Final Men's Hockey Game this Friday

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EAU CLAIRE - The UW-Eau Claire men's hockey team looks to close out what has been a tough season with its final home game this Friday followed by its last 2005-06 game on Saturday. Both are against UW-Stevens Point.

The Blugolds stand at 0-11-1 in Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA) games and 2-18-3 on the entire year. The team has lost six straight and three of them have been by a single goal. Before the losing streak, the team had gained its two wins within the span of a week. Those came against Concordia-Moorhead and Gustavus Adolphus. Eau Claire has been outscored 91-44 on the year.

Chip Dunleavy *(Sr.-Littleton, CO/Columbine)* and **Brooks Lockwood** *(Jr.-Hudson)* lead the team. Dunleavy has 15 points with 11 goals and four assists. Lockwood's 14 points have come on eight goals and six assists. **Steffan Braunlich** *(Sr.-Los Angeles, CA/Loyola)*, who has played over a thousand minutes, holds a .891 save percentage and 550 saves. He is allowing an average of 3.61 goals per game.

Stevens Point has a 5-6-1 NCHA record and an overall mark of 11-9-3. The team stands at 6th in the NCHA with 11 points. The Pointers have been off and on with the only streak to speak of being a three-game winning streak in December, the last game of which was a 4-1 victory over the Blugolds. That is the only meeting thus far in the season for the two teams. Lately, the Pointers have lost two straight. The series record between these two is 24-53-3 in favor of Stevens Point.

There are two Pointers tied at 22 points on the year. Sean Fish has nine goals and 13 assists while Rolf Ulvin eight goals and 14 assists. Russel Law is not far behind them with 10 goals and nine assists.

The game begins at 7:00 p.m. this Friday in Hobbs Ice Center. The final game Saturday is in Stevens Point and begins at 7:30 p.m.