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UAH'S MAROONEY AND MCHUGH, AND UAF'S JONES NAMED WCHA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK FOR GAMES OF JAN. 2-3, 2015

EDINA, Minn. – Jan. 5, 2015 – After leading their teams to a pair of league sweeps this past weekend – including one school's first brooming of a D-I opponent in five years – the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) men's Players of the Week for games of Jan. 2-3, 2015 are: Alabama Huntsville sophomore forward **Cody Marooney** (Offensive Player of the Week), Alaska sophomore goaltender **Davis Jones** (Defensive Player of the Week) and Alabama Huntsville freshman forward **Max McHugh** (Rookie of the Week).

WCHA Offensive Player of the Week

Cody Marooney, So., F, Alabama Huntsville (Eden Prairie, Minn.)

Marooney supplied both game-winning goals as Alabama Huntsville posted its first-ever WCHA series sweep and first brooming of a D-I opponent since Jan. 29-30, 2010. The sophomore from Eden Prairie, Minn. needed just three shots to bury his two game-winners against Alaska Anchorage, while his Saturday night strike at the 12:50 mark of the second period snapped a 1-1 tie and provided the final 2-1 margin.

Also nominated: Josh Erickson, So., F, Alaska; Tanner Kero, Sr., F, Michigan Tech

WCHA Defensive Player of the Week

Davis Jones, So., G, Alaska (St. Albert, Alberta)

Jones allowed just one goal over the weekend, earning back-to-back wins during Alaska's WCHA sweep of Ferris State. The sophomore from St. Albert, Alberta stopped 47 of 48 shots (a .979 save percentage), including all 26 in a shutout performance on Saturday. Jones is now tied for the NCAA lead with four shutouts this season.

Also nominated: Carmine Guerriero, So., G, Alabama Huntsville; Tomas Sholl, So., G, Bowling Green

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WCHA Rookie of the Week

Max McHugh, F, Alabama Huntsville (Seattle, Wash.)

McHugh had a three-point weekend against Alaska Anchorage and played a large role in Alabama Huntsville's first-ever WCHA sweep. The freshman from Seattle, Wash. logged his first career two-goal performance in Friday's 3-2, series-opening victory, before tallying an assist on the Chargers' equalizing goal on Saturday as UAH rallied from a one-goal deficit to win, 2-1. McHugh now leads all WCHA rookies with 15 points, while his seven goals are tied for fifth nationally (just one shy of the NCAA co-leaders).

Also nominated: Mark Friedman, D, Bowling Green; Peter Krieger, F, Alaska

About Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA)

The Western Collegiate Hockey Association, among the most historic, tradition-rich and successful conferences in all of collegiate athletics, proudly marks its 63rd season of men's competition in 2014-15. Covering five time zones and more than 4,200 miles, the 10-team Division 1 conference consists of the University of Alabama in Huntsville (Chargers), the University of Alaska Anchorage (Seawolves), the University of Alaska (Nanooks), Bemidji State University (Beavers), Bowling Green State University (Falcons), Ferris State University (Bulldogs), Lake Superior State University (Lakers), Michigan Technological University (Huskies), Minnesota State University (Mavericks) and Northern Michigan University (Wildcats).

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