Women's Hockey Gets Revenge On Foresters

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EAU CLAIRE, Wis. - After suffering a 2-1 loss last night against Lake Forest, the UW-Eau Claire women's hockey team scored a 4-1 victory against the Foresters tonight at Hobbs Ice Center.

The Blugolds improve to 12-6-3 overall and 7-5-2 in Northern Collegiate Hockey Association play. Lake Forest drops to 10-10-1 on the season and 6-7-1 in the NCHA. Eau Claire remains in fourth in the conference while Lake Forest remains in fifth.

Shannon Nelson *(So.-Blaine, Minn.)* recorded two goals and an assist tonight. On the Blugolds opening goal at 9:41 in the first period, Nelson assisted as **Lynne Erspamer** *(Fr.-Marquette, Mich.)* scored to give the Blugolds the 1-0 lead. **Lauren Havard** *(Sr.-San Angelo, Texas/Araphaoe)* also assisted on the power-play goal.

Less than two minutes later Nelson stuck for Eau Claire to increase the Blugolds' lead to two. **Jackie McKay** *(Fr.-Franklin Park, Ill./East Leyden)* picked up the assist on the goal.

In the second period it took less than two minutes for the Blugolds to find the back of the net once again. This time it was **Toni Simones** *(Fr.-Rosemount, Minn./South St. Paul)* who scored the unassisted goal to make the score 3-0. Five minutes later, however, Lake Forest would cut the Blugolds' lead back to two after Jessica Dare scored on a power-play.

But the Blugolds were not done and Nelson once again came up big for Eau Claire and added an insurance goal at 10:27 on the third. Eau Claire held on and put the 4-1 victory in the books.

Eau Claire ended the evening outshooting the Foresters 27-18. Lake Forest went 1-6 on the power-play tonight and Eau Claire was 1-2.

Morgan Pieper *(Fr.-Williams, Minn./Warroad)* played the entire night between the pipes and picked up 17 saves while allowing one goal. Lake Forest's Alyssa Wintermute picked up the loss, playing the entire 60 minutes for the Foresters, while saving 23 shots.

Up next Eau Claire will be at UW-Superior for two more conference games. The Blugolds will be on the ice for a game at 3 p.m. next Friday and will follow that with a game at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Eau Claire-Lake Forest Box Score

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