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MAINE OPENS WITH A SWEEP AT VERMONT New Hampshire ups record to 5-0 with back-to-back wins at Quinnipiac

Slowly but surely, the women's ice hockey season is taking shape, and the new Women's Hockey East Association is a big part of the show.

The University of Maine became the final member of Hockey East to get its season underway when it played two games at Vermont this past weekend. The Black Bears allowed just one goal and scored four, two by sniper Karen Droog, en route to an opening-game victory. The team then one-upped itself with a 4-0 shutout win in the rematch with Meagan Aarts providing the direct offensive pressure in this one with her two scores. Combined with her two assists in Friday's win, Aarts' contributions merited her selection as Player of the Week. Goaltender Lara Smart made 20 saves and was credited with the shutout.

New Hampshire nudged itself forward once again, posting a sweep at Quinnipiac. Friday's 5-3 final was nothing compared to the 10-0 score in Saturday's rematch. Defenseman Kristen Thomas dominated with five assists and a +7 rating on the weekend. The Wildcats are now 5-0 and host Maine next week in the first conference action for both squads. Providence and Boston College will open Women's Hockey East play Friday night at Conte Forum.

Providence got two third period goals to turn a 2-0 deficit into a 2-2 tie Saturday vs. seventh-ranked St. Lawrence. The Saints took a measure of revenge Sunday, however, edging Northeastern by a 2-1 final. NU's Chanda Gunn had 37 saves in the loss.

Boston College became the first women's team to visit North Dakota's \$100-million Englestad Arena and split the weekend series against the Sioux.

RECENT RESULTS

Friday, October 25

Maine 4, at Vermont 1
 New Hampshire 5, at Quinnipiac 3
 Mississauga 7, at Northeastern 2 (ex.)

Saturday, October 26

New Hampshire 10, at Quinnipiac 0
 Boston College 5, at North Dakota 2
 at Providence 2, St. Lawrence 2 (OT)
 Maine 4, at Vermont 0

Sunday, October 27

at North Dakota 5, Boston College 3
 St. Lawrence 2, at Northeastern 1

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, November 1

Providence at Boston College (7pm) *
 Connecticut at Quinnipiac (7pm)

Saturday, November 2

Maine at New Hampshire (2pm) *
 Quinnipiac at Connecticut (7pm)

Sunday, November 3

Maine at New Hampshire (2pm) *
 Northeastern at Boston College (2pm) *
 Dartmouth at Providence (2pm)

* Hockey East game
 All times Eastern

HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Offense	Defense
Boston College	0	0	0	0	0	1-2-0	3.33 GPG	3.33 GAPG
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	0	0-4-0	1.00 GPG	4.00 GAPG
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	2-0-0	4.00 GPG	0.50 GAPG
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	5-0-0	5.00 GPG	1.40 GAPG
Northeastern	0	0	0	0	0	1-3-0	1.75 GPG	2.00 GAPG
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	1-2-1	3.25 GPG	2.75 GAPG



TPS LOUISVILLE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MEAGAN AARTS – Maine
 Junior Forward; Watford, ON

Assisted on two scores in Maine's opening 4-1 win at Vermont and scored two of her own in Saturday's rematch, a 4-0 final in favor of Maine.

ITECH ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

LINDSAY HANSEN – New Hampshire
 Freshman Forward; Northport, NY

Recorded her first career goal and later added her second in a 10-0 win at Quinnipiac. Finished +4 on the game and +5 in the weekend sweep.

DEFENSIVE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Chanda Gunn - NU Jr. G; Hunt. Beach, CA
 Made 37 saves in a slim 2-1 loss vs. No. 7 St. Lawrence.

Kristen Thomas - UNH Jr. D; Wilmington, MA
 Recorded five assists and finished +7 in a weekend sweep at Quinnipiac.

HOCKEY EAST HONOR ROLL

- **Jana Bugden, PC** (Fr. G; Cornerbrook, NF) – Stopped 22 of 24 shots in a 2-2 tie against No. 7 St. Lawrence.
- **Alaina Clark, BC** (Jr. F; Alhambra, CA) – Scored a goal and added two assists to down North Dakota, 5-3.
- **Karen Droog, ME** (Jr. F; Listowel, ON) – Scored twice in 4-1 win at Vermont and added one assist in the rematch.
- **Jen Huggon, UNH** (Sr. G; Plymouth, MA) – Needed to make only eight saves in a 10-0 romp at Quinnipiac for her 15th career shutout and 53rd career victory, both second on UNH's all-time list.
- **Stephanie Jones, UNH** (So. F; Kimberly, BC) – Registered a hat trick and added one assist in 10-0 win at Quinnipiac.
- **Chandy Kaip, UNH** (Sr. F; Radville, SK) – Three assists, +4 rating in 10-0 win at Quinnipiac.
- **Lara Smart, ME** (Jr. G; Airdrie, AB) – Stopped all 20 shots she faced in a 4-0 shutout win at Vermont.

LEADING SCORERS (All Games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Jr	5	1	7	8
2	Lindsay Hansen, UNH	Fr	5	2	4	6
3	Randi McMaster, UNH	So	4	1	4	5
	Debbie Bernhard, UNH	Jr	5	4	1	5
	Stephanie Jones, UNH	So	5	3	2	5
	Allison Edgar, UNH *	Jr	5	2	3	5
	Chady Kaip, UNH	Sr	5	0	5	5

* defenseman

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All Games)

	Player, School	Cl	W-L-T	SP	GAA
1	Lara Smart, ME	Jr	1-0-0	1.000	0.00
2	Dawn Froats, ME	Sr	1-0-0	.889	1.00
3	Jen Huggon, UNH	Sr	5-0-0	.919	1.38
4	Chanda Gunn, NU	Jr	1-3-0	.938	2.02
5	Jana Bugden, PC	Fr	1-1-1	.919	2.07

TEAM NOTES

Boston College: Senior Jaclyn Kryzak scored a goal in each game at North Dakota, including one on the power play ... Friday's game was the first-ever D-I women's game for North Dakota.

University of Maine: Maine is off to a 2-0 start for the third consecutive season ... Raffi Wolf, the team's all-time leading scorer, has been moved from her customary forward position to bolster the blueline corps.

University of New Hampshire: UNH is 5-0 for the first time since 1997-98, the year the 'Cats won the AWCHA's national championship. Three of UNH's five wins have come by shutout ... UNH is a perfect 17-for-17 on the penalty kill this season ... Junior defenseman Kristen Thomas has at least one point in each game this season and leads Hockey East in overall points.

Northeastern University: Chanda Gunn has made 35 or more saves in three out of four games this season ... Defenseman Pamela Pachal has scored in each of the last two games.



TEAM STATISTICS (All Games)

TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1.New Hampshire.....	5	25	5.00
2.Maine.....	2	8	4.00
3.Boston College.....	3	10	3.33
4.Providence.....	4	13	3.25
5.Northeastern.....	4	7	1.75
6.Connecticut.....	4	4	1.00

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.Maine.....	2	1	0.50
2.New Hampshire.....	5	7	1.40
3.Northeastern.....	4	8	2.00
4.Providence.....	4	11	2.75
5.Boston College.....	3	10	3.33
6.Connecticut.....	4	16	4.00

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.New Hampshire.....	5	3	17	0	.176
2.Maine.....	2	1	6	0	.167
3.Northeastern.....	4	2	14	0	.143
4.Connecticut.....	4	3	24	0	.125
5.Boston College.....	3	1	10	0	.100
6.Providence.....	4	2	25	2	.080

PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.New Hampshire.....	5	0	17	0	1.000
Maine.....	2	0	11	0	1.000
3.Providence.....	4	2	25	4	.920
4.Northeastern.....	4	3	19	0	.842
5.Connecticut.....	4	5	23	0	.783
6.Boston College.....	3	3	10	0	.700