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Alaska Anchorage's Grant and Gunderson, Bemidji State's Adams Named Red Baron® WCHA Players of the Week

Red Baron® WCHA Offensive Player of the Week

Tommy Grant • Senior, Forward, University of Alaska Anchorage

MADISON, Wis. – University of Alaska Anchorage left winger Tommy Grant, who contributed five scoring points and factored in on both game-winning goals last weekend as the Seawolves swept visiting league rival Colorado College, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Offensive Player of the Week for Jan. 18, 2011.

A 6-2, 194-pound assistant captain from North Vancouver, B.C., Grant's two goals and three assists propelled Alaska Anchorage to 4-1 and 2-1 victories over the then No. 17-ranked Tigers on Jan. 14 and Jan. 15, giving the Seawolves their first sweep of CC since Dec. 12-13, 2003 (5-2, 3-1) and their first home-ice sweep since Oct., 2007. In the 4-1 win last Friday (Jan. 14), he scored two goals, including a shorthanded, unassisted, game-winner, and set up another for three points. Then in the 2-1 triumph last Saturday (Jan. 15), he came back with a pair of assists, including one on teammate Alex Gellert's third period game-winner. In addition to his five points, Grant also fired seven shots on goal in the two victories and earned a +2 plus/minus rating.

Through 20 games this season, Grant leads UAA in both points (20) and goals (10) and he has produced 6-4=10 in his season-high six-game point streak. The three-point night was Grant's first of the season while his shorthanded strike was the third of career. Over his 117 game career at UAA, Grant now has a total of 78 points (39g, 39a).

Also nominated this week: Matt Read, F, BSU; Kyle Ostrow, F, DU; Matt Ambroz, F, UNO; Brad Malone, F, UND.

Red Baron® WCHA Defensive Player of the Week

Ryan Adams • Senior, Defenseman, Bemidji State University

MADISON, Wis. – Veteran assistant captain Ryan Adams, whose strong defensive play helped visiting Bemidji State University earn three of four points in a two-game conference road series at Nebraska Omaha last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Defensive Player of the Week for Jan. 18, 2011.

A 6-1, 190-pound senior and assistant captain from Deloraine, Manitoba, Adams was a key player for the Beavers from the blue line as BSU forged a 2-2 overtime tie against UNO last Friday (Jan. 14) and a 3-2 overtime victory last Saturday (Jan. 15), helping BSU limit the then No. 10/11-ranked Mavericks to a total of two even-strength goals in the series. He was credited with 10 blocked shots in the two-game series and also earned a +2 plus/minus rating as Bemidji State captured the four-game regular season series against their fellow first-year WCHA member, 3-0-1.

Adams has seen action in all 22 of BSU's games this season and has played in a total of 114 games, with three goals, 16 assists and 19 points, during his four-year collegiate career.

Also nominated this week were: Rob Gunderson, G, UAA; Chris Nutini, D, DU; Channing Boe, D, MSU; Eric Olimb, D, UNO; Chay Genoway, D, UND.

Red Baron® WCHA Rookie of the Week

Rob Gunderson • Freshman, Goaltender, University of Alaska Anchorage

MADISON, Wis. – University of Alaska Anchorage goaltender Rob Gunderson, who backstopped the host Seawolves to back-to-back victories over conference rival Colorado College last weekend, is the Red Baron® WCHA Rookie of the Week for Jan. 18, 2011.

A 6-1, 190-pound freshman from Lethbridge, Alberta, Gunderson was the player of the game both nights as Alaska Anchorage toppled the visiting Tigers 4-1 last Friday (Jan. 14) and 2-1 last Saturday (Jan. 15) at Sullivan Arena. Making his seventh and eighth straight starts between the pipes, he stopped 38 of 40 shots on goal in the series for a .950 save percentage, recorded four shutout periods, surrendered just one even-strength goal and helped hold Colorado College to just one power-play goal in 11 man-advantage opportunities. He made 21 saves in the victory last Friday night and 17 saves in the win last Saturday, including breakaways and point-blank shots.

So far this season, Gunderson owns a 6-7-2 overall record, a 2.39 goals-against average and a .902 save percentage over 903:53 of playing time in nets.

Also nominated this week were: Radoslav Illo, F, BSU; Jason Zucker, F, DU; Chase Grant, F, MSU.