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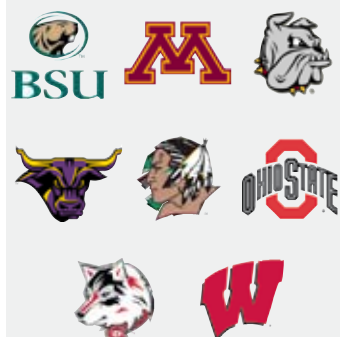
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UM'S SCHOULLIS, SCSU'S NIXON, UM'S LAMOUREUX AND UW'S AMMERMAN NAMED WCHA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

MADISON, Wis. – The Western Collegiate Hockey Association today announced its players of the week for Oct. 22-28. They are Minnesota forward **Jen Schoullis** on offense, St. Cloud State goaltender **Ashley Nixon** on defense, and Minnesota forward **Monique Lamoureux** and Wisconsin forward **Brooke Ammerman** as co-rookies of the week.

WCHA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

JEN SCHOULLIS • SO., F, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Jen Schoullis, a sophomore forward at the University of Minnesota from Erie, Pa., produced five scoring points on three goals and two assists to help power the host Golden Gophers over Ohio State twice in a two-game WCHA series at Ridder Arena in Minneapolis, Minn.

Setting a career-high two goals in the 8-1 win over the Buckeyes last Friday (Oct. 17), Schoullis scored two even-strength goals on just three shots attempted to put the Golden Gophers up, 6-0. Then last Saturday (Oct. 18), Schoullis netted her third goal of the weekend when she scored a game-winning, power-play goal to help secure the Gophers' Saturday victory as the Buckeyes tied the game, 2-2, prior to Schoullis' winner. In addition to her five points, Schoullis also fired eight shots on goal, the team's best shooting percentage (.375), and earned a +3 plus/minus rating. Heading into the OSU series, Schoullis had one goal in four games.

Also nominated for the award this week were: Kala Buganski, F, MSU; Melissa Jaques, F, UND; Amy Currier, F, SCSU; and Kyla Sanders, F, UW.

WCHA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

ASHLEY NIXON • SO., G, ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

St. Cloud State goaltender Ashley Nixon, a sophomore from Blaine, Minn., had a career weekend against WCHA-rival Minnesota Duluth last Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-18, recording an overtime tie and a victory in a two-game league series contested at the Huskies' National Hockey Center.

In last Friday's (Oct. 17) 1-1 overtime game against the Bulldogs, Nixon recorded a career-high 43 saves, including two big stops in SCSU's and the WCHA's first-ever shootout game. Then on Saturday (Oct. 18), she posted another spectacular performance, stopping 39 Bulldog shots in a 3-2 St. Cloud State victory. Nixon's 82 combined saves on Friday and Saturday were a career-best saves total for a weekend series as she allowed just three goals overall.

Also nominated for the award this week were: Zuzana Tomcikova, G, BSU; Rachael Drazan, D, UM; Alli Altmann, G, MSU; Kelly Lewis, D, UND; and Jessie Vetter, G, UW.

WCHA CO-ROOKIES OF THE WEEK

MONIQUE LAMOUREUX • FR, F, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

BROOKE AMMERMAN • FR., F, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

University of Minnesota forward Monique Lamoureux, a freshman from Grand Forks, N.D., led the team in scoring this past weekend when she had two goals and four assists for six points. Firing off a team-high 11 shots, Lamoureux tied for the team-lead in best plus/minus rating with a +4. In last Friday's (Oct. 17) 8-1 victory over Ohio State, Lamoureux scored the Gophers' first goal of the game just 1:21 into the contest and assisted on Jen Schoullis' second goal of the game. Last Saturday (Oct. 18), Lamoureux set a career-high with four points in the 8-2 victory. Lamoureux was apart of the Gophers' first three goals and assisted on Rachael Drazan's goal.

Brooke Ammerman, a freshman forward from River Vale, N.J., scored five points as the Badgers tallied 13 goals against Bemidji State and won 4-0 and 9-0 on Oct. 17-18. Ammerman has now scored at least one goal in seven consecutive games. The first night, Ammerman sealed the win with the final goal of the game on a power-play. In the second game of the series, she notched three assists and a goal to secure the Badger win. Ammerman is one goal away for tying the most goals in consecutive UW games, which is held by Kelly Kegley with eight.

Also nominated for the award this week were: Emilia Andersson, F, MSU, and Alyssa Wiebe, F, UND.