

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: JANUARY 14, 2016

### Maine vs. UConn vs. No.1/2 Quinnipiac - Fri. 1/15, Sat. 1/16, Tues. 1/19 at Maine

• UConn went 2-1-0 on its western road trip last weekend, which included one contest with Arizona State and a two-tilt outing at the Desert Hockey Classic, in which they faced Michigan Tech and the Sun Devils. The Huskies defeated ASU, 5-2, in the pre-tournament matchup. Senior captain **Patrick Kirtland** (Rocky Hill, Conn.) led the way for the Huskies in that game with two goals.

• UConn then fell to Michigan Tech in the opener of the Desert Hockey Classic in Glendale, Arizona, 4-2. In the rematch with Arizona State, the Huskies again came away victorious, registering a 3-0 victory behind **Rob Nichols**'s (Dallas, Texas) his first shutout of the year. The sophomore stopped 20 pucks for his squad. Kirtland finished the weekend with three goals and an assist for four points on the three-game road trip. He has now recorded at least a point in five straight tilts.

• Maine split a two-game series with Colgate last weekend at Alford Arena. The Black Bears defeated Colgate, 3-1, Friday night before suffering a 5-1 setback Saturday night.

• **Steve Swavely** (Reading, Pa.) scored two goals for the Black Bears in Friday night's 3-1 victory.

### No. 3 Providence vs. Vermont - Fri. 1/15, Sat. 1/16 at UVM

• Providence suffered its first regulation loss of 2015-16 last Friday night at Boston College, 7-3, on Kelly Rink. The Friars then hosted the Eagles Saturday night and skated to a 4-4 draw.

• Senior **Nick Saracino** (St. Louis, Mo.) tallied a goal for the Friars in both games. In total, nine Friars made it on the score sheet in the 4-4 draw at Schneider Arena.

• Vermont skated to a 1-0 victory over Dartmouth last Friday during Martin St. Louis Night at Gutterson Fieldhouse. **Brendan Bradley** (Richboro, Pa.) scored the lone goal for the Catamounts in the game.

• Freshman **Packy Munson** (Hugo, Minn.) recorded his third shutout on the year, stopping a career-high 39 shots in the game. The Catamounts are now 5-2-0 since Munson took over netminding duties and the rookie has racked up four league awards in his seven starts, including Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Month for December.

• After starting the season 3-10-2, the Catamounts are now 6-3-0 since the start of December as they now face only Hockey East opponents for the remainder of 2015-16.

### No. 4 Boston College vs. No.10 Boston University- Fri. 1/15 at BC, Sat. 1/16 at BU

• Boston College took three big points in league play over a weekend series with No. 3 Providence. The Eagles defeated the Friars Friday night, 7-3, behind a four point (3g, 1a) performance from Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Week **Colin White** (Hanover, Mass.).

• The Eagles finished the series with a 4-4 stalemate at Providence Saturday night. The Eagles were able to come back to tie the game after falling behind, 4-1, early in the contest. **Chris Calnan** (Norwell, Mass.) registered the game-tying goal for the Eagles in the opening minutes of the third period.

• Boston University skated past Harvard Thursday night, 6-5, in a wild come-from-behind victory that saw three Terriers' goals in the final four minutes of play. The Terriers capped the weekend with a 7-2 victory over Massachusetts Saturday night.

• Defenseman **Matt Grzelczyk** (Charlestown, Mass.) tallied five points (4g, 1a) in the two games for the Terriers, registering a goal and an assist against Harvard before scoring a natural hat trick against Massachusetts. Forward **Jakob Forsbacka Karlsson** (Stockholm, Sweden) also registered four points (1g, 3a) in the two games after returning from World Juniors. JFK tallied two assists against Harvard and followed that up with a goal and an assist against Massachusetts.

### No. 11 UMass Lowell vs. Massachusetts - Fri. 1/15 at UMass, Sat. 1/16 at UML

• UMass Lowell skated past New Hampshire last Friday night, 1-0, at the Whittemore Center in its only contest of the weekend to collect two points in Hockey East play.

• Netminder **Kevin Boyle** (Manalapan, N.J.) recorded his fifth shutout of the year on 27 saves against the Wildcats. **Ryan Collins** (Newton, Mass.) tallied the game-winner for the River Hawks with just 2:44 remaining in the game.

• UMass fell to then-No. 12 Yale in overtime last week, 3-2, before being tripped up by the Terriers Saturday.

• **Alex Wakaluk** (Bellevue, Alta.) made 35 saves for the Minutemen in the overtime loss to Yale. **Patrick Lee** (Calgary Alta.) netted his second power-play goal of the year for UMass on the night, while **Dominic Trento** (Brockport, N.Y.) scored his career-high sixth marker. Two UMass rookies, **Kurt Keats** (Winnipeg, Man.) and **Austin Plevy** (Langley, B.C.), picked up assists in the game.

### No. 13 Notre Dame vs. Merrimack - Fri. 1/15, Sat. 1/16 at ND

• Notre Dame took three points in a home-and-home with Western Michigan last weekend. The Irish rolled in the opener Friday night, 7-1, and then skated to a 3-3 draw on Saturday. In the 7-1 victory, 15 different Irish skaters found the score sheet.

• **Cal Petersen** (Waterloo, Iowa) made 36 saves for Notre Dame in the 3-3 tie Saturday. **Anders Bjork** (Mequon, Wis.) netted two goals in the weekend series.

• The Irish are now unbeaten in their last eight games (5-0-3), currently the longest such streak in the NCAA.

• Merrimack was swept in a weekend series at Cornell last weekend. The Warriors fell to Cornell, 3-0, on Friday night, and suffered a 5-2 setback on Saturday.

**Hampus Gustafsson** (Ljungby, Sweden) tallied one of two goals on the weekend for the Warriors in Saturday's 5-2 defeat. Gustafsson is now third on the team in points with a 5-9--14 stat line.

### New Hampshire vs. Northeastern - Fri. 1/15 at NU, Sat. 1/16 at UNH

• New Hampshire was shutout against UMass Lowell last Friday in its only game of the weekend, 1-0.

• The shutout of the Wildcats was only the second blanking of the team's offense this season and just the third time all year **Andrew Poturalski** (Williamsville, N.Y.) and **Tyler Kelleher** (Longmeadow, Mass.) were held pointless. The last such game came November 16 at Michigan State in a 7-4 Spartan victory.

• Still searching for its first Hockey East victory (0-8-3), Northeastern is quickly gathering points, registering a 4-1-2 record in their last seven contests. More strikingly, the Huskies are unbeaten in their last four contests (3-0-1).

• Northeastern swept a weekend series at then-No. 13 St. Lawrence last weekend, claiming victory, 3-0, Friday night, and then taking a 4-2 decision Saturday.

• Friday night's 3-0 victory was **Ryan Ruck**'s (Coto De Caza, Calif.) first shutout on the year. Ruck made 51 saves on the weekend, allowing just two goals and recording the victory in both games.

• **Adam Gaudette** (Braintree, Mass.) registered three assists in Saturday's 4-2 victory at St. Lawrence. Gaudette is now on a four game point streak (1g, 4a).

## UPCOMING GAMES

### Friday 1/15

**No. 10 Boston Univ. at No. 4 Boston College - 6pm<sup>^</sup>**

UConn at Maine - 7pm\*

New Hampshire at Northeastern - 7pm\*

No.11 UMass Lowell at UMass - 7pm\*

No. 3 Providence at Vermont - 7:05pm\*

**Merrimack at No.13 Notre Dame - 7:35pm<sup>^</sup>!**

\*Hockey East Game

<sup>^</sup> ASN, NESN, TSN5

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### Saturday 1/16

**UConn at Maine - 7pm<sup>^</sup>@**

UMass at No. 11 UMass Lowell - 7pm\*

**Northeastern at New Hampshire - 7pm<sup>\$</sup>**

No. 4 Boston College at No. 10 Boston Univ. - 7:05pm\*

**Merrimack at No. 13 Notre Dame - 7:05pm<sup>^</sup>!**

No. 3 Providence at Vermont - 7:05pm\*

\*Hockey East Game

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### Tuesday 1/19

No. 1/2 Quinnipiac at Maine - 7pm



**USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine  
Men's College Hockey Poll - 1/11**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Quinnipiac, 490 (21)	19-1-3	1
2.	North Dakota, 487 (13)	18-2-2	2
3.	<b>Providence, 401</b>	<b>13-3-4</b>	<b>3</b>
4.	<b>Boston College, 376</b>	<b>14-4-2</b>	<b>7</b>
5.	St. Cloud State, 363	17-5-0	5
6.	Michigan, 358	13-3-3	8
7.	Cornell, 301	11-2-2	9
8.	Harvard, 300	8-3-3	4
9.	Omaha, 245	14-5-1	6
10.	<b>Boston University, 192</b>	<b>11-6-3</b>	<b>11</b>
11.	<b>UMass Lowell, 191</b>	<b>12-4-4</b>	<b>10</b>
12.	Yale, 130	8-4-3	12
13.	<b>Notre Dame, 100</b>	<b>10-4-7</b>	<b>14</b>
14.	Denver, 59	9-7-4	NR
15.	Penn State, 58	13-4-3	15

Others receiving votes: Bowling Green, 7; Minnesota Duluth, 6; St. Lawrence, 6; Rensselaer, 2; Michigan Tech, 1.

**USCHO.com  
Men's College Hockey Poll - 1/11**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	North Dakota, 980 (32)	18-2-2	1
2.	Quinnipiac, 967 (18)	19-1-3	2
3.	<b>Providence, 833</b>	<b>13-3-4</b>	<b>3</b>
4.	<b>Boston College, 815</b>	<b>14-4-2</b>	<b>7</b>
5.	St. Cloud State, 775	17-5-0	4
6.	Michigan, 747	13-3-3	8
7.	Harvard, 676	8-3-3	5
8.	Cornell, 661	11-2-2	9
9.	Omaha, 603	14-5-1	6
10.	<b>Boston University, 562</b>	<b>11-6-3</b>	<b>11</b>
11.	<b>UMass Lowell, 561</b>	<b>12-4-4</b>	<b>10</b>
12.	Yale, 437	8-4-3	12
13.	<b>Notre Dame, 375</b>	<b>10-4-7</b>	<b>15</b>
14.	Denver, 326	9-7-4	17
15.	Penn State, 300	13-4-3	14
16.	Bowling Green, 223	13-6-5	16
17.	Duluth, 159	8-7-4	19
18.	St. Lawrence, 152	10-7-2	13
19.	Minnesota State, 124	11-7-4	18
20.	Rensselaer, 71	11-7-4	20

Others receiving votes: Robert Morris, 65; Michigan Tech, 59; Union, 12; Holy Cross, 10; Minnesota, 7.



**HOCKEY EAST WEEKLY AWARDS**

**WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Week	Player
Oct. 12	Trevor Mingoia - PC
Oct. 19	Dennis Kravchenko - UMass
Oct. 26	Dan Correale - UNH
Nov. 2	Jake Walman - PC
Nov. 9	Thatcher Demko - BC
Nov. 16	Nick Ellis - PC
Nov. 23	Mark Jankowski - PC
Nov. 30	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Dec. 7	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Dec. 14	Dennis Gilbert - ND
Dec. 21	Jace Hennig - MC
Jan. 4	Dan Correale - UNH
Jan. 11	Matt Grzelczyk - BU

**PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE WEEK**

Week	Player
Oct. 12	Austin Plevy - UMass
	Max Letunov - UConn
Oct. 19	Colin White - BC
Oct. 26	Bobby Nardella - ND
Nov. 2	Tage Thompson - UConn
Nov. 9	Austin Plevy - UMass
Nov. 16	Jacob Forsbacka Karlsson - BU
Nov. 23	Nick Master - UML
Nov. 30	Colin White - BC
Dec. 7	Tage Thompson - UConn
Dec. 14	Packy Munson - UVM
Dec. 21	Ryan Ruck - NU
Jan. 4	Packy Munson - UVM
Jan. 11	Colin White - BC

**HEA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Week	Player
Oct. 12	Mike Santaguida - UVM
Oct. 19	Kevin Boyle - UML
Oct. 26	Thatcher Demko - BC
Nov. 2	Cal Petersen - ND
Nov. 9	Matt Grzelczyk - BU
Nov. 16	Kevin Boyle - UML
	Connor LaCouvee - BU
Nov. 23	Dan Renouf - Maine
Nov. 30	Dylan Zink - UML
Dec. 7	Rob Nichols - UConn
Dec. 14	Sean Maguire - BU
Dec. 21	Drew Vogler - MC
Jan. 4	Cal Petersen - ND
Jan. 11	Packy Munson - UVM
	Kevin Boyle - UML



**HOCKEY EAST MONTHLY AWARDS**

**WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE MONTH**

Month	Player
Oct.	Dennis Kravchenko - UMass
Nov.	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Dec.	Andrew Poturalski - UNH

**PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE MONTH**

Month	Player
Oct.	Max Letunov - UConn
Nov.	Colin White - BC
Dec.	Packy Munson - UVM

**STOP IT GOALTENDER OF THE MONTH**

Month	Player
Oct.	Thatcher Demko - BC
Nov.	Thatcher Demko - BC
Dec.	Nick Ellis - PC

**2015-2016 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS**

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	UMass Lowell	12	7	2	3	17	12-4-4	2.42 (7)	1.42 (1)
2.	Boston College	10	7	1	2	16	14-4-2	4.40 (1)	2.10 (3)
3.	Notre Dame	9	6	1	2	14	10-4-7	3.33 (3)	1.89 (2)
4.	Boston University	10	5	3	2	12	11-6-3	3.60 (2)	2.90 (T6)
5.	Providence	8	4	1	3	11	13-3-4	3.12 (5)	2.25 (4)
6.	Merrimack	10	2	3	5	9	7-9-5	2.00 (11)	2.40 (5)
7.	New Hampshire	8	2	2	4	8	8-8-4	3.25 (4)	3.12 (9)
	Vermont	10	3	5	2	8	9-12-2	2.40 (8)	2.90 (T6)
	Massachusetts	11	2	5	4	8	7-10-4	2.45 (6)	3.91 (12)
10.	Connecticut	11	3	7	1	7	7-13-1	2.36 (9)	3.55 (11)
11.	Maine	8	2	5	1	5	5-12-4	1.62 (12)	3.00 (8)
12.	Northeastern	11	0	8	3	3	5-12-4	2.18 (10)	3.45 (10)

