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WOMEN'S WEEKEND PREVIEW

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WEEKEND PREVIEW #19

NO. 5 UNH AND NO. 10 UCONN MEET TO CLOSE OUT REGULAR SEASON ~No. 6 BC and PC play key series; BU plays NU for two; Maine and UVM square off~

WAKEFIELD, Mass. – The No. 5 ranked New Hampshire Wildcats have already clinched the No. 1 seed in the upcoming WHEA Tournament, but they still have something to play for, in their weekend series with No. 10 Connecticut. The Wildcats can clinch the regular season title outright with one point vs. the Huskies or if BC loses a point to Providence College.

UNH has won 11 games in the row heading into the UConn series, which begins on Friday night at Freitas Ice Forum in Storrs. The 'Cats are coming off a 3-2 overtime win against Harvard on Tuesday night at the Bright Center. The teams skated to a 3-3 tie back on October 15 and the Huskies came away with the extra point in the shootout win.

The Eagles will finish the regular season with Providence College beginning on Friday afternoon at Schneider Arena. If the Eagles pick up one win over the weekend, they will be locked into second place in the WHEA playoffs, as they own tiebreakers vs. Boston University and Connecticut. BC won the first meeting between the teams on October 25, 3-1, in Providence. BC's Kelli Stack (Brooklyn Heights, Ohio) holds a five-point lead on UNH's Sam Faber (Mt. Sinai, N.Y.) in the league's race for the scoring title with 31 points (14g, 17a). PC's Laura Veharanta (La Verne, Calif.) leads WHEA rookie scorers with 17 points (7g, 10a). The Eagles and Wildcats own the top ranked defense in league play, allowing only 1.74 goals per game.

Boston University and Northeastern will also face off for a two-game matchup beginning on Saturday afternoon at Matthews Arena. NU won the first meeting back on January 8 at Walter Brown Arena with a 2-0 shutout by Leah Sulyma (Inuvik, N.W.T), who registered 31 saves in the game. BU junior Melissa Haber (Toronto, Ont.) owns the third best GAA (1.54) and save percentage (.929) among league netminders.

Maine will make the trip to Vermont for a two-game series at Gutterson Fieldhouse. The series begins on Saturday and the two teams first met on November 25 in Lewiston, Maine. The teams finished in a 2-2 tie and the Catamounts won the shootout, 3-2, to get the extra point in the league standings. Black Bears' starting goalie Genevieve Turgeon (Lac Beauport, Que.) has made the most saves in league games this year with 601 total saves.

RECENT RESULTS

Tuesday, February 10
Beanpot Tournament (@ NU)
 Boston U. 2 at Northeastern 1
 No. 7 Boston College 1 vs. Harvard 0

Friday, February 13
 No. 9 Connecticut 3 at Maine 1 *
 No. 5 New Hampshire 3 at Providence 2 *

Saturday, February 14
 at No. 5 New Hampshire 4, Providence 1 *
 Vermont 4 at Northeastern 3 *
 No. 9 Connecticut 2 at Maine 2 OT *
 (UConn wins shootout, 1-0)
 Boston University 3 at No. 7 Boston College 3 OT *
 (BC wins shootout, 2-1)

Sunday, February 15
 at Northeastern 4, Vermont 3 *

Tuesday, February 17
 No. 5 New Hampshire 3 at No. 9 Harvard 2 OT

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday, February 20
 No. 6 Boston College at Providence * (4pm)

Saturday, February 21
 Maine at Vermont * (2pm)
 No. 5 New Hampshire at No. 10 Connecticut * (1pm)
 Boston University at Northeastern * (2pm)
 Providence at No. 6 Boston College * (1pm)

Sunday, February 22
 Maine at Vermont * (2pm)
 No. 10 Connecticut at No. 5 New Hampshire * (2pm)
 Northeastern at Boston University * (3pm)

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.	New Hampshire *#	19	14 (1)	2	3	31	20-5-5	3.42 (65)	1.74 (33)
2.	Boston College *	19	13 (1)	5	1	27	20-7-4	3.26 (62)	1.74 (33)
3.	Boston University *	19	12 (4)	6	1	25	15-10-7	2.68 (51)	2.11 (40)
	Connecticut *	19	12 (2)	6	1	25	19-9-4	2.26 (43)	1.79 (34)
5.	Providence *	19	11 (0)	7	1	23	16-14-2	2.63 (50)	1.79 (34)
6.	Northeastern *	19	7 (0)	11	1	15	12-17-3	1.68 (32)	2.37 (45)
7.	Maine	19	3 (1)	14	2	8	5-22-4	1.63 (31)	4.00 (76)
	Vermont	19	4 (1)	15	0	8	6-25-1	1.53 (29)	3.58 (68)

* clinched playoff spot; # clinched #1 seed

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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2008-2009 HOCKEY EAST SEASON SUPERLATIVES

SHUTOUTS

Date	Goalie	Team	Opp.	Svs	Result
10/4	Molly Schaus	BC	Clarkson	26	W, 2-0
10/4	Leah Sulyma	NU	at Union	6	W, 6-0
10/10	Florence Schelling!	NU	at Bemidji State	40	T, 0-0
10/18	Florence Schelling!	NU	Providence	31	W, 1-0
10/19	Leah Sulyma	NU	at UConn	34	W, 3-0
10/24	Brittany Wilson	UConn	at Princeton	24	W, 3-0
11/1	Molly Schaus	BC	at Northeastern	16	W, 5-0
11/14	Allyse Wilcox	BU	at Princeton	30	W, 2-0
11/16	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	vs. UConn	30	W, 2-0
11/20	Molly Schaus	BC	at UConn	33	W, 4-0
11/25	Jennie Bellonio	UConn	vs. Brown	17	W, 4-0
11/26	Kayley Herman	UNH	vs. Northeastern	12	W, 2-0
11/29	Genevieve Lacasse ! PC		at Brown	37	W, 1-0
11/30	Molly Schaus	BC	vs. Northeastern	27	W, 2-0
12/9	Lindsey Minton	UNH	vs. Northeastern	22	W, 3-0
12/10	Molly Schaus	BC	at BU	25	W, 5-0
12/12	Genevieve Turgeon	Maine	vs. Union	19	W, 2-0
1/3	Brittany Wilson	UConn	vs. Vermont	9	W, 7-0
1/3	Molly Schaus	BC	at Yale	32	W, 1-0
1/8	Leah Sulyma	NU	at BU	31	W, 2-0
1/10	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	vs. UNH	43	W, 5-0
1/10	Brittany Wilson	UConn	vs. BU	31	W, 3-0
1/17	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	vs. Vermont	16	W, 3-0
1/23	Brittany Wilson	UConn	vs. NU	20	W, 4-0
1/23	Kayley Herman	UNH	vs. Maine	15	W, 3-0
1/24	Molly Schaus	BC	at Vermont	19	W, 5-0
1/24	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	vs. BU	34	W, 2-0
1/24	Brittany Wilson	UConn	at NU	22	W, 1-0
1/25	Molly Schaus	BC	at Vermont	16	W, 5-0
1/31	Melissa Haber	BU	vs. Vermont	23	W, 4-0
2/6	Molly Schaus	BC	vs. Maine	13	W, 2-0
2/10	Molly Schaus	BC	vs. Harvard (BP)	40	W, 1-0

40+ SAVES

Date	Goalie	Team	Opp.	Svs	Result
10/3	Genevieve Turgeon	Maine	North Dakota	46	W, 3-2
10/4	Genevieve Turgeon	Maine	North Dakota	46	L, 7-3
10/10	Florence Schelling !	NU	at Bemidji State	40	T, 0-0
10/11	Leah Sulyma	NU	at Bemidji State	40	T, 2-2
10/11	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	Colgate	42	W, 6-2
10/26	Genevieve Turgeon	Maine	at Providence	47	L, 4-2
11/21	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	Mercyhurst	51	L, 3-0
1/10	Genevieve Lacasse !	PC	UNH	43	W, 5-0
1/24	Genevieve Turgeon	Maine	at UNH	47	L, 5-1
2/6	Florence Schelling !	NU	at PC	53	L, 2-3 OT
2/10	Molly Schaus	BC	vs. Harvard (BP)	40	W, 1-0

INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Goals:	3	Dominique Thibault, UConn, 9/27/08 vs. Sacred Heart Nicole Tritter, UConn, 9/27/08 vs. Sacred Heart Kristi Kehoe, NU, 10/4/08 at Union Jennie Gallo, Maine, 10/18/08 vs. Sacred Heart Lauren Cherewyk, BU, 10/25/08 vs. Maine Julia Marty *, NU, 11/9/08 vs. Maine Kelli Stack, BC, 11/16/08 at Maine Allie Thunstrom, BC, 12/10/08 at BU
Assists:	4	Ashley Cottrell, PC, 11/8/08 vs. Robert Morris Kacey Bellamy, UNH, 1/16/09 vs. Dartmouth Sam Faber, UNH, 2/8/09 at Vermont
Points	5	Dominique Thibault, UConn, 9/27/08 vs. Sacred Heart (3g,2a) Jennie Gallo, Maine, 10/18/08 vs. Sacred Heart (3g,2a) Jenn Wakefield, UNH, 1/16/09 vs. Dartmouth (2g,3a)
Point Streak	11	Jenn Wakefield, UNH, 3/15/08 to 11/14/08, 18 points (12g,6a)
In league play:	12	Kelli Stack, BC, 2/17/08 to present, 25 points (16g,9a)
Saves	53	Florence Schelling, NU, 2/6/09 at Providence

TEAM HIGHS

Goals:	13	UConn vs. Sacred Heart, 9/27/08
In league play:	8	BU vs. Maine, 10/25/08
Shots on Goal:	61	UConn vs. Sacred Heart, 9/27/08
Consecutive Wins:	9	Providence, 10/6/07 to 11/4/07
In league play:	10	UNH, 10/21/07 to 1/10/08
Unbeaten Streak:	11	Providence (7-0-4), 12/29/07 to 2/10/08
In league play:	19	UNH (18-0-3), 10/21/07 to 10/22/08

HAT TRICKS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Result
9/27	Dominique Thibault	UConn	Sacred Heart	W, 13-0
9/27	Nicole Tritter	UConn	Sacred Heart	W, 13-0
10/4	Kristi Kehoe	NU	at Union	W, 6-0
10/18	Jennie Gallo	Maine	Sacred Heart	W, 11-1
10/25	Lauren Cherewyk	BU	Maine	W, 8-1
11/9	Julia Marty *	NU	Maine	W, 4-1
11/16	Kelli Stack	BC	Maine	L, 5-3
12/10	Allie Thunstrom	BC	at BU	W, 5-0
1/23/09	Dominique Thibault	UConn	vs. NU	W, 4-0
1/30	Sam Faber	UNH	at BC	W, 5-2

OVERTIME GOALS

Date	Player	Team	Opponent	Result
1/3	Danielle Welch !	BC	at Yale	W, 1-0
2/1	Nicole Tritter	UConn	vs. PC	W, 2-1
2/6	Mari Pehkonen	PC	vs. NU	W, 3-2
2/17	Courtney Birchard	UNH	at Harvard	W, 3-2

THE LAST TIME

A player had four goals:

Leah Craig, UNH at Niagara, 10/22/05

A rookie had a hat trick:

Alyse Ruff, PC, 2/17/07 vs. Northeastern

In league play: Alyse Ruff, PC, 2/17/07 vs. Northeastern

A defenseman had a hat trick:

Julia Marty, NU, 11/9/08 vs. Maine

A goaltender recorded 50 saves:

Florence Schelling !, NU, 2/6/09 at Providence (53)

In league play: Florence Schelling !, NU, 2/6/09 at Providence (53)

A team won five games in a row:

New Hampshire, 1/16/09 to present, 8 games

In league play: New Hampshire, 1/20/09 to present, 7 games

A team won 10 games in a row:

New Hampshire, 17 games, 1/14/06 to 3/17/06

In league play: New Hampshire 14 games, 1/14/06 to 2/26/06

A team was unbeaten in 10 straight games:

New Hampshire 12 games (11-0-1), 12/8/07 to 10/23/08

In league play: 38 games (35-0-3), 11/17/06 to 10/23/08

A team recorded 50 shots-on-goal:

New Hampshire, 1/24/09 vs. Maine (52)

In league play: New Hampshire, 1/24/09 vs. Maine (52)

* - defenseman ! - rookie * neutral site game

100+ POINTS

Date	Player	Opponent	Current Points
10/21/07	Sam Faber, UNH	at BU	185
10/11/08	Kelli Stack, BC	Rensselaer	141
12/14/08	Dominique Thibault, UConn	Harvard	111
2/3/09	Allie Thunstrom, BC	vs. Northeastern (BP)	103
2/8/09	Kacey Bellamy, UNH	at Vermont	103
2/14	Kelly Paton, UNH	PC	102

ON THE ROAD TO 100 CAREER POINTS

Player	Points
Gina Kearns, BU	98
Meghan Fardelmann, BC	97
Vanessa Vani, Maine	94
Becky Zavisza, BC	94
Jenn Wakefield, UNH	90
Melissa Anderson, BU	88