



Weekend Preview

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VERMONT TURNS TABLES WITH ONE-GOAL WIN Providence edges NU in OT; Full slate of league games on tap

Finally, the Catamounts can enjoy being on the other side of a one-goal game after Vermont edged Boston University, 2-1, in Burlington on Tuesday. UVM, which had string of four one-goal losses earlier this season, got power play goals from Brian Roloff (West Seneca, NY) and Dean Strong (Mississauga, ON), and junior netminder Joe Fallon (Bemidji, MN) made them stand up with 21 saves on 22 Terrier shots. BU had jumped out to a 1-0 lead on junior Ryan Wetson's (Henniker, NH) drive less than two minutes after the opening face-off, but the Terriers couldn't get another puck past Fallon the rest of the night. Strong's game-winning tally late in the third period was his sixth power play goal of the season. The Catamounts remain at home this Saturday, when they welcome Merrimack to Gutterson Fieldhouse.

Also on Tuesday, Coach Tim Army's Providence Friars would not be denied, despite falling behind 2-0 early to Northeastern. PC continually peppered Huskies' goalie Brad Thiessen (Aldergrove, BC) to grab a 3-2 lead after two periods. NU knotted the game at 3-3 when freshman Chad Costello (Johnston, IA) ended a string of strong Northeastern shifts with the equalizer. Huskies' captain Mike Morris (Braintree, MA) picked up his 100th career point with an assist on the goal. Providence sophomore goalie Tyler Sims (Grand Blanc, MI) regained his composure and made several brilliant saves late in the game to send the game into overtime, when the Friars took over. Freshman defenseman David Cavanagh (Warwick, RI) notched his first goal in dramatic fashion, burying a feed from Jon Rheault (Deering, NH) at 2:42 of the extra session for the 4-3 win.

Providence will try to tap that momentum when

they head to Beantown on Friday to tackle Boston University. The Terriers' offense, expected to be among the league's most explosive, has sputtered in the early season, but always appears just a few goals away from firing on all cylinders. Goalie John Curry (Shorewood, MN) has been typically dependable – 22 saves on 24 shots against Vermont. If the BU forwards get in gear, the Terriers could start making a move in the league standings.

UNH Coach Dick Umile will caution his Wildcats about overconfidence following the team's big win at Maine last Sunday. On Friday, UNH visits a dangerous UMass Lowell squad, which was riding the hot hand of captain Jason Teichma (Muskegon, MI) and freshmen sensation Carter Hutton (Thunder Bay, ON) before Maine stopped the River Hawks cold, 4-1, last Friday. The Wildcat faithful will expect continued production from Trevor Smith (North Vancouver, BC), Mike Radja (Yorkville, IL) and Jacob Micflikier (Winnipeg, MB). On Saturday, the teams square off at UNH for the second half of the home-and-home series.

Also on Friday, Northeastern welcomes cross-town rival Boston College to Matthews Arena. Hoping to rebound from the Providence game, Coach Greg Cronin will look for more balanced scoring from his young Hounds. Meanwhile, BC Coach Jerry York is hoping to get more consistency from his Eagles, who've been flying through peaks and valleys since the beginning of the season. Junior goalie Cory Schneider (Marblehead, MA) was on top of his game against Merrimack last week – a 3-1 win – which bodes well for BC.

In Orono, the Black Bears are no doubt championing at the bit after last Sunday's loss to UNH. On Sunday, in a matinee skate, Coach Tim

Whitehead's Black Bears will finally get back on the ice when they go shoulder-to-shoulder with the BC Eagles. The one thing that the Eagles won't count on is a second sub-par performance from Maine's Ben Bishop (Des Peres, MO), who surrendered six goals on 19 UNH shots.

Expect the Minutemen to come out charging hard against the Connecticut Huskies in an intriguing intra-conference, intra-state matinee in Amherst on Saturday. Coach Don "Toot" Cahoon's squad is residing in 20th place in the USCHO/CSTV poll, and won't take kindly to the idea of getting knocked off that lofty perch.

RECENT RESULTS

Sunday, November 5
 at Vermont 5, Ottawa 2 (ex.)

Tuesday, November 7
 at Harvard 4, Boston College 0

Friday, November 10
 Boston College 3, at Merrimack 1*
 Boston University 4, at New Hampshire 4*
 at Maine 4, UMass Lowell 1*
 at Massachusetts 2, Northeastern 1*
 Vermont 4, at Providence 2*

Sunday, November 12
 New Hampshire 8, at Maine 2*
 at Rensselaer 4, Merrimack 1

Tuesday, November 14
 at Vermont 2, Boston University 1*
 at Providence 4, Northeastern 3*

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, November 17
 Boston College at Northeastern*
 Providence at Boston University* (Cox)
 New Hampshire at UMass Lowell* #

Saturday, November 18
 UMass Lowell at New Hampshire* (NHPTV)
 Merrimack at Vermont*
 Connecticut at Massachusetts (4pm) &

Sunday, November 19
 Boston College at Maine (3pm)* (ESPNU)

* Hockey East game
 & Commissioner's Series Cup game
 # Hannaford/Kraft Kids' Club event
 Games start at 7pm EST unless indicated

2006-07 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Goals	Goals Against
Massachusetts	5	4	1	0	8	5-1-1	19	15
Maine	5	3	1	1	7	8-1-1	41	21
New Hampshire	5	3	1	1	7	5-2-1	37	22
Boston University	7	2	2	3	7	2-2-4	21	19
Boston College	4	3	1	0	6	6-3-0	25	21
UMass Lowell	5	2	1	2	6	3-3-3	25	24
Vermont	4	2	1	1	5	4-4-1	24	16
Providence	7	2	4	1	5	3-7-1	26	40
Merrimack	5	1	4	0	2	1-8-1	13	38
Northeastern	7	0	6	1	1	2-7-1	26	32