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BSU's Moher, UMD's Villila, UND's Tapani Named WCHA Women's Players of the Week

WCHA Offensive Player of the Week Hanna Moher, F Bemidji State

MADISON, Wis. – Bemidji State University forward Hanna Moher, a sophomore from Milton, Ontario, has been named the WCHA Women's Offensive Player of the Week for Nov. 20, 2013.

Moher led the Beavers' offense in a two-game WCHA sweep of visiting Minnesota State. She finished the weekend with two goals on six shots and earned a +2 plus/minus rating.

After scoring her club's fourth goal in the third period and putting five shots on goal in last Friday's (Nov. 15) 4-1 victory over the Mavericks, Moher came back and scored a key goal on Saturday (Nov. 16). With BSU trailing 2-1 midway through the contest, she notched her team-leading seventh goal of the season at 12:08 of the second period to knot the score at 2-2, with the Beavers going on to secure a 3-2 victory and gain the series sweep. She was named the Second Star of the Game.

Moher, who leads BSU in scoring with nine points (7g, 2a), is tied for fourth in the WCHA with seven goals in 14 games.

The Beavers, who have earned 10 points in league play the past two weekends, gained their first WCHA sweep since Oct. 21-22, 2012 vs St. Cloud State.

Also nominated: Sarah Davis, F, UM; Meghan Dufault, F, UND.

WCHA Defensive Player of the Week Tea Villila, D Minnesota Duluth

MADISON, Wis. – University of Minnesota Duluth defenseman Tea Villila, a junior from Hyvinkaa, Finland, has been named the WCHA Women's Defensive Player of the Week for Nov. 20, 2013.

Villila keyed a strong team defensive effort as visiting Minnesota Duluth won back-to-back league games at Ohio State last weekend. She earned a +5 plus/minus rating as the Bulldogs limited the Buckeyes to just one even-strength goal and two overall in the series, contributed three assists, and fired four shots on goal.

Villila had the primary assist on UMD's first two goals in a 3-2 triumph in Columbus last Friday (Nov. 15), including one on teammate Jenna McParland's game-winner. She then added her third assist of the weekend last Saturday (Nov. 16) as the Bulldogs blanked OSU 2-0 and gained their second road sweep in a month.

One of the top scoring defensemen in the WCHA, Villila has recorded eight assists in 10 games played.

Also nominated: Brittni Mowat, G, BSU; Rachel Ramsey, D, UM; Lexi Shaw, G, UND; Michelle Burke, D, SCSU; Alex Rigsby, G, UW.

WCHA Rookie of the Week Susanna Tapani, F North Dakota

MADISON, Wis. – University of North Dakota forward Susanna Tapani, a freshman from Laitala, Finland, has been named the WCHA Women's Rookie of the Week for Nov. 20, 2013. This marks the second time this season she has been so honored, with her first award coming on Oct. 9.

Tapani recorded a two-point night and earned a +2 plus/minus rating in North Dakota's 3-2 WCHA road victory over No. 1-ranked Minnesota last Sunday (Nov. 17), a decision which snapped the Gophers' historic and NCAA record 62-game winning streak.

In a span of less than three minutes, the freshman center had a hand in two goals against the Gophers. She helped create Gracen Hirschy's goal at the 10:34 mark of the first period, before scoring the game-winning goal on the power-play at the 12:39 mark. It was her fourth multiple-point game of the season and her first game-winning goal. In addition to her two points, Tapani finished the series with eight shots on goal, five of which came in Sunday's win.

Through 10 games played, Tapani is tied for first in scoring among WCHA freshmen 13 points (4g, 9a).

Also nominated: Megan Wolfe, F, UM; Jenny Ryan, D, UW.