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2011-12 NEW ENGLAND DIVISION I MEN'S HOCKEY ALL-STARS & AWARDS

The New England Hockey Writers Division I All-Star teams and awards have been finalized after tallying votes from all Division I coaches and respective media outlets throughout New England. This year's banquet will be held on Tuesday, April 10 at the Prince Restaurant in Saugus, Mass. The banquet will start at 6 p.m. All awards and All-Star teams will be presented at the gala. All coaches, student-athletes, family members and friends are encouraged to attend Tuesday's banquet. Contact Pete Souris at (781) 245-2122 for information on attending this event. Cost is \$40 per person.

University of Maine senior Spencer Abbott swept the **Leonard Fowle Award for Most Valuable Player** and the **Herb Gallagher Award for Best Forward**. Abbott, who leads the entire country in points per game leading up to the 2012 Frozen Four (1.59 ppg – 21-41-62), helped Maine to a Hockey East title game berth and a spot in the NCAA Tournament.

Boston College's Brian Dumoulin repeats as the **Bob Monahan Award** winner for Best Defenseman after leading the Eagles to their 10th Frozen Four in the last 15 years. Dumoulin is a two-time Hockey East First-Team All-Star after his stellar junior year campaign.

Boston University senior forward Chris Connolly is honored with the **Frank Jones Award for Best Defensive Forward** after leading the Terriers to the 2012 NCAA Tournament. Connolly tied for 34th in the NCAA in scoring (1.05 ppg) and was elected as a Hockey East Second-Team All-Star.

UMass Lowell's Scott Wilson was voted the top freshman in New England, winning the **George C. Carens Award** as the region's Rookie of the Year. Wilson helped UMass Lowell win its first NCAA Tournament game since 1996 and finished second amongst all first-year players in scoring with 1.03 points per game (16-22-38).

Wilson's teammate, sophomore goaltender Doug Carr, won the **Paul Hines Award as New England's Most Improved Player**. Carr finished in the top 10 in both goaltending categories this season, accumulating a 2.13 goals against average and a save percentage of .929. Carr started 33 games this season compared to 20 in his rookie campaign and markedly improved both his GAA (3.63) and save percentage (.896).

First-year head coach Norm Bazin of UMass Lowell ran away with the **Clark Hodder Award as the Division I Coach of the Year**. Bazin posted a 19-win turnaround for the River Hawks in his first season as bench boss and led UML to its fourth-ever NCAA appearance as a Division I program. Bazin was also adorned with 2012 Hockey East Coach of the year laurels.

Senior forward Bobby Farnham of Brown is the 2011-12 **Joe Tomasello Award** recipient for this year's 'Unsung Hero Award'. Farnham tallied eight goals and 13 assists for the Bears in his final season in Providence, R.I.

John 'Jocko' Connolly, long-time scribe for *The Boston Herald*, will be honored with the **Parker/York Award for Contribution to New England Hockey**. Connolly is the second member of *The Boston Herald* to earn the award as George Carens won the same merit in 1961 when the publication was called *The Boston Traveler*. Connolly is the fifth member of the media to take home the award.

For more complete listings of All-Stars and awards, including extensive archives, check www.newenglandallstars.com.

(Complete New England All-Star teams and awards on next page)

2011-12 New England Men's Division I All-Stars

GOALIES Joe Cannata, Sr. (Merrimack)
Doug Carr, So. (Umass Lowell)

DEFENSE Danny Biega, Jr. (Harvard)
Adam Cledendeing, So. (Boston University)
Brian Dumoulin, Jr. (Boston College)
Will O'Neill, Sr. (Maine)

FORWARDS Spencer Abbott, Sr. (Maine)
Joey Diamond, Jr. (Maine)
Brian Flynn, Sr. (Maine)
Chris Kreider, Jr. (BC)
Alex Killorn, Sr. (Harvard)
Brian O'Neill, Sr. (Yale)

2011-12 New England Hockey Awards

CLARK HODDER AWARD – DIVISION I COACH OF THE YEAR
Norm Bazin (UMass Lowell)

LEONARD FOWLE AWARD – MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
Spencer Abbott, Sr., F (Maine)

GEORGE C. CARENS AWARD – ROOKIE OF THE YEAR
Scott Wilson, Fr., F (UMass Lowell)

HERB GALLAGHER AWARD – BEST FORWARD
Spencer Abbott, Sr., F (Maine)

BOB MONAHAN AWARD – BEST DEFENSEMAN
Brian Dumoulin, Jr., D (Boston College)

PAUL HINES AWARD – MOST IMPROVED PLAYER
Doug Carr, So., G (UMass Lowell)

FRANK JONES AWARD – BEST DEFENSIVE FORWARD
Chris Connolly, Sr., F (Boston University)

JOE TOMASELLO AWARD - UNSUNG HERO AWARD
Bobby Farnham , Sr., F (Brown)

PARKER/YORK AWARD – CONTRIBUTION TO NEW ENGLAND HOCKEY
John 'Jocko' Connolly (*The Boston Herald*)