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UM's Kessel, UW's Prévost, UND's Molle, OSU's Kuehl Named WCHA Women's Players of the Week

WCHA co-Offensive Players of the Week

Amanda Kessel • Sophomore, Forward, University of Minnesota

Carolyne Prévost • Senior, Forward, University of Wisconsin

MADISON, Wis. – Two forwards who both produced eight scoring points in two-game sweeps last weekend – Amanda Kessel of the University of Minnesota and Carolyne Prévost of the University of Wisconsin – have been named WCHA Women's co-Offensive Players of the Week for November 23.

Kessel, a sophomore left winger from Madison, Wis., recorded two three-goal hat tricks in 10 shots on goal in the Golden Gophers' non-conference series against visiting New Hampshire on Nov. 18-19 at Ridder Arena, marking the first time since 2004, and third time in program history, that a Minnesota player had a pair of three-goal games in a weekend. The last time a Gopher player accomplished the two-hat trick weekend was Nov. 26-27, 2004, when forward Krissy Wendell accomplished the feat against Northeastern and Harvard. In last Friday's 11-0 Minnesota victory, Kessel scored four goals and added an assist for five points. Last Saturday, Kessel had three goals to lead UM to a 6-1 victory over the Wildcats. In 14 games this season, she has 17 goals and 17 assists for 34 points, ranking first in the WCHA in goal scoring and second in the conference in points per game.

Prévost, a senior left winger from Sarnia, Ont., had eight points in Wisconsin's 4-3 and 8-2 victories over Rensselaer, scoring two points in the first game of the road series followed by a six-point effort (2g, 4a) in game two that included the game-winning goal. With the first tally against RPI on Nov. 18, Prévost became the 17th Badger to record 100 career points. She finished plus-5 on the weekend and the six points in a game is the most scored by any player this season for the defending national champions.

Also nominated: Emily Erickson, F, BSU; Audrey Cournoyer, F, UMD; Lauren Smith, F, MSU; Alyssa Wiebe, F, UND; Laura McIntosh, F, OSU; Mollie Mott, F, SCSU.

WCHA Defensive Player of the Week

Candace Molle • Junior, Defenseman, University of North Dakota

MADISON, Wis. – University of North Dakota defenseman Candace Molle, who made a strong contribution at both ends of the ice as the host Sioux won back-to-back conference games against Minnesota State last weekend, has been named WCHA Women's Defensive Player of the Week for November 23.

Molle, a junior from Anchorage, Alaska, earned a +4 plus/minus rating while helping North Dakota limit the Mavericks to just one even-strength goal combined in a 5-3 victory last Friday (Nov. 18) and a 6-1 triumph last Saturday (Nov. 19). In addition to her strong play from the bluelines, Molle also recorded two assists and had four shots on goal.

Through 14 games played this season, Molle ranks among the top 10 scoring defensemen in the WCHA overall with nine points on one goal and eight assists.

Also nominated: Montana Vichorek, D, BSU; Megan Bozek, D, UM.

WCHA Rookie of the Week

Taylor Kuehl • Freshman, Forward, Ohio State University

MADISON, Wis. – Ohio State University forward Taylor Kuehl, who contributed three assists and earned a +4 plus/minus rating to help the Buckeyes to a two-game road sweep at Syracuse last weekend, has been named the WCHA Women's Rookie of the Week for November 23.

A freshman center from Minnetonka, Minn., Kuehl recorded her second multi-point game of the season last Friday (Nov. 18) in OSU's 6-3 victory, dishing out assists on both goals by classmate Danielle Gagne, including the game-winner at 7:57 in the third. Then on Saturday (Nov. 19), Kuehl assisted on Ally Tarr's game-winning goal at 10:18 in the third as OSU won 4-3. Kuehl leads all Ohio State freshmen with nine points this season, leads the team with nine assists and ranks fourth in scoring overall among WCHA freshmen.

Also nominated: Meghan Lorence, F, UM; Tori Williams, F, UND; Karley Sylvester, F, Wisconsin.