

Offense gets going early in Railers win over Admirals

WORCESTER – Although they are very much alive in the ECCHL's North Division playoff race, they were — for one night anyway — the late Worcester Railers.

They beat the Norfolk Admirals 6-2 last Wednesday and scored a goal in the closing seconds of all three periods. Worcester got one with two seconds left in the first, 10 seconds go to in the second and 2.1 ticks remaining in the game.

Worcester's goals were all scored by different players. Ten different players had points. Parker Gahegan continued his wonderful play in net by stopping 31 shots. That included 16 of 17 in the second period when Norfolk desperately tried to get back into a game it trailed, 4-0, after 20 minutes.

That's right. The Railers had a 4-0 lead going into the second period. That had happened only once before in team history, on Jan. 26, 2019 here, in what became a 5-1 victory over Adirondack.

Prior to this game Worcester had spent most of its first periods in survival mode, especially at the DCU

Center.

"I think we really tried to channel our road type of mentality," coach Nick Tuzzolino said. "When you get into this amount of games you start pre-scouting yourself and I was pre-scouting us I'd probably say 'pounce on 'em in the first period. "That seems to be their weakness."

Riley Ginnell, Drew Callin, Anthony Repaci and Michael Suda scored the first period goals. Matt DeMelis got one in the second period, Gleb Veremyev in the third.

Drew Callin was 1-2-3. Suda was and Repaci were both 1-1-2 and Anthony Callin had two assists.

Jack O'Leary scored both Norfolk goals. The Railers did something unusual to achieve the triumph. They beat Norfolk goaltender Isaac Poulter, a very good one just down from the American Hockey League. Prior to Friday night Poulter had put together a streak during which he allowed the Railers to score just two goals in three full games.

The first period goals were scored by, in order, Ginnell, Drew Callin, Repaci

and Suda.

Ginnell converted a 2 on 1 break with a short side wrist shot from the left circle at 5:39. Drew Callin deflected home a shot by his brother at 10:11, Repaci took advantage of a Norfolk turnover and sizzled a wrist shot past Poulter at 12:26, then Suda blasted a low shot home from 55 feet away with just two seconds left in the period.

Norfolk got one back at 8:10 of the second period as the teams traded 2 on 1 breaks. Worcester's came first and when Ross Mitton came down the right side missed to the far post on a wrist shot, that set up the Admirals' 2 on 1. O'Leary scored at 8:10.

The Admirals were all over the Railers for most of the period. Just when it looked like Worcester would escape with the 4-1 lead, DeMelis extended his goals streak to four by putting a 20-footer past Poulter at 19:50 and the Railers were up by four again.

Both teams had someone in the penalty box so it was a 4 on 4 goal.

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at 15:57 of the middle period, making it a 1-0 game heading into the final frame.

Zherenko kept up his end of the bargain with nine more stops in the second to make it a two-period total of 17 denials against the Phantom attack.

The Phantoms did not stay quiet forever, though, as Alex Bump ripped a perfectly placed shot over Zherenko's glove hand at 3:19 of the third, tying the score, 1-1.

However, the Thunderbirds once again proved they were not ruffled, and just 1:58 later, moments after Garrett Wilson committed a delay of game minor for clearing the puck over the glass, Alek Kaskimaki shuffled a rebound past Kolosov following an initial try by Calle Rosen. The second-year Finn's fifth goal of the season restored the Springfield lead, 2-1.

The penalty killers stiffened one more time, completing a perfect 5-for-5 night with a man down,

and with the Phantoms' net empty in the final minute, Michael Buchinger lobbed a clear all the way down and into the yawning cage to put the nail in the coffin.

Zherenko completed another magnificent performance with 23 stops to secure the victory. Springfield has now earned points in nine of the last 10 games, and the club has begun this five-game road trip with three consecutive triumphs.



Public Notices

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Docket No.
HD23P2086PM
In the Interests of:
Janat D Langevin
Of: Holyoke, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/
Protected Person
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION TO EXPAND
THE POWERS OF
A CONSERVATOR**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Roger Langevin** of Holyoke, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Expand the powers of a

Conservator of the Respondent.

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of the appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **01/16/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your

objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 16, 2025
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
12/26/2025

Rogers recognized by MIAA

FRANKLIN – The MIAA recognized 21 game officials from across the state as the 2024-2025 Game Officials of the Year during a celebratory banquet held Monday, Dec. 15 at the Doubletree Milford.

The MIAA annually recognizes the best game officials from the over 5,000 officials in Massachusetts as nominated by their peers. The following individuals were nominated and ultimately selected as the best in their craft:

Among those recognized was longtime umpire Andrew Rogers from South Hadley. Rogers is also the umpire assignor for Western Mass. high school baseball and multiple adult leagues as well as American Legion summer baseball.

New Year Celebration Dinner at RiverMills Center

CHICOPEE - The Council on Aging will host a New Year Celebration Dinner on Thursday, Jan. 8 at 5 p.m. at RiverMills Center, located at 5 W. Main Street.

Join your friends at RiverMills to celebrate the new year! Enjoy a delicious Pot Roast dinner while listening to a performance by Michelle Brooks-Thompson, Grammy nominated performer and finalist on NBC's "The Voice" Beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. Registration for this event is now open. You must purchase tickets in advance and RiverMills Center.

Baystate Wing Hospital recognized on national Forbes' Top Hospitals list

PALMER - Baystate Health is proud to announce that Baystate Wing Hospital has been named to the inaugural Forbes' Top Hospitals 2026 list, earning national recognition and a four-star ranking for delivering compassionate, quality, accessible care to our communities.

"It is an honor for Baystate Wing Hospital to be included on the Forbes Top Hospitals list," said Scott Lichtenberger, MD, Chief Operating Officer, Baystate Health. "This achievement reflects the remarkable dedication and hard work of our caregivers at Baystate Wing Hospital and our unwavering commitment to advancing the health of the communities."

Forbes developed its first-ever Top Hospitals list to provide patients, families, and communities with a clear, evidence-based resource for evaluating hospital performance across the United States. The list identifies general acute care hospitals that demonstrate sustained excellence in clinical outcomes, operational best practices, value, and patient experience.

A central part of the methodology is its strong focus on clinical outcomes - including mortality, survival, infection, and readmission rates - while accounting for social drivers of health to ensure fair comparisons across regions and populations.

Of the 5,400 acute-care hospitals eligible for consideration, less than 15% received a rating of 4 stars or above, placing Baystate Wing Hospital among the top-performing hospitals in the country.

"This recognition affirms the strength of our team and the culture of caring that defines Baystate Wing Hospital," said Karli Barrett, President and Chief Operating Officer, Baystate Wing Hospital. "Every day, our caregivers go above and beyond to ensure our patients receive quality, compassionate care close to home. Being named to this inaugural national list is a meaningful honor and a testament to their unwavering commitment to those we serve."

The Forbes Top Hospitals list was developed in partnership with an advisory panel of clinicians, researchers, health policy leaders, and patient advocates, along with Inovalon, a healthcare data and analytics firm. The methodology emphasizes nationally recognized standards and prioritizes measurable patient outcomes to support consumers in making informed decisions about where to seek care.

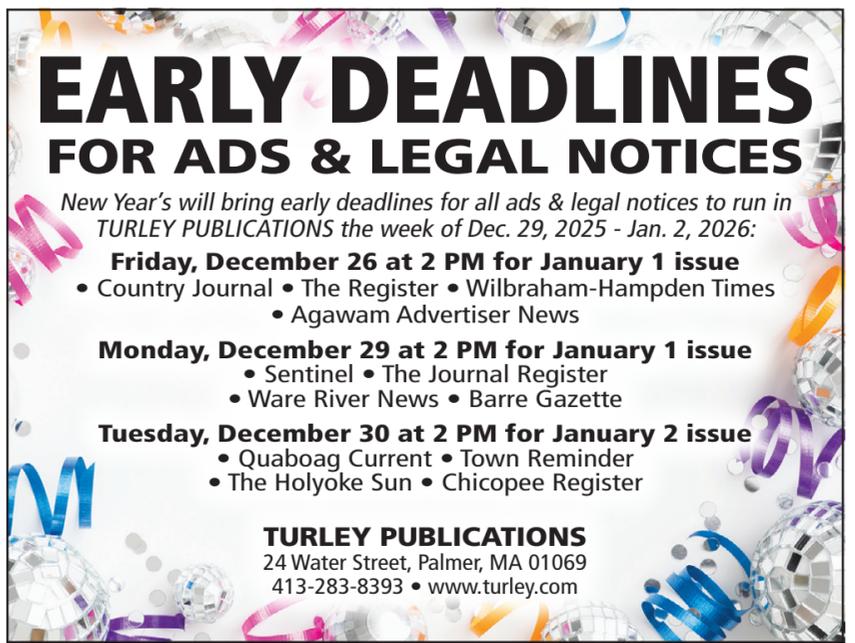
Baystate Wing Hospital's inclusion on this inaugural list reinforces Baystate Health's ongoing commitment to advancing the health of the communities it serves.

Powerback Rehab To-You at RiverMills Center

CHICOPEE - The Council on Aging will host Powerback Rehab for Physical Therapy appointment every Monday starting Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. at RiverMills Center, located at 5 W. Main Street.

Powerback Rehab To-You is a mobile therapy program that brings care directly to you! Powerback Rehab will be at RiverMills

Center for appointments to help your recovery whether dealing with a recent injury chronic pain or seeking performance enhancement. These appointments are free. This program is open to members 55 and older. There are limited appointments, so you must register in advance at RiverMills or by calling 534-3698.



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