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20TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON UNDERWAY Voce starts senior year with another hat trick at Vermont

For the second time in three seasons, BC forward Tony Voce has opened the season with a hat trick. Interestingly, both tricks came at Vermont.

Voce capped an explosive day for the Eagle offense with an empty-netter at 19:52 that sealed a 5-3 victory. The Eagles burst out for three goals (two by Voce, one by Dave Spina) on 20 shots in the first period. Three minutes into the third, rookie Joe Rooney made it 4-0 with his first career goal, unassisted. The host Catamounts were almost able to complete a comeback however, scoring three times in the final four minutes to make it 4-3 with under a minute remaining.

In exhibition action, Hockey East nearly emerged with a sweep, save for a hiccup 7-2 loss by Massachusetts to St. Francis Xavier. The Minutemen will likely be eager to erase that when they go against UMass Lowell in the first Hockey East game of the season next Saturday.

The River Hawks were successful against St. Francis Xavier, recording a 3-2 win courtesy of two goals by Bobby Robins and a 10-of-11 save showing by relief goaltender Paul Mammola in the third period.

Marco Rosa and Tim Reidy scored twice each for Merrimack in a 5-3 win over St. Thomas. Providence also triumphed over St. Thomas, scoring four goals from four different players in a 20-shot first period en route to a 5-1 win.

With two goals, David VanderGulik was the No. 1 star for BU in its 6-1 win over Toronto. Meanwhile, UNH offered a warm welcome back to Eddie Caron, who scored twice in a 5-0 victory over the U.S. Under-18 Team. Caron transferred to Yale last season after starting his career at UNH in 2001-02, but has now transferred back to New Hampshire.

2003-04 STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	GP	W	L	<u>T</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Overall</u>	Offense	<u>Defense</u>
Boston College	0	0	0	0	0	1-0-0	5.00 GPG	3.00 GAPG
Boston University	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
Massachusetts	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
UMass Lowell	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
Merrimack	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
Northeastern	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	-	-

CCM PLAYER OF THE WEEK

TONY VOCE – Boston College Senior Forward; Philadelphia, PA

The veteran sniper got his senior season started in a big way with three goals to lead a 5-3 BC win in the season opener at Vermont.

SUPERSKILLS ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

JOE ROONEY – Boston College Freshman Forward; Canton, MA

It only took one game for Rooney to fit right in with the BC offense. He scored a nifty unassisted goal at Vermont and it stood as the game-winner.

RECENT RESULTS

Friday, October 3

St. Francis Xavier 7, at UMass 2 (exh.) at Merrimack 5, St. Thomas 3 (exh.)

Saturday, October 4

Boston College 5, at Vermont 3 at Boston University 6, Toronto 1 (exh.) at UML 3, St. Francis Xavier 2 (exh.) at Providence 5, St. Thomas 1 (exh.) at UNH 5, U.S. Under-18 Team 0 (exh.)

UPCOMING GAMES

Thursday, October 9

Connecticut at Massachusetts

Friday, October 10

Sacred Heart at Merrimack

Ice Breaker Tournament at Michigan St.

Boston College vs. Minnesota-Duluth (5pm)

Findlay at Michigan State (8pm)

Maverick Stampede at Nebraska-Omaha

Maine vs. Minnesota (6pm)

Wisconsin at Nebraska-Omaha (9pm)

Saturday, October 11

Massachusetts at UMass Lowell *
Rensselaer at Boston University
Vermont at New Hampshire
Colgate at Northeastern
Sacred Heart at Providence
Ice Breaker Tournament (5/8pm)
Maverick Stampede (6/9pm)

Sunday, October 12

Rensselaer at Providence

* Hockey East game

Games start at 7pm EST unless indicated.
All game times are Eastern Standard Time.