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FRIARS TOPPLE UNH WITH SEVEN-GOAL OUTBURST Maine back in groove with two league victories at home

It's still early in the season, but the games count the same.

Boston College and UNH staged an incredible battle last Wednesday in front of over 10,000 fans at the Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester, N.H., and each came away with a 2-2 tie and a vital point in the standings. Goaltending was on display as UNH's Mike Ayers made 34 saves, six in overtime. BC's Matti Kaltiainen only needed to stop 19, but that included a great save on a 2-on-1 in OT.

Providence solved Ayers, following three incredible outings for the senior stopper, by getting six goals by him en route to a 7-4 victory on Friday. CCM Player of the Week Torry Gajda and teammate Jonathan Goodwin each had three points in the win. The Friars weren't so fortuitous on Saturday, however, surrendering a 3-2 loss to Massachusetts. Gabe Winer had 27 saves for UMass in the win and it marked the team's seventh straight road victory. The Minutemen lost 4-1 at home vs. Boston College on Friday as BC defenseman John Adams picked up two goals and finished with a +3 on the game.

Following Hockey East losses at Boston College and UNH, which soured a 7-0 start, Maine has rebounded by posting back-to-back league wins at home vs. Northeastern and UMass Lowell. Rookie forward Luciano Aquino lived up the family name (his older brother Anthony was a standout at Merrimack) by being named the first star in each game. He had two goals in Friday's 5-2 win over Northeastern and set up two more in Sunday's 4-0 whitewash of Lowell. Frank Doyle made 22 saves in the Black Bear net to shut down Ben Walter and the River Hawk offense. Senior blueliner Prestin Ryan was +5 on the weekend and pitched in a goal.

Merrimack earned an important point Friday vs. BU, getting 35 saves from Casey Guenther and two assists from defenseman Bryan Schmidt en route to a 2-2 tie. Determined to win the weekend, the Terriers struck in a big way in Saturday's rematch, unloading for four first period goals that yielded a 6-1 triumph. Ken Magowan scored twice for BU while Stephen Siwiec made 30 stops in net. It was Siwiec's first game action in almost a year.

2003-04 STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	W	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Overall</u>	HE Offense	HE Defense
Massachusetts	7	5	2	0	10	8-2-0	2.86 GPG	2.71 GAPG
Maine	6	4	2	0	8	9-2-0	3.50 GPG	2.50 GAPG
Boston College	4	3	0	1	7	6-2-2	3.50 GPG	1.25 GAPG
New Hampshire	5	3	1	1	7	6-2-1	4.00 GPG	2.60 GAPG
Providence	7	2	3	2	6	6-3-2	3.29 GPG	3.00 GAPG
Boston University	5	2	2	1	5	3-2-2	3.00 GPG	2.60 GAPG
UMass Lowell	5	2	3	0	4	4-4-2	2.60 GPG	3.00 GAPG
Merrimack	8	1	5	2	4	2-7-2	1.62 GPG	3.38 GAPG
Northeastern	5	0	4	1	1	0-6-2	2.00 GPG	4.20 GAPG

RECENT RESULTS

Tuesday, November 11 at UMass Lowell 5, Bentley 2

Wednesday, November 12 New Hampshire 2, Boston College 2 (OT) * (at Manchester, NH)

Friday, November 14 Boston College 4, at Massachusetts 1 * at Merrimack 2, Boston University 2 (OT) * at Maine 5 Northeastern 2 *

at Maine 5 Northeastern 2 *
at Providence 7, New Hampshire 4 *

Saturday, November 15

Massachusetts 3, at Providence 2 * at Boston University 6, Merrimack 1 *

Sunday, November 16 at Maine 4, UMass Lowell 0 *

UPCOMING GAMES

Tuesday, November 18
Merrimack at Boston College *

Friday, November 21

Maine at Massachusetts *

UMass Lowell at Boston University *

UNH at Northeastern (7:30pm - CN8) *

Providence at BC (8pm - CSTV) *

Saturday, November 22

Maine at Providence (COX3) *

Northeastern at New Hampshire (NHPTV) *

Boston University at UMass Lowell *

Bemidji State at Merrimack

Sunday, November 23 Bemidji State at Merrimack

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

CCM HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

TORRY GAJDA – Providence Sophomore Forward; Westfield, MA

Scored two goals and added one assist to lead a 7-4 Hockey East win over second-ranked New Hampshire. Set up another goal in a 3-2 loss to UMass.

SUPERSKILLS HOCKEY ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

LUCIANO AQUINO – Maine Freshman Forward; Mississauga, ON

Scored twice on Friday vs. Northeastern and picked up two assists Sunday vs. UMass Lowell. He was named the No. 1 star in both games.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

STEPHEN SIWIEC – Boston Univ. Sophomore Goaltender; Calgary, AB

Turned aside 30 of 31 shots, including 15 in the second period, to post a 6-1 win over Merrimack in his first game action since Nov. 30, 2002.

HOCKEY EAST HONOR ROLL

- John Adams, BC (Jr. D; Wayzata, MN) Led a 4-1 win at UMass with a pair of goals and a +3 rating.
- Mike Ayers, UNH (Sr. G; Hingham, MA) Totalled 34 saves, including six in overtime, in a 2-2 tie vs. BC last Wednesday.
- Brian Boyle, BC (Fr. F; Hingham, MA) Scored a goal and added an assist in a 4-1 win at No. 9 UMass.
- Marvin Degon, UMass (So. D; Millbury, MA) Scored a goal and added an assist in UMass' 3-2 victory at Providence.
- Frank Doyle, Maine (Sr. G; Guelph, ON) Made 22 saves for his second shutout of the season, 4-0 vs. Lowell.
- Jonathan Goodwin, PC (Sr. F; Taunton, MA) Scored a short-handed goal and had two assists in a 7-4 win vs. New Hampshire. Scored again in a 3-2 loss to UMass.
- Casey Guenther, MC (So. G; Boissevain, MB) Stopped 35 of 37 shots faced to preserve 2-2 tie vs. BU on Friday night.
- Ken Magowan, BU (Sr. F; Kelowna, BC) Scored twice to lead BU to a 6-1 win vs. Merrimack.
- Prestin Ryan, Maine (Sr. D; Arcola, SK) Was +5 on the weekend, which included a goal vs. UMass Lowell.
- Bryan Schmidt, MC (So. F; Bloomington, MN) Had two assists in a 2-2 tie with Boston University on Friday night.
- Colin Shields, Maine (Sr. F; Glasgow, Scotland) Had a goal and two assists in a weekend sweep over Lowell and Northeastern.
- Gabe Winer, UMass (So. G; Stoughton, MA) Stopped 27 of 29 shots faced in a 3-2 Hockey East win at Providence.

SCORING (Hockey East Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1.	Thomas Pöck, UMass *	Sr	7	6	5	11
2.	Brian Yandle, UNH *	So	5	4	4	8
3.	Greg Mauldin, UMass	Jr	5	3	4	7
	Nathan Martz, UNH	Sr	5	2	5	7
	Justin Aikins, UNH	Jr	5	1	6	7
	Colin Shields, Maine	Sr	6	3	4	7
7.	Luciano Aquino, Maine	Fr	4	3	3	6
	Steve Saviano, UNH	Sr	5	3	3	6
	Andrew Martin, UML	So	5	2	4	6
	Torry Gajda, PC	So	7	3	3	6
	Chris Chaput, PC	Jr	7	2	4	6
	Jonathan Goodwin, PC	Sr	7	2	4	6
	Peter Zingoni, PC	Sr	7	2	4	6
	Marvin Degon, UMass *	So	7	1	5	6

^{*} defenseman

SCORING (All Games)

Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1. Thomas Pöck, UMass *	Sr	10	8	8	16
Steve Saviano, UNH	Sr	9	10	5	15
Justin Aikins, UNH	Jr	9	4	9	13
Ben Walter, UML	So	10	10	3	13
Torry Gajda, PC	So	11	6	7	13
Chris Capraro, UMass	So	10	3	9	12
Todd Jackson, Maine	Sr	11	8	4	12
Colin Shields, Maine	Sr	11	7	5	12
Peter Zingoni, PC	Sr	11	7	5	12
Jonathan Goodwin, PC	Sr	11	4	8	12
Nathan Martz, UNH	Sr	7	3	8	11
Brian Yandle, UNH *	So	9	5	6	11
Elias Godoy, UML	So	10	5	6	11
Greg Moore, Maine	So	11	5	6	11
Chris Chaput, PC	Jr	11	3	8	11
Michel Leveille, Maine	So	11	0	11	11
* defenseman					











GOALTENDING (Hockey East Games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
 Matti Kaltiainen, BC 	Jr	4	245	3	0	1	1.22	.934
David Cacciola, PC	Jr	3	162	0	2	1	1.48	.953
3. Frank Doyle, Maine	So	3	180	2	1	0	2.33	.901
4. Mike Ayers, UNH	Sr	5	285	3	1	1	2.52	.921
5. Gabe Winer, UMass	So	7	411	5	2	0	2.62	.872
6. Jim Howard, Maine	So	3	180	2	1	0	2.67	.893
7. Casey Guenther, MC	Jr	7	389	1	4	2	2.92	.905
8. Sean Fields, BU	Sr	4	244	1	2	1	2.95	.888
9. Chris Davidson, UML	Jr	5	298	2	3	0	3.01	.901
10. Bobby Goepfert, PC	So	5	266	2	1	1	3.38	.894

GOALTENDING (All Games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
1. Frank Doyle, Maine	So	6	360	5	1	0	1.83	.921
2. Matti Kaltianen, BC	Jr	10	607	6	2	2	1.88	.905
3. Jim Howard, Maine	So	5	300	4	1	0	2.00	.919
4. Gabe Winer, UMass	So	10	591	8	2	0	2.33	.886
Mike Ayers, UNH	Sr	8	458	5	2	1	2.49	.908
6. Chris Davidson, UML	Jr	9	548	3	4	2	2.52	.906
7. Sean Fields, BU	Sr	6	364	2	2	2	2.64	.891
8. Bobby Goepfert, PC	So	9	506	6	1	1	2.72	.908
9. Casey Guenther, MC	Jr	10	567	2	6	2	3.06	.892
10. Keni Gibson, NU	Jr	6	367	0	4	2	3.59	.863

TEAM STATS (Hockey East Games)

TEAM OFFENSE Team	GP	G	GP	G	
1.New Hampshire 2.Boston College Maine	5 4 6	20 14 21	3. 3.	00 50 50	
4. Providence	7	23		29	
5.Boston University6.Massachusetts	5 7	15 20		00 86	
7.UMass Lowell	5	13		60	
8.Northeastern 9.Merrimack	5 8	10 13	2.	00 62	
TEAM DEFENSE	CD	C A	C A	DC	
Team 	GP 	GA 	GA 	PG 	
1.Boston College	4	5		25	
2. Maine	6	15		50	
3.Boston University New Hampshire	5 5	13 13		60 60	
5. Massachusetts	7	19		71	
6.UMass Lowell	5	15		00	
Providence	7	21		00	
8.Merrimack	8	27		38	
9.Northeastern	5	21	4.	20	
POWER PLAY Team	GP	PPG .	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.New Hampshire	 5	 9	 32	1	.281
2.Providence	7	6	30	0	.200
3.Merrimack	8	7	40	3	.175
4.Massachusetts	7	6	42	1	.143
Northeastern	5	3	21	1	1 1 2
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6.UMass Lowell	5	3	26	1	.115
7.Maine	5 6	3 3	26 31	1 2	.115 .097
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TEAM STATS (All Games)

TEAM OFFENSE					
Team	GP	G	GF	PG	
1.New Hampshire	 9	42		.67	
2.Maine	11	48		.36	
3.Providence	11	42		.82	
4. Massachusetts	10	33		.30	
5.Boston University	7	22		14	
6.Boston College	10	31		10	
7.UMass Lowell	10	30		.00	
8.Northeastern	8	18		.25	
9.Merrimack	11	22		.00	
TEAM DEFENSE					
Team	GP	GA	G/	APG	
4.0					
1.Boston College	10	19		.90	
2.Maine	11	21		.91	
3. Massachusetts	10	24		.40	
4. Boston University	7	17		.43 .44	
5.New Hampshire6.UMass Lowell	9 10	22 25		. 44 . 50	
7.Providence	11	29		. 64	
8.Merrimack	11	37		.36	
9.Northeastern	8	35		.38	
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POWER PLAY Team	GP	PPG /	٩tt	SHGA	Pct
1.New Hampshire	9	18	58	1	.310
2.UMass Lowell	10	13	59	1	.220
3.Providence	11 11	10 10	46 57	0 2	.217
4.Maine 5.Massachusetts	10	9	57 54	1	.175 .167
Merrimack	11	10	60	4	.167
7. Northeastern	8	7	43	3	.163
8.Boston College	10	9	60	0	.150
9.Boston University	7	4	42	1	.095
PENALTY KILL					
Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.Boston College	10	 4	 51	 4	.922
2.Maine	11	6	53	5	.887
3.Massachusetts	10	6	46	3	.870
UMass Lowell	10	7	54	1	.870
New Hampshire	9	7	54	2	.870
6.Merrimack	11	10	66	1	.848
<pre>7.Boston University</pre>	7	7	42	1	.833
8.Providence	11	11	65	4	.831
9.Northeastern	8	13	40	2	.675
PENALTY MINUTES					
Team	GP	Р	PiN	1 PN	/IPG
1.Northeastern	 8	48	115	5 14.	.38
2.Massachusetts	10	73	154		
3. Boston University	7	54	108		
4.UMass Lowell	10	67	156	5 15.	.60
5.Merrimack	11	83	180	16.	.36
6.New Hampshire	9	73	157	⁷ 17.	.44
7.Maine	9 11	90	196	5 17.	.82
7.Maine 8.Boston College	11 10	90 77	196 181	5 17. L 18.	. 82 . 10
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TEAM NOTES

Boston College: BC has outshot its opponent in each of 10 games this season, compiling an outstanding aggregate margin of 322-200.

Boston University: Sean Fields missed his first action in almost a year when he did not play vs. Merrimack on Saturday. The senior goalie had played every minute of the Terriers' previous 35 games ... Ken Magowan's power play goal Saturday was just the Terriers' third of the season and ended an 0-for-22 stretch.

University of Maine: Brent Shepheard scored his first career goal Sunday against UMass-Lowell ... The line of Luciano Aquino, Derek Damon and Colin Shields had a great first weekend together, as they connected for three goals and six assists to lead two Maine victories.

University of Massachusetts: UMass' 8-2 start equals its best since the program was resurrected in 1993-94. That season, UMass opened at 8-2, but it was mostly against D-III opponents ... Friday's crowd of 7,113 was the largest hockey crowd in Mullins Center history. Since the start of last season, five of the Mullins Center all-time top 10 single-game attendance totals have been logged ... Defenseman Thomas Pöck contributed six goals and three assists vs. Providence over the past six games of the series. He already has five power play goals this season and has a six-game point streak.

UMass Lowell: Almost three years to the day after Maine last shut out UMass Lowell, the Black Bears did it again with a 4-0 win on Sunday, November 16. Maine's last shutout of Lowell came on November 17, 2000. The 2000-01 campaign was also the last time UML was shut out twice in one season, as UML was blanked back in October at Alaska Anchorage. UML has never been shut out three times in one season ... Kim Brandvold and Josh Notini both scored their first career goals on Tuesday vs. Bentley.

Merrimack College: With a pair of assists on Friday night, sophomore defenseman Bryan Schmidt now has five assists in five career games played against BU ... Merrimack went 14-for-16 on the penalty kill over two games against BU over the weekend. Over the past five games, the Warrior PK unit is 24-for-27 (.888) ... The Merrimack sophomore class has accounted for 29 of the teams 57 points this season ... Senior defenseman Tony Johnson has assisted on four of the team's last six goals.

University of New Hampshire: Freshman forward Jacob Micflikier is the only first-year Wildcat to play in all nine games this season ... Senior forward Steve Saviano has scored 10 goals this season in just nine games and he has already surpassed his goal total from all of last season (9 goals in 42 games) ... UNH remains undefeated at the Verizon Wireless Arena with a 2-0-2 record in four games ... 19 of UNH's 42 goals this year have come in the third period.

Northeastern University: Senior captain Brian Tudrick scored his first career short-handed goal on Friday ... Jason Guerriero notched his 11th career power-play goal. Eleven of his 19 career goals have come with a man-advantage ... NU will host a televised game vs. UNH on Friday. NU hasn't lost to UNH at home since Jan. 29, 1999, a span of nearly five years.

Providence College: Torry Gajda (3 goals, 3 assists) and Jonathan Goodwin (2 goals, 4 assists) each have tallied six points in the last four games ... Sophomore Bobby Goepfert was dealt his first loss of the season with a 3-2 defeat vs. UMass Saturday. He is now 6-1-1 ... Providence is 7-0-4 in their last 11 road games, a stretch that will be tested when they play at Boston College on Friday. The game will be televised live on CSTV ... Rookie Bill McCreary scored his first career goal with an empty-netter vs. UNH Friday.

WHO'S HOT

- Michel Leveille, Maine (So. F; Levis, QC) Averaging one assist per game.
- The Eaves Brothers Senior Ben and sophomore Patrick have ignited the BC offense with a combined 19 points in 10 games.
- BC penalty kill The Eagles have killed 47 of 51 opposing power plays this season (92.2 percent) and killed two 5-on-3 disadvantages in a 4-1 win at UMass.
- UMass on the road The Minutemen have won an amazing seven straight road games dating back to last season. Gabe Winer is 7-0 with a 1.86 GAA and a .923 save percentage in those games.
- **UNH power play** Eighteen of UNH's 42 goals have come on the power play. The Wildcats lead the nation with a 31 percent success rate.

ITECH THREE STARS

As part of a long-term agreement between Hockey East and ITECH, SIDs and media will designate ITECH "Three Stars of The Game" in each of the 108 Hockey East league games. The player earning the most points over the course of the season will be recognized at the Hockey East championship banquet at season's end. The leaders to date:

<u>Name</u>	<u>CI</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Schoo</u> l
Luciano Aquino	Fr	F	Maine
Mike Ayers	Sr	G	UNH
David Cacciola	Jr	G	PC
Torry Gajda	So	F	PC
Casey Guenther	Jr	G	MC
Thomas Pöck	Sr	D	UMass
Steve Saviano	Sr	F	UNH
Ben Walter	So	F	UML

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TOP FAN CONTEST

As part of the celebration of its 20th anniversary season, the Hockey East Association is launching a promotional contest to identify its top fan. To make a nomination for oneself or another, an individual must submit an essay of no more than 300 words describing why the nominee should be considered. The winners will be announced in late February. Each winner will receive two tickets to each night of the Hockey East championship tournament at the FleetCenter along with hotel accomodations for two at the Royal Sonesta Hotel, the official headquarters of the Hockey East tournament.

For more contest information, visit the league web site at www.HockeyEastOnline.com.