



MEN'S PREVIEW

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No.1 Providence vs. Brown- Sun. 1/3 at Brown

- In the first time out in the Mayor's Cup Providence defeated Brown, 4-1, Dec. 10.
- Last time No. 1 Providence took the ice, the Friars fell to Cornell, 2-1, in overtime in the first round of the Florida College Classic. The Friars then went on to defeat No. 4 Boston College, 2-1, in the third-place game of tournament.

- **Brandon Tanev** (Toronto, Ont.) registered the game-winning goal for the Friars in the third-place game to keep their regulation unbeaten streak in alive at 20 games.

Merrimack vs. Union/ vs. Dartmouth - Sat. 1/2, Sun. 1/3 at Dartmouth

- Merrimack fell at Army West Point Dec. 29, 3-2, and now will look to get back on track with a pair of games in the Ledyard Classic at Dartmouth.

- In the loss to Army, Merrimack junior forward **Chris Leblanc** (Winthrop, Mass.) got the Warriors on the board in the second period. **Justin Hussar** (Lancaster, N.Y.) would add the Warriors' second goal of the game in the third period, Merrimack was unable to find the equalizer.

- Merrimack's **Jace Hennig** (Port Moody, B.C.) and **Drew Vogler** (Florissant, Mo.) were named Warrior Hockey East Player of the Week and Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week, respectively, for their performances against Canisius Dec. 20. Hennig scored two goals while Vogler stopped 18 of 19 shots to win his first collegiate start.

UConn vs. Minnesota/TBD/ vs. Arizona State - Fri. 1/1, Sat. 1/2 at Minn., Tues. 1/5 at ASU

- UConn heads west for a date with Minnesota in the first round of the Mariucci Classic. Depending on the outcome of that game, the Huskies will face the winner or loser of Ferris State and Harvard third-place or championship game.

- The Huskies will move further out west for a matchup with the Sun Devils of Arizona State on Tuesday, January 5. The teams last met Oct. 16, a 5-1 win for the Huskies.

- UConn has not taken the ice since a December 11, 3-3 tie with Merrimack. In that game, sophomore **Jeff Wight** (Coquitlam, B.C.) scored his first goal as a Husky.

UMass vs. Army West Point/ vs. Yale - Sat. 1/2 at West Point, Tues. 1/5 at UMass

- UMass will look to straighten things out for the New Year with a set with Army at West Point on Saturday followed up by a matchup with Yale on Tuesday.

- Last time out for Massachusetts, the Minutemen fell to the U.S. National Junior Team, 4-0, in an exhibition game prior to Team USA traveling to Finland for the 2016 IIHF World Junior Championship.

- After Tuesday's tilt with Yale, UMass enters an eight-game Hockey East stretch, facing ranked opponents in five of those eight contests.

New Hampshire vs. Vermont - Sat 1/2 at UVM

- New Hampshire defeated Maine Tuesday at Cross Insurance Arena in Portland, Maine, 5-4. The two rivals met again Wednesday night at the Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester, New Hampshire. New Hampshire again came away with the victory in a 7-0 decision.

- New Hampshire had seven different skaters tally goals in the 7-0 defeat of Maine Wednesday. **Tyler Kelleher** (Longmeadow, Mass.) extended his point streak to 11 games by way of registering three assists in the two outings with three goals and 16 helpers in that span.

- Vermont last competed in the annual Catamount Cup and defeated Lake Superior State, 1-0, in the first round Dec. 29. **Jonathan Turk** (Calgary, Alb.) scored the lone Catamount goal in that game. Freshman netminder **Packy Munson** (Hugo, Minn.) recorded his second shutout of the year recording 23 saves and the victory.

- The next night, the Catamounts claimed the cup title with a 4-1 win over Colgate. **Craig Puffer** (New Caanan, Conn.) netted the first two goals of his college career in the game while Munson was named tournament MVP.

Notre Dame vs. Denver - Fri. 1/1, Sat. 1/2 at Denver

- No. 16 Notre Dame will take on No. 17 Denver for a two-game series with the NCHC foe in a battle of top-20 ranked teams.

- The Irish have not taken the ice since December 10 at Boston College, when they defeated the Eagles, 4-3, with a last-minute goal at Conte Forum.

- In that game, the Irish were led by **Jordan Gross** (Maple Grove, Minn.) and **Dennis Gilbert** (Williamsville, N.Y.), who each registered a goal and an assist in the game. Gross is now fourth on the team in points with six goals and eight assists for 14 points.

UPCOMING GAMES

Friday 1/1

UConn at Minnesota \$% - 8:05pm

No. 16 ND at No. 17 Denver# - 9:36 pm

\$ Mariucci Classic
% Fox Sports Network
CBSSN

Saturday 1/2

New Hampshire at Vermont* - 7:05pm

No. 20 Merrimack vs. Union! - 4:05pm

Ferris State/ Harvard vs. UConn \$- 5:05pm

No. 2/3 Quinnipiac at Northeastern - 7pm

UMass at Army West Point - 7:05pm

No. 16 ND at No. 18 Denver^ - 9:06pm

* Hockey East Game
\$ Mariucci Classic at Minnesota
! Ledyard Classic at Dartmouth
^ TSN3

Sunday 1/3

No. 1 Providence at Brown # - 4pm

No. 20 Merrimack at Dartmouth ! - 7:05pm

Mayors Cup
! Ledyard Classic

Tuesday 1/5

No. 12/13 Yale at UMass - 7pm

UConn at Arizona State - 9pm



USA Today/USA Hockey Magazine Men's College Hockey Poll - 12/14

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Providence College, 510 (34)	12-0-3	1
2.	Quinnipiac, 460	15-1-2	2
3.	North Dakota, 446	16-2-2	4
4.	Boston College, 376	13-2-1	3
5.	St. Cloud State, 369	14-4-2	6
6.	Omaha, 338	12-3-1	5
7.	Harvard, 323	6-1-3	7
8.	UMass Lowell, 251	10-3-4	8
9.	Cornell, 232	8-1-2	10
10.	Michigan, 200	9-3-3	9
11.	Boston University, 142	9-6-3	11
12.	Yale, 110	6-4-2	15
13.	Bowling Green, 99	11-3-5	14
14.	St. Lawrence, 76	10-5-2	13
15.	Penn State, 75	11-2-3	NR

Others receiving votes: Denver, 32; **Notre Dame, 27**; Minnesota State, 7; Rensselaer, 6; Duluth, 1.

USCHO.com Men's College Hockey Poll - 12/14

Rk.	School, Pts. (FPV)	Record	LW
1.	Providence College, 996 (48)	12-0-3	1
2.	North Dakota, 932 (1)	16-2-2	4
3.	Quinnipiac, 880 (1)	15-1-2	2
4.	Boston College, 798	13-2-1	3
5.	St. Cloud State, 793	14-4-0	6
6.	Omaha, 779	12-3-1	5
7.	Harvard, 696	6-1-3	7
8.	UMass Lowell, 629	10-3-4	8
9.	Cornell, 564	8-1-2	10
10.	Michigan, 532	9-3-3	9
11.	Boston University, 476	9-6-3	12
12.	Bowling Green, 428	11-3-5	14
13.	Yale, 368	6-4-2	15
14.	Penn State, 336	11-2-3	16
15.	St. Lawrence, 320	10-5-2	13
16.	Notre Dame, 306	9-4-4	18
17.	Denver, 254	7-7-2	11
18.	Minnesota State, 124	10-6-4	20
19.	Duluth, 88	7-7-3	17
20.	Merrimack, 84	6-4-5	19

Others receiving votes: Rensselaer, 50; Michigan Tech, 36; Holy Cross, 14; Robert Morris, 11; Minnesota, 6.



HOCKEY EAST WEEKLY AWARDS

WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Week	Player
Oct. 12	Trevor Mingoia - PC
Oct. 19	Dennis Kravchenko - UMass
Oct. 26	Dan Correale - UNH
Nov. 2	Jake Walman - PC
Nov. 9	Thatcher Demko - BC
Nov. 16	Nick Ellis - PC
Nov. 23	Mark Jankowski - PC
Nov. 30	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Dec. 7	Andrew Poturalski - UNH
Dec. 14	Dennis Gilbert - ND
Dec. 21	Jace Hennig - MC

PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Week	Player
Oct. 12	Austin Plevy - UMass
	Max Letunov - UConn
Oct. 19	Colin White - BC
Oct. 26	Bobby Nardella - ND
Nov. 2	Tage Thompson - UConn
Nov. 9	Austin Plevy - UMass
Nov. 16	Jacob Forsbacka Karlsson - BU
Nov. 23	Nick Master - UML
Nov. 30	Colin White - BC
Dec. 7	Tage Thompson - UConn
Dec. 14	Packy Munson - UVM
Dec. 21	Ryan Ruck - NU

HEA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Week	Player
Oct. 12	Mike Santaguida - UVM
Oct. 19	Kevin Boyle - UML
Oct. 26	Thatcher Demko - BC
Nov. 2	Cal Petersen - ND
Nov. 9	Matt Grzelczyk - BU
Nov. 16	Kevin Boyle - UML
	Connor LaCouvee - BU
Nov. 23	Dan Renouf - Maine
Nov. 30	Dylan Zink - UML
Dec. 7	Rob Nichols - UConn
Dec. 14	Sean Maguire - BU
Dec. 21	Drew Vogler - MC



HOCKEY EAST MONTHLY AWARDS

WARRIOR HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Dennis Kravchenko - UMass
Nov.	Andrew Poturalski - UNH

PRO AMBITIONS ROOKIE OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Max Letunov - UConn
Nov.	Colin White - BC

STOP IT GOALTENDER OF THE MONTH

Month	Player
Oct.	Thatcher Demko - BC
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2015-2016 HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS

Rk.	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Overall	Conf. Off.	Conf. Def.
1.	UMass Lowell	11	6	2	3	15	11-4-4	2.55 (6)	2.55 (6)
2.	Notre Dame	9	6	1	2	14	9-4-4	3.33 (3)	1.89 (4)
3.	Boston College	8	6	1	1	13	13-4-1	4.12 (1)	1.75 (3)
4.	Providence	6	4	0	2	10	13-1-3	3.00 (5)	1.17 (1)
	Boston University	9	4	3	2	10	9-6-3	3.22 (4)	3.00 (T7)
6.	Merrimack	10	2	3	5	9	7-5-5	2.00 (11)	2.40 (5)
7.	New Hampshire	7	2	1	4	8	7-6-4	3.71 (2)	3.43 (9)
	Massachusetts	10	2	4	4	8	6-8-4	2.50 (7)	3.60 (12)
	Vermont	10	3	5	2	8	6-12-2	2.40 (8)	2.90 (6)
10.	Connecticut	11	3	7	1	7	5-10-1	2.36 (9)	3.55 (11)
11.	Maine	8	2	5	1	5	4-10-4	1.62 (12)	3.00 (T7)
12.	Northeastern	11	0	8	3	3	3-12-3	2.18 (10)	3.45 (10)

