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BC'S KELLI STACK NAMED 2011 PURE HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE YEAR ~PC's Deraney tabbed Coach of the Year; BU's Poulin takes Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year~

Cambridge, Mass. -- The Women's Hockey East Association announced at the annual Championship Awards banquet that Boston College senior forward Kelli Stack (Brooklyn Heights, Ohio) was named the recipient of the Cammi Granato Award as Pure Hockey Player of the Year for the third time in her career on Friday night at the Royal Sonesta Hotel.

In addition to Stack's award, Providence College head coach Bob Deraney was named WHEA Coach of Year for the second consecutive season and Boston University forward Marie-Philip Poulin (Beauceville, Que.) took home Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year honors, marking the first Terrier player in the program's history to receive that distinction.

Stack finished her career in league play as the league's record holder for career records for goals (68) and point scored (133). She finished the season as the league's scoring champion in league play with 33 points and was also the league leader with 22 goals. Stack is a four-time All-Conference selection, the only player ever to accomplish this feat in the nine-year history of the conference.

Deraney led Providence College to 20 wins for the first time since 2005, with a 22-11-1 record behind the Friars bench. Providence finished in third place with a 12-8-1 record and 25 points in league play.

Poulin helped the Terriers to their first regular-season crown in school history with 33 points. She led all Hockey East freshmen with 19 points in league play and her total ranked fifth among all league skaters, despite only playing in 13 of 21 league games. Poulin had at least one point in 11 of 13 league contests for the Terriers.

The Women's Hockey East Association is an eight-team, Division-I college hockey conference which began play in 2002-2003, with offices based in Wakefield, Mass. The league also sponsors an 10 team men's league which began play in 1984-1985.

Cammi Granato Award/Pure Hockey Player of the Year

Kelli Stack, Boston College (Sr., F, Brooklyn Heights, Ohio)
Runner-Up: Alexandra Garcia, UConn (Jr., G, Pointe-Claire, Que.)
and Marie-Philip Poulin, Boston U. (Fr., F, Beauceville, Que.)



Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year

Marie-Philip Poulin, Boston U. (F, Beauceville, Que.)
Runner-Up: Corinne Buie, Providence (F, Edina, Minn.)



WHEA Coach of the Year

Bob Deraney, Providence College
Runner-Up: Brian Durocher (BU), Katie King (BC), Maria Lewis (Maine)

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