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UMass' Lindberg/Trivigno, UW's Watts Take Top March-April Honors

Here are the final monthly honorees for men's and women's NCAA Division I hockey in the 2020-21 season.

Men's Co-Players of the Month:

Filip Lindberg, JR Goalie,

University of Massachusetts (Espoo, Finland)

Lindberg delivered two first-time titles for the Minutemen, shutting out UMass-Lowell, 1-0, in the Hockey East title game, and then blanking St. Cloud State, 5-0, in the NCAA Championship game. He also had a 4-0 shutout of Bemidji State in the final of the NCAA Regionals. In all, Lindberg had an NCAA best 0.99 GAA and a save percentage of .955.



Bobby Trivigno, JR Forward,

University of Massachusetts (Setauket, NY)

While Lindberg piled up shutouts, Trivigno collected points and MVP awards, earning such trophies in both the Hockey East and NCAA tournaments. Overall, he was 3-7-10 in leading UMass to a 7-0-1 record and league and national titles.



Women's Player of the Month:

Daryl Watts, SR Forward, Wisconsin (Toronto, Ontario)

Watts had five points in the Badgers' five wins and saved her best for when it mattered. In leading Wisconsin to its ninth WCHA Tournament crown, she scored twice in the 3-2 OT WCHA Final Faceoff championship game win. Then she delivered Wisconsin's sixth NCAA crown by scoring the OT GWG in the thrilling 2-1 win over Northeastern.

Runner-Up:

Skylar Fontaine, SR D, Northeastern

(East Greenwich, RI) (5 GP, 4-4-8, 2 GWG, OT GWG in NCAA Semis)



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**Men's Rookie of the Month: Riese Gaber, FR Forward, North Dakota
(Gilbert Plains, Manitoba)**

Gaber's five points included a 2-1-3 line in the championship game of the NCHC Frozen Finals, including the game-winning goal as North Dakota defeated St. Cloud State, 5-3, on March 16. He ended up 3-2-5 for 0.83 PPG in this stretch.

Runner-Up:

*Josh Lopina, FR F, Massachusetts (Minooka, IL)
(8 GP, 2-4-6, 0.75 PPG)*



**Women's Rookie of the Month: Makenna Webster, FR Forward, Wisconsin
(St. Louis, MO)**

Webster was named the Frozen Four Most Outstanding Player in leading the Badgers to NCAA title #6. The rookie scored twice and added an assist during the Frozen Four and also had a pair of goals in the WCHA Final Faceoff.

Runner-Up:

*Jenna Buglioni, FR F, Ohio State
(Port Moody, BC) (4 GP, 1-2-3)*



**Men's Goaltender of the Month: Adam Scheel, JR G, North Dakota
(Lakewood, OH)**

Scheel led North Dakota to the NCHC Tournament Championship and a 4-1 record, the only blemish being the historic 3-2 5OT loss to Minnesota Duluth in the NCAA Regionals. In that game, Scheel had 51 of his 148 overall saves in March and April. Final numbers for this period: 1.55 GAA and a save percentage of .937. On the season, Scheel finished with 1.79 and .934. He was also named Goaltender of the Month in February.

Runners-Up:

*Zach Driscoll, SR G, Bemidji State
(Apple Valley, MN) (9 GP, 1.91 GAA, .926 Save Percentage)
Chad Veltri, SO G, Niagara
(Pittsburgh, PA) (5 GP, 1.82 GAA, .949 Save Percentage)*



**Women's Goaltender of the Month: Aerin Frankel, SR Goalie, Northeastern
(Briarcliff Manor, NY)**

Frankel makes it three straight GOM honors with a 1.49 GAA and a .945 save percentage while going 4-1-0 in March, the only blemish being a 2-1 OT loss to Wisconsin in the NCAA Championship Game. She was also presented the Patty Kazmaier Award by the USA Hockey Foundation during this time.

Runners-Up:

Kennedy Blair, SR G, Wisconsin (Bismarck, ND) (5 GP, 5-0, 1.58 GAA, .934 Pct.)

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Monthly HCA Honorees

Men

Month	Player	Rookie	Goaltender
November	Linus Weissbach, WI, F	Tyrone Bronte, UAH, F	Jack LaFontaine, Minnesota
December	Odeen Tufto, QU, F	Carter Savoie, DU, F	Blake Pietila, MTU
January	David Farrance, BU, D	Veeti Miettinen, SCSU, F	Strauss Mann, Michigan & Dryden McKay, MNSU
February	Dylan Holloway, WI, F	Landon Slaggert, Notre Dame, F	Adam Scheel, North Dakota & Trevin Kozlowski, Army
March/April	Filip Lindberg, UMass, G & Bobby Trivigno, UMass, F		
By Conference:	HE 3, Big Ten 2, ECAC 1	NCHC, 2; Big Ten & WCHA, 1	Big Ten & WCHA, 2; AHA & NCHC, 1

Women

Month	Player	Rookie	Goaltender
November	Gaby Roy, BC, F	Kalty Kaltounkova, Colgate, F	Lauren Bench, Minnesota
December	Renee Saltness, QU, F	Kiara Zanon, Penn State, F	Sandra Abstreiter, PC
January	Daryl Watts, WI, F	Michele Pasiechnyk, CLK, G	Aerin Frankel, NU
February	Alina Mueller, NU, F	Lacey Eden, WI, F	Aerin Frankel, NU
March/April	Daryl Watts, WI, F	Makenna Webster, WI, F	Aerin Frankel, NU
By Conference:	HE & WCHA, 2; ECAC, 1	ECAC & WCHA, 2; CHA, 1	HE, 4; WCHA, 1