

GOLDEN GOPHER HOCKEY



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Golden Gophers Win Final Five; Await NCAA Destination

The University of Minnesota hockey team, fresh off its third WCHA Final Five Championship in the last four seasons, will take a week off from competition and wait to see who and where they will open NCAA competition against on either March 22, 23, or 24 at Albany, New York (East Regional) or East Lansing, Mich. (West Regional). The team will hit the books to prepare for finals this week at the University of Minnesota before learning of their fate on Sunday evening. The other three major NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey conferences (CCHA, ECAC, Hockey East) will all conclude their tournament championships this weekend. This season's WCHA Final Five, hosted at the Bradley Center in Milwaukee, was played a week earlier than normal due to the NCAA Men's Basketball tournament holding first and second round action at the Bradley Center this weekend.

NCAA Selection Show To Air On MSC: Midwest Sports Channel will again this season air the NCAA Men's Ice Hockey Selection Show, unveiling the 12 teams who will receive invitations to the NCAA Tournament along with bracket pairings. The draw for this year's tournament will be announced on Sunday, Mar. 17, at 8 p.m. The West Regional will be held this season in East Lansing, Mich., with the East Regional to take place in Albany, New York.

West Regional Info: The 1996 NCAA Men's Ice Hockey West Regional will be held at Munn Ice Arena on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich., from Saturday, Mar. 23 to Sunday, Mar. 24. First-round matchups will begin with the first game at 3 p.m. (EST), with the second game beginning approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first. The second day's second-round games begin at 2 p.m. (EST), with the second game again beginning approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first. Tickets, which are priced at \$40 for all four games, can be obtained by calling 1-800-GO-STATE.

East Regional Info: The 1996 NCAA Men's Ice Hockey East Regional will be held at Knickerbocker Arena in Albany, New York from Friday, Mar. 22 to Saturday, Mar. 23. First-round matchups will begin with the first game at 5 p.m. (EST), with the second game beginning approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first. The second day's second-round games begin at 5 p.m. (EST), with the second game again beginning approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first. Tickets, which are priced at \$30 for all four games, can be obtained by calling (518) 476-1000, or (518) 487-2100 for group orders.

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G O L D E N G O P H E R H O C K E Y

WCHA POST-TOURNAMENT NOTES

10 Golden Gophers Named To WCHA All-Academic Team: Golden Gophers landed 10 players, second-most of any league school, on the WCHA All-Academic team announced at the WCHA Awards Banquet last Friday at the Bradley Center. The University of Minnesota student-athletes honored were seniors Brian Bonin, Andy Brink, Jeff Moen, Dan Trebil, and Greg Zwakman, juniors Dan Hendrickson and Brian LaFleur, and sophomores Mike Crowley, Casey Hankinson, and Ryan Kraft.

Trebil Claims WCHA Student-Athlete Honor: Senior co-captain Dan Trebil became the third consecutive Golden Gopher to claim the WCHA's Student-Athlete of the Year award. Trebil, who carries a 3.63 GPA as a civil engineering major in the Institute of Technology, joins Justin McHugh (1994-95) and Jeff Nielsen (1993-94) as recent Golden Gophers who have won this coveted award.

Bonin Named WCHA Regular Season and Tournament MVP: Hobey Baker Award candidate Brian Bonin won his second consecutive league MVP award last weekend, becoming just the second player to repeat as WCHA Most Valuable Player. Bonin added to his trophy case on Saturday evening by capturing the tournament MVP award.

Other Golden Gophers Honored Last Weekend: Defenseman Mike Crowley joined Bonin on the first All-WCHA First Team, with fellow blueliner Dan Trebil honored on the second team and freshman Erik Rasmussen and goaltender Steve DeBus on the rookie team.

Bonin One From One Hundred: Bonin's three goals on the weekend leaves him with 99 career goals heading into the NCAA Regionals. Only six other Golden Gophers have hit the century mark for career goals at the University of Minnesota.

Crowley Sets Another Single-Season Record: Crowley, who already owned the single-season total points record, assisted on four goals in Saturday night's title game to give him 45 on the season and surpass Todd Richards' old mark of 43 assists. Crowley's 17 goals on the season are two short of Randy Skarda's single-season record for goals by a defenseman (19).

Other Points Of Note: The Golden Gophers are unbeaten (25-0-2) this season when allowing three goals or less... Minnesota won its first game this season (1-6-1) when trailing after two periods with its 4-3 overtime win against Wisconsin Friday... the Golden Gophers scored in the first five minutes of a game for the 17th time this season on Saturday... on the season, Minnesota has scored in the first two minutes of the game nine times.

LAST WEEKEND'S GAME SUMMARIES

MINNESOTA WISCONSIN

Scoring	1	2	3	OT	F
Wis	2	0	1	0	3
Minn	1	0	2	1	4

1ST PERIOD — Wis: Engelhart (Anderson, Strobel), 12:12; Minn: Berg (Larson, Brink), 18:26; Wis: Enrico (unassisted), 19:51.
2ND PERIOD — No Scoring
3RD PERIOD — Minn: Berg (unassisted), 6:15; Minn: Bonin (unassisted), 16:45, shg; Wis: Elick (Rothering, Williams), 18:32.
OVERTIME — Minn: Checco (Rasmussen), 11:26.

Shots on Goal: Minn 8-16-10-6--40,
Wis 6-7-9-6--28
Power Plays: Minn 0-3, Wis 0-5
Goalies: Minn: Moen (28 shots, 25 sv)
Wis: Daubenspeck (40 shots, 36 sv)
Pen: Minn 6-12, Wis 3-6
Att: 11,429

MINNESOTA MICHIGAN TECH

Scoring	1	2	3	OT	F
Mich Tech	0	1	1	-	2
Minn	3	3	1	-	7

1ST PERIOD — Minn: Rasmussen (Crowley, Bonin), 3:4; Minn: Checco (Hankinson, Zwakman), 3:25; Minn: Godbout (Woog), 9:57.
2ND PERIOD — Minn: Bonin (Crowley), 9:30, shg; MT: Savage (P. Mikesch, Wright), 11:01, ppg; Minn: Bonin (LaFleur, Trebil), 11:43; Minn: Moser (Bonin, Crowley), 13:38, ppg.
3RD PERIOD — Minn: Rasmussen (Trebil, Crowley), 2:23; MT: Wright (Figliomeni, Savage), 17:45, ppg.

Shots on Goal: Minn 7-6-10-2--25,
SCSU 10-12-4-1--27
Power Plays: Minn 0-5, SCSU 0-3
Goalies: Minn: Moen (27 shots, 25 sv)
SCSU: Sjerven (25 shots, 22 sv)
Pen: Minn 5-10, SCSU 7-14
Att: 12,693

Minnesota Record When in 1995-96

Overall Record	29-9-2
WCHA Record	21-9-2
Home Record	18-2-0
Road Record	7-7-2
Neutral Site Record	4-0-0
Last 10 Games	6-4-0
Power Play	57 of 216 (.264)
Penalty Kill	188 of 224 (.839)
Short-Handed Goals	10
Penalties/Avg. Per Game	426/10.7
Penalty Minutes/Avg. Per Game	956/23.9
In One-Goal Games	7-1-0
In Two-Goal Games	5-4-0
In Three-Goal or More Games	17-4-0
In Overtime Games	1-0-2
Scoring 4 or More Goals	24-4-0
Scoring 3 or More Goals	27-6-2
Scoring 2 or Less Goals	1-3-0
Allowing 4 or More Goals	4-9-0
Allowing 3 or Less Goals	25-0-2
Scoring First	23-2-2
Opponents Score First	6-7-0
Leading After One Period	19-2-0
Trailing After One Period	3-6-0
Tied After One Period	7-1-2
Leading After Two Periods	24-1-1
Trailing After Two Periods	1-6-1
Tied After Two Periods	4-2-0

Having 10-19 Shots On Goal	0-0-0
Having 20-29 Shots On Goal	9-2-1
Having 30-39 Shots On Goal	14-5-1
Having 40 or more Shots On Goal	6-2-0
Allowing 10-19 Shots On Goal	3-0-0
Allowing 20-29 Shots On Goal	17-6-1
Allowing 30-39 Shots On Goal	8-3-1
Allowing 40 or more Shots On Goal	0-0-0
Outshooting Opponent	21-7-1
Opponent Outshoots Minnesota	7-1-1
Shots Are Even	1-1-0

October	3-2-1
November	7-1-0
December	5-0-1
January	8-0-0
February	2-6-0
March	4-0-0
In First Game Of A Series	13-3-2
In Second Game Of A Series	12-6-0
Series Record	12-3-3
In Games Following A Win	22-5-1
In Games Following A Loss	5-3-1
In Games Following A Tie	1-1-0

HOBLEY BAKER AWARD CANDIDATE

#21 BRIAN BONIN

SENIOR CENTER 5-10 189
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINN.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	TP	P/Min	PP	GW	SH	HT
92-93	38	10	18	28	5/10	5	1	0	0
93-94	42	24	20	44	7/14	7	7	1	1
94-95	44	32	31	63	14/28	12	4	2	2
95-96	40	33	47	80	16/32	11	6	4	1
Total	164	99	116	215	42/84	35	18	7	4

BACK-TO-BACK WCHA MVP'S

NAME	TEAM	YEARS
Murray McLachlan	MN	1969-70
Brian Bonin	MN	1995-96

GAME-BY-GAME IN '95-96

Opp	G	A	Pts	Pen/Min	PP	SH	GW
@MT	0	1	1	0/0	0	0	0
@MT	1	0	1	1/2	0	0	0
@CC	1	0	1	1/2	1	0	0
@CC	1	4	5	0/0	1	0	0
A-A	2	0	2	0/0	1	0	0
A-A	0	1	1	0/0	0	0	0
@SCSU	0	1	1	0/0	0	0	0
SCSU	0	3	3	1/2	0	0	0
DEN	0	1	1	2/4	0	0	0
DEN	0	2	2	2/4	0	0	0
@UMD	1	0	1	0/0	0	0	1
@UMD	1	3	4	2/4	0	0	1
vs. MSU	2	1	3	0/0	2	0	0
vs. MICH	1	0	1	0/0	0	0	1
ND	1	1	2	0/0	0	0	1
ND	2	1	3	0/0	0	1	0
@A-A	0	2	2	0/0	0	0	0
@A-A	0	1	1	0/0	0	0	0
HU	1	1	2	0/0	1	0	0
BGU	0	0	0	1/2	0	0	0
@DEN	2	0	2	0/0	1	1	1
@DEN	0	0	0	0/0	0	0	0
UMD	1	0	1	1/2	0	0	0
UMD	0	2	2	0/0	0	0	0
WIS	2	3	5	0/0	0	0	0
WIS	1	3	4	0/0	0	0	0
NMU	0	2	2	1/2	0	0	0
NMU	1	1	2	0/0	0	0	0
@ND	0	0	0	1/2	0	0	0
@ND	1	2	3	0/0	0	0	0
CC	1	0	1	0/0	1	0	0
CC	0	1	1	1/2	0	0	0
SCSU	3	3	6	0/0	0	0	1
@SCSU	1	1	2	1/2	1	0	0
@WIS	1	0	1	0/0	1	0	0
@WIS	1	0	1	0/0	1	0	0
A-A	1	2	3	1/2	1	0	0
A-A	0	2	2	0/0	0	0	0
vs. WIS	1	0	1	0/0	0	1	0
vs. MT	2	2	4	0/0	0	1	0

BONIN BULLETS

> Named MVP of the WCHA Final Five last weekend in Milwaukee, where a two-goal, two-assist performance led the Golden Gophers to their third Broadmoor Trophy win in Bonin's four seasons

> Only the second player in WCHA history to win back-to-back league MVP awards while being named to the first team all-WCHA each of the last two seasons

> Won his second consecutive WCHA regular-season scoring crown with totals of 29-41--70 overall and 25-39--64 in conference action.

> Named WCHA Offensive Player of the Week three times during the 1995-96 season; seven times in his Golden Gopher career

> Scored multiple-point games in 11 of his last 16 games, accumulating 40 points in that span

> Currently has 99 career goals; only six other Golden Gophers in history have 100

> Is just the second Golden Gopher in the last 11 seasons to score 80 points in a single season

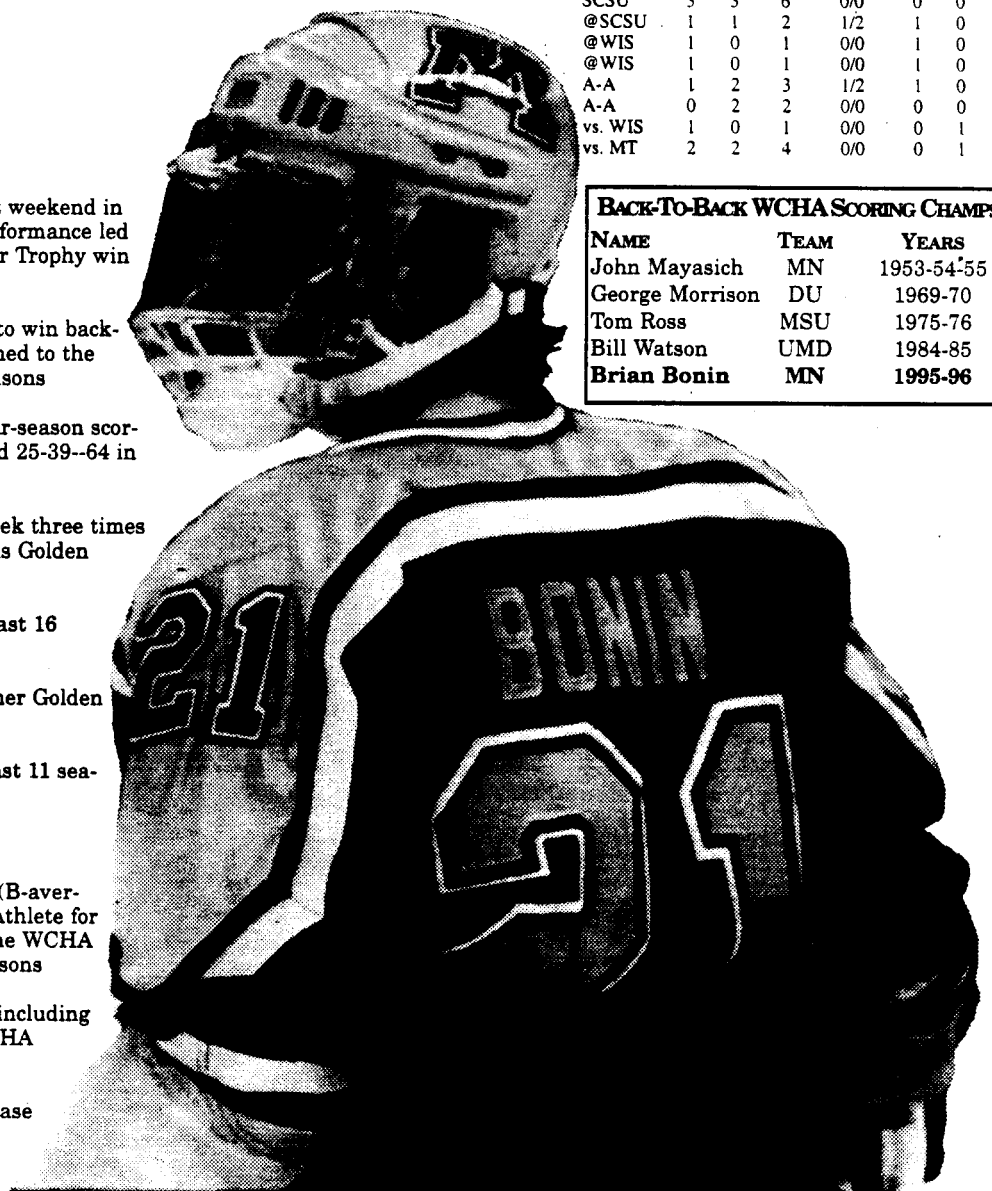
> Has played in 128 consecutive games

> A chemistry major, Bonin has a 3.17 GPA (B-average) and has been named a U of M Scholar-Athlete for three consecutive seasons, and honored on the WCHA All-Academic team each of the last three seasons

> Scored a point in 39 of his last 42 games, including a string of 23 consecutive games against WCHA opponents at home

> Named MVP of the College Hockey Showcase

> Was a Hobey Baker Memorial Award Finalist last season as a junior



BACK-TO-BACK WCHA SCORING CHAMPS

NAME	TEAM	YEARS
John Mayasich	MN	1953-54-55
George Morrison	DU	1969-70
Tom Ross	MSU	1975-76
Bill Watson	UMD	1984-85
Brian Bonin	MN	1995-96

1995-96 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA HOCKEY STATISTICS

No.	Name	A L L G A M E S											W C H A G A M E S					
		GP	G	A	PTS	PEN	MIN	PP	SH	HAT	GW	EN	GP	G	A	PTS	PEN	MIN
21	Brian Bonin, C	40	33	47	80	15	30	12	4	1	6	0	32	25	39	64	14	28
20	Mike Crowley, D	40	17	45	62	13	26	7	2	0	4	0	32	13	33	46	12	24
27	Erik Rasmussen, F	38	15	32	47	26	55	4	0	1	3	0	32	13	27	40	23	46
5	Dan Trebil, D	40	11	33	44	16	32	9	0	0	3	0	32	9	27	36	15	30
7	Ryan Kraft, C	39	13	22	35	12	24	4	1	1	1	0	32	11	21	32	8	16
19	Reggie Berg, F	38	22	11	33	28	67	2	1	2	2	0	32	17	10	27	21	53
9	Casey Hankinson, F	37	15	18	33	41	101	8	0	1	1	0	31	13	14	27	39	97
17	Dave Larson, F	36	13	12	25	44	112	7	0	0	2	0	28	11	9	20	40	104
23	Dan Woog, C	37	6	16	22	12	24	1	0	1	0	1	30	5	11	16	11	22
18	Andy Brink, F	31	5	13	18	8	16	0	0	0	0	0	23	4	8	12	4	8
13	Jay Moser, F	19	9	8	17	8	16	1	0	1	0	0	13	7	7	14	3	6
4	Brian LaFleur, D	38	6	11	17	26	60	1	0	0	1	0	31	5	7	12	20	40
33	Nick Checco, F	39	7	10	17	17	34	0	1	0	2	0	31	4	9	13	14	28
26	Jason Godbout, D	37	6	7	13	11	22	0	0	0	1	0	31	5	6	11	11	22
22	Jesse Bertoglat, F	22	5	5	10	10	20	1	0	0	1	0	18	4	3	7	9	18
10	Mike Anderson, F	28	3	6	9	20	51	0	0	0	1	0	23	2	6	8	14	39
14	Wyatt Smith, C	30	2	5	7	15	30	0	1	0	0	0	25	2	3	5	12	24
11	Bobby Dustin, F	18	3	3	6	12	32	0	0	0	0	0	13	3	3	6	7	22
6	Charlie Wasley, D	39	1	4	5	39	89	0	0	0	0	0	31	1	4	5	30	63
29	Dan Hendrickson, F	21	2	3	5	13	27	0	0	0	0	0	16	1	3	4	9	18
2	Greg Zwakman, D	40	1	5	6	24	48	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	4	4	14	28
24	Bill Kohn, D	7	0	2	2	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	2	3	6
8	Brett Abrahamson, F	3	1	0	1	2	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	12
34	Steve DeBus, G	23	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	1	1	0	0
28	Clint Johnson, F	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Jeff Moen, G	20	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	1	2
	Bench	40				8	16						32				5	10
	Totals	40	196	319	515	426	956	57	10	8	29	1	32	155	257	412	340	764
	Opponents	40	116	164	280	412	944	36	6	0	9	5	32	95	134	229	334	758

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30	Jeff Moen	14-3-2	20	62	1167:26	52	2.67	412	.888	11-3-2	16	51	956:00	43	2.70	348	.890
	Empty Net		40		5						32		5				
	Totals	29-9-2	40	123	2421:00	116	2.87	935	.890	21-9-2	32	99	1926:12	95	2.96	746	.887
	Opponents	9-29-2	40	123	2413:47	196	4.87	1134	.853	9-21-2	32	99	1920:35	155	4.84	918	.856

Period	Minnesota					Opponents				
	1	2	3	OT	TOT	1	2	3	OT	TOT
GOALS	59	82	53	2	196	36	34	45	1	116
SHOTS ON GOAL	426	484	406	14	1330	314	374	351	12	1051
GOALIE SAVES	278	340	306	11	935	367	403	352	12	1134
PENALTIES	133	147	144	2	426	126	137	149	0	412

	WCHA	Overall
Power Play	45-170/.265	57-216/.264
Penalty Kill	146-171/.854	188-224/.839
Total Attendance	243,391	321,584
Home	158,146	195,930
Average	9,884	9,797
Road	85,245	85,245
Neutral	n/a	40,389

Hat Tricks For (8):
 Ryan Kraft vs. Alaska-Anch., 10/28/95
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Radio: KSTP-AM 1500 (live all Minnesota games) (Al Shaver, Tom Vannelli, Rob Leer)

This Season vs. NCAA Tournament Teams: Minnesota has played six games this season against teams in the NCAA Tournament field, posting a 3-2-1 record. The Golden Gophers played WCHA regular-season champion Colorado College (1-2-1) four times, while being perfect (2-0-0) in one game each against CCHA rivals Michigan and Michigan State.

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For eight consecutive seasons, the team that has won the WCHA Final Four/Five Tournament has gone on to win its first game of the NCAA Tournament. Dating back to the 1981-82 season, when the NCAA Quarterfinals were best two-of-three series, the WCHA playoff champion has won 14 straight first games in the NCAA's.

DID YOU KNOW, PART TWO

With Brian Bonin and Mike Crowley both named finalists for the Hobey Baker Memorial Award, the University of Minnesota has more finalists in the history of the award (12) than any other school in the nation.

VS. PROVIDENCE

Series Record: The Golden Gophers lead the all-time series 11-4-1...the Golden Gophers won the first four and the last three meetings in the series.

In The NCAA's: Minnesota and Providence have met for a total of four games in the NCAA Tournament, with each team winning two times. The Friars prevailed 4-3 in the 1983 third-place game in Grand Forks, N.D., with the other meetings taking place as part of a best two-of-three NCAA quarterfinal series at Mariucci Arena from Mar. 15-17, 1991, Minnesota winning the series two games to one (3-4, 8-4, 8-3).

Woog vs. Friars: Doug Woog is 7-2 against Providence in his tenure as head coach...all but one of the meetings in the last 11 years has taken place at Mariucci Arena.

Last Meeting vs. Friars: Minnesota won a 5-2 first-round Mariucci Classic game on Dec. 21, 1991.

In The Hockey East Tournament: The Friars defeated top-ranked Boston University (5-4) and Maine (3-2) in a pair of one-goal games at the Fleetcenter last weekend to win the Hockey East Tournament and win an automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament.

Minnesota vs. Hockey East: The Golden Gophers did not play an opponent from Hockey East this season, although New Hampshire was a participant in the Mariucci Classic. The last time Minnesota played a Hockey East opponent was on Mar. 30, 1995 when Boston University eliminated the Maroon and Gold (7-3) in an NCAA semifinal game at Providence, R.I.

Head Coach: Paul Pooley (35-31-9) is in his second season as the director of the Friar hockey program. Pooley previously spent three years as an assistant at Lake Superior State.

Friars NCAA History: This is the eighth appearance in the NCAA's for Providence (9-13-0 in 24 games). The Friars were NCAA runner-up in 1985, dropping a 2-1 decision to RPI in the title game.

Friars Notes: The Friars have won four games in a row for the first time in the 1995-96 season with their four playoff wins...netminder Dan Dennis has been the goaltender of record in each of the last 16 games...the Friars are 20-1-2 when leading or tied after two periods, but just 1-13-1 when trailing after two frames.

FRIARS AT-A-GLANCE

OVERALL RECORD	21-14-3 (.592)
HOCKEY EAST RECORD/PLACE	12-9-3 (66 pts.)/4th
HOME RECORD	8-6-1
ROAD RECORD	11-7-2
NEUTRAL SITE RECORD	2-1-0
POWER PLAY	47-200/.235
PENALTY KILL	175-219/.799
VS. TEAMS HIGHER IN HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS	3-7-0
VS. TEAMS LOWER IN HOCKEY EAST STANDINGS	9-2-3
VS. NCAA TEAMS	2-7-0
PENALTIES-MINUTES	321-671
OPPONENTS PENALTIES-MINUTES	312-666
TOP SCORERS	Russ Guzior (19-17--36) David Green (14-21--35) Joe Hulbig (14-21--35)
TOP GOALIE	Dan Dennis (19-12-3, 3.28, .899)

CAREER SCORING VS. PROVIDENCE

No current Golden Gopher player has played against Providence

MINNESOTA/PROVIDENCE IN THE NCAA'S

Date	Location	Result
3/17/91	*@ Mariucci	W 8-3
3/16/91	*@ Mariucci	W 8-4
3/15/91	*@ Mariucci	L 4-3
3/26/83	**@ Grand Forks, N.D.	L 4-3

* - NCAA Quarterfinals
** - NCAA third-place game

LAST TIME
VS. PROVIDENCE
AT THE
NCAA
TOURNAMENT
March 17, 1991
Mariucci Arena
Minneapolis, Minn.
Quarterfinals - Game 3

MINNESOTA	8
PROVIDENCE	3

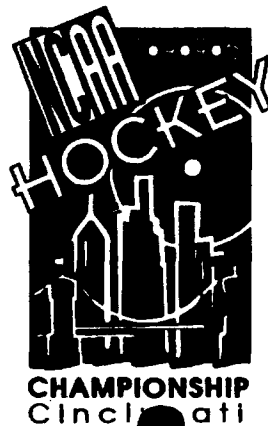
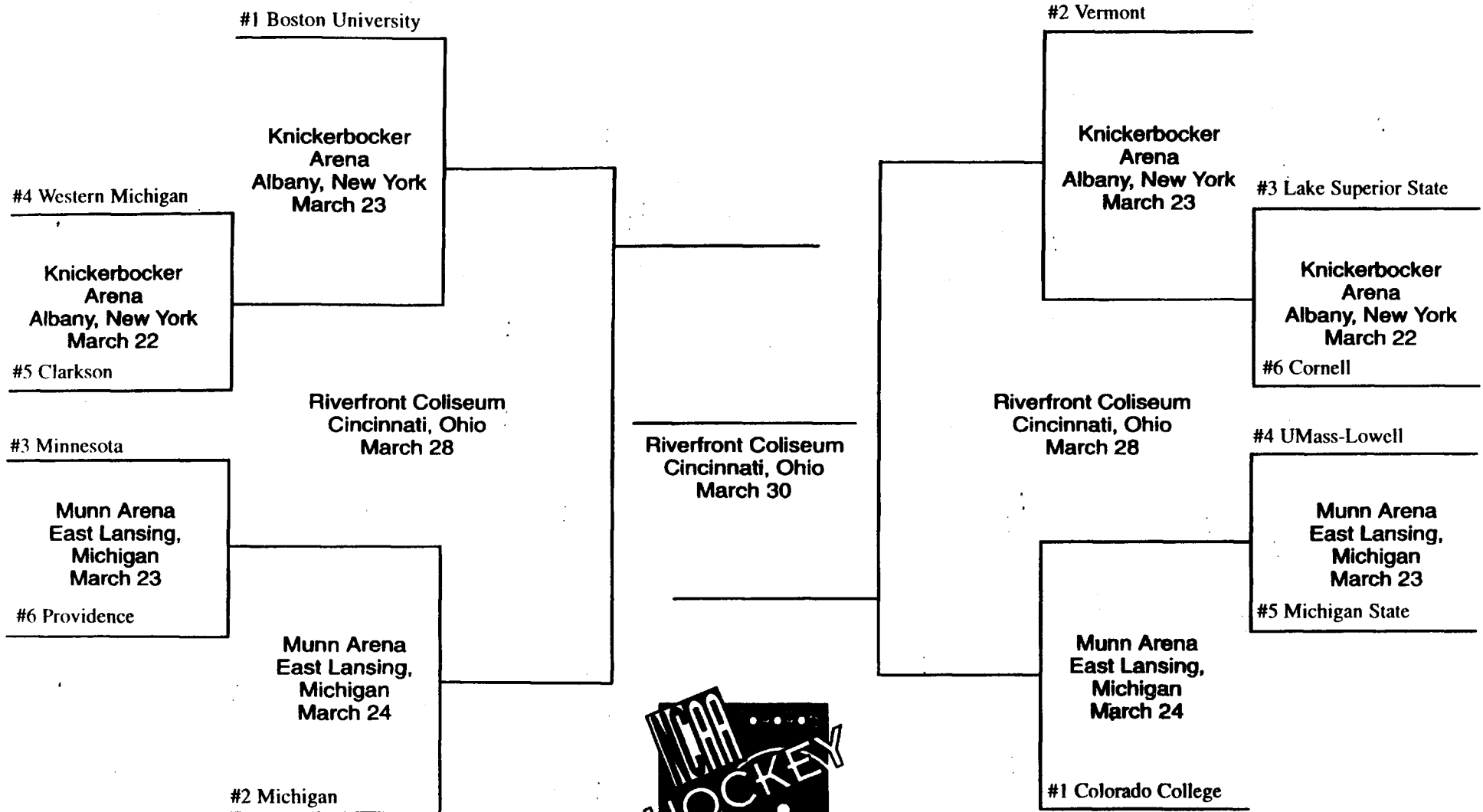
Scoring	1	2	3	OT	F
Minn	2	1	5	-	8
Providence	1	0	2	-	3

1ST PERIOD — **Minn:** Pederson (Miller, Zmolek), 4:27; **Prov:** Gaudreau (Boback), 11:03, shg; **Minn:** Gernander (Richards, Olimb), 15:39.
2ND PERIOD — **Minn:** C. Johnson (Laylin, Nielsen), 2:05.
3RD PERIOD — **Minn:** Nielsen (L. Johnson), 2:26; **Prov:** Gaudreau (Boback, Cowan), 3:58, ppg; **Minn:** C. Johnson (Miller, L. Johnson), 11:10; **Minn:** Pederson (Bischoff, Zmolek), 11:44; **Minn:** Bischoff (L. Johnson), 14:53; **Minn:** Laylin (Zmolek), 15:06; **Prov:** Rooney (Boback), 18:46.

Shots on Goal: Prov 5-15-13--33, Minn 12-8-14--34
Power Plays: Prov 1-6, Minn 0-8
Goalies: Prov: Heinke (34 shots, 26 sv)
Minn: Stolp (33 shots, 30 sv)
Pen: Prov 12-35, Minn 11-22
Att: 7,682



1996 National Collegiate Division I Men's ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP



G O L D E N G O P H E R H O C K E Y

N C A A R E G I O N A L N O T E S

Records Watch

WCHA Standings/Results

Final WCHA Standings

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado Coll.	26	2	4	56	178	78
Minnesota	21	9	2	44	155	95
Denver	17	12	3	37	120	112
UMD	16	15	1	33	116	109
North Dakota	16	15	1	33	127	126
Wisconsin	14	15	3	31	110	123
Michigan Tech	12	14	6	30	108	118
St. Cloud State	10	18	4	24	106	132
Alaska-Anch.	8	20	4	20	86	130
No. Michigan	5	25	2	12	64	147

WCHA Final Five - Bradley Center

Thursday, March 7 - 1st Round
Michigan Tech 4, St. Cloud State 3 (ot)
Friday, March 8 - Semifinals
Minnesota 4, Wisconsin 3 (ot)
Michigan Tech 4, Colorado College 3
Saturday, March 9 - 3rd Place/Championship
Colorado College 6, Wisconsin 4
Minnesota 7, Michigan Tech 2
(Minnesota wins automatic NCAA berth)

Overall Records: CC 31-4-4, Minn. 29-9-2, Denver 22-14-3, UMD 20-17-1, ND 19-18-1, Mich. Tech 18-18-6, Wis. 17-20-3, SCSU 13-22-4, A-A 9-23-5, NMU 7-30-2

Golden Gophers Return To Action After Layoff: Minnesota returns to post-season action this weekend after being idle for nearly two weeks after the WCHA Final Five Championship win (7-2) over Michigan Tech on Mar. 9. The WCHA was forced to hold its playoff tournament a week earlier than normal due to the NCAA Men's Basketball holding first and second round action at the Bradley Center last weekend.

West Regional Info: The 1996 NCAA Men's Ice Hockey West Regional will be held at Munn Ice Arena on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich., from Saturday, Mar. 23 to Sunday, Mar. 24. First-round matchups will begin with the first game at 3 p.m. (EST), with the second game beginning approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first. The second day's second-round games begin at 2 p.m. (EST), with the second game again beginning approximately 30 minutes after the conclusion of the first. Tickets, which are priced at \$40 for all four games, can be obtained by calling 1-800-GO-STATE.

Bonin, Crowley Named Hobey Baker Award Finalists: Senior center Brian Bonin and sophomore defenseman Mike Crowley were both named finalists for the Hobey Baker Memorial Award, regarded as the top individual award in college hockey, on Thursday of last week. It marks the first time since the 1982-83 season (Scott Bjugstad, Busty Erickson) that the Golden Gophers have had multiple finalists. The winner will be announced at a press conference on Mar. 29 at the NCAA Final Four in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bonin Takes Home More Hardware: Bonin, who became just the fifth player in league history and the second Golden Gopher to ever win back-to-back league scoring titles, added to his trophy case at the WCHA Final Five by taking home both the league regular-season and tournament MVP honors. Bonin is also just the second Golden Gopher in the last 11 seasons to score 80 or more points in a season. Larry Olimb, who piled up totals of 26-54--80 in 1991-92, is the last to accomplish the feat.

SINGLE-SEASON GOALS-AGAINST		
NAME	YEAR	GAA
Jim Mattson	1952-53	2.36
Robb Stauber	1988-89	2.43
Larry Thayer	1974-75	2.65
Jeff Moen	1995-96	2.67

SINGLE-SEASON POINTS - DEFENSEMAN		
NAME	YEAR	POINTS
Mike Crowley	1995-96	62
Bill Baker	1978-79	54

SINGLE-SEASON GOALS - DEFENSEMAN		
NAME	YEAR	POINTS
Randy Skarda	1987-88	19
Mike Crowley	1995-96	17

SINGLE-SEASON ASSISTS - DEFENSEMAN		
NAME	YEAR	POINTS
Mike Crowley	1995-96	45
Todd Richards	1986-87	43

CAREER ASSISTS - DEFENSEMAN		
NAME	YEARS	POINTS
Todd Richards	1985-89	128
Dan Trebil	1992-96	98

SINGLE-SEASON POINTS		
NAME	YEAR	POINTS
Aaron Broten	1980-81	106
Pat Micheletti	1984-85	96
Steve Ulseth	1980-81	93
Butsy Erickson	1982-83	91
Scott Bjugstad	1982-83	91
Butsy Erickson	1980-81	86
Corey Millen	1985-86	83
Tim Harrer	1979-80	82
Brian Bonin	1992-present	80

AND THE WINNER IS:

The University of Minnesota hockey program has claimed a 1-22-09-110-635 overall record and a 6-6-13-64-604 WCHA record.

NCAA Titles	WCHA Titles
1974	1970
1976	1975
1979	1981
	1983
	1988
	1989
	1992

NCAA REGIONAL NOTES

Trebil, Bonin Continue Longevity Streaks: Co-captains Dan Trebil and Brian Bonin have played in 144 and 128 consecutive games, respectively. Both streaks date back to their freshman season of 1992-93.

Bonin One From One Hundred: Bonin's three goals in the WCHA Final Five leaves him with 99 career goals heading into the NCAA Regionals. Only six other Golden Gophers have hit the century mark for career goals at the University of Minnesota.

Remembering January: The Golden Gophers posted their first unbeaten and untied month of January in school history with an 8-0-0 mark in the first month of 1996. In February, Minnesota finished just 2-6-0, their worst February record since going 1-7-0 in the 1966-67 season. Minnesota was outscored 41-30 in the month of February; in comparison, the Golden Gophers outscored their opponents 50-13 in the month of January. The Golden Gophers are perfect (4-0) thus far in the month of March.

Golden Gophers Lead WCHA In Attendance: The Golden Gophers led the WCHA in attendance in 1995-96, drawing a total of 202,346 in 21 home dates for an average of 9,635 per game. The annual 'Border Battle', played between Minnesota and Wisconsin at Target Center in Minneapolis, was the league game that drew the greatest number of fans this season (16,377). For the third consecutive season, the WCHA went over the 1,000,000 mark in attendance (1,081,538).

Other Points Of Note: Minnesota won its first game this season (1-6-1) when trailing after two periods with its 4-3 overtime win against Wisconsin on Mar. 8; they are 24-1-1 when leading after two periods...the Golden Gophers have outshot their opponents by an average of 40-25 (282-176) in the last seven games...Minnesota has fired 10 or more shots on goal in 16 of its last 19 regulation periods...the Maroon and Gold defense has held its opponents to less than 30 shots on net in 14 of the last 16 games...Minnesota is 23-2-2 when scoring first...Minnesota is 26-3-2 when leading or tied after one period, and just 3-6-0 when trailing after one frame...the Golden Gophers are unbeaten this season (25-0-2) when allowing three goals or less.

Minnesota's "Pride On Ice" Was Featured On ESPN: The Golden Gophers were the subject of some national media attention when ESPN featured them on its weekly college sports show "NCAA Today" on Thursday, Feb. 29 at 1 p.m. Central time. The focus of the feature was Minnesota's "Pride On Ice", examining the rare quality that every player on a Division I-A roster hails from the state of the university they are playing in.

Overall Record	29-9-2
WCHA Record	21-9-2
Home Record	18-2-0
Road Record	7-7-2
Neutral Site Record	4-0-0
Last 20 Games	14-6-0
Last 10 Games	6-4-0
Last 5 Games	4-1-0
Power Play	57 of 216 (.264)
Penalty Kill	188 of 224 (.839)
Short-Handed Goals	10
Penalties/Avg. Per Game	426/10.7
Penalty Minutes/Avg. Per Game	956/23.9
In One-Goal Games	7-1-0
In Two-Goal Games	5-4-0
In Three-Goal or More Games	17-4-0
In Overtime Games	1-0-2
Scoring 4 or More Goals	24-4-0
Scoring 3 or More Goals	27-6-2
Scoring 2 or Less Goals	1-3-0
Allowing 4 or More Goals	4-9-0
Allowing 3 or Less Goals	25-0-2
Scoring First	23-2-2
Opponents Score First	6-7-0
Leading After One Period	19-2-0
Trailing After One Period	3-6-0
Tied After One Period	7-1-2
Leading After Two Periods	24-1-1
Trailing After Two Periods	1-6-1
Tied After Two Periods	4-2-0
Having 10-19 Shots On Goal	0-0-0
Having 20-29 Shots On Goal	9-2-1
Having 30-39 Shots On Goal	14-5-1
Having 40 or more Shots On Goal	6-2-0
Allowing 10-19 Shots On Goal	3-0-0
Allowing 20-29 Shots On Goal	17-6-1
Allowing 30-39 Shots On Goal	8-3-1
Allowing 40 or more Shots On Goal	0-0-0
Outshooting Opponent	21-7-1
Opponent Outshoots Minnesota	7-1-1
Shots Are Even	1-1-0
October	3-2-1
November	7-1-0
December	5-0-1
January	8-0-0
February	2-6-0
March	4-0-0
In First Game Of A Series	13-3-2
In Second Game Of A Series	12-6-0
Series Record	12-3-3
In Games Following A Win	22-5-1
In Games Following A Loss	5-3-1
In Games Following A Tie	1-1-0

MINNESOTA'S RECORD WHEN IN 1995-96

N C A A R E G I O N A L N O T E S

Trebil Claims WCHA Student-Athlete Of The Year Award: Senior co-captain Dan Trebil became the third consecutive Golden Gopher to claim the WCHA's Student-Athlete of the Year award. Trebil, who carries a 3.63 GPA as a civil engineering major in the Institute of Technology, joins Justin McHugh (1994-95) and Jeff Nielsen (1993-94) as recent Golden Gophers who have won this coveted award.

10 Golden Gophers Named To WCHA All-Academic Team: Golden Gophers landed 10 players, second-most of any league school, on the WCHA All-Academic team announced at the WCHA Awards Banquet on Friday, Mar. 8 at the Bradley Center in Milwaukee, Wis. The University of Minnesota student-athletes honored were seniors Brian Bonin, Andy Brink, Jeff Moen, Dan Trebil, and Greg Zwakman, juniors Dan Hendrickson and Brian LaFleur, and sophomores Mike Crowley, Casey Hankinson, and Ryan Kraft.

Other Golden Gophers Honored Last Weekend: Defenseman Mike Crowley joined Bonin on the first All-WCHA First Team, with fellow blueliner Dan Trebil honored on the second team and freshman Erik Rasmussen and goaltender Steve DeBus on the rookie team.

Crowley Breaks Single-Season Point Records; Hits Century Mark: Sophomore defenseman Mike Crowley, who already owned the single-season record for most points by a defenseman, added his name to the record books one more time with his four-assist performance in the WCHA Final Five title game against Michigan Tech. His current total of 45 assists is two better than previous record-holder Todd Richards (43), who set the record in the 1986-87 season. Crowley's four assists gives him an even 100 points in less than two full seasons as a Golden Gopher. Todd Richards (1985-89) owns the all-time record for points by a Golden Gopher blueliner with 158.

Berg Hits For 20 In Rookie Season: Freshman forward Reggie Berg, who has 22 goals thus far in 1995-96, is the first freshman to net 20-plus goals in a season for the Maroon and Gold since Darby Hendrickson scored 25 goals in his freshman season of 1991-92.

WCHA First Round Success: With the series sweep of UAA on Mar. 1-2, the Golden Gophers improved to 22-1 in WCHA first-round playoff games under Doug Woog. Minnesota has not lost a first-round league playoff series since losing a two-game, total-goal series to Colorado College by the score of 8-7 (3-3, 5-4) on Mar. 10-11, 1978.

WCHA Playoff Success: With its WCHA Final Five Championship this season, the Golden Gophers improved their record in the league tournament to 12-7 since the event began in the 1987-88 season. The Golden Gophers, who along with Wisconsin are the only league teams to have made the WCHA Final Four/Five every season, have appeared in seven of the nine playoff title games, winning three times. Since the format change to the Final Five (1993), Minnesota is 8-1 in the WCHA Tournament. The Golden Gophers also own a 22-1 record in WCHA first-round playoff games under Doug Woog.

The Last Time

Minnesota Swept A Road Series: January 5-6, 1996 at Denver (7-3, 3-2)

Minnesota Was Swept In A Road Series: February 23-24, 1996 at Wisconsin (6-3, 7-4)

Minnesota Swept A Home Series: March 1-2, 1996 vs. Alaska-Anchorage (6-4, 7-1)

Minnesota Was Swept In A Home Series: December 10-11, 1994 vs. Denver (4-3, 3-2)

Minnesota Shut Out An Opponent: January 27, 1996 vs. No. Mich. (Steve DeBus, 7-0)

An Opponent Shut Out Minnesota: January 14, 1995 at Alaska-Anchorage (1-0)

Minnesota Player Scored A Hat Trick: February 16, 1996 vs. St. Cloud State (Erik Rasmussen and Brian Bonin, 8-3 Minnesota win)

Minnesota Player Scored A Natural Hat Trick: December 30, 1994 at Mariucci Arena vs. Yale (Ryan Kraft, 6-2 Minnesota win)

An Opponent Scored A Hat Trick: November 26, 1993 at The Palace in Auburn Hills, Mich. (David Oliver, Michigan, 6-0 Minnesota loss)

Minnesota Player Scored Four Goals In A Game: January 25, 1992 at Colorado College (Larry Olimb, 8-2 Minnesota win)

Minnesota Had 50 or More Shots On Goal In A Game: February 23, 1996 @ Wisconsin (51 shots, 6-3 Minnesota loss)

Minnesota Player Scored A Shorthanded Goal: January 26, 1996 vs. Northern Michigan (Ryan Kraft, 10-0 Minnesota win)

Minnesota Won In Overtime: March 8, 1996 vs. Wisconsin, 4-3 (WCHA Final Five, Bradley Center)

Minnesota Lost In Overtime: February 17, 1996 @ St. Cloud State (4-3)

Minnesota Tied In Overtime: December 15, 1995 @ Alaska-Anchorage (3-3)

Minnesota Scored Eight Goals Or More In A Game: February 16, 1996 vs. St. Cloud State (8-3 Minnesota win)

Opponent Scored Eight Goals Or More In A Game: February 2, 1996 @ North Dakota (8-2 Minnesota loss)

1995-96 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA HOCKEY STATISTICS

No.	Name	GP	G	A L L G A M E S					PP	SH	HAT	GW	EN	W C H A G A M E S				
				A	PTS	PEN	MIN	GP						G	A	PTS	PEN	MIN
21	Brian Bonin, C	40	33	47	80	15	30	12	4	1	6	0	32	25	39	64	14	28
20	Mike Crowley, D	40	17	45	62	13	26	7	2	0	4	0	32	13	33	46	12	24
27	Erik Rasmussen, F	38	15	32	47	26	55	4	0	1	3	0	32	13	27	40	23	46
5	Dan Trebil, D	40	11	33	44	16	32	9	0	0	3	0	32	9	27	36	15	30
7	Ryan Kraft, C	39	13	22	35	12	24	4	1	1	1	0	32	11	21	32	8	16
19	Reggie Berg, F	38	22	11	33	28	67	2	1	2	2	0	32	17	10	27	21	53
9	Casey Hankinson, F	37	15	18	33	41	101	8	0	1	1	0	31	13	14	27	39	97
17	Dave Larson, F	36	13	12	25	44	112	7	0	0	2	0	28	11	9	20	40	104
23	Dan Woog, C	37	6	16	22	12	24	1	0	1	0	1	30	5	11	16	11	22
18	Andy Brink, F	31	5	13	18	8	16	0	0	0	0	0	23	4	8	12	4	8
13	Jay Moser, F	19	9	8	17	8	16	1	0	1	0	0	13	7	7	14	3	6
4	Brian LaFleur, D	38	6	11	17	26	60	1	0	0	1	0	31	5	7	12	20	40
33	Nick Checcho, F	39	7	10	17	17	34	0	1	0	2	0	31	4	9	13	14	28
26	Jason Godbout, D	37	6	7	13	11	22	0	0	0	1	0	31	5	6	11	11	22
22	Jesse Bertogliat, F	22	5	5	10	10	20	1	0	0	1	0	18	4	3	7	9	18
10	Mike Anderson, F	28	3	6	9	20	51	0	0	0	1	0	23	2	6	8	14	39
14	Wyatt Smith, C	30	2	5	7	15	30	0	1	0	0	0	25	2	3	5	12	24
11	Bobby Dustin, F	18	3	3	6	12	32	0	0	0	0	0	13	3	3	6	7	22
6	Charlie Wasley, D	39	1	4	5	39	89	0	0	0	0	0	31	1	4	5	30	63
29	Dan Hendrickson, F	21	2	3	5	13	27	0	0	0	0	0	16	1	3	4	9	18
2	Greg Zwakman, D	40	1	5	6	24	48	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	4	4	14	28
24	Bill Kohn, D	7	0	2	2	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	2	3	6
8	Brett Abrahamson, F	3	1	0	1	2	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	12
34	Steve DeBus, G	23	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	1	1	0	0
28	Clint Johnson, F	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Jeff Moen, G	20	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	1	2
	Bench	40				8	16						32				5	10
	Totals	40	196	319	515	426	956	57	10	8	29	1	32	155	257	412	340	764
	Opponents	40	116	164	280	412	944	36	6	0	9	5	32	95	134	229	334	758

No.	Name	A L L G A M E S					W C H A G A M E S										
		W-L-T	GP	PER	MIN	GA	AVG	SV	PCT	W-L-T	GP	PER	MIN	GA	AVG	SV	PCT
34	Steve DeBus	15-6-0	23	66	1253:34	59	2.82	523	.899	10-6-0	18	51	970:12	47	2.91	398	.894
30	Jeff Moen	14-3-2	20	62	1167:26	52	2.67	412	.888	11-3-2	16	51	956:00	43	2.70	348	.890
	Empty Net		40		5						32		5				
	Totals	29-9-2	40	123	2421:00	116	2.87	935	.890	21-9-2	32	99	1926:12	95	2.96	746	.887
	Opponents	9-29-2	40	123	2413:47	196	4.87	1134	.853	9-21-2	32	99	1920:35	155	4.84	918	.856

Period	Minnesota					Opponents				
	1	2	3	OT	TOT	1	2	3	OT	TOT
GOALS	59	82	53	2	196	36	34	45	1	116
SHOTS ON GOAL	426	484	406	14	1330	314	374	351	12	1051
GOALIE SAVES	278	340	306	11	935	367	403	352	12	1134
PENALTIES	133	147	144	2	426	126	137	149	0	412

	WCHA	Overall
Power Play	45-170/.265	57-216/.264
Penalty Kill	146-171/.854	188-224/.839
Total Attendance	243,391	321,584
Home	158,146	195,930
Average	9,884	9,797
Road	85,245	85,245
Neutral	n/a	40,389

Hat Tricks For (8):
 Ryan Kraft vs. Alaska-Anch., 10/28/95
 Reggie Berg @ Alaska-Anch., 12/16/95
 Casey Hankinson @ Denver, 1/5/96
 Reggie Berg vs. UMD, 1/12/96
 Dan Woog vs. Northern Mich., 1/26/96
 Jay Moser vs. Northern Mich., 1/27/96
 Erik Rasmussen vs. SCSU, 2/16/96
 Brian Bonin vs. SCSU, 2/16/96