

2005-06 MIAC Men's Hockey Athletes of the Week

March 6, 2006

St. Olaf College senior goalie **Dan Kehler** (Woodbury, Minn.) was nearly perfect with 27 saves to lead St. Olaf to a 5-1 win over St. Thomas in the MIAC Tournament title game on Saturday. The crown gave St. Olaf their first ever bid to the NCAA Tournament and is the first MIAC championship of any kind since 1938. Kehler made 16 saves in the first period and six when the Tommies had a 5-on-3 advantage. In Thursday's semifinal win over Saint John's, he made 25 saves to help St. Olaf to a 3-2 win. Kehler is 8-6-3 this season with a 2.68 goals against average and a .901 save percentage. St. Olaf plays at UW-Superior in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on Wednesday.

February 27, 2006

Saint John's University senior defenseman **Darryl Smolero** (Maple Grove, Minn.) had five points (two goals, three assists) in a weekend sweep over Gustavus Adolphus. In a 5-2 win in St. Peter, Smolero had the eventual game-winning goal in the second period on the power play, along with three assists. In Saturday's 4-2 win in St. Cloud, Smolero had a short-handed goal in the second period to give SJU a 3-0 lead, which also proved to be the game-winning goal. Smolero has six goals, 15 assists for 21 points in 25 games this season. SJU, ranked #8 nationally, is the second seed in this week's MIAC playoffs with a 16-6-3 overall, 11-3-2 MIAC record.

February 20, 2006

Augsburg College junior forward **Aaron Johnson** (Plymouth, Minn./Robbinsdale Armstrong) had a six-point weekend (two goals, four assists) in Augsburg's series split with Gustavus, with a goal and two assists in each game. Augsburg lost 8-6 to Gustavus on Friday, rallying from a 5-1 second-period deficit to cut the lead to 7-6 in the final minute. Augsburg topped Gustavus 4-3 on Saturday to break an eight-game losing streak, as the Auggies rallied from a 2-0 first-period deficit with three goals in the second period with Johnson having a part of each of the goals. Johnson is currently the MIAC's leading scorer in overall play (11 goals, 30 assists, 41 points), and is second in conference games only in scoring (7G -17A--24P), leading the league in assists in both rankings. Among all Division III players, Johnson ranks fourth nationally in scoring (1.78 points per game) and second nationally in assists per game (1.30).

February 13, 2006

Saint John's University senior goalie **Adam Hanna** (Owatonna, Minn.) recorded two wins in the weekend sweep of Augsburg by stopping 25 of 26 shots in a 4-1 victory Friday and stopping 18 of 19 shots in a 7-1 victory on Saturday. Hanna improved his record to 14-6-3 (9-3-2 MIAC) and sits alone at top of the SJU career wins list with 49 career victories. Hanna is first in the MIAC in goals against average (1.98) and tied for first in save percentage (.921). In 23 games this season, Hanna has recorded a .921 save percentage and a 1.98 GAA. In his career, Hanna is 49-12-5 with a .929 save percentage, 1.74 GAA, and has 14 career shutouts.

February 6, 2006

Saint Mary's University senior goalie **Curtis Nosal** (Omaha, Neb.), coming off a 67-save weekend against Concordia, stopped 59 of the 60 shots he faced in leading Saint Mary's to a sweep of its MIAC series against Hamline last weekend. Nosal opened the weekend by kicking out 31 shots in the Cardinals 2-1 overtime win on Friday, and the senior followed that up with a 28-save shutout effort in Saturday's 3-0 win. During the Cardinals' current four-game winning streak, Nosal has stopped 126 of 128 shots and has recorded a pair of shutouts, the first two of his career.

January 30, 2006

Saint Mary's University senior goalie **Curtis Nosal** (Omaha, Neb.) stopped 67 of the 68 shots he faced as the Cardinals swept their MIAC series against Concordia. Nosal kicked out all 37 shots in Friday's 7-0 win as the senior posted his first collegiate shutout. In the rematch, Nosal was nearly as perfect, stopping 30 of 31 shots. In the two games, Nosal posted a 0.53 goals-against-average and a .995 save percentage. This season, Nosal has started 14 games, posting a 3.61 goals-against-average and a .903 save percentage.

January 23, 2006

St. Olaf College senior goalie **Dan Kehler** (Woodbury, Minn.) posted 64 saves in a two-game sweep of no. 8 Saint John's this weekend. He had 30 in Saturday's 5-3 win and 34 in Sunday's 4-1 decision. The sweep of the Johnnies was the Oles' first since 1992-93 and the first for any MIAC school since 2001. Kehler, who led the nation last season in goals against average, is 3-3-3 this season allowing 3.04 goals a game. St. Olaf (4-2-2 MIAC, 7-5-4 overall) hosts Gustavus on Friday at 7 p.m.

January 16, 2006

Augsburg College junior forward **Aaron Johnson** (Plymouth, Minn./Robbinsdale Armstrong) had a seven-point (two goals, five assists) weekend as Augsburg went 1-1 against Northern Collegiate Hockey Association opponents. In Augsburg's 7-4 win at Wisconsin-Superior on Friday, Johnson collected six points (two goals, four assists), one point shy of the single-game school record of seven. The six points were the most for an Auggie in a single game since the 2000-01 season. His two goals came as part of a four-goal third-period outburst for the Auggies in the victory. In Saturday's 5-3 loss at St. Scholastica, Johnson had an assist on a power-play goal in the second period. Johnson now has a team-high 27 points (seven goals, 20 assists) this season. His assist and point totals lead the conference in overall play, and he is currently ranked seventh nationally among Division III players in points per game (1.80) and third in assists per game (1.33).

January 10, 2006

Gustavus Adolphus College sophomore forward **Sami Idris** (Gothenburg, Sweden/Burgarden) scored a goal and five assists for six points as the Gusties swept Lawrence (5-2) and UM-Crookston (10-2) this weekend in the Gustavus Hockey Showcase. Idris recorded a goal in Saturday's 5-2 win over Lawrence and then scored five assists in Sunday's 10-2 win over UM-Crookston. The five assists were one short of a Gustavus school record that was set in 1976 and tied later that season. Idris assisted on the first Gustavus goal of the game as well as all three second period goals. He is the sixth leading scorer for the Gusties this season with 5 goals and 9 assists for 14 points. The Gusties, currently 9-2-0 overall and 4-0-0 in the MIAC, lead the nation in scoring offense at 6.00 goals per game.

December 12, 2005

Gustavus Adolphus College junior forward **Mike Hosfield** (Golden Valley, Minn./Armstrong) scored five goals and recorded an assist for six points as the Gusties swept Hamline this weekend by the scores of 6-2 and 8-2. Hosfield recorded two goals and an assist in Friday's 6-2 win in St. Peter and then

tallied the pure hat trick with three goals in the second period in Saturday's 8-2 win in St. Paul. Hosfield's two goals on Friday night came within five minutes of each other and his three goals on Saturday came within nine minutes of each other. He is the second leading scorer for the Gusties this season with 7 goals and 6 assists for 13 points. The Gusties, who are currently 7-2-0 overall and 4-0-0 in the MIAC, are averaging 7.0 goals per game in league play.

December 5, 2005

Gustavus Adolphus College senior defenseman **Keith Detlefsen** (Lakeville, Minn. / Holy Angels) had three goals and six assists in a weekend sweep over Concordia. In Friday's 7-0 win, Detlefsen scored a short-handed goal and an even-strength goal and added assisted on three other goals, including the game-winner. In Saturday's 7-1 victory, Detlefsen opened the game with an even-strength goal just 3:47 into the first period and added three assists. For the season, Detlefsen leads the Gusties with 14 points on six goals and eight assists. One of the six goals have been short-handed.

November 28, 2005

Hamline University first-year goaltender **Cameron Voss** (Shoreview, Minn. /St. Thomas Academy) had two quality starts for the Pipers this week. He earned his first collegiate victory in the Pipers 2-1 win over Finlandia on Friday. Voss made 21 saves for the Pipers in the win. He also stopped 55 shots in a 3-2 overtime loss to Bethel on Saturday. Over the weekend, Voss allowed just four goals in 80 shots on the goal (.950 save percentage). For the season, Voss has a 2.64 goals against average and .925 save percentage.

November 21, 2005

University of St. Thomas senior forward **Colin Greenlees** (Lake Forest, Ill.) scored both game-winning goals and had one assist as the Tommies edged Saint Mary's 2-1 and 3-2 this weekend to move into a share of the conference lead. Friday in Winona, UST led just 1-0 midway through the third period when Greenlees scored a power-play goal for a two-goal cushion in an eventual 2-1 win. Saturday at home, his even-strength goal with 8:01 remaining broke a 2-2 tie and capped a comeback win. Greenlees, who came into the weekend with just 12 career goals, has scored a goal in three consecutive games. The Tommies are 3-3 and play Wednesday at UW-Eau Claire.