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Baseball

WCC/RAWLINGS PLAYERS OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH SELECTED

Player of the Month - Sam Carter, Saint Mary's College

Saint Mary's outfielder Sam Carter was named the WCC/Rawlings Player of the Month for March after posting outstanding offensive numbers and leading the Gaels to a 7-6 mark. Carter, who is the first Saint Mary's player to earn the conference's monthly honor since the 2002 season, led the Gaels in nearly every offensive category. The senior batted a league-high .489 (23-for-47), while clubbing four home runs and driving in a team-best 21 runs. Carter slugged at a .915 clip, crossing the plate 19 times and notching a WCC-leading .569 on-base percentage. Carter started all 13 of Saint Mary's games during the month of March, collecting multiple hits in eight contests and driving in multiple runs six times. He began the month by going 6-for-10 over a three-game sweep of visiting Georgetown, and his best day of the month came in SMC's 13-10 win over Southern Utah on March 17, as he went 3-for-4 with two home runs, four runs scored, and five RBI. The Concord, CA native currently ranks fourth in the Saint Mary's record book with 20 career home runs, and also ranks fourth in the SMC career annals for RBI with 117.



Pitcher of the Month - Patrick McGuigan, University of San Francisco

San Francisco's Patrick McGuigan earned WCC/Rawlings Pitcher of the Month honors for March after posting a perfect 4-0 record in three starts and six overall appearances. The senior posted a miniscule 1.59 ERA, while holding opposing lineups to a paltry .139 batting average to lead the conference during March. McGuigan tossed 28.1 innings on the month, striking out 32 batters and surrendering just five earned runs. McGuigan threw a complete game shutout against Georgetown on March 11, allowing just two hits and striking out 12 batters en route to claiming his first WCC/Rawlings Player of the Week honor on March 13. The senior, who entered the season as San Francisco's career saves leader, nailed down his 14th career save at New Mexico on March 17 after tossing 1.2 innings of scoreless relief in a 10-9 victory. McGuigan then kept Utah Valley State scoreless through seven innings of work in a 2-0 USF win on March 21, and capped the month with a seven-inning effort in a 5-3 win at Oral Roberts on March 26. The native of Honolulu, HI is currently tied for second on the USF career wins list with 17.

