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THIS IS HOCKEY EAST

The Hockey East Association enters its 36th season on the ice in 2019-20 as it has consistently proven as the strongest NCAA Division I college hockey conference from top to bottom, boasting 115 NCAA Tournament berth teams, more than any other conference since Hockey East's inception. More recently, Hockey East led the way at the June 2019 NHL Draft where more of its athletes, current and committed, were chosen than any other conference.

Hockey East has seen a steady rise to prominence since its founding charter on July 11, 1983, when the possibility of an apparent Ivy League departure threatened the ECAC. In response, the athletics directors from Boston College, Boston

University, New Hampshire, Northeastern and Providence unveiled a new Division I men's ice hockey conference. Together, Bill Flynn of Boston College, John Simpson of Boston University, Andy Mooradian of New Hampshire, Joe Zabilski of Northeastern and Lou Lamoriello of Providence launched Hockey East with Lamoriello assuming the role of the league's first commissioner.

Later that summer, the Board of Directors added the University of Maine and the University of Lowell (now UMass Lowell). Official conference competition of the seven-team league began with the 1984-85 season. Soon after, the league expanded to nine teams with the additions of Merrimack College (1989) and the University of Massachusetts (1993). The entry of the University of Vermont for the 2005-06 season raised the

conference membership to 10 teams before the University of Notre Dame was accepted as the league's 11th member on October 5, 2011. The Fighting Irish started Hockey East play in 2013-14, the season before Hockey East's newest program, the University of Connecticut, began play.

Hockey East has set new competitive standards for college hockey success, annually compiling an impressive collective winning percentage against non-conference opponents, including a record .705 during the 2002-03 season and a .669 win percentage during the 25th anniversary season of 2008-09. Since its inception in 1984, Hockey East has sent 115 teams to the NCAA Tournament, more than any other conference in that span. Over the last 25 years, Hockey East has cemented itself as the nation's elite college hockey league, having earned 36 of the 100 berths in the NCAA Frozen Four and boasting nine NCAA title winners: the University of Maine in 1993 and 1999, Boston University in 1995 and 2009, Boston College in 2001, 2008, 2010 and 2012 and Providence College in 2015.

In its most impressive NCAA postseason showing, Hockey East boasted three of the four Frozen Four participants in 1999, as Maine triumphed over UNH, 3-2, in overtime in an

All-Hockey East final, the second time in five seasons that had occurred. Hockey East sent three teams to the NCAA Tournament in 2018, marking 15 times in the last 16 seasons that three or more Hockey East teams have qualified. In 2015, two of those squads, Boston University and Providence, clashed in the NCAA title game at the TD Garden in Boston, Massachusetts.

Hockey East has proven to be an equally strong presence off the ice and in the classroom. League athletes continue to demonstrate their commitment to overall excellence, as the Hockey East All-Academic Team honored 161 student-athletes for outstanding academic achievement during the 2018-19 academic year, including four players with perfect 4.0 GPAs.

Hockey East athletes also make a positive impact on many community service programs across the region, volunteering with youth hockey associations and community service organizations. Six Hockey East athletes have received the prestigious Hockey Humanitarian Award, while 10 others have been finalists for the honor including Notre Dame's Anders Bjork and Merrimack's Collin Delia in 2017.

However, it is the quality of its individual players as leading athletes that most sets Hockey East apart from the rest. Eleven Hockey East players have won the Hobey Baker Memorial Award as the top player in college hockey, most recently Massachusetts' sophomore defenseman Cale Makar in 2019, the first Minuteman to claim the nation's highest individual honor. Dozens more have been named as finalists and hundreds of other Hockey East players have moved on to play in the NHL.

A total of 695 Hockey East student-athletes have been selected in the NHL Entry

Draft in the 36-year history of the league, and 96 Hockey East alumni appeared on NHL rosters in 2018-19, more than any other college hockey conference. That number is 16 more than the second place team and nearly double that of the next-closest conference.

In 2019, the Stanley Cup Champion St. Louis Blues were peppered with Hockey East talent. Boston College's Zach Sanford (2014-16) has appeared in 60 games for St. Louis this season and in three games during the Blues' playoff run. In the front office, the Blues carry Amateur Scout Keith Tkachuk (Boston University, 1990-91). St. Louis also has four players in their minor league system who were developed in Hockey East, including Bryan Flynn (Maine, 2008-12), Erik Foley (Providence, 2015-18), Nolan Stevens (Northeastern, 2014-18), and Jake Walman (Providence, 2014-17.)

The reach of Hockey East continues to grow as new state-of-the-art facilities are constructed, increasing capacities and amenities for college hockey fans. In turn, fans have responded with over one million spectators coming out to watch Hockey East teams during the 2018-19 season for the 14th consecutive year. #

2018-19 COACHES POLL

Rk.	Team	<u>Pts</u>
1.	Boston College (5)	93
2.	Providence (4)	92
3.	Boston University (1)	84
4.	Northeastern	66
5.	Maine	61
6.	Massachusetts	56
7.	UMass Lowell	52
8.	UConn	41
9.	New Hampshire	26
10.	Vermont	19
11.	Merrimack	15

first-place votes in parentheses























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FLAGSHIP RADIO (Live game broadcasts)

WWBZ-FM 98.5 – Boston, Mass. (BC)
WWZN-AM 1510 – Boston, Mass. (BU)
WHUS-FM 91.7 – Storrs, Conn. (UConn)
WVOM-FM 103.9 – Bangor, Maine (Maine)
WHMP-FM 96.9 – Amherst, Mass. (UMass)
WGHM-AM 900 – Nashua, N.H. (UML)
WGIR-AM 610 – Manchester, N.H. (UNH)
WRBB-FM 104.9 – Boston, Mass. (NU)
WHFB-FM 99.9 – Mishawaka, Ind. (UND)
WOON-AM 1240 – Woonsocket, R.I. (PC)
WVMT-AM 620 – Burlington, Vt. (UVM)

Other live game broadcasts for Maine

WVQM-FM 101.3 – Augusta, Maine WSYY-AM 1240 – Millinocket, Maine WLOB-AM 1310 – Portland, Maine WJB-FM 96.3 – Portland, Maine WRED-AM 1440 – Portland, Maine WRKD-AM 1450 – Rockland, Maine

Other live game broadcasts for UNH

WZEI-FM 101.5 – Concord/Meredith, N.H.
WPKX-AM 930 – Dover/Portsmouth/Rochester, N.H.
WQSO-FM 96.7 – Dover/Portsmouth/Rochester, N.H.
WEEY-FM 93.5 – Keene, N.H.
WTSL-FM 94.3/94.5/AM 1400 Lebanon/Claremont/Hanover, N.H.
WSMN-AM 1590 – Nashua, N.H.
WASR-AM 1420 – Wolfeboro, N.H.

Other live game broadcasts

WHMP-AM 1440 – Northampton, Mass. (UMass)
WHMQ-AM 1240 – Greenfield, Mass. (UMass)
WSMN-AM 1590 – Nashua, N.H. (UML)
WGAM-AM 1250 – Manchester, N.H. (UML)
WCAP-AM 980 – Lowell, Mass. (NUL)
WRCA-AM 1330 – Boston, Mass. (NU road only)

TELEVISION (Live game broadcasts)

Cox Sports (Providence, R.I.) NBC Sports Network (NBCSN) New England Sports Network (NESN) WBIN - Derry, N.H WPFO-TV 23 (FOX) – Portland, Maine

TELEVISION (General coverage)

Comcast Sports Net (CSNNE)
New England Cable News (NECN)
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WHDH-TV 7 (NBC) – Boston, Mass.
WBZ-TV 4 (CBS) – Boston, Mass.
WFXT-TV 25 (FOX) – Boston, Mass.
WLVI-TV 56 (WB) – Boston, Mass.
WGGB-TV 40 (ABC) – Springfield, Mass.
WSHM-TV 3 – Springfield, Mass.
WWLP-TV 22 (NBC) – Springfield, Mass.
WWLP-TV 22 (NBC) – Bangor, Maine
WLBZ-TV 2 (NBC) – Bangor, Maine
WBZ-TV 2 (NBC) – Portland, Maine
WGME-TV 13 (CBS) – Portland, Maine
WGME-TV 10 (NBC) – Providence, R.I.
WLNE-TV 6 (ABC) – Providence, R.I.
WPRI-TV 12 (CBS) – Providence, R.I.
WPRI-TV 5 (NBC) – Burlington, Vt.
WFFF-TV 44 (FOX) – Burlington, Vt.

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CAMPUS MEDIA

CAMPUS	PRINT	ONLINE	RADIO
Boston College	The Heights	bcheights.com	WZBC-FM 90.3
Boston University	Daily Free Press	dailyfreepress.com	WTBU-FM 89.3
UConn	The Daily Campus	dailycampus.com	WHUS-FM 91.7
Maine	Maine Campus	mainecampus.com	WMEB-FM 91.9
Massachusetts	Daily Collegian	dailycollegian.com	WMUA-FM 91.9
UMass Lowell	The Connector	uml.edu/connector	WUML-FM 91.5
Merrimack	Merrimack Beacon	merrimackbeacon.com	-
New Hampshire	The New Hampshire	tnhonline.com	WUNH-FM 91.3
Northeastern	Huntington News	huntington-news.com	WRBB-FM 104.9
Notre Dame	The Observer	ndsmcobserver.com	WVFI-FM
Providence	The Cowl	thecowl.com	WDOM-FM
Vermont	Vermont Cynic	vermontcynic.com	WRUV-FM 90.1

Most campus radio stations and web sites carry live game broadcasts.

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For up-to-date information, including league news, standings, statistics and more, check out the official league website: HockeyEastOnline.com

Player and team statistics are updated following every game, usually within 30 minutes of the games' completion.

Press releases are sent to selected media every Monday and Thursday afternoons during the season and are also available online for both media and public use. Any member of the media may be added to our direct distribution list upon request. Contact information should be sent to Associate Commmissioner Brian Smith.





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THE JOE CONCANNON HOCKEY EAST MEDIA AWARD



ABOUT THE JOE CONCANNON HOCKEY EAST MEDIA AWARD: The prestigious honor, named in 2001 in memory of long-time Boston Globe sportswriter Joe Concannon, is bestowed annually to an individual who has demonstrated a superior body of work in covering and promoting the Hockey East Association over an extended period of time. The 2019 recipient of the award is Mark Divver of USCHO.com and formerly of the Providence Journal.

A Rhode Island native, Divver grew up a passionate hockey fan, routing for his hometown Providence Reds of the AHL while attending Providence College Friars and Brown University Bears games. Upon graduating from the University of Rhode Island, Divver began his journalism career with newspapers around Connecticut and on Cape Cod before joining the Providence Journal in 1988 where he would remain for 31 years.

Divver worked as a ProJo news editor for several years before moving to the sports department as an assistant sports editor. It was during this time that Divver became the lead hockey writer for the Providence Journal in addition to his former duties.

Over the last 10 years, Divver has served the Rhode Island community as the preeminent hockey writer in the area, covering all levels of hockey including the Providence Bruins and Providence College Friars, including each of the Friars NCAA Tournament appearnaces and 2015 National Championship season.

After leaving the ProJo after the completion of the 2018-19 season, Divver will continue his writing for U.S. College Hockey Online and NHL.com.

Joe Concannon Award Winners

1992 Larry Mahoney, Bangor Daily News

1993 Bob Whitelaw, New England Sports Network

1994 Bob Monahan, Boston Globe

1995 John Connolly, Boston Herald

1996 Charles Scoggins, Lowell Sun

1997 Bob Norton, New England Sports Network

1998 Joe Concannon, Boston Globe

1999 Dick Osborne, UNH Sports Network

2000 Bill Doherty, Huskies Radio

2001 Dave Hendrickson, U.S. College Hockey Online

2002 Roger Brown, Portsmouth Herald

2003 Bernie Corbett, Giant Sports Associates

2004 Rob Rudnick, Huskies Radio

2005 Eric Frede, NESN/CodRock Media

2006 Dan Hannigan, WZON/CodRock Media

2007 Allen Lessels, New Hampshire Union Leader

2008 Mike Logan, Providence College Radio

2009 Bob Ellis, UMass Lowell Radio

2010 Brock Hines, UMass Sports Network

2011 Mike Machnik, Merrimack Radio, USCHO & CHN

2012 Jim Connelly, U.S. College Hockey Online

2013 Dan Parkhurst, UNH Radio/TV & Merrimack Radio

2014 Pete Webster, Wildcat Sports Radio Network

2015 Nancy Marrapese-Burrell, Boston Globe

2016 Ted Ryan, Burlington Free Press

2017 Pete Souris, New Hampshire/Hockey East/UMass Lowell

2018 Tom Caron, New England Sports Network

2019 Mark Divver, Providence Journal/USCHO



Tom Caron was presented with the Joe Concannon Hockey East Media Award on October 1, 2018 at the league's annual media day celebration at TD Garden.























COMMISSIONER JOE BERTAGNA





The 2018-19 hockey season will be the last as Hockey East Commissioner for Joe Bertagna.

Bertagna has carved out a unique career in ice hockey, both at the amateur and professional levels. He is in his 38th year as a college hockey administrator, the 2018-19 season marking his 22nd year with Hockey East, after serving in a

similar capacity with the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) for 15 years. He is the longest serving commissioner in Hockey East history and is currently the longest serving hockey commissioner in the NCAA. In September of 2016, Hockey East directors extended Bertagna's contract through the 2019-20 season as a direct response to a number of triumphs for the conference, including a successful hosting of the 2015 NCAA Frozen Four in Boston, a new television contract, multiple sold-out events at Fenway Park, and the

addition of the University of Notre Dame and the University of Connecticut to the conference membership

In the summer of 2017, Bertagna's career accomplishments were recognized with a pair of prestigious honors as he was presented the Distinguished Service Award by USA Hockey and was inducted into the Massachusetts Hockey Hall of Fame by Massachusetts Hockey. The Distinguished Service Award was of particular satisfaction to Bertagna given that previous recipients included two of his college coaches, Tim Taylor and Bill Cleary, along with Hockey East luminaries Jerry York, Jack Parker and Ben Smith. In the spring of 2018, his ECAC years were recognized when he was inducted into the ECAC Hall of Fame

Since starting as a player at Harvard University in 1969, Bertagna has served the game as coach, administrator and journalist. The latter role has been largely overshadowed by his coaching and administrative accomplishments but

Bertagna has authored a number of books, the most recent being, "The Hockey Coaching Bible," released in the fall of 2015 by Human Kinetics. The collection of instructional pieces includes chapters written by a number of coaches with ties to Hockey East, including Bertagna, Mike Cavanaugh, Mark Dennehy, Nate Leaman, Jack Parker and Ben

Bertagna has also written numerous books on goaltending as well as a pictorial history of Harvard University athletics. In the mid-1980's, Bertagna also edited two editions of "Not The Boston Globe". a successful parody of the daily newspaper sold throughout New England.

Bertagna is best known for his administrative work in college hockey. After spending 15 years as the primary ice hockey administrator the ECAC. Bertagna became Hockey East's fourth commissioner on July 1, 1997. A native of Arlington, Massachusetts, Bertagna began working at the ECAC in 1982, when he was named Tournament Director. He was later named Executive Director of Ice Hockey before he was appointed Ice Hockey Commissioner in 1991.

Bertagna made his mark immediately at Hockey East, engineering a multi-year television deal (SportsChannel New England) in his first month on

the job. Shortly thereafter, league tournament attendance rocketed upward, leading to the event's first-ever sellout in 2000. Bertagna was instrumental in bringing about the formation of the Women's Hockey East Association, just as he initiated league play for both Division I and Division III women's programs while with the ECAC. In 2013, the directors recognized his contributions to the women's game by dubbing the Women's Hockey East championship trophy the Bertagna Trophy.

Media coverage has soared under Bertagna's direction, as evidenced by his engineering numerous regional and national deals with New England Sports Network (NESN), the American Sports Network, NBC Sports Network and ESPN3.

Bertagna has also delivered a number of high profile special events for Hockey East member schools. During the 2015-16 season, UMass Lowell and Northeastern University played in the first Friendship Four Tournament over Thanksgiving weekend in Belfast, Northern Ireland, along with Brown University and Colgate University. Vermont and Massachusetts followed a year later and this fall, Maine and Providence will participate. Boston University



Bertagna was on hand to announce the Belfast Friendship Four in April 2015, bringing college hockey overseas for the first time.

and UConn are slated to appear next season.

administered the first outdoor college hockey

In January of 2010, Bertagna and his staff

game in the east when Boston's fabled Fenway Park played host to a Hockey East doubleheader. The event, which sold out on the first day of public sale in September 2009, was an unprecedented success for the conference, both financially and in terms of exposure. In January 2012, Bertagna negotiated another

contract with the Red Sox, creating a doubleheader for January 2012 featuring the league's four Division I state universities: Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont. As in 2010, the event sold out, leading to the addition of third contest, BC vs. Northeastern. For the 2014 iteration, Bertagna negotiated for the inclusion of eight of Hockey East's 11 men's teams, including newcomer Notre Dame. In 2017, another pair of doubleheaders insured that all Hockey East schools have enjoyed the Fenway experience since the outdoor games

Nationally, Bertagna has been the Executive Director of the American Hockey Coaches Association since 1991, the only person to serve in that capacity. In this role, he has overseen

the growth of AHCA membership from fewer than 300 members in 1992 to more than 1,400 members today. He has served two separate stints on the NCAA Ice Hockey Rules Committee, chairing the committee each time. He also serves on the Board of Directors of both USA Hockey and the Hockey Humanitarian Award Foundation.

Another major contribution on the national stage has come in his continuing role with the Hockey Commissioners Association (HCA). The commissioners of the six NCAA Division I men's ice hockey conferences have launched a number of initiatives that have helped grow the game at the national and international levels. In recent years, Bertagna was instrumental in securing funds for the formation of College Hockey, Inc., the marketing arm of the HCA.

Beyond his college hockey accomplishments, Bertagna has forged an international reputation as a student and coach of goaltending. No one in North America is respected more for his contributions to the study of the position. Last year, he celebrated his 45th year as a goalie coach, having operated his own clinics for thousands of goalies of all ages throughout New England since

1974. He continues to speak on the subject for USA Hockey throughout the United States. Through his camps, lectures, print materials and DVDs, he has influenced the teaching of young goaltenders more than any other goaltending coach in the United States. His seventh DVD, "Goaltending Today: Traditional Values through New Techniques," was released by Championship Productions of Ames, Iowa, in 2011. He began his professional coaching career in 1985 with the Boston Bruins, remaining with the club as the goaltender coach until 1991 and rejoining the team for the 1994-95 season. He also part of the coaching staffs of the U.S. Men's National Team at the 1991 Canada Cup, the U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team at the 1994 Winter Olympics, and with the Milwaukee Admirals from 1994-96.

Bertagna enjoyed a brief college coaching career at Harvard University in the late 1970s, serving as Men's Junior Varsity Coach in 1976-77 and launching Harvard's women's ice hockey program in 1977-78. He served as head coach of Harvard Women's Hockey for two seasons. Beginning with this experience, Bertagna has dedicated his professional years to advancing the interests of women's ice hockey.

As a player, Bertagna began at Arlington (Mass.) High School, before going on to Harvard University. During his early career, he played for and learned from four Hall of Fame coaches: Ed Burns at Arlington, and Ralph 'Cooney" Weiland, Bill Cleary and Tim Taylor at Harvard. A two-year starter at Harvard (1971-72 and 1972-73), Bertagna led the lvy League with a 2.45 GAA in 1972. After Harvard, he played professionally for the Milwaukee Admirals and in Cortina, Italy. He helped lead his S.G. Cortina d'Ampezzo squad to the 1975 Italian Championship.

Bertagna and his wife Kathy, a two-sport athlete at Bates College, reside in Gloucester with their three children, Bobby, Joey, and Grace.

















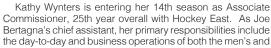






LEAGUE STAFF

Kathy Wynters Associate Commissioner





women's leagues, along with the administration of the two championship tournaments, and special events like Frozen Fenway, Belfast Friendship Four Tournament, and the Men's Frozen Four. She also oversees both the Hockey East licensing and sponsorship programs. Prior to her promotion, Wynters served Hockey East as Director of Marketing and Special Events from 2001-06.

Wynters was the driving force behind the creation of both the "Road to the TD Garden" and the "Bertagna Trophy" Tours, as well as the Hockey East Kids Club, and "Skating Strides Against Breast Cancer" initiative. After 13 seasons, the Skating Strides program has raised nearly \$400,000 for grass roots breast cancer initiatives, while at the same time has increased attendance at women's hockey games and has given the student-athletes the opportunity to give back to the communities in which they

study and play hockey. The Skating Strides program was recognized in May 2016 as a "100 Everyday Amazing" recipient. Sponsored by Mass General Hospital, this international award program honors individuals and groups — caregivers, researchers, philanthropists, advocates and volunteers from around the globe — whose commitment to the fight against cancer is inspirational.

A native of Quincy, Massachusetts, the former Kathy Walsh earned a B.S. degree in marketing from Providence College in 1982. She began her career while an undergraduate, as a three-year intern with the men's hockey team. Following graduation, she served the Friars in two capacities; first as Assistant Sports Information Director (primary men's hockey contact) and then as Assistant Athletic Director, Athletic Marketing. While at PC, and before Hockey East had a full-time staff, Wynters worked with former PC athletic director, and then Commissioner, Lou Lamoriello on the launch of the conference in 1983, and then coordinated the first three Hockey East championship tournaments (1985-87). She also served as Tournament Director for the 1986 NCAA Men's Frozen Four at the Providence Civic Center, co-hosted by Brown and Providence College.

In 1988, Wynters left her position at PC and moved over to Hockey East on a full-time basis, where she served the conference as Assistant Commissioner during the late 80's and early 90's, before going on to work for the New Jersey Devils in the NHL, spending three years as a Marketing Director, coordinating licensing and souvenir merchandising. Among her earlier accomplishments at Hockey East, Wynters worked with Joe Bertagna in coordinating the first and only "Hockeyfest" events combining the FCAC and Hockey East championships into single weekend events from 1989-91.

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Kathy and her husband Chuck (a retired on-ice official for Hockey East), reside in Waltham, Massachusetts. They have two grown children: daughter Annie (27), works for the Teach for America organization, and son Charles (26), is a certified athletic trainer (ATC) and office manager of an orthopedic practice in the Boston area.



Brian Smith Associate Commissioner

Smith enters his sixth season with the Hockey East Association and third as Associate Commissioner after spending three years as Director of Communications. In this role, he is responsible for all marketing and public and media relations efforts from the league office.

During the summer of 2019, Smith engineered and negotiated Hockey East's first-ever multi-media rights deal, aggregating all Hockey East content within the linear television and digital space. Under the multi-faceted agreement, Hockey East cemented its relationship with NESN as the league's premier television partner while also joining forces with one of the most highly-trafficked streaming services in the country, CBS All Access. With Hockey East's rights centralized, live and on-demand content from the league's 12 member institutions became more accessible to fans across the league, and North America, than ever before.

In his first four years with Hockey East, Smith has revitalized the digital presence of the conference by revamping the league website, HockeyEastOnline.com twice and its social media channels to develop the most heavily followed accounts in college hockey. Smith also served as the main media contact for the 2015 Frozen Four, hosted by Hockey East and the TD Garden, and has assisted in the

successful execution of the Friendship Four Tournament in Belfast, Northern Ireland and Frozen Fenway events.

Smith has been involved with numerous other endeavors during his time with Hockey East, including assisting with NCAA Ice Hockey Officiating Department programs, serving on the media relations team at Frozen Four, directing the 2015 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, aiding with the media operations of the American Hockey Coaches Association, and serving as Assistant Venue Press Officer for Gillette Stadium during the 2016 Copa

Prior to joining the conference in July 2014, Smith spent two years with USA Hockey as the Brian Fishman Intern, a prestigious program that develops young professionals in the athletic communications business. Dividing his time with USA Hockey between the national office in Colorado Springs, Colorado and the National Team Development Program, then located in Ann Arbor, Michigan, Smith traveled extensively while assisting in numerous international tournaments as the main media contact for U.S. national teams. While with the NTDP, Smith served as the main media contact for both the U.S. National Under-17 and Under-18 teams. Additionally, Smith played an integral role in the execution of the 2012 and 2013 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies.

Smith also has spent time working with the Boston Bruins and New England Revolution in various roles. With the Bruins from 2010-12, Smith worked alongside a communications staff that received the Dick Dillman Award and was charged with media relations duties during the 2011 Stanley Cup Final. With the New England Revolution, Smith oversaw all aspects of the New England Revolution Charitable Foundation and assisted with all match day operations, including international friendlies at Gillette Stadium.

A former high school hockey player at Woburn Memorial High School, Smith is a 2012 graduate of Boston College with a degree in English and Communications. He earned four varsity letters in track and field while competing in the Atlantic Coast Conference during his time with the Eagles.

Rachel Thomson Graduate Assistant



Rachel Thomson is a 2019 graduate from the University of New Hampshire and majored in Business Administration - Marketing, and minored in Kinesiology. Thomson was a four-year member of the UNH Field Hockey Team, competing in the America Fast Conference

At UNH, she worked for the Event Staff and Facilities Management of UNH Athletics. This included behind-the-scenes

work, and game day operations of athletic events. Thomson also served as the head coach for the club program at Plex Field Hockey, and has coached at various summer field hockey camps and clinics while also offering private lessons.

Serving as a summer intern for Hockey East in 2018, Thomson found a true interest in sports administration, specifically within ice hockey. Looking to gain knowledge and experience through the Hockey East Graduate internship, she hopes to pursue a career in athletics. A native of Reading, Massachusetts, Thomson attended Reading High School and lettered in Field Hockey, Ice Hockey and Lacrosse.

Annie Zampitella Graduate Assistant



Annie Zampitella recently graduated from the University of Massachusetts where she earned her degree in Sport Management from the Isenberg School of Management. She is the first UMass alumni to join the Hockey East graduate assitant program.

During her time at UMass, Zampitella served as Secretary of the McCormack Student Leaders Club, a student-run organization dedicated to

networking and gaining hands-on experience in the sport industry. She also served as the head manager for the UMass Women's Basketball team where she worked directly with coaches, players, and staff in daily operations and traveling.

Outside of UMass, Zampitella spent her summers working in collegiate and minor league baseball and her winters volunteering with Hockey East at events such as Frozen Fenway and the Hockey championship weekend at TD Garden.

She is excited to follow her passion and continue her career working in the hockey industry.























LEAGUE STAFF





Dan Schachte Coordinator of Officials

In his eighth season with Hockey East, Dan Schachte handles all the day-to-day operations of the league's officiating program.

Schachte finished a 30-year career as an National Hockey League linesman in 2011-12. He worked 2,009 regular-season games in the NHL dating back to 1982,

which ranks fifth all-time and first all-time among American-born NHL officials. He also worked 221 Stanley Cup playoff games, which ranks eighth all-time among NHL linesman. He worked five Stanley Cup Finals ('97, '98, '00, '01, '02) and worked Game 7 of the 2001 Stanley Cup Finals. He was one of a select group chosen as linesmen for the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, completing his duties with the Bronze

Schachte also served on the NHLOA Discipline Committee from 2002 to 2010, as well as the NHLOA Executive Board (1991-1992) and the NHL Injury Analysis Panel in 2002. He has served as an Officiating Supervisor for USA Hockey since 2011, mentoring many of the top young officials in the United States with instruction and training at camps around the country. Schachte was a Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) and United States Hockey League (USHL) referee for two years (1980-1982), and co-founded the Wisconsin Elite Hockey League (WEHL) in 2006.

Schachte studied Mechanical Enginering at the University of Wisconsin. He resides in Verona, Wisconsin, with his wife Kim and children, Danny, lan, Lauren and Maddy.



Dick DeCaprio Chief Observer

Dick DeCaprio enters his eighth season as Chief Observer for Hockey East, after serving as Supervisor of Officials for six seasons. DeCaprio is a former on-ice official, who succeeded 12-year veteran supervisor Brendan Sheehy in 2006.

DeCaprio, a native of Arlington, Massachusetts, has enjoyed a wide range of hockey experiences since his graduation from Boston University in 1968. Following his playing days for Jack Kelley, DeCaprio became a referee, working high school and college games, including Hockey East games, for more than two decades. Toward the end of his officiating career, he began assigning high school games in the Greater Boston area.

Professionally, DeCaprio has been a teacher and administrator in the Arlington Public Schools for nearly 40 years. After serving as an assistant coach in both football and ice hockey at Arlington, DeCaprio succeeded the legendary Eddie Burns as head hockey coach of Arlington's storied program in 1997. In that time, he has compiled an outstanding record of 129-55-22, leading the Spy Ponders to six league titles and six appearances in the prestigious "Super Eight" tournament. His contributions to high school hockey have earned him induction into the Massachusetts State Hockey Coaches Association's Hall of Fame as both a referee and a coach.

Beyond these experiences, DeCaprio enjoyed two different stints as an assistant coach at UMass Lowell (1969-70 and 1989-91) and also served as a scout for the St. Louis Blues from 1985 to 1988. An outstanding teacher, DeCaprio has also directed the Spy Pond Power Skating Hockey School and Clinic since 1980.

He and his wife Marsha reside in Chelmsford.



Chuck Napoli Observer

Chuck Napoli begins his eighth season as an observer for Hockey East.

Napoli has worked part-time for the Boston Bruins as a video goal judge since 1991 in addition to his fulltime job at Raytheon as an area supervisor since 1979.

Napoli, a 1988 graduate of Northeastern University, is a lifelong resident of Belmont and has a daughter Elena and grandson Jacob.

ROSTER OF OFFICIALS

Name Years of Se	rvice	Name Years of Se	rvice
Chris Aughe	20	Tim Low	21
Mike Baker	5	Josh Lupinek	5
Shane Belanger	13	Curtis Marouelli	5
Tim Benedetto	29	Steve McInchak	5
Bob Bernard	22	Chris Millea	17
Brendan Blanchard	11	Jack Millea	18
Kevin Briganti	4	Geoff Miller	8
Nicholas Briganti	4	Terrence Murphy	5
Jeff Bunyon	29	Andy O'Brien	16
Steven Capraro	5	Barry Pochmara	6
Paul Carnathan	5	Tom Quinn	22
Peter Catalano	6	Matt Riegert	14
Tom Cronin	14	Bob Ritchie	13
Jay Durfee	5 5	Joe Ross	4
Eric Frank		Rick Santilli	18
Tom Fyrer	21	Peter Schlittenhardt	4
Ken Gates	5	Paul Scleparis	29
Brent Gawlik	6	Jason Shattie	6
Tommy George	7	Kevin Shea	22
John Gravallese	35	Robby Shintani	5
C.J. Hanafin	9	Wayne Silva	14
Dave Hansen	16	Andrew Spinali	6
Scott Hansen	21	Alex Stagnone	5
Ryan Hersey	7	Marc Sullivan	14
Marty Hughes	11	Peter Tarnaris	4
Kevin Keenan	18	Pat Turcotte	6
Brendan Kelleher	17	Cam Voss	6
Jamie Koharski	5	Steve Waters	4
Jeremy Lewis	6	Charles Weber	4
Jeremy Lovett	17		



Dan Parkhurst Web Site Coordinator

Parkhurst enters his 23rd year of affiliation with Hockey East as the league's web site designer and coordinator.

Dan assists in the league's public relations efforts with multimedia solutions and day-to-day online

efforts, including game-night services, video editing and statistical enhancements

In November of 1997, Parkhurst helped bring Hockey East into the digital age with the launching of HockeyEastOnline.com, the official web site of Hockey East. Since then, he has constantly sought to improve the site through innovations and multiple re-designs including the most recent overhaul in the summer of 2018.

A former play-by-play voice for UNH hockey on radio and television. He has also worked behind the mic for ESPN, NBCSN and other national and regional television networks.

Parkhurst is a 1993 graduate of UNH, where he served as the Wildcats' team manager. He now resides in Conway, New Hampshire, with his wife Lynn. They have two children, Jonny (25) and Riley (19), an aspiring musician.

























HISTORY IN HEADLINES

July 11, 1983 - The Athletics Directors of five ECAC schools — Bill Flynn of BC, John Simpson of BU, Andy Mooradian of UNH, Joe Zabilski of Northeastern and Lou Lamoriello of Providence College — agree to form a new college hockey conference, to begin play in 1984-85. The league is officially founded exactly one month later.

August 23, 1983 - The University of Maine is admitted as the 6th member of Hockey East.

September 28, 1983 - The University of Lowell is admitted as the 7th member of Hockey East.

October 21, 1983 - Lou Lamoriello is named the first Hockey East Commissioner.

January 18, 1984 - Formal presentation of the Hockey East name and logo is made at a press conference at the Parker House in Boston.

August 29, 1984 - Hockey East enters into a three-year agreement with the NESN and WSBK-TV in Boston. The television contract, a first for college hockey, includes coverage of nearly 30 regular season games per season.

October 12, 1984 - The inaugural season of Hockey East starts with four inter-league crossover games vs. WCHA teams.

March 16, 1985 - The Providence Civic Center hosts the first Hockey East Championships. Providence College defeats Boston College, 2-1 in double overtime, to take the first Hockey East Championship title. Providence junior goaltender Chris Terreri is named Hockey East Tournament MVP after backstopping the Friars to the Hockey East title with a 65-save performance in the championship game. Two weeks later, the Friars take three overtimes to beat BC again in the NCAA semifinals. Although Providence yielded to Rensselaer, 2-1, in the title game, Terreri is selected Most Outstanding Player.

March 15, 1986 - Boston University wins its first Hockey East championship with a 9-4 win over Beanpot rival Boston College. MVP Peter Marshall remains the only player to ever score a hat trick in the Hockey East title game.

June 21, 1986 - History is put into motion with the drafting of four Hockey East players in the first round of the NHL Entry Draft. Incoming BC freshman Brian Leetch is the first Hockey East selection, going ninth overall to the New York Rangers, a team he leads to the Stanley Cup championship in 1994. Scott Young (BU), Craig Janney (BC) and Tom Fitzgerald are the other first round picks - each enjoys a successful NHL career.

July 1, 1987 - Dennis Hanks is promoted from Director of Communications to temporary Executive Director of Hockey East, succeeding Commissioner Lou Lamoriello, who accepted a position with the NHL's New Jersey Devils.

March 7, 1988 - The Executive Committee unanimously christens the league championship trophy "The Lamoriello Cup" to honor the league's first commissioner. A permanent legacy trophy in his name is commissioned 10 years later.

June 20, 1988 - Stu Haskell, Commissioner of the North Atlantic Conference and former Athletics Director at the University of Maine, is named commissioner of Hockey East.

January 30, 1989 - Merrimack College is announced as the 8th member of Hockey East and begins league competition the following season.

February 28, 1989 - BC head coach Len Ceglarski becomes the first coach in college hockey history to reach the 600-win plateau with a 3-1 win at Boston University.

March 30, 1990 - Hockey East again sends two teams (BC and BU) to the NCAA Frozen Four.

January 17, 1991 - The Athletics Directors vote to name the conference tournament MVP trophy after William Flynn, the outgoing BC Athletics Director. They also vote to name the Coach of the Year Award in memory of Bob Kullen, former head hockey coach at the University of New Hampshire who passed away earlier in the season at age 41 after a long illness.

February 25, 1991 - Boston College claims its third consecutive regular season championship, its sixth in the seven-year history of Hockey East.

March 31, 1991 - David Emma of Boston College receives the 1991 Hobey Baker Award, becoming the first Hockey East player to claim it.

April 2, 1992 - Hockey East boasts seven All-America picks. One day later, Maine's Scott Pellerin becomes Hockey East's second consecutive Hobey Baker Award winner.

March 11, 1993 - Maine freshman Paul Kariya is named Hockey East's Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year, matching Brian Leetch's feat following the 1986-87 season. He soon becomes the third consecutive Hockey East player to win the Hobey Baker Award, and remains the only freshman ever designated for the honor

March 23, 1993 - The University of Massachusetts is announced as the ninth member of Hockey East and begin competing in league play in 1994-95.

April 3, 1993 - Trailing 4-2 vs. defending NCAA champion Lake Superior State in the 1993 title game, the University of Maine gets three goals in the third period from senior captain Jim Montgomery to claim Hockey East's first NCAA championship. The team also sets a new NCAA record by finishing with a 42-1-2 record. Montgomery is an obvious pick as Most Outstanding Player.

September 30, 1993 - Robert M. DeGregorio, Jr., is named acting commissioner of Hockey East and serves in that capacity for four seasons.

March 2, 1994 - After 10 seasons of play, Hockey East announces its first All-Decade Team. Forwards are John Cullen (BU), David Emma (BC), Craig Janney (BC), Paul Kariya (Maine), Jim Montgomery (Maine) and Scott Pellerin (Maine). Defensemen are Brian Leetch (BC), Rob Gaudreau (PC), Peter Ahola (BU) and Greg Brown (BC). The goaltenders are Chris Terreri (PC) and Bruce Racine (NU).

March 15, 1994 - For the first time ever, four Hockey East teams are selected for the NCAA Tournament — Boston University, UMass Lowell, New Hampshire and Northeastern.

April 1, 1995 - Boston University and Maine face off for the NCAA Championship in the first title game between two Hockey East schools. BU defeats Maine, 6-2, thanks in part to two goals from Most Outstanding Player, Chris O'Sullivan.

November 3, 1995 - Northeastern University reopens the newly-renovated Boston Arena, the oldest ice hockey arena in the world, rededicated as Matthews Arena.

November 10, 1995 - New Hampshire opens up its new athletic facility and rink, Towse Rink at the Whittemore Center, with a 6-5 overtime win over top-ranked Boston University.

November 21, 1995 - BU Head Coach Jack Parker notches his 500th career win in a 7-1 home win over Cornell. Parker becomes the ninth coach in the history of college hockey to reach the 500-victory milestone.

November 30, 1996 - Boston College head coach Jerry York notches his 500th career win in a 6-4 victory at St. Lawrence.

July 1, 1997 - Joe Bertagna officially takes over as the fourth commissioner in Hockey East history. After a lengthy career with the ECAC, Bertagna becomes the league's first full-time commissioner.

November 17, 1998 - HockeyEastOnline.com, the official league web site, is launched.

January 24, 1998 - BC freshman goaltender Scott Clemmensen breaks a 44-year old NCAA record, playing 254:23 without allowing a goal.

January 27, 1998 - UMass Lowell christens the new Tsongas Arena.

March 29, 1998 - Hockey East dominates the NCAA East Regional, with BC and UNH advancing to the Frozen Four in Boston. All six players named to the East Regional All-Tournament team are from Hockey East.























HISTORY IN HEADLINES



April 3, 1998 - Boston University captain Chris Drury captures the Hobey Baker award, marking the fourth time a Hockey East player has been so honored in the decade of the '90's.

August 10, 1998 - Hockey East honors one of its own, renaming the team sportsmanship award the Charles E. Holt Team Sportsmanship Award in recognition of the legendary coach's lifetime achievements.

March 19, 1999 - BC successfully defends its Hockey East title against UNH by a score of 5-4 in overtime, but the bigger story is the new attendance record set: 28,038 for the two-day event, up almost 10,000 from one year prior.

April 6-8, 1999 - Hockey East enters three teams (BC, Maine, and UNH) in the NCAA Frozen Four, posting a 6-0 record against nonconference opponents along the way. Jason Krog of UNH wins the Hobey Baker Award, Hockey East's second in as many seasons and fifth of the '90's, but Maine captures the national title once again, taking a 3-2 OT decision from the Wildcats.

April 8, 1999 - Hockey East announces the largest corporate partnership in the history of college hockey as Bauer/Nike is named the "Official Equipment Supplier of Hockey East".

October 5, 1999 - Hockey East names the All-Decade Team of the 1990s. Included on the team are the five Hobey Baker winners - Chris Drury (BU), David Emma (BC), Paul Kariya (Maine), Jason Krog (UNH), and Scott Pellerin (Maine).

April 7, 2000 - Two Hockey East players collect the sport's highest individual honors. Boston College's Mike Mottau is named the third consecutive Hockey East Hobey Baker Award winner while Maine's Jim Leger receives the Hockey Humanitarian Award as college hockey's top citizen.

June 26, 2000 - BU's Rick DiPietro becomes the first goalie ever selected first overall in the NHL Entry Draft when the New York Islanders choose him as their goalie of the future. UMass Lowell's Ron Hainsey, along with BC's Brooks Orpik and Krys Kolanos, are also identified as elite prospects and are selected in the first round as well.

January 27, 2001 - Hobey Baker hopeful Brian Gionta of Boston College scores five goals on five shots in the first period of a 7-2 win over Maine

March 15, 2001 - Gionta becomes the first player ever to be named a Hockey East All-Star for four straight seasons. He finishes his career as the all-time leading goal-scorer in Hockey East play with 83 goals in 96 games.

April 7, 2001 - BC sophomore Krys Kolanos beats North Dakota goaltender Karl Goehring at 4:43 of overtime to clinch a long-awaited NCAA championship for the Eagles. Rookie Chuck Kobasew is named the Tournament's Most Outstanding Player, three weeks after being selected MVP of the Hockey East Tournament.

August 11, 2001 - Seven former Hockey East players are among the 15 pre-selected to represent Team USA's silver-medal winning entry at the 2002 Winter Olympics.

September 24, 2001 - Hockey East loses one of its most prominent icons when Maine head coach Shawn Walsh passes away at age 46 following a lengthy battle against cancer.

September 28, 2001 - The launch of a women's Hockey East league is announced with play scheduled to begin in 2002-03.

December 13, 2001 - 10,053 fans witness Colin Hemingway's six-point performance as UNH defeats Dartmouth, 6-3, in the first college hockey game at the new Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester, NH.

March 16, 2002 - A record crowd of 17,122 watches the UNH Wildcats win their first-ever Hockey East tournament title with a 3-1 win over arch-rival Maine.

April 12, 2002 - Maine head coach Tim Whitehead becomes the fourth different Hockey East coach in eight seasons to be acknowledged with the Spencer Penrose Award as the top college bench boss in the nation. He steered a team devastated by the death of former head coach Shawn Walsh all the way to the NCAA title game.

March 14, 2003 - A capacity crowd of 17,565 is treated to a night of spectacular hockey in the Hockey East semifinals at the FleetCenter. In the first game, UNH edges UMass, 5-4, in the first-ever semifinal appearance for the Minutemen. In the nightcap, an immediate classic, Boston University outlasts Boston College, 6-5 in double overtime.

September 30, 2003 - Hockey East opens its 20th anniversary season by announcing a new partnership with the New England Sports Network. The 2003-04 broadcast schedule includes regular season telecasts from eight of the nine Hockey East arenas, as well as live coverage of both the men's and women's championship games.

January 8, 2004 - The University of Vermont is admitted as the 10th member of Hockey East. The Catamounts are scheduled to begin league play in 2005-06.

March 20, 2004 - Maine goaltender Jimmy Howard is named Hockey East Tournament MVP after stopping 63 of 64 shots in a 2-1 triple overtime championship game win over UMass. Maine advances all the way to the NCAA title game, giving Hockey East a run of eight straight appearances in the culminating contest of the college hockey season. Howard sets new single season NCAA records for GAA (1.19) and save percentage (.956).

January 3, 2005 - Boston University opens the state-of-the-art Harry Agganis Arena with a 2-1 win over top-ranked Minnesota.

March 18-19, 2005 - The first-ever championship tournament sellout is achieved as 35,130 file into the FleetCenter for the two-day event.

January 12, 2007 - NESN launches "Friday Night Ice," the crown jewel in a television schedule that boasts more than 70 league games.

March 18, 2007 - Hockey East receives a record five invitations to the 16-team NCAA field

March 22, 2008 - The Eagles down Vermont 4-0 in the 24th annual Championship. The Catamounts make their first HEA title game appearance in school history.

April 12, 2008 - Boston College defeats CCHA foe Notre Dame, 4-1 at the Pepsi Center in Denver, Colorado for its third National Championship in school history. Junior Nathan Gerbe is named Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament with eights points (5g,3a) in two Frozen Four contests.

March 20-21, 2009 - NJ Devils President Lou Lamoriello presents BU the Lamoriello Trophy as the 25th tournament champion. 17 Hockey East alumni of the Top 50 all-time HEA players return for the championship weekend festivities.

April 10, 2009 - BU blueliner Matt Gilroy returns Hockey East to the Hobey Baker podium, becoming the league's 7th player to be honored as the nation's best.

April 11, 2009 - Boston University wins its fifth national title in school history with an amazing comeback against Miami. The Terriers score two extra attacker goals in the final minute of the game and Terrier Colby Cohen wins it in overtime.

January 8, 2010 - Boston University defeats Boston College, 3-2, in front of 38,472 freezing fans at historic Fenway Park.

October 5, 2011 - Notre Dame is announced as the 11th member of Hockey East.

January 7, 2012 - Another sellout crowd for Frozen Fenway witnesses two overtime thrillers: Massachusetts defeating Vermont, 3-2, and Maine beating New Hampshire, 5-4.

























HISTORY IN HEADLINES

June 21, 2012 - The league officially accepts Connecticut as the 12th member school.

March 23, 2013 - UMass Lowell shuts out Boston University, 1-0, at the TD Garden for its first Hockey East Tournament Championship in school history.

January 4-11, 2014 - Eight member schools participate in the third edition of Frozen Fenway, attracting 57,149 fans for two doubleheaders.

March 21-22, 2014 - UMass Lowell goalie Connor Hellebuyck completes back-to-back shutouts of Notre Dame and UNH at TD Garden to lead UML to their second-straight league title.

April 11, 2014 - BC's Johnny Gaudreau becomes the 8th Hockey East player to claim the Hobey Baker Award, following a brilliant junior season in which he tied Paul Kariya's record 31-game point streak, notching 29 goals and 32 assists in the span.

October 18, 2015 - UConn is welcomed into the Hockey East family, playing its first league game at Merrimack, a 2-1 overtime loss. The Huskies would collect their first league win on Nov. 5 against No. 5 Boston College, 1-0, in their first home game.

March 6, 2015 - No. 12 UMass and No. 5 Notre Dame play the longest college hockey game in history, as Shane Walsh's fifth-overtime goal lifted the Minutemen over the Irish after 151:42 of play. Notre Dame goaltender Cal Petersen set an NCAA record in this game with 87 saves in a 4-3 loss.

March 25, 2015 - Boston University captures the eighth Hockey East Tournament title in program history, toppling UMass Lowell, 5-3, at TD Garden.

April 10, 2015 - Hockey East boasts its second consecutive Hobey Baker Award winner as BU's Jack Eichel becomes just the second freshman to capture the trophy. Eichel led the nation in point scoring as a rookie.

April 11, 2015 - Providence College wins the first NCAA national title in school history, 4-3, over Boston University at TD Garden. Goaltender Jon Gillies is named Most Outstanding Player of the Frozen Four.

September 21, 2015 - Hockey East announces a two-year partnership with American Sports Network, leading to a record 105 Hockey East games finding a home on television in 2015-16.

January 22, 2016 - Boston College head coach Jerry York wins his 1000th career game with an 8-0 decision over UMass.

March 18, 2016 - UMass Lowell defeats Providence, 2-1, in triple overtime of the Hockey East semifinals, ending the ninth-longest college hockey game in history.

March 19, 2016 - Northeastern wins its second Hockey East tournament title in school history, and its first since 1988.

March 20, 2016 - Six Hockey East teams are selected to the NCAA tournament, tying the highest total from a single league in NCAA history. With those six selections, Hockey East has now had 105 teams chosen to the NCAA Tournament field, more than any other conference since Hockey East's inception in 1984

January 7 & 15, 2017 - In frigid temperatures and snow storms, the fourth edition of Frozen Fenway provides men's and women's teams an unforgettable experience in America's Most Friendly Ballpark.

February 25, 2017 - For the first time in league history, Hockey East crowns tri-champions as UMass Lowell, Boston University, and Boston College each earning 29 points in conference play.

March 16, 2017 - Hockey East announces the Hockey East All-Tournament Team will be now known as the Steve Nazro All-Tournament Team, named after the long-time TD Garden VP of Special Events.

March 18, 2017 - UMass Lowell claims its third Lamoriello Trophy as Hockey East Tournament Champions in its fifth straight trip to the title game.

January 1, 2018 - Fifteen players with ties to Hockey East are named to national teams in the 2018 Olympic Winter Games, including Boston University junior Jordan Greenway, who became the first black player named to a U.S. Olympic Ice Hockey roster.

February 10, 2019 - Legendary New Hampshire head coach Dick Umile is presented with the Hockey East Founders Medal.

March 17, 2018 - Boston University captures its ninth Hockey East Tournament title, 2-0, over Providence.

April 6, 2018 - Northeastern's Adam Gaudette becomes the first Husky to win the Hobey Baker Memorial Award, the ninth player from Hockey East to be honored as the nation's top player.

September 10, 2018 - Hockey East begins celebration of its 35th season on the ice, including unveiling a new logo.

March 22, 2019 - Boston College tops UMass, 3-0, in the Hockey East semifinals to become the first-ever seven seed to advance to the title game at TD Garden. In between semifinal games, Boston College's Tom Peters and UMass Lowell's Dana Skinner are presented with the Hockey East Founders Medal.

March 23, 2019 - Northeastern wins its third Lamoriello Trophy and second in four years as goaltender Cayden Primeau stopped 141 shots, including 38 saves in the title game. **April 1, 2019** - UMass and Providence advane to the NCAA Frozen Four, the 14th time that two Hockey East programs moved onto college hockey's final weekend in the league's 35-year history.

April 9, 2019 - UMass's Greg Cravel is named AHCA Coach of the Year.

April 12, 2019 - Hockey East sweeps the major individual awards as Boston University's Joel Farabee, Northeastern's Cayden Primeau, and UMass's Cale Makar win the Tim Taylor Award, Mike Richter Award, and Hobey Baker Award, respectively.

April 13, 2019 - UMass appears in the national title game for the first time in program history, falling to UMD, 3-0.

June 24, 2019 - Hockey East sets a record with 27 players selected in the NHL Draft, including four in the first round.

July 22, 2019 - Hockey East Commissioner Joe Bertagna and the Hockey East Athletic Directors announce that 2019-20 will be Bertagna's 23rd and final season as commissioner of the league.























TOURNAMENT AND THE LAMORIELLO TROPHY





On March 7, 1988, the Hockey East Executive Committee voted to name the conference championship trophy the Lamoriello Trophy. The title honors Lou Lamoriello, the

first commissioner of Hockey East and a leader in the formation of the conference. The league commissioned the creation of a permanent trophy in 1998, and it was delivered in time for the 1999 championship.

Lamoriello served as the Providence College head coach for 15 seasons (1968-83), guiding the Friars to an overall record of 248-179-13, a winning percentage of .580. He led the Friars to a 33-10-0 mark in the 1982-83 campaign, the best in the nation that year. Providence also reached the Frozen Four that season for the first time since 1964. Lamoriello resigned as coach following that season to devote more time to his role as the Providence Athletics Director, a post to which he was appointed in July of 1982.

With the Athletics Directors from Boston College, Boston University, New Hampshire and Northeastern, Lamoriello formed the Hockey East Association in July of 1983. He was the driving force in the history-making interlocking schedule agreement with the Western Collegiate Hockey Association and in the first-ever college hockey television package.

A native of Johnston, R.I., Lamoriello attended LaSalle Academy and graduated from Providence College in 1963. As an undergraduate, Lamoriello lettered in baseball and hockey, serving as captain for each team during his senior year. He was inducted into the Providence College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1980.

In April of 1987, Lamoriello resigned as Commissioner of Hockey East and as PC Athletics Director to take the position of President and General Manager of the NHL's New Jersey Devils.

Lamoriello continued to succeed in the NHL as the Devils have won the Stanley Cup three times during his tenure. Five former Hockey East players — Kevin Dean (UNH), Brian Gionta (BC), Bill Guerin (BC), Jay Pandolfo (BU) and Chris Terreri (PC), have won at least one Cup each under Lamoriello's watch.

Lamoriello has won on the international level as well. He organized the Team USA entry in both the 1996 World Cup of Hockey and the 1998 Winter Olympics as the General Manager of each team. The former, paced by Hockey East alumni Brian Leetch (BC), Keith Tkachuk (BU) and Tony Amonte (BU) beat Canada in the finals, two games to one, to win the inaugural World Cup.

Lamoriello was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in the builders category in 2009, and entered the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame in 2012.

2020 HOCKEY EAST TOURNAMENT

In a departure from the format of the last few years, just eight of the 11 teams will qualify for the 2020 Hockey East tournament for the second straight year. The top four teams in the league standings will host seeds five through eight on campus in the quarterfinals in the first round of the playoffs, while the remaining teams will be eliminated from championship contention.

The four quarterfinal winners will be reseeded again as they advance to the TD Garden in Boston for the semifinals and Championship Game.

Tickets for the Hockey East Championship at the TD Garden will go on sale in early October and can be purchased by calling (800) 745-3000 or by visiting Ticketmaster.com.

The winner of the conference tournament receives an automatic berth in the NCAA Division I Ice Hockey Championship Tournament.



TD GARDEN

The Hockey East Championships were first held at the Providence Civic Center following the inaugural season of 1984-85. After several successful showings at the original Boston Garden, the tournament moved with its sister events to the FleetCenter, the Garden's successor. The FleetCenter was re-christened as the TD Garden in the summer of 2005.

The building has become a recognized leader in hosting college hockey events, having set attendance records for the NCAA Frozen Four in 1998, and boasting progressively larger crowds for the Beanpot and the Hockey East Championships, culminating with repeated sellouts for both events in recent years. The 2004 Frozen Four at the FleetCenter was a huge success, and the TD Garden will once again host the sport's culminating event in 2015.

Since its grand opening in 1995, nearly 50 million people have come to the TD Banknorth Garden to see the arena's famous tenants, the NHL's Boston Bruins and NBA's Boston Celtics, as well as world-renowned concerts and sporting events, family shows, wrestling, ice shows and much more.

Measuring 755,000 square feet and sitting above a five story, 1,150 space parking garage, the state-of-the-art facility includes a multi-million dollar video scoreboard (Garden HDX), and a seating capacity of 17,565 for hockey games. In the summer of 2006, the TD Garden went through an extreme make-over with the addition of The Premium Club's SportsDeck and The Boardroom. The complex is easily accessible by the MBTA's Green Line, Orange Line, and Commuter Rail via North Station.























