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LEAGUE ANNOUNCES ALL-ROOKIE TEAM HONOREES ~ League hands out seven more awards ~

WAKEFIELD, Mass. - The Women's Hockey East Association announced on Tuesday its All-Rookie Team for the 2011-2012 season, as voted on by the league's eight head coaches, which will be presented at the 10th annual Hockey East Awards Banquet on Friday night in Hyannis, Mass. to kickoff the league's Championship weekend at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center.

Northeastern forward Kendall Coyne (Palos Heights, III.) headlined the first-year squad as one of three unanimous selections, while three Boston College players made the cut, including two unanimous selections in defenseman Emily Pfalzer (Getzville, N.Y.) and forward Alex Carpenter (North Reading, Mass.), along with forward Emily Field (Littleton, Mass.) for the Eagles. Boston University forward Kayla Tutino (Lorraine, Que.) and Vermont forward Amanda Pelkey (Montpelier, Vt.) rounded out the six member squad.

Coyne took the league by storm this year leading league play in goals with 19. Her 30 points and 19 goals by a freshman were second most in league history. She notched a point in 17 of 19 league contests for the Huskies. Carpenter ranked second among league rookies with 20 points and 12 goals, while teammate Pfalzer's 10 points was the seventh best totals among rookies and all league blueliners. Tutino's 18 points (8g,10a) were third best in league games and Field came in at the fourth spot with 16 points, 5g,11a). Pelkey's nine points (3g,6a) in conference play was the second best total on the Catamounts roster.

Providence senior forward Ashley Cottrell (Sterling Heights, Mich.) was honored with the Sportsmanship Award for her clean play on the ice. Cottrell logged only eight penalty minutes in league play, to go along with 16 points (10g,6a) in 19 league contests for the Friars. Northeastern junior forward Casey Pickett (Wilmington, Mass.) was named the Gladiator Best Defensive Forward for her efforts during the season for the Huskies, playing in all 21 league games with 25 points (11g,14a) and a +26 plus/minus rating.

Boston University senior Kasey Boucher (Lewiston, Maine) was named the league's third recipient of the Best Defenseman Award. Boucher was a rock for the Terriers on blueline this season, recording a +15 plus/minus rating, playing in 20 of 21 league games and notching nine assists for Boston University.

Northeastern's Kelly Wallace (Libertyville, III.) was honored with the Turfer Athletic Award, which is presented annually to an individual, coach or team who best represents the core values of Turfer Athletics; tenacity, commitment and innovation.

Boston University senior captain Jenn Wakefield (Pickering, Ont.) earned the Scoring Champion distinction with 31 points (14g,17a) in confer-ence play this season, edging out Northeastern's Coyne, who finished with 30 points. Florence Schelling took home the Army ROTC Three Stars Award after being named a Star of the Game 12 times, including the First Star on four occasions this season. Schelling was also crowned the league's Goaltending Champion with a 1.27 GAA and a single-season league record .956 save percentage in conference play.

The Women's Hockey East Association is an eight-team, Division-I college hockey conference which began play in 2002-2003, with offices based in Wakefield, Mass. The league also sponsors an 10 team men's league which began play in 1984-1985.

2011-2012 WHEA All-Rookie Team

- D: Emily Pfalzer, Boston College * (Getzville, N.Y.) F: Alex Carpenter, Boston College * (North Reading, Mass.) F: Kendall Coyne, Northeastern * (Palos Heights, III.) F: Emily Field, Boston College (Littleton, Mass.) F: Amanda Pelkey, Vermont (Montpelier, Vt.) F: Kayla Tutino, Boston University (Lorraine, Que.)

ARMYROTC Scoring Champion

Sportsmanship Award

Ashley Cottrell, Providence College (Sr., F, Sterling Heights, Mich.)

Army ROTC Three Stars Award

Florence Schelling, Northeastern (Sr., G, Oberengstringen, Switzerland)

* unanimous selection

Best Defenseman Award

Kasey Boucher, Boston University (Sr., Lewiston, Maine)

Gladiator Best Defensive Forward Casey Pickett, Northeastern (Jr., Wilmington, Mass.)

Turfer Athletic Award Kelly Wallace, Northeastern (Jr., F, Libertyville, III.)



Goaltending Champion Florence Schelling, Northeastern (Sr., Oberengstringen, Switzerland) (1.27 GAA, .956 save%)

Jenn Wakefield, Boston University (Sr., F, Pickering, Ont.; 31 pts.)



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