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No. 9 Vermont vs. No. 1 Boston College - Fri. 3/11, Sat. 3/12, Sun. 3/13 (if necessary) at BC

- Vermont advanced to the quarterfinals for the second straight season after sweeping UConn at the XL Center last weekend. The Catamounts defeated UConn, 2-1, Friday night and followed that up with a 4-3 victory on Saturday night.
- The Catamounts got a full team effort this weekend as six different Catamounts netted a goal in the sweep. **Mike Santaguida** (Mississauga, Ont.) recorded the victory both nights, making 32 stops Friday night and turning out a 24-save effort Saturday.
- Boston College enjoyed a bye last weekend due to their top seeding in the tournament and co-regular season champion title. The Eagles carry an 11-1-4 record since the calendar turned to 2016. The only Boston College loss in the new year was a 3-1 loss at UMass Lowell in the final regular season contest.
- Boston College was prolific on offense and had one of the most stingy defenses during the regular season, ranking at or near the top in the league in team scoring offense (1st: 4.14 g/gm), team defense scoring (4th: 2.05 g/gm), and penalty kill percentage (2nd: 88%).
- Last year, the Eagles and Cats also met in the quarterfinals in Chestnut Hill. That series was the first time Vermont defeated Boston College in the postseason, improving its all-time Hockey East Tournament record against the Eagles to 7-2-0 and advancing to the semifinals. In the regular season, the Eagles traveled to Burlington, Vermont for a pair of games Feb. 19-20 and took two victories away from Gutterson Fieldhouse.

No. 7 Merrimack vs. No. 2 Providence - Fri. 3/11, Sat. 3/12, Sun. 3/13 (if necessary) at PC

- Merrimack overcame a one-game series deficit to defeat New Hampshire in the opening round last weekend. Merrimack was defeated Thursday night, 3-1, but was able to rebound and defeat New Hampshire Friday night in overtime, 3-2, and then, 2-1, on Sunday night.
- Freshman **Derek Petti** (Tewksbury, Mass.) scored a goal in each game for the Warriors. The combination of Petti and junior **Chris Leblanc** (Winthrop, Mass.) proved pivotal for the Warriors' series victory. Leblanc had two assists, including a helper to set up the game-winning goal to **Ludvig Larsson** (Malmo, Sweden) in Friday night's overtime win. The Warriors offense was in attack-mode all series, producing 46 shots Friday, 50 on Saturday, and 42 on Sunday. Merrimack ranked fourth in the regular season with 1,142 shots on goal.
- Providence finished the year on an eight-game winning streak, all in Hockey East play.
- Senior **Mark Jankowski** (Dundas, Ont.) ranks fifth in Hockey East points with a 11-15--26 stat line. Jankowski is currently on a seven-game point streak with 3-8--11 during that stretch.
- Providence took each of the two regular-season contests from Merrimack, Dec. 4-5, en route to earning a share of the Hockey East regular season title for the first time in school history.

No. 6 Northeastern vs. No. 3 Notre Dame - Fri. 3/11, Sat. 3/12, Sun. 3/13 (if necessary) at ND

- Northeastern swept an opening round series with Maine last weekend defeating the Black Bears twice in overtime, taking a 3-2 decision Friday night, and a 4-3 victory on Saturday.
- Northeastern enters the weekend riding a nine-game winning streak. The Huskies opened the season 2-12-3, but have gone 16-1-2 in their last 19 games since returning from the Friendship Four in Belfast, Northern Ireland.
- Warrior Hockey East Player of the Week **Kevin Roy** (Lac-Beauport, Qué.) led the Northeastern offensive charge, tallying three goals and an assist for four points on the weekend. His total included the game-winning goal in overtime Saturday night. Roy now has points in three straight games (4-2--6)
- Northeastern's **Nolan Stevens** (Sea Isle City, N.J.) is currently on a nine-game point streak with 7-10--17 through that stretch.
- Northeastern owns Hockey East's best power play with a 25.3% mark in Hockey East play (24 of 95) and are tied for second in Hockey East scoring offense (3.41 GPG). The Huskies are challenged by the strong penalty kill unit of Notre Dame, which is also the best in Hockey East (88.8%).
- Notre Dame finished the season third in Hockey East and earned an opening round bye. The Irish finished the season hosting Boston University, dropping the first game, 3-2, but earning a 1-0 victory behind a 39-save shutout from **Cal Petersen** (Waterloo, Iowa).
- Petersen ranks second in Hockey East in goals against average (1.77) and third in save percentage (.937) and winning percentage (.727).
- Notre Dame sophomore **Anders Bjork** (Mequon, Wisc.) finished the year with the second highest plus-minus ranking in Hockey East (+18).
- Northeastern has played four straight overtime games in the postseason dating back to last year and nine straight one-goal games in the Hockey East Tournament. In the regular season, Notre Dame claimed a 1-0-1 record over the Huskies at the Compton Family Ice Arena Nov. 12-13.

No. 5 Boston University vs. No. 4 UMass Lowell - Fri. 3/11, Sat. 3/12, Sun. 3/13 (if necessary) at UML

- Boston University swept Massachusetts last weekend at Agganis Arena in the opening round of the Hockey East playoffs. **Bobo Carpenter** (North Reading, Mass.) scored both goals of a 2-1 overtime win and **Danny O'Regan** (Needham, Mass.) turned in a four-point (2g, 2a) night Saturday to pace the Terriers in a 5-4 victory to sweep of the Minutemen.
- **Jakob Forsbacka Karlsson** (Stockholm, Sweden) also netted two goals in Saturday's 5-4 victory, including the game-winner.
- Special teams figure to play a role this weekend, as both teams rank near the top in the league in power play and penalty kill. Boston University owns the second best power-play unit in Hockey East (22.7%) while UMass Lowell owns the third-best penalty kill unit in Hockey East (84%).
- Boston University is ranked second in scoring offense (3.41 GPG) while UMass Lowell ranks first in scoring defense (1.68 GPG).
- UMass Lowell secured the fourth seed and earned a weekend bye last weekend. Last time out for the River Hawks was a 3-1 victory against Boston College in the final game of the regular season, Feb. 27.
- UMass Lowell goaltender **Kevin Boyle** (Manalapan, N.J.) ranks tops in Hockey East goals against average (1.62), save percentage (.941), and is fifth win percentage (5th: 63.6%).
- This series is a rematch of the 2015 Hockey East championship game, where the Terriers earned the eighth title in program history. BU is 9-2-0 all time against UMass Lowell, including a 2-1-0 record in the quarterfinals. During the 2015-16 regular season the two programs split a home-and-home series Feb. 12-13 while the two jockeyed for playoff position, and the final opening round bye, until the final weekend of the season. Friday night's contest, slated for 7:30 p.m., will be shown nationwide on American Sports Network and on NESN in New England.

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday 3/11

Hockey East Quarterfinals:

No. 9 Vermont at No. 1 Boston College - 7pm
No. 7 Merrimack at No. 2 Providence - 7pm
No. 5 Boston Univ. at No. 4 UML - 7:30pm^
No. 6 NU at No. 3 Notre Dame - 7:35pm

^TV: ASN, NESN

Saturday 3/12

Hockey East Quarterfinals:

No. 9 Vermont at No. 1 Boston College - 7pm
No. 7 Merrimack at No. 2 Providence - 7pm
No. 5 Boston Univ. at No. 4 UML - 7pm
No. 6 NU at No. 3 Notre Dame - 7:05pm

Sunday 3/13

Hockey East Quarterfinals, if necessary:

No. 9 Vermont at No. 1 Boston College - 4pm
No. 5 Boston Univ. at No. 4 UML - 4pm
No. 7 Merrimack at No. 2 Providence - 7pm
No. 6 NU at No. 3 Notre Dame - 7:05pm



**USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine
Men's College Hockey Poll - 3/7**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Quinnipiac, 505 (39)	25-2-7	1
2.	North Dakota, 470 (5)	28-5-3	2
3.	Boston College, 441	24-5-5	4
4.	Providence College, 414	25-5-4	3
5.	St. Cloud State, 378	27-8-1	5
6.	Denver, 320	21-8-5	7
7.	Yale, 303	19-6-5	8
8.	Boston University, 250	21-10-5	9
9.	Michigan, 238	20-7-5	6
10.	Notre Dame, 226	19-8-7	10
11.	UMass Lowell, 177	21-8-5	11
12.	Harvard, 135	16-9-4	12
13.	Michigan Tech, 106	21-8-5	13
14.	Penn State, 48	20-10-4	14
15.	Minnesota Duluth, 20	15-14-5	—

Others receiving votes: Minnesota State, 18; Cornell, 15; St. Lawrence, 7; Clarkson, 6; Omaha, 2; **Northeastern, 1.**

**USCHO.com
Men's College Hockey Poll - 3/7**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Quinnipiac, 985 (39)	25-2-7	1
2.	North Dakota, 957 (11)	28-5-3	2
3.	Boston College, 878	24-5-5	3
4.	Providence, 863	25-5-4	4
5.	St. Cloud State, 807	27-8-1	5
6.	Denver, 736	21-8-5	7
7.	Yale, 683	19-6-4	8
8.	Boston University, 616	21-10-5	9
9.	Michigan, 586	20-7-5	6
10.	Notre Dame, 573	19-8-7	10
11.	UMass Lowell, 535	21-8-5	11
12.	Harvard, 445	16-9-4	12
13.	Michigan Tech, 409	21-8-5	13
14.	Penn State, 267	20-10-4	14
15.	Cornell, 212	15-9-7	18
16.	Minnesota State, 185	18-11-7	16
17.	Omaha, 169	18-15-1	15
18.	St. Lawrence, 119	17-13-4	19
19.	Minnesota, 104	18-15-0	17
20.	Duluth, 99	15-14-5	NR

Others receiving votes: **Northeastern, 80**; Robert Morris, 68; Rensselaer, 62; Clarkson, 33; Bowling Green, 21; Miami, 7; Air Force, 1.



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
Jan. 18	Trevor Mingoia - PC
Jan. 25	Ahti Oksanen - BU
Feb. 1	C.J. Smith - UML
Feb. 8	Max Letunov - UConn
Feb. 15	Nolan Stevens - NU
Feb. 22	Danny O'Regan
Feb. 29	Trevor Mingoia - PC
March 7	Kevin Roy - NU

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
Jan. 18	Bobby Nardella - ND
Jan. 25	Adam Gaudette - NU
Feb. 1	Derek Petti - MC
Feb. 8	Jordan Greenway - BU
Feb. 15	Jordan Greenway - BU
Feb. 22	Ryan Ruck - NU
Feb. 29	Joe Masonius - UConn
March 7	Charlie McAvoy - BU

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
Jan. 18	Rob Nichols - UConn
Jan. 25	Cal Petersen - ND
Feb. 1	Danny Tirone - UNH
Feb. 8	Jordan Gross - ND
Feb. 15	Dylan Zink - UML
Feb. 22	Nick Ellis - PC
Feb. 29	Drew Vogler - MC
March 7	Danny Tirone - UNH



HOCKEY EAST MONTHLY AWARDS

WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Dennis Kravchenko - UMass
Nov.	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Dec.	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Jan.	Trevor Mingoia - PC
Feb.	Nolan Stevens - NU

PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Max Letunov - UConn
Nov.	Colin White - BC
Dec.	Packy Munson - UVM
Jan.	Adam Gaudette - NU
Feb.	Ryan Ruck - NU

STOP IT GOALTENDER OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Thatcher Demko - BC
Nov.	Thatcher Demko - BC
Dec.	Nick Ellis - PC
Jan.	Cal Petersen - ND
Feb.	Nick Ellis - PC

2015-2016 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston College	22	15	2	5	35	24-5-5	4.14 (1)	2.05 (5)
	Providence	22	16	3	3	35	25-5-4	3.23 (4)	1.77 (2)
3.	Notre Dame	22	15	5	2	32	19-8-7	3.18 (5)	1.82 (3)
4.	UMass Lowell	22	12	6	4	28	21-8-5	2.64 (6)	1.68 (1)
	Boston University	22	12	6	4	28	19-10-5	3.41 (T2)	2.55 (T5)
6.	Northeastern	22	10	8	4	24	16-13-5	3.41 (T2)	2.55 (T5)
7.	Merrimack	22	5	10	7	17	11-16-7	2.27 (8)	3.18 (T8)
8.	Connecticut	22	6	12	4	16	11-19-4	2.23 (9)	3.18 (T8)
9.	Vermont	22	6	13	3	15	12-20-3	2.18 (10)	3.00 (7)
10.	New Hampshire	22	4	12	6	14	10-18-6	2.59 (7)	3.32 (10)
11.	Maine	22	5	15	2	12	8-22-6	1.91 (12)	3.50 (11)
12.	Massachusetts	22	2	16	4	8	8-22-4	2.00 (11)	4.59 (12)

