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# MAINE SWEEPS TO MAKE IT SEVEN STRAIGHT BC, UConn, Providence shuffle ranked teams

Thanks to back-to-back victories over Sacred Heart this past weekend, the Maine Black Bears have extended their winning streak to seven games, by far the best in their history of Division-I play. Five different Black Bears picked up at least three points in the sweep. Goaltender Rachel Gettings went relatively unchallenged in allowed just one goal on 19 shots on the weekend, picking up her 10th and 11th victories. She leads all Hockey East goaltenders in overall goals against average (1.87) this season.

Boston College earned an extra measure of respect Saturday, playing even with ranked host UNH en route to a 2-2 tie. It was just the second non-win for UNH in the 31-game history of the series. UNH also came up short against No. 2 Dartmouth earlier in the week, as the Big Green got three special-teams goals from Katie Weatherston to post a 3-1 victory.

Like BC, UConn was able to shake up the rankings, posting a 3-3 tie at No. 9 Brown last Tuesday. The Huskies jumped out to a 3-0 lead thanks to a huge early advantage in shots-on-goal (22-5 in the first period), but the host Bears would not go down quietly and were able to sustain an equalizing rally in the third period. UConn goaltender Kaitlyn Shain preserved the tie by stopping all six shots Brown attempted in overtime, and followed that with a 20-save shutout Saturday at Niagara. She also managed 31 stops at fifth-ranked Mercyhurst on Sunday, but the Lakers prevailed 4-1.

Providence gave Hockey East a split at Mercyhurst for the weekend, picking up a 3-1 win there on Saturday. Sonny Watrous registered her first career hat trick Sunday at Niagara, but it was not enough as the Friars fell 5-4 in overtime. Rush Zimmerman had two assists in each game for Providence, and also had one goal.

A total of 15 outstanding student-athletes were nominated for the 2005 Hockey Humanitarian Award, and two of those came from the ranks of women's Hockey East: UConn junior Janelle Armitage and BC senior Sarah Carlson. The five finalists for the award will be announced later this week.

HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS											
<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	W	L	Τ	<u>Pts</u>	<b>Overall</b>	HE Offense	HE Defense			
New Hampshire	7	6	0	1	13	13-4-3	5.29 GPG	1.14 GAPG			
Providence	4	4	0	0	8	9-6-3	4.00 GPG	2.25 GAPG			
Maine	6	2	3	1	5	11-5-2	2.33 GPG	2.50 GAPG			
Connecticut	4	2	2	0	4	6-8-4	2.25 GPG	3.00 GAPG			
Boston College	9	1	6	2	4	5-11-3	2.00 GPG	3.56 GAPG			

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# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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Northeastern

SONNY WATROUS – Providence Sophomore Forward; Albuquerque, NM

Registered her first career hat trick at Niagara Sunday, one day after scoring the third-period equalizer in what ended as a 3-2 win for the Friars at No. 5 Mercyhurst.

# DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

1.67 GPG

4.67 GAPG

ALISON QUANDT – Boston College Junior Goaltender; Wayland, MA

Hot hand rang up 24 saves at New Hampshire Saturday, three in overtime, to give the Eagles a 2-2 tie vs. the first-place Wildcats.

## **RECENT RESULTS**

*Tuesday, January 4* Connecticut 3, at Brown 3 (OT)

*Wednesday, January 5* Dartmouth 3, at New Hampshire 1

> Friday, January 7 at Maine 8, Sacred Heart 0

#### Saturday, January 8

New Hampshire 2, Boston College 2 (OT) \* at Maine 4, Sacred Heart 1 Providence 3, at Mercyhurst 2 Connecticut 2, at Niagara 0

#### Sunday, January 9

at Niagara 5, Providence 4 (OT) at Mercyhurst 4, Connecticut 1

# **UPCOMING GAMES**

*Tuesday, January 11* Colgate at New Hampshire (7pm)

*Friday, January* 14 Maine at New Hampshire (7pm) \*

Saturday, January 15 Maine at New Hampshire (2pm) \* Northeastern at Boston College (2pm) \* Providence at Connecticut (2pm) \*

Sunday, January 16 Boston College at Northeastern (2pm) \* Connecticut at Providence (2pm) \*

> \* Hockey East game All times Eastern

# HOCKEY EAST HONOR ROLL

- Tristan Desmet, Maine (Sr. F; Strathmore, AB) Had a goal and three assists over two wins vs. Sacred Heart.
- Rachel Gettings, Maine (So. G; Watervliet, NY) Allowed just one goal on 19 shots faced over back-to-back wins vs. Sacred Heart.
- Lindsay Hansen, UNH (Jr. F; Northport, NY) Had a hand in all three UNH goals this past week.
- Morgan Janusc, Maine (Jr. D; Dundas, ON) Scored a goal and added two assists in a weekend sweep of Sacred Heart.
- Tiffany Owens, UConn (Sr. F; Belleville, MI) Scored three goals on the week, two in a 3-3 tie at No. 9 Brown and the sole UConn tally at No. 5 Mercyhurst.
- Amy Quirion, Maine (Jr. F; South Glenn Falls, NY) Scored three goals in a weekend sweep of Sacred Heart.
- Kaitlyn Shain, UConn (Jr. G; Calgary, AB) Stopped all 20 shots she faced in a 2-0 win at Niagara Saturday, earning UConn its first shutout of the season.
- Andrea Steranko, Maine (Sr. F; Regina, SK) Picked up two goals and two assists in a two-game sweep of Sacred Heart.
- Cheryl White, Maine (Jr. F; Portage la Prairie, MB) Had a pair of goals and two assists to help Maine to a sweep of Sacred Heart.
- Rush Zimmerman, PC (Sr. F; Grosse Pointe, MI) Had two assists in each of two games this past weekend, and added one goal.

# **TEAM NOTES**

**Boston College:** BC held UNH scoreless on seven power play attempts Saturday, while the Eagles went 1-for-3 ... BC boasts a modest three-game unbeaten streak.

University of Connecticut: The Huskies have a 4-6-4 non-conference record, with all six losses coming against ranked opponents. UConn concludes its regular season with 16 consecutive league games ... Tiffany Owens scored three goals this week snap a four-game drought.

**University of Maine:** Senior captain Tristan Desmet reached the career 70-point mark this weekend, while junior linemates Andrea Steranko and Cheryl White each reached the 50-point mark. The three are 1-2-3 among Maine scorers this season.

University of New Hampshire: UNH has taken a 1-0 lead in six consecutive games and is 3-1-2 in that stretch ... UNH is just 1for-24 on the power play in the last four games ... UNH has been held to two or fewer goals seven times this season, but has an even 2-2-3 record in those games ... Three Wildcat skaters have already reached double digits in both goals and assists this season.

**Providence College:** The Friars continue to be an unbeaten team when leading after the first period (8-0-2) ... Rush Zimmerman has three goals and eight assists in the last six games.

#### **ITECH Three Star Leaders:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>CI</u>	Pos	<u>Schoo</u> l
Tristan Desmet	Sr	F	Maine
Sarah Feldman	Fr	F	BC
Lindsay Hansen	Jr	F	UNH
Nicole Hekle	So	F	UNH
Stephanie Jones	Sr	F	UNH
Sonny Watrous	So	F	PC
Rush Zimmerman	Sr	F	PC



	Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W	L	Т	SP	GAA
1	Melissa Bourdon, UNH	So	4	244	3	0	1	.923	1.23
2	Amy Thomas, PC	Sr	4	240	4	0	0	.911	2.25
3	Rachel Gettings, ME	So	6	366	2	3	1	.884	2.45
4	Shannon Murphy, CT	Sr	3	178	2	1	0	.879	2.69
5	Lisa Davis, BC	Sr	4	203	1	2	1	.913	2.95

# LEADING GOALTENDERS (All games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	Min	w	L	т	SP	GAA
1	Rachel Gettings, ME	So	17	1026	11	5	1	.900	1.87
2	Melissa Bourdon, UNH	So	17	1014	10	4	3	.916	1.89
3	Shannon Murphy, CT	Sr	11	591	4	3	3	.913	2.44
4	Amy Thomas, PC	Sr	18	1045	9	6	3	.892	2.64
5	Alison Quandt, BC	Jr	11	671	3	6	2	.889	2.77

# LEADING SCORERS (League games)

#### Plaver, School

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Nicole Hekle, UNH	So	7	7	7	14
	Lindsay Hansen, UNH	Jr	7	4	10	14
3	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Sr	7	4	6	10
4	Sarah Feldman, BC	Fr	9	4	5	9
	Deborah Spillane, BC	Fr	9	4	5	9
6	Jennifer Hitchcock, UNH	Fr	7	5	3	8
	Taylor Palazeti, UNH	Fr	7	4	4	8
8	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Sr	4	3	4	7
	Tristan Desmet, Maine	Sr	7	5	2	7
	Leah Craig, UNH	Fr	7	3	4	7
	Lindsey Caleo, UNH	So	7	1	6	7
	Colleen Harris, BC	Fr	9	4	3	7
13	Karen Thatcher, PC	Jr	2	4	2	6
	Jackie Wedster, UNH	So	7	4	2	6
	Kerri Sanders, BC	Sr	9	2	4	6

# TEAM STATISTICS (League games)

#### TEAM OFFENSE

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Team	GP	G	G	PG
1.New Hampshire	7	37	5	.29
2.Providence	4	16	4	.00
3.Maine	6	14	2	.33
4.Connecticut	4	9	2	.25
5.Boston College	9	18	2	.00
6.Northeastern	6	10	1	.67
TEAM DEFENSE				
Team	GP	GA	G	APG
1.New Hampshire	7	8	1	.14
2.Providence	4	9	2	.25
3.Maine	6	15	2	.50
4.Connecticut	4	12	3	.00
5.Boston College	9	32	3	.56
6.Northeastern	6	28	4	.67
POWER PLAY				
Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA
1.Boston College	9	12	52	1
2.Providence	4	5	24	1
3.New Hampshire	7	11	56	1

7	11	56	1	.196
6	5	43	2	.116
6	3	33	1	.091
4	2	26	0	.077
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## PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	Shg	Pct
1.New Hampshire 2.Boston College 3.Providence 4.Maine 5.Connecticut	7 9 4 6	4	45 55	2 1 2 1 0 1	.911
6.Northeastern		11	48	_	.771

# LEADING SCORERS (All games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Nicole Hekle, UNH	So	20	12	19	31
2	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Sr	18	10	19	29
3	Karen Thatcher, PC	Jr	13	15	11	26
4	Lindsay Hansen, UNH	Jr	20	5	19	24
5	Sarah Feldman, BC	Fr	19	13	9	22
	Deborah Spillane, BC	Fr	19	9	13	22
	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Sr	20	12	10	22
8	Sonny Watrous, PC	So	18	14	7	21
9	Taylor Palazeti, UNH	Fr	20	10	10	20
10	Tristan Desmet, Maine	Sr	19	10	9	19
11	Cheryl White, Maine	Jr	16	12	5	17
	Colleen Harris, BC	Fr	17	7	10	17
	Jaclyn Hawkins, UConn	Fr	18	10	7	17
	Lindsey Caleo, UNH	So	20	2	15	17
15	Andrea Steranko, Maine	Sr	18	5	10	15

# TEAM STATISTICS (All games)

### **TEAM OFFENSE**

leam	GP	G	GPG
1.New Hampshire	20	71	3.55
2.Providence		56	3.11
3.Maine	18	54	3.00
4.Connecticut	18	43	2.39
5.Boston College	19	44	2.32
6.Northeastern	17	27	1.59

### TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire	20	35	1.75
2.Maine	18	34	1.89
3.Connecticut	18	50	2.78
4.Providence	18	52	2.89
5.Boston College	19	59	3.11
6.Northeastern	17	80	4.71

#### **POWER PLAY**

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Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Boston College				-	.236
2.Providence				_	.185
3.New Hampshire	20	27	150	2	.180
4.Connecticut	18	19	134	0	.142
5.Maine	18	13	118	5	.110
6.Northeastern	17	11	112	6	.098

## PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.New Hampshire 2.Providence 3.Maine 4.Boston College 5.Connecticut	20 18 18 19	10 15 14 17	136	2 1 1 2	.926
6.Northeastern	17	28	125	1	.776

* – at Lake Placid, NY (B) – Beanpot Tournament at NU ! – at Northeastern	MARCH 5 at New Hampshire 2pm 6 NEW HAMPSHIRE 2pm	4   at Connecticut   7pm     6   CONNECTICUT   2pm     8   vs. Boston University (B)   5pm     12   NORTHEASTERN   2pm     15   vs. NU / Harvard (B)   5/8pm     19   at Providence   2pm     20   PROVIDENCE   2pm     26   vs. Maine !   4pm     27   MAINE   1pm	ITON L+ KSon * W KSon * T+ Hampshire T+ Hastern 2 hurst 2 hur		Boston College 5-11-3 (1-6-2 HE)
* – Nutmeg Classic Tournament	MARCH 4 at Maine 4pm 5 at Maine 12noon	FEBRUARY4BOSTON COLLEGE7pm6at Boston College2pm12at Providence2pm13PROVIDENCE2pm19NEW HAMPSHIRE2pm20NEW HAMPSHIRE2pm26NORTHEASTERN2pm27at Northeastern2pm	JANUARY   L   3-5     JANUARY   4   at Brown   2-5     4   at Brown   W   2-0     9   at Margana   W   2-0     9   at Mercyhurst   L   1-4     15   providence   2pm     16   at Providence   2pm     21   MAINE   2pm     22   MAINE   4pm     23   at Northeastern   7pm     29   NORTHEASTERN   7pm	CTOBER     ST. LAWRENCE     ST. LAWRENCE     ST. LAWRENCE     at Quinnipiac *     at Quinnipiac *     at Reston College     BOSTON COLLEGE     NORTH DAKOTA     NORTH DAKOTA     NORTH DAKOTA     NORTH DAKOTA     NORTH DAKOTA     AT Princeton     At Princeton     At Princeton	Connecticut 6-8-4 (2-2-0 HE)
+ – indicates overtime Home games in CAPS Hockey East games in <b>bold</b>	4 CONNECTICUT 4pm 5 CONNECTICUT 12noon 4pm ioon !- at Northeastern	6 at Providence 6 at Providence 12 NEW HAMPSHIRE 13 NEW HAMPSHIRE 18 NORTHEASTERN 19 NORTHEASTERN 19 NORTHEASTERN 26 vs. Boston College 27 at Boston College MARCH	JANUARY 1 YALE 7 SACRED HEART 8 SACRED HEART 14 at New Hampshire 15 at New Hampshire 21 at Connecticut 22 at Connecticut FEBRUARY	OCTOBER     15 at Vermont   14     16 at Vermont   T+     29 BROWN   14     16 WAYNE STATE   W     7 WAYNE STATE   W+     13 BOSTON COLLEGE   W+     14 BOSTON COLLEGE   L     20 PROVIDENCE   L     21 PROVIDENCE   L     22 PROVIDENCE   L     23 at Colgate   L     24 at Northeastern   W     4 at Northeastern   W+	Maine 11-5-2 (2-3-1 HE)
* – UNH Tournament	MARCH 5 BOSTON COLLEGE 2pm 6 at Boston College 2pm	FEBRUARY A At Northeastern Tpm   12 at Maine 1pm   13 at Connecticut 2pm   20 at Connecticut 2pm   26 PROVIDENCE 2pm   27 at Providence 2pm	At Northeastern W HARVARD W HARVARD W PRINCETON T+ YALE W DARTMOUTH L BOSTON COLLEGE T+ COLGATE MAINE At Providence	*ATE, * CX % & C C & C T = C & C & C & C & C & C & C & C & C & C	New Hampshire 13-4-3 (6-0-1 HE)
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* – Mayor's Cup	MARCH 5 at Northeastern 2pm 6 NORTHEASTERN 2pm	FEBRUARY5MAINE6MAINE12CONNECTICUT13at Connecticut19BOSTON COLLEGE20at Boston College20at Boston College26at New Hampshire27NEW HAMPSHIRE2pm	4   BOSTON COLLEGE   W   7-5     JANUARY   2   at Dartmouth   L   2-10     2   at Dartmouth   L   2-10     8   at Mercyhurst   W   3-5     9   at Marcyhurst   W   3-2     9   at Mercyhurst   L   2-10     9   at Nercyhurst   H   4-5     15   at Connecticut   2pm   2pm     16   CONNECTICUT   2pm     23   at Northeastern   2pm     29   NEW HAMPSHIRE   2pm     30   at New Hampshire   2pm	CTOBER   W     at Colgate   L     vERMONT   W     VERMONT   W     PRINCETON   L     PRINCETON   T+     CLARKSON   T-     ST. LAWRENCE   W     at Maine   W     at Maine   W     at Brown*   L     at Yale   L	Providence 9-6-3 (4-0-0 HE)