

# **WOMEN'S** Director of Public Relations **TEY WEEKEND PREVIEW**

**Pete Souris Hockey East Association** 

> 591 North Ave - #2 Wakefield, MA 01880 Office: (781) 245-2122 Cell: (603) 512-1166

psouris@HockeyEastOnline.com

WEEKEND PREVIEW #4

### www.HockevEastOnline.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2008

## BC, UNH AND NU PUT UNBEATEN RECORDS ON THE LINE THIS WEEKEND ~No. 10 Boston U. earns first ever national ranking in USA Hockey poll~

WAKEFIELD. Mass. - The league schedule kicks off a day early this weekend with a intriguing match up between No. 4 New Hampshire and No. 10 Boston University on Thursday night at Walter Brown Arena.

The Terriers, who are ranked in the national poll for the first time in school history, enter the game with a 3-2-1 overall record. BU is coming off a 2-2 tie with No. 6 St. Lawrence last Sunday in Boston. The Wildcats have managed a 4-0-2 record to date, after a 2-1 victory vs. Clarkson last Sunday at the Whittemore Center. The Wildcats will also take on Yale on Saturday evening at the Whittemore Center in Durham. BU senior Allyse Wilcox (Grand Blanc, Mich.) has been the backbone of the team so far with a 1.97 GAA and a .927 save percentage.

Northeastern's 4-0-2 record so far this season can be attributed to it's top ranked defense in the nation (0.67 gapg). The Huskies have only allowed four goals in six games this season. UNH and NU are tied with Minnesota for the second best winning percentage at 83.3% in all of Division I women's college hockey. The Huskies will put their unbeaten streak on the line Saturday against the Ouinnipiac Bobcats at Matthews Arena. Freshman Florence Schelling (Oberengstringen, Switzerland) and sophomore Leah Sulyma (Inuvik, N.W.T) have the two best save percentage's in the nation at .982 and .976 respectively for the Huskies.

No. 7 ranked Boston College will face Providence in a league game on Saturday, while the Eagles will also host Quinnipiac on Sunday in Chestnut Hill. Junior forward Kelli Stack (Brooklyn Heights, Ohio) ranks second in the nation in point scoring with 2.00 points per game. The Eagles had allowed two goals or less in three of their four games this year. PC freshman goalie Genevieve Lacasse (Scarborough, Ont.) has the third best save percentage in the league at .933. She has started four of the six games for the Friars to date.

The Vermont Catamounts will host Cornell for a two-game set at Gutterson Fieldhouse beginning on Friday night in Burlington. The Catamount penalty kill ranks second in the league at 92% (23 for 25). In the first four games of the season nine different UVM players have scored its 13 goals on the season.

Connecticut will travel to New Jersey for a series with Princeton, which begins on Saturday. The Huskies own the top ranked scoring offense in the league, recording 4.12 goals per game. Junior forward Dominique Thibault (L'Orignal, Ont.) has 13 points (10g, 3a) in her first eight games of this young season. She currently ranks second in the nation in goal scoring.

Head Coach Dan Litcherman and his Maine team travels south for the weekend with a Saturday game against the Terriers and a Sunday match up at Providence College. Senior netminder Genevieve Turgeon (Lac Beauport, Que.) has amassed 188 saves this season in five starts this season for the Black Bears. She has averaged 37.5 saves per start this season.

## 2008-2009 WHEA STANDINGS

Rk	Team	GP	W	L	SOL	Pts	Overall	Offense	<u>Defense</u>
1.	Northeastern	2	2 (0)	0	0	4	4-0-2	2.75 (15)	1.00 (4)
	Connecticut	3	2 (1)	1	0	4	4-2-2	5.17 (33)	2.33 (18)
3.	New Hampshire	2	1 (1)	0	1	3	4-0-2	3.75 (20)	2.50 (13)
4.	Providence	2	1 (0)	1	0	2	2-4-0	2.50 (14)	2.50 (13)
5.	Boston College	1	0 (0)	0	1	1	2-0-2	3.25 (13)	2.20 (8)
6.	<b>Boston University</b>	0	0 (0)	0	0	0	3-2-1	2.00 (12)	2.50 (13)
	Maine	0	0 (0)	0	0	0	2-4-0	2.00 (21)	4.50 (22)
	Vermont	2	0 (0)	2	0	0	2-2-0	5.00 (13)	1.50 (9)

The brackets in the conference wins column signify the number of wins that were shootout wins in conference play. Wins and Shootout Wins are valued at two points. Shootout Losses (SOL) are valued at one point. Games that are tied after 65 minutes will be considered a tie for NCAA purposes and will be noted as a tie in the Overall standings.

#### **RECENT RESULTS**

**Wednesday, October 15**No. 5 New Hampshire 3 at No. 10 Connecticut 3 OT\* (UConn wins shootout, 1-0)

Friday, October 17 Sacred Heart 3 at Maine 2

Saturday, October 18 at Northeastern 1, Providence 0 \* No. 10 Connecticut 2 at Vermont 2 \* at Maine 11, Sacred Heart 1 at Boston University 2, Clarkson 1 at No. 5 New Hampshire 3, No. 6 St. Lawrence 2

Sunday, October 19 Providence 4 at Vermont 2 \*
Northeastern 3 at No. 10 Connecticut 0 \*
at New Hampshire 2, Clarkson 1
No. 6 St. Lawrence 2 at Boston University 2 OT

#### **UPCOMING GAMES**

Thursday, October 23 No. 4 New Hampshire at No. 10 Boston U. \* (7pm)

> Friday, October 24 Cornell at Vermont (7pm) Connecticut at Princeton (7pm)

Saturday, October 25 No. 7 Boston College at Providence \* (2pm) Maine at No. 10 Boston University \* (2pm) Yale at No. 4 New Hampshire (5pm) Connecticut at Princeton (7pm) Cornell at Vermont (4pm) Quinnipiac at Northeastern (2pm)

**Sunday, October 26** Maine at Providence \* (2pm) Quinnipiac at No. 7 Boston College (2pm)

> All game times are EST denotes league games

The 7th ANNUAL WHEA **CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT** 



MARCH 7-8, 2009 at the site of the highest seed For more information visit www.hockeyeastonline.com