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WOMEN'S WEEKEND PREVIEW

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PROVIDENCE AND MAINE OPEN LEAGUE PLAY ON SUNDAY ~10 non-conference games on tap this weekend~

WAKEFIELD, Mass. – The Providence College Friars and Maine Black Bears will battle on Sunday, October 14 (2pm) at Alford Arena in Orono in the first WHEA league game of the 2007-2008 season, while in non-conference action Hockey East teams skate in 10 contests this coming weekend, including five games in Hockey East rinks.

The game will mark the season opener for the Friars and ninth-year head coach Bob Deraney, while the Black Bears will look to rebound from a series with No. 2 ranked Mercyhurst last weekend in Erie, Pa. The Friars have won three of five Hockey East Tournament Championships in the history of the league. Head Coach Dan Lichterman picked up his first win as Maine's head coach on September 29 vs. Sacred Heart in their season opener. Black Bear netminder Genevieve Turgeon made a career-high 62 saves vs. Mercyhurst on Friday night to earn the conference's Defensive Player of the Week honor on Monday.

No. 4 ranked New Hampshire is coming off a weekend split at St. Lawrence and entertains Colgate on Sunday at the Whittemore Center (1pm) for its home opener. Freshman Kayley Herman earned her first collegiate win on Friday for the Wildcats and sophomore Lucy Schoedel took the loss on Saturday against the Saints. No. 8 Boston College will also host the Red Raiders on Friday night in the home opener at Conte Forum after a strong start on Sunday with a 2-1 overtime win at Rensselaer. Hockey East Player of the Week Allie Thunstrom earned the honor for her game-winning goal and helper on the game-tying goal against the Engineers.

Vermont hosts Union for a two-game series on Friday and Saturday after scoring 13 goals against Sacred Heart in two games last weekend at Gutterson Fieldhouse. The Catamounts were led by Kate Lesniak and freshman Teddy Fortin, who posted nine points combined last weekend vs. the Pioneers. UConn will host its second straight two-game set beginning on Friday night at Freitas Ice Forum with Minnesota State coming to Storrs. UConn split with No. 10 Ohio State last weekend with Jaclyn Hawkins and Dominique Thibault continuing to be offensive mainstays for the Huskies squad totalling five points in the 5-2 win against the Buckeyes on Saturday.

Boston University will be the second Hockey East team to have a crack at the No. 2 ranked Mercyhurst Lakers as the Terriers head to Pennsylvania for a two-game set. BU had a strong showing at the Nike Bauer Women's Classic last weekend in Minneapolis, as Melissa Haber and Allyse Wilcox earned one start apiece in goal at the tournament.

Laura Schuler's Northeastern Huskies are one of four Hockey East teams this weekend to play a single game, as they travel to Quinnipac on Friday night. Northeastern was also very competitive at the Nike Bauer Women's Classic and they gave No. 7 Minnesota all they could handle in a 5-3 loss on Friday night at Ridder Arena. Husky captain Nikki Petrich will play in her 100th collegiate game as a Husky when they take the ice on Friday.

2007-08 STANDINGS

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Offense	Defense
Boston College	0	0	0	0	0	1-0-0	2.00 GPG	1.00 GAPG
Boston University	0	0	0	0	0	0-1-1	2.00 GPG	3.00 GAPG
Connecticut	0	0	0	0	0	1-1-0	3.50 GPG	2.50 GAPG
Maine	0	0	0	0	0	1-2-0	2.00 GPG	3.33 GAPG
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	0	1-1-0	2.00 GPG	2.50 GAPG
Northeastern	0	0	0	0	0	0-1-1	2.50 GPG	3.50 GAPG
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	0-0-0	0.00 GPG	0.00 GAPG
Vermont	0	0	0	0	0	2-0-0	6.50 GPG	1.50 GAPG

RECENT RESULTS

Friday, October 5

No. 3 New Hampshire 4, at No. 4 St. Lawrence 2
at No. 2 Mercyhurst 4, Maine 0
No. 10 Ohio State 3, at Connecticut 2
Nike Bauer Women's Classic
(at Ridder Arena, Minneapolis, Minn.)
Boston U. 2, vs. North Dakota 2 - OT
at No. 7 Minnesota 5, Northeastern 3

Saturday, October 6

at Connecticut 5, No. 10 Ohio State 2
at Vermont 5, Sacred Heart 1
at No. 2 Mercyhurst 5, Maine 0
at No. 4 St. Lawrence 3, No. 3 New Hampshire 0
Nike Bauer Women's Classic
(at Ridder Arena, Minneapolis, Minn.)
Northeastern 2 vs. North Dakota 2 - OT
at No. 7 Minnesota 4, Boston U. 2

Sunday, October 7

No. 8 Boston College 2 at Rensselaer 1 - OT
at Vermont 8, Sacred Heart 2

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, October 12

Colgate at No. 8 Boston College (7pm)
Northeastern at Quinnipiac (6pm)
Minnesota State at Connecticut (7pm)
Union at Vermont (7pm)
Boston University at No. 2 Mercyhurst (7pm)

Saturday, October 13

No. 8 Boston College at Quinnipiac (3pm)
Minnesota State at Connecticut (4pm)
Union at Vermont (4pm)
Boston University at No. 2 Mercyhurst (2pm)

Sunday, October 14

Providence at Maine (2pm)
Colgate at No. 4 New Hampshire (1pm)

All game times are Eastern Standard Time

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