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### BU SWEEPS TO RUN LEAGUE WIN STREAK TO SIX STRAIGHT PC's Cacciola makes 60 saves in showcase at Boston College

It's official: Boston University is the team to beat.

Only UNH has done so in Hockey East play this season, as BU has run its league record to 8-1. The most recent conquests included BC on Friday (3-2) and UMass on Saturday (7-1). The Terriers have plenty to celebrate, including Jack Parker's 700th career win, which fittingly came against top rival Boston College. CCM Player of the Week Brad Zancanaro broke a 2-2 tie in the third period to deliver the landmark victory, and added two more goals and one assist in the UMass game. Goaltender John Curry stopped 50 of 53 shots faced on the weekend.

Reeling from the loss, BC unloaded 61 shots against Providence Saturday, but emerged with only a 1-1 tie. Friar David Cacciola made an incredible 60 saves, one short of a league record.

Merrimack's Jim Healey made 37 saves in Friday's 2-2 tie at Maine to break an eight-game losing streak for the Warriors against the Black Bears. The hosts came back in the rematch however, downing Merrimack 5-0, marking Jimmy Howard's third shutout of the season and

second against the Warriors.

# UMass Lowell upped its impressive non-

Converted an unassisted game-winner in the third period vs. BC and added two more goals (including another game-winner) and an assist at UMass.

**CCM HOCKEY** 

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

BRAD ZANCANARO - Boston U.

Junior Forward; Trenton, MI

league mark to 7-0 with back-to-back wins over visiting St. Lawrence and Clarkson. Four different River Hawks put in four points each on the weekend and rookie netminder Peter Vetri held the fort with 45 saves on 49 shots faced. UNH's Brett Hemingway had two goals in each game against the same opponents (both UNH victories) and linemate Sean Collins had a goal and four assists.

### **HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS**

<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	W	L	<u>T</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Overall</u>	<b>HE Offense</b>	<b>HE Defense</b>
<b>Boston University</b>	9	8	1	0	16	9-6-0	4.33 GPG	2.22 GAPG
Maine	10	6	3	1	13	10-6-2	3.60 GPG	2.10 GAPG
New Hampshire	7	5	1	1	11	10-3-2	3.57 GPG	2.71 GAPG
Boston College	7	3	1	3	9	6-3-3	2.57 GPG	1.86 GAPG
Massachusetts	9	4	4	1	9	7-9-1	2.89 GPG	3.67 GAPG
Northeastern	6	3	3	0	6	6-7-1	3.33 GPG	3.17 GAPG
Providence	10	2	6	2	6	5-8-2	2.50 GPG	3.10 GAPG
Merrimack	10	1	8	1	3	4-10-2	2.00 GPG	4.30 GAPG
UMass Lowell	6	0	5	1	1	7-5-1	2.67 GPG	4.33 GAPG

### SUPERSKILLS HOCKEY **ROOKIE OF THE WEEK**

#### **PETER MacARTHUR**

Freshman Forward; Clifton Park, NY

Had a short-handed goal in each of two Hockey East victories for BU, and added an even-strength tally in Saturday's 7-1 win at UMass.

### **DEFENSIVE PLAYER** OF THE WEEK

#### **DAVID CACCIOLA – Providence**

Senior Goaltender; Burlington, MA

Stopped 60 of 61 shots faced in a 1-1 tie at Boston College Saturday, totalling 85 saves on 89 shots faced over two Hockey East games on the weekend.

#### RECENT RESULTS

#### Friday, December 3

Boston University 3, Boston College 2 \* at Maine 2, Merrimack 2 (OT) \* at Massachusetts 3, Providence 2 \* at UMass Lowell 7, St. Lawrence 2 at New Hampshire 3, Clarkson 1

#### Saturday, December 4

at Boston College 1, Providence 1 (OT) \* Boston U. 7, at Massachusetts 1 \* at Maine 5, Merrimack 0 \* at UMass Lowell 3, Clarkson 2 at New Hampshire 6, St. Lawrence 3 at Vermont 2, Northeastern 0

#### **UPCOMING GAMES**

Wednesday, December 8 Providence at Rensselaer

#### Thursday, December 9

Massachusetts at New Hampshire \*

#### Friday, December 10

Northeastern at Boston College \* **UMass Lowell at Dartmouth** Princeton at Merrimack

#### Saturday, December 11

UMass Lowell at Northeastern \* Boston University at Rensselaer Maine at Harvard # Sacred Heart at Massachusetts Princeton at Merrimack U.S. U-18 Team at UNH (2pm - exh.)

\* Hockey East game

# Commissioners' Cup series Games start at 7pm unless indicated. All game times are Eastern Time.

### HOCKEY EAST HONOR ROLL

- Brian Bova, UML (Jr. F; North Andover, MA) Led UML to a 7-2 win over St. Lawrence Friday, scoring two goals.
- Jamie Carroll, PC (So. F; Andover, CT) Scored two of PC's three goals on the week, including the only goal in a 1-1 tie at No. 2 BC.
- Sean Collins, UNH (Sr. F; Reading, MA) Had two assists in each of two UNH wins, and added one goal in a 3-1 win over Clarkson.
- John Curry, BU (So. G; Shorewood, MN) Stopped 50 of 53 shots faced on the weekend, 23 of 25 vs. No. 2 BC and 27 of 28 at UMass.
- Patrick Eaves, BC (Jr. F; Faribault, MN) Scored two of BC's three goals on the weekend and set up the other.
- Jim Healey, MC (So. G; Holyrood, NF) Stopped 37 of 39 shots faced in a 2-2 tie Friday at Maine.
- Brett Hemingway, UNH (So. F; Surrey, BC) Scored two goals in each of two UNH victories.
- Jimmy Howard, Maine (Jr. G; Ogdensburg, NY) Recorded his 12th career shutout with a 5-0 win vs. Merrimack Saturday.
- Cleve Kinley, UML (So. D, Powell River, BC) Had a goal and two assists in Friday's 7-2 win over St. Lawrence.
- David Leaderer, UMass (Fr. D; Rochester, NY) Had a hand in three of four UMass goals over two league games on the weekend.
- Andrew Martin, UML (Jr. F; Brampton, ON) Had one goal and one assist in each of two non-league wins for Lowell.
- Cory Schneider, BC (Fr. G; Marblehead, MA) Stopped 28 of 29 shots in a 1-1 tie vs. Providence.
- Peter Vetri, UML (Fr. G; Windham, NH) Stopped 45 of 49 shots faced over two wins to up Lowell's non-conference mark to 7-0.
- Ben Walter, UML (Jr. F; Langley, BC) Had two goals and one assist to carry Lowell over Clarkson, 3-2.

### **LEADING SCORERS (League Games)**

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Pete MacArthur, BU	Fr	9	7	6	13
2	John Laliberte, BU	Jr	9	5	5	10
	Matt Anderson, UMass	So	9	4	6	10
	Bryan Miller, BU	Sr	9	3	7	10
	John Ronan, Maine	Sr	10	5	5	10
	Jon Jankus, Maine	Jr	10	2	8	10
7	Jason Guerriero, NU	Sr	6	2	7	9
	P.J. Fenton, UMass	Fr	9	6	3	9
	David Van der Gulik, BU	Jr	9	5	4	9
	Brad Zancanaro, BU	Jr	9	4	5	9
	Chris Bourque, BU	Fr	9	3	6	9
	Chris Chaput, PC	Sr	10	3	6	9
13	Dan Spang, BU *	Jr	9	1	7	8

<sup>\*</sup> defenseman

### LEADING SCORERS (All Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Ben Walter, UML	Jr	13	15	5	20
	Matt Anderson, UMass	So	17	7	13	20
3	Jason Guerriero, NU	Sr	14	6	12	18
	Brett Hemingway, UNH	So	15	12	6	18
	Sean Collins, UNH	Sr	15	5	13	18
6	Preston Callander, UNH	Sr	15	6	11	17
	Derek Damon, Maine	Jr	18	10	7	17
8	Patrick Eaves, BC	Jr	12	7	9	16
	Elias Godoy, UML	Jr	13	1	15	16
	Pete MacArthur, BU	Fr	15	9	7	16
11	Andrew Martin, UML	Jr	13	7	8	15
12	Mike Morris, NU	Jr	10	5	9	14
	Cleve Kinley, UML *	So	13	3	11	14
	Brian Yandle, UNH *	Jr	14	2	12	14
	Daniel Winnik, UNH	So	15	8	6	14
	Chris Chaput, PC	Sr	15	4	10	14
	John Laliberte, BU	Jr	15	7	7	14
	Bryan Schmidt, MC *	Jr	16	7	7	14
	Jon Jankus, Maine	Jr	17	4	10	14

<sup>\*</sup> defenseman









### LEADING GOALTENDERS (League Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
1	Cory Schneider, BC	Fr	5	315	2	0	3	1.71	.931
2	Jim Howard, Maine	Jr	10	529	6	3	1	2.15	.903
4	John Curry, BU	So	7	419	6	1	0	2.29	.912
5	David Cacciola, PC	Sr	7	422	2	4	1	2.42	.926
3	Jeff Pietrasiak, UNH	Jr	5	304	3	1	1	2.56	.897
7	Keni Gibson, NU	Sr	6	358	3	3	0	3.01	.916
6	Gabe Winer, UMass	Jr	8	449	4	3	1	3.07	.898
8	Frank McLaughlin, MC	Jr	5	212	1	3	0	3.39	.908
9	Peter Vetri, UML	Fr	4	203	0	2	1	3.84	.875
10	Jim Healey, MC	So	7	350	0	5	1	4.28	.881

### **LEADING GOALTENDERS (All Games)**

Pla	yer, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	GAA	SP
1 Co	ry Schneider, BC	Fr	6	375	3	0	3	1.92	.920
2 Ma	tti Kaltiainen, BC	Sr	6	357	3	3	0	2.01	.906
3 Joh	n Curry, BU	So	11	628	7	3	0	2.10	.914
4 Jim	Howard, Maine	Jr	17	951	9	6	2	2.14	.911
5 Da	vid Cacciola, PC	Sr	9	542	3	5	1	2.55	.921
6 Pet	er Vetri, UML	Fr	8	443	4	2	1	2.57	.905
7 Kei	ni Gibson, NU	Sr	13	786	6	6	1	2.90	.904
8 Jef	f Pietrasiak, UNH	Jr	10	609	6	2	2	2.95	.894
9 Ga	be Winer, UMass	Jr	11	629	5	5	1	2.96	.897
10 Tyle	er Sims, PC	Fr	6	364	2	3	1	3.29	.898

# TEAM STATISTICS (League Games)

<b>TEAM OFFENSE</b> Team	GP	G	GF	PG	
1.Boston University	 9	39	 4.	.33	
2.Maine	10	36	3.	. 60	
3.New Hampshire	7	25	3.	. 57	
4. Northeastern	6	20		. 33	
5.Massachusetts	9	26	2.	. 89	
6.UMass Lowell	6	16		. 67	
7.Boston College	7	18		. 57	
8.Providence	10	25	2.	. 50	
9.Merrimack	10	20	2.	.00	
<b>TEAM DEFENSE</b> Team	GP	GA	G/	ΑPG	
1.Boston College	7	13		. 86	
2.Maine	10	21		. 10	
3.Boston University	9	20		. 22	
4.New Hampshire	7	19		.71	
5. Providence	10	31		. 10	
6.Northeastern	6	19		. 17	
7. Massachusetts	9	33		. 67	
8.Merrimack	10 6	43 26		. 30 . 33	
POWER PLAY					
Team	GP	PPG /	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Boston University	9	16	63	1	.254
2.UMass Lowell	6	8	34	1	.235
3.New Hampshire	7	7	34	2	.206
4.Providence	10	9	60	1	.150
5.Northeastern	6	4	28	1	.143
6.Boston College	7	6	45	2	.133
7.Maine	10	8	61	0	.131
8.Merrimack	10	7	54	1	.130
9. Massachusetts	9	3	45	1	.067
<b>PENALTY KILL</b> Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
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1.Merrimack	10 10	5 4	64 46	2 0	.922
3.Boston College	7	4	45	0	.913
4. Providence	10	10	68	2	.853
5. Northeastern	6	4	27	1	.852
6.New Hampshire	7	5	31	1	.839
7. Boston University	9	10	53	3	.811
8. Massachusetts	9	15	58	1	.741
9.UMass Lowell	6	11	32	0	.656
PENALTY MINUTES					
Team 	GP	P 	PiN	/ PN	∕IPG
1.Northeastern	6	34	68		
2.New Hampshire	7	46	103	3 14.	.71
3.UMass Lowell	6	37	96		.00
4.Merrimack	10	85	170		
5. Massachusetts	9	69	157	7 17.	.44
	10	79	177	7 17.	.70
6.Maine					
7.Boston College	7	65	130		.57
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## TEAM STATISTICS (All Games)

TEAM OFFENSE Team	GP	G	GP	G	
1.New Hampshire 2.UMass Lowell 3.Boston University 4.Maine 5.Northeastern 6.Boston College 7.Massachusetts 8.Merrimack 9.Providence	15 13 15 18 14 12 17 16 15	57 48 51 61 44 37 46 43 40	3. 3. 3. 3. 3. 2. 2. 2. 2. 1	69 40 39 14 08 71	
TEAM DEFENSE Team	GP	GA	GA	PG 	
1.Boston College 2.Maine 3.New Hampshire Providence 5.UMass Lowell 6.Boston University 7.Massachusetts 8.Northeastern 9.Merrimack	12 18 15 15 13 15 17 14 16	24 38 44 44 39 46 57 48 65	2 2 3 3 4	11 93 93 00 07 35 43	
Team	GP	PPG A	tt :	SHGA	Pct
1.UMass Lowell	13 15 15 16 14 15 18 12 17	20 21 1 20 1 14 15 17 1 12	85 89 05 09 85 91 16 89	1 3 4 4 1 1 1 3 2	.294 .225 .200 .183 .165 .165 .147 .135
<b>PENALTY KILL</b> Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.Maine	18 12 16 15 15 15 17 14 13	16 16 13	96 78 112 109 91 73 109 82 66	1 2 3 2 5 2 2 1 1	.906 .885 .884 .853 .824 .822 .798 .780
PENALTY MINUTES Team	GP	Р	PiM	PN	ИРG
1.Northeastern	14 15 13 17 12 16 18 15	99 102 76 128 103 147 147 120 144	198 223 196 286 214 294 332 281 299	14. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 18.	.87 .08 .82 .83 .38 .44

#### **TEAM NOTES**

**Boston College:** Dave Spina's four-game goal streak was halted in Friday's 3-2 loss at BU, but Patrick Eaves had a goal in each game this weekend and now has four goals in the last four games ... BC is 0-1-2 this season when recording 50 shots or more ... All three of BC's ties have come with Cory Schneider in net. He remains undefeated at 3-0-3.

**Boston University:** The Terriers have scored five shorthanded goals this season, three more than they scored over 38 games last year. Rookie Peter MacArthur has two of those, and leads the team with nine goals total. Last year, David Van der Gulik was the team's top goal scorer with 13.

University of Maine: Merrimack snapped Maine's eightgame win streak in the series with a 2-2 tie on Friday night, but the Warriors are still winless at Alfond Arena since November of 1997. The Black Bears outshot the Warriors 87-24 over two games on the weekend ... This week will bring a rematch of last season's NCAA regional game in which Maine came back from down 4-1 entering the third period for a 5-4 win over Harvard.

University of Massachusetts: The Minutemen will play seven of their next nine games at home ... UMass recorded back-to-back season-best attendance marks this weekend, with 4,321 fans in the house on Friday and 5,638 in attendance on Saturday ... The UMass 1972 ECAC D-II Championship team was honored on Saturday night between the first and second periods and a championship banner was raised to the rafters of the Mullins Center.

**UMass Lowell:** The River Hawks swept their weekend against Clarkson and St. Lawrence for the third time in four seasons, upping their perfect non-conference record to 7-0-0 ... Andrew Martin, Ben Walter, Elias Godoy and Cleve Kinley each recorded four-point weekends and each has at least a three-game point streak.

Merrimack College: The Merrimack penalty kill unit has killed 15 straight ... With a 2-2 tie on Friday night, Merrimack snapped an 11-game losing streak at Alfond Arena dating back to a 5-4 win on Nov. 14, 1997. It was the first tie in the 28 meetings between the two schools at Alfond ... Merrimack allowed a season-high 48 shots on Saturday night.

University of New Hampshire: UNH is 8-0-0 at home this year, outscoring opponents 34-19 ... Through 49 career games, Brett Hemingway has 37 points, nine more than heralded older brother Colin, who finished his UNH career in 2002-03 ... UNH's senior class owns a 8-2-1 record in three seasons vs. this week's opponent, UMass. The two teams have met in the Hockey East semifinals in each of the last two years.

Northeastern University: NU suffered its first shutout of the season Saturday, losing 2-0 at Vermont, who extended its NCAA-best unbeaten streak to 11 games ... Nearly all of Northeastern's games this season have been won by the team which scored first. NU is 5-0 when it scores first and 1-7-1 when the opponent scores first.

**Providence College:** David Cacciola's 60 saves is the fourth-highest save total in Providence history and second-highest ever by any goalie in a Hockey East game ... Sophomore Jamie Carroll has a five-game point streak ... After recording just two points in the first nine games, junior Torry Gajda has five points in the last six games.

#### WHO'S HOT

- Sean Collins, UNH (Sr. F; Reading, MA) Has a six-game point streak with two goals and eight assists during that span.
- Brett Hemingway, UNH (So. F; Surrey, BC) Has a five-game goal-scoring streak and a six-game point streak. He has registered at least one point in 13 of UNH's 15 games this season.
- Ben Walter, UML (Jr. F; Langley, BC) Has 15 goals in 13 games (1.15 GPG), the highest average in the nation. He also boasts a seven-game point streak, with eight goals and four assists in that span. He has been held off the scoreboard just once this season.
- Lowell Power Play Ranks first in the nation with a 29.4 percent conversion 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
Matt Anderson	So	F	UMass
Chris Bourque	Fr	F	BU
Peter MacArthur	Fr	F	BU
Frank McLaughlin	Jr	G	MC
Stephen Werner	Jr	F	UMass
Brad Zancanaro	Jr	F	BU

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