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RACE INTENSIFIES WITH UCONN SPLIT AT MAINE Wildcat offense comes to life with 14 goals in weekend set vs. BC

The race for the Hockey East tournament took a very interesting turn this past weekend when UConn managed a split at Maine to put the pressure on Northeastern. NU responded with a 2-1 comeback win over defending champ Providence. Though it's still too early to have anything solidified, it appears that a game of musical chairs has been set up for those four teams. Barring a late season collapse by first-place UNH, only three of those four teams can get a spot in the playoffs.

Boston College would have plenty of work to do to get back into the game. Eight straight league losses to open the season put the Eagles well behind the pace, although they have a respectable 5-3-2 non-league record. New Hampshire opened the floodgates vs. BC this weekend, scoring seven goals in each of two games to dominate the set. Lindsay Hansen, the 2002-03 Hockey East Rookie of the Year, picked up eight points over the two games to lead the offensive and was an easy selection as TPS Player of the Week. Wildcat rookie Lindsey Caleo posted her first career hat trick in Sunday's 7-2 win at BC and was named ITECH Rookie of the Week. Brittany Busa picked up her first career win in the game.

Maine opened the weekend with a 2-0 win over UConn, getting both goals from junior Tristan Desmet and 30 saves from goaltender Lara Smart. The Huskies solved Smart the next day, however, as Tiffany Owens potted two goals en route to a 3-2 win for Connecticut. That moved UConn into a tie with Providence, one point ahead of Northeastern.

The Friars, looking for solace following an 8-6 loss to No. 2 Dartmouth earlier in the week, jumped out to a 1-0 lead in their game at NU on Sunday. But host NU came back with two third period goals to win the game and the two points. Goaltender Chanda Gunn was the difference, stopping 35 of 36 shots faced in another strong performance.

2003-04 STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	W	L	Ι	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Overall</u>	HE Offense	HE Defense
New Hampshire	8	7	0	1	15	12-7-3	4.38 GPG	1.00 GAPG
Maine	10	5	4	1	11	8-10-3	1.80 GPG	1.90 GAPG
Northeastern	8	3	3	2	8	9-5-6	1.88 GPG	1.88 GAPG
Providence	6	3	2	1	7	7-10-2	2.33 GPG	1.83 GAPG
Connecticut	8	3	4	1	7	7-12-3	2.00 GPG	2.25 GAPG
Boston College	8	0	8	0	0	5-11-2	0.88 GPG	4.25 GAPG

RECENT RESULTS

Wednesday, January 21

Dartmouth 8, at Providence 6

Friday, January 23

at Maine 2, Connecticut 0 *
New Hampshire 7, Boston College 0 *

Saturday, January 24

Connecticut 3, at Maine 2 *

Sunday, January 25

at Northeastern 2, Providence 1 *
New Hampshire 7, at Boston College 2 *

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, January 30

Northeastern at Connecticut (7pm) *

Saturday, January 31

Providence at New Hampshire (2pm) *
Connecticut at Northeastern (7pm) *

Sunday, February 1

New Hampshire at Providence (2pm) *

* Hockey East game All times Eastern



TPS HOCKEY ITECH PLAYER OF THE WEEK ROOKIE OF THE V

LINDSAY HANSEN – New Hampshire Sophomore Forward; Northport, NY

2002-03 Rookie of the Year exploded for two goals and six assists in a weekend sweep of Boston College. Five of the eight points came in Sunday's 7-2 victory. ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

LINDSEY CALEO – New Hampshire Freshman Forward; Clinton Township, MI

Recorded her first career hat trick to lead Sunday's 7-2 win at Boston College. Had one assist in the first game of the set, a 7-0 win at home.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

CHANDA GUNN - Northeastern

Senior Goaltender; Huntington Beach, CA

Pillar of stability for the Huskies once again, Gunn stopped 35 of 36 shots she faced vs. Providence Sunday to lead the team to a big 2-1 league win.

HONOR ROLL

- Lisa Davis, BC (Jr. G; Falmouth, MA) Stopped 85 shots over two games vs. UNH.
- Tristan Desmet, Maine (Jr. F; Strathmore, AB) Scored both UMaine goals in 2-0 shutout of UConn on Friday.
- Allison Edgar, UNH (Sr. D; Brigden, ON) Pitched in two goals and added one assist in Saturday's 7-0 win vs. BC.
- Kelli Halcisak, PC (Sr. D; Grosse Ile, MI) Posted three goals and one assist in a wild 8-6 loss to No. 2 Dartmouth.
- Amy Goodney, NU (Fr. F; Marquette, MI) In a 2-1 win over Providence, she scored a third period goal to tie the game and set up the game-winning goal four minutes later.
- Cyndy Kenyon, NU (So. F; Sparta, WI) Scored the game-winning goal and assisted on NU's other goal as the Huskies were able to rally from a 1-0 third period deficit to win 2-1 over Providence.
- Tiffany Owens, UConn (Jr. F; Bellaire, MI) Scored two goals in UConn's vital 3-2 win at Maine, including the game-winner.
- Lara Smart, Maine (Sr. G; Airdrie, AB) Stopped all 30 shots she faced in an important 2-0 shutout of UConn.

TEAM NOTES

Boston College: The line of Sarah Courtney, Michelle Lombardi and Kerri Sanders has accounted for over half of BC's scoring this year. Courtney leads the team with seven goals followed by Sanders' six. Four of Sanders' goals have come in the last five games.

University of Connecticut: Sara Mahoney's two assists on Saturday ran her season total to a team-leading seven ... The Huskies ended a five-game losing streak with their win at Maine Saturday.

University of Maine: Lara Smart recorded her first shutout of the season and fifth of her career Friday vs. UConn. On Saturday, she moved into a second-place tie on Maine's all-time games played list with 52.. Her career total of 1361 saves also ranks second ... The Black Bears have scored 47 goals and allowed 47 goals this season.

University of New Hampshire: Rookie goal-tender Melissa Bourdon has an active shut-out streak of 143:09 ... UNH netted a season-high seven goals in back-to-back games vs. BC ... UNH has scored a power play goal in five consecutive games and is 19-for-19 on the penalty kill in the past five games ... Rebecca Paul has a six-game assist streak.

Northeastern University: NU is unbeaten in its last five games (2-0-3) ... Chanda Gunn boasts the best save percentage (.958) and second best goals against average (1.34) in the nation ... Sophomore Cyndy Kenyon has already doubled her offensive production from her freshman campaign (10 points total) with 10 goals and 11 assists this year.

Providence College: The Friars have scored 17 goals in the last four games. Four players (Kelli Halcisak, Darlene Stephenson, Karen Thatcher and Rush Zimmerman) are on point streaks of four games or more.

ITECH Three Star Leaders:

<u>Name</u>	<u>CI</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Schoo</u> l
Chanda Gunn	Sr	G	NU
Stephanie Jones	Jr	F	UNH
Rebecca Paul	So	F	UNH
Lara Smart	Sr	G	Maine
Sonny Watrous	Fr	F	PC



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LEADING GOALTENDERS (Hockey East games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	SP	GAA
1. Melissa Bourdon, UNH	Fr	5	300	5	0	0	.968	0.60
2. Chanda Gunn, NU	Sr	5	309	2	1	2	.963	1.16
3. Jana Bugden, PC	So	4	242	1	2	1	.901	1.73
4. Lara Smart, Maine	Sr	10	603	5	4	1	.936	1.79
5. Shannon Murphy, CT	Jr	8	251	1	3	0	.936	1.91

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	SP	GAA
1. Chanda Gunn, NU	Sr	13	808	4	3	6	.958	1.34
2. Melissa Bourdon, UNH	Fr	13	780	8	4	1	.940	1.38
3. Katy Augustyn, NU	So	7	421	5	2	0	.930	1.99
Kaitlyn Shain, CT	So	12	673	6	4	1	.932	2.05
Lara Smart, Maine	Sr	9	1156	6	10	3	.924	2.33

LEADING SCORERS (Hockey East games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1.	Lindsey Hansen, UNH	So	7	6	7	13
2.	Cyndy Kenyon, NU	So	8	5	6	11
	Rebecca Paul, UNH	So	8	4	7	11
4.	Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Sr	8	6	3	9
	Lindsey Caleo, UNH	Fr	8	5	4	9
	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Jr	8	3	6	9
7.	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Jr	6	4	4	8
	Karen Droog, Maine	Sr	10	2	6	8
9.	Allison Edgar, UNH *	Sr	8	3	4	7
	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Sr	8	0	7	7
11.	Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Sr	6	2	4	6
	Meredith Roth, PC *	Sr	6	2	4	6
	Megan Mcleod, UConn	Jr	8	4	2	6
	Sara Mahoney, UConn	Sr	8	1	5	6
	Theresa Ella, NU *	So	8	0	6	6

^{*} defenseman

LEADING SCORERS (All games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1.	Lindsey Hansen, UNH	So	18	9	13	22
	Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Sr	19	10	12	22
3.	Cyndy Kenyon, NU	So	20	10	11	21
4.	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Jr	22	9	11	20
5.	Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Sr	22	9	10	19
6.	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Jr	19	7	11	18
	Rebecca Paul, UNH	So	22	5	13	18
8.	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Sr	21	2	14	16
	Allison Edgar, UNH *	Sr	22	7	9	16
10.	Nicole Hekle, UNH	Fr	22	8	7	15
11.	Darlene Stephenson, PC	Sr	19	7	7	14
	Karen Droog, Maine	Sr	21	6	8	14
	Meagan Aarts, Maine	Sr	21	5	9	14
14.	Karen Thatcher, PC	So	19	3	10	13
	Marie Desrosiers, NU	Fr	20	6	7	13

^{*} defenseman

TEAM STATISTICS (Hockey East games)

TEAM OFFENSE

leam	GP	G	GPG
1.New Hampshire		35	4.38
2.Providence	6	14	2.33
3.Connecticut	8	16	2.00
4.Northeastern	8	15	1.88
5.Maine	10	18	1.80
6.Boston College	8	7	0.88

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire	8	8	1.00
2.Providence	6	11	1.83
3.Northeastern	8	15	1.88
4.Maine	10	19	1.90
5.Connecticut	8	18	2.25
6.Boston College	8	34	4.25

POWER PLAY

leam	GΡ	PPG	Att	SHGA	PCt
1.New Hampshire	8	9	41	1	.220
2.Providence	6	6	40	0	.150
3.Connecticut	8	4	38	0	.105
4.Maine	10	4	46	1	.087
5.Boston College	8	2	34	2	.059
6.Northeastern	8	1	38	2	.026

PENALTY KILL

ream	GP	UPPG	ALL	SHG	PCL
1.New Hampshire	8	1	31	1	.968
2.Connecticut	8	4	42	2	.905
3.Maine	10	6	54	1	.889
4.Northeastern	8	5	44	1	.886
5.Providence	6	4	34	1	.882
6.Boston College	8	6	32	0	.812

TEAM STATISTICS (All games)

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TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.Northeastern	20	33	1.65
2.New Hampshire	22	41	1.86
3.Maine	21	47	2.24
4.Connecticut	20	48	2.40
5.Providence	19	47	2.47
6.Boston College	18	60	3.33

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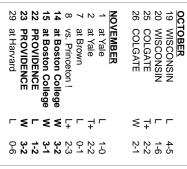
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