2001 MIAC Men's Soccer Athletes of the Week

November 6, 2001

Concordia College senior forward Chance Buzzell (Anoka, Minn.) scored the game-winning goal in Concordia's 1-0 victory over St. John's on Saturday. It was the Cobbers only game of the week. For the season Buzzell has nine goals and 11 assists for 29 points. The win helped Concordia finish tied for fourth in the conference. It was also the team's 12th win of the season, the most since for the men's soccer team since 1997.

October 30, 2001

Macalester College senior forward Kimani Williams (Kingston, Jamaica / Kingston College) scored both Macalester goals in a 2-0 win Monday (Oct. 22) at Viterbo and scored all three of his team's goals Saturday (Oct. 27) in a big 3-1 MIAC victory at Gustavus. With the Scots trailing 1-0 fifteen minutes into the second half at Gustavus, Williams tallied three goals in less than 13 minutes as Macalester clinched a tie for its fourth MIAC championship in five years and an automatic bid for the upcoming NCAA Division III playoffs. The first goal was his 50th career goal at Macalester.

October 23, 2001

Saint John's University forward Andy Witchger (First-Year, Edina Minn.) scored his first college goals this past week. Witchger's first came when he knocked home the game winner in overtime at St. Mary's. In the Johnnies next outing, Witchger scored the first two SJU goals in the Johnnies 4-3 victory over St. Olaf. On Sunday, he notched his second collegiate game winning goal on a direct free kick against Marian College SJU's 1-0 win.

October 16, 2001

Concordia-Moorhead College sophomore goalkeeper Kris Overby (Fargo, ND / Fargo South HS) posted two shutouts in Concordia's victories over Bethel and Carleton. In the Cobbers 4-0 win over Bethel on Wednesday Overby made six saves. On Sunday Overby had eight saves in Concordia's 1-0 win over Carleton. In the Carleton game he made an acrobatic save off a driven side volley form twelve yards out with just over one minute to play that preserved the victory. He also stepped up to control the penalty area stopping numerous Knight attacks before they had a chance to develop. With the two wins, Overby now has three MIAC shutouts and six overall. His goals against average in the MIAC is 0.61 and overall goals against is 0.41.

October 9, 2001

Carleton College forward Dakota Loomis (Senior, Lawrence, Kan.) tallied back-to-back hat tricks as Carleton won two MIAC matches this week. In Wednesday's 7-1 win at Augsburg, Loomis scored his first three goals of the season as the Knights offensive exploded. In Saturday's upset win over regionally-ranked St. John's, Loomis scored twice within a 20-minute span. His first goal was a diving header off a corner kick in the 57th minute, making it 2-1. He tallied the equalizer in the 78th minute, pounding home a loose ball in the SJU penalty box. His game winner in the 119th minute came off a deflection, giving the Knights the win. The back-to-back hat trick is a first in Carleton men's soccer history.

October 2, 2001

St. Olaf College senior midfielder Karl Wilbur (Edina, Minn. / Edina H.S.) instrumental in the Oles' three wins during the week. Wilbur played both midfield and defense in the midweek win against Hamline helping create offense and helping shut down the Pipers attack. At Concordia he scored both of the Oles two goals. The first was a header off a cross and the second was a bicycle kick 20 yards out. On Sunday Wilbur scored the only and game winning goal against Colorado College with 4:44 left of the first overtime.