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THREE LEAGUE TEAMS TAKE HOME MAJOR AWARDS

~Regan named Player of the Year; Wilson named Top Rookie; Sneddon wins Coach Award~

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. – Senior goaltender Kevin Regan (South Boston, Mass.) of the University of New Hampshire has been unanimously selected as the 2007-08 CCM / RBK Hockey East Player of the Year, the league announced today.

Regan dominated the top three statistical categories for goaltenders in Hockey East play this year, leading by large margins in goals-against-average (1.83), save percentage (.940) and wins (18), and backstopped the Wildcats to Hockey East's regular season title for the second consecutive year.

Boston University freshman Colin Wilson (Winnipeg, Man.) was chosen as the Pro Ambitions Rookie of the Year, nearly finishing among Hockey East's top five scorers in just his first season.

In just his program's third year in Hockey East, University of Vermont Head Coach Kevin Sneddon was chosen by his peers as the CCM / RBK Bob Kullen Coach of the Year. Following two sixth-place finishes, Sneddon steered his team to a third-place finish this year, ahead of even defending tournament champion Boston College.

The other significant individual award winners to be honored at tonight's annual Hockey East Championship Banquet include UNH's Joe Charlebois (Potsdam, N.Y.), the Old Time Hockey Best Defensive Defenseman and BC's Matt Greene (Plymouth, Mass.), the Best Defensive Forward. BU forward Chris Higgins (Lynnfield, Mass.) was chosen by the coaches, sports information directors and referees as the winner of the Len Ceglarski Sportsmanship Award.

CCM/RBK PLAYER OF THE YEAR
KEVIN REGAN, NEW HAMPSHIRE *
(SR. G; SOUTH BOSTON, MASS.)

RUNNER-UP: BRYAN EWING, BOSTON UNIVERSITY



CCM/RBK BOB KULLEN
COACH OF THE YEAR
KEVIN SNEDDON, VERMONT

RUNNER-UP: DICK UMILE, NEW HAMPSHIRE



HOCKEY EAST SCORING CHAMPION
BRYAN EWING, BU (35 POINTS)
(SR. F; PLYMOUTH, MASS.)

RUNNERS-UP: PETE MACARTHUR, BOSTON U. (34 PTS.)

ITECH GOALTENDING CHAMPION
KEVIN REGAN, NEW HAMPSHIRE (1.83 GAA)
(SR.; SOUTH BOSTON, MASS.)

RUNNER-UP: TYLER SIMS, PROVIDENCE (2.30 GAA)

BEST DEFENSIVE FORWARD
MATT GREENE, BOSTON COLLEGE
(SR. F; PLYMOUTH, MASS.)

RUNNER-UP: LUKE POPKO, BU; DEAN STRONG (UVM)

PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE YEAR
COLIN WILSON, BOSTON UNIVERSITY
(FR. F; WINNIPEG, MAN.)

RUNNER-UP: JAMES vanRIEMSDYK, NEW HAMPSHIRE

LEN CEGLARSKI SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD
CHRIS HIGGINS, BOSTON UNIVERSITY
(JR. F; LYNNFIELD, MASS.)

RUNNER-UP: BRAD FLAISHANS, NEW HAMPSHIRE

CHARLIE HOLT TEAM SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD
UMASS-LOWELL RIVER HAWKS
RUNNER-UP: VERMONT CATAMOUNTS



HUMBOLDT STORAGE AND MOVING
"THREE STARS" AWARD
BRYAN EWING, BOSTON UNIVERSITY
(SR. F; PLYMOUTH, MASS.)

RUNNER-UP: BRAD THIESSEN, NORTHEASTERN



OLD TIME HOCKEY
BEST DEFENSIVE DEFENSEMAN
JOE CHARLEBOIS, NEW HAMPSHIRE
(JR. D; POTSDAM, N.Y.)

RUNNERS-UP: BRIAN STRAIT, BOSTON UNIVERSITY

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GARDEN FIELD ACCOUNTS FOR NINE ALL-STAR SPOTS **~Eight of 10 league teams represented on All-Star squads~**

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. -- The Hockey East Association today announced its 2007-08 All-Star teams, and eight of the 10 Hockey East teams were represented among the selections. Regular season champion University of New Hampshire led the way as all five of its seniors were chosen, making it one of the most decorated senior classes in Hockey East history.

UNH goaltender and CCM/RBK Hockey East Player of the Year Kevin Regan (South Boston, Mass.) was the only unanimous First Team All-Star, but was joined on the top squad by teammates Brad Flaishans (Glendale, Ariz.) and Mike Radja (Yorkville, Ill.) Boston University forwards Bryan Ewing (Plymouth, Mass.) and Pete MacArthur (Clifton Park, N.Y.) finished 1-2 in Hockey East scoring this season, together leading a resurgent Terrier team, and were subsequently selected as First Team All-Stars, as was BU defenseman Matt Gilroy (North Bellmore, N.Y.) Boston College sniper Nathan Gerbe (Oxford, Mich.) rounded out the First Team.

The Second Team was much more diverse, representing six different teams. UMass Lowell forward Kory Falite (Billerica, Mass.) was the only sophomore All-Star, as he led all players in league play this season with 15 goals. UNH's Matt Fornataro (Calgary, Alb.) and Northeastern's Joe Vitale (St. Louis, Mo.) were the other forwards, while the defensemen were UMass' Mike Kostka (Ajax, Ont.), UNH's Craig Switzer (Peachland, B.C.) and Matt Taormina (Washington Township, Mich.) of Providence College. Maine's Ben Bishop (Des Peres, Mo.) was chosen as the Second Team's goaltender, boasting a .923 save percentage in league play, second only to Regan.

The Pro Ambitions All-Rookie Team was also diverse. The University of Massachusetts had two selections, forward James Marcou (King Park, N.Y.) and goaltender Paul Dainton (Genelle, B.C.), as did Boston University in forward Colin Wilson (Winnipeg, Man.), the league's Rookie of the Year, and defenseman Kevin Shattenkirk (New Rochelle, N.Y.) Semifinalists BC and UNH had one player each named among the best rookies, as did UMass Lowell.

2007-08 HOCKEY EAST ALL-STARS

First Team

Kevin Regan (UNH, Sr., G) *
Brad Flaishans (UNH, Sr., D)
Matt Gilroy (BU, Jr., D) ¹
Nathan Gerbe (BC, Jr., F) ²
Bryan Ewing (BU, Sr., F)
Pete MacArthur (BU, Sr., F) ^{2,4}
Mike Radja (UNH, Sr., F)

Second Team

Ben Bishop (Maine, Jr., G)
Mike Kostka (UMass, Sr., D)
Craig Switzer (UNH, Sr., D)
Matt Taormina (PC, Jr., D)
Kory Falite (UML, So., F)
Matt Fornataro (UNH, Sr., F)
Joe Vitale (NU, Jr., F)

*denotes unanimous selection

Honorable Mention All-Stars:

Goaltender: Joe Fallon (Vermont)
Defensemen: Bret Tyler (Maine), Cody Wild (Providence)
Forwards: Matt Jones (Merrimack), Jon Rheault (Providence), Viktor Stalberg (Vermont)

* - unanimous choice

¹ - First Team All-Star in 2006-07

² - Second Team All-Star in 2006-07

³ - First Team All-Star in 2005-06

⁴ - Second Team All-Star in 2005-06



2007-08 Pro Ambitions All-Rookie Team

Paul Dainton (Massachusetts)	G
Maury Edwards (UMass-Lowell)	D
Kevin Shattenkirk (Boston U.)	D
James Marcou (Massachusetts)	F
Joe Whitney (Boston College)	F
James vanRiemsdyk (UNH)	F
Colin Wilson (Boston U.)	F