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## EAGLES SOAR IN FIRST HOCKEY EAST WIN *Providence edges UConn in two one-goal victories*

It was a week of firsts for the Boston College women's hockey program. In celebrating their first-ever Hockey East victory, the Eagles also celebrated their first-ever varsity win over storied rival Northeastern. NU held a 22-0-2 advantage in the varsity series and hadn't lost to BC since their first meeting in 1978, when both teams still held club sport status. The 3-2 triumph was led by goaltender Lisa Davis, who stopped 30 of 32 shots faced to lift BC to a berth in the Beanpot title game against host Harvard. Perhaps brimming with confidence, Davis stopped all 26 shots she faced Sunday to give BC its first-ever win over Niagara, a 1-0 final.

Despite finding themselves nearly evenly matched against UConn in a home-and-home series this weekend, the Providence College Friars managed to record consecutive one-goal victories to put themselves alone in first place. Rookie stopper Jana Bugden put in her usual performance, turning away 45 of 48 shots over the two games to net both close wins. UConn's Kaitlyn Shain was equally impressive Saturday night, stopping 36 of 38 Friar shots in a 2-1 loss. Friar defenseman Kelli Halcisak was outstanding in the series, posting a goal and a +2 in each game and finishing with 15 shots over the weekend.

Halcisak was one of two Hockey East stars selected last week as finalists for the Patty Kazmaier Award, which is presented annually to the top player in women's D-I college hockey. Northeastern goaltender Chanda Gunn was the other. Gunn was also named to the 2003 U.S. Women's National Team alongside Hockey East brethren defensemen Gen Richardson of Boston College and Meredith Roth of Providence.

### HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	HE Offense	HE Defense
Providence	13	11	1	1	23	16-6-6	3.62 GPG	1.31 GAPG
New Hampshire	11	10	1	0	20	21-5-2	3.27 GPG	0.55 GAPG
Northeastern	12	3	8	1	7	8-16-2	1.67 GPG	2.58 GAPG
Connecticut	10	1	6	3	5	9-16-4	1.20 GPG	2.70 GAPG
Boston College	10	1	6	3	5	11-12-3	1.80 GPG	4.20 GAPG
Maine	8	1	5	2	4	8-11-4	1.38 GPG	2.62 GAPG

### RECENT RESULTS

**Tuesday, February 4**  
*Beanpot Tournament at Harvard*  
 Boston College 3, Northeastern 2 \*  
 at Harvard 7, Boston University 0

**Friday, February 7**  
 at Providence 3, Connecticut 2 \*  
 Quinnipiac at UNH (rescheduled to Feb. 25)

**Saturday, February 8**  
 Providence 2, at Connecticut 1 \*  
 at Maine 9, Quinnipiac 1  
 at Northeastern 3, Niagara 1

**Sunday, February 9**  
 at Boston College 1, Niagara 0

### UPCOMING GAMES

**Tuesday, February 11**  
 New Hampshire at Maine (7pm) \*  
*Beanpot Tournament at Harvard (5/8pm)*  
 Northeastern vs. Boston University  
 Boston College at Harvard

**Wednesday, February 12**  
 Brown at Providence (7pm)

**Friday, February 14**  
 Boston College at Connecticut (7pm) \*  
 New Hampshire at Niagara (7pm)  
 Providence at Quinnipiac (7pm)

**Saturday, February 15**  
 Maine at Northeastern (2pm) \*

**Sunday, February 16**  
 Maine at Northeastern (2pm) \*  
 Connecticut at Boston College (7pm) \*  
 Quinnipiac at Providence (2pm)

\* Hockey East game  
 All times Eastern



### TPS LOUISVILLE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**LISA DAVIS – Boston College**  
*Sophomore Goaltender; Falmouth, MA*

Stopped 56 of 58 shots faced over two one-goal victories, a 1-0 shutout over Niagara and a 3-2 Beanpot win over NU, marking BC's first Hockey East victory.

### ITECH ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

**KAITLYN SHAIN – Connecticut**  
*Freshman Goaltender; Calgary, AB*

Performed strongly in her first Hockey East start, stopping 36 of 38 shots against Providence. The first-place Friars prevailed, but only by a slim 2-1 margin.

### DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**JANA BUGDEN – Providence**  
*Freshman Goaltender; Corner Brook, NF*

Provided the differential edge for the Friars, stopping 45 of 48 shots faced in posting back-to-back slim one-goal victories over conference rival UConn.

## HONOR ROLL

- **Meagan Aarts, Maine** (Jr. F; Watford, ON) – Scored two of Maine's nine goals vs. Quinnipiac.
- **Jenn Butsch, PC** (Sr. F; Berlin, VT) – Had a goal and two assists and finished +3 in a sweep of UConn.
- **Sarah Courtney, BC** (Fr. F; Belmont, MA) – Had a goal in each of two wins for BC, including the only score in a 1-0 win vs. Niagara. Finished +3 on the week.
- **Tristan Desmet, Maine** (So. F; Strathmore, AB) – Scored two goals and added one assist in 9-1 win over Quinnipiac.
- **Karen Droog, Maine** (Jr. F; Listowel, ON) – Scored a goal and assisted on two others in a 9-1 win vs. Quinnipiac.
- **Kelli Halcisak, PC** (Jr. D; Grosse Ile, MI) – Scored a goal in each game and finished +4 in a narrow sweep of UConn.
- **Marisa Hourihan, NU** (So. G; Hanover, MA) – Made 23 saves in a 3-1 win over Niagara.
- **Rebecca Peters, NU** (Fr. D; Dover, NH) – Set up two of NU's three goals in a win over Niagara.
- **Brooke White, NU** (Sr. F; Berkeley, CA) – Scored two goals, including the game winner, in a 3-1 win over Niagara.

## TEAM NOTES

**Boston College:** BC has won four of the last five thanks to goaltender Lisa Davis, who has allowed just three goals total over those four victories ... 11 wins overall is the most for BC since 1994-95, when the Eagles had 15 wins in their first season as a varsity program.

**University of Connecticut:** Although trailing the first-place Friars by 18 points in the Hockey East standings, the Huskies were outscored just 7-5 in a closely contested season series.

**University of Maine:** Maine has scored 32 goals in its last four meetings with Quinnipiac ... Raffi Wolf, Karen Droog and Meagan Aarts are now tied as Maine's top-three all-time point producers with 88 points each.

**University of New Hampshire:** Last Friday's game against Quinnipiac University was postponed due to inclement weather and has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 25, at 7:00 p.m. ... UNH plays at Maine on Tuesday. In the only other Tuesday game this year, the Wildcats were 6-0 victors at Boston College

**Northeastern University:** Brooke White scored two goals for the third time in the last 12 games ... Junior Chanda Gunn is a finalist for both the Humanitarian Award and the Patty Kazmaier Award and was recently named to the U.S. National team that will compete at the 2003 World Championships in Beijing, China from April 3-9 ... The Huskies have successfully killed 10 straight penalties over the last three games.

**Providence College:** With three points this past weekend, senior Jenn Butsch became the 23rd Friar to reach the 100-point plateau ... Junior Kelli Halcisak became the third player in Friar history to be named a finalist for the Kazmaier Award since its inception during the 1997-98 season, joining Sara DeCosta in 2000 and Jessica Tabb in 2001.

### ITECH Three Star Leaders:

Name	Cl	Pos	School
Alaina Clark	Jr	F	BC
Chanda Gunn	Jr	G	NU
Jen Huggon	Sr	G	UNH
Stephanie Jones	So	F	UNH
Ashley Payton, PC	So	F	PC
Rush Zimmerman	So	F	PC



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## LEADING GOALTENDERS (Hockey East games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	Min	W	L	T	SP	GAA
1	Jen Huggon, UNH	Sr	11	659	10	1	0	.972	0.55
2	Jana Budgen, PC	Fr	12	708	11	1	0	.931	1.27
3	Lara Smart, ME	Jr	6	369	0	4	2	.910	2.44
4	Shannon Murphy, CT	So	9	552	1	5	3	.913	2.50
5	Chanda Gunn, NU	Jr	12	725	3	8	1	.916	2.56

## LEADING GOALTENDERS (All games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	Min	W	L	T	SP	GAA
1	Jen Huggon, UNH	Sr	28	1693	21	5	2	.930	1.56
2	Jana Budgen, PC	Fr	25	1441	14	5	5	.923	1.71
3	Dawn Froats, ME	Sr	11	544	6	2	1	.916	1.76
4	Chanda Gunn, NU	Jr	22	1324	6	14	2	.925	2.31
5	Lara Smart, ME	Jr	14	856	2	9	3	.917	2.45

### LEADING SCORERS (Hockey East games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1	Ashley Payton, PC	So	13	8	7	15
	Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Jr	13	5	10	15
3	Jenn Butsch, PC	Sr	13	5	9	14
4	Darlene Stephenson, PC	Jr	12	8	5	13
	Rush Zimmerman, PC	So	13	8	5	13
6	Stephanie Jones, UNH	So	11	5	6	11
	Allison Edgar, UNH *	Jr	11	3	8	11
8	Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Jr	11	6	4	10
	Chandy Kaip, UNH	Sr	11	4	6	10
	Randi MacMaster, UNH	So	11	4	6	10
11	Danielle Culgin, PC	Sr	13	3	6	9
12	Alaina Clark, BC	Jr	10	4	4	8
	Meredith Roth, PC *	Jr	13	1	7	8
14	Brooke White, NU	Sr	10	5	2	7
	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Jr	11	1	6	7
	Rebecca Paul, NU	Fr	12	3	4	7
	Hilary Greaves, PC	So	13	3	4	7

\* defenseman

### LEADING SCORERS (All games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1	Chandy Kaip, UNH	Sr	28	11	18	29
2	Rush Zimmerman, PC	So	28	16	12	28
	Jenn Butsch, PC	Sr	28	12	16	28
4	Ashley Payton, PC	So	28	11	15	26
	Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Jr	28	9	17	26
6	Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Jr	28	15	10	25
7	Stephanie Jones, UNH	So	28	12	11	23
8	Meagan Aarts, Maine	Jr	23	10	12	22
	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Jr	25	3	19	22
	Randi MacMaster, UNH	So	27	8	14	22
	Allison Edgar, UNH *	Jr	28	7	15	22
12	Alaina Clark, BC	Jr	25	12	9	21
	Brooke White, NU	Sr	24	8	13	21
14	Darlene Stephenson, PC	Jr	25	12	7	19
15	Kim Greene, NU	Sr	26	12	6	18
	Jaclyn Kryzak, BC	Sr	26	10	8	18

\* defenseman

### TEAM STATISTICS (Hockey East games)

#### TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1.Providence.....	13	47	3.62
2.New Hampshire.....	11	36	3.27
3.Boston College.....	10	18	1.80
4.Northeastern.....	12	20	1.67
5.Maine.....	8	11	1.38
6.Connecticut.....	10	12	1.20

#### TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire.....	11	6	0.55
2.Providence.....	13	17	1.31
3.Northeastern.....	12	31	2.58
4.Maine.....	8	21	2.62
5.Connecticut.....	10	27	2.70
6.Boston College.....	10	42	4.20

#### POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Providence.....	13	18	71	0	.254
2.Connecticut.....	10	6	32	0	.188
3.New Hampshire.....	11	7	41	0	.171
4.Boston College.....	10	4	40	0	.100
5.Northeastern.....	12	2	33	1	.061
6.Maine.....	8	2	37	0	.054

#### PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.New Hampshire.....	11	3	37	0	.919
2.Connecticut.....	10	3	33	0	.909
3.Providence.....	13	7	66	1	.894
4.Maine.....	8	7	37	0	.811
5.Northeastern.....	12	11	53	0	.792
6.Boston College.....	10	8	28	0	.714

### TEAM STATISTICS (All games)

#### TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1.New Hampshire.....	28	94	3.36
2.Providence.....	28	90	3.21
3.Boston College.....	26	65	2.50
4.Maine.....	23	54	2.35
5.Northeastern.....	26	50	1.92
6.Connecticut.....	29	53	1.83

#### TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire.....	28	44	1.57
2.Providence.....	28	49	1.75
3.Maine.....	23	52	2.26
4.Northeastern.....	26	62	2.38
5.Connecticut.....	29	90	3.10
6.Boston College.....	26	92	3.54

#### POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Providence.....	28	28	179	3	.156
2.New Hampshire.....	28	16	106	0	.151
3.Connecticut.....	29	18	120	1	.150
4.Boston College.....	26	13	87	2	.149
5.Northeastern.....	26	9	87	1	.103
6.Maine.....	23	6	81	0	.074

#### PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.New Hampshire.....	28	13	99	1	.869
2.Providence.....	28	19	143	4	.867
3.Maine.....	23	16	95	2	.832
4.Northeastern.....	26	19	112	0	.830
5.Connecticut.....	29	20	117	0	.829
6.Boston College.....	26	16	79	0	.797

