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## UND'S KRISTO, CC'S SCHWARTZ, SCSU'S PROCHNO AND BRODZINSKI NAMED RED BARON WCHA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### RED BARON WCHA CO-OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**DANNY KRISTO • SENIOR, FORWARD, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA**

**RYLAN SCHWARTZ • SENIOR, FORWARD, COLORADO COLLEGE**

MADISON, Wis. – University of North Dakota forward Danny Kristo and Colorado College forward Rylan Schwartz, a pair of assistant team captains who both produced impressive numbers in league competition last weekend, have been named Red Baron® WCHA Men's Co-Offensive Players of the Week for February 27.

Kristo, a 5-11, 185-pound senior right winger from Eden Prairie, Minn., had a goal and an assist for two points in each of North Dakota's two games at Denver on February 22-23, led his team with nine shots on goal and earned a +2 plus/minus rating. In a one-goal 5-4 loss to DU last Friday, Kristo factored in on goals that twice brought his team to within one with an assist in the second period and a shorthanded goal in the third. Then last Saturday he was named the No. 1 Star of the Game after scoring another goal and assist to help propel UND to a 6-1 victory over the host Pioneers, extending his point streak to seven games.

With 43 points (20g, 23a) on the season, Kristo has also surpassed the 150 career point plateau with his 152 leading all active NCAA Div. 1 men's players. He is a NHL draftee of Montreal.

Schwartz, a 5-10, 196-pound senior from Wilcox, Sask., led the Tigers with a five-point series against league-leading St. Cloud State last weekend. He had a goal and two assists last Friday, including one on the game-winner, and was the No. 2 Star of the Game as Colorado College defeated the Huskies 4-3. He then scored two more goals last Saturday and was the No. 3 Star of the Game in the Tigers' 5-2 setback. In addition to his five points, Schwartz also had four shots on goal in the series and was a +4 on the plus/minus.

Over his 146-game collegiate career, Schwartz has averaged a point per game with 53 goals, 93 assists and 146 points. He is fifth in scoring overall among WCHA players this season with 40 points (14g, 26a).

Also nominated: Sam Warning, F, UM; Jonny Brodzinski, F, SCSU; Tyler Barnes, F, UW.

### RED BARON WCHA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**ANDREW PROCHNO • SOPHOMORE, DEFENSEMAN, ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY**

MADISON, Wis. – St. Cloud State University defenseman Andrew Prochno, who produced five scoring points and earned a +5 plus/minus rating in the Huskies' two-game road split at Colorado College last weekend, is the Red Baron® WCHA Men's Defensive Player of the Week for February 27.

A 5-11, 185-pound sophomore from Minnetonka, Minn., Prochno opened the weekend with an even-strength goal in the first period and an assist in the third, and had seven shots on goal and was a +2 in SCSU's 4-3 loss to the host Tigers last Friday. He then completed the weekend with a three-assist evening last Saturday, setting up a goal in each period, during league-leading St. Cloud State's 5-2 win over Colorado College. He also added two more shots on goal and was a +3 on the plus/minus.

On the season, Prochno now has three goals, 17 assists and 20 points for the No. 7-ranked Huskies.

Also nominated: Eamonn McDermott, D, CC; Dillon Simpson, D, UND; Joel Rumpel, G, UW.

### 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 recorded three goals and four points while firing 10 shots on goal in the Huskies' two-game conference road split at Colorado College last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Men's Rookie of the Week for February 27.

A 6-1, 200-pound right winger from Ham Lake, Minn., Brodzinski's offensive outburst pushed his season totals to 17 goals, which ranks first among Div. 1 rookies. He opened the February 22-23 series with a two-goal night in the Huskies' 4-3 loss at CC last Friday, earning No. 3 Star of the Game honors. He then came through with two more points on Saturday to help SCSU to a 5-2 triumph, scoring his team-high 17th goal of the season in the first period and then adding an assist in the second that gave the Huskies a 2-1 lead. For the series, Brodzinski had three goals, one assist, four points, 10 shots on net, two blocks and was +1 on the plus/minus.

So far this season, Brodzinski has 17 goals and 10 assists for 27 points and leads the first place Huskies with an impressive +25 on the plus/minus.

Also nominated: Austin Farley, F, UMD; Rocco Grimaldi, F, UND; Nic Kerdiles, F, UW.