WOMEN'S HOCKEY: HUSKIES TO HOST TOP 10 MATCHUP IN STORRS

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Two of the top goal keepers in the country will face off this weekend inside of the Toscano Family Ice Forum as Tia Chan and the No. 5 UConn women's ice hockey team (18-4-2, 11-2-1) face off against Lisa Jönsson and the No. 8 Northeastern Huskies (18-6, 13-1).

Friday's game will take place on Friday, Jan. 23, at 6 p.m., with game two following the next day at 3 p.m. Fans can stream both bouts live on ESPN+.

Chan comes into the weekend after stopping 24 shots a little over a week ago in an 8-1 victory over Merrimack before sitting in the game two loss.

It was a continuation of a fantastic final campaign for Chan. The graduate student has averaged just 1.547 goals allowed per game, the sixth lowest mark in the nation. The reigning Hockey East Goaltender of the Year has four games with 40-plus saves and 12 with 30 or more.

Chan will likely need to tap into that stellar play once again this weekend, as Northeastern has scored the 12th most goals of any team this season: 73. Aiding that number is the team's 126 assists, the sixth most in the country.

However, UConn is right behind Northeastern offensively as they have just one less goal in one more game.

Where UConn outranks Northeastern is in power play goal percentage, with UConn converting shots at a national top ten rate of just over 20%.

Jönsson will play a big role in attempting to put a stop on UConn's high-powered penalty play attack. The sophomore has let up 1.821 goals per game, good for 12th in the country. The Sweden native has three shutouts against Hockey East teams already under her belt this season.

A Hockey East All-Rookie team member a season ago, Jönsson leads a defense that ranks fifth nationally in killing penalties at over 88%. That bodes well against UConn's potent power play offense.

The last time these two-star goaltenders faced each other, it was Northeastern who knocked off UConn in the semifinals of the Hockey East tournament last March in a 3-1 victory at Toscano on the back of a 36 save performance from Jönsson.

That has been a common theme of the match up both over the past few years and the historic series. UConn swept all three contests between the teams during the 2023-24 campaign, but Northeastern one-upped them the following season, winning four face offs.

Northeastern has dominated the series since the first face off in 2001. Winning the first game between the pair in November, 3-1, Northeastern hasn't looked back and holds a 49-21-31 record.

That mark includes a 21-9-8 record on the road in Storrs and a 38-18-13 conference record. With UConn currently sitting in second place, only behind Northeastern, in the Hockey East, a pair of history-contradicting wins would go a long way towards erasing the six-point difference in the standings.

This weekend, a bounce back from leading point getter Kyla Josifovic is integral. The senior leads the team in assists and is tied for second in goals but was held scoreless in two games against Merrimack with a single assist. While it wasn't a poor performance, it becomes more underwhelming when considering UConn's eight goal outburst in game one.

Livvy Dewar and Ashley Allard picked up some of the slack, with the Dewar netting a pair of goals and adding one assist while the latter assisted two and scored game two's sole UConn goal. Both are important contributors to a Huskies offense that has seen seven players reach at least six goals on the season.

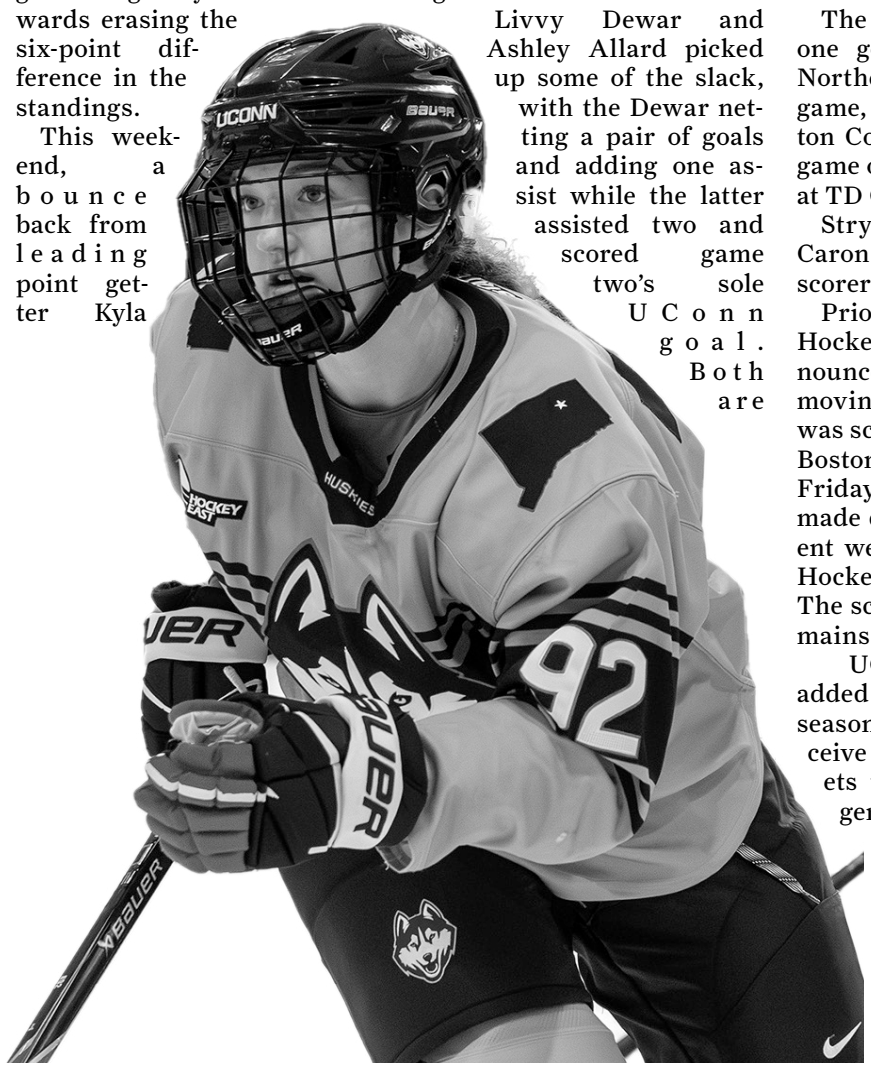
For Northeastern, their offensive attack is centered around senior Lily Shannon. The forward leads the team in both goals and assists, with her 16 goals being tied for 10th most in the country.

The team captains notched one goal and one assist in Northeastern's most recent game, a 3-2 win over Boston College in the third-place game of the Women's Beanpot at TD Garden on Tuesday.

Stryker Zablocki and Éloïse Caron also ranked as top 50 scorers nationally.

Prior to the series, the Hockey East association announced a schedule update, moving Sunday's game that was scheduled to take place in Boston to UConn's campus on Friday night. The change was made due to expected inclement weather, according to the Hockey East's announcement. The schedule for Saturday remains unchanged.

UConn's announcement added that both students and season ticket holders will receive complementary tickets to Friday's game, with general admission tickets available for $5.



UConn women's hockey team takes on Boston College at the Toscano Family Ice Forum on Saturday, Nov. 8. UConn lost, 2-1. PHOTO BY PARKER MEYERS, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS

Women's Swim And Dive: Huskies ride record-setting momentum into Seton Hall matchup

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The UConn swim and dive team will head to South Orange, N.J., this weekend to take on the Seton Hall Pirates. The teams will meet for their eleventh matchup, with the Huskies looking to extend their 10-0 shutout streak.

UConn will ride major momentum to enter the Pirates' home pool, coming off a monumental weekend. Along with their largest victory of the season against the University of Vermont (224-76), the Huskies earned seven pool records across two meets. The 200-medley relay team of Sydney Perkins, Maggie Rhodes, Rhian Russel and Jessica Sheng set a new standard (1:42.34), only to beat it the following day (1:40.48).

Just one month shy of conference championships, the Huskies are in strong form and increasing intensity across the board. As the end of the season draws closer, UConn looks to continue shaving times in all events, with each Husky rising to the occasion. Junior backstroke specialist Bella Hoffman has proven herself to be fierce competition in the 200 back all season. Hoffman's stellar performances contributed to one of the newest pool records in the Storrs Natatorium, and she looks to collect another first place finish this weekend.

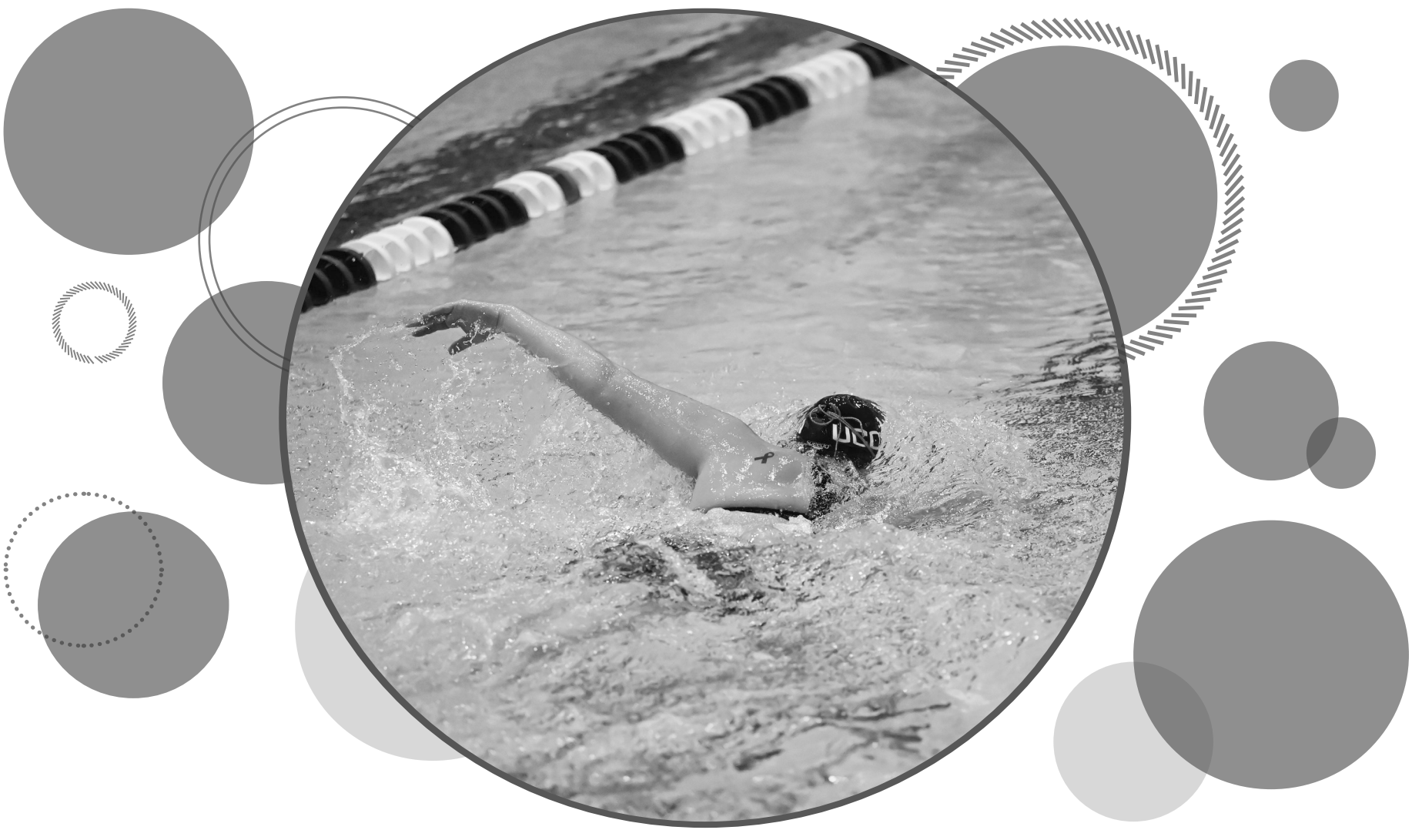
UConn's divers are also gearing up for another standout meet. Junior Kate Cooper, the reigning Big East Champion in the 3-meter dive, is having another remarkable season. Cooper has already scored four first place finishes in the event. Over the weekend, her winning dive earned a season-best of 310.55.

Senior Olivia Denery complements Cooper's success, asserting her dominance in the 1-meter event. Denery scored a 299.55 against Vermont, surpassing the mark and making her the defending conference champion in the same event. These Husky divers remain athletes that opponents should keep a close eye on.

Seton Hall's frontrunner is sophomore Aysoy Zeynep, a strong contender in distance freestyle and individual medley events. Zeynep is entering the meet fresh off a first-place finish in the 1000 free (10:44.88), but Huskies Bridget Davis and Norah Rome will offer fierce competition at the event.

UConn can also rely on Perkins, the exceptional sophomore talent, to deliver strong performances. The breaststroke specialist has led the Huskies throughout the season and remains undefeated in the 100 and 200 breast in dual-meet competition, which she will strive to continue against the Pirates.

The meet begins Saturday, Jan. 23, at 3 p.m. in the Arthur E. Imperatore Natatorium.



UConn swimmers compete against Northeastern during a dual meet at the Wolff-Zakim Natatorium on Saturday, Nov. 9, 2025. The Huskies won the meet 180-120, earning multiple first-place finishes across relay and individual events. PHOTO BY OLIVIA DICKSON, GRAB PHOTOGRAPHER/THE DAILY CAMPUS