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2012 Red Baron™

WCHA Final Five

March 15, 16, 17

Xcel Energy Center

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March 4, 2012/Weekend Update

WCHA Men's First Round Playoff Pairings Set

Best-of-Three Series to be Held March 9-11; It's League Champion, No. 1 UM Hosting No. 12 UAA, No. 11 MSU at No. 2 UMD, No. 10 UW at No. 3 DU, No. 9 BSU at No. 4 UND, No. 8 MTU at No. 5 CC, No. 7 UNO at No. 6 SCSU; Single Game Tickets for Red Baron™ WCHA Final Five on Sale Monday

MADISON, Wis. – The first round of the men's Western Collegiate Hockey Association playoffs, consisting of six best-of-three series and scheduled for Friday, March 9, Saturday, March 10 and Sunday, March 11 (if necessary), are now set.

WCHA regular season/MacNaughton Cup champion and No. 1 seed Minnesota (24-12-1) will host No. 12 Alaska Anchorage (9-23-2) at Mariucci Arena, No. 2 Minnesota Duluth (22-8-6) will entertain No. 11 Minnesota State (12-22-2) at AMSOIL Arena, No. 3 Denver (21-11-4) will take on visiting No. 10 Wisconsin (16-16-2) at Magness Arena, No. 4 North Dakota (20-12-3) will host No. 9 Bemidji State (17-16-3) at Ralph Engelstad Arena, No. 5 Colorado College (18-14-2) will take on visiting No. 8 Michigan Tech (14-18-4) at Colorado Springs World Arena, and No. 6 St. Cloud State (15-16-5) hosts No. 7 Nebraska Omaha (14-16-6) at the National Hockey Center.

The results on the final day of the regular season (March 3) saw host UM defeat UW, 2-1 to clinch the WCHA championship outright, visiting DU down UNO, 3-2 (ot), host SCSU tie UMD, 3-3 (ot) to earn the sixth home playoff berth, UND shut out visiting MSU, 3-0, host CC blank MTU, 2-0, and visiting BSU win at UAA, 5-4.

Following the first round of playoffs, the six winners will be re-seeded No. 1 thru No. 6 according to their regular season finish and move on to the 2012 Red Baron™ WCHA Final Five, set for Thursday, March 15 thru Saturday, March 17 at Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minn. The Final Five winner receives the Broadmore Trophy and the WCHA's automatic berth into the NCAA tournament. Single game tickets for the Final Five go on sale Monday, March 5 at 10 am CT and can be purchased at the Xcel Energy Center Box Office, Ticketmaster Ticket Centers, charge by phone at 800-745-3000 or online at www.ticketmaster.com. To charge by phone using Ticketmaster TDD/TTY, call 800-359-2525. Groups (10+) call 651 312-3486.

2011-12 WCHA Men's Standings

	Pts	Conference Only					Overall				
		GP	Record	Win%	GF- GA	GP	Record	Win%	GF- GA		
1 Minnesota*	40	28	20- 8- 0	.714	88- 57	37	24-12- 1	.662	130- 78		
2 Minnesota Duluth*	37	28	16- 7- 5	.661	103- 73	36	22- 8- 6	.694	132- 92		
3 Denver*	36	28	16- 8- 4	.643	96- 79	36	21-11- 4	.639	125- 96		
4 North Dakota*	33	28	16-11- 1	.589	82- 73	35	20-12- 3	.614	108- 94		
5 Colorado College*	31	28	15-12- 1	.554	95- 86	34	18-14- 2	.559	110- 97		
6 St. Cloud State*	28	28	12-12- 4	.500	86- 74	36	15-16- 5	.486	112- 99		
7 Nebraska Omaha	27	28	11-12- 5	.482	83- 85	36	14-16- 6	.472	105-105		
8 Michigan Tech	26	28	11-13- 4	.464	85- 87	36	14-18- 4	.444	102-109		
9 Bemidji State	25	28	11-14- 3	.446	72- 89	36	17-16- 3	.514	97-101		
10 Wisconsin	24	28	11-15- 2	.429	76- 83	34	16-16- 2	.500	101- 96		
11 Minnesota State	18	28	8-18- 2	.321	73-102	36	12-22- 2	.361	97-122		
12 Alaska Anchorage	11	28	5-22- 1	.196	60-111	34	9-23- 2	.294	81-125		

*first round WCHA playoff series host

WCHA Men's First Round Playoffs – Best-of-Three Series

Friday, March 9: (12) Alaska Anchorage @ (1) Minnesota, 7:07 pm CT; (11) Minnesota State @ (2) Minnesota Duluth, 7:07 pm MT; (10) Wisconsin @ (3) Denver, 7:37 pm MT; (9) Bemidji State @ (4) North Dakota, 7:37 pm CT; (8) Michigan Tech @ (5) Colorado College, 7:37 pm MT; (7) Nebraska Omaha @ (6) St. Cloud State, 7:37 pm CT.

Saturday, March 10: (12) Alaska Anchorage @ (1) Minnesota, 7:07 pm CT; (11) Minnesota State @ (2) Minnesota Duluth, 7:07 pm MT; (10) Wisconsin @ (3) Denver, 7:07 pm MT; (9) Bemidji State @ (4) North Dakota, 7:07 pm CT; (8) Michigan Tech @ (5) Colorado College, 7:07 pm MT; (7) Nebraska Omaha @ (6) St. Cloud State, 7:07 pm CT.

Sunday, March 11 (if necessary): (12) Alaska Anchorage @ (1) Minnesota, 7:07 pm CT; (11) Minnesota State @ (2) Minnesota Duluth, 7:07 pm MT; (10) Wisconsin @ (3) Denver, 7:07 pm MT; (9) Bemidji State @ (4) North Dakota, 7:07 pm CT; (8) Michigan Tech @ (5) Colorado College, 7:07 pm MT; (7) Nebraska Omaha @ (6) St. Cloud State, 7:07 pm CT.