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## **WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

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# BC EAGLES TAKE TWO FROM KEY RIVALS Maine sweeps Fighting Sioux; NU-Niagara split; UConn, UVM struggle

Boston College finally solved the New Hampshire Wildcats. Led by standout goalie Melissa Bourdon (Ile Bizard, QC), UNH was primed to secure a foothold on the Hockey East standings with a second win over the Eagles in as many weeks. BC, however, would not be denied and squared the season series with an impressive performance at Kelley Rink. The Eagles soundly defeated New Hampshire, 7-2, on Thursday night on their way to a perfect 2-0-0 weekend.

BC, which had dropped its last three games to UNH, took control early when freshman Allie Thunstrom (Maplewood, MN) tallied a shorthanded goal just 6:25 into the game to give the Eagles a 1-0 lead. BC added three more goals before UNH got on the board in the second period. The line of Thunstrom, Becky Zavisva (Suffield, CT), and Megan Keever (Harrisburg, PA) was too much for the Wildcats as they accounted for six of the seven BC goals.

The Eagles didn't rest on their laurels as they defeated cross-town rival Boston University by a 5-2 count on Saturday. Freshman goalie Molly Schaus (Natick, MA) added her second victory of the weekend, making 31 saves against the Terriers. BC's top trio was at it again as Thunstrom potted the game-winner, while Keever and Zavisva provided multiple-point efforts.

Maine picked up right where the men's program left off and garnered a sweep of their own over North Dakota. Pam Patterson (Miramichi, NB) scored twice in an 18-second span on Friday night to lead the Black Bears to a 3-1 win. Saturday's game went down to the wire before Kim Meagher (Hampden, ME) sent the crowd home happy with her first goal of the season, an overtime winner, to give her squad a 5-4 victory.

Coach Laura Schuler's Northeastern team managed a split against a tough opponent in the Niagara Purple Eagles. The Huskies picked up a 3-0 win on Saturday, thanks to a 22-save performance from Sarah Belliveau (Woods Harbor, NS) for her first career shutout. Despite battling back in the final stanza, the Hounds couldn't overtake Niagara on Sunday, falling 6-3.

Connecticut and Vermont each struggled against WCHA opponents with the Huskies dropping twin tilts at Ohio State while Vermont lost two to St. Cloud State. The teams return to league play this weekend with games against BU and Northeastern. UConn gets the Terriers, while Vermont squares off against NU on Saturday. They then switch opponents on Sunday.

## 2006-07 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	GP	W	L	Τ	<u>Pts</u>	Overall	Goals For	Goals Against
Connecticut	4	4	0	0	8	7-3-0	31	21
Boston College	5	4	1	0	8	7-1-1	38	17
New Hampshire	4	3	1	0	6	9-1-0	40	17
Providence	3	2	1	0	4	3-4-0	18	14
<b>Boston University</b>	4	2	2	0	4	6-2-0	21	15
Northeastern	4	1	3	0	2	2-7-0	24	48
Maine	4	0	4	0	0	3-7-0	27	48
Vermont	4	0	4	0	0	2-8-0	12	48

#### RECENT RESULTS

Thursday, November 2 at Boston College 7, UNH 2 \*

#### Friday, November 3

at Ohio State 5, Connecticut 1 at Maine 3, North Dakota 1 # St. Cloud State 7, at Vermont 0 #

#### Saturday, November 4

at Boston College 5, Boston Univ. 2 \*
Northeastern 3, at Niagara 0 #
St. Cloud State 6, at Vermont 0
at Ohio State 2, Connecticut 0 #
at Maine 5, North Dakota 4 (OT)

**Sunday, November 5** at Niagara 6, Northeastern 3

#### **UPCOMING GAMES**

Wednesday, November 8
Providence at Yale (7pm)

Thursday, November 9
Brown at Boston College (7pm)

#### Saturday, November 11

Northeastern at Vermont (2pm) \*
Providence at Maine (2pm) \*
Connecticut at Boston Univ. (3pm) \*
St. Lawrence at New Hampshire (2pm)

#### Sunday, November 12

Northeastern at Connecticut (1pm) \*
Boston University at Vermont (4pm) \*
Providence at Maine (7pm) \*
St. Lawrence at New Hampshire (2pm)

\* Hockey East game # Commissioners' Cup Series game % Hannaford/Kraft Kids' Club event

# TPS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

ALLIE THUNSTROM – Boston College Freshman Forward; Maplewood, MN

Four goals, two against both UNH and BU. Leads the team with eight goals, and scored the game-winning goal at home in 5-2 win over the Terriers.

#### MISSION HOCKEY ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

MEGAN KEEVER – Boston College Freshman Forward: Harrisburg, PA

Keever's four goals and an assist in two games against UNH and BU, including game-winner against the Wildcats, increased her goal total to six.

# PURE HOCKEY DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

SARAH BELLIVEAU – Northeastern Junior Goaltender; Woods Harbor, NS

Stopped 22 shots to pick up her first career shutout in the Huskies' 3-0 win on the road over Niagara University on Saturday afternoon.

#### **COLLEGIATE MILESTONES**

#### Jonnie Bloemers, Boston University

(Fr. F; Brooklyn Center, MN) First collegiate goal against Boston College on Nov. 4, 2006

#### Sarah Belliveau, Northeastern

(Jr. G; Woods Harbor, NS) First career shutout against the Niagara Purple Eagles on Nov. 4, 2006

## **LEADING SCORERS (All Games)**

	Player, School	CI	GP	G	Α	Pts
1	Jaclyn Hawkins, UConn	Jr	10	10	9	19
2	Sam Faber, UNH	So	10	8	6	14
	Martine Garland, UNH	Jr	10	3	11	14
4	Melissa Anderson, BU	Fr	7	3	9	12
5	Becky Zavisza, BC	So	9	6	5	11
	Chelsey Jones, NU	Fr	9	5	6	11
	Kelli Stack, BC	Fr	9	3	8	11
	Jennifer Hitchcock, UNH	Jr	10	6	5	11
	Dominique Thibault, UConn	Fr	10	5	6	11
	Natalie Vibert, UConn	Sr	10	2	9	11
11	Allie Thunstrom, BC	Fr	9	8	2	10
	Anna McDonald, BC	Fr	9	6	4	10
	Kacey Bellamy, UNH	So	10	7	3	10
	Vanessa Vani, Maine	So	10	6	4	10
	Sadie Wright-Ward, UNH	Jr	10	1	9	10
16	Kristin Gigliotti, PC	Sr	7	5	4	9
	Meghan Fardelmann, BC	So	8	5	4	9
	Kelly Paton, UNH	Fr	10	2	7	9

# **HONOR ROLL**

Pam Patterson, Maine (Jr. F; Miramichi, NB) - Had two goals on Friday night's 3-1 win over North Dakota, including the game-winner. The two goals were just 18 seconds apart. She also assisted in the third period game-tying goal in Saturday's 5-4 overtime victory over the Fighting Sioux.

**Jennifer Hitchcock, UNH** (Jr. F; LaSalle, ON) - Recorded two points with a goal and an assist against 10<sup>th</sup>-ranked Boston College.

**Molly Schaus, BC** (Fr. G; Natick, MA) - Made 38 saves against UNH Thursday night and 31 saves against BU. Second star in upset win over the Wildcats.

**Kim Meagher, Maine** (Jr. D; Hampden, ME) - Gave Maine a sweep over North Dakota when she pocketed her first goal of the season, an overtime winner, sealing the Black Bears' 5-4 victory on Saturday.

**Becky Zavisza, BC** (So. F; Suffield, CT) - Earned a plus 4 in game over UNH and tallied 3 points (2 goals, 1 assist). Earned another 2 points (1 goal, 1 assist) in Saturday's win. Tied for the team lead in points with 11. Also leads the team with 40 shots.

Genevieve Turgeon, Maine (So. G; Lac Beauport, QC) – Backstopped Maine's two-game sweep of the Fighting Sioux, holding the visitors to a single goal in Saturday's game, a 3-1 win, before stonewalling North Dakota in overtime to get the Black Bears a hard-fought 5-4 win in Sunday's rematch.

**Melissa Anderson, BU** (Fr. F; Langley, BC) - Has recorded multiple-point efforts in six-of-seven games this season. Against Boston College, Anderson recorded a goal and an assist.

Chelsey Jones, Northeastern (Fr. F; Lake Elmo, MN) - Has registered at least one point in each of the last five games, after collecting an assist on Saturday and Sunday.



## LEADING GOALTENDERS (All Games)

	Player, School	CI	GP	Min	W-L-T	GAA	SP
1	Jana Bugden, PC	Sr	5	298	2-3-0	1.61	.950
2	Molly Schaus, BC	Fr	8	483	6-1-1	1.61	.943
3	Melissa Bourdon, UNH	Sr	8	445	7-1-0	1.75	.875
4	Allyse Wilcox, BU	So	7	391	5-2-0	1.99	.922
5	Brittany Wilson, UConn	So	10	596	7-3-0	2.01	.927
6	Sarah Belliveau, NU	Jr	4	286	2-2-0	3.77	.869
7	Shivaun Siegl, UVM	Sr	6	320	2-4-0	4.31	.840
8	Genevieve Turgeon, ME	So	7	431	3-4-0	4.45	.890
9	Jenilee Roy, UVM	Jr	4	280	0-4-0	5.36	.847

### **TEAM STATISTICS (All Games)**

TEAM OFFENSE	·		<u> </u>	
Team	GP	G	GPG	
1 Boston College	 9	 38	4.22	
2 New Hampshire	10	40	4.00	
3 Connecticut	10	31	3.10	
4 Maine	10	27	2.70	
5 Northeastern	9	24	2.67	
6 Boston University	8	21	2.62	
7 Providence	7	18	2.57	
8 Vermont	10	12	1.20	
TEAM DEFENSE				
Team	GP	GA	GAPG	
1 New Hampshire	10	17	1.70	
2 Boston University	8	15	1.88	
3 Boston College	9	17	1.89	
4 Providence	7	14	2.00	
5 Connecticut	10	21	2.10	
6 Maine	10	48	4.80	
Vermont	10	48	4.80	
8 Northeastern	9	48	5.33	
<b>POWER PLAY</b>				
Team 	To 	otals 	SHGA 	Pct 
1 New Hampshire		20/72		27.8
2 Connecticut		17/63		27.0
3 Boston College	10/55		0	18.2
4 Providence	8/60		0	13.3
5 Maine	11/87		5	12.6
6 Boston University	6/54		2 4	11.1
7 Northeastern 8 Vermont		7/72 1/59		9.7 1.7
DEMALTY KILL				
<b>PENALTY KILL</b> Team	т.	otals	CIIC	Det
1 eam			SHG 	Pct 
1 New Hampshire		60/64	2	93.8
2 Boston College		66/73	4 0	90.4
3 Providence		48/54		88.9
4 Boston University		45/52		86.5
5 Connecticut		55/64 50/70		85.9
6 Vermont 7 Northeastern		59/70 14/60	0 1	84.3 73.3
8 Maine		18/70	0	68.6
PENALTY MINUTES				
Team	GP	PiM	PMP	PG
1 Maine	10	182		3.2
2 Providence		7 127		3.1
<ul><li>3 Boston College</li><li>4 New Hampshire</li></ul>	9 10	9 150		5.7 5.4
4 New Hampshire 5 Vermont		164 159		
6 Boston University	10 159 15.9 8 122 15.2			
7 Northeastern	8 122 15.2 9 130 14.4			
8 Connecticut	10 134 13.4			
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#### **TEAM NOTES**

**Boston College:** BC snapped UNH's 23-game regular season win streak. BC was the last team to defeat the Wildcats in the regular season on November 5, 2005 ... The Eagles have scored 19 goals in the last three games, all against Hockey East opponents ... BC has scored four shorthanded goals this season to lead the league ... The Eagles converted four of 10 (.400) power play opportunities in their two games this week, after previously going 7 for 46 (.152) in 7 games.

Boston University: The Terriers return home on Nov. 11 to face Connecticut in their first meeting of the year ... During the game, BU will recognize the 1981 club team that claimed the Beanpot championship ... Last season, in the team's final 2005-06 matchup, BU defeated UConn 3-0, to give the Terriers their first shutout in program history, with current sophomore Allyse Wilcox in goal ... With their two goals against Boston College on Saturday, BU has now recorded 99 goals in program history.

University of Connecticut: The Connecticut women's hockey team is off to the best start in school history at 7-3 overall and 4-0 in Hockey East action ... Prior to this year, UConn's best 10-game start was 5-4-1, done twice ... UConn travels to Boston University of Saturday and plays host to Northeastern on Sunday ... Freshman Amy Hollstein scored her fourth goal of the year last weekend as UConn was swept at Ohio State.

**University of Maine:** The Black Bears return to Hockey East action next weekend when they host the Friars of Providence College. The teams will play on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 2 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

University of New Hampshire: Kacey Bellamy ranks second on the team in goals with seven – all on the power play. Twelve of her 15 career goals have been powerplay tallies ... UNH killed off 34 straight penalties until BC netted a first-period power-play goal last Thursday ... UNH has scored at least one power-play goal in nine of 10 games ... The seven goals by BC was the most allowed by UNH since February 2003.

Northeastern University: The team's current six-game road trip is the team's longest of the season and the longest since a eight-game trip during the 2000-01 season ... Over the weekend, Belliveau became the first NU goalie this season to start and finish consecutive games.

**Providence College:** BC transfer Sarah Feldman (Fall River, MA) leads the Friars in assists with five ... The Friars will be at Yale on Wednesday for their third of six straight road games before returning home on Nov. 19 against Robert Morris.

**University of Vermont:** The Catamounts return to Hockey East action this weekend, hosting Northeastern on Saturday at 2 p.m. and Boston University on Sunday at 4 p.m. They are Vermont's first two conference games at Gutterson Fieldhouse this season.