

# WOMEN'S PREVIEW

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: OCTOBER 20, 2016

#### No. 7 Boston College vs. No. 3 Quinnipiac - Fri. 10/21 at BC, Sat. 10/22 at QU

• Entering their first home-and-home series of the year, Boston College is coming off a Hockey East weekend where they went 1-1-0 with a win at UNH, 4-1, and a loss at Maine, 3-2. The decision at Maine snapped a 52-game unbeaten streak in league play dating back to February 2014, the longest such streak in conference history.

• Junior defenseman Megan Keller (Farmington Hills, Mich.) leads the Eagles with nine points (1g, 5a), scoring at least one point in five out of six games this season. Her total is also good for third in the conference and first among defensemen.

• This is the 24th and 25th meetings of the two programs, the Eagles boasting a 16-4-3 record. The last time Boston College and Quinnipiac met was January of 2015, when the Eagles took a 2-1 win.

#### Merrimack vs. Robert Morris - Fri. 10/21, Sat. 10/22 at MC

• Merrimack prepares for its first home game of the year after starting 2-4-0 in six road games.

• Last Friday Maine, sophomore forward Paige Voight (St. Michael, Minn.) netted two goals for the second multi-goal game of her career and added an assist to give her three points in the 5-1 victory, one of three Warriors with two points or more in the contest. With seven goals on the season, sophomore forward Katelyn Rae (Courtice, Ont.) continues to lead the nation in goals, tied for first with another Hockey East forward, senior Samantha Sutherland (Cochrane, Alta.) of Boston University.

Last season Robert Morris won both games between the two teams, 6-1 and 4-2, on Oct. 9-10.

#### Vermont vs. No. 6 St. Lawrence - Fri. 10/21 at SLU, Sat. 10/22 at UVM

 Last week Vermont took traveled to Robert Morris, coming way with a 0-1-1 record after dropping a 3-2 decision before grabbing a 2-2 tie Saturday.

• With 4:45 remaining in regulation on Saturday, junior defenseman Taylor Willard (Naperville, III.) netted her second goal of the season to knot things up at two and force an extra frame.

• Vermont junior forward Mackenzie MacNeil (Richmond Hill, Ont.) had an assist in both contests. Each of her helpers came on a goal that evened the score at 1-1.

• Sophomore Melissa Black (Newmarket, Ont.) posted her second 30-plus save game in as many starts, kicking out 33 shots on Saturday. In total, Black has stopped 71 shots in two games, posting a 1-0-1 record.

• In the 2015-16 campaign, the two programs met twice in a home-and-home series Oct. 15-16. St. Lawrence took both games, 4-0 and 3-2.

#### UConn vs. Penn State - Fri. 10/21, Sat. 10/22 at UConn

• After splitting a series with RPI last weekend, registering a 3-0 loss and a 4-1 win, UConn returns to home ice to take on Penn State for a two game set.

 Despite Friday's setback, junior goaltender Annie Belanger (Sherbrooke, Que.) was just shy of 40 saves, stopping 38 of 41 shots she faced, including 21 in the first period.

• Junior defenseman Leah Lum (Richmond, B.C.) proved to be the hero of game two, picking up three points in the contest. Lum netted two first-period goals, the second serving as the eventual game-winner. Lum also assisted on junior forward Theresa Knutson's (Onalaska, Wis.) third period goal.

• The last time UConn and Penn State met was almost a year to the date, with the Huskies sweeping the series, 1-0 and 4-3, Oct. 24-25, 2015.

#### Northeastern vs. Dartmouth/Boston University - Fri. 10/22 at Dartmouth, Tue. 10/25 at BU

 Northeastern takes it on the road for two games over the next week. Friday at Dartmouth and Tuesday at Boston University. • The Huskies went 1-0-1 against Syracuse last weekend, skating to a 2-2 tie on Friday and taking a 1-0 win Saturday.

• Saturday against Syracuse, Northeastern sophomore goaltender Brittany Bugalski (Boynton Beach, Fla.) got the fifth shutout of her career, recording 27 saves, and followed it up with a 33 save night against Boston University Tuesday in a 6-2 victory. Senior forward Paige Savage (Johns Creek, Geo.) tallied four points in the form of one goal and three assists.

• BU senior forward Mary Parker (Milton, Mass.) picked up a hat trick and an assist in Saturday's 7-2 win over Penn State and netted another marker in Tuesday's setback to Northeastern. The graduate student now has a goal in each of her last three outings.

#### New Hampshire vs. No. 8 Clarkson - Sat. 10/22, Sun 10/23 at UNH

• Last weekend UNH faced two Hockey East foes, dropping a 4-1 contest to Boston College followed by its first win of the season against Merrimack, 6-2.

- Senior forward Jonna Curtis (Elk River, Michigan) netted four goals in the victory over the Warriors, including one at even strength, one on the power play, and two empty-netters, in the tilt with Merrimack. It was her first career hat trick and the first time since 2005 that a UNH skater scored four goals in a game.
- The last time UNH took on Clarkson was October of last year. Clarkson took both games, 4-2 and 6-4.

#### Providence vs. Princeton - Sat. 10/22, Sun. 10/23 at PC

• The Friars come into the weekend riding a three-game win streak after defeating Union, 4-2, on Tuesday night and taking a two-game set at RIT Oct.7-8. • Four different Providence skaters found the net against Union, with senior forward Cassidy Carels (Bruxelles, Man.) converting the winning strike on the power play at the 16:30 mark of the third frame

• Providence and Princeton have not met since 2010, when the Friars shutout the Tigers, 4-0.

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1.	Boston College	4	3	1	0	6	3-2-1	3.25 (4)	1.50 (1)
3.	Boston University	4	2	2	0	4	3-2-1	3.50 (T2)	3.00 (4)
3.	Northeastern	1	1	1	0	2	4-2-1	6.00(1)	2.00 (T2)
	Vermont	1	1	1	0	2	2-1-1	3.00 (5)	2.00 (T2)
	Merrimack	2	1	1	0	2	2-4-0	3.50 (T2)	3.50 (T5)
	New Hampshire	3	1	2	0	2	1-5-0	2.67 (6)	3.67 (7)
	Maine	4	1	3	0	2	2-6-0	1.50 (8)	3.50 (T5)
8.	UConn	0	0	0	0	0	3-2-0	0.00 (0)	0.00 (0)
	Providence	1	0	1	0	0	3-3-0	2.00 (7)	5.00 (8)

# UPCOMING GAMES

## Friday 10/21

No. 3 QU at No. 7 Boston College - 2pm Robert Morris at Merrimack - 3:05pm Vermont at No. 6 St. Lawrence - 7pm Penn State at UConn - 7pm Northeastern at Dartmouth - 7pm

## Saturday 10/22

Penn State at UConn - 2pm No. 8 Clarkson at New Hampshire - 2pm Princeton at Providence - 2pm Robert Morris at Merrimack - 2:05pm No. 7 Boston College at No. 3 QU - 3pm No. 6 St. Lawrence at Vermont - 4pm

## Sunday 10/23

No. 8 Clarkson at New Hampshire - 2pm Princeton at Providence - 2pm

## Tuesday 10/25

Northeastern at Boston Univ. - 7pm \*

\* Hockey East Game



Others receiving votes: Boston University, 8.













