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ESHL Junior Report: Friday, November 4, 2011

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Upcoming Weekend Games:

Friday, November 4, 2011

Mass Maple Leafs @ New Hampshire
Junior Bruins @ Springfield

Saturday, November 5, 2011

Springfield @ Bay State
Suffolk @ Philadelphia
Brewster @ Jersey Wildcats
New England @ New Hampshire

Sunday, November 6, 2011

Suffolk @ Philadelphia
Jersey Wildcats @ Brewster
Mass Maple Leafs @ New England

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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

This section will be used to promote our **Players of the Week**. Each week the League will select a Forward, Defense and Goaltender as Players of the Week.

Teams are to make nominations no later than Tuesday of each week by 6pm. Players of the Week will be announced on Friday's.

This week's Players are:

Forward: Austin Nye - Jersey Wildcats

Defense: No nominations this week

Goalie: Anthony Pupplo - Suffolk

See their write up's next page.

Congratulations to these fine players.

Make submissions, along with picture to Pete Preteroti at: SportsNiag@aol.com

ESHL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Week ending 10/30/11



Forward - Austin Nye - Jersey Wildcats - 1995 (Mt Pocono, PA)

In the **Jersey Wildcats** only game of the weekend **Austin Nye** led the team to a 7-3 win over the Philadelphia Revolution. (The second half of the home and home scheduled to take place in Randolph, New Jersey on Sunday was postponed due to the pre-Halloween snow.) Nye, an assistant captain, notched **five points** on one goal and four assists. The Wildcats power play was 3 for 5 in the game on the back of Nye's performance.



Goaltender - Anthony Pupplo - Suffolk - 1995 (Shirley, NY)

Anthony Pupplo had **37 saves** in their 3-2 win over Brewster on Saturday night. Pupplo had 15 saves in the first period and 15 in the second period to take a 2-0 lead into the third on Saturday.

There were no defensive nominations this week



Mass Maple Leafs



team.

The **Mass Maple Leafs** are very proud to announce that 4 year veteran **Bret Zimmerman** 91 (r) defenseman who was playing as an alternate on this year has been asked to skate for his school starting this week. Zimmerman will be playing for the University of Rhode Island. Zimmerman starting playing on the Leafs HS development team 4 years ago and was captain of last year's CHA

The Mass Maple Leafs would like to thank Bret for his time donning the red and black and wish him well on his college career not only in academics but now playing college hockey.

Austin Miller 93 CO goalie In his first year of Juniors made 15 saves to earn the shutout in a 12-0 win versus Bay State Breakers.

Hagen Nemzek had 5 goals and 3 assists in 2 games in a 6-5 loss to Junior Bruins and a 12-0 win over the Breakers

Bay State Breakers



The **Bay State Breakers** (3-8-0-0) took on Mass Maple Leafs on Friday night at the NECDL Arena in Raynham. The Breakers lost the game 12-0 and 3 new Breakers made their Junior Hockey debut's in **James Polito** (Abington, MA), **Cam MacDonald** (Hanson, MA) and **George McCafferty** (Whitman, MA) as well as returning injured players **Shayne McGowan** (Scottsville, NY) and **Vinnie Cameron** (Quincy, MA) all were in the lineup for the game. Goaltender **Kevin Hoy** (Ft. Lauderdale, FL) stopped 19 of 21 shots in the relief appearance of starter **Brian Brady** (Weymouth, MA).

Brewster Bulldogs



On Saturday, The **Suffolk Juniors** and **Brewster Bulldogs** met at the Brewster Arena and took shelter from the storm in what might have been the only building within 30 miles of Brewster with power. In a well played hockey game considering all of the outside distractions, Suffolk prevailed by a 3-2 score. Both goalies played great in first period to keep the score at 0-0 with the shots being 17-15 in favor of Suffolk. Suffolk would take a 2-0 lead at the end of 2 periods with the backbreaker being a 5 on 3 shorthanded goal by Suffolk's **Chris Stemke**. A great individual effort by Stemke. Brewster's **Michael Benincasa** scored at the 15:07 mark of the third to cut the Suffolk lead to 2-1. Assists went to **Blaze Vogliano** and **Sean Henderson**. Suffolk added a goal less than 3 minutes later to take a 3-1 lead. Benincasa struck again at the 9:50 mark of the third to again cut the deficit to 1. Vogliano and Henderson assisted on that goal as well. Several attempts to tie the game were turned aside by Suffolk goalie **Anthony Pupplo** (37 saves) as Suffolk skated away with the 3-2 win. **Brandon Belz** played well for Brewster with 37 saves in the losing effort.

On Sunday at the Brewster Ice Arena, **Apple Core** jumped out to a 2-0 lead on goals by **Taru Duffy** and **Shane Higgins**. Brewster's **Eric Staropoli** (assisted by **Sean Henderson**) would get one back shorthanded with 46 seconds left in the first period. Brewster then answered with 3 more goals in the second to take a 4-2 lead into the third period. One a power play tally by Michael Benincasa, assisted by **Joe LeVeille**. Goals #3 and 4 were scored by Sean Henderson (shorthanded) and Blaze Vogliano assisted by Henderson. Apple Core scored at the 16:19 mark of the third to cut the lead to 4-3. Brewster, behind solid goaltending from **Matt Rubenstein** would hold on to the 4-3 victory.

Brewster will play a Home and Home with the **Jersey Wildcats** this upcoming weekend. The two teams will meet for the first time that matters. The teams played 2 games in the annual Brewster Bulldogs Labor Day Pre Season Showcase. Brewster won the first game 3-2 and the second game ended in a 2-2 tie. Brewster knows that this will be a hard fought weekend as both games are important in the tight Western Conference.

Huskies fall short in comeback



The **New England Jr. Huskies** let the bad weather and dicey driving conditions become a distraction as they came out flat and disorganized against the **Springfield Jr. Pics** on Saturday evening.

Even though the Huskies scored first, (**Ian Latham** from **Kip Strong** and **Thomas Labore**) they gave the lead right back with Springfield's **Shane Mack** and **Joe Mazza** scoring before the 1st intermission. Springfield came out in the 2nd with **Ben Emory**, **Tom Greene**, and **Mazza**, scoring 3 unanswered goals to seemingly put the game out of reach for the Huskies.

After a timeout by the Huskies, they came out determined and desperate to get back in the game. **Shane Harrington** scored on the powerplay with a great pass from **Dustin Paquette** to gather some momentum for the Huskies. Later in the 2nd the Huskies took advantage of another powerplay with **Eric Pilecki** scoring and the assists going to **Paquette** and **Harrington**. After an untimely and undisciplined penalty by the Huskies, Springfield took back the momentum and scored on the powerplay (**Christopher Breault** from **Mike Wytrych**, and **Mazza**).

The 3rd period was evenly played until **Shannon Thomas** had a nice one-timer goal on the powerplay with assists going to **Eddie Barrasso**, and **Shaun McLaughlin**. The Huskies were pressing for another goal to give them a chance to get to overtime.

With the goalie pulled, **Alec Hazelwood** scored with 30 seconds left to make it a one-goal game. Even though there was only 30 seconds left, the Huskies had their chances but just couldn't get the equalizer.

Buffalo Stars Health & Fitness Expo



The **Buffalo Stars** will run their **Annual Health & Fitness Expo** this Saturday, November 5th at the Holiday Twin Rinks between 4-8pm. The main feature of the Expo will be a Blood Drive conducted by the **Upstate NY Transplant Services** (UNYTS) and Flu and Pneumonia Vaccinations conducted by the **Visiting Nurses Association** (VNA). There will also be free blood pressure testing and various vendors from the Health & Fitness community.

All blood donors will be entered into a raffle to win 1 of 5 signed **Buffalo Sabres** official jerseys.

The Buffalo Stars Juniors will also be in action that night as they host Long Island's **Applecore** Junior team at 7pm.

Remember: Your blood could save up to 3 WNY lives.

For more information about the Buffalo Stars visit us on line at:
www.buffalostars.com

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Junior Website Blogs:

Here are some good Junior Blogs to follow:

USA Junior Hockey: <http://www.usacollegehockey.com/cgi-bin/UBBCGI/ultimatebb.cgi>

A great board for Junior Hockey discussion. I post in here all the time and am a moderator.

American Junior Hockey: <http://www.americanjuniorhockey.com/>

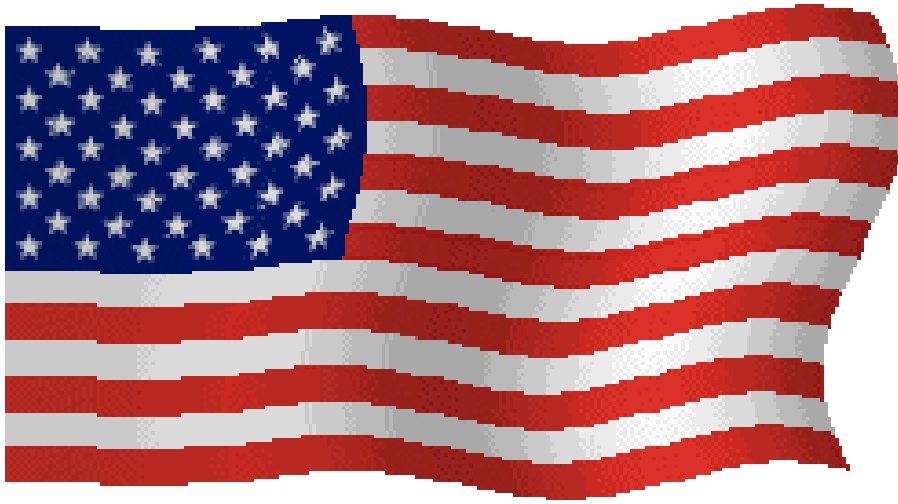
Another good site I always post in.

Wrist Shot Hockey: <http://www.wristshothockey.net/>

and of course our own blog at: <http://juniorhockeytalk.proboards.com>

You can make submissions to this Newsletter. Send your write up along with any pictures you may have by 10am Wednesday mornings to Pete Preteroti at: sportsniag@aol.com

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