

Women storm ECAC championships

Hockey blanks RIT in finals

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Two games, two victories, a championship and one team member named the tournament MVP. The only thing missing in the above set of words is a verb. However, the women Panthers of ice hockey were not about to miss out on any action this past weekend as they cruised to the ECAC championship— completing an undefeated season in the ECAC alliance, and a 19-6-0 record overall.

While Middlebury was easing their way to a 7-1 victory in the semi-final round of the tournament, R.I.T. put together a four goal second period to establish their 5-3 victory over Bowdoin. For Middlebury in the semis, after a scoreless first period, Sarah Cotton '99 scored on assists by Whit-

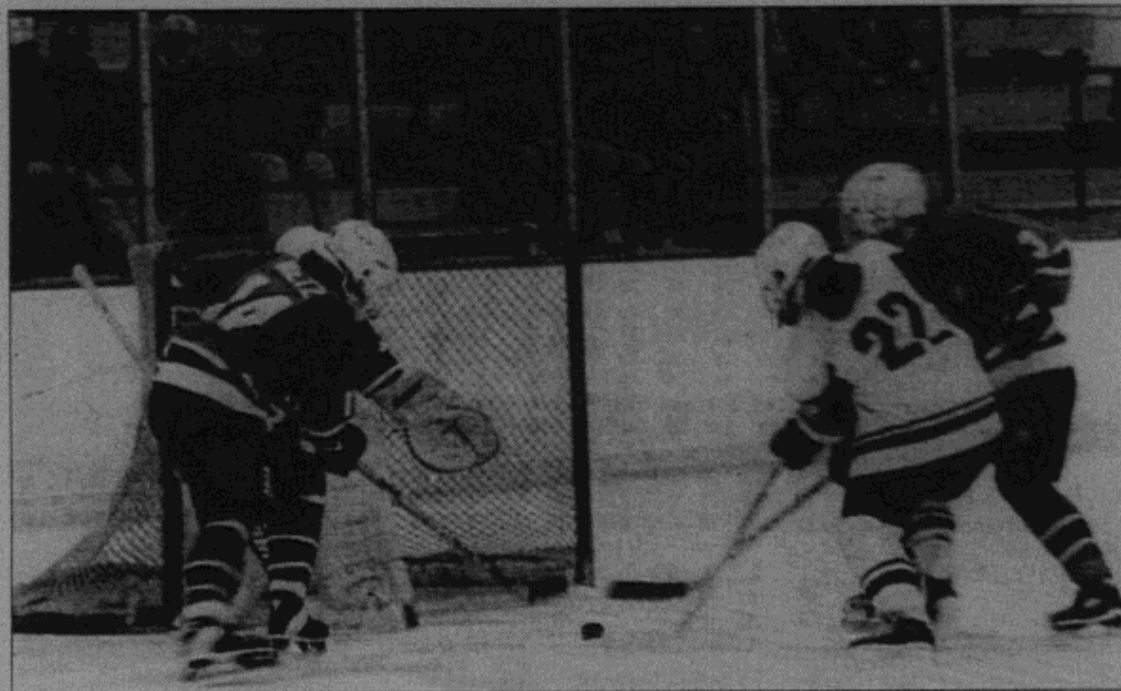
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Three of Middlebury's five goals were scored in the first five minutes of the period. With just one minute off the clock, Howard broke loose for an unassisted goal. Less than a minute later, Parks (see Hockey, page 21)



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Top first-year scorer Laura Goff slaps a puck past bewildered RIT goaltender en route to championship victory.