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Northeast-10 Women's Basketball Report for Games through January 22, 2006

Northeast-10 Player of the Week



Alisha Collins, Stonehill (Jr., F, Port Chester, NY) - Averaged 21 points, 9.3 rebounds, 2.3 steals and one block in a 3-0 week. Matched a career-high with 30 points and grabbed a career-best 16 rebounds in a 65-53 victory over Merrimack and posted 17 points and five boards in a 62-54 triumph at Le Moyne. Added 16 points and seven caroms in a 69-63 win over Saint Anselm and shot 52-percent (22-42) from the field for the week.

Northeast-10 Freshman of the Week



Kelsey Simonds, Stonehill (Fr., F, Bridgewater, MA) - Averaged 10.3 points, 3.3 rebounds, 2.3 blocks and 2.3 steals in a 3-0 week, including 17 points, five rebounds and four steals in a 69-63 victory over Saint Anselm. Added 10 points, three boards and two blocks in a 62-54 win at Le Moyne and shot 82-percent (9-11) from the foul line for the week.

Last Week's Results

Monday, Jan. 16

American International 58, Bryant 51
Merrimack 60, Le Moyne 54
Pace 66, UMass Lowell 60
Southern Conn. 59, Southern N.H. 33
Stonehill 69, Saint Anselm 63
Saint Michael's 69, Bentley 60
Saint Rose 57, Franklin Pierce 45

Thursday, Jan. 19

American Int'l 68, Assumption 63 (OT)
Bentley 63, Saint Anselm 51
Pace 59, Franklin Pierce 50
Saint Michael's 68, Merrimack 57
Saint Rose 74, Southern N.H. 56
Stonehill 62, Le Moyne 54
Southern Conn. 72, UMass Lowell 47

Saturday, Jan. 21

Franklin Pierce 69, Le Moyne 43
Stonehill 65, Merrimack 53
Pace 66, Assumption 53
American Int'l 51, Southern Conn. 48
Southern N.H. 68, Saint Anselm 66
UMass Lowell 76, Saint Michael's 66
Saint Rose 72, Bryant 69

This Week's Games

Monday, Jan. 23

Le Moyne at Southern New Hampshire

Tuesday, Jan. 24

American International at Saint Rose
Assumption at Southern Connecticut
Bryant at Pace
Franklin Pierce at Saint Michael's
Merrimack at Bentley
UMass Lowell at Saint Anselm

Thursday, Jan. 26

Pace at American International
Southern Connecticut at Bryant
Saint Michael's at Southern N.H.
Stonehill at Bentley
Saint Rose at Assumption

Saturday, Jan. 28

American International at UMass Lowell
Assumption at Southern New Hampshire
Bentley at Saint Rose
Bryant at Franklin Pierce
Merrimack at Pace
Southern Connecticut at Stonehill
Saint Anselm at Saint Michael's

Sunday, Jan. 29

Le Moyne at Mansfield

Northeast-10 Women's Basketball Standings Through January 22, 2006

Institution	Conference				Overall			
	GP	Record	Win %	PF PA	GP	Record	Win %	PF PA
Stonehill	13	13-0-0	1.000	943 793	18	18-0-0	1.000	1313 1076
American International	12	10-2-0	0.833	755 653	17	15-2-0	0.882	1150 906
Southern Connecticut	13	10-3-0	0.769	776 607	18	15-3-0	0.833	1112 794
Pace	13	9-4-0	0.692	849 766	18	14-4-0	0.778	1214 1057
Saint Michael's	13	9-4-0	0.692	869 827	17	13-4-0	0.765	1121 1037
Bentley	12	8-4-0	0.667	726 723	20	12-8-0	0.600	1256 1226
Saint Rose	13	8-5-0	0.615	853 817	18	12-6-0	0.667	1215 1135
Franklin Pierce	13	8-5-0	0.615	751 719	18	11-7-0	0.611	1075 1005
Assumption	12	5-7-0	0.417	633 666	17	9-8-0	0.529	933 895
Le Moyne	14	5-9-0	0.357	784 822	18	8-10-0	0.444	1021 1024
Massachusetts Lowell	14	5-9-0	0.357	801 878	19	6-13-0	0.316	1106 1206
Merrimack	13	3-10-0	0.231	693 797	21	6-15-0	0.286	1181 1315
Southern N.H.	13	3-10-0	0.231	687 836	18	5-13-0	0.278	921 1109
Saint Anselm	14	1-13-0	0.071	788 875	19	5-14-0	0.263	1154 1172
Bryant	12	0-12-0	0.000	590 719	17	3-14-0	0.176	802 932

Northeast-10 Weekly Honor Roll:

Krystal Pressley, American International (Jr., G, New Haven, CT) - Averaged 12.3 points in a 3-0 week. Totaled all of her 17 points in the second half and overtime of a 68-63 extra-session win over Assumption.

Sharmion Selman, American International (Sr., F, Burlington, VT) - Posted a pair of double-doubles and averaged 13.3 points and 11.7 rebounds in a 3-0 week. Also averaged 3.3 steals and 2.3 blocked shots per game. Totaled 15 points, 14 rebounds and four steals in a win at Bryant. Registered 15 points (6-9 FG), 12 rebounds, four blocked shots and three steals to end Southern Connecticut's 12 game win streak with a 51-48 win.

Megan Urban, Assumption (So., C, Portland, ME) - Averaged 18.5 points on 62-percent shooting (16-26 FG, 5-5 FT), 6.5 rebounds, and three blocks last week. Had ten points, three rebounds, and a block at American International. Finished the week with a career-high 23 points (10-13 FG, 3-3 FT), five rebounds, and tied a career-high five blocks versus Pace.

Lauren Rubenoff, Bryant (Jr., F, New Hartford, CT) - Averaged 11.5 points and 11.5 rebounds. Against AIC, had nine points and 11 rebounds. Against Saint Rose, tied a career high in points with 14 and grabbed 12 rebounds.

Joanna Skiba, Bryant (Jr., G, Providence, RI) - Averaged 17.5 points and five rebounds in two games. Had a game high 23 points against Saint Rose. Made 9-of-13 from the free throw line and dished out nine assists in the two games.

Heather Jacobs, Franklin Pierce (Sr., F, Stoughton, MA) - Averaged 16.7 points and 6.3 rebounds (4.7 off.) in a 1-2 week. Converted 14-of-15 (93.3%) free-throw attempts for the week. Netted a team season-high 22 points, hitting 9-of-10 from the free-throw line, to go with eight rebounds and a steal against Saint Rose. Totaled a team-best 16 points and six offensive rebounds at Pace. Closed out the week with 12 points, five rebounds (3 off.) and a block in a win over Le Moyne.

Danielle D'Ettorre, Franklin Pierce (Jr., F, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario) - Averaged 10.3 points, 6.7 rebounds, three assists and 2.3 steals in three games. Converted 15-of-18 (83.3%) free-throw attempts for the week. Netted a team-best 18 points (5-7 FG, 2-4 3PTS, 6-6 FT) in a win over Le Moyne. Also totaled five rebounds, two assists, three steals and a block.

Emily Kordas, UMass Lowell (Sr., C, Hillsboro, NH) - Posted averages of 12 points, 3.7 rebounds and 2.7 steals in a 1-2 week. Opened the week with 17 points, six steals and four rebounds and made 8-of-14 from the floor in a 66-60 loss to Pace. Followed with nine points four rebounds and two blocked shots in a 72-47 loss at Southern Connecticut. Closed the week with 10 points and three rebounds in a 76-66 win over Saint Michael's.

Joelle Martin, Merrimack (Sr., G, Somerville, MA) - Averaged 21.3 points, four rebounds and 2.3 steals in a 1-2 week. In a victory over Le Moyne, contributed 21 points, four rebounds and three steals, while collecting a pair of assists.

Hannah Sheppard, Pace (Jr., F, Norwich, CT) - In a 3-0 week, led with 8.7 points and 8.7 rebounds. Against UMass Lowell, totaled eight rebounds, three blocks and three steals. Against Franklin Pierce, turned in a double-double performance, totaling 14 points and 10 rebounds. Against Assumption, tallied eight points, eight rebounds and five steals.

Christina Buckley, Saint Anselm (Jr., G, Levittown, NY) - Averaged a team-best 14 points last week. Shot 51.6-percent from the field, 55.6-percent from behind the arc and 83.3-percent from

the foul line (16-31 FG, 5-9 3PTS, 5-6 FT). Began the week with 14 points and six rebounds in a setback at Stonehill, including eight points down the stretch to key a rally. Against Bentley, hit for a season-high 15 points (5-9 FG, 4-4 FT). In two point loss at SNHU, finished with 13 points, including a trio of three-pointers.

Dani Rayner, Saint Michael's (Jr., F, Westminster, VT) - Averaged 14.3 points (14-24 FG, 5-10 3FG), eight rebounds, 1.3 blocks and one steal in a 2-1 week. Tallied 19 points (7-10 FG) and 10 rebounds versus Merrimack, and added 14 points and eight boards at Bentley. Notched 10 points, six rebounds and three steals at UMass Lowell.

Brigid Hegarty, Saint Michael's (Sr., G, North Andover, MA) - Averaged 14 points (17-18 FT), 3.3 assists, three rebounds and two steals per game in a 2-1 week. Tallied a season-high 24 points (6-10 FG, 4-5 3FG, 8-8 FT) and added six rebounds and three steals versus Merrimack, and notched 16 points (9-10 FT) at Bentley. Recorded a team-high six assists at UMass Lowell.

Mary Lewis, Saint Rose (Jr., G, Roxbury, MA) - Averaged 12 points, eight rebounds, 4.6 assists in a 3-0 week. Led with a double-double against Franklin Pierce, scoring a team-high 15 points and grabbing a game-high 10 rebounds. Also scored 15 points against Southern New Hampshire while recording seven boards and seven assists. At Bryant, recorded six points, seven rebounds four assists and a steal.

Shamika Jackson, Southern Connecticut (So., G, Manchester, CT) - In a 2-1 week, averaged 12.7 points and 5.3 rebounds while adding eight assists, two blocks and eight steals. Had a high of 19 points in a 72-47 win over UMass Lowell, which extended Southern's win streak to 12 games.

Northeast-10 Weekly Notes:

NORTHEAST-10: There were eight Northeast-10 women's basketball teams appearing in the first week of the NCAA Northeast Regional Poll (1/19), including an NE-10 sweep of the top seven spots in the 10 team poll. The poll included (1) Stonehill, (2) American International, (3) Southern Connecticut, (4) Saint Michael's, (5) Pace, (6) Franklin Pierce, (7) Bentley, and (9) Saint Rose. In the most recent USA TODAY ESPN Top 25 women's basketball poll (1/17), Stonehill remained in the 11th spot, while American International was ranked 16th in the national Division II poll. Also receiving votes in the January 17 poll were Southern Connecticut (35), Bentley (1) and Saint Michael's (1)...**STONEHILL:** Stonehill, ranked 11th in last week's USA Today/ESPN/WBCA Division II national poll for the second straight week, ascended to the top spot in the first NCAA Northeast Regional rankings released on Wednesday, as the Skyhawks earned the top position in the NCAA Regional rankings for the first time in 11 years. Both the Stonehill women's and men's basketball squads sit atop their respective NCAA regional polls. Stonehill's current 18-game winning streak is the second longest such skein in school history, topped only by a 19-game win streak that came during the 1993-94 NCAA Elite Eight season. The Skyhawks are off to their best Northeast-10 start since that same campaign with 13 league triumphs to date. Junior F Alisha Collins (Port Chester, N.Y.) tied her career-high scoring mark with 30 points in Saturday's win over Merrimack, as she also netted 30 points on November 22nd against Bentley. Collins pulled down a career-best 16 boards on Saturday against Merrimack in leading Stonehill to its 50th win in 57 series meetings with the Warriors...Freshman F Kelsey Simonds (Bridgewater, Mass.) is featured in the January 23rd edition of Sports Illustrated in the magazine's "Faces In The Crowd" column. A four-time selection as the Northeast-10 Freshman of the Week this season, Simonds is the fourth Stonehill student-athlete to be featured in SI's "Faces In The Crowd" in the last three years. Saturday's triumph over Merrimack was the 90th career victory for Skyhawk mentor Trisha Brown. Stonehill is now 57-1 in its last 58 contests when holding an opponent to 59 or fewer points, a streak that dates back to February 2001. The Skyhawks are 143-35 (.803) at Merkert

Gymnasium since 1994 and have won 75 of their last 105 outings (.714) since November 2002. Monday's triumph over Saint Anselm was Stonehill's seventh straight over the Hawks and 44th in 63 series meetings between the teams. The Skyhawks' next four contests will come against teams ranked in the top 10 in NCAA Northeast Regional play, as Stonehill will square off this week with #7 Bentley and #3 Southern Connecticut before taking on #5 Pace and #9 Saint Rose the following week... **AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL:** AIC is ranked No. 16 in the most recent USA Today/ESPN Division II poll and is No. 2 in the first Northeast Region ranking released last Wednesday. Junior guard Krystal Pressley (New Haven, Conn.) scored her 1,000th career point Saturday against Southern Connecticut. Pressley scored 747 points in two seasons at Quinnipiac and has 254 points in her first season at AIC. Alissa Rubino (Port Jefferson, N.Y.) is now in sixth place on AIC's career assist list with 297 helpers, while Tiffany Wooten (Mattapan, Mass.) moved into 10th place on the Yellow Jackets career rebounding list last week and now has 644 career boards. With Thursday's 68-63 overtime win over Assumption, AIC is now 6-2 in its last eight overtime games dating back to the 1999-2000 season. Each of AIC's last five games has been decided by seven or fewer points... **SAINT MICHAEL'S:** The Purple Knights received one vote in last week's USA Today/ESPN Top 25 Poll, returning to the poll after a one-week absence, and are fourth in the latest Division II regional rankings. Saint Michael's recorded its first-ever win at Bentley on Jan. 16, sweeping the season series versus the Falcons (prior to this season, Saint Michael's was 0-43 all-time against Bentley). Senior Brigid Hegarty (North Andover, Mass.) tallied her 200th career 3-pointer in Thursday's win versus Merrimack, the second player in program history to reach that milestone. She is three 3-pointers away from tying Christine Fauton's '00 all-time program record. Sophomore Amy Pitchers (Oxford Mills, Ontario) had the first double-digit scoring game of her career on Saturday at UMass Lowell with a team-high 16 points. Saint Michael's is still on pace to set program records for highest 3-point and free throw percentages in a season (Saint Michael's leads the NE-10 in both categories)... **BENTLEY:** Bentley, which had never lost to St. Michael's before this season (43 meetings), was swept by the Purple Knights this season. Despite that, the Falcons have won nine of their last 11 games... **SAINT ROSE:** Saint Rose won their fourth straight game, going 3-0 for the week. The Golden Knights avenged early season losses to Franklin Pierce and Southern New Hampshire before closing out the season series with Bryant 2-0. Against Southern New Hampshire, the Golden Knights shot a blistering 92.0 percent (23-of-25) from the free throw line and managed 43.6 percent (24-of-55) from the floor. Versus Franklin Pierce, the Golden Knights put forth their best defensive effort of the year en route to a 57-45 victory over the Ravens. Saint Rose is now 12-6 overall, their best record at this point in the season under head coach Karen Haag... **FRANKLIN PIERCE:** Franklin Pierce's No. 6 ranking in last week's NCAA Division II Northeast Regional poll is its first since the Ravens NCAA Tournament campaign in 1999 when they were a No. 5 seed in the Northeast Regional. After shooting a combined 29.9-percent (46-157) over their recent three-game losing streak, the Ravens used a 46.2-percent (24-52) shooting effort in Saturday's win over Le Moyne, hitting 55.6% (15-27) in building a 19-point halftime lead. Freshman Melissa Kapela (Queens, N.Y.) netted a season-best 11 points in Saturday's win over Le Moyne. Junior Danielle D'Ettorre (Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario) moved into the top 20 among career rebounders at the College with 431 and is also tied for seventh all-time with Cindy Plantinga (1989-91) with 48 career blocks... **UMASS LOWELL:** Freshman Shaina Berry scored a season-high 19 points in UML's 76-66 win over Saint Michael's Saturday, halting a four-game slide... **SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE:** The Penmen posted a 68-66 victory over Saint Anselm Saturday and completed a season-series sweep of their cross-town rivals for the first time since the 1984-85 season. It also marked just the second time since SNHU joined the NE-10 that the Penmen have swept the season series from a conference opponent. Freshman Alyssa Whitney (Somerville, MA) scored a career-high 19 points in the win over Saint Anselm, while fellow rookie Stephanie Houghton (Manchester, NH) also registered a career-high with 14 points.