

Saturday, Sept. 5, 2009

SALVE POWERS PAST EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY, 4-0

Goalies combine for 22 saves in season-opening non-conference loss

NEWPORT, R.I. – Eastern Connecticut State University senior goalie **Tia Mucciarone (Franklin, MA)** and junior **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** combined for 22 saves but Salve Regina University scored three times in 14 minutes in the second half to break open a close game in a 4-0 non-conference win over the Warriors Saturday afternoon at the Lawrence Avenue Fields. The match was the season-opener for Eastern.

Mucciarone stopped ten of Salve's (2-1) 11 shots on goal in the first half to keep Eastern (0-1) in contention, but the Seahawks finally broke free by scoring three goals in 14 minutes with 15 minutes gone in the second half.

The meeting was the first since 2001 between the programs, Eastern having won two of the three previous meetings.

Freshman Kelly Allan scored her first two collegiate goals and classmate Kelly Burke potted her team-leading third goal of the season to lead the hosts, who posted their second straight shutout after an opening loss.

Salve outshot the Warriors 28-3 and held a 7-2 edge in penalty corners.

Eight veterans were in the starting lineup for Eastern, with first-year sophomore transfers **Lyndsey Zavisza (Suffield)** and **Rochelle Normandin (South Windsor)** and freshman **Kristin Santanello (Swampscott, MA)** making their Eastern debut in the starting lineup.

Eastern opens play on its new turf field Tuesday, hosting Babson College at 6 p.m. at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex. Pre-game ceremonies begin at 5 p.m.

Salve Regina U. 4, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (0-1)	0	0	--	0
Salve Regina (2-1)	1	3	--	4

Scoring: Kelly Burke (Brittany Lopes) 1:21; Kelly Allan (Lindsay Burt) 50:15; Allan 62:00; Lopes (Andrea Michel) 64:10.

Shots: E-3, S-28; **Saves:** E-Tia Mucciarone 10 (35:00 min., 1 goal allowed), Danielle Reichardt 12 (35:00, 3); S-Devin Eppley 2.

Penalty corners: E-2, S-7.

Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY CAN'T MATCH BABSON, 6-0
In first match on turf field, Warriors outshot 26-7 in setback

MANSFIELD, Conn. – Juniors Sarah Fredlund (New Preston, CT) and Colleen Kelly (Milton, MA) each had two goals and sophomore Courtney Weaving (New Preston, CT) contributed two assists to power the Babson College field hockey team past Eastern Connecticut State University, 6-0, Tuesday evening in the first intercollegiate match played on the new \$1.4 million turf field at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

Coming off a 5-1 loss to nationally-ranked Skidmore College Saturday, Babson (2-1) scored twice in less than six minutes to move out to a 3-0 lead with 12 minutes left in the first half to roll past Eastern (0-2) for the sixth time in this six-game series.

Weaving picked up her third and fourth assists in three matches this year, setting up freshman Kelly Walsh (Gardner, MA) for her second career goal to give the Beavers a 1-0 lead in the 14th minute, and feeding Fredlund ten minutes later to make it 2-0. Fredlund added her team-leading fifth goal of the year with three minutes left in the first half to give Babson a 4-0 advantage.

Eastern sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** stopped seven shots in the second half.

Eastern hosts Keene State College Saturday at noon in its Little East Conference opener.

Babson College 6, Eastern Conn. 0

Babson College (2-1)	4	2	--	6
Eastern Conn. (0-2)	0	0	--	0

Scoring: Kelly Walsh (Courtney Weaving) 13:12; Sarah Fredlund (Weaving) 23:22; Colleen Kelly 29:14; Fredlund 31:39; Jess Paladino 41:59; Kelly (Annaliese Brosch) 69:06.

Shots: E-7, B-26; **Saves:** B-Jessica Pashos 4 (50:09 min.), Emily Cohen 2 (19:51); E-Tia Mucciarone 5 (35:00 min., 4 goals allowed), Danielle Reichardt 7 (35:00, 2).

Penalty corners: E-5, B-11.

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY BEATEN IN LITTLE EAST OPENER, 5-0
Five-time defending conference champion Keene marches past Warriors

MANSFIELD, Conn. – Entering Saturday afternoon’s Little East Conference field hockey opener, Keene State College had not given up a goal through its first four matches and Eastern Connecticut State University had not scored one against its first two opponents.

Saturday’s script stayed true to form, Keene (5-0, 1-0 little east) taking the lead in the fifth minute of play and cruising to a 5-0 victory over Eastern (0-3, 0-1 little east) – its 12th in this 13-match series between the clubs.

Conference goal leader Carly Benning potted her ninth and ten goals and LEC assist leader Aislynn Sherry recorded her sixth and seventh to power Keene, which has won the last five and seven of 11 LEC playoff titles. Elizabeth Coffin also scored twice and Chelsea Blackmer had a goal and assist for the Owls, who have been unchallenged this season, scoring 23 unanswered goals in five relatively easy wins.

Eastern sophomore **keeper Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** stopped ten shots, while Keene senior Vikki Stoessel collected five saves in keeping her goals-against average spotless.

Eastern hosts Wheelock College Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Keene State College 5, Eastern Conn. 0

Keene State (5-0, 1-0 little east)	2	3	--	5
Eastern Conn. (0-3, 0-1 little east)	0	0	--	0

Scoring: Carly Benning (Kerry Howe) 4:52; Elizabeth Coffin (Aislynn Sherry) 20:47; Benning (Erin Dallas, Tara Murphy) 40:09; Chelsea Blackmer (Sherry) 52:49; Coffin (Blackmer) 58:49.

Shots: E-8, K-19; **Saves:** K-Vikki Stoessel 5, E-Danielle Reichardt 10.

Penalty corners: K-13, E-6.

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009

OFFENSE UNFOLDS FOR EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY IN 7-1 WIN
Melissa Goffe ties program records with three goals and seven points

MANSFIELD, Conn. Sophomore forward **Melissa Goffe (Newington)** tied Eastern Connecticut State University field hockey records with three goals and seven points as the Warriors recorded their first win of the season with a 7-1 verdict over Wheelock College Tuesday at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

Goffe unloaded nine of the team's 29 shots, scoring the last of the team's four first-half goals, the first goal of the second half, and capping the offensive onslaught by completing the hat trick with bad-angle marker from near the end line with four minutes left.

Goffe also set up Eastern's (1-3) first goal of the season when she found sophomore forward **Ashley Del Vecchio (Fairfield)** at the left of the cage with a baseline pass in the sixth minute of play. Del Vecchio made it 2-0 11 minutes later on a feed from sophomore forward **Ali Chapman (Watertown)**, and the Warriors went on to post their second-highest goal total in program history.

Goffe's performance marks only the second time in the program's 12-year history that an Eastern player has collected as many as seven points in a match, the first since Nicole Otterspoor against Lasell College on Sept. 18, 1999. It is the fourth time that an Eastern player has scored as many as three goals in a match, the first since Mo Deegan on Nov. 2, 2003.

Chapman finished with a goal and assist, as did junior forward **Melanie Proud (Wall Township, NJ)**. First-year sophomore transfer back **Lyndsey Zavisza (Suffield)** netted her first collegiate point when she set up Proud to make it 3-0 midway through the first half.

Sophomore goalie **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** made four saves in the first half to register her fourth career win. She made her best save with four minutes left in the first half and Eastern leading 3-0. Reichardt extended her right leg to make a pad save when Wheelock's (0-4) Jacquilyn Hull deflected a pass from teammate Milbrey Hendrix.

Eastern's goal total is the second-highest in a match in program history, one behind the mark set in a 2004 season-opening 8-0 home win over Stevens Tech, a first-year program at the time.

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Eastern visits Bridgewater State College Saturday at 4 p.m. in Little East Conference play.

Eastern Conn. 7, Wheelock College 1

Wheelock (0-4)	0	1	--	1
Eastern Conn. (1-3)	4	3	--	7

Goals: E-Ashley Del Vecchio (Melissa Goffe) 5:29; E-Del Vecchio (Ali Chapman) 16:08; E-Melanie Proud (Lyndsey Savisza) 23:38; E-Goffe 33:07; E-Goffe (Proud) 55:00; W-Jacquilyn Hull (Milbrey Hendrix) 58:03; E-Chapman 58:34; E-Goffe 66:00.
Shots: W-10, E-29; **Saves:** W-Meredith Race 9; E-Danielle Reichardt 4 (0 goals allowed, 35:00 min.), Tia Mucciarone 3 (1, 35:00).
Penalty corners: W-3, E-7.

Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY CAN'T GET UNTRACKED IN LEC PLAY
Warriors' sticks quiet in Little East Conference loss to Bridgewater State

BRIDGEWATER, Mass. – The good news for the Eastern Connecticut State University field hockey team is that it has scored seven goals in its first five matches this season. The bad news is that all of them have come against one opponent.

Saturday, Eastern was limited to only two shots -- none of which found the cage -- as Bridgewater State College handed the Warriors their fourth shutout, 2-0, in Little East Conference action.

The shutout loss is Eastern's (1-4, 0-2 little east) third in the last four years at the hands of Bridgewater, (4-0, 2-0 little east), one of three LEC teams to win its first two conference matches this season. The Bears were seeded eighth (last) in last year's LEC playoffs and was eliminated with a first-round loss to top seed and eventual champion Keene State College. The Warriors did not qualify for conference playoff competition last season.

The Warriors were coming off a promising 7-1 verdict over Wheelock College Tuesday at Mansfield, amassing 29 shots in the one-sided win. Saturday's loss featured only two shots, both in the first period.

Against Eastern, freshman Shelby Farland notched the second and third goals of her career. She scored an unassisted goal in the 15th minute to make it 1-0 and scored off a penalty corner 16 minutes into the second half to provide insurance.

In her third start of the year, senior goalie **Tia Mucciarone (Franklin, MA)** kicked out six Bridgewater shots. Bridgewater junior Katie Weber gained the shutout without a save.

Eastern visits Connecticut College Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Bridgewater State College 2, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (1-4, 0-2 little east)	0	0	--	0
Bridgewater State (4-0, 2-0 little east)	1	1	--	2

Scoring: Shelby Farland 14:08; Farland (Bethany Bush) 51:35.

Shots: E-2, B-11; **Saves:** E-Tia Mucciarone 6, B-Katie Weber 0. **Penalty corners:** E-3, B-11.

FIELD HOCKEY GIVES CONNECTICUT COLLEGE EARLY RUN IN 5-0 LOSS

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Behind Reichardt's goaltending, Warriors allow only one goal in first half



NEW LONDON, Conn. - Sophomore keeper **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** made seven of her ten saves to keep field hockey within a goal at halftime before Connecticut College tacked on four in the second half in a 5-0 victory over the Warriors Tuesday afternoon at the Artificial Turf at Silfen Field.

At left: Danielle Reichardt

Making her third start this year, Reichardt kicked out seven shots over the first 35 minutes as Eastern (1-5) withstood heavy Connecticut (2-2) pressure to remain within a goal at the break.

As many as four Conn offensive players threatened throughout the first half, but only junior forward Abby Hine was able to get one by Reichardt. That goal came in the 12th minute of play and stood up until the Camels made it 2-0 two minutes into the second half. Eastern re-grouped late in the first half, spending considerable time in Conn's defefnsive third, but the Warriors were unable to put any shots on net. Eastern managed only three shots in the match, none of which were on the cage. The Warriors did not earn their first penalty corner try until there were 43 minutes gone in the match.

Applying continual pressure after the half, Conn pulled away by scoring twice in a span of two minutes and 40 seconds late in the match. In all, Conn got its goals from five different players, with eight different players contributing either a goal or assist.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009

SOUTHERN MAINE POWERS PAST EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY, 7-2
Huskies score five goals in 11 minutes to post Little East Conference win

MANSFIELD, Conn. The University of Southern Maine field hockey team scored its first five goals in a span of 11 minutes beginning in the final six minutes of the first half and went on to a 7-2 Little East Conference victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday afternoon at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

Coming off a decisive loss to No. 9 nationally-ranked Bowdoin College Tuesday, Southern Maine (5-4, 2-1 little east) broke a scoreless tie Saturday six minutes before the end of the first half that propelled them to a run of five goals in a stretch of 11 minutes and on the way to its 11th win over Eastern (1-6, 0-3 little east) in this series in 13 decisions.

Freshman Kailey Bubier took over the team scoring lead for Southern Maine with her fifth and sixth goals of the season. Bubier's goals late in the second half restored a four-goal advantage for the visitors after Eastern scored twice to cut the deficit to 4-2 with 16 minutes left.

Freshman Bethany Schleh matched her classmate with two goals and sophomore Whitney McDaniel contributed two for the Huskies.

With Eastern trailing 4-0 in the opening minutes of the second half, junior **Ashley Del Vecchio (Fairfield)** netted her third goal of the season on a penalty corner, and freshman **Kristin Santanello (Swampscott, MA)** chipped in her first collegiate point with an unassisted goal in the 55th minute. Sophomore **Amanda Farina (Mahopac, NY)** assisted on Del Vecchio's goal for her first collegiate point.

Southern Maine senior Allison Hill needed only three saves to record her fifth win in nine decisions.

Eastern hosts Western Connecticut State University Wednesday at 7 p.m.

U. of Southern Maine 7, Eastern Conn. 2

Southern Maine (5-4, 2-1 little east)	3	4	--	7
Eastern Conn. (1-6, 0-3 little east)	0	2	--	2

Scoring: S-India Lowe 28:50; S-Bethany Schleh (Caitlin Albert) 31:55; S-Whitney McDaniel (Cristina Corson) 32:54; E-McDaniel (Lowe) 35:24; E-Ashley Del Vecchio (Amanda Farina) 39:39; E-Kristin Santanello 54:19; S-Kailey Bubier 54:38; Bubier 64:08; S-Schleh 68:26.

Shots: S-21, E-8; **Saves:** S-Allison Hill 3; E-Danielle Reichardt 7 (3 goals allowed, 35:00 min.), Tia Mucciarone 3 (4, 35:00).

Penalty corners: S-11, E-4.

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY CAN'T CONTAIN WESTERN OFFENSE
Visiting Colonials score four goals in second half in 5-1 conference win

MANSFIELD, Conn. – Freshman Valerie Lupo and senior Meredith Stuart applied offensive pressure throughout the match as the Western Connecticut State University field hockey team rode four second-half goals to a 5-1 Little East Conference victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Wednesday night at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

Both teams entered play chasing their first conference victories. The loss is the fourth straight for Eastern (1-7, 0-4 little east), which has surrendered 17 goals in its last three contests. Western (3-7, 1-3 little east) has won two of its last three following a six-game losing streak.

Lupo and Stuart combined to take nine of Western's 20 shots in the match, the Colonials' defense allowing only two shots.

Junior **Melanie Proud's (Wall Township, NJ)** second goal of the season gave Eastern hope, the shot from the left of the cage off a feed from sophomore **Ali Chapman (Watertown)** cutting Western's lead in half just over seven minutes into the second half.

Western, which had lost three of the four matches against Eastern in this series, got that goal right back two minutes later when sophomore Melissa Berardi was awarded a penalty stroke, and the visitors added two more goals in a span of six minutes when freshmen Elizabeth Vitale and Lindsay Gorman recorded their first career goals.

Eastern sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** came through with nine saves in 52 minutes of work, with senior **Tia Mucciarone (Franklin, MA)** making two stops.

Eastern hosts Plymouth State University Saturday at 1 p.m. in a conference match.

Western Conn. 5, Eastern Conn. 1

Western Conn. (3-7, 1-3 little east)	1	4	--	5
Eastern Conn. (1-7, 0-4 little east)	0	1	--	1

Scoring: W-Valerie Lupo (Stephanie Szafran) 6:10; W-Szafran (Nicole Andreasen) 36:24; E-Melanie Proud (Ali Chapman) 42:32; W-Melissa Berardi (penalty stroke) 44:58; W-Elizabeth Vitale 57:04; W-Lindsay Gorman 61:56.

Shots: W-20, E-2; **Saves:** W-Heather Stone 0, E-Danielle Reichardt 9 (3 goals allowed, 52:04 min.), Tia Mucciarone 2 (2, 17:56). **Penalty corners:** W-6, E-4.

Saturday, Oct. 3, 2009

PLYMOUTH NOT THE ANSWER FOR EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY
Warriors remain winless against Panthers, dropping Little East contest

MANSFIELD, Conn. With the Eastern Connecticut State University field hockey team having absorbed two decisive Little East Conference home losses in the past week, the timing couldn't have been worse as the Warriors Saturday entertained the only conference opponent it had never beaten

Looking for its first win ever over Plymouth State University (7-3, 3-2 little east), the Warriors were instead shut out for the ninth time in 14 meetings with the Panthers, dropping their fifth straight, 6-0 at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

The second-winningest program percentage-wise in LEC field hockey history (also having won three post-season titles and five regular-season championships), Plymouth pulled away from a two-goal halftime edge by scoring twice more in the first 11 minutes of the second half on the way to the triumph over Eastern (1-8, 0-5 little east).

Senior Kerry D'Ambroise and junior Courtney McLaughlin scored two goals apiece in support of freshman goalie Hannah Sawyer, who pocketed three saves to post the shutout in her first collegiate start. The goals -- the first and last of the match -- were the team-leading seventh and eighth of the year for D'Ambroise, while McLaughlin netted her first two of the season.

Trailing 2-0 late in the first half, Eastern couldn't ride the momentum of Plymouth's failed penalty stroke with 4:30 left in the half, as the Panthers sealed the win with a goal five minutes into the second half that pushed the lead to 3-0.

In place of sophomore starting goalie **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)**, senior **Tia Mucciarone (Franklin, MA)** collected four saves over the final 17 minutes, surrendering Plymouth's final two goals.

Eastern sophomore midfielder **Erika Malito (Killingly)** came off the bench to make two defensive saves in front of Eastern's netminders, while freshman midfielder **Kristin Santanello (Swampscott, MA)** took two of Eastern's three shots.

Eastern hosts Fitchburg State College Tuesday at 4 p.m., looking for its third win in the last four years over the Falcons.

Plymouth State U. 6, Eastern Conn. 0

Plymouth State (7-3, 3-2 little east)	2	4	--	6
Eastern Conn. (1-8, 0-5 little east)	0	0	--	0

Scoring: Kerry D'Ambroise (Morgan Lemmon) 17:57; Courtney McLaughlin 31:24; McLaughlin (Kristina Conroy) 39:59; Lemmon (Conroy) 46:31; Sarah Smith 57:58; D'Ambroise (Smith) 61:54.

Shots: P-18, E-3; **Saves:** P-Hannah Sawyer 3, E-Danielle Reichardt 2 (4 goals allowed, 52:56 min.), Tia Mucciarone 4 (2, 17:04).

Penalty corners: P-10, E-2.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY DROPS SIXTH STRAIGHT MATCH *Fitchburg State maintains share of Little East Conference lead with 6-1 victory*

MANSFIELD, Conn. Junior Megan Jacobs (Stoughton, MA) had two goals and senior Paula Bartalamia (Tewksbury, MA) two assists as the Fitchburg State College field hockey team maintained a share of the Little East Conference lead with a 6-1 win over Eastern Connecticut State University Tuesday afternoon at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

Picked for tenth place in the 12-team conference in the pre-season coaches' poll, Fitchburg (7-3, 5-1 little east) held to a share of the conference lead with the victory. Fitchburg entered play having lost two of its last four after winning four straight. Eastern (1-9, 0-6 little east) was beaten for the sixth straight time, five of those setbacks coming in LEC play.

Jacobs needed less than six minutes to score her sixth and seventh goals of the season, tying Bartalamia for the team lead. Bartalamia, the conference's fifth-leading goal-scorer, was held off the board but chipped in two assists. Jacobs scored her first goal less than three minutes into play when she tucked in her own rebound, then scored on a pass from freshman Jamie Kelley (Pepperell, MA), who took over the team lead with her sixth assist of the season.

Trailing 6-0 at halftime, Eastern did not allow a goal in the second half behind the goaltending of sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)**. Reichardt, the LEC leader in saves per game, made four of her seven saves in the second half after taking over in net early in the match.

The Warriors avoided their seventh shutout of the season when junior **Ashley Del Vecchio (Fairfield)** recorded her team-leading fourth goal of the season off a pass from sophomore **Melissa Goffe (Newington)** inside the final three minutes.

Fitchburg junior Taylor Van Ahnen (Seekonk, MA), ranked among the top three in the LEC in goals-against average and save percentage, was not called upon for a save in blanking the Warriors in the first half.

Eastern visits Wesleyan University Thursday at 7 p.m.

Fitchburg State College 6, Eastern Conn. 1

Fitchburg State (7-3, 5-1 little east)	6	0	--	6
Eastern Conn. (1-9, 0-6 little east)	0	1	--	1

Scoring: F-Megan Jacobs 2:44; F-Jacobs (Jamie Kelley) 5:44; F-Eleni Aidonidis (Maria Roman, Paula Bartalamia) 8:26; F-Kelley (Bartalamia) 10:37; F-Heather Jerome 29:57; F-Hillary O'Kelly 34:05; E-Ashley Del Vecchio (Melissa Goffe) 67:31.

Shots: F-19, E-6; **Saves:** F-Taylor Van Ahnen 0 (35:00 min.), Abbie Brown 2 (1 goal allowed, 35:00); E-Tia Mucciarone 4 (3 goals allowed, 8:27 min.), Danielle Reichardt 7 (3, 61:33).

Penalty corners: F-8, E-7.

Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009

WESLEYAN TOPS EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY, 3-0

MIDDLETOWN, Conn. -- The Eastern Connecticut State University field hockey team continued to struggle on the offensive end, sustaining its seventh loss this year by shutout in a 3-0 setback at Wesleyan University Thursday night.

Since drubbing Wheelock College three weeks ago, Eastern (1-10), Eastern has dropped seven in a row, scoring only four goals in the process. Unbeaten against Eastern in six meetings in this series, Wesleyan (3-5) won for the first time after two straight losses.

Eastern sophomore goalie **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)**, the Little East Conference leader in saves per game, posted double-digit saves for the fourth time this year, stopping a career-high 13 shots before departing with nine minutes left on the short end of 3-0 score.

Eastern visits conference co-leader Framingham State College Saturday at 2 p.m.

Wesleyan U. 3, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (1-10)	0	0	--	0
Wesleyan U. (3-5)	2	1	--	3

Scoring: Liz Chabot (Taryn Murray, Jamie Thabault) 11:43; Morgan McCauley (Alexa David) 15:16; Murray (Emily Wenzel) 60:52.

Shots: E-2, W-23; **Saves:** E-Danielle Reichardt 13 (3 goals allowed, 60:52 min.), Tia Mucciarone 1 (0, 9:08); W-Tori Redding 2.

Penalty corners: E-1, W-9.

Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009

FRAMINGHAM STATE SINKS EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY, 6-1
Warriors lose eighth straight, remain winless in Little East Conference competition

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. — The Framingham State College field hockey team maintained a share of the lead in the Little East Conference Saturday with a 6-1 win over Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday.

Framingham's (9-2, 6-1 little east) victory over a reeling Eastern (1-11, 0-7 little east) is the Warriors' eighth straight loss and allows the Rams to maintain a share of the conference lead. They share the top spot in the 12-team conference with Fitchburg State and UMass Dartmouth. Eastern and Worcester State are the only teams in the conference without a win.

The victory is Framingham's fourth in the last five games since the Warriors won the first five matches in the series.

The Rams held a 20-5 advantage in shots and a 9-2 advantage in penalty corners and were able to convert three corners into goals.

Junior Andrea DiTerlizzi scored the game winner in the 30th minute as she took a pass on a corner from senior midfielder Jade Franzen and connected for her first of the season.

The Rams added two more goals before the half to extend their lead to 3-0 at the break. Sophomore midfielder Kayleigh Force found senior Kali Barrett in the circle and Barrett connected for her ninth goal of the season at 30:55. Less than three minutes later sophomore Kristin Gentili scored an unassisted tally which was also her first goal of the season.

Eastern avoided its eighth shutout loss when sophomore **Ali Chapman (Watertown)** scored with 1:31 left — her second goal of the season.

Sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** made ten saves before departing 13 minutes into the second half on the short end of a 4-0 score.

Three of Eastern's remaining four conference matches are against teams residing in the second tier of the conference.

Eastern hosts Lasell College Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

Framingham State College 6, Eastern Conn. 1

Eastern Conn. (1-11, 0-7 little east)	0	1	--	1
Framingham State (9-2, 6-1 little east)	3	3	--	6

Scoring: F-Andrea DiTerlizzi (Jade Franzen) 29:49; F-Kali Barrett (Kayleigh Force) 30:55; F-Kristin Gentili 33:36; F-Force 40:06; F-Katie Barry 53:23; F-Barrett (Franzen) 63:53; E-Ali Chapman 28:29.

Shots: E-5, F-20; **Saves:** E-Danielle Reichardt 10 (4 goals allowed, 48:01 min.), Tia Mucciarone 1 (2, 21:59); F-Allesha Kenyon 4 (0 goals allowed, 56:59), Stephanie Bourgeois 0 (1, 13:01).

Penalty corners: E-2, F-9.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY ROUTS LASELL IN RECORD-SETTING WIN
Team captains Del Vecchio and Proud combine for six goals and an assist

MANSFIELD, Conn. – The Eastern Connecticut State University field hockey team softened a disappointing season Tuesday with a record-setting 9-2 non-conference rout of Lasell College at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

After scoring just 12 goals through its first 12 matches, Eastern (2-11) put an eight-game losing streak behind it with its goal total against Lasell (4-8), which breaks the previous mark eight, set in a season-opening 8-0 home win in 2004 over Stevens Tech, a first-year program at the time.

A new alignment which featured four attacking players paid immediate dividends for the Warriors Tuesday, with the starting forward line combining for all but one of the team's goals and for two of its four assists. Team captains and starting forwards **Ashley Del Vecchio (Fairfield)** and **Melanie Proud (Wall Township, NJ)** tied the program record for goals by potting three each. Del Vecchio also contributed an assist which tied the program record for points (7) in a match. Senior **Dana McLaughlin (West Hartford)**, moved from midfield to forward to start the match, recorded her first points of the season with a goal and assist, and freshman forward **Kristin Santanello (Swampscott, MA)** added a goal.

Until Tuesday, the last player to score as many as three goals in a match was Mo Deegan six years ago. The only other time a player had totaled seven points in a match came ten years ago, when Nicole Otterspoor had three goals and an assist in a 6-0 home win over Lasell.

The Warriors scored on five of their first six shots Tuesday, striking for five goals before the game was nine minutes old. Proud started and ended the flurry with her third and fourth goals of the season, while Del Vecchio added a goal and assist in that onslaught. Two of Eastern's goals in the match came on penalty strokes, freshman **Rochelle Normandin (South Windsor)** posting her first career point to make it 4-0 in the eighth minute. Del Vecchio opened the second half with a penalty-stroke goal to make it 6-0. Del Vecchio's third goal of the match with ten minutes remaining was her team-leading seventh of the season.

Sophomore **Erika Malito (Killingly)** contributed her first point of the season with an assist on Del Vecchio's late goal -- her third career helper.

Not to be outdone, Eastern's defense diffused all 15 of Lasell's penalty corners, the Lasers unable to score directly off that re-start during the entire match. Eastern defenders were also credited with four defensive saves, three by junior sweeper **Rachel Cocola (South Windsor)** and one by Santanello.

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Sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** ended a personal six-game losing streak in the cage by making two saves in a scoreless first half. Senior **Tia Mucciarone (Franklin, MA)** stopped four shots over the final 35 minutes, and got additional help from Cocola's and Santanello's defensive saves.

Eastern hosts Salem State College in a Little East Conference match Saturday at 1 p.m. on Seniors' and Family Day.

Eastern Conn. 9, Lasell College 2

Lasell College (4-8)	0	2	--	2
Eastern Conn. (2-11)	5	4	--	9

Scoring: E-Melanie Proud 2:51; E-Ashley Del Vecchio (Dana McLaughlin) 6:00; E-Kristin Santanello (Del Vecchio) 7:00; E-Rochelle Normandin (penalty stroke) 7:49; E-Proud (Ali Chapman) 8:19; E-Del Vecchio (penalty stroke) 37:56; E-Proud 42:01; L-Kasey Looney (Concetta Nicoloro) 55:41; E-McLaughlin 56:10; E-Del Vecchio (Erika Malito) 59:30; L-Tia Pratt 65:16.

Shots: L-17, E-19; **Saves:** L-Christine Thornton 6; E-Danielle Reichardt 2 (0 goals allowed, 35:00 min.), Tia Mucciarone 4 (2, 35:00).

Penalty corners: L-15, E-2.

Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009

SALEM KEEPS EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY WINLESS IN LEC PLAY
Vikings hold onto eighth and final playoff spot with 4-2 victory over Warriors

MANSFIELD, Conn. – Junior Karen Atkinson (Reading, MA) assisted on Salem State College's final three goals to power the Vikings to a 4-2 Little East Conference victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday afternoon at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

With its fourth win over Eastern (2-12, 0-8 little east) in the last five years, Salem State (6-6, 3-5 little east) maintains sole possession of the eighth and final playoff spot in the conference. With three regular-season conference matches remaining, Salem is one game ahead of Westfield State College and one game behind Plymouth State University. One of two winless teams in the 12-team conference, Eastern is in danger of missing the LEC playoffs for the fifth straight year.

Sophomore **Melissa Goffe's (Newington)** fourth goal of the year pulled Eastern even at 2-2 with 19 minutes left in the match, but the Vikings answered with the go-ahead goal less than two minutes later when junior Sarah Quimby (Turner, ME) came off the bench to score her first goal of the season on a feed from Atkinson. Quimby scored on re-direct from in front of the net. Atkinson then set up sophomore Eryn Shea (Spencer, MA) with an insurance goal with three minutes left when her blast from the middle of the circle was tipped by Shea past Eastern sophomore netminder **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)**.

Goffe started the match at forward in place of injured junior **Melanie Proud (Wall Township, NJ)**.

Eastern had snapped an eight-game losing streak Tuesday with a 9-2 win over visiting Lasell College and continued to surge with an early goal against Salem to take a 1-0 lead eight minutes into play. Junior **Ashley Del Vecchio (Fairfield)** began the scoring play by gaining possession. She found Goffe down low, who got the ball to freshman **Kristin Santanello (Swampscott, MA)** at the left post for her third goal of the season.

Salem junior April Rossetti (Saugus, MA) assisted on Salem's first goal with an end line cross to Shea in the 20th minute, then scored the go-ahead goal nine minutes later to make it 2-1. On a penalty corner, sophomore Catherine Dowling (Somerville, NJ) sent the ball to the top of the circle to Atkinson, who fed Rossetti on the left side for the team-leading eighth goal of the year. Atkinson leads Salem with eight assists.

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Junior Jessica McKenna (Rowley, MA) made four saves to earn the win in net, while Reichardt stopped nine shots.

Eastern visits the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Wednesday at 7 p.m. in a conference match. The Corsairs are locked in a three-way tie for first place in the conference.

Salem State College 4, Eastern Conn. 2

Salem State (6-6, 3-5 little east)	2	2	--	4
Eastern Conn. (2-12, 0-8 little east)	1	1	--	2

Scoring: E-Kristin Santanello (Melissa Goffe) 8:26; S-Eryn Shea (April Rossetti) 19:04; S-Rossetti (Karen Atkinson) 28:24; E-Melissa Goffe (Liz Bolduc) 50:57; S-Sarah Quimby (Atkinson) 52:50; S-Shea (Atkinson) 66:57.

Shots: S-16, E-11; **Saves:** S-Jessica McKenna 4, E-Danielle Reichardt 9.

Penalty corners: S-9, E-8.

Wednesday, October 21, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY ELIMINATED FROM LEC CONTENTION
Warriors engage conference co-leader in scoreless first half before falling

NORTH DARTMOUTH, MA – Sharing the basement in the Little East Conference, the Eastern Connecticut State University field hockey team played conference co-leader University of Massachusetts Dartmouth to a scoreless first half before falling, 2-0, Wednesday night at Cressy Field.

Eastern (2-13, 0-9 little east) and UMass Dartmouth (10-5, 9-1 little east) played 45 scoreless minutes before Kate Dorrance scored her first goal of the season to give UMass a 1-0 edge. Eastern remained within that one-goal deficit before Erica Allan scored with 15 seconds left to account for the final score.

With its sixth road loss in as many matches this year, Eastern is officially eliminated from conference playoff contention. UMass remains locked in a three-way tie for the conference lead with Framingham State College and Fitchburg State College.

The shutout loss is the eighth this year for Eastern, which failed to qualify for LEC tournament play for the fifth straight season. The Warriors dropped their fourth straight against UMass, which finished two games behind regular-season champion Keene State last year and was eliminated in the conference playoff semifinals.

Eastern sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** stopped 12 shots, the eighth time in 14 appearances that she has made at least nine.

Eastern visits Westfield State College in a Little East Conference match Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Massachusetts Dartmouth 2, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (2-13, 0-9 little east)	0	0	--	0
UMass Dartmouth (10-5, 8-1 little east)	0	2	--	2

Scoring: Kate Dorrance (Becca Festinger) 44:49; Erica Allan (Festinger) 69:45.

Shots: E-6, MD-17; **Saves:** E-Danielle Reichardt 12, MD-Scana Golden 3.

Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009

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Westfield State College 2, Eastern Conn. 1

Eastern Conn. (2-14, 0-10 little east)	0	1	--	1
Westfield State (7-10, 3-7 little east)	0	2	--	2

Scoring: W-Kasey Bascetta (Alyssa Wesoly, Alicia Gardner) 43:42; W-Jessi Gould 43:45; E-Krisin Santanello (Rachel Cocola) 69:48.

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AGAINST ANNA MARIA, VICTORY CONCLUDES HOME SEASON

By Bob Molta on October 26, 2009 8:28 PM

In home finale, Warriors dominant with 3-1 non-conference win

Below: Dana McLaughlin



MANSFIELD,

Conn. - In terms of wins and losses, the 2009 season will not be a memorable one for field hockey. But the Warriors will remember their final home match of the season, a 3-1 non-conference victory over Anna Maria College at the Mansfield Outdoor Complex.

Eastern (3-14) won its third home match in ten tries, snapping a three-game losing streak and defeating Anna Maria (4-13) for the third straight season. With the Warriors comfortably ahead by a 3-0 score, the Amcats avoided their third shutout loss at the hands of Eastern in the last three years with their only goal with 18 minutes left.

Senior **Dana McLaughlin** (West Hartford) recorded the first multiple-goal game of her career after junior **Melanie Proud** (Wall Township, NJ) gave Eastern a 1-0 lead in the eighth minute of play.

Proud scored her sixth goal of the season on an assist from sophomore **Melissa Goffe** (Newington) in the eighth minute of play and McLaughlin made it 2-0 at halftime when she scored off a penalty corner with a blast from the right side. Seven minutes into the second half, McLaughlin made it 3-0 when she carried inside the circle and drilled a low shot inside the left post for her third goal of 2009. Proud's goal followed a re-start in the Eastern end. The free hit

went to Goffe, who carried over mid field before sending it ahead on the right side to an unmarked Proud. Proud beat one Anna Maria defender and carried into the circle. As three defenders converged on her, she slid a shot inside the post from a difficult angle.

Sophomore **Ali Chapman (Watertown)** and freshman **Kristin Santanello (Swampscott, MA)** were credited with assists on the goal, the first in the career of Santanello.

Anna Maria got one back with 18 minutes to play when freshman Marissa Cosenza scored her second goal of the season on a penalty corner off a hit-in by sophomore Katie Schebel.

Eastern was awarded a season-high 17 penalty corners, marking only the second time this season that the Warriors totaled more than their opponent in that department. The team's 19 shots equaled its second-most in a match this year.

Sophomore keeper **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** made three saves in working the first half to gain her third win of the season.

Eastern played without injured starters **Liz Bolduc (Stonington)** and **Lyndsey Zavisza (Suffield)**, both backs. Both will miss the final match of the season due to sickness and injury, respectively.

In a battle of winless Little East Conference teams, Eastern and host Worcester State College close out their regular seasons Saturday at 11 a.m.

Eastern Conn. 3, Anna Maria College 1

Anna Maria (4-13)	0	1	--	1
Eastern Conn. (3-14)	2	1	--	3

Scoring: E-Melanie Proud (Melissa Goffe) 7:33; E-Dana McLaughlin (Ali Chapman, Kristin Santanello) 25:26; E-McLaughlin 42:21; A-Marissa Cosenza (Katie Schebel) 52:38.

Shots: A-6, E-19; **Saves:** A-Allyssa Boykin 9, E-Danielle Reichardt 3 (0 goals allowed, 35:00 min.), Tia Mucciarone 0 (1, 35:00).

Penalty corners: A-2, E-17.

Saturday, Oct. 31, 2009

EASTERN FIELD HOCKEY FALLS TO WORCESTER IN SEASON-FINALE
Lancers score three times in first 15 minutes in battle of winless conference teams

WORCESTER, Mass. --- Sophomore teammates Sarah Cozzens and Kaitlyn DeLisle each netted a pair of goals to help propel Worcester State College to a 6-1 triumph over Eastern Connecticut State University in the Little East Conference and season finales for both field hockey teams this morning.

With the win, Worcester State (4-15, 1-10 little east conference) snaps an eight-game losing streak. Eastern (3-15, 0-11 little east conference) concludes its first conference season without a win since the conference expanded from its initial five-team makeup in 2000.

Both teams had been eliminated from LEC playoff contention prior to the match, the Warriors missing post-season action for the fifth straight year.

Trailing 4-0 at the break, Eastern outshot the hosts 10-9 over the final 35 minutes, but could finish off only one scoring opportunity when junior co-captain **Ashley Del Vecchio (Fairfield)** potted her team-leading eighth goal of the season just 61 seconds into the half on her only recorded shot of the match. The goals are the most by an Eastern player in a season since Elena Lupone netted 11 in 16 matches in 2004.

Worcester State opened the game with three goals within the first 15 minutes of the game. Delisle started things off at 7:23 with an unassisted marker before Cozzens registered consecutive tallies less than three minutes apart. The second WSC marker was scored at 12:51 and adding the helper on the play was senior Lesley Hill, who picked up the first of her two assists in the game.

Hill handed out her second assist at 30:50 as junior Erin Moore put the Lancers up 4-0 just before the intermission.

Making her eighth consecutive start, Eastern sophomore **Danielle Reichardt (Ocean Township, NJ)** made six saves before giving way to senior **Tia Mucciarone (Franklin, MA)** to start the second half. The duo combined on 11 saves, making the 13th time in 18 matches this season that Eastern goalies were called upon for ten or more stops.

Eastern had snapped a six-game losing streak at the hands of Worcester with a 2-0 win last year at home and was coming off Monday's 3-1 victory over Anna Maria College in its home finale.

Worcester State College 6, Eastern Conn. 1

Eastern Conn. (3-15, 0-11 little east)	0	1	--	1
Worcester State (4-15, 1-10 little east)	4	2	--	6

Scoring: W-Kaitlynn Delisle 7:23; W-Sarah Cozzens (Lesley Hill) 12:51; Cozzens 15:15; Erin Moore (Hill) 30:50; E-Ashley Del Vecchio 36:01; W-Kaitlynn Delisle (Veronica Farell) 63:31; W-Karla Rotondi 66:30.

Shots: E-13, W-26; **Saves:** E-Danielle Reichardt 6 (4 goals allowed, 35:00 min.), Tia Mucciarone 5 (2, 35:00); W-Katherine Masterjohn 9.

Penalty corners: E-6, W-8