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NO SURPRISE AS UNH, PROVIDENCE SPLIT *Northeastern limited to just one point despite Hourihan's heroics*

When a team allows 60 shots on goal, a loss is not unexpected.

But Northeastern goaltender Marisa Hourihan deserved better than that when she rang up 57 saves against Providence last Tuesday, including 22 of 23 in the third period and six in just two minutes of overtime. Alas, the Friars ultimately proved too much as rookie Rachel Crissy converted at the 2:02 mark of overtime to give PC a 3-2 victory. Amy Goodney had two unassisted goals in the third period for the Huskies, including one with under two minutes remaining to tie it, to answer two goals by PC's Katelynn Laffin.

Friar sniper Karen Thatcher set up all three Providence goals in the game, and then scored two of her own to lead a victory Saturday in Round One vs. UNH, 5-1, marking the Wildcats' first defeat in league play this season. Thatcher then set up the only PC score in Sunday's rematch, which was won by UNH, 2-1. Wildcat Melissa Bourdon had 24 saves while teammates Nicole Hekle and Stephanie Jones had one goal and one assist each to cap off three-point weekends for both of them. That was the first league loss for Providence this season.

UConn and Northeastern also shared a home-and-home series, with Connecticut taking three of the four possible points. Hourihan was outstanding in the opener, totaling 42 saves, but was forced to again accept defeat, 2-1. Kaitlyn Shain made 31 saves in victory. Hourihan added another 48 saves to her register in the rematch at UConn, and got goal support this time, with two goals each from Nikki Petrich and Crystal Rochon and three assists from Goodney. UConn came on strong in the third period, however, to tie the score thanks to the first career hat trick for rookie Jaclyn Hawkins. Tiffany Owens set up all three of Hawkins' goals. The game ended in a 4-4 tie.

RECENT RESULTS

Tuesday, January 25

Providence 3, at Northeastern 2 (OT) *

Friday, January 28

Connecticut 2, at Northeastern 1 *

Saturday, January 29

at Providence 5, New Hampshire 1 *
 at Connecticut 4, Northeastern 4 (OT) *

Sunday, January 30

at New Hampshire 2, Providence 1 *

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, February 4

New Hampshire at Northeastern (7pm) *
 Boston College at Connecticut (7pm) *

Saturday, February 5

Maine at Providence (2pm) *

Sunday, February 6

Maine at Providence (2pm) *
 Connecticut at Boston College (2pm) *

* *Hockey East game*

All times Eastern

HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	HE Offense	HE Defense
New Hampshire	11	8	1	2	18	16-5-4	4.00 GPG	1.55 GAPG
Providence	10	8	1	1	17	13-7-4	3.50 GPG	2.10 GAPG
Connecticut	10	4	4	2	10	8-10-6	2.70 GPG	2.80 GAPG
Maine	10	3	5	2	8	12-7-3	2.10 GPG	2.50 GAPG
Boston College	11	2	7	2	6	6-14-3	2.09 GPG	3.45 GAPG
Northeastern	12	2	9	1	5	3-18-2	2.00 GPG	3.75 GAPG

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

KAREN THATCHER – Providence
Junior Forward; Douglas, MA

Set up all three goals in a 3-2 OT win at Northeastern and added another assist and two goals of her own in a split vs. UNH.

ITECH ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

JACLYN HAWKINS – Connecticut
Freshman Forward; Manotick, ON

Scored the game-winning goal in Friday's 2-1 win at Northeastern and notched her first career hat trick with three of the four UConn goals in the rematch, a 4-4 tie.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MARISA HOURIHAN – Northeastern
Junior Goaltender; Hanover, MA

Set an NU record with 57 saves in a 3-2 OT loss to Providence. Followed that up with 42 saves in a slim 2-1 loss to UConn and 48 saves in a 4-4 tie at UConn.

HOCKEY EAST HONOR ROLL

- **Melissa Bourdon, UNH** (So. G; Ile Bizard, QC) – Stopped 24 of 25 shots faced in Sunday's 2-1 victory over Providence.
- **Rachel Crissy, PC** (Fr. F; Naperville, IL) – Potted the OT goal that gave a PC a 3-2 win at Northeastern and set up two Friar goals in Saturday's 5-1 win over UNH.
- **Amy Goodney, NU** (So. F; Marquette, MI) – Netted both NU goals in a 3-2 loss to Providence and three assists in a 4-4 tie at UConn.
- **Nicole Hekle, UNH** (So. F; Winnipeg, MB) – Notched the game-winning goal in a 2-1 win vs. Providence and set up both other UNH scores vs. PC on the weekend.
- **Stephanie Jones, UNH** (Sr. F; Kimberley, BC) – Scored two of UNH's three goals in a weekend set vs. PC and assisted on the other.
- **Katelynn Laffin, PC** (Jr. F; Norwell, MA) – Scored two of PC's three goals in a 3-2 win at Northeastern.
- **Tiffany Owens, UConn** (Sr. F; Belleville, MI) – Set up three goals to help UConn salvage a 4-4 tie vs. Northeastern.
- **Nikki Petrich, NU** (Fr. F; Flint, MI) – Scored the third and fourth NU goals in a 4-4 tie at UConn.
- **Crystal Rochon, NU** (So. F; St. Adolphe, MB) – Doubled her goal total with a pair of scores (and an assist) in a 4-4 tie at UConn.
- **Kaitlyn Shain, UConn** (Jr. G; Calgary, AB) – Stopped 31 of 32 shots faced in a slim 2-1 win at Northeastern.
- **Rush Zimmerman, PC** (Sr. F; Grosse Pointe, MI) – Had two assists in each of two PC victories on the week, and scored PC's only

TEAM NOTES

University of Connecticut: UConn had 96 shots on goal in the two-game series vs. NU, including a school-record 23 power play shots in Friday's 2-1 win. UConn had a 22-5 shot advantage over NU in the third period of Saturday's 4-4 tie ... UConn is 0-0-6 in over-time games this season ... Jaclyn Hawkins' hat trick Saturday was the first UConn hat trick since Leslie Hurlburt's in the last game of last season (vs. Maine).

University of New Hampshire: UNH is 9-0-1 in its last 10 home games vs. Providence. The last PC win at the Whittemore Center was on Jan. 11, 1997 ... UNH is unbeaten (14-0-3) when holding the opponent to less than three goals ... Seven of UNH's final nine regular-season games are on the road, where the Wildcats have only a 3-3-1 record this year ... Stephanie Jones and Nicole Hekle account for 40 percent of the team's goals (33 of 83).

Northeastern University: Three of NU's four losses in January came by just one goal, and one was in overtime ... Captain Lori DiGiacomo, formerly a forward, has made an especially nice transition to defense this season and is the second-highest scoring player among all Hockey East blueliners ... Marisa Hourihan has taken over the NU record for most saves in a single season, passing Erika Silva's 858 in 2000-01.

Providence College: Karen Thatcher notched her 100th career point with an assist Sunday at UNH ... The Friars all-time record versus UNH is now 39-62-9 ... Providence is 6-1-3 at home this season, which includes wins over ranked opponents UNH and St. Lawrence.

ITECH Three Star Leaders:

Name	Cl	Pos	School
Tristan Desmet	Sr	F	Maine
Jaclyn Hawkins	Fr	F	UConn
Nicole Hekle	So	F	UNH
Stephanie Jones	Sr	F	UNH
Sonny Watrous	So	F	PC
Rush Zimmerman	Sr	F	PC



LEADING GOALTENDERS (League games)

Player, School	Cl	GP	Min	W	L	T	SP	GAA
1 Melissa Bourdon, UNH	So	8	430	5	1	1	.909	1.81
2 Amy Thomas, PC	Sr	9	545	7	1	1	.908	2.20
3 Rachel Gettings, ME	So	10	607	3	5	2	.880	2.47
4 Kaitlyn Shain, CT	Jr	5	302	2	2	1	.916	2.78
5 Shannon Murphy, CT	Sr	5	300	2	2	1	.901	2.80

LEADING GOALTENDERS (All games)

Player, School	Cl	GP	Min	W	L	T	SP	GAA
1 Melissa Bourdon, UNH	So	22	1261	13	5	3	.914	1.95
2 Rachel Gettings, ME	So	21	1266	12	7	2	.895	1.99
3 Shannon Murphy, CT	Sr	13	713	4	4	4	.915	2.52
4 Amy Thomas, PC	Sr	23	1351	12	7	4	.895	2.53
5 Kaitlyn Shain, CT	Jr	14	744	4	6	2	.913	2.74

LEADING SCORERS (League games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1	Nicole Hekle, UNH	So	11	10	10	20
2	Karen Thatcher, PC	Jr	8	6	12	18
3	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Sr	10	7	10	17
	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Sr	11	8	9	17
5	Lindsay Hansen, UNH	Jr	11	4	11	15
6	Deborah Spillane, BC	Fr	11	6	6	12
7	Jaclyn Hawkins, UConn	Fr	8	9	2	11
	Tristan Desmet, Maine	Sr	11	7	4	11
	Sarah Feldman, BC	Fr	11	5	6	11
10	Jennifer Hitchcock, UNH	Fr	11	5	5	10
	Amy Goodney, NU	So	12	4	6	10
	Crystal Rochon, NU	So	12	3	7	10
13	Leah Craig, UNH	Fr	11	3	6	9
	Kerri Sanders, BC	Sr	11	2	7	9
	Lindsey Caleo, UNH	So	11	1	8	9

LEADING SCORERS (All games)

	Player, School	Cl	GP	G	A	Pts
1	Rush Zimmerman, PC	Sr	24	14	25	39
	Nicole Hekle, UNH	So	25	16	23	39
3	Karen Thatcher, PC	Jr	19	17	21	38
4	Stephanie Jones, UNH	Sr	25	17	14	31
5	Deborah Spillane, BC	Fr	23	12	14	26
	Lindsay Hansen, UNH	Jr	25	5	21	26
7	Sonny Watrous, PC	So	20	16	9	25
8	Sarah Feldman, BC	Fr	23	14	10	24
9	Jaclyn Hawkins, UConn	Fr	22	15	8	23
	Tristan Desmet, Maine	Sr	23	12	11	23
11	Tiffany Owens, UConn	Sr	24	10	11	21
	Lindsey Caleo, UNH	So	25	3	18	21
13	Taylor Palazeti, UNH	Fr	25	10	10	20
14	Cheryl White, Maine	Jr	20	12	6	18
	Andrea Steranko, Maine	Sr	22	7	11	18
	Jennifer Hitchcock, UNH	Fr	25	8	10	18

TEAM STATISTICS (League games)

TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1.New Hampshire.....	11	44	4.00
2.Providence.....	10	35	3.50
3.Connecticut.....	10	27	2.70
4.Maine.....	10	21	2.10
5.Boston College.....	11	23	2.09
6.Northeastern.....	12	24	2.00

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire.....	11	17	1.55
2.Providence.....	10	21	2.10
3.Maine.....	10	25	2.50
4.Connecticut.....	10	28	2.80
5.Boston College.....	11	38	3.45
6.Northeastern.....	12	45	3.75

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Providence.....	10	12	55	1	.218
2.Boston College.....	11	13	66	1	.197
3.New Hampshire.....	11	12	74	1	.162
4.Connecticut.....	10	8	58	0	.138
Northeastern.....	12	8	58	2	.138
6.Maine.....	10	7	62	3	.113

PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.New Hampshire.....	11	7	64	1	.891
2.Providence.....	10	7	50	1	.860
3.Boston College.....	11	9	63	2	.857
4.Maine.....	10	10	57	0	.825
5.Connecticut.....	10	10	55	3	.818
6.Northeastern.....	12	17	84	1	.798

TEAM STATISTICS (All games)

TEAM OFFENSE

Team	GP	G	GPG
1.New Hampshire.....	25	83	3.32
2.Providence.....	24	75	3.12
3.Maine.....	22	61	2.77
4.Connecticut.....	24	61	2.54
5.Boston College.....	23	50	2.17
6.Northeastern.....	23	41	1.78

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	GP	GA	GAPG
1.New Hampshire.....	25	45	1.80
2.Maine.....	22	44	2.00
3.Providence.....	24	64	2.67
4.Connecticut.....	24	66	2.75
5.Boston College.....	23	75	3.26
6.Northeastern.....	23	97	4.22

POWER PLAY

Team	GP	PPG	Att	SHGA	Pct
1.Boston College.....	23	28	135	3	.207
2.Providence.....	24	32	166	2	.193
3.New Hampshire.....	25	30	173	2	.173
4.Connecticut.....	24	25	166	0	.151
5.Northeastern.....	23	16	137	7	.117
6.Maine.....	22	15	137	6	.109

PENALTY KILL

Team	GP	OPPG	Att	SHG	Pct
1.New Hampshire.....	25	13	163	2	.920
2.Providence.....	24	18	162	1	.889
3.Maine.....	22	16	130	1	.877
4.Boston College.....	23	22	135	2	.837
5.Connecticut.....	24	27	140	3	.807
6.Northeastern.....	23	34	161	1	.789



Boston College
6-14-3 (2-7-2 HE)

OCTOBER	
16 WAYNE STATE	L 3-4
17 WAYNE STATE	L 3-4
23 at Quinnipiac	L 2-3
24 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L 1-6
29 at Dartmouth	L 1-7
30 at Vermont	W 3-1

NOVEMBER	
5 CONNECTICUT	L 1-4
7 at Connecticut	L 2-3
13 at Maine	W 3-2
14 at Maine	T+ 2-2
19 at Northeastern	L 1-3
21 QUINNIPAC	W 7-4

DECEMBER	
3 PROVIDENCE	L 0-2
4 at Providence	L 5-7
7 VERMONT	W 3-0
12 PRINCETON	L+ 2-3

JANUARY	
1 vs. Clarkson *	W 1-0
2 vs. Clarkson *	T+ 1-1
8 at New Hampshire	T+ 2-2
15 NORTHEASTERN	W 4-3
16 at Northeastern	L 1-3
22 at Mercyhurst	L 1-3
23 at Mercyhurst	L 0-6

FEBRUARY	
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 1	4pm
27 MAINE	1pm

MARCH	
5 at New Hampshire	2pm
6 NEW HAMPSHIRE	2pm

* – at Lake Placid, NY
(B) – Beanpot Tournament at NU
1 – at Northeastern



Connecticut
8-10-6 (4-4-2 HE)

OCTOBER	
15 ST. LAWRENCE	L 5-6
16 ST. LAWRENCE	L 4-5
22 at New Hampshire	L 0-4
29 at Quinnipiac *	W 2-1
31 at Yale *	W 2-1

NOVEMBER	
5 at Boston College	W 4-1
7 BOSTON COLLEGE	W 3-2
12 NORTH DAKOTA	T+ 2-2
13 NORTH DAKOTA	W 5-2
19 at Minnesota State	T+ 2-2
20 at Minnesota State	T+ 2-2
27 at Princeton	L 1-3
28 at Princeton	L 0-2

DECEMBER	
4 at New Hampshire	L 2-5
8 HARVARD	L 3-5

JANUARY	
4 at Brown	T+ 3-3
8 at Niagara	W 2-0
9 at Mercyhurst	L 1-4
15 PROVIDENCE	L 3-4
16 at Providence	T+ 3-3
21 MAINE	W 4-1
22 MAINE	L 2-3
28 at Northeastern	W 2-1
29 NORTHEASTERN	T+ 4-4

FEBRUARY	
4 BOSTON COLLEGE	7pm
6 at Boston College	2pm
12 at Providence	2pm
13 PROVIDENCE	2pm
19 NEW HAMPSHIRE	2pm
20 NEW HAMPSHIRE	2pm
26 NORTHEASTERN	2pm
27 at Northeastern	2pm

MARCH	
4 at Maine	4pm
5 at Maine	12noon

* – Nutmeg Classic Tournament



Maine
12-7-3 (3-5-2 HE)

OCTOBER	
15 at Vermont	W 2-0
16 at Vermont	T+ 2-2
29 BROWN	L 0-3

NOVEMBER	
6 WAYNE STATE	W 2-1
7 WAYNE STATE	W+ 4-3
13 BOSTON COLLEGE	L 2-3
14 BOSTON COLLEGE	T+ 2-2
20 PROVIDENCE	L 2-3
21 PROVIDENCE	L 2-4
27 at Colgate	W 2-1
28 at Colgate	L 1-3

DECEMBER	
3 at Northeastern	W 3-1
4 at Northeastern	W+ 3-2
11 QUINNIPAC	W 5-1
12 QUINNIPAC	W 5-1

JANUARY	
1 YALE	W 5-4
7 SACRED HEART	W 8-0
8 SACRED HEART	W 4-1
14 at New Hampshire	L 0-1
15 at New Hampshire	T+ 3-3
21 at Connecticut	L 1-4
22 at Connecticut	W 3-2

FEBRUARY	
5 at Providence	2pm
6 at Providence	2pm
12 NEW HAMPSHIRE	1pm
13 NEW HAMPSHIRE	1pm
18 NORTHEASTERN	4pm
19 NORTHEASTERN	12noon
26 vs. Boston College 1	4pm
27 at Boston College	1pm

MARCH	
4 CONNECTICUT	4pm
5 CONNECTICUT	12noon

1 – at Northeastern

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



New Hampshire
16-5-4 (8-1-2 HE)

OCTOBER	
12 at Vermont	W 5-0
15 NIAGARA	W 4-1
16 NIAGARA	W+ 4-3
22 CONNECTICUT	W 4-0
24 at Boston College	W 6-1
31 BROWN	W 2-0

NOVEMBER	
3 NORTHEASTERN	W 8-0
13 at St. Lawrence	T+ 2-2
14 at St. Lawrence	L 3-5
20 NORTHEASTERN	W 7-1
27 MINNESOTA STATE *	W 4-1
28 MERCYHURST *	L 0-4

DECEMBER	
1 at Dartmouth	L 3-4
4 CONNECTICUT	W 5-2
9 at Northeastern	W 5-2
11 HARVARD	W 2-1

JANUARY	
1 PRINCETON	T+ 1-1
2 YALE	W 3-1
5 DARTMOUTH	L 1-3
8 BOSTON COLLEGE	T+ 2-2
11 COLGATE	W 5-1
14 MAINE	W 1-0
15 MAINE	T+ 3-3
29 at Providence	L 1-5
30 PROVIDENCE	W 2-1

FEBRUARY	
4 at Northeastern	7pm
12 at Maine	1pm
15 BC / BU (B)	5/8pm
18 at Maine	4pm
19 at Connecticut	12noon
20 at Connecticut	2pm
26 PROVIDENCE	2pm
27 at Providence	2pm

MARCH	
5 BOSTON COLLEGE	2pm
6 at Boston College	2pm

* – UNH Tournament



Northwestern
3-18-2 (2-9-1 HE)

OCTOBER	
22 at Niagara	L 2-7
23 at Niagara	L 0-6
26 QUINNIPAC	W 3-0

NOVEMBER	
3 at New Hampshire	L 0-8
6 ST. LAWRENCE	L 1-6
7 CLARKSON	L 1-2
13 at Ohio State	T+ 1-1
14 at Ohio State	L+ 5-6
19 BOSTON COLLEGE	W 4-2
20 at New Hampshire	L 1-7
23 at Brown	L 1-6
26 vs. Minnesota 1	L 1-8
27 vs. Wisconsin 1	L 0-4

DECEMBER	
3 MAINE	L 1-3
4 MAINE	L+ 2-3
9 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L 2-5
11 PRINCETON	L 2-6

JANUARY	
15 at Boston College	L 3-4
16 BOSTON COLLEGE	W 3-1
22 at Providence	L 1-3
23 PROVIDENCE	L+ 2-3
28 CONNECTICUT	L 1-2
29 at Connecticut	T+ 4-4

FEBRUARY	
4 NEW HAMPSHIRE	7pm
8 HARVARD (B)	8pm
12 at Boston College	2pm
15 BC / BU (B)	5/8pm
18 at Maine	4pm
19 at Maine	12noon
26 at Connecticut	2pm
27 CONNECTICUT	2pm

MARCH	
5 PROVIDENCE	2pm
6 at Providence	2pm

1 – at Harvard
1 – at Beanpot Tournament at NU



Providence
13-7-4 (8-1-1 HE)

OCTOBER	
16 at Colgate	W 6-2
17 at Colgate	L 1-2
23 VERMONT	W 2-1
24 VERMONT	W 5-0
30 PRINCETON	T+ 4-4
31 PRINCETON	L 1-4

NOVEMBER	
6 CLARKSON	T+ 3-3
7 ST. LAWRENCE	W 5-1
10 at Harvard	T+ 2-2
20 at Maine	W 3-2
21 at Maine	W 4-2
27 at Brown *	L 1-2
29 at Yale	L 1-5

DECEMBER	
3 at Boston College	W 2-0
4 BOSTON COLLEGE	W 7-5

JANUARY	
2 at Dartmouth	L 2-10
8 at Mercyhurst	W 3-2
9 at Niagara	L+ 4-5
15 at Connecticut	W 4-3
16 CONNECTICUT	T+ 3-3
22 NORTHEASTERN	W 3-1
23 at Northeastern	W+ 3-2
29 NEW HAMPSHIRE	W 5-1
30 at New Hampshire	L 1-2

FEBRUARY	
5 MAINE	2pm
6 MAINE	2pm
12 CONNECTICUT	2pm
13 at Connecticut	2pm
19 BOSTON COLLEGE	2pm
20 at Boston College	2pm
26 at New Hampshire	2pm
27 NEW HAMPSHIRE	2pm

MARCH	
5 at Northeastern	2pm
6 NORTHEASTERN	2pm

* – Mayor's Cup