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## UND'S KNIGHT, BSU'S WALSH, SCSU'S BRODZINSKI NAMED RED BARON WCHA MEN'S PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### RED BARON WCHA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

#### CORBAN KNIGHT • SENIOR, FORWARD, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

MADISON, Wis. – University of North Dakota forward Corban Knight, who led all conference players with six scoring points as his team fashioned a two-game road sweep over league rival Michigan Tech last weekend, is the Red Baron® WCHA Offensive Player of the Week for Dec. 18.

A 6-2, 200-pound senior center from High River, Alberta, Knight had three goals and three assists for six points, factored in on both game-winning goals, put seven shots on goal and earned a +5 plus/minus rating as UND improved to 10-5-3 overall and moved into a second place tie in the WCHA. In last Friday's (Dec. 14) 6-1 victory over the Huskies, Knight scored twice on two shots, including the game-winning goal, and added two assists for the first four-point game of his collegiate career. He also went 8-of-13 (61.9%) in the face-off circle. In Saturday's (Dec. 15) 4-1 win, he scored his third goal of the weekend, assisted on teammate Danny Kristo's game-winner, blocked three shots, and went 12-of-18 (60%) on face-offs.

Knight tops North Dakota and is third in scoring among WCHA players this season with 23 points (8g, 15a). He is in the midst of a career-long 13-game point-scoring streak with 6-15=21 and a career-long five-game goal-scoring streak. It is UND's longest point streak since Danny Kristo's 13-gamer in 2009-10.

Also nominated: Jeff Jubinville, F, BSU; Tony Cameranesi, F, UMD; Matt White, F, UNO; Drew LeBlanc, F, SCSU.

### RED BARON WCHA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

#### ANDREW WALSH • SOPHOMORE, GOALTENDER, BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY

MADISON, Wis. – Goaltender Andrew Walsh of Bemidji State University has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Defensive Player of the Week for Dec. 18 after a stellar effort in the Beavers' successful series against No. 10-ranked Denver last weekend.

A 6-2, 196-pound sophomore from Dawson Creek, British Columbia, Walsh backstopped host Bemidji State to three of four points against the Pioneers with a 1-1 overtime and 5-1 victory on Dec. 14-15 at Sanford Center, turning aside 57 of 59 shots on goal for a .966 save percentage over 124:50 of action, allowing just one even-strength goal and posting a 0.96 goals-against average. He was named the First Star of the Game last Friday, stopping 33 of 34 shots on goal in the 1-1 tie and yielding just a single power-play goal. Then last Saturday, Walsh again got the call in nets and responded with 24 more saves while again allowing just one goal and blanking Denver on all six power-play chances. He recorded five shutout periods in the two games, including one in overtime, and was instrumental in a BSU penalty-kill unit that allowed just one power-play goal on 11 opportunities (.909), which also included a pair of five-minute major penalties.

Walsh stands 4-4-2 on the 2012-13 season with a 2.17 goals-against average and a .929 save percentage.

Also nominated: Matt McNeely, G, UMD; Joe Gleason, D, UND; Andrew Prochno, D, SCSU.

### RED BARON WCHA ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

#### JONNY BRODZINSKI • FRESHMAN, FORWARD, ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

MADISON, Wis. – St. Cloud State University forward Jonny Brodzinski, who scored a pair of goals, had three points, fired 10 shots on goal and was a +2 as the Huskies won back-to-back league games from visiting Colorado College last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Rookie of the Week for Dec. 18.

A 6-1, 200-pound freshman right winger from Ham Lake, Minn., Brodzinski's offensive output helped elevate St. Cloud State into first place in the WCHA race at the break. Last Friday (Dec. 14), he posted the Huskies' first goal against CC at 15:29 of the second period to break a 2-0 deficit and ignite a second-half rally that resulted in a 5-3 SCSU win. He then assisted on Kalle Kossila's game-winning goal in the third period to earn Third Star of the Game honors. On Saturday (Dec. 15), Brodzinski came back to notch his seventh goal of the season in the second period as the Huskies complete the sweep with a 3-1 triumph.

Playing in all 18 of St. Cloud State's games this season, Brodzinski has 11 points (7g, 4a).

Also nominated: Tony Cameranesi, F, UMD; Anthony Stolarz, G, UNO.