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Women's Hockey East Names 2016-17 All-Star Teams

League Names First, Second Teams, Honorable Mentions at Championship Banquet

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - The Women's Hockey East Association announced its 2016-17 all-star teams as voted by the league's nine head coaches Friday night at the conference's annual awards banquet ahead of the 15th Women's Hockey East Championship, March 4 and 5 at Walter Brown Arena on the campus of Boston University.

Two players were selected unanimously as 2016-17 Women's Hockey East First Team All-Stars, including Boston University junior forward **Victoria Bach** (Milton, Ont.) and Boston College junior defenseman **Megan Keller** (Farmington Hills, Mich.). First Team selections were rounded out by the Terriers' senior netminder **Victoria Hanson** (Stoughton, Mass.), New Hampshire junior defenseman **Amy Schlagel** (Blaine, Minn.), Northeastern junior forward **McKenna Brand** (Nevis, Minn.), and New Hampshire senior forward **Jonna Curtis** (Elk River, Minn.).

Comprising Women's Hockey East All-Star Second Team are Vermont senior goaltender **Madison Litchfield** (Williston, Vt.), Northeastern senior defenseman **Heather Mottau** (Milton, Mass.), Vermont junior defenseman **Taylor Willard** (Naperville, Ill.), Northeastern junior forward **Denisa Krizova** (Horni Cerekev, Czech Republic), Boston College sophomore forward **Makenna Newkirk** (Scottsdale, Ariz.) and Boston University graduate student **Mary Parker** (Milton, Mass.).

Recognized as Women's Hockey East All-Star Honorable Mentions were a pair of junior goaltenders in UConn's **Annie Belanger** (Sherbrooke, Ont.) and Boston College's **Katie Burt** (Lynn, Mass.), three defensemen in Providence rookie **Whitney Dove** (Port Moody, B.C.), Boston College junior **Kali Flanagan** (Burlington, Mass.), and Providence junior **Kate Friesen** (Altona, Man.), and three forwards in Boston College senior **Andie Anastos** (Farmington Hills, Mich.), Providence senior **Cassidy Carels** (Bruxelles, Man.), and Maine junior **Brooke Stacey** (Kahnawake, Que.)

The 15th annual Women's Hockey East Tournament championship will take place this weekend, Saturday, March 4, and Sunday, March 5, at Boston University's Walter Brown Arena. No. 1 Boston College will square off with No. 5 Vermont Saturday at 1:30 p.m., while No. 2 Northeastern and No. 3 Boston University take the ice at 4:30 p.m. The winners advance to Sunday's championship tilt at 1:30 p.m. Fans can purchase tickets online at Ticketmaster.com or by calling 800-745-3000. Tickets start at just five dollars.

2016-17 WOMEN'S HOCKEY EAST ALL-STARS

First Team	Pos.	Second Team
Victoria Hanson, BU (Sr.)	G	Madison Litchfield, UVM (Sr.)
Megan Keller, BC (Jr.) *	D	Heather Mottau, NU (Sr.)
Amy Schlagel, UNH (Jr.)	D	Taylor Willard, UVM (Jr.)
Victoria Bach, BU (Jr.) *	F	Denisa Krizova, NU (Jr.)
McKenna Brand, NU (Jr.)	F	Makenna Newkirk, BC (So.)
Jonna Curtis, UNH (Sr.)	F	Mary Parker, BU (GS)

*denotes unanimous selection

Honorable Mention

- G: Annie Belanger, UConn (Jr.)
- G: Katie Burt, BC (Jr.)
- D: Whitney Dove, PC (Fr.)
- D: Kali Flanagan, BC (Jr.)
- D: Kate Friesen, PC (So.)
- F: Andie Anastos, BC (Sr.)
- F: Cassidy Carels, PC (Sr.)
- F: Brooke Stacey, Maine (Jr.)

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