

## Women's hockey destroys Wesleyan

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Returning from their away streak, Middlebury took to Nelson Arena to host Dartmouth and Wesleyan this week.

The week began on Wednesday when Middlebury faced off against Division I Dartmouth. The Panthers had lost to them earlier this season in the Dartmouth round-robin tournament 2-1. Needless to say, the team was out for some revenge.

From the start, Middlebury set the tone to let Dartmouth know that they were not going to give up easily.

At 8:29 Whitney Parks '97 received a pass from defenseman Catherine Pullins '00 and Leanne MacDonald '00 to put Middlebury in the lead.

However, only a minute later, Dartmouth came back to tie up the score. Dartmouth managed to net another goal on a power play before the end of the first period making

the score 2-1.

The second period proved that Middlebury was truly on fire when Christa McDougall '00 scored on a pass from line mate Sylvia Ryan '00 and defenseman MacDonald. The score was now tied at 2-2 with Middlebury back in the game.

Dartmouth managed to net another goal on a power play before the period was over, putting them back in the lead at 3-2. Middlebury managed to hold Dartmouth at a one-point lead until the end when Dartmouth scored their final goal making the final score 4-2.

Despite the loss, a great game was played by the team as a whole. Beth Denoncourt '00 did a tremendous job in net until she received a shoulder injury on a save. Then Crystal Springer '00 stepped in to keep Middlebury in the game.

Middlebury hosted Wesleyan this past Saturday evening, and the team beat Coach Bill Mandigo's alma mater 7-1.

Middlebury took Wesleyan by

surprise when Ryan scored on a pass from Catherine Pullins '00 at 11:05.

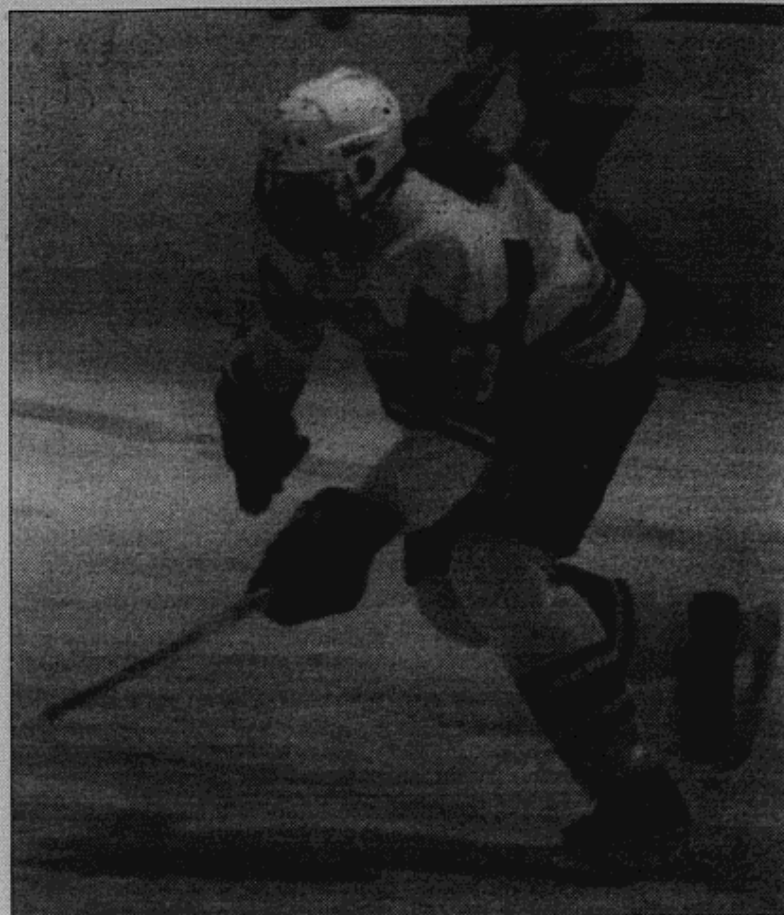
Jennifer Hefner '97 followed Ryan's lead by taking the puck from Middlebury's defensive end to Wesleyan's net to score an unassisted goal with only two minutes left in the period.

Catherine Pullins netted one on a power play from Parks and Hefner. However, Wesleyan was not letting Middlebury walk away with a shutout. Following Pullins goal, Wesleyan got one by goalie Springer.

Middlebury continued their scoring streak to the end with Hefner receiving a hat trick and adding three more points to her 200 point record. The score was finalized at 7-1 with Pullins and Ryan each scoring two.

Springer and Kristin Hackman '99 held Wesleyan at one point for the game.

The team faces Colgate at home on Feb. 22.



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Leanne MacDonald '00 chases after the puck in the 7-1 Wesleyan defeat.