

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2017**#8 Northeastern vs. #1 Clarkson - Fri. 9/29, Sat. 9/30 at NU**

- The eighth-ranked Huskies welcome in the defending national champion Clarkson Golden Knights to open the 2017-18 regular season at Matthews Arena. The two teams last met on Jan. 4, 2013 when Northeastern took a 4-3 road win over Clarkson.
- Northeastern took a 3-2 exhibition win over Concordia last Saturday. In the tilt, **McKenna Brand** (Nevis, Minn./2a) and recent transfer **Tori Sullivan** (West Bloomfield, Mich./1g, 1a) picked up two points each for the Huskies.

Merrimack vs. #3 Minnesota - Fri. 9/29, Sun. 10/1 at Minnesota

- The Merrimack Warriors took a 2-1 road win at Boston University in the first league game of the Women's Hockey East season last Saturday. **Megan Fergusson** (Kitchener, Ont.) scored the game-winning goal at 19:07 of the second period to lift her team to the first season-opening win in program history.
- **Samantha Ridgewell** (Outlook, Sask.) stopped 31 of 32 shots in the outing to pick up her first win of the year. The Warriors also claimed a 3-0 exhibition victory over the Whitby Wolves on Friday.
- Merrimack, sitting in first place in the league standings, travels to Minnesota for the first time in program history.

Providence vs. Union/Vermont - Fri. 9/29 at Union, Sun. 10/1 at PC

- The Friars' **Meaghan Rickard** (Coventry, R.I.) and **Blair Parent** (Blaine, Minn.) each recorded a goal and an assist to help Providence to a 3-2 win over Laurentian in an exhibition contest last week.
- Vermont and Providence met six times last season, including three playoff outings in the quarterfinal round. The Friars compiled a 1-0-2 record against the Catamounts in the 2016-17 regular season before falling in the three-game postseason series.

Vermont vs. McGill (ex)/Providence - Fri. 9/29 at UVM, Sun. 10/1 at PC

- Vermont skated to a 2-2 draw with Montreal on Sunday in the lone exhibition game on the day. **Allie Granato** (Plainville, Ill.) and **Sammy Kolowrat** (Prague, Czech Republic) each found the back of the net for the Catamounts.
- In last year's quarterfinal series victory over Providence, the Catamounts scored 14

goals in three games, coming back from a 0-1 series hole to advance in the Women's Hockey East Tournament. Vermont was 0-1-2 against the Friars in last year's regular season.

Maine vs. #9 Quinnipiac - Fri. 9/29, Sat. 9/30 at QU

- Maine skated to a convincing 9-0 exhibition victory over the Hockey Training Institute Stars on Friday at the Midcoast Recreation Center last weekend, highlighted by a trio of Black Bears registering four-point outings, including reigning Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year **Tereza Vanisova** (Strakonice, Czech Republic/1g, 3a), **Vendula Pribylova** (Olomouc, Czech Republic/2g, 2a), and **Michelle Weis** (Charlottenlund, Denmark/2g, 2a).

UConn vs. St. Cloud - Fri. 9/29, Sat. 9/30 at St. Cloud

- UConn began its 2017-18 season with a 6-0 preseason win over Whitby Saturday. **Leah Lum** (Richmond, B.C.) scored two goals for UConn and **Natalie Snodgrass** (Eagan, Minn.) had a goal and an assist to lead the Huskies with two points apiece
- The Huskies travel to St. Cloud State for the first time ever to open up the 2017-18 regular season.

New Hampshire vs. Nepean (ex) - Fri. 9/29 at UNH

- New Hampshire women's hockey begins its 40th season on the ice Friday with an exhibition contest against Nepean.
- The Wildcats return 19 skaters from last year's team, including Julia **Fedeski** (Algonquin Highlands, Ont.), who ranked second on the team in 2016-17 in assists with 16 and third with 22 points.

UPCOMING GAMES**Friday 9/29**

PC at Union - 6pm
McGill at UVM - 6pm (ex)
#9 QU at Maine - 7pm
#1 Clarkson at #8 NU - 7pm
UConn at St. Cloud - 7:07pm
Nepean at UNH - 7:30pm (ex)
MC at #3 Minnesota - 8:07pm

Saturday 9/30

#9 QU at Maine - 3pm
#1 Clarkson at #8 NU - 3pm
UConn at St. Cloud - 4:07pm

Sunday 10/1

UVM at PC - 2pm *
MC at #3 Minnesota - 3:07pm

* WHEA Game



**USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine
Women's College Hockey Poll - Preseason**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Clarkson (13), 182	0-0-0	1
2.	Wisconsin (5), 174	2-0-0	2
3.	Minnesota (1), 152	0-0-0	3
4.	Boston College, 132	0-0-0	4
5.	Minnesota Duluth, 112	0-0-0	5
6.	Cornell, 84	0-0-0	7
7.	St. Lawrence, 70	0-0-0	6
8.	Northeastern, 49	0-0-0	8
9.	Robert Morris, 39	0-0-0	10
10.	Quinnipiac, 23	0-0-0	9

Others receiving votes: Colgate, 15; Princeton, 5; Harvard, 4; Ohio State, 3; Mercyhurst, 1.

**USCHO.com
Women's College Hockey Poll - 9/18**

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Clarkson (10), 141	0-0-0	1
2.	Wisconsin (1), 128	0-0-0	2
3.	Minnesota (4), 118	0-0-0	4
4.	Boston College, 110	0-0-0	3
5.	Minnesota Duluth, 87	0-0-0	5
6.	St. Lawrence, 65	0-0-0	6
7.	Cornell, 49	0-0-0	7
8.	Northeastern, 28	0-0-0	10
9.	Quinnipiac, 27	0-0-0	NR
10.	Robert Morris, 24	0-0-0	8

Others receiving votes: Colgate 16, Princeton 16, Ohio State 5, Harvard 4, Mercyhurst 4, **Boston University 3.**



WOMEN'S HOCKEY EAST WEEKLY AWARDS

**HOCKEY EAST
PLAYER OF THE WEEK**
Week _____ Player _____

**PRO AMBITIONS
ROOKIE OF THE WEEK**
Week _____ Player _____

**HOCKEY EAST DEFENSIVE
PLAYER OF THE WEEK**
Week _____ Player _____



WOMEN'S HOCKEY EAST MONTHLY AWARDS

**HOCKEY EAST
PLAYER OF THE MONTH**
Month _____ Player _____
Sept./Oct.

**PRO AMBITIONS
ROOKIE OF THE MONTH**
Month _____ Player _____

**STOP IT
GOALTENDER OF THE MONTH**
Month _____ Player _____

2017-18 WOMEN'S HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Merrimack	1	1	0	0	2	1-0-0	2.00 (1)	1.00 (1)
2.	Boston College	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
	UConn	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
	Maine	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
	New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
	Northeastern	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
	Providence	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
	Vermont	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00	0.00
9.	Boston University	1	0	1	0	0	0-1-0	1.00 (2)	2.00 (2)

