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#### **2022 NESCAC Championship**

Fri., Feb. 25

First Round Games at Higher Seeds

No. 10 Conn. College def. No. 7 Bowdoin, 4-1 No. 8 Tufts def. No. 9 Middlebury, 4-1

Sat., Feb. 26

**Quarterfinals at Higher Seeds** 

No. 3 Williams def. No. 6 Amherst, 3-1

Sun., Feb. 27

**Quarterfinals at Higher Seeds** 

No. 2 Trinity def. No. 10 Conn. College, 5-0

No. 1 Colby def. No. 8 Tufts, 5-1

No. 5 Hamilton def. No. 4 Wesleyan, 3-2

Sat., March 5

Semifinals at Colby

No. 2 Trinity def. No. 3 Williams, 4-0

No. 1 Colby def. No. 5 Hamilton, 6-4

Sun., March 6

Championship Game at Colby

No. 2 Trinity def. No. 1 Colby, 4-1

# **Upcoming Games**

Saturday, March 12 NCAA First Round Trinity at Babson - 7 p.m.

#### **Team Standings**

	NESCAC							Overall				
	PTS%	GP	PTS	W	OTW	L	OTL	T	GP	W	L	Т
Colby	0.704	18	38	11	1	4	0	2	25	17	6	2
Trinity	0.676	18	36.5	10	2	4	1	1	25	17	7	1
Williams	0.565	18	30.5	9	1	7	0	1	23	11	11	1
Wesleyan	0.546	18	29.5	7	1	5	2	3	25	10	12	3
Hamilton	0.528	18	28.5	6	3	5	3	1	22	11	10	1
Amherst	0.509	18	27.5	8	0	7	2	1	24	9	13	2
Bowdoin	0.491	18	26.5	4	4	5	2	3	22	8	10	4
Tufts	0.370	18	20	4	1	8	3	2	24	6	16	2
Middlebury	0.333	18	18	3	2	9	2	2	22	6	13	3
Conn. College	0.278	18	15	3	1	11	1	2	24	6	15	3

NESCAC Points System: 3 pts. for a win; 2 pts. for OT win; 1.5 pts. for tie; 1 pt. for OT loss

Link to: Team & Individual Statistics

## **NESCAC Player of the Week**

#### J.P. Mella | Trinity Sophomore, Goalie, Stamford, Conn.

Melia posted a shutout in the NESCAC Semifinal win against Williams, making 21 saves including 13 in the third period in Trinity's 4-0 win. In a 4-1 win at Colby in the NESCAC Championship game, Mella added 30 saves. He allowed just one goal in the entire NESCAC Tournament.

#### **NESCAC Notes**

No. 2 Trinity won its sixth NESCAC Men's Ice Hockey title with a 4-1 victory over top-seeded Colby. The Bantams, who were playing in the championship game for the sixth straight tournament, received two goals from sophomore Gerard Maretta and insurance tallies from sophomore Jax Murray and senior Connor Sundquist in the third period. Sophomore J.P. Mella made 30 saves for the Bantams while sophomore Andy Beran made 28 stops for Colby.

The Bantams secured a spot in the championship game with a 4-0 win over No. 3 Williams. All four goals came off the stick of four different Bantams and Mella was credited with 21 saves to earn the shutout. Junior Evan Ruschil registered 26 saves for the Ephs.

Colby advanced to its second championship game in program history with a 6-4 victory over No. 5 Hamilton. Senior Quinn Doyle led Colby with a pair of goals and 10 different Mules picked up a point in the contest. Beran made 29 saves in the Colby net while senior Sean Storr recorded 30 stops for Hamilton.

The Bantams earned the NESCAC's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament and will be making their eighth appearance in the field. Trinity won the NCAA title in 2015. Trinity will travel to Babson for a first-round game on March 12. The Beavers won the New England Hockey Conference (NEHC) Tournament and are making their 18th NCAA appearance.