



FEBRUARY PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

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SAN BRUNO, CALIF. -- Peppedine dominated the WCC Player of the Month awards in the sports of golf and tennis with five players honored. The Waves' Michael Putnam and Eileen Vargas swept in men's and women's golf as both registered a pair of top 15 finishes in their respective tournaments. In tennis, Scott Doerner and Bianca Dulgheru won WCC Player of the Month honors for their efforts during February. The Waves' men's doubles team of Scott Doerner and Pedro Rice won the WCC's monthly award, while Loyola Marymount's women's doubles team of Erin Ivey and Kimi Kaloi were honored for their play.

Women's Golfer of the Month - Eileen Vargas, PEP - Sophomore Eileen Vargas registered a pair of top 15 finishes, including tying for sixth place at the prestigious Northrop Grumman Regional Challenge on February 7-9 in Palos Verdes, California. Vargas led the Waves to the team title in a field that included 13 teams ranked in Golfweek's Top 30, which is arguably the strongest field outside of the NCAA Championships. In six total rounds, Vargas had a 73.67 stroke average. Her low round was 2-under par 69 in the final round of the Arizona Wildcat Invitational where she tied for 13th and helped Pepperdine to a fifth-place showing.

Men's Golfer of the Month - Michael Putnam, PEP - Putnam registered two top 15 finishes. He placed 15th at the Taylor Made / Waikoloa Intercollegiate and finished fifth at the USC Ashworth Invitational. In six rounds, Putnam posted a 69.3 stroke average, had five rounds under par and was a total of 13-under par for the two tournaments.

Men's Tennis Player of the Month - Scott Doerner, PEP - Doerner posted a 4-1 record during the month, including a key straight sets win over then-No. 9 Alex Slovic of Washington. His lone setback came versus then-No. 44 Benjamin Becker of top ranked Baylor.

Women's Tennis Player of the Month - Bianca Dulgheru, PEP - Dulgheru finished the month with a five match winning streak. Dulgheru is currently ranked No. 68 in the ITA rankings. All her wins were by straight sets.

Men's Doubles Team of the Month - Scott Doerner/Pedro Rico, PEP - The duo posted a 4-1 record playing at the No. 1 singles spot. Ranked No. 21 in the ITA rankings. Defeated then-No. 18 Matalonga/O'Grady of Arizona.

Women's Doubles Team of the Month - Erin Ivey/Kimi Kaloi, LMU - Racked up a 3-1 doubles record during February, playing mainly at the No. 2 spot for the Lions. The duo's biggest win came against 39th-ranked Arizona in Tucson, when they defeated Rochefort/Todorova 8-4. The two also defeated #74 Cal Poly's Lee/Thompson 9-7 and Cal State Fullerton's Le/Arias 10-8.