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Denver's Shore, Bemidji State's Walsh, Wisconsin's Rumpel Named Red Baron® WCHA Men's Players of the Week

Red Baron® WCHA Offensive Player of the Week

Drew Shore • Junior, Forward, University of Denver

MADISON, Wis. – University of Denver center iceman Drew Shore, who contributed five scoring points, factored in on both game-winning goals and earned a +6 plus/minus rating, to lead the host Pioneers to a two-game conference sweep over visiting Minnesota State last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Offensive Player of the Week for October 25.

A 6-2, 195-pound junior from Denver, Colo., Shore scored a game-winning goal and set up four others – including another winner – for five points as No. 3-ranked Denver won 4-2 and 10-2 over the Mavericks. Last Friday (Oct. 21) night at DU's Magness Arena, he netted the game-winning goal on the power-play at 6:18 of the third period and finished a +3 in the 4-2 win. He then came back last Saturday (Oct. 22) to add a career-high four assists, including a game-winning helper on teammate Daniel Doremus' first collegiate goal, and another +3 rating in the 10-2 victory. In addition to his five points and +6 rating, Shore fired eight shots on goal in the series, had four hits, and blocked two shots.

A 2009 second round draftee of the NHL's Florida Panthers, Shore has seven points (3g, 4a) in his four six games of the 2011-12 season and shows 31 goals, 41 assists and 72 points in 85 collegiate games for Denver.

Also nominated: Ben Kinne, F, BSU; Matt White, F, UNO; Danny Kristo, F, UND; Drew LeBlanc, F, SCSU; Ryan Little, F, UW.

Red Baron® WCHA Defensive Player of the Week

Andrew Walsh • Freshman, Goaltender, Bemidji State University

MADISON, Wis. – Goaltender Andrew Walsh, who saw his first collegiate action while playing a key role in helping Bemidji State University to a two-game conference sweep over previously-unbeaten Michigan Tech last weekend, has been named the Red Baron® WCHA Defensive Player of the Week for October 25.

A 6-2, 190-pound freshman from Dawson Creek, B.C., Walsh was thrust into his collegiate debut Oct. 21-22 and responded by leading the host Beavers to a WCHA series sweep over Michigan Tech. The newcomer got his first appearance in the Green and White last Friday (Oct. 21), inserted into the line with his team trailing 3-1 late in the first period. Walsh went on to collect 17 saves and allow two late goals, but earned the 6-5 victory. He then got his first start between the pipes on Saturday (Oct. 22) night, turning away 31 of 32 shots on goal and leading Bemidji State to a 3-1 triumph. Walsh finished the weekend with a 1.28 goals-against average and a .941 save percentage with 48 saves in 107:11 of time in nets. Named the No. 3 star Friday and the No. 2 Star on Saturday, he also proved a vital cog in a penalty-kill unit that held MTU scoreless on seven power-plays.

Also nominated: David Makowski, D, DU; John Faulkner, G, UNO; Nick Mattson, D, UND; Nick Jensen, D, SCSU; Justin Schultz, D, UW.

Red Baron® WCHA Rookie of the Week

Joel Rumpel • Freshman, Goaltender, University of Wisconsin

MADISON, Wis. – University of Wisconsin goaltender Joel Rumpel, who made 38 saves to backstop the host Badgers to a 5-4 victory over defending conference champion and No. 5-ranked North Dakota last Saturday night, has been honored as the Red Baron® WCHA Rookie of the Week for October 25.

A 6-3, 180-pound freshman from Swift Current, Sask., Rumpel came through with 38 saves in the Saturday evening contest at the Kohl Center in Madison, including 15 in both the first and second periods, and helped keep the Sioux scoreless on all four power-play chances as Wisconsin completed the sweep following a 5-3 victory last Friday (Oct. 21). Playing in only his third collegiate game, Rumpel's 38-save performance was the most for a Badger goaltender in a victory since Shane Connelly stopped 38 shots in a 4-1 win over North Dakota on March 7, 2009.

Also nominated: Andrew Walsh, G, BSU; Joey LaLeggia, D, DU; Kyle Rau, F, UM; Jayson Megna, F, UNO; Nick Mattson, D, UND.