

# Warren Wilson holds off UMM men

UNIONTOWN, Pennsylvania — The Warren Wilson College Owls out-scored the University of Maine-Machias Clippers by 13 in the second half to pull away for an 82-68 victory in a first-round game at the United States Collegiate Athletic Association's Division II men's basketball tourney Thursday.

## COLLEGE ROUNDUP

No. 4 Warren Wilson (18-13) advanced to Friday's semifinal round while No. 5 UMM (14-11) will play a consolation-round game. In a consolation game Thursday, No. 10 Central Maine Community College of Auburn defeated No. 9 UMaine-Presque Isle 91-73. CMCC and UMPI each dropped first-round games

Wednesday night when No. 7 Penn State Fayette, the tourney host, beat CMCC 93-81 and No. 8 St. Joseph's College (Vt.) topped UMPI 75-71. On Thursday, Steve Horton and Devin Davis each scored 16 points to lead Warren Wilson by the Clippers. Justin Gonyea and Tyler Triplett each added 10 points with Gonyea and Davis each grabbing six rebounds to help the Owls gain a 50-44 team advantage. Ben Teer paced UMM with 24 points and three assists while Jorge Milo and Brandon Blakely each added 12 points while Milo also had eight rebounds. Ivory Sneed Jr. contributed nine points and 10 rebounds while Travonne Thompson chipped in with

eight rebounds and nine rebounds. In the consolation game, Pietro Badalassi notched a double-double of 25 points and 14 rebounds to power CMCC by UMPI. Carlington Miller added 19 points, six rebounds and five assists for CMCC (22-10) and Rob Skinner chipped in with 16 points, five rebounds and three steals. Kevin Collins paced UMPI (13-13) with 16 points, five rebounds and two assists. Chase Vicair added 15 points and Derek Healy put in 10. On Wednesday night, Luke Williams poured in 33 points and Brandon Cunningham added 28 to help Penn State Fayette (21-9) hold off CMCC. Miller scored 20 points

to lead CMCC, Skinner added 19 and Badalassi put in 17. Badalassi also had 10 rebounds and Thomas Cedre added 13 points. In the other first-round game, the Fighting Saints overcame a 19-point second-deficit to rally by UMPI. After UMPI's Brandon McGill hit a free throw to give the Owls a 70-67 lead with 1:59 left to play, St. Joseph's scored eight points, capped by an Antonio Gordon 3-pointer, to take a five-point lead with 25 seconds left in the game and held off the Owls for the win. Gordon paced St. Joseph's with 29 points while Collins scored 25 to lead UMPI. McGill added 13 and Vicair had 12.

# UMaine

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Hyland, a senior guard from South Portland, is a repeat selection on the All-America First Team, and McFarland, a senior forward from Rockport, claimed second-team recognition. Hyland, who is pursuing his MBA with a concentration in finance after graduating Summa Cum Laude last May, is the program's first two-time first-team Ac-

ademic All-American. He holds a 3.92 GPA. He is averaging 20.7 points and 7.5 rebounds for the Falcons and leads the club in assists (91) and steals (34) while shooting 52 percent overall and 42 percent from three. McFarland, a mathematical sciences major, posted a 3.91 the last two semesters to raise his overall GPA to 3.46. He is averaging 22.9 points this season and needs 24 points to become the program's all-time leading scorer. The record is 2,104.

## Coaches pick Husson softball to finish first

The Husson University softball team has been selected to win its eighth straight North Atlantic Conference title in a preseason coaches poll released Thursday. Husson of Bangor received four of seven-first place votes and 46 total points in the poll. Castleton University (Vermont) was picked second with 41 points and two first-place votes, and Thomas College of Waterville was third with 37 points and one first-

place vote. New England College (New Hampshire) was picked fourth (30 points) and was followed by the University of Maine at Farmington (16) and a last-place tie between Johnson State (Vermont) and Lyndon State (Vermont) with 13 points each. Husson played in its first NCAA Division III regional final last season, losing to Wheaton College, and finished with a 28-13 record. Eleven players return to the Husson team this season under second-year coach Terren Hall.

# Hockey

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The family has developed a relationship with Father Bill Labbe, who is the Catholic chaplain at the Newman Center on the campus. The center is affiliated with the Parish of the Resurrection. "It also gave the parents of the freshmen a chance to know the upperclass parents," said Susan Swavelly. "I'll miss that, too." "The whole Swavelly family has been a blessing," said UMaine hockey coach Red Gendron. "The brothers have been exceptional players, and the family has been selfless. We're going to miss the entire family when Steven graduates." **Leading by example** Jon and Steven Swavelly started playing hockey when they were "6 or 7," according to Steven Swavelly. "Jon paved the way for me in hockey," he said. "He did all the dirty work. He played juniors in Sioux City, [Iowa], Alexandria, [Minnesota], and back to the Jersey Hitmen. He played all over the place. Once he committed to Maine, it opened my eyes. I thought, 'Wow, this can be done.'" Ever since he saw his first game at Alfond Arena, Steven Swavelly wanted to play there. He also wanted to play with his brother. UMaine was one of just two schools that recruited him. UMass was the other. And when it became a reality, Steven Swavelly scored a goal just 3:41 into his first game off an assist

College Hockey	
Hockey East playoffs	
No. 11 MAINE vs. No. 6 NORTHEASTERN	
Time, site: Friday, Saturday, Sunday (if necessary) 7 p.m., Matthews Arena, Boston	
<b>Records:</b> Maine 8-22-6 (5-15-2 Hockey East); Northeastern 16-13-5 (10-8-4)	
<b>Series, last meeting:</b> Maine leads 52-45-19, NU 7-1 on Feb. 2/27/16	
<b>Key players:</b> <b>Maine</b> — LW Blaine Byron (8 goals, 14 assists), LW Will Merchant (13 & 8), C Steven Swavelly (9 & 10), C Cam Brown (6 & 12), D Dan Renouf (6 & 8), RW Andrew Tegeler (3 & 10), G Rob McGovern (2-12-3, 2.74 goals-against average, .907 save percentage); <b>Northeastern</b> — RW Zach Aston-Reese (12 & 23), LW Nolan Stevens (16 & 17), C John Stevens (8 & 20), RW Mike McMurry (8 & 18), C Adam Gaudette (10 & 15), D Garret Cockerill (7 & 10), G Ryan Ruck (14-10-4, 2.20, .916)	
<b>Game notes:</b> NU has won seven in a row and is 14-1-2 in its last 17. Maine is 6-1 vs. Northeastern in the Hockey East playoffs with six straight wins but they haven't met in the playoffs since 2001. Nolan Stevens was the league's Player of the Month for February (6 & 8 in 14 games, 3 game-winning goals) and Ruck was the Rookie of the Month (7-1-1, 1.57, .938). NU got upset by Merrimack in the first round of the playoffs a year ago so the Huskies will be eager for redemption. NU swept Maine last weekend 5-3 and 7-1, going 4-for-7 on the power play in the second game. NU has scored a power play in seven of its last eight games and the Huskies are 13-for-31 (41.9 percent) with the man advantage over that stretch. Maine will have to stay out of the penalty box, outwork the more skilled Huskies and manage the puck effectively. The Black Bears will also need top-notch goaltending and veterans like Renouf (1 & 1 in his last 15 games), Brown (1 & 1 in 8) and Byron (0 & 1 in 8) to snap out of slumps.	

from his brother. It came in a 2-1 loss to Quinnipiac. "That was the highlight of my career, for sure," said Jon Swavelly. Jon Swavelly didn't score much, registering seven goals and 15 assists in 118 career games, but he was valuable as a tenacious, hard-nosed winger. Steven Swavelly, who, at 6-foot-3, 191 pounds, is 6 inches taller and 16 pounds heavier than his older brother, has been among the team's top five point-producers all four seasons. Like his brother, he is a gritty player and a fierce competitor. He has 33 goals and 48 assists in 144 career games. He is third on the team in points with 19 on nine goals and 10 assists in 36 games. "He's one of the best defensive forwards in the league, and he also has some offensive flair," said Merrimack coach Mark Dennehy. "He's tough on faceoffs, he's big and strong, and he can lean on

you. I really respect his game. He plays a full 200-foot game." His coach and teammates consider him an exceptional leader. "He leads by example. He shows you the right way to be a Maine Black Bear," said freshman defenseman Rob Michel. "And he's always there for you, on and off the ice." Junior center Cam Brown said Steven Swavelly has "done a ton for the program. He works his butt off. He and Jon have been great role models." Steven Swavelly said he has been happy with his career but said, "I wish our record was better." He and his 11th seeded Black Bears (8-22-6 overall, 5-15-2 in Hockey East) will take on sixth seed Northeastern (16-13-5, 10-8-4) in their best-of-three first round series beginning Friday night in Boston. Steven Swavelly considers it a "real honor" to be the captain but said it has

been a "difficult" year. "But the biggest thing for me is how well our team has handled it. Nobody has been pouting or sulking. I haven't had to go and lift their spirits," he said. "We always talk about staying positive, and they have done that. We're playing a game we love, and we're lucky to be here. I can't say enough about my teammates." "This is the best rink in college hockey. I get chills when I hear the pep band as we step on the ice. It never gets old. I'll miss it," he said.

# Doane, White spark win in PVC all-star game

HOWLAND — Penobscot Valley's Grant Doane and Greenville's Tim White each scored 14 points to lead the Home team by the Visitors 80-73 in the Penobscot Valley Conference's Class C-D boys basketball senior all-star game Thursday night at George Sereyko Memorial Gym.

## HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

In the girls game, the Away team defeated the Home team 83-57. **In the boys game,** Piscataquis Community of Guilford's Ben Morrill chipped in with 12 points for the Home team. Other scorers were: Kyle Jackson (Bucksport) 8; Austin Mason (Bucksport), Devon Smith (Schenck); 6 each; Thomas Spencer (Penobscot Valley), Riley MacLeod (Bucksport) 5 each; Dakota Reinhardt (Katahdin) 4; and Eric Phillips (Searsport) 2. Sumner's Max Eklund and Deer Isle-Stonington's Krisford Melanio also played in the game, coached by Zak Mills, the seventh-grade son of Penquis coach Jason Mills. Troy Reynolds of Searsport paced the Away team with 11 points while Katahdin's Tyson Porter and Sumner's Pat Pinkham each added 10. Other scorers for coach Chris Woodside of Calais were: Ryan Chasse (Fort Kent) 8; Alex O'Hara (Sumner), Noah Davis (DI-S), Nick Szwecz (George Stevens Academy) 7 points each; Devon Whitney (Stearns), Bryce Sho-

rey (Searsport) 4 each; Earon Gringe (Calais) 3; and Hayden Craig (Bucksport) 2. Tyler Pye also played in the game. **Halftime:** Home 38-29; **3-pt. goals:** Home: Mason (2), Morrill (3), Doane (2), MacLeod, White (4); Away: Chasse (2), Reynolds (3), Szwecz, Davis, Porter, O'Hara. **In the girls game,** Searsport's Melinda Ogden scored 12 points to help the Away team prevail. Penobscot Valley's Amy Hallett, Calais' Logan Huckins, Dexter's Skyler Theodore, Piscataquis' Delanie Bennett and Katahdin's Molly Cunningham each added 10 points. Other scorers for coach Dawn McLaughlin of Penquis were: Mikayla Roy (PVHS) 8; Nicole Chasse (Schenck) 5; Abby Cross (Bangor Christian) 4; and Kaitlyn Shute (Searsport), Kayla Falone (Schenck) 2 each. Cory Gray also played. Schenck's Chantel Lane paced the Home team with 10 points and Katie Barton added nine. Other scorers were for coach Joe Cyr of PVHS were: Sami Ireland (PVHS) 8; Ally Eaton (DI-S) 7; Courtney Stevens (Katahdin), Taylor McLaughlin (Schenck) 6 each; Kaycee Cintron (Katahdin), Hannah Gutow (GSA), Jordynne Littlefield (PCHS), Margaret Brooks (GSA), and Anna Bucklin (Searsport) 2 each. Arianna McKinnon also played. **Halftime:** Home 33-32; **3-pt. goals:** Away: Hallett; Home: Ireland, Lane (2), McLaughlin (2).

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# NASCAR

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France's endorsement of Trump was called a "private personal decision" by a NASCAR spokesperson, reiterating that it was not a NASCAR endorsement. Baloney. The France family is the NASCAR brand. Bill France, Sr. founded NASCAR in 1948 and now his grandson Brian is in charge as chairman and CEO. Even if that wasn't the case, would a Roger Goodell endorsement of Trump not re-

flect on the NFL? Would an Adam Silver endorsement of Trump not reflect on the NBA? And he "wins with family?" Trump is twice-divorced. His current wife, Melania, has sexy suggestive pictures scattered all over the Internet. Yay family values! Trump also received the endorsement of retired driver Bill Elliott, son Chase Elliott, who drives for Hendrick Motorsports, Ryan Newman, who drives for Richard Childress Racing and David Ragan, who drives for BK Racing. But these are individuals, not the head of a company making an eye-

opening endorsement. "I am proud to receive the endorsement of such an iconic brand and a quality person such as Brian," Trump said. "Brian has a wonderful family and is an incredibly successful business person. I have great respect for Brian and I am grateful for his support and that of Bill Elliott, one of the best drivers in history, and active stock car racers, including his son Chase Elliott, Ryan Newman and David Lee Ragan." All together now, maybe all France and Trump want to do is make NASCAR great again.

# Brady

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that two Patriots employees had conspired to deflate the balls, which could make them easier to grip. Goodell upheld the suspension on July 28, prompting the legal challenge on Brady's behalf. Brady has

denied knowing about any plan to deflate footballs. U.S. District Judge Richard Berman in Manhattan overturned Goodell's decision last Sept. 3. He said Brady "had no notice that his discipline would be the equivalent of the discipline imposed upon a player who used performance enhancing drugs." Berman's decision allowed Brady to play the full 2015 NFL season. The Patri-

ots made the playoffs but did not reach the Super Bowl. It is unclear how quickly the appeals panel could rule. Paul Clement, the NFL's lawyer, urged the court to rule quickly to bring finality to the dispute before the next football season begins in September. "It would be an awful shame if we have this issue hanging over the league for another season," Clement said.