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MINNESOTA'S CONDON, ST. CLOUD STATE'S FARAGHER, MICHIGAN TECH'S COPLEY NAMED RED BARON WCHA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

RED BARON WCHA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

NATE CONDON • JUNIOR, FORWARD, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MADISON, Wis. – University of Minnesota forward Nate Condon, who produced five scoring points and earned the No. 1 Star of the Game honors both nights while helping the top-ranked Golden Gophers to a victory and tie against league-rival and No. 6 North Dakota last weekend, has been named Red Baron® WCHA Men's Offensive Player of the Week for January 22.

A 6-0, 198-pound junior center from Wausau, Wis., Condon scored a pair of goals and set up three others as host Minnesota earned three points from UND to extend their unbeaten streak to 10 games (8-0-2) and move into a share of first place in the WCHA race. He scored a shorthanded goal and drew two assists in a 5-1 victory last Friday (Jan. 18) night, including one on teammate Ben Marshall's second period game-winner. He then had two more points last Saturday (Jan. 19), including the game-tying goal at 17:02 of the third period after Minnesota had trailed by 3-1 and 4-2 margins. In addition to his five points in the series, Condon put four shots on goal and earned a +3 plus/minus rating.

A draftee of the NHL's Colorado Avalanche, Condon is fourth in scoring among his UM teammates this season with 23 points (9g, 14a) in 24 games. Over his 102 game collegiate career, he has 70 points (28g, 42a)

Also nominated this week: Alexander Krushelnyski, F, CC; Blake Pietila, F, MTU; Jean-Paul Lafontaine, F, MSU; Drew LeBlanc, F, SCSU; Joseph LaBate, F, UW.

RED BARON WCHA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

RYAN FARAGHER • SOPHOMORE, GOALTENDER, ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

MADISON, Wis. – Goaltender Ryan Faragher of St. Cloud State University, who backstopped his team to a two-game sweep over No. 6-ranked Denver last weekend and into a share of first place in the conference race, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Men's Defensive Player of the Week for January 22.

A 6-3, 205-pound sophomore from Fort Francis, Ont., Faragher yielded just two even-strength goals in the series, posted a .942 saves percentage by turning aside 49 shots and held the visiting Pioneers to just one power-play goal in seven man-advantage opportunities. In game one on Friday, Jan. 18, Faragher charted 23 saves, including 12 in the second period, as SCSU erased a 1-0 deficit to post a 5-2 victory over Denver, which entered the series with the nation's fifth ranked offense. Then in game two last Saturday (Jan. 19), Faragher returned with 26 more saves in a 5-1 St. Cloud State triumph, with the lone goal he surrendered coming a third period power-play.

On the season, Faragher stands 13-8-0 between the SCSU pipes with a 2.29 goals-against average and a .911 save rate. He ranks second among league goalies in wins overall.

Also nominated this week: Joe Howe, G, CC; Pheonix Copley, G, MTU; Zach Palmquist, D, MSU; Joel Rumpel, G, UW.

RED BARON WCHA ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

PHEONIX COPLEY • FRESHMAN, GOALTENDER, MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

MADISON, Wis. – Michigan Technological University goaltender Pheonix Copley, who recorded his third shutout in a five-game span and stopped 56 of 58 shots as the Huskies won and tied against visiting league opponent Bemidji State last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Men's Rookie of the Week for January 22.

A 6-3, 175-pound freshman from North Pole, Alaska, Copley stopped all 25 shots last Friday (Jan. 18) and blanked the Beavers on all four power-play chances while posting a 4-0 shutout victory. He then got the call in nets again last Saturday (Jan. 19), this time yielding just two goals on 33 shots and stopping all seven BSU power-plays as Michigan Tech twice overcame one-goal deficits to earn a 2-2 (ot) tie and bank three points on the weekend.

Copley, who was the league's rookie of the week back on Oct. 23 and the defensive player of the week on Jan. 3, is in a six-game stretch where he's allowed just 1.32 goals-against and boasts a save percentage of .965.

Also nominated this week: Cody Bradley, F, CC; Kalle Kossila, F, SCSU.