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EIGHT FEMALE REFEREES ASSIGNED TO 31ST WOMEN'S BEANPOT FINAL NIGHT

WAKEFIELD, Mass. -- Week Number Two of the 31st Annual Women's Beanpot Tournament will feature eight female on-ice officials stepping on to the Matthews Arena ice at Northeastern.

"These women have earned the right to work these games and I applaud Hockey East Supervisor of Officials John Gallagher for making these assignments," said Women's Beanpot Tournament Director Joe Bertagna.

Host Northeastern will meet Boston University in Tuesday's consolation game at 5:00 p.m. while defending champion Harvard faces Boston College in the title game at 8:00 p.m.

The officials for the Consolation Game include: Danyel Howard (referee), Robin Taylor (referee), Jean Goodwin (linesman) and Michaela Frattarelli (linesman).

Championship Game Referees include: Carol Mullins (referee), Julie Piacentini (referee), Allison Hughes (linesman) and Katie Guay (linesman).

It is particularly appropriate that Julie Piacentini is officiating the final. A four-time Beanpot winner herself at Northeastern, she was inducted into the Women's Beanpot Hall of Fame between games last week. Her refereeing partner Tuesday night, Carol Mullins, previously served as head coach of Cornell University's women's varsity team.

Bertagna, who also serves as Hockey East Commissioner, assumed the role of Tournament Director two years ago. Having served as the first head coach of Harvard University's women's team (1978-79) and now working for the other three programs, the schools approved his duties prior to the 2007 event.

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