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### **WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

## MONTHLY AWARDS



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## HALCISAK NAMED TPS PLAYER OF THE MONTH She and teammate Jana Bugden lead Providence to a winning finish

Kelli Halcisak put the exclamation point on her career by winning her second consecutive tournament MVP award as Providence claimed its second straight Hockey East title. Goaltender Jana Bugden was also a big factor in a run of six straight wins.



# TPS Player of the Month Kelli Halcisak – Providence Senior Defenseman; Grosse Ile, MI

Once again being a major contributor when it counted, Halcisak scored a goal in each game of the Hockey East tournament en route to tournament MVP honors for the second consecutive season. She broke a scoreless tie in the third period of the championship game vs. top seed UNH, and it stood as the eventual game-winner.

Runners-up:

Karen Droog, Maine (Sr. F) – 3GP: 3G - 2A - 5pts Karen Thatcher, PC (So. F) – 6GP: 5G - 2A - 7pts, +9

Mar.	Opponent	Result		G-A-P
6	Northeastern	W	6-0	0-3-3
7	at Northeastern	W	2-0	0-0-0
10	at Boston College	W	6-1	1-2-3
13	Boston College	W	4-2	0-0-0
20	vs. Maine (HE)	W	4-2	1-0-1
21	vs. UNH (HE)	W	3-0	1-0-1
	Totals	6-0-0		3-5-8

(HE) Hockey East Tournament at NU



### ITECH Goaltender of the Month Jana Bugden – Providence Sophomore; Corner Brook, NF

The Friars' second-year stopper has gotten better and better as the season has progressed, saving her best for the stretch run. She had three shutouts in five games in March, culminating with a 24-for-24 performance in the Hockey East championship game vs. top seed UNH, and was selected as the All-Tournament goaltender.

### Runner-up:

Melissa Bourdon, UNH (Fr.) - 3-1, 1.00 GAA, .948 SP



Mar.	<u>Opponent</u>	Result		<u>Mın</u>	Svs	<u>GA</u>
6	Northeastern	W	6-0	60:00	12	0
7	at Northeastern	W	2-0	60:00	14	0
10	at Boston College	W	6-1	60:00	17	1
20	vs. Maine (HE)	W	4-2	60:00	15	2
21	vs. UNH (HE)	W	3-0	60:00	24	0
	Totals	5	-0-0	300:00	82	3
0.60 GAA, .965 save percentage						

(HE) Hockey East Tournament at Northeastern



Mar.	Opponent	Result		<u>Min</u>	<u>Svs</u>	<u>GA</u>	
4	at Boston College	W	5-2	60:00	7	2	
13	at Northeastern	W	2-0	60:00	16	0	
20	at Northeastern (HE)	W	5-0	60:00	20	0	
21	vs. Providence (HE)	L	0-3	59:15	30	2	
	Totals	3	-1-0	239:15	73	4	
	1.00 GAA, .948 save percentage						

(HE) Hockey East Tournament at Northeastern





# ITECH Rookie of the Month Melissa Bourdon – UNH

Freshman Goaltender; Ile Bizard, QC

Bourdon eased fears about losing All-Star goaltender Jen Huggon by coming out with a great first season, backstopping UNH to the regular season title. She posted back-to-back shutouts at Northeastern to transition from the regular season to the playoffs, and also kept Providence off the board until the third period of the title game.

### Runner-up

Sonny Watrous, PC (Fr. F) - 6GP: 4G - 3A - 7pts, +8

