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WOMEN'S LEAGUE

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FRIARS REPEAT AS HOCKEY EAST CHAMPIONS
Two-time MVP Kelli Halcisak leads the way with a goal in each game

Hockey East's most ferocious rivals met on common ice once again Sunday, facing off for the second consecutive season to determine the league championship. Predictably, it was an intense battle until the very end, but ultimately the defending champion prevailed once again.

The Providence College Friars, thanks to the intensity and effort of senior defenseman Kelli Halcisak, and to the sure hands and pads of sophomore goaltender Jana Bugden, have repeated as Hockey East champions. Bugden was perfect when it counted, stopping all 24 shots she faced in the title game to deal regular season champion UNH just its second shutout of the season. Halcisak scored the opening goal in PC's 4-2 semifinal victory over Maine and added another in the third period of the championship game to break up a stern defensive stalemate. That goal took the wind out of UNH's sails. Despite the fact that they took three of four games vs. Providence in the regular season series, including an overtime thriller to clinch the regular season title, the UNH Wildcats could not answer Halcisak's tally. The Friars added a late goal for insurance (Karen Thatcher's second of the tournament) and began the celebration with Rush Zimmerman's empty-netter in the final minute. It soured a strong effort by UNH rookie stopper Melissa Bourdon, who made 30 saves in the game to follow up a 20-save shutout the day before vs. host Northeastern.

The Huskies couldn't get much going vs. the UNH team, suffering a 5-0 shutout. Maine threatened Providence, however, holding a 2-1 lead after one period and retaining a 2-2 tie until midway through the third. Senior goaltender Lara Smart had 40 saves to keep the Black Bears in the game until the end.

**WOMEN'S HOCKEY EAST
 CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS**

(all games at Northeastern)

Saturday, March 20

Semifinal Round

Providence 4, Maine 2

UNH 5, Northeastern 0

Sunday, March 21

Championship Game

Providence 3, UNH 0



MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

Kelli Halcisak

Senior Defenseman

Providence College

FINAL STANDINGS

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	HE offense	HE defense
1. New Hampshire	20	17	1	2	36	23-9-4	4.40 GPG	1.75 GAPG
2. Providence	20	14	5	1	29	21-13-2	3.95 GPG	1.85 GAPG
3. Maine	20	9	9	2	20	12-16-4	2.15 GPG	2.50 GAPG
4. Northeastern	20	7	9	4	18	13-13-8	1.75 GPG	2.45 GAPG
5. Connecticut	20	5	11	4	14	9-19-6	1.90 GPG	3.10 GAPG
6. Boston College	20	1	18	1	3	6-22-3	1.45 GPG	3.95 GAPG



**TPS HOCKEY
 PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

KELLI HALCISAK – Providence
Senior Defenseman; Grosse Ile, MI

Scored a goal in each game on championship weekend, including the one that broke a scoreless tie vs. UNH to clinch the second straight title for Providence.

**ITECH
 ROOKIE OF THE WEEK**

SONNY WATROUS – Providence
Freshman Forward; Albuquerque, NM

Rookie of the Year continued to perform in the postseason, netting the third period game-winning goal in a 4-2 semifinal victory over Maine.

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER
 OF THE WEEK**

JANA BUGDEN – Providence
Sophomore Goaltender; Corner Brook, NF

Shut out UNH in the Hockey East championship game for the second straight season. Finished the weekend with 39 saves on 41 shots faced.

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Nicole Hekle, Freshman Forward, New Hampshire (*Winnipeg, MB*)
 Karen Thatcher, Sophomore Forward, Providence (*Douglas, MA*)
 Sonny Watrous, Freshman Forward, Providence (*Albuquerque, NM*)
 Allison Edgar, Senior Defenseman, New Hampshire (*Brigden, ON*)
 Kelli Halcisak, Senior Defenseman, Providence (*Grosse Ile, MI*)
 Jana Bugden, Sophomore Goaltender, Providence (*Corner Brook, NF*)

Most Valuable Player: Kelli Halcisak, Providence

TEAM NOTES

University of Maine: A quartet of seniors has rewritten the Maine record book over the last four years. Meagan Aarts holds the Maine record for career assists (55) and career points (116). Karen Droog is tops in career goals (74). Naomi Smethurst is the all-time leader in games played (128), having never missed a game. Lara Smart is the all-time leader in single season games played by a goaltender (30) and single season saves (892).

University of New Hampshire: Kristen Thomas has tied Cindy MacKay's school record for career points by a defenseman with 108 ... Stephanie Jones recorded her 100th career point with a goal and assist in the semifinal game vs. NU ... Melissa Bourdon shut out NU on its home ice for the third time this season in Saturday's semifinal. UNH was shut out for just the second time this season in the championship game vs. Providence.

Northeastern University: Senior goalie Chanda Gunn is one of three finalists for the Patty Kazmaier Award. The winner will be announced Saturday in Providence, RI. She is also one of five finalists for the Hockey Humanitarian Award which will be presented in Boston on Friday, April 9. Gunn finished her career as the school's all-time leader in saves (2447) and save percentage (.936). She ended the season ranked first in the nation in save percentage (.938).

Providence College: The Friars have won three consecutive league titles, dating back to their ECAC Eastern League title in 2002 ... The two goals the Friars gave up to Maine on Saturday are the only goals that the Friars and sophomore goaltender Jana Bugden have surrendered in Hockey East tournament action. They have allowed just two goals in four games ... Head Coach Bob Deraney became the first coach in Providence history to record 20-win seasons in four of his first five seasons at the helm.



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LEADING GOALTENDERS (Hockey East)

Player, School	Cl	GP	Min	W	L	T	SP	GAA
1. Melissa Bourdon, UNH	Fr	16	967	14	1	1	.913	1.80
2. Jana Bugden, PC	So	14	783	7	5	1	.916	1.92
3. Chanda Gunn, NU	Sr	17	1015	6	7	4	.937	2.01
4. Lara Smart, Maine	Sr	20	1208	9	9	2	.924	2.33
5. Kaitlyn Shain, CT	So	10	574	3	3	3	.910	2.82

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All games)

Player, School	Cl	GP	Min	W	L	T	SP	GAA
1. Melissa Bourdon, UNH	Fr	26	1567	18	6	2	.922	1.76
2. Chanda Gunn, NU	Sr	27	1634	8	11	8	.938	2.06
3. Jana Bugden, PC	So	28	1619	13	12	2	.904	2.22
4. Kaitlyn Shain, CT	So	18	1022	7	6	3	.919	2.47
5. Lara Smart, Maine	Sr	30	1820	10	16	4	.920	2.57

LEADING SCORERS (Hockey East)

Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1. Lindsey Hansen, UNH	So	19	8	23	31
2. Rebecca Paul, UNH	So	20	12	18	30
3. Rush Zimmerman, PC	Jr	16	13	16	29
4. Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Sr	20	20	8	28
Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Sr	20	10	18	28
6. Darlene Stephenson, PC	Sr	20	4	22	26
7. Sonny Watrous, PC	Fr	20	14	10	24
8. Ashley Payton, PC	Jr	16	9	11	20
Stephanie Jones, UNH	Jr	19	9	11	20
Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Sr	20	1	19	20
11. Tristan Desmet, Maine	Jr	20	9	9	18
12. Karen Thatcher, PC	So	17	5	11	16
Meagan Aarts, Maine	Sr	20	9	7	16
Sadie Wright-Ward, UNH	Fr	20	8	8	16
Lindsey Caleo, UNH	Fr	20	7	9	16

* defenseman

LEADING SCORERS (All games)

Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1. Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Sr	36	20	26	46
2. Rush Zimmerman, PC	Jr	32	17	26	43
3. Lindsey Hansen, UNH	So	32	11	29	40
4. Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Sr	36	23	16	39
5. Rebecca Paul, UNH	So	36	13	24	37
6. Darlene Stephenson, PC	Sr	36	10	26	36
7. Stephanie Jones, UNH	Jr	35	16	17	33
8. Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Sr	35	3	27	30
9. Karen Thatcher, PC	So	33	10	17	27
Sonny Watrous, PC	Fr	34	16	11	27
Nicole Hekle, UNH	Fr	36	12	15	27
12. Ashley Payton, PC	Jr	27	13	13	26
13. Meagan Aarts, Maine	Sr	32	12	13	25
Allison Edgar, UNH *	Sr	35	9	16	25
15. Cyndy Kenyon, NU	So	34	11	13	24

* defenseman

TEAM STATISTICS (Hockey East)

TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1. New Hampshire.....	20	88	4.40
2. Providence.....	20	79	3.95
3. Maine.....	20	43	2.15
4. Connecticut.....	20	38	1.90
5. Northeastern.....	20	35	1.75
6. Boston College.....	20	29	1.45

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1. New Hampshire.....	20	35	1.75
2. Providence.....	20	37	1.85
3. Northeastern.....	20	49	2.45
4. Maine.....	20	50	2.50
5. Connecticut.....	20	62	3.10
6. Boston College.....	20	79	3.95

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1. Providence.....	20	25	95	0	.263
2. New Hampshire.....	20	23	99	3	.232
3. Maine.....	20	12	94	2	.128
4. Connecticut.....	20	12	99	4	.121
5. Boston College.....	20	9	78	4	.115
6. Northeastern.....	20	5	81	2	.062

PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1. New Hampshire.....	20	7	77	1	.909
2. Providence.....	20	12	88	3	.864
3. Maine.....	20	16	113	5	.858
4. Northeastern.....	20	15	104	3	.856
5. Boston College.....	20	16	81	1	.802
6. Connecticut.....	20	20	83	2	.759

TEAM STATISTICS (All games)

TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1. New Hampshire.....	36	127	3.53
2. Providence.....	36	120	3.33
3. Maine.....	32	74	2.31
4. Northeastern.....	34	62	1.82
5. Connecticut.....	32	57	1.78
6. Boston College.....	31	51	1.65

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1. New Hampshire.....	36	71	1.97
2. Providence.....	36	76	2.11
3. Northeastern.....	34	77	2.26
4. Maine.....	32	82	2.56
5. Connecticut.....	32	92	2.88
6. Boston College.....	31	109	3.52

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1. Providence.....	36	43	193	4	.223
2. New Hampshire.....	36	37	177	5	.209
3. Boston College.....	31	14	118	5	.119
4. Connecticut.....	32	18	173	7	.104
5. Maine.....	32	14	143	5	.098
6. Northeastern.....	34	13	137	2	.095

PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1. New Hampshire.....	36	12	147	3	.918
2. Northeastern.....	34	21	169	3	.876
3. Providence.....	36	26	173	6	.850
4. Maine.....	32	28	171	5	.836
5. Connecticut.....	32	26	140	3	.814
6. Boston College.....	31	27	126	1	.786



Boston College
6-22-3 (1-18-1 HE)

OCTOBER		
26 QUINNIPAC	W	3-1
30 VERMONT	L	1-3
NOVEMBER		
2 UNION	W	4-1
8 at Brown	W	3-1
9 YALE	L	0-5
14 MAINE	L	2-3
15 MAINE	L	1-3
22 at Connecticut	L	1-3
23 CONNECTICUT	L	0-3
26 at Northeastern	L	0-5
30 at Princeton	L	0-8
DECEMBER		
No games		
JANUARY		
4 COLGATE	T+ 2-2	
9 at Quinnipiac	T+ 2-2	
10 at Quinnipiac	W	2-0
15 at Union	W	5-3
18 NORTHEASTERN	L	1-3
23 at New Hampshire	L	0-7
25 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	2-7
FEBRUARY		
3 HARVARD (B)	L	0-4
8 CONNECTICUT	L	3-4
8 at Connecticut	T+ 3-3	
14 at Northeastern	L	1-2
15 NORTHEASTERN	L	1-2
21 at Providence	L	1-8
22 PROVIDENCE	L	2-5
27 at Maine	L	0-2
28 at Maine	W	5-2
MARCH		
4 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	2-5
6 at New Hampshire	L	1-2
10 PROVIDENCE	L	1-6
13 at Providence	L	2-4

(B) – Beanpot at BC



Connecticut
9-19-6 (5-11-4 HE)

OCTOBER		
11 at North Dakota	T+ 1-1	
12 at North Dakota	W	2-0
18 MERCYHURST	L	1-2
19 MERCYHURST	T+ 2-2	
24 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	2-4
26 at New Hampshire	T+ 1-1	
NOVEMBER		
1 PRINCETON	L	0-6
2 PRINCETON	L	1-6
7 QUINNIPAC	W	2-1
15 DARTMOUTH	L	0-1
16 DARTMOUTH	L	0-3
22 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	3-1
23 at Boston College	W	3-0
28 at St. Lawrence	L	3-5
29 at St. Lawrence	W	3-2
DECEMBER		
4 YALE	W	4-1
JANUARY		
9 MINNESOTA ST.	L	2-5
10 MINNESOTA ST.	L	0-4
16 at Providence	L	3-5
17 PROVIDENCE	L	1-3
23 at Maine	L	0-2
24 at Maine	W	3-2
30 NORTHEASTERN	L	0-3
31 at Northeastern	T+ 1-1	
FEBRUARY		
6 at Boston College	W	4-2
8 BOSTON COLLEGE	T+ 3-3	
14 PROVIDENCE	L	1-3
15 at Providence	L	0-7
20 at New Hampshire	L	1-4
22 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	2-7
28 at Northeastern	W	4-2
29 NORTHEASTERN	T+ 2-2	
MARCH		
6 MAINE	L	1-5
7 MAINE	L	3-4



Maine
12-16-4 (9-9-2 HE)

OCTOBER		
19 WISCONSIN	L	4-5
20 WISCONSIN	L	1-6
25 COLGATE	T+ 2-2	
26 COLGATE	W	2-1
NOVEMBER		
1 at Yale	L	1-0
2 at Yale	T+ 2-2	
7 at Brown	L	0-1
8 vs. Princeton 1	L+ 2-3	
14 at Boston College	W	3-2
15 at Boston College	W	3-1
22 PROVIDENCE	L	1-2
23 PROVIDENCE	W	3-2
29 at Harvard	L	0-6
DECEMBER		
6 NORTHEASTERN	T+ 1-1	
7 NORTHEASTERN	W	2-1
12 at Union	W	8-1
13 at Union	W	8-0
JANUARY		
16 at New Hampshire	L	1-4
17 at New Hampshire	L	0-3
23 CONNECTICUT	W	2-0
24 CONNECTICUT	L	2-3
FEBRUARY		
7 at Providence	L	2-4
8 at Providence	L	0-5
13 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	2-5
14 NEW HAMPSHIRE	T+ 2-2	
20 at Northeastern	L	3-4
21 at Northeastern	W	3-2
27 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	2-0
28 BOSTON COLLEGE	L	2-5
MARCH		
6 at Connecticut	W	5-1
7 at Connecticut	W	4-3
20 vs. Providence (HE)	L	2-4

1 – at Northeastern
(HE) – Hockey East Tourney at NU

+ – indicates overtime
Home games in CAPS
Hockey East games in **bold**



New Hampshire
23-9-4 (17-1-2 HE)

OCTOBER		
24 at Connecticut	W	4-2
26 CONNECTICUT	T+ 1-1	
NOVEMBER		
1 at North Dakota	W	6-2
2 at North Dakota	L	2-3
7 ST. LAWRENCE	L+ 1-2	
9 ST. LAWRENCE	W	6-3
15 at Princeton	W	3-0
16 at Yale	T+ 1-1	
20 NORTHEASTERN	W	4-2
22 at Northeastern	W	5-0
25 at Brown	L	2-5
30 HARVARD	L	1-2
DECEMBER		
5 VERMONT	W	6-1
9 at Harvard	L	0-4
12 DARTMOUTH	L	2-4
JANUARY		
3 at Dartmouth	L	1-4
10 at Niagara	W	1-0
11 at Mercyhurst	T+ 2-2	
16 MAINE	W	4-1
17 MAINE	W	3-0
23 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	7-0
25 at Boston College	W	7-2
31 PROVIDENCE	W	4-3
FEBRUARY		
1 at Providence	L	2-5
6 NORTHEASTERN	W	9-2
13 at Maine	W	5-2
14 at Maine	T+ 2-2	
20 CONNECTICUT	W	4-1
22 at Connecticut	W	7-2
28 at Providence	W	7-4
29 PROVIDENCE	W+ 4-3	
MARCH		
4 at Boston College	W	5-2
6 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	2-1
13 at Northeastern (HE)	W	2-0
20 at Northeastern (HE)	W	5-0
21 vs. Providence (HE)	L	0-3

(HE) – Hockey East Tourney at NU



Northeastern
13-13-8 (7-9-4 HE)

OCTOBER		
18 at St. Lawrence	L	1-3
19 at Vermont	W	2-0
23 at Providence	T+ 1-1	
25 at Quinnipiac	W	4-0
NOVEMBER		
1 NIAGARA	T+ 2-2	
2 NIAGARA	W	3-0
8 YALE	W	6-3
9 PRINCETON	W+ 3-2	
14 CLARKSON	W+ 1-0	
20 at New Hampshire	L	2-4
22 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	0-5
26 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	5-0
DECEMBER		
6 at Maine	T+ 1-1	
7 at Maine	L	1-2
12 OHIO STATE	L	0-3
13 OHIO STATE	T+ 1-1	
JANUARY		
10 vs. Wisconsin *	T+ 1-1	
11 vs. Wisconsin *	T+ 2-2	
18 at Boston College	W	3-1
25 PROVIDENCE	W	2-1
30 at Connecticut	W	3-0
31 CONNECTICUT	T+ 1-1	
FEBRUARY		
6 at New Hampshire	L	2-9
10 vs. Harvard (B)	L	1-5
14 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	2-1
15 at Boston College	W	2-1
20 MAINE	W	4-3
21 MAINE	L	2-3
28 CONNECTICUT	L	2-3
29 at Connecticut	T+ 2-2	
MARCH		
6 at Providence	L	0-6
7 PROVIDENCE	L	0-2
13 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	0-2
20 UNH (HE)	L	0-5

* – at Long Beach, CA
(B) – Beanpot at BC
(HE) – Hockey East Tourney



Providence
21-13-2 (14-5-1 HE)

OCTOBER		
18 at Vermont	W	5-1
19 at St. Lawrence	T+ 2-2	
23 NORTHEASTERN	T+ 1-1	
31 at Dartmouth	L	2-7
NOVEMBER		
11 HARVARD	L	0-3
15 YALE	W	3-1
16 at Princeton	L	2-4
22 at Maine	W	2-1
23 at Maine	L	2-3
29 BROWN *	W	4-1
DECEMBER		
2 at Harvard	L	1-2
JANUARY		
3 at Minnesota State	L+ 1-2	
4 at Minnesota State	L	1-2
10 at Mercyhurst	L	2-3
11 at Niagara	W	3-0
16 CONNECTICUT	W	5-3
17 at Connecticut	W	3-1
21 DARTMOUTH	L	6-8
25 at Northeastern	L	1-2
31 at New Hampshire	L	3-4
FEBRUARY		
1 NEW HAMPSHIRE	W	5-2
7 MAINE	W	4-2
8 MAINE	W	5-0
14 at Connecticut	W	3-1
15 CONNECTICUT	W	7-0
18 at Brown	W+ 2-1	
21 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	8-1
22 at Boston College	W	5-2
28 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L	4-7
29 at New Hampshire	L+ 3-4	
MARCH		
6 NORTHEASTERN	W	6-0
7 at Northeastern	W	2-0
10 at Boston College	W	6-1
13 BOSTON COLLEGE	W	4-2
20 vs. Maine (HE)	W	4-2
21 vs. UNH (HE)	W	3-0

* – Maynor's Cup
(HE) – Hockey East Tourney at NU