

2009-10 RENSSELAER WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY



THE RENSSELAER ENGINEERS (12-11-6; 9-5-4 ECACH)

VS. THE #5 HARVARD CRIMSON (16-5-4; 11-5-2 ECACH)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2010 • 7PM

HOUSTON FIELD HOUSE (4,800) • TROY, N.Y.

ECAC HOCKEY CONTEST • FINAL REGULAR SEASON HOME WEEKEND

2009-10 Schedule

September		
Sat. 26	BLUEWATER HAWKS^	6-1 W
October		
Fri. 2	WAYNE STATE	3-2 W
Sat. 3	WAYNE STATE	0-0 T
Fri. 9	at Niagara	2-0 W
Sat. 10	at Niagara	3-3 T
Fri. 16	#1 MERCYHURST	0-1 L
Sat. 17	#1 MERCYHURST	1-5 L
Fri. 23	SYRACUSE	2-3 OTL
Sat. 24	SYRACUSE	3-4 L
Fri. 30	at Princeton*	2-2 T
Sat. 31	at Quinnipiac*	1-6 L
November		
Fri. 6	COLGATE*	10-4 W
Sat. 7	#10 CORNELL*	1-3 L
Fri. 13	YALE*	4-1 W
Sat. 14	BROWN*	1-1 T
Fri. 21	at #4 New Hampshire	3-4 L
Fri. 27	at Robert Morris	5-2 W
Sat. 28	at Robert Morris	1-3 L
December		
Sat. 5	at Union*	2-0 W
Sun. 6	UNION*	5-0 W
January		
Fri. 8	ST. LAWRENCE*	1-3 L
Sat. 9	#3 CLARKSON*	1-1 T
Fri. 15	at Brown*	2-0 W
Sat. 16	at Yale*	1-3 L
Fri. 22	at Dartmouth*	2-1 W
Sat. 23	at Harvard*	4-2 W
Fri. 29	QUINNIPIAC*	1-0 W
Sat. 30	PRINCETON*	1-1 T
February		
Fri. 5	at Clarkson*	3-1 W
Sat. 6	at St. Lawrence*	1-3 L
Fri. 12	#5 HARVARD*	7pm
Sat. 13	DARTMOUTH*	4pm
	(Senior Game)	
Fri. 19	at Cornell*	7pm
Sat. 20	at Colgate*	4pm

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ENGINEERS SPLIT NORTH COUNTRY:

Rensselaer continued its charge toward the playoffs last weekend, picking up two points with a 1-1-0 weekend in the North Country ... The Engineers defeated then-#3 Clarkson, 3-1, before falling to St. Lawrence, 3-1, the following day ... Against the Golden Knights, RPI found themselves down early in the opening stanza, but rebounded to take a 2-1 lead on goals by senior **Allysen Weidner** and junior **Sydney O'Keefe** ... The Engineers tacked on another tally in the second period off the stick of senior **Allison Wright** and junior netminder **Sonja van der Blik** stopped 18 of the 19 shots she faced to shut down the league's first-place team ... Saturday's contest favored the homestanding Saints as St. Lawrence jumped out to a 3-0 advantage after the opening period ... Sophomore **Sierra Vadner** put RPI on the scoreboard in the second period, but it wasn't enough to make the comeback ... van der Blik made 19 saves for the Engineers.

LEADING THE ENGINEERS: Under the direction of seventh-year head coach **John Burke**, Rensselaer is led in scoring by seniors **Whitney Naslund** and **Allison Wright**, who each have 20 points ... Naslund has a team-best 12 goals and eight assists while Wright has posted nine goals and 13 assists ... Senior defenseman **Laura Gersten** (5g, 13a) is second with 18 points, while sophomore center **Alisa Harrison** (8g, 8a) rounds out the top four with 16 points ... In goal, junior **Sonja van der Blik** (11-11-5) has a 1.89 goals against average and a .922 save percentage, while rookie **Shannon Ramelot** (1-0-1) owns a 2.08 GAA with a .925 save%.

HARVARD WIN BEANPOT:

Junior **Liza Ryabkina** scored 35 seconds into the second period and the marker stood as the game-winner as Harvard blanked Northeastern, 1-0, in the Beanpot final Tuesday ... The win marks the 13th time in program history the Crimson has hoisted the Beanpot trophy ... Freshman netminder **Laura Bellamy** made 27 saves to earn the shutout.

NAVIGATING THE CRIMSON:

Led by 15th-year head coach **Katey Stone**, the Crimson are led by junior forward **Kate Buesser**, who has 11 goals and 20 assists for 31 points ...

Freshman forward **Jillian Dempsey** (9 goals, 13 assists) is second with 22 points, while junior forward/defenseman **Liza Ryabkina** (11 g, 6 a) has 17 ... In goal, freshman **Laura Bellamy** (7-2-1) has a 1.09 goals against average and a .947 save percentage.

IN THE SERIES AGAINST HARVARD:

The Crimson hold a 5-2-1 advantage in the all-time series against the Engineers, dating back to the first meeting on Oct. 28, 2006 - an 11-0 triumph for Harvard in Cambridge.

CLOSING THE GAP: While the Crimson have been dominant throughout the majority of the series, Rensselaer has begun to close the gap, going 2-1-1 over the last four meetings ... The Engineers have won each of the last two meetings against Harvard, including a 3-2 overtime victory in the ECAC Hockey Semifinals on Mar. 7, 2009 and the most recent victory on Jan. 23, 2010 ... Both wins came in Cambridge.

JANUARY 23rd, 2010: Powered by a 43-save effort from freshman netminder **Shannon Ramelot**, Rensselaer defeated then sixth-ranked Harvard, 4-2, on January 23, 2010 ... The game marked the first contest between the two teams since the Engineers defeated the Crimson in a 3-2 overtime contest in the ECAC Hockey Semifinals last March ... Behind goals from **Laura Guillemette** and **Laura Gersten** in the first period, Rensselaer held a 2-1 lead through the opening stanza ... Gersten netted her second tally of the game at 6:54 of the second period to make it a 3-1 advantage ... Harvard's **Kate Buesser** pulled the score to 3-2 with 3:40 left in the final period, but RPI's **Alisa Harrison** added an

ECAC HOCKEY		2009-10 STANDINGS					
Team	ECAC	Pts.	GF	GA	Overall	GF	GA
#4 Clarkson	14-3-1	29	42	19	20-7-3	73	48
Cornell	10-2-6	26	54	24	11-8-6	63	46
#5 Harvard	11-5-2	24	60	32	16-5-4	72	35
St. Lawrence	10-5-3	23	44	31	14-9-7	79	65
Quinnipiac	8-4-6	22	32	25	15-8-7	64	44
Rensselaer	9-5-4	22	45	33	12-11-6	68	60
Princeton	8-6-4	20	41	38	10-11-4	59	57
Dartmouth	7-10-1	15	57	50	10-12-2	77	68
Yale	7-10-1	15	33	48	9-13-3	53	68
Colgate	5-9-4	14	41	59	9-17-4	75	113
Brown	0-15-3	3	14	54	2-18-4	33	76
Union	1-16-1	3	11	61	5-24-1	33	96

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No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	S/C	Hometown/Previous Team
1	Shannon Ramelot	Fr.	G	5-11	L	Bloomfield, MI/Honeybaked 19U
2	Audrey Stapleton	Fr.	F	5-6	R	Barrington Hills, IL/Chicago Young Americans
5	Katie Daniels	So.	D	5-3	R	Rockton, IL/Chicago Mission
6	Laura Gersten	Sr.	D	5-7	R	Queensbury, NY/Troy-Albany Ice Cats
7	Amanda Castignetti	So.	D	5-4	L	Anchorage, AK/Shattuck St. Mary's
8	Allysen Weidner	Sr.	F	5-7	R	Wichita, KS/Shattuck St. Mary's
10	Whitney Naslund	Sr.	F	5-5	R	Bloomington, MN/Bloomington Jefferson
12	Laura Guillemette	So.	F	5-3	L	Ste-Marie-de-Beauce, PQ/Notre Dame
15	Taylor Horton	Fr.	F	5-9	R	St. Thomas, ON/Bluewater Hawks
16	Sierra Vadner	So.	D	5-6	R	Apple Valley, MN/Minnesota Thoroughbreds
17	Clare Padmore	Fr.	F	5-8	L	Toronto, ON/Toronto Jr. Aeros
18	Jill Vandegrift	So.	F	5-5	R	St. Paul, MN/Minnesota Thoroughbreds
19	Rosli Chace	Sr.	F	5-7	L	Hampton Falls, NH/Governor Dummer Acad.
20	Alisa Harrison	So.	F	5-5	R	Vienna, VA/Washington Pride
21	Andie Le Donne	Fr.	D	5-11	L	Toronto, ON/Durham West Lightning
23	Ashley Gaylord	Jr.	F	5-7	R	Claverack, NY/Troy-Albany Ice Cats
24	Sydney O'Keefe	Jr.	F	5-8	R	Prior Lake, MN/Prior Lake
26	Kristen Jakubowski	So.	F/D	5-11	R	Lake Placid, NY/The Northwood School
27	Kendra Dunlop	Jr.	F	5-5	L	Granum, AB/Warner Hockey School
29	Kristen Burney	Fr.	G	5-10	L	Alta Loma, CA/Northwest Selects
33	Sonja van der Bliet	Jr.	G	5-9	L	Toronto, ON/Toronto Jr. Aeros
86	Allison Wright	Sr.	F	5-6	L	Oakville, ON/Oakville Ice

Head Coach: John Burke (Bowling Green '91)

Assistant Coaches: Colette Youlen (Cornell '00) & Brent Hill (Saint Michael's '04)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Rob Dills (Union '93)

Captains: Laura Gersten '10 & Allison Wright '10

The #5 Harvard Crimson (16-5-4; 11-5-2 ECAC Hockey)

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	S/C	Hometown/Previous Team
1	Laura Bellamy	Fr.	G	5-8	L	Duluth, MN/Duluth Denfield
2	Josephine Pucci	Fr.	D	5-8	R	Pearl River, NY/Choate Rosemary Hall
3	Liza Ryabkina	Jr.	F/D	5-9	R	Khariv, Ukraine/Berkshire School
4	Hilary Hayssen	Fr.	D	5-8	R	Orono, MN/The Blake School
5	Kelsey Romatoski	Fr.	D	5-2	R	Woodbury, MN/Academy of Holy Angels
7	Margaret Chute	Fr.	F	5-6	R	Wayzata, MN/The Blake School
8	Kathryn Farni	Sr.	D	5-10	R	Minnetonka, MN/Hopkins
10	Anna McDonald	Sr.	F	5-9	L	New Brighton, MN/Boston College
11	Deborah Conway	Jr.	F	5-4	R	Toronto, ON/Forest Hill Collegiate
12	Ashley Wheeler	Jr.	D	5-8	R	Concord, MA/Lawrence Academy
14	Jillian Dempsey	Fr.	F	5-4	L	Winthrop, MA/The Rivers School
15	Katharine Chute	Jr.	F	5-7	R	Wayzata, MN/Blake School
17	Kaitlin Spurling	Fr.	F	5-9	L	Byfield, MA/Noble and Greenough School
18	Cori Bassett	Sr.	D	5-9	L	Anchorage, AK/Culver Academy
20	Kate Buesser	Jr.	F	5-6	R	Wolfeboro, NH/Brewster Academy
22	Jen Brawn	Sr.	F	5-8	L	Surrey, BC/Soutridge School
23	Randi Griffin	Sr.	F	5-6	L	Apex, NC/American School
24	Leanna Coskren	Jr.	D	5-5	R	Walpole, MA/Noble & Greenough School
27	Alisa Baumgartner	So.	F	5-5	R	West Vancouver, BC/Rockridge Secondary School
33	Kylie Stephens	Jr.	G	5-6	L	Cary, NC/Noble and Greenough School
35	Christina Kessler	Sr.	G	5-6	L	Oakville, ON/Oakville Trafalgar

Head Coach: Katey Stone (New Hampshire '89)

Assistant Coaches: Joakim Flygh (New England '00) & Melanie Ruzzi (Providence '03)

Goaltending Coach: Bruce Irving (Cornell '85)

Captains: Cori Bassett '10 & Kathryn Farni '10

empty-netter at 19:30 to cap the scoring ... Crimson netminder Laura Bellamy stopped 25 shots in the loss.

STREAK HALTED: With last Saturday's loss to St. Lawrence, the Engineers saw their five-game unbeaten streak come to an end ... Rensselaer had not shouldered a defeat since a 3-1 loss to Yale on January 16, 2010, prior to the game to the Saints.

WHERE IT ALL STANDS: The Engineers have four conference games remaining this season with the top eight teams making the league playoffs ... RPI is currently locked in a tie with Quinnipiac for fifth place as each team has 22 points ... As it stands, 10 of the league's 12 teams are separated by less than three points.

SENIOR APPRECIATION DAY!:

Saturday's game against Dartmouth marks the final regular season home game for the Engineers' senior class ... Five seniors will be recognized, including **Rosli Chace, Laura Gersten, Whitney Naslund, Allison Wright & Allysen Weidner.**

UPCOMING ACTION: RPI concludes its regular season home schedule on Saturday against Dartmouth (4pm) ... The Engineers wrap up the regular season schedule on the road next weekend at Cornell and Colgate, respectively.

ECAC HOCKEY GAMES THIS WEEK:

- **Friday, February 12th**
 - 7pm Colgate at Yale
 - 7pm Cornell at Brown
 - 7pm #4 Clarkson at Princeton
 - 7pm St. Lawrence at Quinnipiac
 - 7pm Dartmouth at Union
 - 7pm #5 Harvard at Rensselaer
- **Saturday, February 13th**
 - 4pm Dartmouth at Rensselaer
 - 4pm #5 Harvard at Union
 - 4pm Colgate at Brown
 - 4pm Cornell at Yale
 - 4pm #4 Clarkson at Quinnipiac
 - 4pm St. Lawrence at Princeton

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