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# **WOMEN'S** PREVIEW

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### Quarterfinals Set to Begin on Campus Sites This Weekend **Eight Teams Vie For the Bertagna Trophy**

#### No. 1 Boston College vs. No. 8 Providence \* - Fri. 2/27, Sat. 2/28, Sun. 2/28 at BC

- Hockey East regular-season champion and No. 1 Boston College will play host to No. 8 Providence at Conte Forum. The Eagles, undefeated in league play in 2014-15, downed the Friars three times in the season series by a combined score of 16-3.
- Boston College and Providence are deadlocked in the all-time postseason series at 2-2. All four meetings have come in semifinal matchups (2005, 2006, 2007, 2011). Providence went on to win the championship in 2005, while BC took the crown in 2011.
- BC junior forward **Alex Carpenter** leads the NCAA in scoring, racking up 71 points (31g, 40a) in just 31 games while teammate Haley Skarupa is second, scoring 28 goals and 33 assists for 61 points.
- Friar captain senior forward Beth Hanrahan leads her squad in search of its fifth Hockey East tournament title, having factored in on three of the Friars six game-winning goals this season.

#### No. 2 Boston University vs. No. 7 Vermont \* - Fri. 2/27, Sat. 2/28, Sun. 2/28 at BU

- No. 2 Boston University welcomes No. 7 Vermont to Walter Brown Arena Friday. BU took the season series at 2-1-0. The two teams have never met in Hockey East postseason play.
- BU senior forward Marie-Philip Poulin needs just two points to become the all-time leading scorer in Hockey East postseason history. The two-time Olympian currently has five goals and seven assists for 12 points.
- BU fell to UVM, 2-0, Jan. 24. That game marked the first time BU was kept off the scoreboard this year, thanks in part to 39 saves from Catamount goalie Madison Litchfield.
- · Reigning Warrior Hockey East Player of the Year Sarah Lefort is riding a hot streak entering the postseason, scoring nine points her in last five games, including two hat tricks.

#### No. 3 Northeastern vs. No. 6 New Hampshire \* - Fri. 2/27, Sat. 2/28, Sun. 2/28 at NU

- New Hampshire head coach **Hilary Witt** is a 2001 graduate of Northeastern and is the only Husky to eclipse either 100 career goals or 200 career points. She is the program leader in goals (113) and points (208).
- The Huskies swept the season series over the Wildcats, including taking two games Feb. 21-22 in Boston to close the regular season ... There has been just one prior postseason meeting between the two squads, as UNH downed Northeastern in the 2004 semifinals, 5-1, at Matthews
- Northeastern junior forward Kendall Coyne tied her career-high of 21 regular-season goals in 2014-15.

#### No. 4 Maine vs. No. 5 UConn \* - Fri. 2/27, Sat. 2/28, Sun. 2/28 at Maine

- Maine is hosting a playoff game for the first time in program history.
- The series is a rematch of a two-game series over the final weekend of the regular season as the Huskies downed the Black Bears twice to earn the No. 5 seed and win the season series 2-0-1.
- Black Bear junior goaltender Meghann Treacy squares off with Husky junior netminder Elaine Chuli. The two backstops were vital components to the success of their teams, turning in 15 and 14 30+ save performances, respectively.

# Upcoming Games

2015 WHEA Quarterfinals (Best-of-Three)

#### Friday, February 27

No. 7 Vermont at No. 2 Boston University - 5 p.m. \* No. 5 Connecticut at No. 4 Maine - 7 p.m. \* No. 6 New Hampshire at No. 3 Northeastern - 7 p.m. \* No. 8 Providence at No. 1 Boston College - 7 p.m. \*

#### Saturday, February 28

No. 6 New Hampshire at No. 3 Northeastern - 2 p.m. \* No. 7 Vermont at No. 2 Boston University - 3 p.m. \* No. 5 Connecticut at No. 4 Maine - 4 p.m. \* No. 8 Providence at No. 1 Boston College - 7 p.m. \*

#### Sunday, March 1

No. 6 New Hampshire at No. 3 Northeastern - 2 p.m. \*# No. 7 Vermont at No. 2 Boston University - 3 p.m. \*# No. 5 Connecticut at No. 4 Maine - 4 p.m. \*# No. 8 Providence at No. 1 Boston College - 7 p.m. \*#

> \* WHEA Quarterfinal # If necessary

All game times are EST

# WHEA In The Polls

#### USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine Women's College Hockey Poll Rk. School, Pts. Record LR

1. Boston College, 190 30-1-2 7. Boston University, 86 20-8-3 6

#### USCHO.com Div. I Women's Poll Rk. School, Pts. Record LW

1. Boston College, 148 30 - 1 - 27. Boston University, 68 20-8-3 6

# 2014-2015 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	Т	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston College	21	20	0	1	41	30-1-2	5.43 (21)	0.86(21)
2.	Boston University	21	15	5	1	31	21-8-3	3.81 (21)	2.38 (21)
3.	Northeastern	21	11	8	2	24	12-15-5	3.19(21)	3.00(21)
4.	Maine	21	9	11	1	19	10-18-3	1.95 (21)	2.76(21)
5.	Connecticut	21	5	11	5	15	9-17-8	2.38 (21)	3.43 (21)
6.	New Hampshire	21	6	13	2	14	9-21-3	1.90(21)	3.24(21)
7.	Vermont	21	6	14	1	13	15-17-2	2.19(21)	3.48 (21)
8.	Providence	21	5	15	1	11	6-23-4	1.90(21)	3.62 (21)

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