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WOMEN'S LEAGUE

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CONNECTICUT CLICKS IN SPLIT AT NO. 5 ST. LAWRENCE Providence takes Mayor's Cup for first time since 1998

The ranks of women's college hockey continued to shuffle this past week as half of the top eight teams suffered at least one loss to a lower-ranked opponent. One other, No. 3 Harvard, had to battle hard to avoid dropping a game at No. 8 UNH. The Wildcats had to settle for a 2-1 loss at home to the Crimson, despite getting 34 saves from Melissa Bourdon, who was named Hockey East's ITECH Rookie of the Week for the third straight time.

Providence took a bit of revenge for Hockey East Friday following Brown's 5-2 defeat of UNH earlier in the week. The Brown Bears fell by a 4-1 final to the Friars, who claimed their first Mayor's Cup win since 1998. Karen Thatcher had a pair of goals vs. her former squad – those were her first two goals in a Providence uniform.

The league's biggest triumph of the week, however, was UConn's 3-2 win at St. Lawrence, most recently ranked fifth. The Saints piled on four goals in the first half of Friday's opener before being limited to just one goal on their final 16 shots against releiver Kaitlyn Shain. It was enough for a 5-3 win. But Shain was the victor in Saturday's rematch, stopping 22 of 24 shots and getting two goals from teammate Shannon Connolly on the other end.

In the only league contest, Northeastern's Katy Augustyn recorded her third shutout in seven games played by stopping all 20 shots she faced (15 in the second period alone) in a 5-0 win at Boston College. Sophomore defenseman Theresa Ella set up four of the five Husky goals, two coming off the stick of Cyndy Kenyon, who had three points on the night.

Providence will get the next crack at Harvard, Tuesday night in Cambridge. The Friars will be looking to avenge last year's 2-1 OT loss to the Crimson, which was one of the most memorable matches of the 2002-03 season.

2003-04 STANDINGS Team W Pts Overall Offense Defense **New Hampshire** 0 6-4-2 1.92 GAPG 3.00 GPG Maine 4 3 1 0 6 4-7-2 1.77 GPG 2.62 GAPG Connecticut 2 5 5-7-3 4 1 1 1.60 GPG 2.33 GAPG Providence 1 3 4-4-2 2.30 GPG 2.40 GAPG 4 1 2 1 3 7-3-2 Northeastern 2.50 GPG 1.75 GAPG 5 0 3-8-0 **Boston College** 1.36 GPG 3.27 GAPG

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TPS HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

SHANNON CONNOLLY – Connecticut Junior Forward; Baldwinsville, NY

Continued to lead the Connecticut offense by scoring two goals to lead the Huskies to a 3-2 win at No. 5 St. Lawrence. She now has six goals on the season.

ITECH ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

MELISSA BOURDON - UNH

Freshman Goaltender; Ile Bizard, QC

Honored for the third consecutive week thanks to a 34-save performance in a slim 2-1 loss against third-ranked Harvard.

RECENT RESULTS

Tuesday, November 25 at Brown 5, New Hampshire 2

Wednesday, November 26 at Northeastern 5, Boston College 0 *

Friday, November 28

at St. Lawrence 5, Connecticut 3

Saturday, November 29 at Providence 4, Brown 1 (Mayor's Cup) at Harvard 6, Maine 0 Connecticut 3, at St. Lawrence 2

Sunday, November 30 at Princeton 8, Boston College 0 Harvard 2, at New Hampshire 1

UPCOMING GAMES

*Tuesday, December 2*Providence at Harvard (7pm)

Thursday, December 4
Yale at Connecticut (7pm)

Friday, December 5
Vermont at New Hampshire (7pm)

Saturday, December 6

Northeastern at Maine (1pm) *
Boston College at Providence (2pm) *

Sunday, December 7

Northeastern at Maine (1pm) *
Providence at Boston College (2pm) *

* Hockey East game All times Eastern

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

THERESA ELLA – Northeastern

Sophomore Defenseman; Schomberg, ON

Set up four of the five NU goals and also anchored the defense in a 5-0 shutout win at Boston College. Helped contain the BC power play, which went 0-for-6.

HONOR ROLL

- Katy Augustyn, NU (So. G; Antigo, WI) Stopped 20 shots, including 15 in the second period, for her third shutout of the season Wednesday at BC.
- Leslie Hurlburt, UConn (Fr. F; Markham, ON) Scored a goal in each game of a split at No. 5 St. Lawrence.
- Cyndy Kenyon, NU (So. F; Sparta, WI) Scored two goals and assisted on another to propel NU to 5-0 win at BC.
- Kaitlyn Shain, UConn (So. G; Calgary, AB) Stopped 37 of 40 shots she faced in a split at fifth-ranked St. Lawrence. She was 15-of-16 in a relief appearance on Friday and 22-of-24 in Saturday's 3-2 win.
- Karen Thatcher, PC (So. F; Douglas, MA) Scored her first two goals as a Friar against former team Brown as the Friars won the ninth annual Mayor's Cup, 4-1.

TEAM NOTES

Boston College: The Eagle offense has been grounded recently, having been shut out in three straight games, one short of the program record set in 1999-2000.

University of Connecticut: A power play goal against SLU broke UConn's 0-for-37 stretch with the extra skater. Coincidentally, SLU's power play goal was just the second the Huskies have allowed in 37 opportunities ... UConn has won three of its last four games. That has happened only twice before in the short history of the program.

University of Maine: Lara Smart has 30 or more saves in seven games this season, including 16 in the first period alone Saturday vs. Harvard ... Three of Maine's four wins have come in Hockey East play.

University of New Hampshire: UNH is 2-2-1 at the Whittemore Center this season. Last year, the Wildcats had just one home loss and finished at 15-1-1 ... Kristen Thomas has a six-game point streak. Allison Edgar has recorded an assist in five straight games ... UNH's power-play unit has scored at least one goal in seven consecutive games.

Northeastern University: NU's 5-0 blanking of BC was its fifth shutout of the season. NU is sixth in the nation in scoring defense (1.75 GAA) ... Sophomore Theresa Ella's four assists against Boston College was one short of the school record. NU is now 54-2-2 all-time against BC.

Providence College: For the first time since 1998, the Friars have won the Mayor's Cup, the annual game against Brown ... At least one of the trio of Kelli Halcisak, Rush Zimmerman and Meredith Roth have been involved in 28 of the Friars' 31 goals this season.

ITECH Three Star Leaders:

<u>Name</u>	<u>CI</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Schoo</u> l
Shannon Connolly	Jr	F	UConn
Sarah Courtney	So	F	BC
Karen Droog	Sr	F	Maine
Carolyn Gordon	Sr	F	UNH
Lara Smart	Sr	G	Maine
Rush Zimmerman	Jr	F	PC



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LEADING GOALTENDERS (Hockey East games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	SP	GAA
 Kaitlyn Shain, CT 	So	2	124	1	0	1	.985	0.48
2. Melissa Bourdon, UNH	Fr	2	120	2	0	0	.958	1.00
Lara Smart, Maine	Sr	4	239	3	1	0	.935	1.75
4. Jana Bugden, PC	So	2	123	0	1	1	.882	1.95
5. Shannon Murphy, CT	Jr	4	118	1	1	0	.914	2.53

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All games)

Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	SP	GAA
1. Chanda Gunn, NU	Sr	5	309	2	1	2	.961	1.16
2. Kaitlyn Shain, CT	So	9	513	3	3	1	.940	1.75
3. Katy Augustyn, NU	So	7	421	5	2	0	.930	1.99
4. Jana Bugden, PC	So	9	536	3	4	2	.894	2.35
5. Maghan Grahn, UNH	So	7	369	3	2	1	.894	2.44

LEADING SCORERS (Hockey East games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1.	Cyndy Kenyon, NU	So	3	2	4	6
2.	Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Sr	4	4	1	5
	Karen Droog, Maine	Sr	4	0	5	5
4.	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Jr	3	3	1	4
	Megan Mcleod, UConn	Jr	4	3	1	4
	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Jr	4	2	2	4
	Theresa Ella, NU *	So	4	0	4	4
	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Sr	4	0	4	4
9.	Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Sr	3	2	1	3
	Meredith Roth, PC *	Sr	3	0	3	3
	Shannon Connolly, UConn	Jr	4	3	0	3
	Meagan Aarts, Maine	Sr	4	2	1	3
	Lindsey Caleo, UNH	Fr	4	1	2	3
	Sadie Wright-Ward, UNH	Fr	4	1	2	3
	Sarah Courtney, BC	So	5	3	0	3

LEADING SCORERS (All games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1.	Cyndy Kenyon, NU	So	12	6	8	14
	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Jr	12	6	7	13
3.	Carolyn Gordon, UNH	Sr	12	7	5	12
4.	Kelli Halcisak, PC *	Sr	10	6	5	11
	Kristen Thomas, UNH *	Sr	11	0	11	11
6.	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Jr	10	5	5	10
	Marie Desrosiers, NU	Fr	12	5	5	10
8.	Nicole Hekle, UNH	Fr	12	6	3	9
	Allison Edgar, UNH *	Sr	12	3	6	9
	Theresa Ella, NU *	So	12	3	6	9
	Meagan Aarts, Maine	Sr	13	4	5	9
	Karen Droog, Maine	Sr	13	4	5	9
13.	Darlene Stephenson, PC	Sr	10	4	3	7
	Meredith Roth, PC *	Sr	10	0	7	7
	Amy Goodney, NU	Fr	12	4	3	7
	* defenseman					

TEAM STATISTICS (Hockey East games)

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1.New Hampshire	4	 14	3.50
2.Maine	4	10	2.50
3.Connecticut	4	9	2.25
4.Northeastern	4	8	2.00
5.Providence	3	5	1.67
6.Boston College	5	4	0.80

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire	4	 5	1.25
2.Connecticut	4	6	1.50
3.Providence	3	5	1.67
4.Maine	4	7	1.75
5.Northeastern	4	10	2.50
6.Boston College	5	17	3.40

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Maine	4	4	21	1	.190
2.New Hampshire	4	4	22	1	.182
3.Providence	3	3	19	0	.158
4.Northeastern	4	1	19	1	.053
5.Boston College	5	1	23	1	.043
6.Connecticut	4	0	17	0	.000

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1.Northeastern	12	21	1.75
2.New Hampshire	12	23	1.92
3.Connecticut	15	35	2.33
4.Providence	10	24	2.40
5.Maine	13	34	2.62
6.Boston College	11	36	3.27

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.New Hampshire	12	14	 60	3	.233
2.Providence	10	12	65	3	.185
3.Northeastern	12	8	53	1	.151
4.Maine	13	6	58	3	.103
5.Boston College	11	4	45	2	.089
6.Connecticut	15	6	88	3	.068

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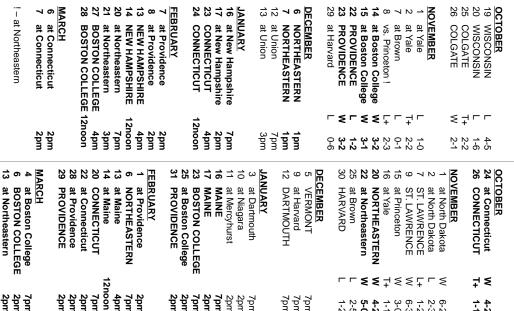
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