

# 2001-02 PROVIDENCE COLLEGE WOMEN'S HOCKEY

PROVIDENCE COLLEGE (17-13-4) Vs. UNIVERSITY OF MAINE (16-14-4)

Saturday, March 9, 2002 • Schneider Arena • 2:00 p.m.

ECAC QUATERFINALS



## PROVIDENCE COLLEGE 2001-02 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### OCTOBER

6	CONCORDIA UNIV. (ex.)	W, 5-4
12	at Minnesota-Duluth	L, 5-3
13	at Minnesota-Duluth	L, 1-0
26	FINDLAY	W, 4-2
27	FINDLAY	W, 8-3

### NOVEMBER

3	MAINE *	W, 7-2
4	MAINE *	T, 2-2
9	at Niagara *	L, 3-0
10	at Niagara *	L, 5-0
16	PRINCETON	T, 1-1
18	OHIO STATE	L, 4-3
25	at Harvard	W, 6-0

### DECEMBER

1	NORTHEASTERN *	L, 6-3
2	at Northeastern *	L, 3-2
8	NIAGARA *	W, 6-2
9	BROWN!	L, 4-0

### JANUARY

4	at Maine *	W, 5-3
6	at New Hampshire *	T, 2-2
12	at Quinnipiac *	W, 7-1
16	BOSTON COLLEGE *	W, 5-1
19	ST. CLOUD STATE	W, 5-1
20	ST. CLOUD STATE	W, 7-1
26	CONNECTICUT *	W, 4-0
27	WISCONSIN	W, 2-1

### FEBRUARY

1	NORTHEASTERN *	L, 5-1
3	at Dartmouth	L, 4-3
8	at Quinnipiac *	W, 3-1
9	QUINNIPIAC *	W, 7-0
13	at Brown	L, 7-3
16	at Connecticut *	W, 4-2
17	CONNECTICUT *	W, 3-1
22	NEW HAMPSHIRE *	T, 2-2
23	at New Hampshire *	L, 4-2

### MARCH

2	at Boston College *	W, 4-1
3	BOSTON COLLEGE *	L, 1-0
9	MAINE (ECAC Quarterfinals) 2:00 p.m.	
15	ECAC Semifinals \$	TBA
16	ECAC Finals \$	TBA
22	Frozen Four Semifinals ^	TBA
24	Frozen Four Finals ^	TBA

All Times Eastern Standard Time

\* ECAC Eastern League Game

! Mayor's Cup

\$Hosted by the University of Connecticut

^ Hosted by the University of New Hampshire

**THIS WEEKEND'S GAME:** Fourth-seeded Providence will play fifth-seeded Maine in a quarterfinal game of the ECAC Eastern League Tournament on Saturday, March 9 at PC's Schneider Arena.

**NEXT WEEK:** The winner of Saturday's game will advance to the semifinals. The semifinals and finals will be hosted by the University of Connecticut from March 15-16 at the UConn Ice Arena.

**FRIARS IN THE ECAC TOURNAMENT:** Before this season's move to the ECAC Eastern League, Providence had posted a 23-11 all-time in the ECAC Tournament, including seven tournament titles. PC captured its last ECAC Tournament title in 1995.

**AGAINST MAINE:** Providence and Maine will meet for the 10th time in the all-time series. The Friars lead the Black Bears, 7-0-2, all-time, including a 2-0-1 mark this season. PC last played Maine on January 4, with the Friars prevailing, 5-3. Freshman Hilary Greaves and sophomore Darlene Stephenson led the Friars with one goal and one assist each. Before that game, the Friars tied the Black Bears, 2-2, on November 4 and defeated the Black Bears, 7-2, on November 3.

**PC LEADERS VS. MAINE THIS SEASON:** In three games this season against the Black Bears, sophomore defenseman Meredith Roth has totalled two goals and three assists (five points) to lead the Friars. Sophomore Darlene Stephenson has tallied one goal and four assists against Maine, while junior Jenn Butsch has three goals and one assist.

**LAST GAME:** The Friars are coming off a 1-0 upset loss against Boston College on Sunday, March 3 at Schneider Arena. PC outshot BC, 45-13, but was unable to beat Eagles' goaltender Lisa Davis, who stopped all 45 shots. The only shot that beat Davis was a slapper by freshman Danielle Bourgette, but it hit the post.

**SCOUTING MAINE:** The Black Bears finished the regular season with a 16-14-4 overall record and an 8-10-3 mark in the ECAC Eastern League. Maine completed the regular season schedule with a 3-2 victory over Connecticut on Saturday, March 2 in Storrs, Conn. Cheryl White and Kelly Nelson led the Black Bears with one goal and one assist each. Meagan Aarts leads Maine in scoring with 25 goals and 22 assists, while Karen Droog is second with 25 goals and 12 assists. In net Dawn Froats has seen most of the action this season, posting a 7-5-1 mark. However, Lara Smart has played in the last two games. Smart in 5-5-1 with a .908 save percentage.

## 2001-02 Providence College Women's Hockey Notes

### USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Women's College Hockey Poll

Rank	Team (Points)	Record
1	Minnesota (129)	26-3-5
2	Niagara (113)	25-6-1
3	Minnesota-Duluth (106)	21-5-4
4	Dartmouth (84)	21-5-2
4	Brown (77)	20-7-2
6	Northeastern (66)	25-6-1
7	St. Lawrence (52)	20-9-4
8	Wisconsin (32)	21-10-2
9	Harvard (28)	16-10-2
10	Mercyhurst (14)	24-8-1

**Others receiving votes:** New Hampshire (9), Ohio State (1).

-- As of March 5, 2002

### US College Hockey Online (USCHO.com) Women's College Hockey Poll

Rank	Team (Points)	Record
1	Minnesota (120)	26-3-5
2	Niagara (103)	25-6-1
3	Minnesota-Duluth (98)	21-5-4
4	Dartmouth (83)	21-5-2
5	Brown (65)	20-7-2
6	Northeastern (63)	25-6-1
7	St. Lawrence (43)	20-9-4
8	Wisconsin (41)	21-10-2
9	Harvard (10)	16-10-2
10	Mercyhurst (9)	24-8-1

**Others receiving votes:** New Hampshire (6), Ohio State (1).

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Minnesota, 1-0. Deraney is assisted by Marnie Hill, Bob Bellemore and Vicki Lamoriello.

**SHATTUCK ST. MARY'S CONNECTION:** Five members of the 2001-02 Providence College women's hockey team played together at prep school hockey powerhouse, Shattuck-St. Mary's in Faribault, Minnesota. Kelli Halcisak (Grosse Ile, Mich.), Ashley Payton (Chesterfield, Mo.), Meredith Roth (Dubuque, Iowa), Amy Thomas (Austin, Texas) and Rush Zimmerman (Grosse Pointe, Mich.) all played for the Sabres. Halcisak, a defenseman, holds the school's record for career goals scored (164) and total points (288). Last season, Zimmerman led the Sabres in scoring with 39 goals and finished second with 71 points.

**BUTSCH LEADING THE WAY:** Junior assistant captain Jenn Butsch leads the Friars in scoring through 34 games this season. She has scored career highs of 16 goals and 14 assists for 30 points this season. Butsch was on seven game scoring streak before it was snapped in a 2-2 overtime time against New Hampshire on February 22.

**OUTSHOOTING OPPONENTS:** The Friars have outshot their opponents in 25 of the 34 games played this season. For the season, the Friars average over 31 shots per game, while opponents are averaging just under 20 shots per game. The Friars have a 1-6-2 record when they are outshot. When PC holds a shot advantage over its opponents, it has a 16-8-2 mark.

**WEEKLY HONORS:** Junior Danielle Culgin was named to the ECAC Weekly Honor Roll on Monday, March 4. Culgin recorded two goals in PC's 4-1 victory over Boston College on Saturday, March 2.

**FRIARS AGAINST RANKED TEAMS:** The Friars have posted a 3-10-1 record against ranked teams this season. PC's three wins against ranked teams came against Harvard (6-0 on 11/26), Niagara (6-0 on 11/26) and Wisconsin (2-1 on 1/27). The three Friar losses against unranked teams were against Ohio State, New Hampshire and most recently against Boston College. The Friars began the 2001-02 season with a pair of losses at then No. 1 Minnesota-Duluth.

**PC ON THE POWER PLAY:** The Friars are 36-165 (.218) on the power play this season. Junior Jenn Butsch leads the team with six power-play goals. Junior Danielle Culgin and sophomore Meredith Roth are second with five power-play goals each. The Friars have scored three power-play goals on three occasions this season. Opponents are 26-141 (.184) on the player advantage against the Friars.

**FRIARS AT SCHNEIDER:** The Friars have posted an 11-5-3 record at home this season, including a 6-3-2 mark against league foes this season. The Friars dropped a 1-0 home decision to Boston College on Sunday, March 3. The other two PC home league losses came against Northeastern. On the road, PC is 6-8-1 overall and 5-4-1 against league opponents.

**COACH BOB DERANEY:** Head Coach Bob Deraney enters his third season at the helm of the Providence College women's hockey program. The 1987 Boston University graduate has guided the Friars to a 55-37-6 record, including a 20-10-3 mark in his first season at Providence. Deraney earned his first career win on October 24, 1999 as the Friars beat eventual national champion

**BALANCED FRIAR ATTACK:** The Friars have been led by a balanced offensive attack this season. PC has 13 players who have tallied 10 points or more, including five players who have twenty or more points. Junior assistant captain Jenn Butsch leads the Friars with 30 points on 16 goals and 14 assists, while sophomore Darlene Stephenson has 28 points on 13 goals and 15 assists. Senior captain Kim Mathias is close behind with 27 points on five goals and 22 assists. Junior Danielle Culgin has 26 points, while sophomore Kelli Halcisak has 25 points. The Friars and the Black Bears are tied for the most overall goals in the league (114).

**FRIAR FRESHMEN:** The PC freshman class has been a key contributor to this season. The eight freshman skaters have combined to tally 35 goals and 41 assists, including five game-winning goals. In addition, freshman goaltender Amy Thomas has played in 17 games and has posted a 10-5-1 record. Hilary Greaves and Rush Zimmerman lead all freshmen in scoring with nine goals and nine assists each, while Ashley Payton is third with nine goals and seven assists. Payton is second on the team with three game-winning goals.

**FORMER FRIARS ON THE 2002 OLYMPIC TEAM:** Four former Friars helped the U.S. capture the silver medal in the XIX Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City, Utah. The four players are: Chris Bailey (1994, Marietta, N.Y.), Laurie Baker (1997, Concord, Mass.), Sara DeCosta (2000, Warwick, R.I.) and Cammi Granato (1993, Downers Grove, Ill.). Bailey, Baker, DeCosta and Granato were also members of the 1998 Olympic Team that captured the gold medal in Nagano, Japan. Granato, who is the team captain, holds the distinct honor of being the only woman in the country to have appeared on every U.S. National Team since its inception in 1990. Granato led the way with six goals and three assists. Baker recorded two goals and two assists while Bailey added one goal and two assists. DeCosta posted a 2-1 record with two shut-outs. She also recorded an assist in U.S.' 5-0 win over Finland.

## ECACEASTERN LEAGUE TOURNAMENT

### Friday, March 8

• No. 8 Quinnipiac at No. Niagara, 7:00 p.m.

• No. 7 Boston College at No. 2 Northeastern 7:00 p.m.

### Saturday, March 9

• No. 6 Connecticut at No. 3 New Hampshire, 2:00 p.m.

• No. 5 Maine at No. 4 PROVIDENCE, 2:00 p.m.

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