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## Adriana van de Leest Named Hockey East Player of the Month

*Babey, Sundby, Chan Get The Nod As Rookie, Defender, Goalie of the Month*

### HOCKEY EAST PLAYER OF THE MONTH



#### Adriana van de Leest - Maine (Sr., D; Kelowna, B.C.)

Adriana van de Leest paced all Hockey East skaters and was fourth in the nation with six points in just three December games, posting one goal and five assists. She put seven shots on goal and assisted on one game-winning goal. She ended 2024 riding a four-game point streak (1g, 6a) and a two-game multi-point streak. She assisted on all three Maine goals in a 4-3 overtime setback to UConn.

**Runner-Up** - Kyla Josifovic, UConn

Dec.	Opponent	Result	G-A-P
6	BOSTON UNIV.	L, 1-3	0-1-1
7	UCONN	L, 3-4	0-3-3
14	MERRIMACK	W, 3-2	1-1-2
<b>Total</b>		<b>1-2-0</b>	<b>1-5-6</b>

### PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE MONTH



#### Sage Babey - Merrimack (Fr., F; Saskatoon, Sask.)

Sage Babey factored heavily in Merrimack's three games in December, scoring the Warriors' lone goal in a 2-1 setback against UVM before exploding for two goals and a primary assist on the overtime, game-winning goal in a 3-2 victory the next day over Holy Cross. After scoring a power-play goal, her second tally came with just 10 seconds remaining in regulation with an extra attacker to force the bonus frame.

**Runner-Up** - Claire Murdoch, UConn

Dec.	Opponent	Result	G-A-P
6	VERMONT	L, 1-2	1-0-1
7	HOLY CROSS	W, 3-2	2-1-3
14	MAINE	L, 2-3	0-0-0
<b>Total</b>		<b>1-2-0</b>	<b>3-1-4</b>

### ARMY ROTC DEFENDER OF THE MONTH



#### Kendall Sundby - Maine (Fr., D; Hammond, Wis.)

No rookie in the NCAA had more points in December than Kendall Sundby's four in just three games for the Maine Black Bears. Her two power-play strikes also tied for the national lead. She recorded at least one point in all three games, including a career-best two-point outing (1g, 1a) on Dec. 7 against UConn.

**Runner-Up** - Hailey Eikos, Vermont

Dec.	Opponent	Result	G-A-P
6	BOSTON UNIV.	L, 1-3	1-0-1
7	UCONN	L, 3-4	1-1-2
14	MERRIMACK	W, 3-2	0-1-1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1-2-0</b>	<b>2-2-4</b>

### STOP IT GOALTENDING GOALTENDER OF THE MONTH



#### Tia Chan - UConn (Sr., G; Hamilton, Ont.)

Tia Chan won both of her stats in December, claiming a 2-1 win with 27 saves at New Hampshire and following it up the next day at Maine with a 24-save victory. Her two wins were the most in Hockey East and second-most in the NCAA

**Runner-Up** - Abby Hornung, Holy Cross

Dec.	Opponent	Result	MIN	SVS	GA
6	at UNH	W, 2-1	59:58	27	1
7	at Maine	W, 4-3	60:32	24	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>2-0-0</b>	<b>120:30</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>4</b>
			<b>1.99 GAA,</b>	<b>.927 SV%</b>	

