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TERRIERS DEFEAT QUINNIPIAC IN DRAMATIC FASHION BU, BC invade RI; Maine hosts NU; UVM-UNH clash; UConn travels

Boston University got a head start in nonconference play this week, picking up a road victory at Quinnipiac on Wednesday. The Terriers eked by the Bobcats, 4-3, thanks to inspired play from their co-captains and a 40-save performance from goalie Allyse Wilcox (Grand Blanc, MI).

BU jumped out to a 2-1 lead on a goal from co-captain Cara Hendry (Calgary, AB) and a shorthanded strike from Melissa Anderson (Langley, BC), who added two assists. Hendry scored her second of the game to give the Terriers a two-goal cushion early in the third. But later in the period, the Bobcats struck twice in 90 seconds and knotted the game, 3-3. BU co-captain Gina Kearns (Norwood, PA), had the last laugh, though, burying a powerplay tally with five minutes left to secure the win. Wilcox, who made 17 stops in the second period alone, was superb, as her Terriers were outshot 43-25. Coach Brian Durocher's squad is 5-0-0 against ECACHL teams and will put its fourgame unbeaten streak on this line this Saturday against Providence.

The Friars hope to build on goalie Danielle Ciarletta's (Blaine, MN) 4-0 shutout of Niagara last week and parlay that success into points in the league standings. Kristin Gigliotti (Sauquoit, NY), who picked up three points in PC's 5-3 victory over the Terriers two weeks ago, had a hand in 10 of Providence's 12 goals in November.

The Friars welcome ninth-ranked Boston College for their second game of the week on Sunday. The action will be the first matchup between the teams since last March's Hockey East semifinal which BC won 6-0. Current Friar Sarah Feldman (Fall River, MA), who transferred from Boston College, scored the game-winner for the Eagles in that game and faces her old teammates for the first time on Sunday. Coach Tom Mutch's BC crew hasn't dropped a league contest in over a month, going 4-0-0 in that stretch. After a slow start, junior co-captain Deborah Spillane (Franklin, MA) has stepped up her game, notching five points in her last four games.

On Saturday, the Eagles host first-place Connecticut. The Huskies enjoyed a long Thanksgiving break, but UConn still has a target on its back as league leader. Jaclyn Hawkins (Manotick, ON) has cooled off a bit, and Coach Heather Linstad will need her star forward to return to form if the Huskies are to remain atop Hockey East.

Northeastern travels to Orono to challenge red-hot Maine in a two-game set beginning Saturday. Maine tallied 23 goals last week in twin wins over Sacred Heart, and is riding a six-game unbeaten streak (4-0-2). Rookie of the Week Jenna Ouellette (Winnipeg, MB) lead her team with 7 points while Pam Patterson (Miramichi, NB) and Kate Sunstrom (London, ON) each had six of their own. Coach Laura Schuler's Huskies have struggled as of late, but did defeat Maine at Matthews Arena in a 6-5 thriller in October. Colleen Sanborn (Woburn, MA) notched the game-winner, capping a furious comeback after NU fell behind 5-1.

This weekend's lone night game features

2006-07 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS								
Team	GP	w	L	Ţ	<u>Pts</u>	Overall	Goals For	Goals Against
Connecticut	8	6	1	1	13	9-4-1	39	30
Boston College	6	5	1	0	10	10-2-1	51	28
New Hampshire	6	5	1	0	10	13-2-1	65	24
Providence	6	3	1	2	8	5-6-3	34	27
Boston University	8	3	4	1	7	9-4-1	37	27
Northeastern	8	1	6	1	3	2-11-1	33	69
Maine	6	0	4	2	2	5-7-2	52	55
Vermont	6	0	5	1	1	2-11-2	18	62

visiting Vermont against third-ranked New Hampshire on Saturday. UVM will need to put points on the board against a UNH team that has the league's top-ranked offense (4.06 GPG). The Wildcats, still smarting from a 2-1 defeat to Mercyhurst, boast the league's leading scorer, Sam Faber (Mount Sinai, NY). All Hannaford Hockey East Kids' Club members are invited to a "Meet and Greet" with the Wildcats following the game. -Scott Donnelly

RECENT RESULTS

Friday, November 24 at Vermont 3, Bemidji State 3 (OT) Maine 13, at Sacred Heart 1 at Brown 4, Providence 2 <u>UNH Tournament</u> Mercyhurst 4, Boston College 0 at New Hampshire 7, Wayne State 1

Saturday, November 25

Yale 3, at Northeastern 1 Maine 10, at Sacred Heart 1 Boston University 4, at Union 1 Bemidji State 3, Vermont 0 <u>UNH Tournament</u> Boston College 5, Wayne State 4 Mercyhurst 2, at New Hampshire 1

Sunday, November 26 Boston University 4, at Union 2 at Providence 4, Niagara 0

Wednesday, November 29 Boston University 4, at Quinnipiac 3

UPCOMING GAMES

Saturday, December 2 Northeastern at Maine (12noon) * Connecticut at Boston College (2pm) * Boston University at Providence (2pm) * Vermont at New Hampshire (7pm) * %

Sunday, December 3

Northeastern at Maine (12noon) * Boston College at Providence (2pm) *

* Hockey East game # Commissioners' Cup Series game % Hannaford/Kraft Kids' Club event All game times are Eastern Time