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# WOMEN'S WEEKEND PREVIEW

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**WEEKEND PREVIEW #14**

## NO. 9 UCONN ENTERS SERIES WITH MERCYHURST ON EIGHT-GAME WIN STREAK ~Six WHEA games on weekend slate; No. 8 UNH hosts Dartmouth Friday~

**WAKEFIELD, Mass.** – This weekend's games are highlighted by competitive league series, including Northeastern hosting No. 6 Boston College and No. 8 New Hampshire, as well as exciting non-conference games. New Hampshire will take on intra-state foe No. 7 Dartmouth, while No. 9 Connecticut hosts No. 4 Mercyhurst for a two-game set. Boston University will head north to Maine for a pair of games, while Providence hosts Vermont in a weekend series.

Tonight's matchup between BC and Northeastern will be a battle of momentum, as the Eagles have won four of their last five and the Huskies are enjoying a three-game win streak. BC's Kelli Stack (Brooklyn Heights, Ohio) and TPS Hockey Player of the Week Allie Thunstrom (Maplewood, Minn.) are ranked first and third in the league with 34 and 25 points, respectively. Northeastern shut out BU in its last league game, but are looking to crack BC netminder Molly Schaus (Natick, Mass.), who has held the Huskies scoreless in their last two meetings (Nov. 1 and 30). Northeastern will also host UNH on Sunday at Matthews Arena in Boston.

Providence hosts Vermont for a two-game series this weekend, beginning on Saturday. The Friars are unbeaten in their last six league games and defeated Vermont 4-2 in their last meeting, Oct. 26. PC is coming off an impressive 5-0 shutout of UNH last Saturday afternoon at Schneider Arena. The Catamounts will look for consistency from rookie Erin Barley-Maloney (Raleigh, N.C.), who was in on both of Vermont's goals last weekend at Mercyhurst.

The Terriers travel to Maine for a two-game set, beginning Saturday evening. The last time the teams met, BU earned an 8-1 victory at Agganis Arena, on Oct. 25. The Terriers rank fourth in the league with 2.50 goals per game, while Maine ranks third in its power play at 18.6%. Maine netminder Genevieve Turgeon (Lac Beauport, Que.) has made 283 saves this season, second best in the league and her 576 total saves on the season rank fourth among Division I netminders.

In the first of two top-ten matchups, UConn hosts a two-game series with Mercyhurst in Storrs. The Huskies lead the league with 3.36 goals per game and rank third with 1.95 goals allowed. The second high profile game is a showdown between Granite State foes, Dartmouth and New Hampshire. The Wildcats are unbeaten at home this season (6-0-3).

**RECENT RESULTS**  
**Monday, January 5**  
 at Cornell 4, Providence 1

**Thursday, January 8**  
 at No. 9 Boston University 0, Northeastern 2 \*

**Friday, January 9**  
 at Clarkson 3, Maine 2  
 at No. 5 St. Lawrence 4, No. 7 Boston College 2

**Saturday, January 10**  
 at Providence 5, No. 6 New Hampshire 0 \*  
 at Connecticut 3, No. 9 Boston University 0 \*  
 at Mercyhurst 8, Vermont 1  
 at Clarkson 1, Maine 4  
 No. 7 Boston College 4 at St. Lawrence 1  
 at Northeastern 3, Niagara 2 (OT)

**Sunday, January 11**  
 at Mercyhurst 8, Vermont 1  
 at Northeastern 4, Niagara 1

**Tuesday, January 13**  
 at No. 7 Dartmouth 7, Providence 3

**UPCOMING GAMES**  
**Thursday, January 15**  
 No. 6 Boston College at Northeastern \* (7:30 pm)

**Friday, January 16**  
 No. 4 Mercyhurst at No. 9 Connecticut (7pm)  
 No. 7 Dartmouth at No. 8 New Hampshire (7pm)

**Saturday, January 17**  
 Boston University at Maine \* (7pm)  
 Vermont at Providence \* (2pm)  
 No. 4 Mercyhurst at No. 9 Connecticut (4pm)

**Sunday, January 18**  
 Boston University at Maine \* (5:30pm)  
 Vermont at Providence \* (2pm)  
 No. 8 New Hampshire 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	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	Boston College	11	7 (0)	3	1	15	13-5-3	3.00 (33)	1.55 (17)
2.	Connecticut	11	7 (1)	4	0	14	14-6-2	2.45 (27)	1.82 (20)
3.	Providence	9	6 (0)	2	1	13	11-9-2	3.00(27)	1.44 (13)
	New Hampshire	10	5 (1)	2	3	13	9-5-5	2.80 (28)	2.00 (20)
5.	Boston University	10	6 (3)	4	0	12	9-7-5	2.50 (25)	2.50 (25)
6.	Northeastern	9	5 (0)	4	0	10	10-8-2	1.33 (12)	1.56 (14)
7.	Vermont	9	2 (1)	7	0	4	4-17-1	1.33 (12)	3.33 (30)
8.	Maine	9	1 (0)	7	1	3	4-15-2	1.78 (16)	4.56 (41)

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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