



PENN STATE ICE HOCKEY

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE RHODE ISLAND DEFEATS ICERS 7-1

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The ACHA's No. 2 Penn State Icers suffered their worst loss in recent memory Friday night to No. 1 Rhode Island by a score of 7-1 at the Penn State Ice Pavilion. The Icers (14-5-1) are now winless in three games this season against the Rams (25-1-1), after a 4-2 loss and a 0-0 tie back in November.

Penn State knew they were at a disadvantage heading into the game without stars Kevin Jaeger, Joe Maglaque and Eric Harbaugh – all of whom are in Innsbruck, Austria representing Team USA in the World University Games – while Rhode Island came to town with a full roster as they chose not to send any players overseas. But the six-goal difference wasn't exactly expected.

URI's Derrek Douglas scored the first goal of the game midway through the first period with just 4 seconds remaining on the power play. Mike Curran then scored with just over a minute to play to make it 2-0 at the first intermission.

Midway through the second period, Penn State looked to have gained some momentum after a streaking Mike McMullen centered the puck to Mike Carrano, who brought the standing room-only crowd to life with a goal to make it 2-1. But that's the only time an Icer shot would get past last year's ACHA Rookie-of-the-Year Anthony Feyock. Rhode Island then pulled away, scoring four more goals in the second and one in the third to make it a 7-1 final.

The two teams will meet again on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. as Penn State looks to salvage the season series with a win.

GAME NOTES:

Goaltending PSU – Chris Matteo – 14 saves/20 shots
 PSU – Paul Mammola – 6 saves/7 shots

 URI – Anthony Feyock – 17 saves/18 shots

Power Play PSU 0/3
 URI 3/4

Shots PSU 18
 URI 27

-Penn State goalie coach Gregg Wilson was honored during the first intermission as he will be leaving the team after being called to active duty to serve in Iraq.

-Team USA upset Slovakia at the World University Games Friday 2-1 behind Kevin Jaeger's game-winning goal.

ACHA National Champions	1984, 1990, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003
National Runner-Up	1983, 1985, 1993, 1995, 1999, 2004
