
1/22	Paul Dainton	UMass	at Vermont	26	W, 6-0
1/28	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. Massachusetts	26	W, 3-0
2/4	John Muse	BC	vs. Massachusetts	14	W, 5-0

40+ SAVES

Date	Goalie	Team	Opponent	Svs	Result
10/22	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. UNH	43	T, 2-2
11/6	Doug Carr	UML	vs. UNH	41	L, 1-2
11/13	Paul Dainton	UMass	at UNH	43	T, 3-3
11/19	Kieran Millan	BU	at UNH	44	L, 2-5
11/20	Grant Rollheiser	BU	vs. UNH	41	W, 4-2
11/23	Paul Dainton	UMass	vs. Vermont	44	W, 4-1
11/27	Matt DiGirolamo	UNH	vs. Merrimack	41	W, 2-1
12/10	Doug Carr	UML	at Princeton	40	L, 2-5
1/22	Marc Boulanger	UML	at BC	41	L, 3-5
1/29	Kieran Millan	BU	at Maine	41	T, 1-1

INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Goals:	3	by 8 Players
Assists:	5	Mike Sislo, UNH (12/5 vs. Vermont)
Points:	5	Mike Sislo, UNH (12/5 vs. Vermont) Chris Barton, MC (2/5 vs. Massachusetts)
Point Streak:	12	Stephane Da Costa, MC (11/26 to 1/28 22 pts.)
In League Play:	8	Paul Thompson (11/12 to 12/10) 19 pts. (8g)
Saves:	44	Kieran Millan, BU (11/19 at UNH) Paul Dainton, UMass (11/23 vs. Vermont)

TEAM HIGHS

Goals:	11	Merrimack College (2/5 vs. Massachusetts)
In league play:	11	Merrimack College (2/5 vs. Massachusetts)
Shots on Goal:	50	Merrimack (1/1 at RIT)
Consecutive Wins:	7	Boston College (11/28 to 1/8)
In league play:	4	Boston University (10/22 to 10/30) Boston College (1/21 to present) Merrimack College (1/28 to present) New Hampshire (1/28 to present)
Unbeaten Streak:	10	Boston University (10/8 to 11/13; 6-0-4)

LEAGUE SCORING RACE (CONFERENCE GAMES ONLY)

Rk.	Player, Team	Pts.
1.	Paul Thompson, UNH	35 pts. (20g, 15a)
2.	Chris Barton, MC	26 pts. (11g, 15a)
	Cam Atkinson, BC	26 pts. (17g, 9a)
4.	Mike Sislo, UNH	25 pts. (4g, 21a)
5.	Brian Gibbons, BC	24 pts. (6g, 15a)
	Stephane Da Costa, MC	24 pts. (8g, 16a)

LEAGUE SAVE% LEADERS (CONFERENCE GAMES ONLY)

Rk.	Player, Team	Save%
1.	Matt DiGirolamo, UNH	.938
	John Muse, BC	.938
3.	Chris Rawlings, NU	.932
4.	Kieran Millan, BU	.924
5.	Joe Cannata, MC	.923

HAT TRICKS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Result
10/8	Wahsontio Stacey	Vermont	Denver	L, 3-5
11/12	Kyle MacKinnon	PC	at UAH	W, 3-1
11/19	Jesse Todd	MC	at UML	W, 4-3
12/5	Paul Thompson	UNH	vs. Vermont	W, 5-1
1/1	Karl Stollery	MC	at RIT	W, 5-3
1/7	Paul Thompson	UNH	vs. UML	W, 5-2
1/29	Mike Collins	MC	vs. Vermont	W, 7-1
2/4	Joe Cucci	MC	at Northeast.	W, 4-3 OT

OVERTIME GOALS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Result
10/22	Riley Wetmore	UML	Providence	W, 5-4
10/30	Spencer Abbott	Maine	at Vermont	W, 3-2
12/10	Jeff Silengo	UNH	at Maine	W, 4-3
12/30	Matt Mangene	Maine	vs. Cornell	W, 3-2
12/30	Jesse Todd	MC	at Army	W, 2-1
1/14	Brian Flynn	Maine	vs. PC	W, 4-3
1/21	Paul Thompson	UNH	vs. PC	W, 4-3
2/4	Joe Cucci	MC	at Northeast.	W, 4-3

THE LAST TIME

A player had four goals:

Bobby Butler, UNH (1/30/10 vs. Providence)

A rookie had a hat trick:

Stephane Da Costa, Merrimack (10/17/09 vs. Army; 5 goals)
In league play: Mike Collins, MC, 1/29/11 vs. Vermont

A defenseman had a hat trick:

Karl Stollery, Merrimack (1/1/11 at RIT)

A goaltender recorded 50 saves:

Andrew Brathwaite, Merrimack, 2/2/08 vs. Providence
In league play: Andrew Brathwaite, Merrimack, 2/2/08 vs. PC (50 saves)

A team won five games in a row:

Merrimack, 12/30 to 1/21 (6 games)
In League Play: UNH, 11/27 to 1/21 (6 games)

A team won 10 games in a row:

Boston University, 1/7/06 to 2/13/06 (11 games)
In league play: New Hampshire, 11/12/06 to 1/19/07 (11 games)

A team was unbeaten in 10 straight games:

Boston University, 10/8 to 11/13 (10 games; 6-0-4)
In league play: UNH, 11/14/09 to 1/23/10 (11 games; 9-0-2)

A team recorded 50 shots-on-goal:

Merrimack, 1/1/11 at RIT (50 shots)
In league play: Providence, 2/15/08 vs. UNH (53 shots)

* – defenseman ! – rookie * neutral site game

THE ROAD TO 100 CAREER POINTS

Gustav Nyquist, Maine	125 pts. (10/22 vs. North Dakota)
Wade MacLeod, NU	118 pts. (11/19 at Providence)
Cam Atkinson, BC	107 pts. (1/16 at Maine)
Chris Barton, MC	111 pts. (1/29 vs. Vermont)
Mike Sislo, UNH	104 pts. (1/28 at Providence)
Paul Thompson, UNH	102 pts. (2/4 vs. Maine)
Phil DeSimone, UNH	99 pts.
Tanner House, Maine	97 pts.
Brian Flynn, Maine	96 pts.
Tyler McNeely, NU	92 pts.
Scott Campbell, UML	85 pts.