



# Postgame Notes

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## National Semifinals – Boston University (28-5-3) 4, Mercyhurst (29-7-1) 1

Mar. 22, 2013 – Ridder Arena – Minneapolis, Minn. – Att. 3,400

- This is the seventh time Mercyhurst and Boston University have met since the series started in the 2007-08 season. The Lakers lead the all-time series 4-3-0.
- This is the third time Boston University and Mercyhurst have met in the national tournament. Both previous meetings came in national quarterfinals; on March 13, 2010, host Mercyhurst topped Boston University 4-1, and on March 12, 2011, host Boston University topped Mercyhurst 4-2.

### Boston University Notes

- This is the fourth consecutive year that Boston University has reached the NCAA women's hockey playoffs, and the second time the Terriers have reached the Frozen Four. In its last appearance in 2011, Boston University reached the national title game, but fell 4-1 to Wisconsin. The Terriers are now 4-3-0 all-time in NCAA tournament games.
- The Terriers extended their winning streak to 10 straight games, improving to 28-5-3 on the season. Boston University's last loss was a 3-0 setback to Harvard on Feb. 12.
- Boston University's Jenelle Kohanchuk scored for the Terriers 13 seconds into Friday's game, assisted by Marie-Philip Poulin and Kaleigh Fratkin. The goal is tied for the quickest goal to start a game in NCAA Women's Frozen Four and NCAA women's hockey tournament history (including quarterfinal games), tying Minnesota's Natalie Darwitz, who scored 13 seconds into a national semifinal game against Dartmouth on March 25, 2005. The goal is tied for the second-fastest goal to start a period in Women's Frozen Four history, behind a nine-second goal by Darwitz to open the third period in Minnesota's 2004 national championship game against Harvard (March 28, 2004).
- Kohanchuk's goal is tied for the fourth-fastest to open a period in the history of the NCAA national collegiate women's hockey tournament, behind Darwitz's nine-second goal and a pair of goals that were scored 10 seconds into periods – by Whitney Graft of Minnesota to open the third period of a 2006 quarterfinal game against Princeton (March 17, 2006), and by Rebecca Johnston of Cornell to open the second period of a quarterfinal game against Boston University on March 10, 2012.
- Kohanchuk scored her team-leading 24th goal of the season on Friday. With her assist on BU's third goal of the game, she now has 45 points (24 goals, 21 assists) in 34 games this season, and has had a goal or assist in 24 games this year, including seven of the last eight games. In her 132-game career, Kohanchuk now has 65 goals and 72 assists for 136 career points. The 65 goals and 135 points are both Boston University career records, while the 72 assists are tied with teammate Marie-Philip Poulin for the second-most in school history, behind the 75 of Melissa Anderson (2006-10).
- Kohanchuk now has 14 multi-point games for the Terriers this season, including seven of the last eight games. She has 11 goals and six assists for 17 points in the last eight games for the Terriers.
- Boston University is now 23-1-1 when scoring first this season.
- Isabel Menard scored for the Terriers at the 1:00 mark of the second period, assisted by Louise Warren. Menard now has 16 goals and 29 assists for 45 goals in 36 games this season, good for the second-most points and the fourth-most goals for the team. Menard has a goal or assist in 26 of her 36 games this season, including eight of the last nine games. In 140 career games, including her first two seasons at Syracuse (2009-11), Menard now has 68 goals and 105 assists for 172 points – 34 goals and 59 assists for 93 points in 73 games with the Terriers.

- Defender Kathryn Miller scored for the Terriers at the 3:02 mark of the third period, assisted by Jenelle Kohanchuk. Miller recorded her second goal of the season and her 10th career goal with Friday's marker. She also scored in a 2-2 tie at Minnesota-Duluth on Dec. 8. Miller now has 11 points (one goal, 10 assists) in 36 games this season and 47 points (10 goals, 37 assists) in 150 career games.
- Marie-Philip Poulin scored her 18th goal of the season, an unassisted marker on a breakaway at the 9:57 mark of the third period. With her assist on the opening goal of the game on Friday, Poulin now has 18 goals and 35 assists for 53 points on the season, with the assist and point totals both single-season school records. In her 78 games as a Terrier, Poulin now has 53 goals and 72 assists for 125 points. Her 125 points are now third-most in school history, while her 72 assists are tied with Kohanchuk for second-most and her 53 goals are also third-most.
- Poulin now has scored a goal or assist in 28 of her 34 games this season, including the last eight games in a row. She now has 18 multi-point games this season, including seven of the last 10 contests.
- Goalie Kerrin Sperry improved to 24-4-3 on the season with a 26-save effort in the victory.

### **Mercyhurst Notes**

- This is the ninth straight season that Mercyhurst has reached the NCAA women's hockey postseason, and third time the Lakers have reached the Frozen Four. The Lakers are now 4-9 overall in NCAA tournament games and 1-3 in Frozen Four games. Mercyhurst reached the Frozen Four in both 2009 and 2010, reaching the national title game in 2010.
- Mercyhurst has yet to win a game at Ridder Arena in Minneapolis, now 0-5 in the building's history, including a loss in the national title game in 2010.
- Friday's loss snapped an eight-game winning streak for the Lakers. The Lakers closed the season 13-3-0 in their final 16 games.
- Mercyhurst is now 3-6-1 this season when allowing its opponents to score first.
- Christie Cicero scored the lone goal of the game for Mercyhurst, scoring at the 18:07 mark of the third period. Cicero has 14 goals and 18 assists for 32 points in 30 games this season, and 28 goals and 37 assists for 65 points in her 95-game collegiate career. Cicero had a goal or assist in 20 games this season, scoring a goal in 11 games.
- Christine Bestland and Valia Higson assisted on Cicero's goal. Bestland finished the season with team-highs of 28 goals, 44 assists and 72 points this season, recording a goal or assist in 31 of her 37 games this year. In 106 career games, Bestland has 70 goals and 102 assists for 171 points.
- Valia Higson claimed her 24th assist of the season, giving her eight goals and 24 assists for 32 points this season and 11 goals and 35 assists for 46 assists in 71 career games. It marked the 20th game this season in which Higson claimed a goal or assist.