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NORTHEASTERN BREAKS IN WITH BACK-TO-BACK WINS Winer's 51 saves keep UMass even against top-ranked Boston College

What took the Huskies 14 games to accomplish last year took only two games this year – their second Hockey East win of the season. NU notched league victory Nos. 1 and 2 on its first tries this weekend, defeating Maine 4-2 on Friday and Providence 3-1 on Sunday. Defensive Player of the Week Keni Gibson stopped a total of 77 shots over the two wins, including 41 vs. Maine alone. Joe Santilli (two goals) and Mike Morris (three points) helped Gibson's cause vs. the Black Bears, staking him a 4-0 lead early in the second period.

Boston University also swept two league games this weekend, lifting the Terriers to the top of the Hockey East standings with a 4-1 record to date. Merrimack was the victim, losing a 6-4 barnburner on Friday at BU and yielding a 3-1 decision at home on Saturday. Versatile Bryan Miller scored two of three BU goals in Saturday's win and totalled three in the series.

The most prominent performance of the weekend, however, belonged to UMass junior Gabe Winer. Winer stopped 51 shots at No. 1 Boston College to almost single-handedly earn a 3-3 tie, and a vital league point, for the Minutemen. He had help from both Tim Vitek (two goals) and Kevin Jarman (three assists) in the game. Vitek added two more goals in Sunday's dominating 6-1 win over Mercyhurst, while Jarman picked up another assist and the gamewinning goal.

Maine recovered quickly from Friday's loss at NU to post a narrow 5-4 win at UMass Lowell on Saturday as rookie Tim Maxwell contributed his first career goal and two assists. Lowell's perplexing 0-3 start in Hockey East play is offset somewhat by its perfect 4-0 start in non-league play, most recently enhanced with a 3-2 win over nationally-ranked Colgate on Friday.

In other league action, UNH overcame an early 2-0 deficit to post a 3-2 win vs. Providence on Friday. Preston Callander scored two goals to lead the comeback charge.

HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	W	L	T	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Overall</u>	HE Offense	HE Defense
Boston University	5	4	1	0	8	5-3-0	3.40 GPG	2.40 GAPG
Massachusetts	6	3	2	1	7	6-4-1	3.33 GPG	3.00 GAPG
Maine	6	3	3	0	6	7-6-0	2.50 GPG	2.17 GAPG
Boston College	3	2	0	1	5	4-1-1	3.00 GPG	2.00 GAPG
Northeastern	2	2	0	0	4	5-3-1	3.50 GPG	1.50 GAPG
New Hampshire	3	2	1	0	4	5-2-1	2.33 GPG	3.67 GAPG
Providence	6	2	4	0	4	4-5-0	2.67 GPG	2.83 GAPG
Merrimack	6	1	5	0	2	3-7-0	2.67 GPG	4.50 GAPG
UMass Lowell	3	0	3	0	0	4-3-0	2.67 GPG	3.67 GAPG

RECENT RESULTS

Friday, November 12

at Boston College 3, Massachusetts 3 (OT) * at Boston University 6, Merrimack 4 * at Northeastern 4, Maine 2 * at New Hampshire 3, Providence 2 * at UMass Lowell 3, Colgate 2

Saturday, November 13
Boston University 3, at Merrimack 1 *
Maine 5. at UMass Lowell 4 *

Sunday, November 14Northeastern 3, at Providence 1 * at Massachusetts 6, Mercyhurst 1

UPCOMING GAMES

Tuesday, November 16 New Hampshire at Merrimack * Boston College at Harvard (CN8)

Friday, November 19
Massachusetts at Maine (WABI) *
Boston U. at UMass Lowell (NESN) *
Boston College at Providence *

Saturday, November 20
UMass Lowell at Boston University *
New Hampshire at Northeastern *

Northeastern at UNH (NHPTV) *

Sunday, November 21 Maine vs. Providence * (2pm - at Portland, ME)

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

CCM HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

GABE WINER – Massachusetts Junior Goaltender; Stoughton, MA

Stopped 51 of 54 shots, including 21 of 22 in the third period, to preserve a dramatic 3-3 tie for UMass at top-ranked Boston College.

SUPERSKILLS HOCKEY ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

TIM MAXWELL – Maine

Freshman Defenseman; Sherwood Park, AB Scored his first career goal and assisted on two others to carry Maine over UMass Lowell, 5-4.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

KENI GIBSON – Northeastern

Senior Goaltender; Stittsville, ON

Stopped 41 of 43 shots in a 4-2 win over Maine on Friday and followed that with a 36-of-37 performance in a 3-1 win at Providence on Sunday.

HOCKEY EAST HONOR ROLL

- John Adams, BC (Sr. D; Wayzata, MN) Scored one goal and set up another in a 3-3 tie vs. UMass.
- Preston Callander, UNH (Sr. F; Regina, SK) Had eight shots and two goals to lead a 3-2 comeback victory over Providence.
- Derek Damon, Maine (Jr. F; Bangor, ME) Scored four points over two games, including two goals in a 5-4 win at Lowell.
- Kevin Jarman, UMass (So. F; Aurora, ON) Set up all three scores in Friday's 3-3 tie at BC and added another assist and the game-winning goal Sunday vs. Mercyhurst.
- Andrew Martin, UML (Jr. F; Brampton, ON) Scored twice to lead a 3-2 win over Colgate.
- Bryan Miller, BU (Sr. F/D; Wayne, NJ) Scored three goals in a weekend sweep of Merrimack, including two in a 3-1 road win.
 Mike Morris, NU (Jr. F; Braintree, MA) Led a 4-2 win over Maine with a goal and two assists.
- Joe Santilli, NU (So. F; Westwood, MA) Scored two of NU's four goals in a 4-2 win over Maine on Friday.
- Tyler Sims, PC (Fr. G, Forth Worth, TX) Totalled 37 saves in a 3-2 loss at New Hampshire.
- Stephan Siwiec, BU (Jr. G; Calgary, AB) Stopped 23 of 24 shots for a 3-1 win at Merrimack.
- Jason Tejchma, UML (So. F; Muskegon, MI) Scored two goals in a 5-4 loss vs. Maine and finished +4 over two games.
- Tim Vitek, UMass (Sr. F; Dresden, ON) Scored twice in each of two games, including a 3-3 tie at Boston College.

LEADING SCORERS (League Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Matt Anderson, UMass	So	6	4	4	8
2	P.J. Fenton, UMass	Fr	6	4	3	7
3	John Laliberte, BU	Jr	5	3	3	6
	Bryan Miller, BU	Sr	5	3	3	6
	Derek Damon, Maine	Jr	6	4	2	6
	Chris Chaput, PC	Sr	6	2	4	6
	Bryan Schmidt, MC *	Jr	6	2	4	6
8	Pete MacArthur, BU	Fr	5	2	3	5
	James Pemberton, PC	Jr	5	0	5	5
	Matt Johnson, MC	Jr	6	3	2	5
	Stephen Werner, UMass	Jr	6	3	2	5

^{*} defenseman

LEADING SCORERS (All Games)

Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1 Derek Damon, Maine	Jr	13	9	7	16
2 Matt Anderson, UMass	So	11	7	8	15
3 Mike Morris, NU	Jr	8	5	8	13
4 Jason Guerriero, NU	Sr	9	5	7	12
5 Patrick Eaves, BC	Jr	6	3	8	11
Brian Yandle, UNH *	Jr	7	0	11	11
Bryan Schmidt, MC *	Jr	10	5	6	11
Jeff Caron, MC *	So	10	2	9	11
9 Elias Godoy, UML	Jr	7	1	9	10
P.J. Fenton, UMass	Fr	11	6	4	10
Stephen Werner, UMass	Jr	11	4	6	10
Greg Moore, Maine	Jr	13	7	3	10
13 Ben Walter, UML	Jr	7	8	1	9
Brett Hemingway, UNH	So	8	5	4	9
Chris Chaput, PC	Sr	9	3	6	9
Matt Byrnes, MC	So	10	1	8	9

^{*} defenseman









LEADING GOALTENDERS (League Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
1	Keni Gibson, NU	Sr	2	120	2	0	0	1.50	.962
2	Jim Howard, Maine	Jr	6	288	3	3	0	2.29	.913
3	Jeff Pietrasiak, UNH	Jr	3	179	2	1	0	2.34	.903
4	Cory Schneider, BC	Fr	2	125	1	0	1	2.40	.881
5	Gabe Winer, UMass	Jr	5	297	3	1	1	2.42	.921
6	Frank McLaughlin, MC	Jr	2	120	1	1	0	2.50	.934
7	David Cacciola, PC	Sr	5	297	2	3	0	2.62	.907
8	John Curry, BU	So	4	239	3	1	0	2.76	.891
9	Chris Davidson, UML	Sr	2	119	0	2	0	3.01	.908
10	Jim Healey, MC	So	4	198	0	4	0	5.14	.848

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
1	Matti Kaltiainen, BC	Sr	3	180	2	1	0	2.00	.891
2	John Curry, BU	So	6	329	4	1	0	2.18	.913
3	Jim Howard, Maine	Jr	12	645	6	6	0	2.42	.908
4	Chris Davidson, UML	Sr	5	246	2	2	0	2.43	.912
5	Gabe Winer, UMass	Jr	7	416	4	2	1	2.45	.917
6	Cory Schneider, BC	Fr	3	185	2	0	1	2.59	.869
7	Jeff Pietrasiak, UNH	Jr	6	364	4	1	1	2.63	.903
8	Tim Warner, UMass	Sr	4	244	2	2	0	2.70	.903
9	Keni Gibson, NU	Sr	8	488	5	2	1	2.73	.909
10	David Cacciola, PC	Sr	7	417	3	4	0	4.51	.906

TEAM STATISTICS (League Games)

TEAM OFFENSE Team	GP	G	GP	G	
1.Northeastern	2 5 6 3 6 6	7 17 20 9 8 16 16	3. 3. 2. 2.	50 40 33 00 67 67	
8.Maine 9.New Hampshire	6 3	15 7		50 33	
TEAM DEFENSE Team	GP	GA	GA	.PG	
1.Northeastern 2.Boston College 3.Maine 4.Boston University 5.New Hampshire 6.Providence 7.Massachusetts 8.UMass Lowell 9.Merrimack	2 3 6 5 3 6 6 3 6	3 6 13 12 8 17 18 11 27	2. 2. 2. 2. 3.	50 00 17 40 67 83 00 67 50	
POWER PLAY Team	GP	PPG A	4tt	SHGA	Pct
1.UMass Lowell 2.Boston College 3.Boston University 4.Merrimack 5.New Hampshire 6.Providence 7.Maine 8.Northeastern 9.Massachusetts	3 5 6 3 6 2 6	5 8 7 3 6 5 1	20 24 39 42 19 40 37 9 34	0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0	.250 .208 .205 .167 .158 .150 .135 .111
PENALTY KILL Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.Maine	6	2 1	33	0	.939
2.Northeastern 3.Merrimack 4.Boston College 5.Providence 6.New Hampshire 7.Boston University 8.UMass Lowell 9.Massachusetts	2 6 3 6 3 5 3 6	4 3 6 3 6 4 12	11 42 22 40 19 34 17 46	0 2 0 2 0 0 0	.909 .905 .864 .850 .842 .824 .765
3.Merrimack	6 3 6 3 5 3	4 3 6 3 6 4	42 22 40 19 34 17	2 0 2 0 0 0 1	.909 .905 .864 .850 .842 .824

TEAM STATISTICS (All Games)

TEAM OFFENSE Team	GP	G	GF	PG	
1.Boston College 2.Northeastern 3.Massachusetts 4.New Hampshire 5.UMass Lowell 6.Maine 7.Boston University Merrimack 9.Providence	6 9 11 8 7 13 8 10 9	22 31 36 26 22 40 24 30 26	3. 3. 3. 3.	67 44 27 25 14 08 00 00 89	
TEAM DEFENSE Team	GP	GA	GA	APG	
1.Maine	13 6 11 9 7 8 8 9 10	30 14 28 24 20 24 25 30 43	2. 2. 2. 3. 3.	31 33 55 67 86 00 12 33 30	
POWER PLAY Team	GP	PPG /	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.UMass Lowell	7 8 10 9 6 9 13 8 11	13 14 15 11 9 10 14 10 8	53 60 82 60 53 62 88 64 62	0 2 4 0 2 1 1 2	.245 .233 .183 .183 .170 .161 .159 .156
PENALTY KILL Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.Maine	13 6 10 9 7 8 8 11 9	7 5 10 9 6 10 10 17	79 47 78 66 38 59 49 78 60	1 2 2 2 1 1 0 2	.911 .894 .872 .864 .842 .831 .796 .782
PENALTY MINUTES Team	GP	P	PiM	1 PN	1PG
1.Northeastern 2.UMass Lowell 3.Massachusetts 4.Providence 5.New Hampshire 6.Boston College 7.Maine 8.Merrimack 9.Boston University	9 7 11 9 8 6 13 10 8	69 42 92 82 71 59 117 104 81	138 117 198 164 153 118 264 208	7 16. 8 18. 4 18. 8 19. 8 19. 4 20.	71 00 22 12 67 31 80

TEAM NOTES

Boston College: BC is 4-0-0 against ranked opponents, but 0-1-1 against non-ranked opponents ... Joe Rooney, Matt Greene and Pat Gannon all notched their first points of the season on Rooney's goal vs. UMass Friday. For freshmen Greene and Gannon, it was their first career point.

Boston University: After losing their first two games of the season, the Terriers have now won four of their last five ... The Terriers' notched their first road win of the season in their 3-1 win at Merrimack Saturday. Their three previous road games had been at neutral sites.

University of Maine: The win at UMass Lowell marked the first time this season that Maine has won a game in which the opponent has scored first. On the other hand, Maine is 6-2 when scoring first ... The game also marked the first time in seven tries that the Black Bears have won a game in which they were trailing entering the third period.

University of Massachusetts: The Minutemen are 1-7-1 all-time vs. teams ranked No. 1 ... Gabe Winer's 51 saves vs. BC were the most by any goaltender in a Hockey East league game since former Minuteman Mike Johnson made 60 saves on February 23, 2001. Coincidentally, that game also ended in a 3-3 tie for UMass at Boston College.

UMass Lowell: UMass Lowell's defense has not given up the first goal of the game all season ... The River Hawks power play has scored at least once in each of UML's seven games this year ... UML is still undefeated (4-0) in non-conference play.

Merrimack College: The Merrimack penalty kill streak was snapped at 37 straight when Boston University scored on its second power play of the game Friday night ... Defenseman Bryan Schmidt and Jeff Caron are tied for the team lead with 11 points apiece ... Both Justin Mills and Ryan Sullivan returned to the Warrior lineup on Friday night after sitting out due to injury and both scored their first goals of the season.

University of New Hampshire: The Wildcats play five games in 12 days, starting on Tuesday night at Merrimack. UNH owns a 9-0-2 record at the Volpe Center since March 2,1996.

Northeastern University: NU won its first two Hockey East games for the first time since the 1997-98 season. Last year, NU needed 14 Hockey East games to reach its second league win ... Northeastern was outshot by both Maine (43-28) and Providence (37-27) but won both games.

Providence College: Sophomore Bill McCreary has equaled his scoring output from last season with five goals ... Twelve of Providence's 26 goals this season have been scored in the first period ... The Friar freshman and sophomore classes have accounted for 20 of the team's 26 goals.

WHO'S HOT

- Brett Hemingway, UNH (So. F; Surrey, BC) Has scored a point in six of seven games this season.
- Brian Yandle, UNH (Jr. D; Milton, MA)
 Ranks first in the nation with 1.57 assists per game, having posted at least one assist in every game he has played in this year.
- Maine rookies The Black Bears freshman class had a big weekend, as Wes Clark and Tim Maxwell scored their first goals, with Maxwell adding two assists. Billy Ryan had three assists on the weekend, and Bret Tyler had one as well. Goalie Matt Lundin saw action in each of two games.
- Maine's penalty-killing unit Maine's penalty kill is tops in the league and fourth in the nation, allowing only seven power play goals in 79 chances (91.2 percent).

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
Matt Anderson	So	F	UMass
Derek Damon	Jr	F	Maine
P.J. Fenton	Fr	F	UMass
Keni Gibson	Sr	G	NU
Frank McLaughlin	Jr	G	MC
Jon Rheault	Fr	F	PC
Gabe Winer	Jr	G	UMass

FIRST CAREER GOAL

Wes Clark, Maine

(Fr. F; Oakville, ON) 11/13/04 at UMass Lowell

Tim Maxwell, Maine

(Fr. D; Sherwood Park, AB) 11/13/04 at UMass Lowell

Ryan Monaghan, BU

(Fr. F; Wilmette, IL) 11/12/04 vs. Merrimack

Ryan Weston, BU

(Fr. F; Henniker, NH) 11/12/04 vs. Merrimack