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## **No. 1 UMass Lowell vs. No. 4 Notre Dame – Fri. 3/17 at TD Garden**

- No. 1 UMass Lowell heads into the semifinal round of the Hockey East Tournament for the fifth straight year. The regular season tri-champion River Hawks have advanced to the championship game in each of the last four of those years, taking home the Lamoriello trophy in 2013 and 2014.
- No. 4 Notre Dame advanced out of the quarterfinal round for the first time since the 2013-14 season. The Irish were knocked out of the tournament twice by the River Hawks, including the 2014 the semifinals back and the quarterfinals in 2014-15.
- UMass Lowell's **Joe Gambardella** (Staten Island, N.Y.) was honored with the Len Ceglarski Sportsmanship Award for the second straight year.
- Notre Dame earned several season-long awards on the year, including the Charlie Holt Team Sportsmanship Award for being the least penalized team in league play. Junior forward **Anders Bjork** (Mequon, Wis.) was tabbed as one of the three recipients of the Army ROTC Three Stars Award, while freshman **Andrew Peeke** (Parkland, Fla.) was named to the Pro Ambitions All-Rookie Team.
- The Irish captain, junior goaltender **Cal Petersen** (Waterloo, Iowa), has been named as one of the ten semifinalists for the Mike Richter Award, which will be handed out to the top goaltender in the country at the 2017 Frozen Four.
- Bjork was also named a Hobey Baker Top-10 Finalist on March 15. Bjork becomes just the second player ever to be named a Hobey Baker Top-10 Finalist and also a finalist for the Hockey Humanitarian Award.

## **No. 2 Boston University vs. No. 3 Boston College – Fri. 3/17 at TD Garden**

- No. 2 Boston University and No. 3 Boston College both posted an identical 13-6-3 record during regular season play to earn a share of the regular season Hockey East crown.
- After each team earned a bye in the opening round of the tournament, the Terriers and Eagles both swept the competition in the quarterfinal round to move on to the TD Garden. BU dropped Northeastern, while BC rolled past Vermont.
- The two are set to meet for the fifth time in history in the Hockey East semifinals. The Terriers have advanced past the Eagles in three out of the past four meetings.
- Three Terrier newcomers were named to the Pro Ambitions All-Rookie team, forwards **Patrick Harper** (New Canaan, Conn.) and **Clayton Keller** (Swansea, Ill.), as well as goaltender **Jake Oettinger** (Lakeville, Minn.). Keller was also named one of the three recipients of the Army ROTC Three Stars Award.
- Oettinger was named a semifinalist for the Mike Richter Award, given to the nation's best goaltender.
- Boston College also took home a few awards on the season. Freshman goaltender **Joseph Woll** (Dardenne Prairie, Mo.) joined the league's top rookies as one of two goalies on the Pro Ambitions All-Rookie Team.
- The Eagles' assistant captain, **Austin Cangelosi** (Estero, Fla.), took home the Gladiator Custom Mouthguards Best Defensive Forward Award.
- The Hockey East Tournament Championship weekend will be shown live across New England on NESN, while fans outside of New England will be able to stream the three games live on ESPN3.

## **UPCOMING GAMES**



**Friday 3/17**

Hockey East Semifinals

**No. 1 UML vs. No. 4 ND - 5pm<sup>^</sup>**

**No. 2 BU vs. No. 3 BC - 8pm<sup>^</sup>**

<sup>^</sup>NESN/ESPN3, TD Garden

**Saturday 3/18**

Hockey East Championship - 7pm<sup>^</sup>

<sup>^</sup>NESN/ESPN3, TD Garden



**USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine  
Men's College Hockey Poll - 3/13**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Denver, 509 (33)	28-6-4	1
2.	Harvard, 466 (1)	24-5-2	2
3.	Minnesota Duluth, 452	23-6-7	3
4.	Minnesota, 375	23-10-3	5
5.	<b>UMass Lowell, 359</b>	<b>24-10-3</b>	<b>4</b>
6.	Union, 332	25-8-3	7
7.	<b>Boston University, 322</b>	<b>23-10-3</b>	<b>6</b>
8.	Western Michigan, 303	22-10-5	8
9.	<b>Notre Dame, 221</b>	<b>21-10-5</b>	<b>12</b>
10.	Cornell, 215	20-7-5	9
11.	North Dakota, 150	20-14-3	13
12.	<b>Providence, 121</b>	<b>22-11-5</b>	<b>10</b>
13.	Ohio State, 110	20-10-6	15
14.	Penn State, 79	21-11-2	11
15.	<b>Boston College, 40</b>	<b>20-14-4</b>	<b>NR</b>

Others receiving votes: Air Force 16, Vermont 7, Quinnipiac 3.

**USCHO.com  
Men's College Hockey Poll - 3/13**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Denver, 998 (48)	28-6-4	1
2.	Harvard, 936 (2)	24-5-2	2
3.	Minnesota Duluth, 915	23-6-7	3
4.	<b>UMass Lowell, 798</b>	<b>24-10-3</b>	<b>4</b>
5.	Minnesota, 776	23-10-3	5
6.	Union, 752	25-8-3	6
7.	<b>Boston University, 714</b>	<b>23-10-3</b>	<b>8</b>
8.	Western Michigan, 701	22-10-5	7
9.	Cornell, 577	20-7-5	9
10.	<b>Notre Dame, 566</b>	<b>21-10-5</b>	<b>12</b>
11.	North Dakota, 471	20-14-3	14
12.	<b>Providence, 423</b>	<b>22-11-5</b>	<b>10</b>
13.	Ohio State, 390	20-10-6	15
14.	<b>Boston College, 339</b>	<b>20-14-4</b>	<b>17</b>
15.	Penn State, 331	21-11-2	11
16.	<b>Vermont, 229</b>	<b>20-13-5</b>	<b>13</b>
17.	Air Force, 181	24-9-5	18
18.	Wisconsin, 173	19-14-1	16
19.	Quinnipiac, 111	23-14-2	NR
20.	Canisius, 51	21-10-7	NR

Others receiving votes: Michigan Tech 27, Omaha 21, St. Lawrence 11, Bowling Green 5, Bemidji State 2, St. Cloud State 2.



**HOCKEY EAST WEEKLY AWARDS**

**HOCKEY EAST 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
Jan. 16	Zach Aston-Reese, NU
Jan. 23	Dylan Sikura, NU
Jan. 30	Dylan Sikura, NU
Feb. 6	Erik Foley, PC
Feb. 13	Hampus Gustafsson, MC
Feb. 20	Brian Bowen, UVM
Feb. 27	Nolan Vesey, ME
March 6	Danny Tirone, UNH
March 13	Austin Cangelosi, BC 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
Jan. 16	Tyler Irvine, MC
Jan. 23	Clayton Keller, BU Ross Colton, UVM
Jan. 30	Joe Woll, BC
Feb. 6	Mattias Goransson, UML
Feb. 13	Tyler Wall, UML
Feb. 20	Sami Travnier, MC
Feb. 27	Clayton Keller, BU
March 6	Josh Wilkins, PC
March 13	Kenny Hausinger, UML

**HOCKEY EAST 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 Rob Nichols, UConn
Jan. 9	Matias Cleland, UNH
Jan. 16	Rob McGovern, ME
Jan. 23	Jake Oettinger, BU
Jan. 30	Collin Delia, MC
Feb. 6	Anthony Florentino, PC
Feb. 13	Dennis Gilbert, ND
Feb. 20	Cal Petersen, ND
Feb. 27	Tyler Wall, UML
March 6	Stefanos Lekkas, UVM
March 13	Cal Petersen, ND



**HOCKEY EAST MONTHLY AWARDS**

**HOCKEY EAST PLAYER OF THE MONTH**

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

**PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE MONTH**

Month	Player
Oct.	Patrick Grasso, UNH
Nov.	Patrick Grasso, UNH
Dec.	Clayton Keller, BU
Jan.	Clayton Keller, BU
Feb.	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
Jan.	Collin Delia, MC
Feb.	Tyler Wall, UML

**2016-17 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS**

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	UMass Lowell	22	14	7	1	29	24-10-3	3.45 (1)	2.32 (T2)
2.	Boston University	22	13	6	3	29	23-10-3	2.91 (7)	2.14 (1)
3.	Boston College	22	13	6	3	29	20-14-4	3.36 (2)	2.55 (4)
4.	Notre Dame	22	12	6	4	28	21-10-5	3.05 (5)	2.32 (T2)
5.	Providence	22	12	7	3	27	22-11-5	3.00 (6)	2.59 (5)
6.	Vermont	22	0	8	4	24	20-13-5	2.77 (8)	2.86 (8)
7.	Merrimack	22	8	8	6	22	15-16-6	2.59 (T9)	2.73 (6)
8.	Northeastern	22	9	10	3	21	18-15-5	3.32 (3)	3.23 (9)
9.	UConn	22	8	10	4	20	12-16-8	2.50 (11)	2.77 (7)
10.	New Hampshire	22	7	11	4	18	15-20-5	3.14 (4)	3.50 (10)
11.	Maine	22	5	15	2	12	11-21-4	2.59 (T9)	3.59 (11)
12.	Massachusetts	22	2	19	1	5	5-29-2	1.91 (12)	4.00 (12)

