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North Dakota's Lamoureux & Dagfinrud, Minnesota's Bona Named WCHA Women's Players of the Week

WCHA Offensive Player of the Week Jocelyne Lamoureux • Junior, Forward, University of North Dakota

MADISON, Wis. – University of North Dakota forward Jocelyne Lamoureux, who scored five goals, produced nine scoring points and earned a +9 plus/minus rating while helping her team to a two-game home-ice conference sweep over St. Cloud State last weekend, has been named the WCHA Women's Offensive Player of the Week for Jan. 25. This marks the second time this season she has received the weekly honor (also on Nov. 9).

A junior center from Grand Forks, N.D., Lamoureux scored as pair of goals and assisted on three others for five points last Friday evening (Jan. 20) to earn second star of the game honors as North Dakota blanked the Huskies 10-0 at Ralph Engelstad Arena. Then last Saturday night (Jan. 21), Lamoureux came back to net a three-goal hat trick and one assist for four points and earn first star of the game accolades as UND completed the sweep over SCSU with a 9-0 triumph. In addition to her nine points in the series, she fired 17 shots on goal, including 14 in game two.

Lamoureux's nine-point weekend elevated her into the national scoring lead with 62 points (25g, 37a) in 25 games played and a nation's best 2.48 points per game.

Also nominated: Emily West, F, UM; Haley Irwin, F, UMD; Ally Tarr, F, OSU; Brooke Ammerman, F, UW.

WCHA Defensive Player of the Week Jorid Dagfinrud • Junior, Goaltender, University of North Dakota

MADISON, Wis. – Goaltender Jorid Dagfinrud, who backstopped host University of North Dakota to a pair of conference victories over St. Cloud State with consecutive shutouts last weekend, has been named the WCHA Women's Defensive Player of the Week for Jan. 25.

A junior from Sarpsborg, Norway, Dagfinrud stopped all 43 shots on goal in the two-game series for a perfect 1.000 save percentage and held the Huskies scoreless on all nine of their power-play chances. This marks the second time this season she has had two straight shutouts, having also completed the feat on Dec. 3 in a 3-0 win over Minnesota and on Dec. 10 in a 2-0 triumph over Minnesota Duluth.

Dagfinrud stopped all 16 SCSU shots last Friday (Jan. 20) in a 10-0 win over the Huskies and then all 27 last Saturday (Jan. 21) in a 9-0 decision.

On the 2011-12 season, Dagfinrud stands 6-2-1 overall between the pipes, currently leads the WCHA in goals-against average both overall (1.31) and in league play (1.40), tops the conference in save percentage overall (.948) and is tied for first in league play (.948).

Also nominated: Zuzana Tomcikova, G, BSU; Julie Steffes, G, OSU; Alex Rigsby, G, UW.

WCHA Rookie of the Week Rachael Bona • Freshman, Forward, University of Minnesota

MADISON, Wis. – University of Minnesota left winger Rachael Bona, who scored a key goal and put seven shots on goal last weekend as the host Golden Gophers banked five points in a two-game league series against Bemidji State, is the WCHA Women's Rookie of the Week for Jan. 25.

A freshman from Coon Rapids, Minn., Bona scored Minnesota's first goal in last Friday's (Jan. 20) 3-2 victory over the Beavers at Ridder Arena, igniting a comeback after the Gophers had trailed 2-0. Her goal came at 7:01 of the second period to close the gap to 2-1. Last Saturday, the Gophers and Beavers skated to a 3-3 overtime tie before Minnesota gained the extra point with a 2-0 shootout win.

Bona, who has scored a point in every series so far in 2012, getting an assist against Wisconsin (Jan. 7), an assist against Minnesota Duluth (Jan. 13), and a goal against Bemidji State (Jan. 20), has four goals, five assists and nine points in 26 games played as a rookie.

Also nominated: Kristin Huber, F, BSU; Michelle Karvinen, F, UND; Taylor Kuehl, F, OSU; Katy Josephs, F, UW.