

Women's Hockey record reaches 56-0

Panthers appear indomitable

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The Middlebury College women's ice hockey team won a pair of road games last week to improve to 4-0 overall and 56-0 over their four years in the ECAC.

The Panthers took on Colgate in the team's first game of the weekend. After a scoreless first period, Middlebury put three goals on the board in the second period. Sophomore Sarah Carpenter, first-year player Nina Kieves, and senior co-captain Janice O'Neil each found the back of the net.

In the third period, first-year players Anna Hastings and Susannah Beams, along with sophomore Jennifer Bahnson each scored to

make the final score 6-0. Junior Sylvia Ryan collected three assists in the game. Senior Kristin Hackmann made 18 saves in goal for the win.

A first period goal by sophomore Michelle Labbe gave the Panthers a 1-0 lead at R.I.T. In the second period, O'Neil, Labbe, and

Elissa Burnell each scored, while Labbe added her third goal of the game for a hat trick, making the final score 7-2. Morton tallied three assists in the game. Junior Beth Denoncourt made 13 saves in goal.

"Colgate and R.I.T. gave us a good challenge," says senior co-captain Suzanne Chepren. "They've definitely gained some strength. Each team wants to be the one to knock us down but so far our team has been able to step up to the challenge."

The team will participate in the Dartmouth Invitational on Dec. 29. Says Chepren of the upcoming tournament, "These wins were really important in preparing us for Dartmouth. We hope we can keep up the intensity."

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