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ECAC Announces 2009 Division III South Women's Soccer All-Stars

CAPE COD, Mass. - The ECAC has announced the ECAC Division III South Women's Soccer All-Stars.

Lauren Russell of Frostburg State University picked up Offensive Player of the Year honors. The junior forward scored 23 goals and tallied 13 assists for 59 points. Her teammate Amanda Wharton nabbed Rookie of the Year honors. Wharton scored 21 goals and had seven assists for 49 points. The teammates helped lead their team to an Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference championship. Johns Hopkins senior goalkeeper Karen Guskowski earned Defensive Player of the Year honors. Guskowski had eight shutouts on the season, with a .912 save percentage and a 0.42 goals against average. She helped lead the No. 7 ranked Blue Jays to an NCAA Elite Eight berth.

Joining Russell and Wharton as first team forward selections are Stevenson's Stephanie Eyler and Manhattanville's Holly Nonis. Both Eyler and Nonis were selected as their respective conferences' Offensive Player of the Year. Eyler tallied 22 goals and four assists for 48 points. Nonis scored 18 goals, and tallied five helpers for 41 points. Midfielder selections were PSU-Behrend's Valerie Wagner, with eight goals and four assists for 20 points, PSU-Altoona's Elizabeth Watt with eight goals and six assists for 22 points and Catholic's Diana Spadaro with seven goals and seven assists for 21 points.

Johns Hopkins' defender Jessica Hnatiuk was a first team selection, as the Blue Jays led the Centennial Conference in goals against average with 0.38 per game. Hnatiuk also chipped in with five goals and one assist. Salisbury defender Hillary Grove also chipped in offensively with three goals and an assist while helping the Salisbury defense hold opponents to a Capital Athletic Conference best 0.52 goals per game. Manhattanville defender Kathryn Moore helped her team hold opponents to a Freedom Conference best 0.49 goals per game, while also adding seven goals and six assists for 20 points.

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Offensive Player of the Year	Defensive Player of the Year	Rookie of the Year
Lauren Russell, Junior, Forward, Forstburg State	Karen Guskowski, Senior, Goalkeeper, Johns Hopkins	Amanda Wharton, Freshman, Forward, Frostburg State
First Team All-Stars		
Lauren Russell, Junior, Forward, Frostburg		Second Team All-Stars
Amanda Wharton, Freshman, Forward, Frostburg		Brittany Kanickij, Junior, Forward, FDU-Florham
Stephanie Eyler, Sophomore, Forward, Stevenson		Gwen Conte, Freshman, Forward, Gwenedd-Mercy
Holly Nonis, Junior, Forward, Manhattanville		Kelly Donnelly, Junior, Forward, Catholic
Valerie Wagner, Freshman, Midfielder, PSU-Behrend		Traci Bickelhaupt, Senior, Forward, SUNY IT
Elizabeth Watt, Sophomore, Midfielder, PSU-Altoona		Emily Ostlund, Junior, Midfielder, Grove City
Diana Spadaro, Senior, Midfielder, Catholic		Lauren Lentine, Senior, Midfielder, Frostburg
Jessica Hnatiuk, Junior, Defender, Johns Hopkins		Julia Luongo, Senior, Midfielder, Swarthmore
Hillary Grove, Senior, Defender, Salisbury		Jenn Paulucci, Junior, Defender, Johns Hopkins
Kathryn Moore, Senior, Defender, Manhattanville		Kelly Thill, Junior, Defender, PSU-Behrend
Karen Guskowski, Senior, Goalkeeper, Johns Hopkins		Helene Nicoletti, Senior, Defender, Catholic
		Ali Bromson, Junior, Goalkeeper, Manhattanville

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