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# MEN'S HOCKEY WEEKEND **PREVIEW**

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## WEEKEND PREVIEW #22

# **BOSTON U., NORTHEASTERN GET UNDERWAY THURSDAY TO OPEN PLAYOFF SCHEDULE** $\sim$ Merrimack hosts Maine: Boston College entertains UMass: Vermont travels to UNH $\sim$

## No. 6 seed Northeastern at No. 3 seed Boston University (at Agganis Arena)

- Since the 2005-2006 season, BU is 15-3-4 against Northeastern.
- Each of the last seven meetings between the cross-town rivals has been decided by a single goal and BU has won five of those contests.
  - In the season series BU held the edge winning two of the three matchups.
- Last Weekend these two teams split a home-and home series. Both teams won on the road. BU won on March 4, 3-2, while NU won March 5, 4-3.
  - BU is 5-2 all-time against the Huskies in the Hockey East tournament.

#### No. 5 Maine at No. 4 Merrimack (at Lawler Arena)

- · Merrimack secured home ice in the Hockey East Quarterfinals for the second time in school history after defeating Providence 6-1 last Friday.
  - MC compiled a 12-2-2 record this year at home and are 24-5-2 since the start of 2009-10.
- Merrimack forward Mike Collins moved into first place in Hockey East in scoring among rookies with 26 points after a five-point weekend.
- Maine is making its 25th Hockey East Tournament appearance. The Black Bears have a record of 49-26 in the
  - These two last met in the playoffs in 2004, Maine won the series by scores of 2-1 and 3-2.

## No. 7 Vermont at No. 2 UNH (at the Whittemore Center)

- These two teams met last season in the quarterfinals with UNH being the No. 1 seed and Vermont being the #8 seed. Vermont staged an upset winning the three-game series.
  - UNH won the season series, 2-0-1, against Vermont this year.
- UNH senior forward Paul Thompson has scored 16 points (5g,11a) in 15 games against the catamounts in his career.

#### No. 8 Massachusetts at No. 1 Boston College (at Conte Forum)

- This season two of the three BC wins over Massachusetts were by one goal; Feb. 25, 4-3 and Feb. 26, 2-1.
- Last Friday night against No. 14 Maine, UMass tied the program's Hockey East record for fastest two-consecutive goals scored just seven seconds apart - the last time was against Northeastern on Jan. 17, 1997.
- Massachusetts is lead by T.J. Syner has amassed 24 points in 27 league games this season (6g,18a) and is riding a nine-game point streak (2g,7a).

#### **Hockey East Notes**

• All quarterfinal games will by streamed live by Pack Network on www.hockeyeastonline.tv for \$7.95 per game, with the exception of the NESN game on Saturday night. The All-Access pass is \$39.95 to watch a possible 11 quarterfinal contests over the weekend with the ability to watch all four games live on the same web browser.

## 2010-2011 HEA STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	Τ	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston College * #	27	20	6	1	41	26-7-1	3.74 (101)	2.15 (58)
2.	New Hampshire * #	27	17	6	4	38	19-9-6	3.33 (90)	2.19 (59)
3.	Boston University * #	27	15	6	6	36	18-10-8	2.81 (76)	2.48 (67)
4.	Merrimack * #	27	16	8	3	35	22-8-4	3.30 (89)	2.48 (67)
5.	Maine *	27	14	8	5	33	17-10-7	3.41 (92)	2.70 (73)
6.	Northeastern *	27	10	10	7	27	12-14-8	2.70 (73)	2.56 (69)
7.	Vermont *	27	6	14	7	19	8-18-8	2.22 (60)	3.15 (85)
8.	Massachusetts *	27	5	16	6	16	6-21-6	2.52 (68)	3.26 (88)
9.	Providence	27	4	16	7	15	8-18-8	1.96 (53)	3.48 (94)
10.	UMass-Lowell	27	4	21	2	10	5-25-4	2.22 (60)	3.78 (102)

clinched playoff berth, # clinched home ice for quarterfinal round

#### **RECENT RESULTS** Friday, March 4

at No. 2 Boston College 4, No. 8 UNH 0 \* at No. 7 Merrimack 6, Providence 1 No. 13 Boston U. 3 at Northeastern 2 \* No. 14 Maine 4 at Massachusetts 3 \* UMass-Lowell 4 at Vermont 4 (OT) \*

#### Saturday, March 5

No. 2 Boston College 4 at No. 8 UNH 3 \* Northeastern 4 at No. 13 Boston U. 3 \* at Providence 5, No. 7 Merrimack 3 at Vermont 4, UMass-Lowell 2 ' No. 14 Maine 4 at Massachusetts 4 \*

#### **UPCOMING GAMES** Thursday, March 10

Hockey East Quarterfinals Northeastern at Boston U. (Game 1, 7pm)

#### Friday, March 11

Hockey East Quarterfinals UMass at Boston College (Game 1, 7pm) Vermont at New Hampshire (Game 1, 7pm) Northeastern at Boston U. (Game 2, 7pm) Maine at Merrimack (Game 1, 7:30pm)

### Saturday, March 12

Hockey East Quarterfinals UMass at Boston College (Game 2, 7pm) Vermont at New Hampshire (Game 2, 7pm) Maine at Merrimack (Game 2, 7:30pm, NESN)

#### Sunday, March 13

Hockey East Quarterfinals UMass at Boston College (Game 3, 7pm) # Vermont at New Hampshire (Game 3, 7pm) # Maine at Merrimack (Game 3, 7:30pm) # Northeastern at Boston U. (Game 3) #

#### # if neccessary

ALL TIMES EST, 7PM, unless noted denotes conference game

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# HOCKEY EAST SEASON SUPERLATIVES

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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	s 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	s 26	W, 3-0
2/4	John Muse	BC	vs. Massachusetts	s 14	W, 5-0
2/18	Dan Sullivan	ME	at UMass-Lowell	21	W, 4-0
2/19	Dan Sullivan	ME	at UMass-Lowell	28	W, 3-0
2/19	Kieran Millan	BU	at Providence	32	W, 1-0
2/25	Dan Sullivan	ME	vs. Merrimack	15	W, 4-0
3/4	John Muse	BC	vs. UNH	12	W, 4-0

#### 40+ SAVES

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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
2/11	Alex Beaudry	PC	at Massachusetts	42	T, 3-3
2/18	Marc Boulanger	UML	vs. Maine	40	L, 0-4
2/19	Matt DiGirolamo	UNH	at Vermont	40	T, 2-2
2/25	Rob Madore	UVM	at BU	43	T, 3-3
3/5	Clay Witt	NU	at BU	41	W, 4-3

## **INDIVIDUAL HIGHS**

Goals:	3	by 8	Players

Dy & Flayers
Mike Sislo, UNH (12/5 vs. Vermont)
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Chris Barton, MC (2/5 vs. Massachusetts) Assists: Points: Stephane Da Costa, MC (11/26 to 1/28 22 pts.) Point Streak: In League Play: 9 TJ Syner, UMass (2/5 to Present) 9 pts. (2g)

Kieran Millan, BU (11/19 at UNH) Saves:

Paul Dainton, UMass (11/23 va. Vermont)

### **TEAM HIGHS**

Merrimack College (2/5 vs. Massachusetts) Merrimack College (2/5 vs. Massachusetts) Goals: In league play: 11

Shots on Goal: Merrimack (1/1 at RIT)

Merrimack College (1/28 to 2/19) Merrimack College (1/28 to 2/19) Consecutive Wins: 8 8 In league play: Unbeaten Streak: 10 Boston University (10/8 to 11/13; 6-0-4)

THE ROAD TO 100 CAREE	R POINTS
Wade MacLeod, NU	130 pts. (11/19 at Providence)
Chris Barton, MC	118 pts. (1/29 vs. Vermont)
Cam Atkinson, BC	119 pts. (1/16 at Maine)
Mike Sislo, UNH	111 pts. (1/28 at Providence)
Paul Thompson, UNH	109 pts. (2/4 vs. Maine)
Phil DeSimone, UNH	104 pts. (2/18 at Vermont)
Tanner House, Maine	107 pts. (2/19 at UMass-Lowell)
Brian Flynn, Maine	106 pts. (2/19 at UMass-Lowell)
Tyler McNeely, NU	101 pts. (2/26 vs. New Hampshire)
Chris Connolly, BU	86 pts.
Joe Cucci, MC	86 pts.
Scott Campbell, UML	85 pts.
Stephane Da Costa, MC	84 pts.

#### HAT TRICKS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Result
10/8	Wahsontiio 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 NU	W, 4-3

#### **OVERTIME GOALS**

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Score
10/22	Riley Wetmore	UML	Providence	5-4
10/30	Spencer Abbott	Maine	at Vermont	3-2
12/10	Jeff Silengo	UNH	at Maine	4-3
12/30	Matt Mangene	Maine	vs. Cornell	3-2
12/30	Jesse Todd	MC	at Army	2-1
1/14	Brian Flynn	Maine	vs. PC	4-3
1/21	Paul Thompson	UNH	vs. PC	4-3
2/4	Joe Cucci	MC	at NU	4-3
2/7	Tommy Cross	BC	vs. BU	3-2
2/11	Garrett Noonan	BU	at UMass	4-3
2/11	Jamie Oleksiak	NU	at UML	3-2
2/12	Jordan Heywood	MC	vs. UNH	3-2
2/14	Jimmy Hayes	BC	vs. NU	7-6
2/18	Carter Madsen	MC	at UMass	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 (1/1/11at 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: Maine, 2/12 to 3/4 (6 games) In League Play: Maine, 2/12 to 3/4 (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