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MINNESOTA'S RAU, WISCONSIN'S RAMAGE, DENVER'S SHORE NAMED RED BARON WCHA MEN'S PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

RED BARON WCHA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

KYLE RAU • SOPHOMORE, FORWARD, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MADISON, Wis. – University of Minnesota forward Kyle Rau, who topped all league players with a six-point week as the No. 1-ranked Golden Gophers won all three of their games against Notre Dame and Alaska Anchorage, has been named Red Baron® WCHA Offensive Player of the Week for January 15.

A 5-8, 173-pound sophomore left winger from Eden Prairie, Minn., Rau contributed points in all three victories with four goals, including a hat trick and a game-winning tally, and a pair of assists. He started the week with an assist in Minnesota's 4-1 win over No. 2-ranked Notre Dame last Tuesday (Jan. 8), had a goal and an assist in a 4-3 come-from-behind league win over Alaska Anchorage last Friday (Jan. 11), and completed the week with a three-goal hat trick and the winner in the Gophers' 7-1 triumph over the Seawolves last Saturday (Jan. 12). He was named the No. 3 Star of the Game on Friday and the No. 2 Star of the Game on Saturday. Minnesota is now 15-0-1 this season when Rau records a point and his five game-winning goals rank second nationally.

A draftee of the National Hockey League's Florida Panthers, Rau ranks second in scoring for Minnesota with 25 points (13g, 12a) in 22 games and is ninth among WCHA players overall.

Also nominated this week: Zac Larazza, F, DU; Danny Kristo, F, UND; Sean Little, F, UW.

RED BARON WCHA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

JOHN RAMAGE • SENIOR, DEFENSEMAN, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

MADISON, Wis. – Veteran University of Wisconsin defenseman John Ramage, who was named the No. 1 Star of the Game both nights while leading the visiting Badgers to a two-game conference road sweep at Minnesota State last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Defensive Player of the Week for January 15.

A 6-0, 205-pound senior captain from St. Louis, Mo., Ramage played a starring role for the Badgers, who posted 4-3 and 2-1 overtime victories at No. 11-ranked Minnesota State on Jan. 11-12, extending their unbeaten streak to 10 games (7-0-3), their winning streak to six, and recording their first-ever sweep in Mankato. He scored both game-winning goals, put seven shots on goal, earned a +3 plus/minus rating and keyed penalty-killing units that successfully fought off 11 of 12 opponent power-plays. Last Friday, Ramage scored at 4:28 of overtime to give UW its first road and WCHA regular-season overtime victory since Nov. 3, 2006 at Alaska Anchorage, ending a drought spanning parts of seven seasons that saw the Badgers go 0-10-23 in the WCHA regular season and 0-7-15 on the road in overtime games. Then last Saturday, Ramage struck again, this time scoring with just :06.2 seconds left in OT to give the Badgers a 2-1 win. He also had an assist on UW's first goal of the game. His performance marked the third time in school history a player scored back-to-back overtime game-winning goals, joining David Hukalo (Jan. 14-15, 2000 vs North Dakota) and Paul Ranheim (Nov. 7-8, 1986 vs Colorado College) as Badgers who have accomplished the feat.

A NHL draftee of the Calgary Flames, Ramage has six points (4g, 2a) while playing in all 20 of Wisconsin's games this season and has career totals of 39 points (10g, 29a) in 135 games.

Also nominated this week: Juho Olkinuora, G, DU; Nate Schmidt, D, UM; Nick Mattson, D, UND.

RED BARON WCHA ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

QUENTIN SHORE • FRESHMAN, FORWARD, UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

MADISON, Wis. – For the second straight time, University of Denver forward Quentin Shore has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Rookie of the Week, this time for January 15 after his efforts in a three-point weekend against league rival Nebraska Omaha.

A 6-1, 185-pound freshman center from Denver, Colo., Shore registered a goal and two assists for three points and earned a +4 plus/minus rating as the host Pioneers won 7-4 over the Mavericks last Friday (Jan. 11) and tied them 3-3 in overtime last Saturday (Jan. 12) to move into a share of first place in the WCHA race. He had a goal and an assist in the series opener as Denver rallied for three goals in the third period and then assisted on a go-ahead goal in the second period in the 3-3 draw. The tie extended the Pioneers' unbeaten streak to five games at 4-0-1.

On the season, Shore has contributed 14 scoring points (7g, 7a) while playing in all 23 of Denver's games.

Also nominated this week: Tony Cameranesi, F, UMD.