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ESHL Junior Report: Friday, November 18, 2011

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Upcoming Weekend Games:

Friday, November 18, 2011

Mass Maple Leafs @ New Hampshire
Junior Bruins @ Bay State

Saturday, November 19, 2011

Springfield @ Junior Bruins
New Hampshire @ Bay State
Brewster @ Applecore
New England @ Mass Maple Leafs
Potomac @ Suffolk

Sunday, November 20, 2011

Jersey Wildcats @ Applecore
Potomac @ Suffolk
Brewster @ Philadelphia
Springfield @ New England

View the complete ESHL schedule on line at:
www.jrhockey.net

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:

Goalie: Mark Specia - Jersey Wildcats

Forward: Blaze Vogliano - Brewster

Defense: Rich Loveless - Mass Leafs

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 11/13/11



Goaltender - Mark Specia - Jersey Wildcats - 94 (Ringwood, NJ)

Specia started both games this past weekend for the Jersey Wildcats on their road trip to Potomac. In two games against the Patriots Specia stopped 61 of 64 shots faced yielding a goals against average of 1.50 and a save percentage of .953. The entire Jersey Wildcats organization would like to congratulate Mark on an excellent weekend.



Forward - Blaze Vogliano - Brewster - 95 (Bedford, NY)

Blaze had 4 goals on the weekend in their two game series with the Suffolk Juniors ESHL. In the first game on Saturday, Vogliano had two goals in the 3-3 tie. In their OT loss to Suffolk on Sunday, Vogliano tallied another 2 goals. One a power play tally and the other at even strength. The first year Junior player also did a tremendous job of killing penalties for the Bulldogs.



Defense - Rick Loveless - Mass Maple Leafs - 93 (St Louis, MO)

The Mass Maple Leafs would like to nominate **93 St Louis, MO** defenseman Rick Loveless who picked up 5 assists in this weekend's games versus the Pics. Loveless played solid defense throughout the weekend along with leading the defense in scoring this past weekend.



The **Bay State Breakers** (3-10-0-0) played a home and home series with the New England Huskies on Friday and Sunday.

On Friday the Huskies took a 3-0 lead into the third period when Tim Marks (Quincy, MA) scored on the power play from George McCafferty (Whitman, MA) and John O'Callaghan (Quincy, MA) with 7:20 to play to cut the Huskie lead to 3-1. The Huskies would answer with an insurance goal with 5:18 to play to seal the 4-1 win. Breaker goaltender Brian Brady (Weymouth, MA) made 32 saves in goal.

On Sunday the Breakers travelled to Tyngsboro to take on the Huskies again. The Huskies would score twice in the first period to take a 2-0 lead heading into the second. James Blute (Worcester, MA) scored from George McCafferty (Whitman, MA) with 11:34 left in the second and the Huskies would respond again just two minutes later to regain the 2 goal advantage at 3-1. James Crockett (Rockland, MA) would cut the Huskie lead to one again on a blast from the point from Shayne McGowan (Scottsville, NY) and again 46 seconds later the Huskies answered to carry a 4-2 lead into the third.

In the third period the Breakers would score quickly when Derek Murphy (Quincy, MA) scored from Jordan Shippee (Glen Allen, VA) and Shayne McGowan (Scottsville, NY) just 45 seconds into the period. The 4-3 score would hold until the halfway mark when the Huskies would score again to cap off the 5-3 win. Breakers goaltender Kevin Hoy (Ft. Lauderdale, FL) made 36 saves in goal.

The Breakers take on the Jr. Bruins and the New Hampshire Monarchs at home on Friday and Saturday before heading into the Thanksgiving break.



The **Mass Maple Leafs** in its 13 year plus history has accomplished many feats and obstacles since its existence. The newest announcement and accomplishment is one that Head Coach Tony DeSilva is extremely proud of. The Leafs are proud to announce that there is currently 40 former Leafs playing collegiate hockey this season.

The Leafs have 1 playing in Division 1 Mike Borge, a sophomore at Brown University. Borge played one full season with the Leafs before heading to Hotchkiss School for two years then eventually landing at Brown. The Leafs have 24 players currently playing in Division 3 that group is led by Norwich University's junior forward Kyle Thomas along with a pair of former captains Ronnie Paiva and Jason Alera both at Becker College. The Leafs have 15 playing ACHA Club hockey including last year's captain Bret Zimmerman at URI last year's goalies Jason San Antonio Bryant University, Boyd Zinger CALU and defenseman PJ Burnham at Niagara University.

The Leafs are extremely proud of this accomplishment as this total is in the top 10 in placements of all Tier 3 Junior Hockey this season.

The Mass Maple Leafs will be holding a can drive for Families in need for the local food pantries during their home game on Saturday November 19th at 730pm versus the New England Junior Huskies being played at the CDL Arena in Raynham.

All can donations can be dropped off during the Leafs practice time or at either game at the CDL Arena in Raynham. All donated food will be given to the Shepards' Food for distribution.

If anyone has any questions in regards to this can drive for Thanksgiving please contact Tony DeSilva at 508-971-0808

Jersey Wildcats Balanced Attack Yields Success in Virginia

RANDOLPH, NEW JERSEY – The **Jersey Wildcats** took four points out of their weekend road trip to Virginia on the back of 3-2 and 7-1 victories. In two games against the Potomac Patriots **Ryan Gecawich** (Mountain Lakes, New Jersey) led all Wildcat forwards netting 3 goals. He also finished a team high plus-4 on the weekend. Gecawich and the team's penalty kill have successfully thwarted 34 of the past 35 powerplay chances for its opposition. On the blueline **Ryan Morse** (Westfield, New Jersey) led all Wildcats defenseman with 2 assists and a plus-3 rating. Additionally, Morse is sporting an impressive 6 game point streak. Morse mans the point on the Wildcat powerplay. The unit is 7 for 34 in the past five games.



The past three games have seen the Wildcats introduce new goaltender **Mark Specia** (Ringwood, New Jersey) to the Eastern States Hockey League. Specia started both games this past weekend and stopped 61 of 64 shots faced yielding a goals against average of 1.50 and a save percentage of .953.

At the end of the weekend seven players notched goals for the team. **Zachary DeSaulniers** (Ottawa, Ontario) notched two goals on the weekend to go along with Gecawich's three. **Martin Rovnak** (Clark, New Jersey), **Joe Rametta** (Wayne, New Jersey), **Nicholas Hall** (Roxbury, New Jersey), **Austin Gordon** (Roxbury, New Jersey), and **Shawn Rose** (Virginia Beach, Virginia) added on goal each.

The Wildcats defensemen registered six assists and only six penalty minutes on the trip. **Gage Malinowski** (Sparta, New Jersey), **Nick Bacigalupo** (Flemington, New Jersey), **Charlie Wollmuth** (Basking Ridge, New Jersey), **Trevor Post** (Andover, New Jersey), and **Michael Root** (Jefferson Township, New Jersey) round out the defense along with Morse.

The upcoming weekend will see Jersey travel to Long Island for a one game against New York Applecore. For all things Jersey Wildcats visit the team online at www.jerseywildcats.com and at www.jrhockey.net. All home games are played at Aspen Ice in Randolph, New Jersey.

NOTES: With a point in each game this past weekend Ryan Morse has extended his point streak to six games.

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/>

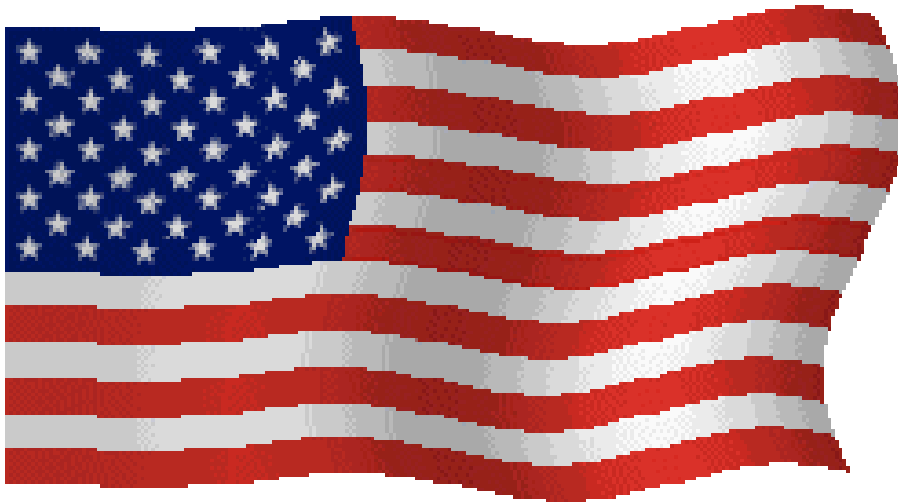
Another good site I always post in.

Wrist Shot Hockey: <http://www.wristshohockey.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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