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WEEKLY RELEASE #1

HOCKEY EAST TEAMS WIN FOUR EXHIBITION CONTESTS OVER THE WEEKEND ~ UMass opens season officially vs. Rensselaer Thursday at Mullins Center ~

WAKEFIELD, Mass. – Four Hockey East teams were victorious during exhibition play over the weekend with New Hampshire, Northeastern, No. 10 UMass-Lowell and No. 12 Boston College all coming out on top.

The Huskies edged St. Thomas by a score of, 7-5, at newly renovated Matthews Arena on Saturday, scoring at least two goals in each period. 13 different NU players recorded points in the game, including a three-point effort (1g,2a) from junior forward Wade MacLeod (Coquitlam, B.C.). The Huskies outshot St. Thomas, 46-16, in the game.

UNH dominated Acadia, 8-1, at the Whittemore Center on Saturday night. The Wildcats were led by senior co-captain Peter LeBlanc (Hamilton, Ont.), who posted a team-high two goals on the night. UNH's fourth line of Greg Manz (Wayne, Pa.), Austin Block (Thousand Oaks, Calif.) and Joe Pavelski (Ployer, Wis.) registered seven points on the night.

UML also downed Acadia by a 3-0 score at Tsongas Arena on Sunday, while the Eagles took care of business against St. Francis Xavier, 4-1, at Conte Forum that same afternoon. The River Hawks outshot Acadia, 35-16, including a 14-2 advantage in the third period. BC senior forward Matt Lombardi (Milton, Mass.) recorded a three-point (2g,1a) night. The Eagles outshot St. Francis, 40-16. Junior goalie John Muse (East Falmouth, Mass.) played the first 20 minutes of the game and made five saves for the Eagles.

No. 3 ranked Boston University skated to a 2-2 tie with St. Francis Xavier Saturday night at Agganis Arena. The Terriers outshot their opponents, 53-16, including a goal from Nick Bonino (Unionville, Conn.) and Corey Trivino (Toronto, Ont.). Hockey East Rookie of the Year Kieran Millan (Edmonton, Alb.) played the first 30 minutes, making seven saves on the night for BU.

UMass was defeated by New Brunswick on Saturday, 3-2, in Amherst. The Minutemen were paced by T. J. Syner (Springfield, Mass.) and Casey Wellman (Brentwood, Calif.) offensively, with a goal apiece. Junior Paul Dainton (Fort McMurray, Alb.) made 25 saves in goal for the Minutemen in the losing effort. Massachusetts will officially kick off the Hockey East regular-season schedule with a rare Thursday night game at the Mullins Center against ECAC for Rensselaer.

Vermont was edged by New Brunswick on Sunday night, 3-2, at Gutterson Fieldhouse. Catamounts sophomore goalie Rob Madore (Pittsburgh, Pa.) registered 19 saves in the loss. Juniors Jack Downing (New Canaan, Conn.) and Josh Burrows (Prairie Grove, Ill.) both scored for UVM.

Maine, Merrimack and Providence were all idle over the weekend. All three teams will take the ice for the first time in 2009-10 this coming weekend.

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Massachusetts	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
UMass-Lowell	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
Merrimack	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
Northeastern	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)

RECENT RESULTS Saturday, October 3

at New Hampshire 8, Acadia 1 at Northeastern 7, St. Thomas 5 St. Francis Xavier 2 at No. 3 Boston U. 2 OT New Brunswick 3 at Massachusetts 2

Sunday, October 4

at No. 10 UMass-Lowell 3, Acadia 0 New Brunswick 3 at No. 15 Vermont 2 OT at No. 12 Boston College 4, St. Francis Xavier 1

<u>UPCOMING GAMES</u> Thursday, October 8

Rensselaer at Massachusetts

Friday, October 9

Maine at Union

No. 15 Vermont at No. 2 Denver (9:30pm, FSRM)
Merrimack at No. 8 North Dakota (8pm, FCS)
Northeastern at Colorado College (9pm)
IceBreaker at Qwest Center (at Omaha, Neb.)
No. 10 UMass-Lowell vs. St. Lawrence (5pm)
U.S. Under-18 Team at No. 12 Boston College (Exh.)
New Brunswick at Providence (Exh.)

Saturday, October 10

IceBreaker at Qwest Center (at Omaha, Neb.) No. 10 UMass-Lowell vs. Army/UNO (5/8pm) Merrimack at No. 8 North Dakota (8pm, FCS) UNH at Rensselaer

No. 15 Vermont at No. 2 Denver (9pm) Maine at Union

Northeastern at Colorado College (9:30pm) Holy Cross at Providence (COX-TV) U.S. Under-18 Team at No. 3 Boston U. (Exh.)

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