

News from the Hockey Commissioners Association

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Weissbach, Roy Lead Initial HCA Monthly Honorees

The season may have been delayed but college hockey has come back strong as evidenced by some truly outstanding early season performances. The first batch of honorees and runners-up hail from seven different countries..

Men's Player of the Month: Linus Weissbach, SR Forward, Wisconsin (Goteborg, Sweden) Weissbach went 5-5-10 in eight games for the Badgers in November. He had four multi-point games in that stretch and had 19 shots on goal as Wisconsin went 4-4 in Big Ten play.

Runner-Up: Matt Boldy, SO F, Boston College (Millis, MA) (2 GP, 1-3-4, 2.0 PPG)



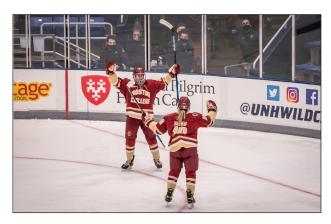
Women's Player of the Month: Gaby Roy, FR Forward, Boston College (Marshfield, MA)

Roy led all national women's players with seven points (tied) and four goals in the month of November and was the only women's player to record a hat trick in the season's opening month. Roy started her career with a four-goal game in Boston College's 6-2 season-opening win at New Hampshire and finished her first month of play with 4-3-7 in four games.

Runner-Up: Ashton Bell, SR D, Minnesota-Duluth (Deloraine, MB) (4 GP, 2-5-7)







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Men's Rookie of the Month: Tyrone Bronte, FR Forward, Alabama Huntsville (Melbourne, Australia) Bronte averaged 1.5 points per game for the Chargers, going 0-3-3 in two non-league contests at Robert Morris. For his efforts, he earned WCHA Rookie of the Week honors.

Runner-Up: Thomas Bordeleau, FR F, Michigan (Terrebonne, PQ) (6 GP, 2-5-7, 1.17 PPG)





Women's Rookie of the Month: Kalty Kaltounkova, FR Forward, Colgate (Vlasim, Czech Republic) Kaltounkova has gotten off to a hot start with a point-a-game through her first four contests, including two goals in a 3-1 win over then No. 5 Clarkson.

Runner-Up: Rayla Clemons, FR F, Syracuse (Franklin, MI) (3 GP, 2-2-4)

Men's Goaltender of the Month: Jack LaFontaine, SR Goalie, Minnesota (Mississauga, ON)

LaFontaine backstopped Minnesota to two Big Ten sweeps (Penn State and Ohio State) in November. He enjoyed a GAA of 1.00 and a save percentage of .961 in stopping 98 of 102 shots. His 4-0 record included a 2-0 shutout over Ohio State to finish the month.

Runners-Up: Mareks Mitens SR G, Lake Superior (Ventspils, Latvia) (4 GP, 1.47 GAA, 3-0-1, .939) Kris Oldham SR G, Clarkson (Anchorage, AK) (3 GP, 1.44 GAA, 2-0-0, .946)



Women's Goaltender of the Month: Lauren Bench, SR Goalie, Minnesota (Eagan, MN)

Bench led the Gophers to a 3-1-0 record during the month of November. She earned back-to-back WCHA Goaltender of the Week awards after backstopping the Gophers to a season-opening series split against Ohio State, including a 36-save shutout in her Gopher debut, and combining for 57 saves on 60 shots in a road sweep over Minnesota Duluth. Bench led WCHA goaltenders with a .962 save percentage, 1.26 goals against average, 126 saves, 131 shots faced, three wins, and a .750 winning percentage.

Runners-Up: Sandra Abstreiter, SR G, Providence (Freising, Germany) (4 GP, 1.71 GAA, 3-0-1, .945) Josie Bothun, FR G, Penn State (Wyoming, MN) (2 GP, 0.50 GAA, 2-0-0, 978)

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