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25-12-1 (15-8-1 HEA) 1

Final Stats and Notes
Hockey East Tournament Semifinal #1
March 18, 2022
TD Garden I Boston, Mass.

























## Game Notes Hockey East Semifinal

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#### 2022 Hockey East Championship Semifinals

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**BOSTON** – Freshman Chase Bradley set up two goals including the eventual game-winner and goalie Darion Hanson backboned a solid defensive effort as fourth-seeded UConn knocked off top-seeded Northeastern, 4-1, in the semifinals of the 37th annual Hockey East Championship Friday afternoon at TD Garden.

With the win, UConn, in its ninth season in Hockey East, advances to its first-ever appearance in the conference title game. The Huskies take on the winner of the second semifinal between second-seeded and defending Hockey East champion Massachusetts and third-seeded UMass Lowell at 7 p.m. (TV-NESN).

UConn had an early edge in the play, with a 12-7 advantage in the first, to start its impressive attack, outshooting the regular season champs, 37-25 for the game, tallying at least a goal in each period.

UConn's Vladislav Firstov opened the scoring at 11:39 of the first, tapping in a nice left-to-right feed from Nick Capone moments after a Northeastern penalty expired. Chase Bradley also assisted on Firstov's 11th goal of the season. At 14:13, NU tied it on its first power-play opportunity with Aiden McDonough firing one home from the top of the right circle. Jordan Harris and Gunnarwolfe Fontaine picked up assists on McDonough's league-leading 24th goal of the year, his sixth with an extra skater.

Five and a half minutes into the second with NU again on the power play, UConn captain Carter Turnbull's shorthanded breakaway bid was turned aside by Levi. Hanson was equal two minutes later, stopping NU's Jack Hughes on a partial break.

Bradley set up UConn's go-ahead goal at 13:47 of the middle period with two point-blank bids, one stopped by Levi and another off the post. Defenseman Roman Kinal followed him down the slot and beat Levi with his third of the season.

UConn sophomore Ryan Tverberg made it 3-1 jumping on a turnover deep in the Northeastern end and tucking it around Levi for his 14th of the year 4:32 into the third. Senior Marc Gatcomb capped the scoring with an unassisted empty net goal with 2:08 to go, his eighth

Levi, the Pro Ambitions Hockey East Rookie of the Year and first team all-star goaltender, finished with 33 saves while Hanson made 24 stops. UConn was 0-for-3 on the power play, scoring twice right after penalties expired, while Northeastern was 1-for-5.

UConn improved to 20-15-0, reaching 20 victories in a season for its first time in Hockey East. Northeastern fell to 19-13-3 with the loss and will find out Sunday if it advances to the NCAA tournament as an at large selection.



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- •This is the first-ever Hockey East semifinals win for UConn, who will play for their first-ever Hockey East Championship tomorrow night at TD Garden (7 p.m., TV-NESN).
- •Connecticut wins its first-ever semifinal after last week recording its first-ever tourney win over Boston University in the quarterfinals. They also now have won 20 games (20-15-0) for the first time in none
- •UConn reaching the final means all 11 Hockey East programs have reached the title game. If it wins Saturday, they will become the ninth different champion (only UConn, Merrimack & Vermont yet to win title)
- •This is the second postseason meeting between the two teams, and first in the semifinals. Northeastern hosted UConn in a 2017 opening round series, Northeastern swept the series, winning 3-1 and 6-2
- •These teams met three times in the regular season with Northeastern taking two of three. Northeastern still leads all-time series (14-6-0).
- UConn's balanced attack had goals from four different Huskies. Vladislav Firstov, Roman Kinal, Ryan Tverberg and Marc Gatcomb.
- •UConn is now 8-1-0 when Vladislav Firstov scores a goal this season
- UConn's penalty kill ranks 8<sup>th</sup> nationally and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Hockey East, successfully killed off 3 consecutive penalties after allowing a 1<sup>st</sup> period power play goal.
- •Hockey East 2<sup>nd</sup>-leading regular season point scorer and First Team All-Star Ryan Tverberg netted his 1<sup>st</sup> goal of the Tournament to put UConn up 3-1.
- •Top-seeded Northeastern was in its 11th semifinal (3-8), and won its last title in 2019, the last championship held at TD Garden. They captured its first regular season title this season.
- •Both head coaches, Jerry Keefe of Northeastern and Mike Cavanaugh of UConn, each were making their first semifinal appearances as head coaches. Keefe, the Bob Kullen Hockey East Coach of the Year in his first season at NU, was a longtime assistant for Northeastern and was a part of the school's two most recent Hockey East titles. Cavanaugh, in his ninth season at UConn, was previously an assistant at Boston College where he was part of nine Hockey East titles.
- •Hockey East regular season leading goal scorer Aidan McDonough scored on the power play goal. He now has 24 goals this season.



## **Goal Descriptions Hockey East Semifinal**

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Per.	Team Time (Strength)	No. Player (Goal #)	Assists (Assist #)	Score
1	UConn 11:39 (EV)	10 Firstov (11)	21 Capone (7) // 20 Bradley (4)	1-0 UConn
After	a puck battle on the left wa	all, the puck squirts to Bra	adley. Bradley carries the puck across	the top of the
zone a	and dishes a pass towards r	net. The puck gets tipped	from Capone to Firstov who is in from	t of the net.
Firsto	v collects the pass with his	skate and buries the pucl	k, beating Levi on the right blocker sid	e.

1 NU 14:13 (PP) 25 McDonough (24) 2 Harris (15) // 11 Fontaine (17) 1-1 Tie Harris starts at the top of the zone and passes the puck to Hughes who then moves the puck to Fontaine streaking down the left side of the zone. Fontaine back passes the puck to Harris at the top of the slot. Harris fires a pass to McDonough who one-times the puck from the top of the right faceoff circle past Hanson to the top right corner of the net.

2 UConn 13:47 (EV) 4 Kinal (3) 20 Bradley (5) // 27 Rees (10) 2-1 UConn Rees makes a stretch pass to Bradley as he enters the left side of the zone. Bradley takes the puck straight to the net and wrists the puck on goal that is initially saved by Levi. Bradley collects his own rebound and fires a shot that ricocheted off the post and right to the stick of Kinal as he crashes the net. Kinal one times the rebound to the right blocker side of Levi.

**3 UConn 4:32 (EV)**28 Tverberg (14) unassisted

3-1 UConn

Tverberg intercepted a pass intended for Northeastern's Novak and then heads to the net skating the perimeter of the crease. Tverberg stick handles around Kislin then tucks the puck behind the outstretched stick side of Levi.

3 UConn 17:52 (EN) 17 Gatcomb (8) unassisted 4-1 UConn Connecticut defender forces the puck from a Northeastern skater and Gatcomb picks up the loose puck and takes it to the empty net, backhanding the puck home to the bottom right side of the goal.

## 4-1 FINAL

**UConn Goals:** Firstov, Kinal (GWG), Tverberg, Gatcomb

**NU Goals:** McDonough

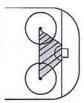


### **Grade A Scoring Chances Hockey East Semifinals**

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### Requirements:

- Clean possession (or potential for)
   Clear path to opening
- 3. Shot within grade-A range



PERIOD	TIME (on clock)	TEAM	No.	DESCRIPTION	RESULT
1	16:18	UConn	8	Wrap around from behind the net	Save
1	15:58	UConn	11	Net front scramble	Save
1	14:24	UConn	14	Back hand shot	Save
1	8:43	NU	10	2 on 1 Shorthanded break	Save
1	8:21	UConn	10	Loose puck on feed from behind net	UConn 1 <sup>st</sup> goal
1	7:05	UConn	7	Loose puck on turnover	Shot wide
2	19:54	NU	2	Writ shot in the slot	Save
2	18:10	NU	21	Loose puck in front	Save
2	17:40	NU	27	Deflected off point shot	Save
2	14:32	UConn	8	Breakaway	Save
2	12:24	NU	27	Breakaway	Save
2	10:09	UConn	32	In tight sharp angle	Wide
2	8:41	UConn	8	Deflected off point shot	Save
2	6:42	UConn	8	Wrap around in front	Save
2	6:13	UConn	4	Rebound off post shot	2 <sup>nd</sup> UConn goal
2	5:53	NU	16	Shot in slot	Save
2	4:40	UConn	8	Stuff on goal line	Save
2	4:23	UConn	28	Deflected in front of net	Wide
3	19:05	UConn	11	One timer in slot	Save



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3	16:34	NU	27	Net front chance, around defenseman	Save
3	15:28	UConn	28	NU Turnover	UConn 3 <sup>rd</sup> Goal
3	13:29	NU	27	Wrist shot left Circle	Save
3	9:22	UConn	21	Breakaway out of Box	Shot Wide
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#### 2021-22 Men's Ice Hockey Box Score Report

Mar 18, 2022, Start time: 04:00 PM, TD Garden, Boston, Massachusetts Attendance: 0

UCONN (20-15-0)

VS

### NORTHEASTERN (25-12-1)

Huskies

#### Box score

	Prd	Time	Team		Scored by	Assists	Visitors on ice	Home on ice
1.	1st	11:39	UCONN	EV	Vladislav Firstov/11	Nick Capone/7 Chase Bradley/4	G33, 27, 6, 10, 20, 21	G1, 18, 2, 19, 13, 27
2.	1st	14:13	NU	PP	Aidan McDonough/24	Jordan Harris/15 Gunnarwolfe Fontaine/17	G33, 18, 60, 20, 11	G1, 2, 25, 11, 16, 27
3.	2nd	13:47	UCONN	EV	Roman Kinal/3	Chase Bradley/5 Harrison Rees/10	G33, 27, 4, 20, 10, 21	G1, 12, 2, 25, 16, 27
4.	3rd	04:32	UCONN	EV	Ryan Tverberg/14	-	G33, 18, 4, 22, 28, 32	G1, 8, 3, 10, 11, 29
5.	3rd	17:52	UCONN	EN	Marc Gatcomb/8		G33, 18, 4, 17, 20, 11	12, 2, 25, 16, 27, 29

#### Goals by period

Team	1	2	3	Tot
UCONN	1	1	2	4
NU	1	0	0	1

#### Shots by period

Team	1	2	3	Tot
UCONN	12	16	9	37
NU	7	10	8	25

#### **Team summary**

Husk	Huskies, UConn							
#	Player	G	Α	Р	PM	BL	SH	+/-
4	Roman Kinal	1	0	1	0	1	3	3
6	Ryan Wheeler	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<u>7</u>	Jonny Evans	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<u>8</u>	Carter Turnbull	0	0	0	4	0	4	0
10	Vladislav Firstov	1	0	1	2	0	3	2
11	Jachym Kondelik	0	0	0	0	1	3	1
<u>16</u>	Jake Flynn	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
<u>17</u>	Marc Gatcomb	1	0	1	2	2	4	1
18	John Spetz	0	0	0	0	4	4	2
19	Kevin O'Neil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Chase Bradley	0	2	2	0	1	4	3
21	Nick Capone	0	1	1	2	1	2	2
22	Hudson Schandor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
23	Carter Berger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	Harrison Rees	0	1	1	0	1	1	2
28	Ryan Tverberg	1	0	1	2	0	2	1
29	Jake Veilleux	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
32	Artem Shlaine	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
<u>33</u>	Darion Hanson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>60</u>	Jarrod Gourley	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
31	Matt Pasquale				dn	р		
35	Logan Terness				dn	р		
	Totals:	4	4	8	12	17	37	20

#	Player	G	Α	Р	РМ	BL	SH	+/-
1	Devon Levi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Jordan Harris	0	1	1	0	3	3	-3
3	Jayden Struble	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1
4	Jeremie Bucheler	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
5	Matt Choupani	0	0	0	0	2	3	0
7	Michael Outzen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Julian Kislin	0	0	0	2	0	0	-1
<u>10</u>	Jakov Novak	0	0	0	0	1	0	-1
<u>11</u>	Gunnarwolfe Fontaine	0	1	1	0	1	3	-1
<u>12</u>	Tommy Miller	0	0	0	0	2	0	-2
13	Ryan St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
16	Sam Colangelo	0	0	0	2	0	1	-2
18	Tyler Spott	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1
19	Riley Hughes	0	0	0	0	4	0	-1
20	Alex Mella	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
21	Matt Demelis	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
24	Steven Agriogianis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Aidan McDonough	1	0	1	0	0	2	-2
27	Jack Hughes	0	0	0	2	2	5	-3
<u>29</u>	Justin Hryckowian	0	0	0	0	0	3	-2
33	33 TJ Semptimphelter				dn	р		
	Totals:	1	2	3	8	19	25	-21

#### Power play goals-ATT (SH)

Period	UCONN	NU
1st	0-1(1)	1-1(3)
2nd	0-2(4)	0-2(1)
3rd	0-0(0)	0-2(1)
Total	0-3(5)	1-5(5)

#### **Penalty minutes**

Period	UCONN	NU
1st	3-6	2-4
2nd	1-2	2-4
3rd	2-4	0-0
Total	6-12	4-8

#### Three stars

#### Officials

Referee: Walker Holton
Referee: Peter Schlittenbardt
Linesman: Bob Bernard
Linesman: Steven Murray

#### Goaltenders

Huskies, UConn								
#	Player	Min	GA	1	2	3	Saves	
33	Darion Hanson	60:00	1	6	10	8	24	
			w	in - D	arion H	ansoi	n (20-14-0)	

							Huskies	
#	Player	Min	GA	1	2	3	Saves	
1	Devon Levi	58:10	3	11	15	7	33	
TM	EMPTY NET	01:50	1	0	0	0	0	
	Loss - Devon Levi (21-9-1)							



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#### **Penalty summary**

Prd	Player	Team	Min	Offense	Time	
1st	Jeremie Bucheler	NU	2	Roughing	09:22	
1st	Carter Turnbull	UCONN	2	Roughing	09:22	
1st	Jack Hughes	NU	2	Roughing	09:22	PP
1st	Carter Turnbull	UCONN	2	Slashing	13:32	PP
1st	Ryan Tverberg	UCONN	2	Slashing	18:27	PP

Prd	Player	Team	Min	Offense	Time	
2nd	Vladislav Firstov	UCONN	2	Hooking	04:16	PP
2nd	Julian Kislin	NU	2	Holding	11:13	PP
2nd	Sam Colangelo	NU	2	Boarding	14:20	PP
3rd	Nick Capone	UCONN	2	Roughing	08:28	PP
3rd	Marc Gatcomb	UCONN	2	Tripping	18:51	PP

#### **Faceoff summary**

Huskies,	UConn			
#	Player	w	L	FO%
8	Carter Turnbull	8	8	50.0
11	Jachym Kondelik	6	18	25.0
22	Hudson Schandor	5	1	83.3
32	Artem Shlaine	3	10	23.1
21	Nick Capone	0	2	0.0
	Totals:	22	39	36.1

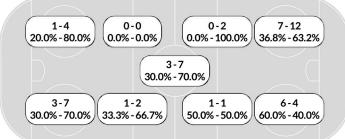
				Huskies
#	Player	W	L	FO%
29	Justin Hryckowian	13	11	54.2
27	Jack Hughes	12	5	70.6
21	Matt Demelis	10	6	62.5
7	Michael Outzen	4	0	100.0
	Totals:	39	22	63.9

#### Faceoff chart

Huskies, UConn

Huskies

FACEOFFS	WON
1st Period	6
2nd Period	8
3rd Period	8
At even strength	14
Power play	5
Short handed	3



WON	FACEOFFS
15	1st Period
14	2nd Period
10	3rd Period
31	At even strength
8	Power play
0	Short handed

#### Power play summary

Huskies, U	JConn					
Prd	Start	End	Elapsed	Shots	(Opp)	
1	09:22	11:22	02:00	1	0	
2	11:13	13:13	02:00	3	1	
2	14:20	16:20	02:00	1	0	
			Summary: 3 o	pps, 5 shots, 0	goal, time 06	:00

Huskies						
	(Opp)	Shots	Elapsed	End	Start	Prd
PPG	0	2	00:41	14:13	13:32	1
	0	2	02:00	00:27	18:27	2
	1	0	02:00	06:16	04:16	2
	0	1	02:00	10:28	08:28	3
	0	0	01:09	20:00	18:51	3
me 07:50	ots 1 goal ti	5 opps. 5 sh	Summary:			

**Shootout summary** 

No Shootouts

Penalty shot summary

No Penalty Shots