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Northeastern vs. New Hampshire – Thu. 1/12 at NU, Sat. 1/14 at Frozen Fenway

- Northeastern and New Hampshire will meet for 174th time on Thursday night, and the first time this season. Historically, the Wildcats own a 96-62-15 record over the Huskies.
- New Hampshire is winner of six of its past nine games, led by **Tyler Kelleher** (Longmeadow, Mass.) who leads the nation in scoring with 40 points (14g, 26a). Kelleher has at least a point in 16 of 20 games played, including 11 multi-point games and seven outings with at least three points.
- Northeastern's trio of **Zach Aston-Reese** (Staten Island, N.Y./19g, 15a), **Dylan Sikura** (Aurora, Ont./12g, 19a), and **Adam Gaudette** (Braintree, Mass./10g, 20a) rank fifth, eighth, and 10th nationally in scoring. Aston-Reese is currently riding a nine-game point streak, in which the senior has recorded 20 points (12g, 8a).
- UNH and Northeastern are both returning to Frozen Fenway for the second time. Previously, Northeastern defeated UMass Lowell, 4-1, in 2014 while New Hampshire was tripped up in overtime by Maine, 5-4, in its 2010 matchup.

UConn vs. Maine – Thu. 1/12, at Webster Bank Arena; Sat. 1/14 at Frozen Fenway

- Maine will be making its third appearance in a Frozen Fenway match up. The Black Bears are 2-0-0 all time when playing on Yawkey Way, with a 5-4 overtime victory over UNH in 2012, and a 7-3 victory over Boston University in 2014. This will be UConn's first appearance at America's oldest ballpark, as all 12 Hockey East teams will have now skated in a Frozen Fenway event.
- UConn's **Spencer Naas** (Minnetonka, Minn.) is on a three-game point streak in which he has recorded five points on four goals and an assist. UConn also welcomes back scoring leader **Tage Thompson** (Orange, Conn.) after his stint with Team USA at the IIHF World Junior Championship. The sophomore leads the team with 20 points (12g, 8a).
- Maine senior captain **Cam Brown** (Natick, Mass.) leads the team in points (21) and assists (18). Maine's freshman class is also a prolific scoring group; the class ranks fourth in the country in total scoring (29g, 29a, 58p).

No. 5 Boston University vs. No. 8 Boston College – Fri. 1/13 at BU; Mon. Jan 16, at BC

- The Battle of Comm. Ave renews hostilities for the 271st and 272nd time this weekend. Last season the Terriers and the Eagles split their season series, with each team winning on the road.
- No. 5 Boston University is currently riding a four-game win streak, defeating Vermont, Yale, Union and most recently UMass at Saturday's Capital One Frozen Fenway contest. In that time, **Patrick Harper** (New Canaan, Conn.) has compiled a four-game point streak, recording a goal and four assists. The freshman forward currently leads the team in scoring with 22 points (7g, 15a).
- Boston College leads the nation in a number of scoring categories, including total points (219) and assists (141) and is tied for first with hat tricks recorded (3).
- BC and BU boast two of the top Hockey East goaltenders in **Joseph Woll** (Dardenne Prairie, Mo.) and **Jake Oettinger** (Lakeville, Minn.). Woll leads all Hockey East netminders in conference goals against average (1.89), while Oettinger sits fifth (2.11). Woll (.932) and Oettinger (.926) rank second and third, respectively in conference save percentage. Both netminders recently captured the IIHF World Junior Championship gold medal with Team USA.

No. 6 UMass Lowell vs. UMass – Sat. 1/14 at UMass

- The River Hawks and Minutemen square off Saturday in a non-league game at Massachusetts. The two teams will clash in a pair of Hockey East contests later in the year, skating in a home-and-home series Feb. 11 and Feb. 18.
- UMass Lowell is currently riding a seven-game unbeaten streak dating back to Dec. 2, 2016, and are winners of six straight. In that span, the River Hawks are averaging four goals per game, while only allowing an average of 1.71 goals against per contest.
- River Hawks forward **Joe Gambardella** (Staten Island, N.Y./11g, 22a) is currently riding an eight-game point streak. In that time, the senior has tallied 14 points (4g, 10a). Gambardella's 33 points this season ranks him tied for third amongst Hockey East skaters.
- British Columbia natives **Steven Iacobellis** (Port Coquitlam, B.C.) and **Austin Plevy** (Langley, B.C.) share the scoring lead for UMass with 13 points, with each skater tallying five goals and eight assists.

No. 12 Vermont vs. Providence – Fri. 1/13, Sat. 1/14 at PC

- Vermont is winner of four straight, with victories over Bentley, St. Lawrence, and Northeastern. The Catamounts sit third in Hockey East with a 6-3-1 record against league opponents. On the other side, Providence is 4-1-2 in its last seven contests, after a five-game unbeaten streak was snapped by Boston College last Saturday at Frozen Fenway. The Friars are also coming off a 3-1 road victory over ECAC opponent Yale on Tuesday.
- A pair of freshmen pace **Kevin Sneddon**'s squad in scoring as **Ross Colton** (Robbinsville, N.J./ 8g, 7a) and **Derek Lodermeier** (Brooklyn Center, Minn./ 4g, 11a) are tied for the team-lead with 15 points apiece.
- Providence rookie forward **Josh Wilkins** (Raleigh, N.C.) is currently riding a three-game point streak and has tallied a goal in each of the Friars' past three contests.

No. 13 Notre Dame vs. Merrimack – Fri. Jan 13, Sat. 1/14 at MC

- Notre Dame has gone 5-1-0 in its previous six contests, with a five-game winning streak snapped by Michigan Tech on Saturday night.
- **Anders Bjork** (Mequon, Wis.) had his six-game point streak snapped on Saturday against the Huskies. The junior forward ranks third in Hockey East in overall scoring with 33 points (14g, 19a).
- Merrimack's **Brett Seney** (London, Ont.) currently leads Merrimack in scoring with 16 points (6g, 10a) and has scored three of Merrimack's seven game-winning goals this season.

UPCOMING GAMES

Thursday 1/12

Northeastern at UNH - 7pm*
Maine at UConn - 7:05pm *

* Hockey East Game
& Webster Bank Arena (Bridgeport, Conn.)

Friday 1/13

No. 13 ND at Merrimack - 7:05pm *
No. 12 Vermont at Providence - 7:05pm *
No. 8 BC at No. 5 BU - 7:35pm *

* Hockey East Game

Saturday 1/14

Maine vs. UConn - 1:30pm **
UNH vs. Northeastern - 5pm *^
No. 12 Vermont at Providence - 5:05pm *
No. 13 ND at Merrimack - 6:05pm *
No. 6 UML at UMass - 7pm (NC)
* Hockey East Game
** Fenway Park/NESNplus
^ Fenway Park/NESN

Monday 1/16

No. 5 BU at No. 8 BC - 7pm *^

* Hockey East Game
^ ASN/NESN



**USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine
Men's College Hockey Poll - 1/9**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Denver, 476(18)	14-4-4	4
2.	Minnesota Duluth, 445(3)	12-4-4	1
3.	Harvard, 444 (5)	11-2-1	3
4.	Penn State, 442 (8)	14-2-1	2
5.	Boston University, 383	12-5-2	5
6.	UMass Lowell, 342	14-5-3	6
7.	North Dakota, 310	12-6-3	7
8.	Boston College, 269	14-7-2	8
9.	Minnesota, 233	11-5-2	9
10.	Ohio State, 185	10-4-4	11
11.	Union, 178	14-5-2	10
12.	Vermont, 161	14-6-2	13
13.	Notre Dame, 85	12-7-2	12
14.	Western Michigan, 82	10-5-3	14
T15.	Quinnipiac, 18	12-9-2	15
T15.	St Lawrence, 18	11-6-2	NR

Others receiving votes: Air Force 3, Bemidji State 2, Cornell 2, Minnesota State 2.

**USCHO.com
Men's College Hockey Poll - 1/9**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Denver, 952 (27)	14-4-4	3
2.	Harvard, 918 (11)	11-2-1	4
3.	Minnesota Duluth, 888 (6)	12-4-4	1
4.	Penn State, 883(6)	14-2-1	2
5.	Boston University, 812	12-5-2	5
6.	UMass Lowell, 754	14-5-3	6
7.	North Dakota, 723	12-6-3	7
8.	Boston College, 633	14-7-2	8
9.	Minnesota, 592	11-5-2	9
10.	Ohio State, 517	10-4-4	11
11.	Union, 479	14-5-2	10
12.	Vermont, 464	14-6-2	13
13.	Notre Dame, 388	12-7-2	12
14.	Western Michigan, 379	10-5-3	14
15.	Quinnipiac, 270	12-9-2	15
16.	St. Lawrence, 240	11-6-5	16
17.	Bemidji State, 171	15-8-3	17
18.	Minnesota State, 148	13-7-2	19
19.	Cornell, 86	9-4-1	NR
20.	Michigan Tech, 75	14-9-3	NR

Others receiving votes: Air Force 48, Omaha 26, Robert Morris 22, St. Cloud State 12, Wisconsin 11, Providence 9.



HOCKEY EAST WEEKLY AWARDS

WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Week	Player
Oct. 3	Patrick Harper, BU
Oct. 10	Anders Bjork, ND
Oct. 17	Tyler Kelleher, UNH
Oct. 24	Jordan Greenway, BU
Oct. 31	Patrick Grasso, UNH
Nov. 7	Austin Cangelosi, BC
Nov. 14	Blaine Byron, ME
Nov. 21	Zach Aston-Reese, NU Tyler Kelleher, UNH
Nov. 28	Dylan Sikura, NU
Dec. 5	Tyler Kelleher, UNH
Dec. 12	Chase Pearson, ME Anders Bjork, ND
Dec. 19	Zach Aston-Reese, NU
Jan. 2	Joe Gambardella, UML
Jan. 9	Jakob Forsbacka Karlsson, BU

PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Week	Player
Oct. 3	Clayton Keller, BU
Oct. 10	Mitchell Fossier, ME
Oct. 17	Mitchell Fossier, ME
Oct. 24	Jake Oettinger, BU
Oct. 31	Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
Nov. 7	Clayton Keller, BU
Nov. 14	Patrick Harper, BU
Nov. 21	Adam Huska, UConn
Nov. 28	Ross Colton, UVM Tyler Irvine, MC
Dec. 5	Adam Huska, UConn
Dec. 12	Jake Oettinger, BU
Dec. 19	Clayton Keller, BU
Jan. 2	Josh Wilkins, PC
Jan. 9	Tyler Wall, UML

HEA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Week	Player
Oct. 3	Drew Vogler, MC
Oct. 10	Rob Nichols, UConn
Oct. 17	Tyler Wall, UML
Oct. 24	Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
Oct. 31	Adam Huska, UConn
Nov. 7	Tyler Wall, UML
Nov. 14	Rob Nichols, UConn
Nov. 21	Collin Delia, MC Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
Nov. 28	Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
Dec. 5	Jake Oettinger, BU
Dec. 12	Hayden Hawkey, PC
Dec. 19	Shane Switzer, BU
Jan. 2	Cal Petersen, ND
Jan. 9	Rob Nichols, UConn Matias Cleland, UNH



HOCKEY EAST MONTHLY AWARDS

WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Anders Bjork, ND
Nov.	Zach Aston-Reese, NU
Dec.	Tyler Kelleher, UNH

PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Patrick Grasso, UNH
Nov.	Patrick Grasso, UNH
Dec.	Clayton Keller, BU

STOP IT GOALTENDER OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Jake Oettinger, BU Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
Nov.	Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
Dec.	Hayden Hawkey, PC

2016-17 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston College	11	9	1	1	19	14-7-2	3.91 (2)	2.09 (2)
2.	UMass Lowell	11	7	3	1	15	14-5-3	3.00 (4)	2.00 (1)
3.	Vermont	10	6	3	1	13	14-6-2	2.80 (5)	2.50 (7)
4.	Boston University	9	5	2	2	12	12-5-2	2.67 (6)	2.11 (3)
5.	New Hampshire	8	5	2	1	11	10-8-2	4.75 (1)	2.38 (T5)
	Notre Dame	9	5	3	1	11	11-6-2	3.11 (3)	2.22 (4)
7.	UConn	9	4	3	2	10	8-6-6	2.56 (7)	2.44 (7)
8.	Merrimack	8	1	4	3	5	7-9-3	2.13 (T11)	3.38 (T5)
	Massachusetts	11	2	8	1	5	5-13-2	2.18 (10)	3.73 (10)
10.	Providence	8	1	5	2	4	9-7-4	2.25 (9)	3.25 (8)
	Northeastern	10	1	7	2	4	7-9-4	2.40 (8)	3.50 (9)
12.	Maine	8	1	6	1	3	7-10-3	2.13 (T11)	4.00 (11)

