Women's Hockey Drops Back-To-Back Games To The Pointers

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STEVENS POINT - For the second consecutive night, No.9-ranked UW-Stevens Point put five goals on the scoreboard on its way to defeating the UW-Eau Claire women's hockey team by a final tally of 5-1 tonight at Ice Hawks Arena.

The Blugolds fall to 10-10-2 overall and 4-7-2 in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA). The Pointers improve to 14-5-1 overall and 6-4-1 in the NCHA.

Eau Claire currently sits in fifth place in the NCHA standings, which puts them on the outside; looking in as far as the NCHA playoffs are concerned. The Blugolds are two points behind Lake Forest College (IL) and three points behind the Pointers. The Blugolds have two conference games remaining, while Lake Forest and Stevens Point each have four.

Just like last night's contest at the Hobbs Ice Center, the Pointers struck first with a short-handed goal by Nicole Grossmann seven minutes into the game to make the score 1-0. Then halfway through the first period Stevens Point added to its lead with an even-handed goal by Katy Lankey to make the score 2-0 Pointers.

The Pointers scored another even-handed goal in the second period when Trish Piskula scored with 1:12 remaining in the period. Stevens Point extended its lead to 4-0 on a Kellye Nelson even-handed goal four minutes into the third period. Jamie Lewandowski scored the Pointers final goal on the power play with a little over five minutes remaining.

The Blugolds' **Margaret Campbell** *(So.-Plymouth, MN/Wayzata)* would score a power play goal with 3:07 left to play to make the final score 5-1 Stevens Point. Her sister **Allie Campbell** *(Sr.-Plymouth, MN/Wayzata)* assisted on the goal.

The Pointers out-shot the Blugolds 27-17 in the game. **Mikaela Jobman** *(Fr.-St. Paul, MN/Cretin Derham Hall)* had 22 saves in the defeat. A night after becoming the winningest goalie in Division III women's hockey history, Stevens Point's Amy Statz added to her record, stopping 16 shots in the win. The Blugolds were 1-for-5 on the power play, while the Pointers were 1-for-3.

The Blugolds will host Finlandia University (MI) next Friday for the first of three straight home games to end the regular season. The contest is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. at the Hobbs Ice Center.

Eau Claire-Stevens Point Box Score

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