

# Hockey Commissioners' Association

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## MATT FRATTIN OF NORTH DAKOTA NAMED NATIONAL COLLEGE HOCKEY PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Jaden Schwartz of Colorado College is the  
Commissioners' Choice Rookie of the Month

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. – North Dakota senior forward Matt Frattin is the Hockey Commissioners' Association National Division I Player of the Month for March/April.

The 6-foot, 206-pound forward helped the Fighting Sioux to an 8-1-0 record in April, a WCHA regular-season title and the WCHA Tournament crown by recording nine goals and nine assists. He tallied one power-play goal, one short-handed goal and three game-winning goals. Frattin finished with a +11 rating while averaging 2.00 points per game in nine contests.

The Edmonton, Alberta, native had a pair of four-point games, one three-point game and five multiple-point contests in March and April. Frattin scored both game-winning goals for North Dakota in the WCHA Final Five, as he was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. He also led the NCAA in goal scoring, compiling 36 goals over the regular season, was named the College Hockey News' Player of the Year, a Hobey Hat Trick finalist, and named to the AHCA All-America first team.

Frattin kicked off the month with a 1-3-4 scoring line, including the game-winning goal at Michigan Tech and added another goal and two more assists the following night. Frattin opened the WCHA Tournament with a hat trick and an assist, with the hat trick coming off a power-play, short-handed and even-strength goal. He went on to score the game-winning goal in the semifinal matchup and the game-winning goal in double overtime of the WCHA Championship Game against Denver. He recorded a goal and two assists at the Midwest Regional of the NCAA Tournament in wins over Rensselaer and Denver, advancing the Fighting Sioux to the Frozen Four for the 19th time in school history.

Jaden Schwartz, a freshman left wing from Colorado College, is the HCA National Rookie of the Month for March/April.

The former member of the Tri-City Storm (USHL) had a hand in the game-winning goal in all four of the Tigers' postseason victories, scoring a pair and assisting on two more, helping Colorado College reach the quarterfinals of the NCAA Tournament. He finished the month with four goals and 11 assists for 15 points in nine games, including a pair of power-play tallies and two game winners, as his team went 5-4-0 in March. Schwartz was named the INCH Rookie of the Year and earned West Regional All-Tournament honors in the NCAA Tournament.

The 5-foot-10, 182-pound native of Wilcox, Saskatchewan, had a two-goal outing and an assist on the game-winning goal in a three-game series against Wisconsin, sending the Tigers to the WCHA Final Five. Schwartz then set up the game winner in a 4-2 win over Alaska Anchorage. He had a four-point night in the opening round of the West Regional, netting two goals and two helpers in CC's 8-4 win over Boston College.



### HCA Commissioners' Choice Awards March/April 2011

#### *National Player of the Month*

Matt Frattin, F, North Dakota, WCHA

#### *National Rookie of the Month*

Jaden Schwartz, F, Colorado College, WCHA

#### *Honorable Mention Player of the Month*

Shawn Hunwick, G, Michigan, CCHA

Broc Little, F, Yale, ECAC

Ryan Flanigan, F, Merrimack, HEA

Jacques Lamoureux, F, Air Force, AHA

#### *Honorable Mention Rookie of the Month*

T.J. Tynan, F, Notre Dame, CCHA

Jason Torf, G, Air Force, AHA

*Bob DeGregorio, Atlantic Hockey • Fred Pletsch, Central Collegiate Hockey Association  
Steve Hagwell, ECAC Hockey • Joe Bertagna, Hockey East Association  
Bruce McLeod, Western Collegiate Hockey Association*