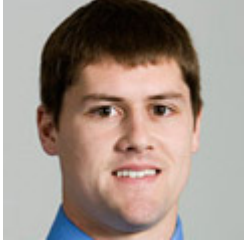


## Ryan Hoehn, St. Thomas

Week of: 2008-03-10



University of St. Thomas senior forward **Ryan Hoehn** (Waseca, Minn.) had a goal and an assist to lead the Tommies to a 4-1 road win over Hamline and claim the MIAC playoff championship. Hoehn's power-play goal late in the second period pushed the Tommie lead to 3-1, and he assisted on the clincher in the final 2:00. Hoehn also had a three-point game Feb. 23 in a key win that secured second place in the conference. Hoehn has played a conference-leading 111 career games and has 34 goals and 24 assists, including goals as a freshman in both the NCAA quarterfinal and semifinals wins that helped UST take second in the nation. St. Thomas is in the NCAA playoffs for the 13th time and sixth time in nine seasons and is home Wednesday to face UW-Stout.

## Andrew Panchenko, St. Thomas

Week of: 2008-03-03



University of St. Thomas senior forward **Andrew Panchenko** (Eagan, Minn./Eastview) scored a hat trick to lead second-seed St. Thomas past third-seed Bethel in Saturday night's MIAC men's hockey playoff semifinal action in Mendota Heights. Panchenko scored the game's first, fourth and seventh goals as the Toms built a commanding 4-0 lead. Panchenko now has 20 points in UST's last 13 games. Coach Terry Skrypek's Tommies are in the playoff championship game for the 21st time in 23 seasons. The Tommies will play at top-seed Hamline in Wednesday night's playoff finals.

## Dustin Fulton, Hamline

Week of: 2008-02-25



Hamline University junior forward **Dustin Fulton** (Brooklyn Park, Minn.) led the Hamline Pipers to their first MIAC championship in 60 years by scoring six points on two goals and four assists in a sweep of Saint John's. In Friday's 4-1 win, Fulton scored the opening goal of the game, and provided an assist. On Saturday at Saint John's, in a come-from-behind victory after trailing 3-0 at the end of the first period, Fulton provided a trio of assists on consecutive Piper goals in the second period before scoring the game-winner in the third period. Fulton finishes the regular season as the leading point scorer in the MIAC (2.00 points per game) and the leading goal scorer (0.88 goals per game). He is third in the conference in assists (1.12 assists per game). He also leads the conference in power play points (1.12 per game) and is second in power play goals (0.38 per game).

## Tyler Chestnut, St. Thomas

Week of: 2008-02-18



University of St. Thomas sophomore goaltender **Tyler Chestnut** (Faribault, Minn./Shattuck-St. Mary's) stopped 39 of 40 shots to help the Tommies to a key sweep of Saint Mary's that kept alive their MIAC championship hopes. Chestnut and his teammates killed off all 13 Cardinal power plays. Saturday's shutout was Chestnut's fourth of the season, and he ranks 10th nationally in GAA at 2.11 along with a .910 save percentage. The No. 8-ranked Tommies can secure at least a share of the MIAC crown with three points this weekend vs. St. Olaf.

### **Andrew Birkholz, Hamline**

Week of: 2008-02-11



Hamline University sophomore forward **Andrew Birkholz** (Maple Grove, Minn.) led the Pipers to a win and a tie against fifth-ranked St. Thomas, securing three of four available points for Hamline in the weekend series. The three points acquired put the Pipers in a third-place tie in the conference standings, one point behind St. Thomas and three behind Bethel. In Friday night's 5-4 victory, Birkholz scored the game-winning goal and added three assists - taking part in the scoring in four of Hamline's five goals. In Saturday's 3-3 tie, Birkholz scored the Piper's third goal.

### **Cory Ellertson, Augsburg**

Week of: 2008-02-04



Augsburg College first-year forward **Cory Ellertson** (Albert Lea, Minn.) had a five-point weekend (two goals, three assists) as Augsburg claimed a series split with Gustavus. Ellertson had a hand in every goal in Augsburg's 4-3 victory on Friday at Gustavus, assisting on the first two tallies and scoring two power-play goals, including the game-winner with 1:35 left in the third period. In Saturday's 2-1 loss at Augsburg, Ellertson assisted on Augsburg's lone goal, a power-play tally at the 4:05 mark of the first period. Ellertson is now third on the team in scoring (seven goals, four assists, 11 points), including four power-play goals, tied for the team high.

### **Joe Long, Hamline**

Week of: 2008-01-28



Hamline University junior defenseman **Joe Long** (Dayton, Minn.) scored three goals in helping the Pipers to a 1-0-1

series against St. Olaf, and into a tie for first place in the MIAC with Bethel. Long had both Piper goals in Friday night's 2-2 tie, earning Hamline a point in the standings. Long then added a goal in Saturday's win at St. Olaf. The junior defenseman is averaging 1.25 points per game in MIAC play (seven goals and three assists in eight conference games). His performance put him into a second place tie in defenseman scoring, and he is fourth in the conference in goal scoring, as well as tied for 15th in the MIAC in point scoring. A power play goal on Friday night moved Long into a tie for first in the conference in power play goals and third in the conference in power play points.

### **Dan Bonne, Bethel**

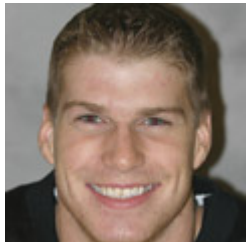
Week of: 2008-01-21



Bethel University senior center **Dan Bonne** (White Bear Lake, Minn.) had six points on four goals and two assists for Bethel in their split weekend series against Gustavus. On Friday night, Bonne had a hat trick and two assists to lead the Royals to a 6-3 win in St. Peter. On Saturday night, Bonne put the Royals up 3-2 with about five minutes remaining in the third period on a breakaway goal. With his efforts, Bonne became the 14th player in school history to reach the 100 point plateau, and now has 102 in his career.

### **Joe Welch, Gustavus**

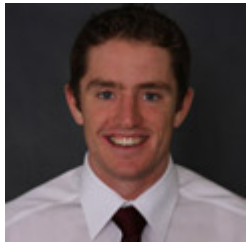
Week of: 2008-01-14



Gustavus Adolphus College sophomore forward **Joe Welch** (Hastings, Minn.) scored four goals in two games last weekend as the Gusties defeated St. Scholastica 8-3 on Friday night and tied UW-Superior 3-3 on Saturday night. On Friday night, Welch registered his first career hat trick scoring one goal in each period as the Gusties claimed the 8-3 win in Duluth. On Saturday, Welch scored only one goal, but it turned out to be a very important one, as he lit the lamp with just two minutes remaining in the third period to tie the score at 3-3 and force the overtime. Welch, the Gusties third leading scorer, has compiled six goals with four assists for 10 points in 11 games this season. Gustavus is now 7-7-1 overall and 4-2-0 in the MIAC.

### **Chris Johnson, Augsburg**

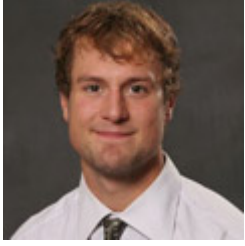
Week of: 2008-01-07



Augsburg College sophomore forward **Chris Johnson** (Verona, Wis./Madison Memorial) recorded his second collegiate hat trick with a three-goal, one-assist night, leading Augsburg to its first victory of the season in a 7-3 triumph over Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Saturday night. Two of his goals were power-play markers. The goals were Johnson's first three goals of the season, and he has nine points (three goals, six assists) on the year. On Thursday night, Johnson scored a second-period power-play goal and assisted on another power-play marker, as the Auggies topped the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology 2-1 in an exhibition contest, the lone loss suffered by SAIT in its three-game trip to the Upper Midwest (SAIT beat Wisconsin-Stout 5-1 on Friday and St. Thomas 5-3 on Saturday).

## **Gabriel Harren, Saint John's**

Week of: 2007-12-17



Saint John's University sophomore forward **Gabriel Harren** (Warroad, Minn.) scored a natural hat trick with three consecutive goals in a span of three minutes and 10 seconds during the first period to lead host Saint John's to a 5-1 non-conference win over Gustavus Adolphus last Wednesday, Dec. 12. Harren gave the Johnnies a 2-1 lead with his first goal of the game at the 7:34 mark. Harren then scored a shorthanded goal at the 10:18 mark before completing the hat trick 26 seconds later. Harren entered the contest with five career goals in 27 previous games.

## **Aaron Damjanovich, Bethel**

Week of: 2007-12-10



Bethel University sophomore goaltender **Aaron Damjanovich** (Remer, Minn./Greenway) recorded 71 of a possible 75 saves for Bethel in their weekend series against St. John's, giving them a 2-1 win and a 3-3 tie. The Royals were outshot by a nearly 2:1 ratio in both games against the Johnnies (36-18; 39-22). Damjanovich's goaltending was critical to the outcome of both games, helping Bethel earn three out of a possible four points in the standings.

## **Matt Hall, Bethel**

Week of: 2007-12-03



Bethel University senior forward **Matt Hall** (Brooklyn Park, Minn.) scored three goals and had three assists to help Bethel go 2-0 in their weekend series against Augsburg. Hall now has seven goals and eight assists on the season, making him the second leading scorer on the team.

## **Jeff Balvin, Bethel**

Week of: 2007-11-26



Bethel University senior forward **Jeff Balvin** (Maple Grove, Minn.) scored his third and fourth goals of the year and added his 10th and 11th assists in Bethel's 7-4 win over St. Scholastica last Wednesday. The Royals and Saints were tied 4-4 going into the last period, but Balvin assisted on the go-ahead goal, and tacked on Bethel's final goal to seal the victory. Balvin now leads the team in scoring with 15 points.

## Dan Smith, Saint Mary's

Week of: 2007-11-19



Saint Mary's University senior goaltender **Dan Smith** (Rochester, Minn.) kicked out 78 of the 84 shots he faced (.929 save percentage) during the Cardinals' Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference-opening two-game series against Saint John's last weekend. Smith, a returning All-MIAC selection, stopped 37 shots in Friday's 4-2 loss to the Johnnies, then kicked out 41 more in helping SMU snap a 12-game winless streak with Saturday's 3-2 victory.