



## The Outing Club hosted a 300 person skiing event

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On Jan. 27, the University of Connecticut's student organization, UConn Outing Club hosted a weekend ski trip at Smugglers' Notch Resort in Vermont, inviting 305 students.

This is the first time UCOC has hosted the ski trip since the spring of 2020. Last spring, the university made the first two weeks of classes go online which included student club activities.

Conner Caridad, Vice President of the Outing Club, said the weather was in perfect condition for the students to go skiing.

"We are just so beyond lucky with the conditions we got," Caridad stated. "They were perfect every day."

Caridad stated that a variety of students signed up for the trip.

"People came who had known how to ski since they were 4 years old," Caridad said, "people who had never even touched skis."

In Nov. 2022, the club announced the trip and organized the sign up. Only 310 spots were to be available and about 360 members applied.

Students paid about \$255 for two nights at the resort and for the ski lift ticket. Sign-ups for a group lesson on skiing were provided at the resort. Rental ski gear at the resort cost about \$42.

UCOC is one of the oldest and largest clubs on campus. About 1,500 members are in the organization. This past semester, an average of about 60-80 students attended the club's

weekly general body meetings.

UCOC is also conscious of their environmental footprint. The club follows the Leave No Trace principles to leave minimal impact on the environment when they go outside.

The seven principles of Leave No Trace are: plan ahead and prepare, travel and camp on durable surfaces, dispose of waste properly, leave what you find, minimize campfire impacts, respect wildlife and be considerate of others.

UCOC also tried to minimize the impact of the people around them at the resort as Smugglers' Notch Resort is a family resort.

"We are not cavalier about bringing 300 people to Vermont," Caridad stated. "We take it very seriously and we want to make sure we are not wasting anyone else's time."

Caridad is in his seventh semester at UConn and is majoring in natural resources. Caridad joined the club in his freshman year in 2019 where he also attended the ski trip in the following spring.

The Outing Club focuses on outdoor activities such as bridge jumping, downhill mountain biking, surfing and exploring the UConn Forest. Elected Board members lead most of the activities, but members are welcomed and encouraged to also lead their own trips.

Upcoming events for the spring semester include more skiing, ice climbing and white water rafting. The club's weekly general body meetings are on Wednesdays at 9 p.m. in room 154 at the George Stafford Torrey Life Science Building.

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The UConn Outing Club follows the seven Leave No Trace principles, which they take seriously even when in a large group.

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## NORTHEAST TEMPERATURES SOAR A DAY AFTER BONE-NUMBING COLD

(AP) — Temperatures in many areas of the Northeast U.S. climbed to the mid-40s Fahrenheit on Sunday, a day after the region suffered through temperatures that plummeted into the negative teens and felt like minus 45 to minus 50 degrees with the wind chill.

Atop 6,288-foot Mount Washington in New Hampshire, the temperature rose to a relatively balmy 18 degrees (8 Celsius) a day after the actual temperature nosedived to minus 47 F (minus 44 C) and the wind chill was measured in excess of minus 108 degrees.

The warming weather extended to Texas, where thousands of Austin residents were still without power five days after an ice storm knocked out electricity to nearly a third of the city. By Sunday, more than 90% of the city had power, according to Austin Energy. But the lights were still out for 40,000 customers and there was no timetable for completing repairs.

Katy Manganella, 37, grew so fed-up that when Austin Energy came to her neighborhood Sunday with a charging station for residents — but still no repair trucks — she paced in front of the station holding a poster that read, "This pregnant lady is over it!"

"It's been pretty miserable," said Manganella, a therapist who is seven months pregnant. "How is there no plan for this?"

Back in the Northeast, there was some collateral damage from the extreme cold and high winds.

Boston Medical Center closed its emergency department after a pipe froze and burst on Saturday night. It is expected to remain closed until Tuesday.

"All patients in the affected areas of the Emergency Department were safely moved to other areas of the hospital," the center said in a tweet.

A Providence, Rhode Island armory being used as a warming center had some of its windows blown out by raging winds on Friday into Saturday, but repairs were soon completed. No one at the Cranston Street Armory was ever in danger, Matthew Sheaff, a spokesperson for Gov. Dan McKee, said in an email Sunday. People simply moved to other rooms, he said.

Boston's Boch Center Wang Theater was forced to cancel two sold-out shows by the Impractical Jokers when a sprinkler pipe in the boiler room burst at about 5 p.m. Saturday, the theater said on social media.



Spring Point Ledge Light is surrounded by arctic sea smoke while emissions from the Wyman Power plant, background, are blown horizontal by the fierce wind, Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023, in South Portland, Maine. The morning temperature was about -10 degrees Fahrenheit.

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The building was evacuated and the shows canceled when the fire department and theater management determined the system could not be quickly repaired. The shows were rescheduled for late April.

James "Murr" Murray of the Impractical Jokers posted his own apology on Twitter.

"To all of our Boston fans, so sorry about tonight. We were five minutes from showtime, with a full theater, at the first show tonight, and the pipes burst from the cold in Boston and flooded the entire basement of the theater," he said in a short video.

The above average temperatures were expected to stick around awhile, said Bob Oravec, the lead forecaster at the National Weather Service in College Park, Maryland.

"We're having much more milder flow across a good part of the country and we do expect the temperatures to be above average for the upcoming week across the good part of the country, especially the Northeast," Oravec said.

**It's been pretty miserable. How is there no plan for this?**



The brutal cold over the weekend affected thousands in the Northeast, causing event cancellations and power outages among other issues.

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## News

## AUSTIN MAYOR APOLOGIZES AS CITY STRUGGLES TO RESTORE POWER

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Widespread power outages in the Texas capital stretched into a third day Friday for thousands of residents following a winter storm that was spiraling into a management crisis as city leaders remained unable to say when all the lights would come back on.

Impatience among frazzled, freezing and fed-up families in Austin escalated even as milder weather returned. On Friday, the newly elected mayor stood before cameras and apologized after a week of slow repairs, failed technology and lacking communication with the public.

“The city let its citizens down. The situation is unacceptable to the community, and it’s unacceptable to me,” said Mayor Kirk Watson, a Democrat who took office in January. “And I’m sorry.”

While New England began shivering and closed schools under an Arctic blast expected to bring the coldest weather in a generation, temperatures finally started to moderate Friday and bring some relief to Austin, where at any given time about 30% of customers in the nation’s 11th-largest city have been without electricity since the ice storm swept into Texas late Monday.

City officials said Friday that significant progress was finally being made as frozen equipment and roads thawed.

Austin Energy, the city’s utility. That’s down from a peak of around 170,000 people, nearly a third of all customers.

But frustration was not melting away for residents who still had no assurances or sense of when their power would return.

“I just honestly think they were not prepared for any of this,” said Edward Kim, 43, whose home had been without power or heat since Wednesday. He was using a generator to keep his house “on life support,” while his wife took her 7-year-old daughter to her office to get a shower.

Steve Spencer, 63, had also been without power since Wednesday — despite the city’s utility calling him twice to tell him his power was on, he said. “I don’t know what’s going on down there,” he said.

Will Rison didn’t lose power, but his parents, who are in their 70s, have been without electricity since Wednesday. They’ve been coming to his home to charge their phones and take showers.

“You can only wrap yourself in so many blankets and wait it out,” Rison said.

For many, the outages stirred unpleasant memories of the 2021 blackouts in Texas, when hundreds of people died after the state’s power grid was pushed to the brink of total failure because of a lack of generation. That was not the case this week, as the grid maintained sufficient reserves.

outages caused by fallen trees and iced-over power lines more widespread. Most power lines are overhead, and Austin

online system for reporting outages also temporarily crashed this week, and city leaders did not hold a news

communities opened warming shelters, including in Maine and Connecticut.

Schools closed Friday in



**Madeleine Russell, buries her face into the fur of her 4-month-old Husky, Stevie Nicks, to stay warm while waiting for a friend outside a coffee shop in Providence, R.I., Friday, Feb. 3, 2023. A new wave of frigid weather rolling into the Northeast led communities to close schools and open warming centers Friday as an Arctic front swept in from Canada.**

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officials said burying existing lines would be expensive and more difficult to repair.

Austin Energy at one point said power would be fully restored by Friday evening but then backtracked, saying the

conference to publicly answer questions until Thursday.

“This was a reminder you can have plenty of power plants but still have an unreliable grid,” said Michael Webber, professor of energy resources at the University of Texas at Austin. “The wires and poles are the weak point of the system.”

There have been no reports of deaths from this week’s power outages, though the storm and freeze have been blamed for at least 12 traffic fatalities on slick roads in Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Two fatal crashes occurred in Fort Worth as streets refroze overnight. Lows on Friday night could reach freezing and potentially glaze over the streets again.

In New England, temperatures began plunging Friday morning, and forecasters said wind chills — the combined effect of wind and cold air on exposed skin — in some higher elevations could punch below minus 50 (minus 45 Celsius). Winds in some of those spots have already topped 80 mph (130 kph).

Wind gusts began cutting power Friday to some homes in New England, and many

Boston and in Manchester, New Hampshire’s largest city. “This is simply too cold for students who walk home,” read an announcement on the Manchester district’s website.

Some ski areas in the two states scaled back operations, eliminating night skiing or reducing lift operations.

In Maine, the National Toboggan Championship pushed Saturday’s races back by a day, just two weeks after relocating the competition because a pond wasn’t yet frozen due to warm weather.

The irony of delaying competition because of frigid conditions wasn’t lost on Holly Anderson, one of the organizers.

“We’ve done subzero competitions before. But the wind totally changes the environment. It just makes it untenable to be outside,” Anderson said.

Some of the most extreme weather was expected atop New Hampshire’s Mount Washington, the Northeast’s highest peak and home to a weather observatory, where winds gusted to nearly 100 mph (160 kph) and wind chills could reach minus 100 (minus 73 Celsius).

The system is expected to move out of the region Sunday.



**Ice piles up along Ohio Street Beach Friday, Feb. 3, 2023, in downtown Chicago.**

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About 117,000 customers still lacked power, according to

Energy experts said Austin’s dense tree canopy made the

damage worse than originally calculated. The utility’s

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# More details emerge regarding UConn's 'FEMA Virtual Tabletop Exercise' preparing for 'civil unrest' situations

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More details have emerged regarding UConn's "FEMA Virtual Tabletop Exercise" preparing for "civil unrest" situations. The exercise took place on Jul. 7, 2022.

Some of the departments involved in the training include University Safety, Facility Operations, University Communications, Student Affairs, the Office of General Counsel and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. Other representatives from other universities, health care systems, municipalities, federal agencies and a Tribal nation also took part in the training.

A "civil disturbance" means "activity such as a demonstration, riot, or strike that disrupts a community and requires intervention to maintain public safety," according to the official FEMA glossary.

UConn Spokesperson Stephanie Reitz provided a brief description of the event back in October.

"This Virtual Tabletop Exercise (VTTX) is designed around events in the state that lead to civil unrest and protests. The VTTX involves key personnel discussing simulated scenarios in an informal setting and can be used to assess plans, policies, training, and procedures," Reitz said.

The format of the training had "included three discussion modules, local discussion with guided questions facilitated by an on-site facilitator and brief-outs from each participating location, after each module," according to Reitz.

The details regarding the three discussion modules have now been revealed, as The Daily Campus has received the scenario packet from the event. Some redactions in the scenario packet have been made to protect individuals involved in the event.

All modules focused on Damon Pope, a fictional 22-year-old African American male being shot and killed by Wayne Unser, a fictional 50-year-old white Hartford police officer. Damon Pope was described as being a "suspect in a 'strong arm' robbery committed minutes before the shooting," according to the packet.

Module 1 revolved around "build up" to the civil disturbance. As a result of the shooting, "many of the social media sites are stirring up residents in Hartford and throughout the state to stand up against the police," according to the fictional scenario described.

In Module 1, peaceful demonstrations "became unruly." Hartford Police deployed police officers equipped with riot gear and "at least a dozen businesses in Hartford were looted or vandalized and a convenience store gas station was set on fire, leading to over 30 ar-

rests." Further fictional events were described, with a SWAT team needing to be deployed.

In specific regards to UConn, Module 1 describes UConn students as planning to organize protests as well.

"UConn students on the Storrs and Hartford Campuses are using social media to plan and organize gatherings of support for the Pope Family with call for social justice. They have applied to Student Affairs to conduct gatherings on Monday April 18th at 1200 hrs on the Storrs campus on Fairfield Way and at the Hartford Campus on Prospect Street ... The Governor is considering issuing an Executive Order imposing a mandatory curfew in

Storrs planning further protests along with counter protests.

"Approximately 500 Students on the Storrs Campus have gathered by the circle on Fairfield Way. As the event continues, additional students are joining and observing the event. A counter-protest across the circle has a small gathering of approximately 10 students who are supporting Officer Unser. Local TV and media arrived on campus to cover the event. No reports of violence at this time... Approximately, 100 students have gathered outside the main entrance to the Hartford Campus on Prospect Street. In addition to UConn students, there are individuals who have been identified from outside the uni-

tions be handled and what infrastructure systems are most at risk and which will be the most critical to restore?"

Module 3, the final module regarded "extended operation and recovery".

The scenario described a memorial being burned to the ground and further protests. It also included calls for police resignations, and continued protests.

There were no specific mentions of UConn in this scenario. However, some questions the UConn panel were asked in regards to Module 3 included what public information and risk communication messages should be disseminated at this point, when should the re-

Reitz emphasized that the response from the training has been positive.

"UConn hasn't received any negative feedback or concerns from members of the community about the tabletop exercises or any of the topics, including last summer's program," Reitz said. "Rather, the response has been positive as people have become aware that the university is continuously conducting training to ensure the safety and security of its campus communities under various kinds of potential scenarios."

Reitz also said that UConn has participated in many types of exercises over the years.

"UConn has participated in various Virtual Tabletop Exercises



**UConn students, alumni and faculty gather outside the Rowe Building on Fairfield Way in Storrs, Conn., for a walkout against sexual assault on Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2022. Protesters gathered and held up signs as survivors shared their stories and supporters spoke out against sexual assault at UConn.**

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Hartford and other larger municipalities," the fictional scenario read.

The UConn panel were asked questions about Module 1 such as what preparedness actions has your agency used to prepare for a Civil Unrest incident, has your agency ever trained using a Civil Unrest scenario and what whole community resources may you need to engage in order to develop Incident Action Plans to prepare for a Civil Unrest event?

Module 2 regarded the "response" to the civil disturbance.

"After violent clashes during the imposed curfew, the Governor activated the Connecticut National Guard to help restore peace and order and to protect the citizens of Hartford and potentially other communities," the fictional scenario stated. Arrests and further civil disturbances in Hartford were described as well.

Regarding UConn, the scenario describes UConn stu-

dent as local activists who are participating in the event. Local TV and print media are covering the event. No reports of violence at this time but individuals are blocking the street," the fictional scenario said.

Module 2 also describes further fictional UConn events, such as Spring Weekend being disturbed.

"Spring Weekend is scheduled for April 21-23 on the Storrs campus. Many students are hesitant to participate on the Spring Weekend events. Numerous events scheduled for Spring Weekend are interrupted by student protests and some events are canceled by organizers concerned about safety," the fictional scenario states.

Some of the questions the UConn panel were asked regarding Module 2 were what entities will you be coordinating with at this point and who may be reaching out to you for assistance, how should public and media concerns and ques-

tion transform into recovery operations and what behavioral and health monitoring programs should be implemented for residents/members of Police/Fire/EMS/Public Works.

Back in October when asked if this training was a response to "civil unrest" situations as was seen in the 2020 Black Lives Matter movement, Reitz made clear that this FEMA training was not meant to combat any one group.

"To be clear, the event did not focus on that group or any other specific organizations or ideologies; nor were there any scenarios presented that discussed BLM gatherings locally or elsewhere," Reitz said.

Throughout the training, "the participants and organizers emphasized the need to protect the rights to assembly and free speech, and to ensure that safety and response planning includes those considerations," Reitz wrote.

(commonly referred to as VTTXs) over many years. They are offered and conducted by the Emergency Management Institute (EMI), National Emergency Training Center, a component of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)," Reitz wrote. "EMI sends us their annual Virtual Tabletop Exercise Program topics for the upcoming fiscal year, from which we determine the exercises in which we'll be participating. It's part of the National Exercise Program (NEP), which is a two-year cycle of elected exercises across the nation that examines and validates capabilities in all preparedness mission areas: prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery."

Some of the other types of exercises UConn has participated in include dam failure, winter storms, family reunification during and after emergencies, active threat assessment and training for colleges/universities, agricultural emergencies and cyber security. Future exercises are still being planned.

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bonfire, Savonarola took to a more political path to change Florence. Insinuating that an “apocalypse” would occur in the year 1500, Savonarola won over the hearts of many otherwise modern-minded Florentines, leading them to surrender their magnificent city to the ideologue.

Florentines truly bowed to Savonarola. Among them, even the brilliant Renaissance artist, Sandro Botticelli was to cast his own works away — a great loss. Yet, his reign of terror was brief, and in a fantastic turn of events, his own Christian church would put an end to Savonarola by executing him for his overstep of religious power. He would be killed in 1498, in the same plaza in which he held his bonfire.

The last event for this week shifts focus to the great capital of Italy, Rome. Now, when discussing the Roman Republic, your mind probably jumps back to the magnificent ancient republic which preceded the Roman Empire. But this week, on Feb. 9, 1849, a much more modern Roman Republic was founded.

Following years of Papal rulership, and an aristocratic form of government, the Italian populace was desperate to taste the democratic systems

taking root in neighboring France, and even the distant United States.

Beginning with the assassination of a Papal government minister at the hands of republican sympathizers, Italian liberals flooded the streets, forcing out the Papal government and installing a triumvirate to form the new republic. Mirroring the triumvirates of ancient Rome, the republic was headed by three notable Italian figureheads: Giuseppe Mazzini, Carlo Armellini and Aurelio Saffi. While having their fair share of disagreements, this government issued remarkable reforms, such as religious toleration, the end of capital punishment and broad liberal reforms for expression.

Sadly, despite fierce fighting and the brilliant victories of Italian hero Giuseppe Garibaldi, only a year later, the Republic would end at the hands of French soldiers who sought to restore the Papal government. Despite its brevity, the concept of a free Italy took root, and in the following decades the revolutionary spirit would not be so easily put out.

Well that’s all for This Week in (Italian) History! See you next week!



# This Week In History: Feb. 5 - Feb. 11

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Greetings historians, and welcome back to This Week In History! Known for both rich cultural heritage and fantastic pasta dishes, this week we'll cover some interesting events surrounding the long and illustrious history of Italy! So let's jump in!

Out of all of the historical research conducted in Italy, perhaps the excavations of the ash-covered Pompeii ruins are the most iconic. Known for providing remarkable insight into ancient Roman life, historians and archaeologists have long picked the sight apart, hoping to learn as much as possible about the lives of humans living in the old empire.

But while the fateful eruption that occurred in A.D. 79 is no doubt fascinating, this week marks an equally important precursor to the volcanic outburst: the Pompeii earthquake of Feb. 5, A.D. 62.

While largely overshadowed by the legacy of the later eruption, several accounts and even a relief carved in marble depicting the ruins of the forum have been preserved throughout the chaos of history. Pompeiians were no doubt shocked, and there is evidence that the city, as well as neighboring Herculaneum, were utterly ruined.

Interestingly, the eruption led the notable intellect, Seneca, to comment about the supposed causes of earthquakes in his groundbreaking "Naturales Quaestiones" from A.D. 65. Seneca used various moral and philosophical concepts to prove scientific observations, leading to some very revealing conclusions.

One can almost imagine the horror of those who experienced the shock of

the earthquake when Seneca asks, "If the solid Earth fail, what can be done?" With no Richter scale or technology to predict tectonic plate movement, the Romans really believed something was dreadfully wrong with the Earth. In fact, Seneca later declares, "In an earthquake the earth shows itself mortal as men are."

Thankfully Seneca also mentions that many Romans fled from the region following the earthquake, so despite its destruction, maybe the earthquake saved more lives from the later eruption of Mount Vesuvius than it took itself.

The next event this week shifts our focus northwards to the marvelous city of Florence. Despite undergoing a vibrant Renaissance throughout the 15th century, Florence was not entirely thriving by the end of the century.

Imagine, that as a simple Christian monk and member of the extremely devout Dominican order, you are fed up with the Renaissance "vanities" — essentially all of the flashy new innovations of the day. Sinful things such as cosmetics, bright clothes, the sciences and humanist art all seem to invalidate Christian modesty. Wouldn't you feel dismayed that such trivial human pursuits flourished at the expense of your faith?

Well the flamboyant Girolama Savonarola did not just imagine it, he lived it. He was enraged at the idea of human developments rivaling the influence of his faith, and converting his anger into action, on Feb. 7, 1497, Savonarola ignited the "Bonfire of the Vanities."

While not the first bonfire to be held by the Dominicans, many historians believe that Savonarola's actions proved to be far more impactful for the course of the Renaissance, and even Florence itself. Following the popularity of his



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# Life

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## ‘KILLING COUNTY:’ Is Bakersfield victim to strange things or bad people?

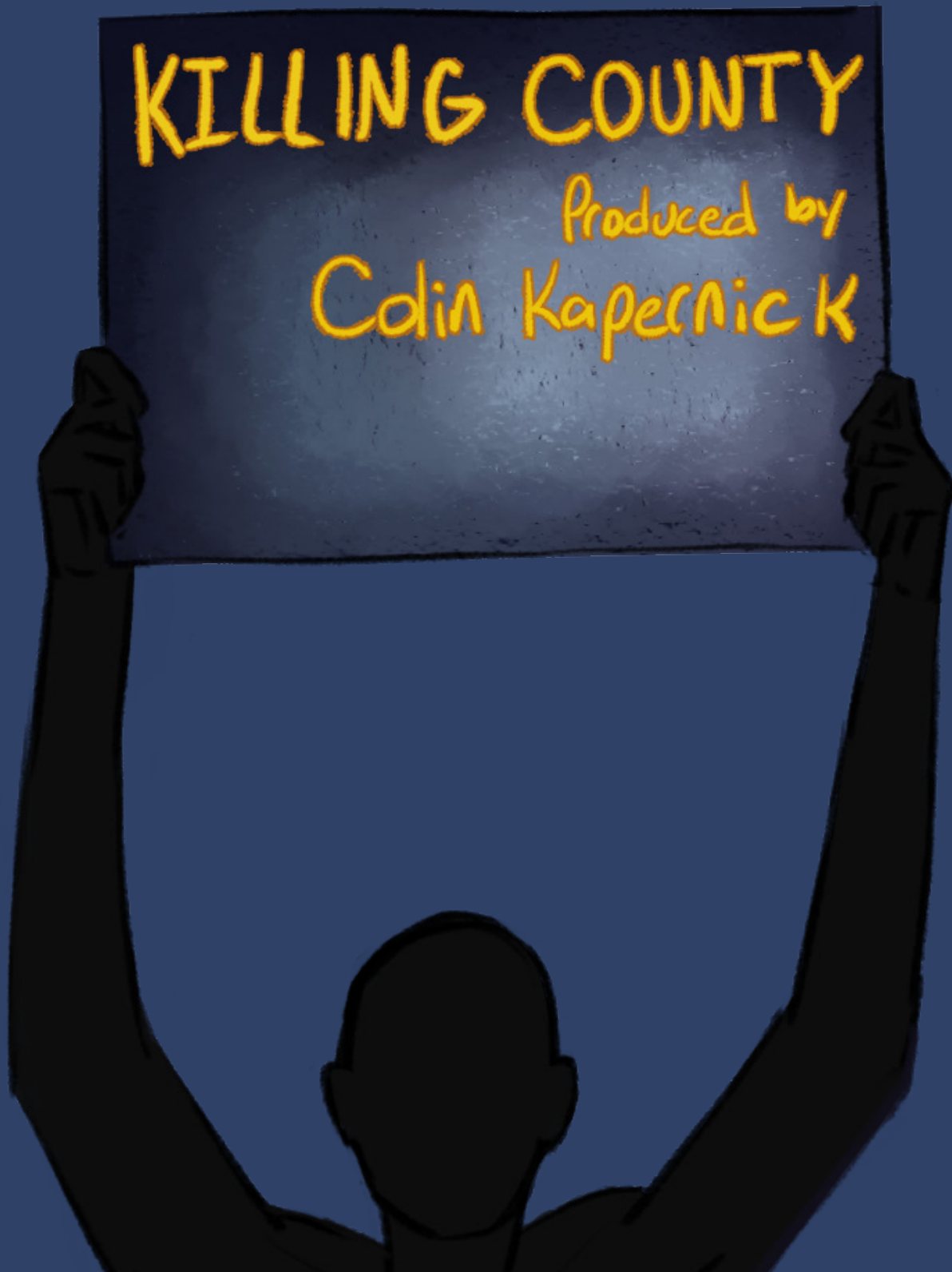


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We all know a city that has “mixed ratings.” Some people will say that they love living there and others will tell you that they fear for their lives just walking outside. You could live in a calm and quiet neighborhood that is known to be a safe place, but just around the corner, there is gang violence endangering the lives of innocent passersby.

While the image I just painted for you may sound oxymoronic, those who dwell in the small city of Bakersfield, California, explain how this is their reality. Families come together to tell their stories in Hulu’s newly released miniseries, “Killing County.”

In this miniseries, the reputation of the Bakersfield police department is questioned as the show documents multiple situations concerning the department’s questionable actions. Residents of Bakersfield begin to sense

that their police department does not truly have every resident’s best interests at heart.

The first story covered revolves around Jorge Ramirez Jr., a man well-loved by his family and community, who openly admitted to hanging around the wrong crowd. One of the members of said crowd, Justin Harger, committed an act out of jealousy that cost Jorge his life. Harger, while under the influence of methamphetamine, shot a man who was dating one of Harger’s ex-girlfriends out of envy. Following this act, Bakersfield police labeled Harger a wanted felon and were actively searching for him.

As his family later discovered, Jorge was actually an informant for the police and was helping them search for Harger. This alliance was what helped the police find Harger later on. The night the police found Harger, there was an ugly shoot-out that cost both the felon and Jorge their lives. The Ramirez fam-

ily was heartbroken at the news as it demonstrates that the police had no concern about keeping Jorge safe — they would have Harger captured no matter the cost.

In another story, viewers learn about the almost random death of David Silva. Silva was a man who suffered multiple mental illnesses and was seeking help from a local health facility. The facility turned him away and told him to go elsewhere, but Silva had nowhere else to go.

Bakersfield police found Silva sleeping on the sidewalk, but believed he was unconscious. The police conducted a sternum rub, which, as an interviewee explained, is a pain-inducing mechanism used to identify whether or not someone is alive. Therefore, it should be no surprise to a trained police officer when someone who is alive reacts to such a technique. The officers who performed this technique took Silva’s reaction as resistance and fighting. This led to

a total of eight police officers beating Silva. It even came to a point in which one officer brought in a canine, bringing an end to Silva’s life.

The purpose of this show is of course to highlight the carelessness of the Bakersfield Police and to bring awareness to the topic of police brutality — a subject that has been heavily publicized over the past few years.

There are only three episodes in this series, but there is a load of information to unpack from them. Every story is tragically tied to the police department’s all-too-quick temper and rage. I recommend the series to anyone looking to be further educated on police brutality or just become more aware of its activity across the nation. If anyone has suffered a loss due to police brutality, the intensity of the “Killing County” testimonies may be too emotionally straining. Every story will leave you with the same question: “But why?”

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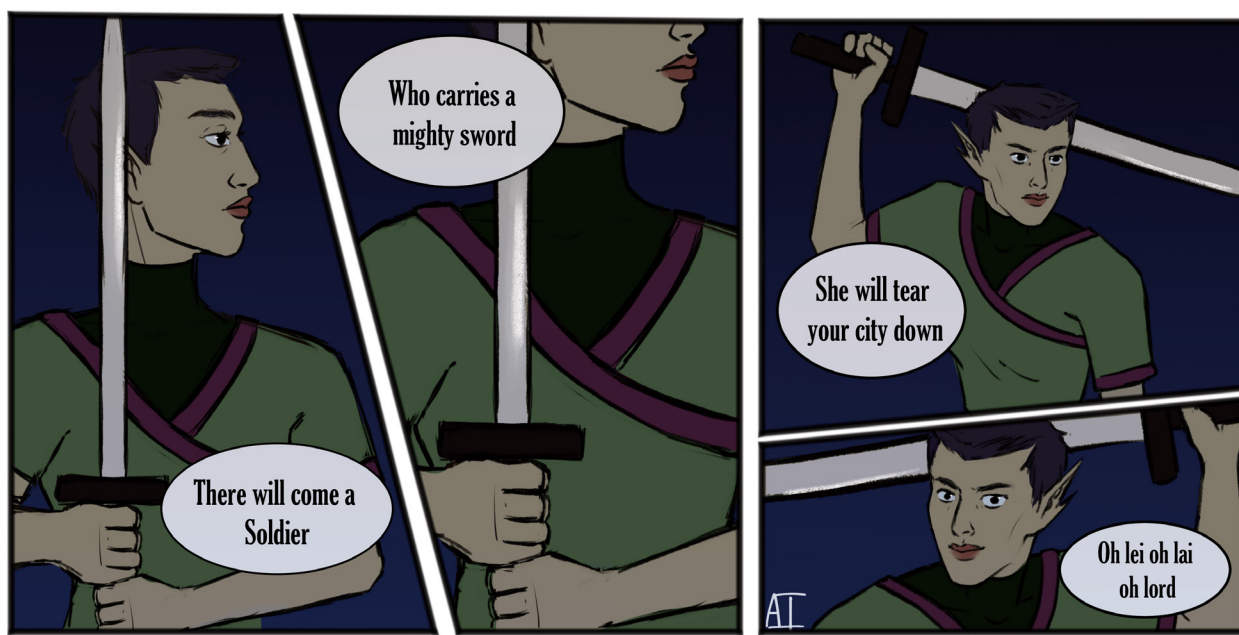
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### ► Editorial

## UConn DoD ties are suspect and immoral

**O**n Jan. 24, the University of Connecticut announced that four UConn scientists have been awarded funding for technology from the Department of Defense. The award stems from the DoD's \$59 million in awards to 147 universities under the Defense University Research Instrumentation Program.

The Daily Campus Editorial Board has grown tired of reporting on the hundreds of millions of dollars the university receives directly from the military and its industrial partners. No longer can the university claim that it merely passively benefits from the war industry through privatized contracts with weapons manufacturers such as Lockheed Martin, Raytheon and Sikorsky; UConn directly profits from war.

One of the scientists, Daniel McCarron, received funding for his research on "Stimulated optical forces to cool and trap CH radicals," a compound known for its high reactivity. Another, Ying Li, received funding for their work regarding "high-temperature polymers." The DoD funds research in accordance with advancing military priorities, creating deadlier weapons and enforcing the United States's global presence against opposition.

If the university wishes to continue its relationship with the military, the implementation of exponential transparency is necessary. The university owes those individuals who fund our institution the utmost transparency regarding any research. Publishing highly inaccessible descriptions of physics and engineering lab subjects does little to aid the understanding of what said research may entail, and whether it is being done with the intention of bolstering the capacity of the military for violence. Reading about DoD-supported research on highly reactive molecules is cause for speculation and concern. What weapons will be enhanced through this research, and who will they be targeted against?

The recent DURIP funding comes as just one of many examples of direct funding UConn has received from the military complex. As we've previously reported, the university makes no attempt to hide the contributions made by the military industrial complex, some of which are even celebrated, such as Lockheed Martin Day. Further, it remains an injustice that public universities are forced to turn toward the military as the state continues to threaten federal funding. The State of Connecticut's receding financial commitment has left many of its state universities struggling, and deductions leave universities no choice but to rely on privatized funds.

This is no excuse, however, to turn our university into an agent of war. UConn's amoral financial investments have left students at an impassable cross road. Students are forced to reckon with the truth that the institution they look to for guidance is directly involved in propagating the evils of international imperialism and violent colonialism. The US military's biggest current projects include escalating conflict with China, provoking conflict in the Korean peninsula, fueling an endless proxy war in Ukraine, sending weapons, supplies and training towards ethnic cleansing and apartheid in Palestine and maintaining over 750 military bases across 80 countries with troops deployed in 159. This is one of the most violent organizations in human history.

Watching a so-called "Platinum and Green university" beg for funding from the largest emitter of CO2 in the U.S. is both shameful and destructive. The fate of our planet, our student community and the livelihood of those around the world who experience the forces of war should not rest in the hands of UConn's soulless greed for profit, ignorant to the atrocities committed by the U.S. military and its industrial constituents.

# Why we need less social media

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Social media has brought plenty of benefits to our daily lives, keeping us in touch with our peers, current events and allowing one to encounter new knowledge they would not have known to seek out. However, the monkey's paw has had its toll on the vast wealth of information brought about by the internet age.

The caveats to social media have been well known since its advent. Cyberbullying, being the most notable and controversial topic in the early days of the internet, now appears like a non-issue when compared to the myriad harassment and mean spirited activities that transpire on the modern internet. Many associate the term 'cyberbullying' with those who willingly put themselves in danger on the internet and become damaged because they lack self-control.

"How The Fuck Is Cyber Bullying Real ... Just Walk Away From The Screen ... Close Your Eyes Haha" Tyler the Creator advised in a popular tweet in 2012. But can we truly just "walk away from the screen"?

Since the Trump administration, calls to ban TikTok have resonated in Washington, mainly based on the app's relationship with China. Over the past week we have seen the largest momentum towards restricting the app once again, whose push was too capricious and eventually had seen legal resistance. Now, we again see a similar

movement towards legislative action, with TikTok's chief executive planned to appear before a congressional committee in March.

TikTok presents many concerns to user safety. Data privacy, mental health, cyberbullying and social media addiction are the primary issues brought against social media, the most personal to any individual being social media addiction and provoking mental health issues. Many of us are too familiar with the endless scroll, unable to pull ourselves away from the screen just to watch one more five second video, into perpetuity. TikTok's video recommendation engine algorithm, like those of other algorithms, are designed to keep the user consuming content as long as possible. From here, many ethical questions arise. Should companies be allowed to record and predict human behavior to such an extent as the TikTok algorithm allows? For some, the algorithm is too much and manifests as social media addiction, a behavioral disorder becoming more recognized as a serious health issue. TikTok's chief executive argues that the algorithm is harmless, stating, "it's just math." But we are all well aware of the damages that behavior adapting social media can have on individuals.

Furthermore, social media is able to contribute to mental health issues. The Wall Street Journal used specially designed bots with preprogrammed interests to scroll on TikTok, where one bot had interest set to depression and sadness eventually

had been indulged by TikTok by depressive content. It is no mystery that TikTok is so successful at predicting one's subconscious. Individuals with mental health issues will with no doubt find consolation in social media, and there are merits to this, like mental health support and advice videos.

The algorithm in many ways may exacerbate mental issues — individuals will be inundated in content that can aggravate their struggles and bring them into worse states by consuming content that reaffirms their thinking processes. This is why figures like Andrew Tate have seen so much success on the platform, where men with poor image issues have been given a consumable figure by the algorithm, leading young men to embrace hyper masculinity as the cure for their mental health issues.

And it is also worth mentioning data privacy concerns in social media, where these companies own vast swaths of user information and use it towards commercial purposes. Though this criticism often includes the most conspiracy, there is space for legitimate concern for how social media handles its user data.

Congress moving towards banning TikTok, I think, is something we should look forward to. Avoiding sounding like an out-of-touch boomer, we are overdependent on social media. Congress should follow through on finding ways to protect US citizens from the adverse effects of social media.



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An athlete on the UConn women's swimming and diving team pets Officer Tildy, a Canine Companions facility dog of the UConn Police Department, during the Huskies' meet against Providence College on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 4, 2023, at the The Wolff-Zackin Natatorium in Storrs, Conn. PHOTO BY SOFIA SAWCHUK, ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR/THE DAILY CAMPUS

# Money isn't everything

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In today's society, too often, money is seen as an indicator of success. People think that money is all someone needs to go far, but that's not necessarily true. In this article, I'll be using FIRST Robotics teams as an example of how there are a plethora of other factors that contribute to success beyond money. FIRST Robotics is an organization that runs PreK-12 robotics programs through mentor-based teams. Specifically, in this article, I'll examine programs local to Connecticut and show how wealthier areas or areas with more money aren't always the most successful.

In this first example, I'll compare Glastonbury to Shel-

ton. Glastonbury is a much wealthier area, with a median household income of roughly \$130,000. Shelton, on the other hand, is slightly less wealthy, with a median household income of less than \$104,000. Both towns have FIRST Robotics Competition teams, which are high school robotics teams. In the 2022 season, Glastonbury's team placed 169th in all of New England. Shelton placed third. The team that placed first for all of New England was also a Connecticut team from Windsor Locks, Connecticut, whose median household income is even lower at less than \$80,000. Obviously, this analysis isn't holistic and doesn't take every team's town median income and ranking and check for a correlation; however, this example shows that income isn't everything.

With that in mind, there are other factors to consider. Glastonbury's FIRST Robotics Competition team is restricted to meeting three days a week during their build season, which is less than many teams. It is extraneous factors such as this that impede wealthier areas from having successful programs.

Another example is Vernon. In FIRST Lego League Challenge, a robotics league for fourth-eighth graders, Vernon has seven teams, the second largest program in the state. And as incredible as that is, only one of their seven teams has qualified for the state championship. This year roughly half of the teams in the state moved on, so one out of seven isn't a fantastic showing. This is despite the fact that the Vernon Public Schools provides stipends for their teachers to run these teams.

When running any form of program, there are a number of attributes needed for success. For a robotics team in particular, you need the necessary materials, dedicated individuals, students to participate, a location to host the program and organizational support. Some teams are based out of a school, while others are not school-based. Many teams get the school support necessary to thrive, while school restrictions impede others. Some programs have a lot of experienced, dedicated individuals, while others do not have these same resources. That said, it takes a lot of different factors to create a successful program, and yes, teams need money. But having that money or living in a wealthy area isn't everything.

I want to conclude with a story regarding the FIRST Tech Challenge, another

FIRST Robotics program. The second qualifier in Connecticut was held in Windsor recently, and one team was brand new and had to wait for materials to be ordered and had trouble getting some of the harder-to-find parts. Yet they still left the competition with an award precisely because the judges were impressed with their excitement, energy and willingness to learn. The team made the most of their time when they were waiting for materials and used it to learn more about coding. They took what should have been a disadvantage and made the most of it. In this instance, the team didn't necessarily lack money but instead simply didn't have the materials ready, but they made up for it with other extraordinary attributes.





# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: No. 1 South Carolina escapes No. 5 Huskies, SOLD-OUT CROWD

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A sold-out crowd at the XL Center is tough to overcome for any team, no matter how many votes you get in the polls. No. 1 South Carolina found this out the hard way Sunday, using everything it had to get out of Hartford with a victory. An exhausted No. 5 Huskies team gave everything it had, using just six players, but they fell just short in the 81-77 defeat. It's hard to get too upset about the effort for the Huskies, as they were massively short-handed.

"The way the game was played, the way we responded, the way we controlled the tempo, we have a lot to feel good about, once we get past the pain of the loss," said coach Geno Auriemma. "I feel better now than I did before we played the game. I feel really good about my team now and how they played."

National Player of the Year candidate Aaliyah Boston played one of the better games of the season, scoring 26 points and grabbing 11 boards. Her exemplary effort rebounding highlighted what ended up being the biggest difference in the game. The Gamecocks seemed to get every offensive rebound over the tired home squad, grabbing 25 to UConn's 10.

"I'm in attack mode," said Boston. "In the second half, I stayed confident and took good shots."

"We have to find a way to defensively be better in the lane both initially and rebounding," noted Auriemma. "We struggled with that today."

Aaliyah Edwards played exceptionally well for the Huskies, notching 25 points and four rebounds. As impressive as her efforts were, she was hurt considerably by foul trouble. She played the entire fourth quarter with four fouls, forcing her to be weaker on the boards in an effort to not foul out. Even though it was a loss, it was still a statement game for the breakout junior, who did everything in her power to will her team to victory.

"She only played 28 minutes," noted Auriemma on Edwards. "Two things have to happen. You have to be

aware that she has to be careful because she's in foul trouble and she also has to play really hard to be effective. She showed a lot of different ways to score. She's had an All-American season. Where would we be without her?"

Aubrey Griffin also played

that derailed last year for her, she's been a critical player for the Huskies' success this year.

"Aubrey [Griffin] came out aggressive from the opening tap," said Auriemma. "We couldn't afford to have her wait until halftime to get into another

number of very difficult shots to help UConn stay in the game.

The Huskies came out of the gate with some firepower. The rowdy XL crowd helped them to an early 18-9 lead that saw blocks and buckets from Nika Muhl, Griffin and Edwards. Muhl's nine points in the first

The Gamecocks cut the deficit to five with a nice spurt, but Edwards scored four straight to reset the team. South Carolina slowly shaved down UConn's lead during a very defensive quarter thanks to great play on the offensive glass, ultimately tying it up in the closing seconds of the half.

"Some of it is the fatigue factor," Auriemma noted of the slow second frame. "Some of it is that for some inexplicable reason we just stop moving. I don't know what causes it, but it just happened today. Guys try to just play one on one and it's just a lot of bad decision making we have to correct. We also didn't make enough threes today to win."

The teams went back and forth to start the half with Edwards and Boston doing much of the scoring. As well as Edwards was playing, she was battling foul trouble, forcing Auriemma to be careful with her playing time. The Gamecocks took the lead and extended it out to six with some great low post play, putting the Huskies in serious danger with moments left in the third. Edwards got a monster and one, but on the next play she picked up her fourth foul.

Lopez-Senechal reduced the cushion to just two and Brea Beal put it right back to five with her first try of the game. A major turning point was a technical on Auriemma when he tossed a water bottle on the court, taking the ball away and giving Boston two free throws. She netted four points on the play, giving South Carolina a double-digit lead. An untimely technical for the Gamecocks opened the door for the Huskies late, as they made a comeback effort. Ultimately, Boston's takeover in the second half proved to be too much, as they won by four.

The game is more encouraging than discouraging for Connecticut, as it stayed in the game with the best team in the country. It's not crazy to imagine that they could've pulled it out if they had a little more depth, which could come if Caroline Ducharme and Azzi Fudd return before March.

Auriemma was optimistic about Ducharme's potential to return in the next few games, while Fudd is likely to return before March, but a timetable is uncertain. Until then, it should be relatively smooth sailing, as they start the last chunk of their season at Marquette this Wednesday, Feb. 8.



The UConn women's basketball team takes on South Carolina at the Hartford XL Center on Sunday, Feb. 5. Despite leading in the first quarter and tying in the second, UConn was defeated 81-77 by South Carolina. This is the first time the two teams have played against each other since the final game of March Madness in 2022, when South Carolina beat UConn.

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her heart out, collecting 17 points and four boards. She converted on several three point plays, including one to cut the deficit to three with seconds left, but it just wasn't enough. In her comeback season after her back injury

gear today. Her ability to get to the basket was crucial and her defense was very good."

Another player who helped with the second-half push was Lou Lopez-Senechal, who scored 19 in the loss. She was exceptional down the stretch, hitting a num-

quarter was an uncharacteristic break from her season average of seven per game, helping take the UConn offense to a different level. Lopez-Senechal beat the quarter buzzer with a wild one handed floater from deep, sending the building into a frenzy.

## UConn Tennis: Huskies come out two-time winners



The UConn women's tennis team takes on the second match of the season against the Fairfield University Stags at Magic Lincer Tennis Academy. After a harsh loss to BC, the women win 6-1!

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The UConn women's tennis team swept both of its matchups this week with a 6-1 victory over Fairfield University on Wednesday and a 6-1 victory over Merrimack on Saturday, improving their record to 2-1 on the season.

In Wednesday's matchup against Fairfield, the Huskies got off to a slow start in doubles play, as the first and second doubles pairings each fell 6-4. The third doubles pair of Caroline Cook and Doga Selen Takunyaci would battle in a tiebreaker but would fall short 7-6.

Momentum would start to swing in singles play, as freshman Cameron Didion got the Huskies on the board with an impressive 6-0, 6-0 victory. Isabel Petri Bere, Aleksandra Karamyshev and Olivia Wright would capture victories as well for Connecticut, pushing its lead over Fairfield to 4-1. Maria Constantinou and Cook both endured long rallies, walking away victorious to help the Huskies pull away from Fairfield 6-1.

On Saturday, the Huskies took care of business against the Warriors of Merrimack College, rolling to a 6-1 victory at the Magic Lincer Tennis Club in Manchester. The Huskies got off to a hot start behind sensational doubles

play from their first and second pairs. The tandem of Petri Bere and Karamyshev cruised to a 6-0 victory, while Wright and Constantinou closed out doubles play winning 6-4.

The intensity from the doubles play would carry over to singles play for the Huskies, as the third and fourth singles would tack on an additional two points. Karamyshev got the score to 5-1 in the first set of the third singles, retiring Nikala Tuffanelli of Merrimack. Petri Bere rolled to a clean 6-0, 6-0 victory at the fourth singles match.

Leading 3-0, the scoring would only continue for the Huskies as Didion would make it 4-0 behind a 6-1, 6-1 victory. Two more singles points would be added behind victories from Constantinou and Cook.

Head Coach and Director of Tennis Glenn Marshall was asked about his thoughts on his team's performance from over the weekend.

"I am pleased with our doubles play today," Marshall said. "We had nice wins at No. 1 and No. 2 to secure the doubles point. That carried over into the singles matches, where we got off to great starts on all courts. Isabel really led the way today in singles and doubles with great effort and results."

Up next for the Huskies is a matchup in West Point, N.Y., with the Army Black Knights on Feb. 11, 2023.

## Sports

## Photo of the Day | Can't out-swim the Huskies!



The UConn women's swimming and diving team gives a dominant performance during its senior night match against Providence College on Feb. 4, 2023.

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## Swimming and Diving: HUSKIES HAVE GREAT DUAL-MEET WEEKEND AT HOME

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The University of Connecticut's swimming and diving team had a great weekend of home meets at the Wolff-Zackin Natatorium as it came out on top versus two other New England schools. First, on Friday, UConn defeated fellow Connecticut public school Central Connecticut State 188-111; then, on Saturday, it took down New Hampshire by nearly as large a margin of victory, 186-114.

Friday began as a back-and-forth affair for the Huskies; Kayla Mendonca, Angela Gambardella, Charlotte Proceller and Maggie Donlevy secured yet another 200 yard medley relay win to begin the day, but then CCSU's Abbey Keane took the very next event, the 1000 yard freestyle. That would go on for the first six events, as the squads were effectively knotted up 3-3 in first place finishes, but then the Huskies ran away with the day. Mia Galat (50 yard freestyle), Donlevy (100 yard

freestyle), Robyn Edwards (200 yard backstroke) and Gambardella (200 yard breaststroke) went on a run that gave Connecticut a lot of breathing room to work with. From there, it was just a matter of closing it out: UConn won five of the last six events, with Julia Pioso, Ana Laura Faoro and Darah Ostrom stealing the show with first, second and third place finishes, respectively, in both the 1-meter and 3-meter dives. That triumph was a great achievement in and of itself, but UConn still had to maintain some energy for the next day, as it would have to take on the New Hampshire Wildcats before it could rest for the weekend.

Saturday started outstandingly well, as UConn won the first six events of the day and eight of its first ten. Leading the way were the 200 yard medley relay team of Mendonca, Gambardella, Proceller and Donlevy, who have been incredible successful all year in that event, Niamh Holland, who set the tone early with her usual 1000 yard freestyle gold, and Edwards, who took first in both the 100 yard

and 200 yard backstroke, putting Connecticut on the path to victory right from the get-go. Other UConn women shone through the rest of the pack, too: Lexi Martino, who won two 200 yard events, the butterfly and the individual medley; Pioso and Faoro, who each got a gold and a silver in the diving events; and Ella Epes, who won the 100 yard butterfly. With how good the Huskies were in the pool, it really never felt all that close, and it led to a wire-to-wire victory over the New Hampshire Wildcats.

Both of those victories give UConn an overall 8-0 record on the year in meets, along with a 3-0 record in the Big East. Its dominance was evident all weekend, and it rarely faltered, if at all, proving the Huskies might have even more swagger this season than they did in their last. Suffice to say, as they prepare for their final regular season meet against Providence College next Saturday, they must feel confident about their chances when tournament season comes around.



The UConn women's swimming and diving team competes at the Natatorium on Saturday Feb. 4, 2023. The Huskies continue with their undefeated season.

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## Track and Field: Huskies produce brilliant performance in Boston double-header

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The UConn track and field squad showed that one meet in a weekend is not enough for their talents, as they competed in the Crimson Elite and Scarlet and White meets over the past few days. The sensational performances across both days were a testament to the depth in the team.

Friday saw the Huskies travel to Cambridge, Massachusetts, as they competed in the Harvard Crimson Elite competition. One could argue that Travis Snyder should be nicknamed 'The Postman,' as he delivered a first place finish in the pole vault at both Harvard and Boston University. He vaulted 5.37 meters on both

occasions, which was just shy of his record-breaking performance from last week at the Dr. Sander Colombia Invitational. Kalli Knott also took home second place in the women's competition, vaulting 3.91 meters. This was a new school record, and a great indicator of a tough winter of training paying off.

Also in the field early in the day, Patricia Mroczkowski managed to secure a win in the women's high jump. The junior matched her 1.70 meter clearance from last week, as well as falling just short of her season's best. With two other women also clearing 1.70 meters, the margins were tight, but Mroczkowski ultimately managed to come out with a win on count-back.

Sprinter and jumper Richmond Kwaateng was in action twice on Friday, competing in both the long jump and 60-meter.

He and Marc Morrison managed to secure a UConn 1-3 in the long jump, as they jumped 7.28 meters and 7.20 meters respectively. Kwaateng had less luck with the 60, missing out on the final amongst a tough field. Despite Kwaateng's absence, Joseph O'Brien ran a new school best this season in the 60, securing a 6.79 second clocking.

Terrel Williams had yet another successful meet, winning the final of the 60-meter hurdles in emphatic fashion at Harvard. Finishing just short of a 10th of a second ahead of his nearest competitor, he showed that he is in a class of his own this season. His 7.71 second clocking was also a season's best, showing that he is still finding ways to improve on his already impressive indoor season.

The team then made the short trip to Boston University for the Scarlet and White Invitational on Saturday. With Boston University's track being notoriously fast, it is no surprise that the Huskies managed to throw down some quick times.

Wellington Ventura won the men's 400-meter by a mere thousandth of a second, with a time of 47.10 seconds. He managed to best Akeem Bloomfield, who was a silver medalist at the NCAA championships back in 2018. Anish Rajamanickam also ran under 50 seconds for the third time this season.

In the 800-meter, Mahamed Sharif was the highest finishing college athlete with a time of 1:49.10. He was also the only college athlete to break the 1:50 barrier on the day, and it was his first time surpassing the milestone. With only professional athletes finishing

ahead of him, Sharif will look to continue to dominate in the coming weeks against more college competition. This effort was also a new school record, and he does not show any signs of slowing down.

In the field, Rachel Mason made it two wins in two days for the UConn women's pole vault squad. The freshman vaulted 3.65 meters, which was a new personal record. Manson and Knott seem to be a fantastic training partnership, and it would not be surprising to see them threatening the 4-meter barrier later this season.

Overall, the Huskies had a great showing across the Crimson Elite and the Scarlet and White invitationals. They will next take to the track on Feb. 10, where they will return to Boston University to take part in the David Hemery Valentine Invitational.

# Women's Hockey: Huskies lose lead late, shootout with Terriers

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No.15 Connecticut Huskies tied with Boston University this past Friday to end their regular season series.

Coming into the series, Boston University had dominated UConn in their previous match-up. The Terriers walked away with two wins, sneaking away with a 2-1 victory in game one followed by a dominant 5-2 performance in game two.

Connecticut has simmered out in recent weeks after its five-game win streak. Since their game against Providence, the Huskies are 0-2-2 and don't look like the same team they had been.

UConn opened the scoring midway through the first period on a score by sophomore Ava Rinker. The Huskies held on to the lead early and were able to capitalize on an error in front of the goal by the Terriers in the second period. Sophomore Riley Grimley was able to swipe the puck in for UConn to build its lead to 2-0, her fourth goal of the season.

Even though they were down two scores late, the Terriers found a way to come back.

With just under four minutes left in the game, freshman Brooke Disher put the Terriers on the board, narrowing the deficit to just one. Later in the period, now with just one minute left, the Terriers scored again. Junior Catherine Foulem scored the equalizer to send the game to overtime. Foulem had scored in her previous game as well, accounting for five total goals on the season.

Neither team was able to end the game in overtime, sending them both into a shootout for the extra point.

UConn's Coryn Tamala and Boston University's Lacey Martin traded goals in the first round, knotting both teams at one apiece. They remained tied until Catherine Foulem scored in the fifth round of the shootout, earning the Terriers the shootout victory over the Huskies.

Boston University's unbeaten streak extended to six straight games (3-0-3), marking their longest streak since the end of the 2019-2020 season (8 games). An interesting note, three of those games during this stretch have been shootout victories for the Terriers.

Both UConn and Boston University ended the game with 25



The UConn Huskies play the University of New Hampshire Wildcats at the Toscano Family Ice Forum in Storrs, Conn., on Sunday, Jan. 29.

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The Huskies were defeated by the Wildcats, with New Hampshire walking away with a 3-0 win over Connecticut.

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shots on goal. Husky Tia Chan and Terrier Andrea Brändli allowed two goals each, blocking 23 shots throughout the game.

The Huskies have had some trouble keeping multi-score leads the past few weeks. There were a lot of similarities between the Huskies game versus the Friars and the game against the Terriers on Friday. Against Providence on Jan. 20, Grimley scored to put UConn up 2-0 in the third period but the Friars fought back to send the game to overtime. Unlike the Boston University game, UConn did walk out with the shootout victory with a winner from Jada Habisch, but these games are eerily similar.

The alarms don't need to be going off for UConn, it has played well otherwise, but it is an area to focus on. Two games aren't going to define this season, but if this trend continues it can really impact the Huskies chances come time for the tournament.

With the tie, this brings UConn to 15-31-9 versus the Terriers in their all-time series. It has been more of the same for the Huskies as Boston University really seems to have Connecticut's number every time they face off.

Boston University now sits in sixth place in the Hockey East standings. The Huskies remain just one spot ahead of Boston University in fifth place with a conference record of 10-9-4.

Both team's next matchups are against No. 5 Northeastern with the Terriers facing them Tuesday in the 44th annual Women's Beanpot game and UConn hosting them Friday in Storrs. The Huskies will then take on Holy Cross for their final three regular season games.

Northeastern is another one of those teams that Connecticut has historically had trouble playing against, and with these games starting to mean more about position, it should be a hard fight. Connecticut's game versus Northeastern is available for streaming on NESN+ and will be played at the Toscano Family Ice Forum.

Boston University has had success against Northeastern in the past but is currently winless in their last four meetings. This streak includes a 6-0 blowout that happened last month and really shows how good this Northeastern team is. You can watch the Terriers game either on NESN or ESPN+ Tuesday night.

# Men's Hockey: No. 14 UConn downs Northeastern in OT behind Hudson Schandor game winner

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On Friday night, No. 14 UConn traveled to Northeastern for the last 'Battle of the Huskies' of the regular season. Prior to this match, UConn had struggled against Northeastern as it got beaten at the Frozen Fenway and at its first game played at the Toscano Family Ice Forum.

Connecticut changed this pattern with a thrilling 4-3 overtime win but it was a competitive battle from the puck drop. Northeastern got off to a fiery start as it got on the board first after a UConn turnover which resulted in graduate student Liam Walsh to score. Midway through the period, the Northeastern Huskies extended their lead following a goal scored by junior Sam Colangelo. UConn had a slow start as it struggled in all three zones. Northeastern continued to pressure the Huskies' defense but they went into the period break with no more damage done and down by two goals.

Early in the second period, senior Jake Flynn cut Northeastern's lead in half after shooting the puck past goaltender Devon

Levi. Flynn was assisted by graduate student Ty Amonte and freshman Samu Salminen. The Huskies got into trouble as they had three penalties called against them in the duration of the period. Despite that, UConn found the equalizer goal on a power play. Late in the period, junior Hudson Schandor rebounded freshman Matthew Wood's shot after it rang off the post, knocking it past Levi to tie the game at two.

UConn gained more control in the third period and dominated the ice. Just 26 seconds into the period, Wood was in the perfect position to fire a rebounded shot right into the net for the Huskies first lead of the night. Connecticut continued to rule possessions but could not hold off Northeastern for the remainder of the final frame. Northeastern tied the game with 3:55 left in the period as Justin Hryckowian was left in front of the net and scored the wide-open shot. Neither team was able to score in the final minutes which sent the game into a sudden death overtime.

In overtime, Northeastern and UConn created multiple opportunities to score but goal minders Logan Terness and Levi made key saves, keeping the game tied at three. The

clock was winding down and it looked as if UConn would gain another frustrating tie but Schandor took charge, changing that motive. Flynn skated the puck down the zone on a two-on-three rush but was denied by Levi at the net. With 16 seconds remaining, Flynn's rebound was directed right to Schandor, who tipped the puck past Levi for the game-winning goal. The Huskies celebrated on the ice as the clock expired and they sealed the victory in Boston 4-3.

Terness had one of his best performances of the season, stopping 36 of 39 shots by Northeastern. Additionally, Schandor led the way with his pair of goals, one including the game-winner. Terness and Schandor played significant roles to help the Huskies improve to a 17-8-3 overall record and a 11-6-2 record in Hockey East play.

Connecticut had the rest of the weekend off and will now look ahead to its next match-up. The Ice Bus will take a trip up north to Durham for a two-game series against the New Hampshire Wildcats Friday, Feb. 10, and Saturday, Feb. 11.



UConn comes back from being down 1-0 in the first period to a tie in the 2nd period on Saturday, Jan. 21, 2023, at Toscano Family Ice Forum in Storrs, Conn.

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# Sports

## Men's Basketball:

# Karaban, No. 24 Huskies outlast Hoyas in D.C.

WE'VE SEEN THIS STORY BEFORE.

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After leading for the majority of the contest, the UConn men's basketball team relinquished its advantage late into the second half, giving the Georgetown Hoyas a lead on their home court - very reminiscent of the late-game collapse the Huskies suffered at Seton Hall just four games prior. UConn would lose that matchup in the final seconds.

On Saturday afternoon, it was the same story with a different ending, as the Huskies were able to pull away with a big 68-62 win on the road.

Despite the KenPom ratings putting more than 200 Division I programs between Connecticut and Georgetown, the Hoyas remained close the whole game. After the Huskies took an eight-point lead with eight to play in the first half, the script completely flipped. UConn couldn't seem to find the basket on even the closest of shots, making one of its last 10 field goals. By the break, the score was all knotted up at 31 apiece.

The second half kicked off in a similar fashion, with Connecticut working its way up to another eight-point lead before Georgetown came roaring back, taking the lead with less than five minutes to go thanks to an 11-2 run. It was Georgetown's first time with the lead since the score was 7-5.

Thankfully for the Huskies, they kept their composure and stuck it out. Freshman Alex Karaban made two massive 3-pointers in the final minutes, regaining the lead and putting the nail in the coffin for Connecticut. It was a tale of two halves for the forward, who scored all of his 11 points in the second. He finished his afternoon on 4-for-10 shooting alongside four rebounds and four assists.

Fellow forward and Big East Preseason Player of the Year Adama Sanogo had a solid day as well, collecting 15 points on 6-for-11 shooting and six rebounds.

The biggest difference down the stretch for UConn was its tenacity on the boards. The Huskies cashed in 23 second-chance points, including one of Karaban's big 3-pointers. On the other end, Georgetown was only able to score eight such points.

Transfer guard Tristen Newton continued his successful stretch of games in this contest, finishing with 15 points on 6-for-14 shoot-

ing alongside eight rebounds, six assists, three steals and a block. Newton was everywhere on Saturday and really made his presence felt, particularly early in the contest. He's certainly stepped up in the second half of the season and looks to be a key contributor to this offense moving forward.

It was a big redemption game for Husky guard Andre Jackson, who has suffered from a confidence issue for the past few games. Teams have started to allow Jackson, who lays claim to one of the team's lowest shooting percentages this season, to shoot unguarded. Even on Saturday, the Georgetown coaches yelled out "Let him shoot" when Jackson carried the ball.

The team captain didn't let it phase him, and started out distributing more than shooting. The shots soon followed, including a make on his lone 3-point attempt. By the end of the day, the guard walked away with a solid stat line: seven points, 10 rebounds and seven assists. While he's not out of the water yet, this was a step in the right direction for the junior to find his footing.

It seems like head coach Dan Hurley's defensive game plan was to lock down star guard Primo Spears, as the Huskies limited the transfer student to zero points on 0-for-1 shooting in 37 minutes. Spears entered Saturday's contest scoring the second-most points per game in the Big East with 16.8.

For all of the good defensive work UConn put in on Spears, the team had few answers for Georgetown guard Brandon Murray. Before he fouled out, Murray had 21 points on 8-for-18 shooting and two assists.

Overall, both teams shot well. While the Huskies should be content with shooting 42.2 percent on the road and 50.0 percent from 3-point range, allowing a lackluster Georgetown squad to shoot 43.4 percent from the floor kept the Hoyas in the contest. For a team that prides themselves on its defensive prowess, Connecticut needs to tighten up before facing one of the top offenses in college basketball in the Marquette Golden Eagles on Tuesday.

With the win, the Huskies improve to 18-6 and 7-6 in Big East play. Another tough test is upon them, when they take on Shaka Smart's Golden Eagles at the XL Center on Tuesday, Feb. 7. Tip-off is set for 6:30 p.m. and the game will be broadcast live on FS1.



UConn's men's basketball's Jordan Hawkins takes a shot in the Huskies' 79-82 loss to Xavier on Jan. 25, 2023. The Huskies look to extend their current win streak to three on Feb. 7 against Marquette, as they have beaten DePaul and Georgetown since the Xavier loss.

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**WHAT TO KEEP AN EYE ON THIS WEEK**

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