



MEN'S WEEKEND PREVIEW

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WEEKEND PREVIEW #21

BC, UML, UNH, PC BATTLE FOR REGULAR SEASON TITLE IN FINAL WEEKEND

~ Vermont hosts BC; Merrimack faces UMass; BU, NU skate in series ~

Providence vs. No. 7 UMass-Lowell - Two-Game Series (Fri. at UML; Sat. at PC)

- Providence and UMass Lowell are both vying to become the first team other than Boston College, Boston University, Maine or New Hampshire to win the league's regular season title.
- UMass Lowell is on a nation-best seven-game winning streak, while the Friars have only lost once in their last nine games (4-1-4). Since December 8, the River Hawks own a 17-2-1 record, after starting the season just 4-7-1.
- The River Hawks won the first meeting of the season series by a 2-1 score on January 17. Jon Gillies (South Portland, Maine) notched a career-high 48 saves in the game. Chad Ruhwedel (San Diego, Calif.) had the game's decisive score for UMass-Lowell.

No. 6 Boston College at Vermont - Two-Game Series (Fri., Sat. at Gutterson Fieldhouse)

- Dating back to 2007, Vermont has gone 5-2-2 in the last nine meetings played in Burlington. The Eagles were victorious in the first meeting of the season series on February 1st at Conte Forum. Parker Milner (Pittsburgh, Pa.) totaled 38 saves in his 15th win of the season.
- UVM is 5-3-1 in its last nine games after splitting a series at No. 19 Boston University last weekend. Vermont can automatically secure a spot in the postseason with a win in either game against BC this weekend. A single loss by Maine at New Hampshire or UMass vs. Merrimack in either game this weekend would also guarantee UVM a playoff berth.

Massachusetts vs. Merrimack - Two-Game Series (Fri. at MC; Sat. at UMass)

- Merrimack and Massachusetts are dead even in the all-time series at 36-36-5, the Warriors has won seven straight against UMass at Lawler. Josh Myers (Colorado Springs, Col.) scored the game-winner with 5:47 to play as Merrimack defeated UMass 4-2, while outshooting the Minutemen 41-18 in the game on February 10.
- Merrimack's penalty kill streak was snapped at 35 overall and 28 at home in Sunday's loss to Lowell. The Merrimack penalty kill has killed 49 of the last 52 overall (94.2%), dating back to Jan. 19.
- The line of Michael Pereira (West Haven, Conn.), Branden Gracel (Calgary, Alta.) and Conor Sheary (Melrose, Mass.) have skated together in 17 straight games, recording 52 points (24g,28a) in that span.

Maine at No. 4 New Hampshire - Two-Game Series (Fri., Sat. at the Whittemore Center)

- The Wildcats won the first meeting with a 4-0 shutout vs. Maine on November 4 at Alford Arena. Casey DeSmith (Rochester, N.Y.) posted 42 saves for his third career shutout. UNH is 9-0-0 in its last nine games against Maine at the Whittemore Center.
- UNH's Kevin Goumas (Long Beach, N.Y.) has nine points (4g,5a) in seven career games vs. Maine and DeSmith has posted a 1-2-0 record (2.00 GAA, .942 save%) in three career starts vs. the Black Bears.
- Maine rookie defenseman Ben Hutton (Prescott, Ont.) ranks third on the team in scoring with four goals and nine assists for 13 points. He is currently in the midst of a five-game scoring streak (2g,4a).

Boston University vs. Northeastern - Two-Game Series (Fri. at NU on CBSSN; Sat. at BU)

- Northeastern won the first meeting of the season series on January 18 by a 6-5 marker at Agganis Arena and the Huskies earned a win in the opening round of the Beanpot, 3-2 on Monday, February 4.
- Matt Nieto (Long Beach, Calif.) tallied seven points (6g,1a) in the 2-1 week for the Terriers, including his first career hat trick in Friday's 3-1 victory over Vermont and was named Athletic Republic Co-Player of the Week on Monday.
- Northeastern will honor six members of its senior class on Friday night as part of Senior Night. Vinny Saponari (Powder Springs, Ga.) needs just one point over the course of the next two games to reach the 100-point mark for his career.

RECENT RESULTS

Tuesday, February 26
 No. 10 UMass-Lowell 4 at No. 4 Boston College 2 *
 at Boston University 5, Merrimack 2 *

Friday, March 1
 at No. 10 UMass-Lowell 4, Merrimack 0 *
 No. 4 Boston College 3 at Providence 2 *
 at Boston University 3, Vermont 1 *
 at Maine 3, Northeastern 1 *
 Massachusetts 2 at No. 5 New Hampshire 2 (OT) *

Saturday, March 2
 Providence 5 at No. 4 Boston College 1 *
 at No. 5 New Hampshire 4, Massachusetts 0 *
 Vermont 5 at Boston University 2 *
 Northeastern 4 at Maine 4 (OT) *

Sunday, March 3
 No. 10 UMass-Lowell 3 at Merrimack 1 *

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, March 8
 Providence at No. 7 UMass-Lowell *
 No. 6 Boston College at Vermont *
 Massachusetts at Merrimack * (7:30pm, WBIN)
 Maine at No. 4 New Hampshire *
 (7:30pm, NBCSN)
 Boston University at Northeastern *
 (7:30pm, CBSSN)

Saturday, March 9
 Maine at No. 4 New Hampshire * (4pm, NESN)
 Northeastern at Boston University *
 Merrimack at Massachusetts * (CBS3)
 No. 7 UMass-Lowell at Providence *
 No. 6 Boston College at Vermont * (WCAX)

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

2012-2013 HEA STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	UMass-Lowell * #	25	15	8	2	32	21-9-2	3.08 (77)	2.36 (59)
2.	New Hampshire *	25	13	7	5	31	18-8-6	2.96 (74)	2.00 (50)
3.	Boston College *	25	14	9	2	30	19-10-3	3.08 (77)	2.64 (66)
	Providence *	25	12	7	6	30	14-11-7	2.84 (71)	2.36 (59)
5.	Boston University *	25	13	10	2	28	16-15-2	2.92 (73)	2.84 (71)
6.	Merrimack *	25	12	10	3	27	14-14-6	2.56 (64)	2.40 (60)
7.	Vermont	25	8	12	5	21	11-16-5	2.16 (54)	2.76 (69)
8.	Maine	25	6	12	7	19	10-17-7	1.96 (49)	2.60 (65)
9.	Massachusetts	25	8	15	2	18	11-18-3	2.64 (66)	3.00 (75)
10.	Northeastern	25	5	16	4	14	9-19-4	2.28 (57)	3.52 (88)

* clinched playoff berth, # clinched home ice for quarterfinals

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2012-13 HOCKEY EAST SEASON SUPERLATIVES

SHUTOUTS

Date	Goalie	Team	Opponent	Svs	Result
10/20	Parker Milner	BC	vs. NU	26	3-0
10/26	Parker Milner	BC	at UML	26	1-0
10/27	Jon Gillies	PC	vs. Maine	26	3-0
10/27	Casey DeSmith	UNH	at NU	34	0-0
10/27	Bryan Mountain	NU	vs. UNH	44	0-0
11/3	Brody Hoffman	UVM	vs. Providence	24	2-0
11/4	Casey DeSmith	UNH	at Maine	42	4-0
11/9	Kevin Boyle	UMass	vs. Providence	14	4-0
11/10	Casey DeSmith	UNH	vs. Vermont	15	4-0
11/10	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. UAH	19	3-0
11/16	Casey DeSmith	UNH	at UML	25	3-0
11/24	Jon Gillies	PC	at Brown	35	7-0
11/24	Sean Maguire	BU	vs. St. Lawrence	21	4-0
11/30	Chris Rawlings	NU	at UMass	31	1-0
12/8	Sean Maguire	BU	vs. Maine	28	1-0
12/8	Connor Hellebuyck	UML	vs. Northeastern	25	2-0
12/10	Connor Hellebuyck	UML	at Harvard	30	5-0
12/28	Martin Ouellette	Maine	vs. Minne-Duluth	31	1-0
1/12	Jon Gillies	PC	vs. UMass	44	2-0
1/12	Sam Marotta	MC	vs. Maine	30	6-0
2/1	Sam Marotta	MC	vs. UML	25	1-0
2/9	Brody Hoffman	UVM	vs. Maine	19	3-0
2/13	Jon Gillies	PC	vs. UNH	37	1-0
2/22	Martin Ouelette	Maine	at UMass	30	2-0
2/22	Connor Hellebuyck	UML	at Boston U.	25	3-0
3/1	Connor Hellebuyck	UML	vs. Merrimack	31	4-0
3/2	Casey DeSmith	UNH	vs. UMass	25	4-0

40+ SAVES

Date	Goalie	Team	Opponent	Svs	Result
10/27	Bryan Mountain	NU	vs. UNH	44	T, (0-0)
11/4	Casey DeSmith	UNH	at Maine	42	W, (4-0)
11/18	Casey DeSmith	UNH	at Boston U.	45	W, (3-1)
12/1	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. UMass	40	L, (3-6)
1/4	Parker Milner	BC	vs. Yale	45	T, (3-3)
1/11	Chris Rawlings	NU	vs. Maine	43	T, (3-3)
1/12	Jon Gillies	PC	vs. UMass	44	W, (2-0)
1/17	Jon Gillies	PC	at UMass-Lowell	48	L, (1-2)
2/1	Casey DeSmith	UNH	at UNH	47	W, (3-1)
2/2	Sam Marotta	MC	at UNH	51	W, (4-1)
2/15	Parker Milner	BC	at MC	40	L, (1-2)
2/16	Sean Maguire	BU	at Maine	40	W, (5-4)
2/19	Steve Mastalerz	UMass	vs. NU	40	L, (4-5)
2/24	Parker Milner	BC	at MC	43	W, (2-1)
3/1	Sean Maguire	BU	vs. UVM	49	W, (3-1)

INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Goals:	4	Cody Ferriero, NU at Harvard (12/29)
Assists:	4	Kevin Roy, NU at Harvard (12/29)
Points:	5	Johnny Gaudreau, BC vs. Dartmouth (11/4) Kevin Roy, NU at Harvard (12/29) Stefan Demopoulos, PC vs. NU (2/22/13)
Point Streak:	12	Johnny Gaudreau, BC (10/13 to 12/1; 10-11-21)
In League Play:	10	Johnny Gaudreau, BC (10/13 to 12/1; 6-8-14)
Saves:	51	Sam Marotta, MC (2/2 at UNH)

TEAM HIGHS

Goals:	8	Providence vs Sacred Heart (10/12/12)
In league play:	8	UMass-Lowell at UMass (11/18/12)
Shots on Goal:	59	Providence vs Sacred Heart (10/12/12)
Consecutive Wins:	10	Boston College (10/19 to 11/30)
In league play:	8	Boston College (10/19 to 11/30)
Unbeaten Streak:	11	UMass-Lowell (12/8 to 1/26 10-0-1)

ACTIVE OVERALL POINT LEADERS

Rk.	Player	GP	PPG	G	A	P
1.	Pat Mullane, BC (Sr., F)	157	0.84	41	91	132
2.	Steven Whitney, BC (Sr., F)	154	0.78	50	70	120
3.	Riley Wetmore, UML (Sr., F)	143	0.75	48	59	107
4.	Joey Diamond, Maine (Sr., F)	131	0.78	57	45	102
5.	Vinny Saponari, NU (Sr., F)	148	0.67	34	65	99

ACTIVE LEAGUE POINT LEADERS

Rk.	Player	GP	PPG	G	A	P
1.	Pat Mullane, BC (Sr., F)	106	0.78	24	59	83
2.	Joey Diamond, Maine (Sr., F)	94	0.83	44	34	78
	Steven Whitney, BC (Sr., F)	103	0.76	32	46	78
4.	Riley Wetmore, UML (Sr., F)	106	0.72	35	41	76
5.	Matt Nieto, BU (Sr., F)	77	0.94	29	43	72

HAT TRICKS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Result
11/16	Derek Army	PC	vs. Northeastern	W, 6-2
11/18	Riley Wetmore	UML	at UMass	W, 8-2
11/24	Kevin Goumas	UNH	at Denver	W, 6-4
11/24	Grayson Downing	UNH	at Denver	W, 6-4
12/28	Cody Ferriero	NU	at Harvard	W, 5-1
1/19	Steven Whitney	BC	at Northeastern	W, 9-3
2/4	Kevin Roy	NU	vs. Boston U.	W, 3-2
3/1	Matt Nieto	BU	vs. Vermont	W, 3-1
3/2	John Henrion	UNH	vs. UMass	W, 4-0

OVERTIME GOALS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Score
10/19	Johnny Gaudreau	BC	at UMass	5-4
11/2	Darren Rowe	UMass	vs. UNH	2-1
11/30	Tim Schaller	PC	at MC	3-2
12/31	Trevor van Reimsdyk	UNH	vs. Bemidji State	3-2
1/4	Cason Hohmann	BU	vs. Rensselaer	3-2
1/26	Christian Folin	UML	vs. NU	5-4
2/3	Joey Diamond	Maine	vs. UML	4-3
2/15	Connor Toomey	MC	vs. BC	2-1
2/16	Matt Nieto	BU	at Maine	5-4
2/19	Josh Manson	NU	at UMass	5-4
2/24	Quinn Smith	BC	at MC	2-1

THE LAST TIME

A player had four goals:

Cody Ferriero, Northeastern (12/28/12 at Harvard)

A rookie had a hat trick:

Kevin Roy, NU, 2/4/13 vs. Boston University (Beanpot)
In league play: Mike Collins, MC, 1/29/11 vs. Vermont

A defenseman had a hat trick:

Conor Allen, UMass (11/11/11 vs Holy Cross)

A goaltender recorded 50 saves:

Sam Marotta, MC, 2/2/13 at UNH (51 saves)
In league play: Sam Marotta, MC, 2/2/13 at UNH (51 saves)

A team won 10 games in a row:

Boston College, 1/27/12 to 10/13/12 (17 games)
Boston College, 10/19/12 to 11/30/12 (10 games)
In league play: Boston College, 1/27/12 to 10/13/12 (15 games)

A team was unbeaten in 10 straight games:

UMass-Lowell, 12/8/12 to 1/26/13 (11 games; 10-0-1)
Boston College, 10/19/12 to 11/30/12 (10 games)
In league play: Boston College, 1/27/12 to 10/13/12 (15 games; 15-0-0)

A team recorded 50 shots-on-goal:

Vermont at Boston U., 3/1/13 (50 shots)
Maine vs. NU, 3/2/13 (51 shots)
In league play: Vermont at Boston U., 3/1/13 (50 shots)
Maine vs. Northeastern, 3/2/13 (51 shots)

LEAGUE LEADERS SPONSORED BY



2012-13 LEAGUE SCORING RACE (CONFERENCE GAMES ONLY)

Rk.	Player	GP	PPG	G	A	P
1.	Mike Collins, MC (Jr., F)	25	1.24	10	21	31
2.	Johnny Gaudreau, BC (So., F)	25	1.16	9	20	29
3.	Joseph Pendenza, UML (Jr., F)	25	1.12	9	19	28
4.	Steven Whitney, BC (Sr., F)	25	1.08	15	12	27
	Pat Mullane, BC (Sr., F)	25	1.08	10	17	27

2012-13 LEAGUE SAVE PERCENTAGE LEADERS

Rk.	Player	W-L-T	Saves	GA	Save%
1.	Connor Hellebuyck (Fr., F)	13-1-1	258	13	.952
2.	Casey DeSmith, UNH (So., G)	17-6-6	669	44	.938
3.	Jon Gillies, PC (Fr., G)	14-9-6	698	54	.928

2012-13 LEAGUE GAA LEADERS

Rk.	Player	W-L-T	Minutes	GA	GAA
1.	Connor Hellebuyck (Fr., G)	13-1-1	618:08	13	1.26
2.	Casey DeSmith, UNH (So., G)	17-6-6	1410:57	44	1.87
3.	Sam Marotta, MC (Jr., G)	11-8-4	1116:14	40	2.15