

"UND HOOPS REPORT"

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JUNE ISSUE

HAWKS BRING IN SIX FOR 2020-2021

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DID YOU KNOW?

Marlon Stewart led the Summit League in points per game <u>AND</u> assists per game during the 2019-2020 season. Marlon averaged 18.6 pts and 5.2 assists. He is only the second player in Summit League history to accomplish this feat, the other was Nate Wolters in 2012.

After the 2019-20 season Head Coach Paul Sather has brought in 6 new players for the 2020-21 season.

First up is Andrew Bergan from Aberdeen, SD. He is a 6'7 F that we are super excited about. "Andrew is a long, lanky, wing that handles the ball like a PG. Versatile player on both ends of the floor with a great feel for the game"

Nate Shockey is a 6'3 G from York HS in Illinois. "We love what Nate brings to our team. He is a tough gritty guard that is a proven winner. Great range from behind the arc and competes on sides of the ball."

Tyree Ihenacho is a 6'4 G from Prior Lake, MN. "So excited about Tyree joining the Fighting Hawk family. A dynamic guard that brings combination of size, speed, and a tremendous skillset to the court."

Caleb Nero is a transfer from Weber State and originally from Tulsa, OK. "Caleb is a dynamic combo guard, he can really score the ball but also has the ability and skill set to make the right play for his teammates, really excited about getting Caleb."

Mitchell Sueker is a grad transfer from SD Mines and will have 2 years to play. Originally from Marshall, MN, "Mitchell fills a large void for us in the front line, he brings a great combination of size, skill, and athleticism that Fighting Hawks fans will really enjoy."

Seybian Sims is a transfer from Kirkwood Junior College in Iowa. "Seybian is a flat out winner that can make game changing plays all over the floor. He's a very versatile defender that can guard any position on the floor. Excited about what Seybian brings to our program"

Returners:

#2 Carlos Ramsey—FR. Milwaukee, WI
#11 Bentiu Panoam—SR. Anchorage, AK
#12 Filip Rebraca—JR. Sombor, Serbia
#15 Brady Danielson—SO. York, NE
#21 Ethan Igbanugo—JR. Lakeville, MN
#32 Gertautas Urbonavicius -SO. Lithuania
#34 Desean Eikens—SO. Williston, ND

Newcomers:

Andrew Bergan—6'7 FR. Aberdeen, SD
Nate Shockey—6'3 FR. Elmhurst, IL
Tyree Ihenacho—6'4 FR Prior Lake, MN
Caleb Nero—6'3 SO. Tulsa, OK
Mitchell Sueker—6'9 JR. Marshall, MN
Seybian Sims—6'7 JR. Iowa City, IA

NORTH DAKOTA. MEN'S BASKETBALL



Player Spotlight:

Filip Rebraca

6'9 SO-Sombor, Serbia

Major: Economics

Summit Leage Honorable Mention, led the Summit with 13 double doubles, 14.3 ppg, 8.9 rpg, finished 2nd in Summit in FG%.

Favorite Hobby:

Play League of Legends

Favorite Superhero: Silver Surfer

Favorite Movie: Pulp Fiction

Favorite Meal: Papriks (Catfish and

Carp Stew)

Unique Talent: Very good at Rock/

Paper/ Scissors

Place you would like to visit:

Rome, Italy

Best place to eat in Grand

Forks:

Grand Junction



COACHES CORNER...

First off, all of us from North Dakota Basketball hope and pray that all of you are doing well during this challenging time. As I'm writing this, I do hear the sounds of basketballs bouncing and the squeak of Adidas shoes on the Betty court for the first time since March. Just two days after the saw our team, as they left for spring break and never came back! That's right, I said Summit League Championship! What a terrific way for us to finish this past season. It started with an emotional quarterfinal win over a 20-win South Dakota team, followed with a convincing win over Purdue-Fort Wayne in the semi's.

The championship game didn't go as planned, but we're very proud of how our guys finished the season and kept believing in each other. Another huge positive this spring was seeing our guys finish strong in the class room. We had a team GPA of 3.28, with 12 players getting over a 3.0 GPA. Lots to be excited Summit League championship was the last time we about, and lots of work in front of us. We appreciate your support as a UND alum and hope to get you all back to campus to see all the exciting changes taking place. We will come through this pandemic stronger than ever, and we hope you all can come be a part of it.

> Coach Sather **#UNDPROUD**

Men's Basketball finishes year with 3.28 GPA

We are very proud to announce that our team did a great job in the classroom this season and finished with a 3.28 team grade point average. We had 7 guys finish the year with over a 3.0 overall GPA and had

12 players achieve that feat for the spring semester.

As a department, every varsity sports teams recorded over a 3.0 term GPA for the first time in the Division 1 era.

UND has 357 total athletes, and they combined for a spring GPA average of 3.22! 73% of UND's student athletes had a spring term GPA of over 3.0!



Men's Basketball claim 3 awards during UND's Night of Champions

During the university's "Night of Champions" the men's basketball team came away with some hardware.

Desean Allen- Eikens was awarded the Male Rookie of the Year. He appeared in all 33 games making 30 starts. Finished with 13.8 points per gameand 4.8 rebounds per game. He became the UND's all time leader for points as a freshman with

454 points. He also finished 2nd on the team with 29 offensive rebounds.

Brady Danielson was recognized as one of the top community service athletes in the department.

The men's basketball team was also awarded the top Male Community Service Team Award. Community service is something that not only our program but our University takes very seriously and we couldn't more proud of our team and the players that represent UND and the state of North Dakota in a positive manner.

