

**NEW ENGLAND HOCKEY WRITERS ECAC NORTHEAST ALL-STARS ANNOUNCED
(UMass Dartmouth Places Four on Team; Moore, Tolan Named MVP, Coach of the Year)**

BOSTON, Massachusetts – The University of Massachusetts Dartmouth hockey team posted a 25-3-1 record, and won its second consecutive ECAC Northeast Championship, and today four members of the Corsairs have been honored as members of the 2007 New England Hockey Writers ECAC Northeast All-Star Team. Additionally, Fitchburg State senior forward **Ryan Moore** (Randolph, Mass.) was voted the most valuable player, while Wentworth head coach **R.J. Tolan** was named the coach of the year. The team was announced today after a vote of league head coaches and an esteemed panel of local media members.

The two goaltenders on this year's team are UMass Dartmouth sophomore **Jeff Green** (Medway, Mass.) and Curry freshman **Zachary Cardella** (Spokane, Wash.). Green, the ECAC Northeast Goaltender of the Year, posted a 25-3-1 record with a 1.90 goals against average, .923 save percentage, and three shutouts. Cardella, an Honorable Mention All-ECAC Northeast selection, posted an 11-7-1 mark with a 3.13 goals against average and a .892 save percentage.

Along the blueline, Nichols sophomore **Jeff Bieber** (Littleton, Colo.), UMass Dartmouth senior **Paul Carr** (Springfield, Mass.),

Fitchburg State senior **Jason Ledo** (Somerset, Mass.), and Curry senior **Robert Sequeira** (Providence, R.I.) earn honors. Bieber, a First Team All-ECAC Northeast selection, tallied 10 goals and 17 assists (27 points for the Bison). Carr, a Second Team All-ECAC Northeast selection, scored six goals (four on the power play) and 18 assists for 24 points. Ledo tallied 10 goals and 17 assists for a 27-point season, while Sequeira, a First Team All-ECAC Northeast selection, netted 20 points, coming on seven goals (four power play) and 13 assists.

Up front, Moore, Stonehill junior **Matt Curran** (Scarborough, Maine), UMass Dartmouth junior **Jeff Grant** (Burlington, Mass.) and senior **Kyle McCullough** (Danvers, Mass.), as well as Curry senior **Bill McCreary** (Howell, Mich.), and Suffolk junior **Dan Pencinger** (Randolph, N.J.) were named HEHWA All-Stars. Moore, this year's MVP, was named the ECAC Northeast Player of the Year after a season that saw him score 23 goals and assist on 19 others for 42 points. Nine of his goals came by way of special teams (six power play, three shorthanded). Curran, a Second Team All-Northeast-10 selection, helped

his squad to its first NE-10 Championship by scoring 45 points, which came on 30 goals and 14 assists. Sixteen of his 30 goals were while the Skyhawks were on the power play. Grant and McCullough were the top two scorers for the Corsairs, with Grant scoring 25 goals and assisting on 29 others for 54 points, while McCullough scored 48 points (17 goals, 31 assists). Grant earned First Team All-ECAC Northeast Honors, while McCullough was a second team selection. McCreary, a Second Team All-ECAC Northeast selection was the Colonels top scorer, as he had 12 goals and 29 helpers for 41 points, while Pencinger, also a Second Team All-ECAC Northeast selection, tallied 21 goals and assisted on 19 others for 40 points.

In his first season as the Leopards' head coach, Tolan took a youthful team that was selected to finish sixth in the pre-season to a third place finish in the regular season and a berth in the ECAC Northeast title game for the first time since 2004, falling to UMass Dartmouth, 4-3, to finish the season with a 16-9-3 record. The 2007 ECAC Northeast Co-Coach of the Year, Tolan served as the associate head coach for the Leopards during the 2005-06 season before being named the program's fifth head coach in May. Prior to joining the Leopard staff, the 2002 UMass Lowell grad served as an assistant coach at both Bentley and Northeastern.

These 13 individuals will be feted at the New England Hockey Writers Annual Awards Banquet, which will be held on Wednesday, April 11, at the Prince Restaurant on Route 1, in Saugus, Mass. For ticket information, please contact John Gruppo, Northeastern University Athletic Ticket Office Manager at (617) 373-7409.

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- D** **JEFF BIEBER, NICHOLS**
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- D** **JASON LEDO, FITCHBURG STATE**
- D** **ROBERT SEQUEIRA, CURRY**

- F** **RYAN MOORE, FITCHBURG STATE**
- F** **MATT CURRAN, STONEHILL**
- F** **JEFF GRANT, UMASS DARTMOUTH**
- F** **KYLE MCCULLOUGH, UMASS DARTMOUTH**
- F** **BILL MCCREARY, CURRY**
- F** **DAN PENCINGER, SUFFOLK**

MVP: **RYAN MOORE, FITCHBURG STATE**
COACH OF THE YEAR: **R.J. TOLAN, WENTWORTH**