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WOMEN'S WEEKEND PREVIEW

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NO. 8 TERRIERS AND NO. 6 WILDCATS BATTLE IN DURHAM ON THURSDAY ~Schedule features all five league game on weekend slate~

WAKEFIELD, Mass. – The WHEA weekend schedule starts a day early, as No. 8 Boston University (5-2-1, 2-0-0 WHEA) heads north to Durham, N.H. for a rare Thursday night league game against No. 6 New Hampshire (5-1-2, 1-1-1 WHEA).

The Terriers, who are enjoying their highest national ranking in school history, won the first meeting with the Wildcats, 3-2, on October 23, snapping UNH's 40-game unbeaten streak in league play. Sophomore Lauren Cherewyk (St. Albert, Alb.), the reigning Hockey East Player of the Week, had two goals in the win vs. UNH and has scored five goals in her last two games for the Terriers. Junior forward Kelly Paton (Woodstock, Ont.) and sophomore Jenn Wakefield (Pickering, Ont.) both have eight-game point streaks coming into the game. Boston University will host Providence College (3-5-0, 2-2-0 WHEA) on Saturday at Walter Brown Arena. The Friars won the season series last year, 2-1, but the Terriers won the last meeting, 3-1, on February 2. Freshman forward Laura Veharanta (La Verne, Calif.) leads the nation with five power play goals on the season.

On Friday night, the Vermont Catamounts (2-4-0, 0-2-0 WHEA) make the trip south to face No. 4 Boston College (4-0-2, 1-0-1 WHEA) at Conte Forum (2pm). UVM freshman Erin Barley-Maloney (Raleigh, N.C.) scored her team-high third goal of the season Saturday. She is tied for second among the league's rookies in goals and is tied for fifth in freshman scoring with five points. Vermont will face New Hampshire on Saturday at 5pm at the Whittemore Center Arena.

Northeastern (5-0-2, 2-0-0 WHEA) and its top ranked defense in the nation (0.71 gpg) will entertain No. 4 Boston College on Sunday afternoon at historic Matthews Arena. The Huskies have allowed only five goals all season with four of their six wins coming by way of shutouts. NU has not given up a goal in league play so far. Florence Schelling (Oberengstringen, Switzerland) and Leah Sulyma (Inuvik, N.W.T.) have combined for 65 saves in those two shutouts in league play. BC junior forward Kelli Stack (Brooklyn Heights, Ohio) ranks fifth in the nation among Division I players scoring 2.00 points per game. The Eagles penalty kill ranks fifth in the country at 93.3% efficiency.

Connecticut and Maine both have the weekend off. The teams return to the ice, coincidentally to face each other on November 8 in Storrs at Freitas Ice Forum.

WHEA WEEKLY NOTES: Four of the top five scorers in league play call Boston University home. Lauren Cherewyk and Melissa Anderson lead with five points, while Erin Seman and Tara Watchorn are tied with UConn's Amy Hollstein with four points apiece. Maine senior goalie Genevieve Turgeon has made a league-high 260 saves this season, she is averaging over 37 saves per start for the Black Bears. She ranks second in the nation among Division I goalies with her save total...Vermont has scored 14 of its 15 goals this season in the final two periods of play.

RECENT RESULTS

Thursday, October 23
 at No. 10 Boston U. 3, No. 4 New Hampshire 2 *

Friday, October 24
 Connecticut 3 at Princeton 0
 Cornell 7 at Vermont 1

Saturday, October 25
 No. 7 Boston College 3 at Providence 1 *
 at No. 10 Boston University 8, Maine 1 *
 at No. 4 New Hampshire 5, Yale 3
 at Princeton 4, Connecticut 1
 Cornell 5 at Vermont 1
 at Northeastern 3, Quinnipiac 1

Sunday, October 26
 at Providence 4, Maine 2 *
 at No. 7 Boston College 4, Quinnipiac 0

UPCOMING GAMES

Thursday, October 30
 No. 8 Boston U. at No. 6 New Hampshire * (7pm)

Friday, October 31
 Vermont at No. 4 Boston College * (2pm)

Saturday, November 1
 Vermont at No. 6 New Hampshire * (5pm)
 Providence at No. 8 Boston University * (3pm)
 No. 4 Boston College at Northeastern * (2pm)

All game times are EST
 * denotes league games

(Rankings in composite schedule are from USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine Poll)

2008-2009 WHEA STANDINGS

Rk	Team	GP	W	L	SOL	Pts	Overall	Offense	Defense
1.	Boston University	2	2 (0)	0	0	4	5-2-1	2.88 (23)	2.00 (16)
	Northeastern	2	2 (0)	0	0	4	5-0-2	2.57 (18)	0.71 (5)
	Connecticut	3	2 (1)	1	0	4	5-3-2	3.70 (37)	2.20 (22)
	Providence	4	2 (0)	2	0	4	3-5-0	2.38 (19)	2.25 (18)
5.	Boston College	2	1 (0)	0	1	3	4-0-2	3.33 (20)	1.50 (9)
	New Hampshire	3	1 (1)	1	1	3	5-1-2	3.38 (27)	2.38 (19)
7.	Maine	2	0 (0)	2	0	0	2-6-0	3.00 (24)	4.25 (34)
	Vermont	2	0 (0)	2	0	0	2-4-0	2.50 (15)	3.50 (21)

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.

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