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SUNSHINE STATE CONFERENCE ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

SOFTBALL



PLAYER OF THE WEEK -- Tampa junior second baseman **Ashley Arcuri** (Tampa, Fla.) played a key role as the Spartans notched an impressive SSC series victory at No. 1 Barry. Batting .500 for the series, Arcuri hit safely in each game. In a 2-1 win in game two, she went 1-for-3 and drove in both Tampa runs. In another 2-1 win in the finale, she was 3-for-4 and scored both Spartan runs of the contest. She concluded the weekend with a .500 slugging percentage, a .500 OBP, and a 1.000 fielding percentage.



PLAYER OF THE WEEK -- Saint Leo junior infielder **Tatiana Casis** (Port St. Lucie, Fla.) led the Lions to a 5-1 week, including SSC series wins at No. 15 Rollins and against Nova Southeastern. In six games, she batted .400 with three runs, six RBI, three doubles, and two home runs. She hit safely in five games. Casis was 2-for-4 with a homer and drove in both runs in the Lions' 2-0 finale win at Rollins. In an 8-2 game two win versus NSU, she was 3-for-4 with a double and a home run, driving in two runs. For the week, she recorded a .850 slugging percentage and a .429 OBP.



PITCHER OF THE WEEK -- Rollins junior **Nicole Anderson** (Lithia, Fla.) went 3-1 with a 0.54 ERA, notching four complete games, including three shutouts. In 26.0 innings of work, she surrendered two earned runs on 14 hits and two walks with 37 strikeouts. Anderson's first complete-game shutout came in a 1-0 win over Saint Leo, as she allowed four hits with no walks and seven strikeouts. She also tallied a complete shutout in a 4-0 victory over Eckerd, giving up just one hit with no walks and a career-high 15 strikeouts. In an 8-0 win against the Tritons, she surrendered two hits and one walk while striking out six.



PITCHER OF THE WEEK -- Saint Leo junior **Ashley Urbanik** (Riverview, Fla.) led the Lions to a pair of key SSC series wins, tallying a 3-1 record and a save. She tossed four complete games, including a shutout. In 28.2 innings, Urbanik permitted three earned runs on 18 hits and 13 walks with 18 strikeouts. Her complete-game shutout came in a 2-0 win at No. 15 Rollins, as she allowed just two hits and two walks with three strikeouts. She also didn't allow an earned run in SLU's 3-1 victory over Nova Southeastern, surrendering five hits and four walks while fanning five. She concluded the week with a 0.73 ERA.

BASEBALL



PLAYER OF THE WEEK -- Florida Southern freshman catcher **Zach Maggard** (Dade City, Fla.) played a big part in the Moccasins' 3-1 weekly mark, which included a key SSC series victory over No. 29 Lynn. Maggard batted .643 with five runs and four RBI, tallying multiple hits in all four contests. In an 11-6 series opening win over Lynn, he went 3-for-4 with a home run, three RBI, and two runs. In the Mocs' 7-4 victory in game two, he was 2-for-3 with another homer and two runs. For the week, Maggard posted a 1.143 slugging percentage, a .688 OBP, and a .967 fielding percentage.



PLAYER OF THE WEEK -- Nova Southeastern sophomore left fielder **J.D. Martinez** (Pembroke Pines, Fla.) batted .529 with six runs and nine RBI, as the Sharks went 2-2 with a conference series win at Barry. Martinez hit safely in every game. In a 20-7 game two win over the Bucs, he went 4-for-5 with a homer, a double, five RBI and three runs. In a 12-2 win in the finale, he was 3-for-5 with two home runs, four RBI, and three runs. Martinez completed the week with a 1.118 slugging percentage, a .579 OBP, and a 1.000 fielding percentage.



PITCHER OF THE WEEK -- Tampa senior **Kevin Ferguson** (Port St. Lucie, Fla.) led the No. 3 Spartans to a 16-2 win at Rollins, allowing one earned run on six hits and one walk over 7.0 innings. He struck out a career-high 11 batters in the contest.



PITCHER OF THE WEEK -- In the opening game of the series, Barry junior **Bobby Hernandez** (Key West, Fla.) posted a complete-game shutout against a Nova Southeastern offense that churned out 32 runs the rest of the way. Hernandez allowed six hits and three walks with five strikeouts en route to a 9-0 Buccaneer victory.

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN WINS SECOND STRAIGHT SSC ROWING CHAMPIONSHIP



Nova Southeastern University claimed its second consecutive Sunshine State Conference Rowing Championship by sweeping the 2008 regatta. The Sharks claimed 20 team points with two first place finishes in the Varsity 8 and the Varsity 4. The University of Tampa was the runner-up with 15 team points.

In the first heat of the Varsity 8, Nova Southeastern edged out Rollins with a time of 7:19.3. The Tars closed out with a 7:25.0 showing. In the second heat, Barry had a strong showing, beating Tampa with a time of 7:43.4. The Spartans finished with a time of 8:29.6.

In the final of the Varsity 8, the Tars, Sharks and Buccaneers all got off to great starts, even with strong head winds, however, Nova Southeastern pulled away over the last 600 meters to win the event with a time of 7:52.8. Barry finished with an 8:02.9 showing. Rollins rounded out the event with a time of 8:29.6.

The varsity four featured Florida Tech, Nova Southeastern and the University of Tampa. NSU took the event with an 8:48.1 finish. The Panthers took second place with a time of 8:52.9 and the Spartans finished third at 8:59.7.

2008 Sunshine State Conference Rowing Update (through April 27, 2008)

SSC Championship • Saturday, April 26 (Fellsmere, Fla.)

OVERALL POINTS	VARSITY 4	VARSITY 8
Nova Southeastern - 20 Tampa - 15	Nova SE - 8:48.1 (8 points) Florida Tech - 8:52.9 (0 points) Tampa - 8:59.7 (6 points) Barry - Did Not Compete Rollins - Did Not Compete	Nova SE - 7:52.8 (12 points) Barry - 8:02.9 (0 points) Rollins - 8:16.5 (0 points) Tampa - 8:29.6 (9 points) Florida Tech - Did Not Compete

FIVE SSC TEAMS SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN NCAA DII MEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP



Five SSC men's golf teams and one individual have been selected to participate in the NCAA Division II Men's Golf South/South Central Super Regional May 5-7 at the Grey Rock Golf Club in Austin, Texas.

In the South Region, **Florida Southern** leads the SSC contingent, entering the tournament as an automatic qualifier compliments of its victory at the SSC Championship. Also making the field were **Nova Southeastern, Barry, Lynn, and Florida Tech**. Additionally, Saint Leo's **Matt Cornuet** was invited to compete for the individual title.

The top team from each region within the super regional, as well as the top individual not with one of those teams, will advance to the national championship, which will be held as part of the NCAA Division II Spring National Championships Festival May 14-17 in Houston, Texas. Based on previous strong performance in the NCAA DII Championship, three additional teams from the South/South Central Regional will earn berths to the Championships Festival.

2008 Sunshine State Conference Softball Update (through April 27, 2008)

SSC SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	SSC Games			Overall		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Barry	17	4	.810	40	6	.870
Tampa	14	7	.667	31	11	.738
Saint Leo	14	7	.667	35	13	.729
Rollins	13	8	.619	36	14	.720
Nova Southeastern	12	9	.571	43	20	.683
Florida Southern	9	12	.429	29	14	.674
Lynn	3	18	.143	18	36	.333
Eckerd	2	19	.095	8	47	.145
Florida Tech	0	0	.000	9	6	.600

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

Albany St. (Ga.) at Rollins (DH)

SSC TEAMS IN RANKINGS

NFCA DII Poll (4/23):

1. Barry, 15. Rollins, Saint Leo - received votes

NCAA DII Softball South Region Rankings (4/23):

1. Barry, 3. Rollins, 4. Saint Leo, 5. Tampa, 7. Nova Southeastern, 8. Florida Southern

RECENT RESULTS

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

ROLLINS 1, SAINT LEO 0

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

SAINT LEO 2, ROLLINS 0

SAINT LEO 2, ROLLINS 0

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

ROLLINS 4, ECKERD 0

BARRY 3, TAMPA 2 (8)

SAINT LEO 3, NOVA SOUTHEASTERN 1

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

ROLLINS 8, ECKERD 0 (6)

ROLLINS 8, ECKERD 0 (5)

Florida Southern 8, Valdosta St. 3

Valdosta St. 5, Florida Southern 4

SAINT LEO 8, NOVA SOUTHEASTERN 2

SAINT LEO 6, NOVA SOUTHEASTERN 2

TAMPA 2, BARRY 1

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2008 Sunshine State Conference Baseball Update (through April 27, 2008)

SSC BASEBALL STANDINGS

	SSC Games			Overall			
	W	L	PCT	W	L	T	PCT
Tampa	15	6	.714	36	8	1	.811
Nova Southeastern	13	6	.684	29	19	0	.604
Florida Southern	15	8	.652	28	21	0	.571
Lynn	11	8	.579	32	17	0	.653
Florida Tech	11	10	.524	33	17	1	.657
Barry	10	11	.476	31	17	0	.646
Rollins	8	12	.400	28	21	1	.570
Saint Leo	7	12	.368	28	21	0	.571
Eckerd	2	19	.095	14	33	0	.298

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

St. Thomas (Fla.) at Barry

Rollins at Embry-Riddle (Fla.)

FRIDAY, MAY 2

Embry-Riddle (Fla.) at Florida Southern

ROLLINS AT ECKERD

BARRY AT TAMPA

SATURDAY, MAY 3

ROLLINS AT ECKERD (DH)

BARRY AT TAMPA (DH)

SSC TEAMS IN RANKINGS

Collegiate Baseball Newspaper DII Poll (4/21):

T3. Tampa, T29. Lynn, Nova Southeastern - received votes

NACBW DII Poll (4/22):

4. Tampa, Lynn - received votes

NCAA DII Baseball South Region Rankings (4/23):

1. Tampa, 5. Lynn, 6. Florida Tech, 7. NSU, 8. Florida Southern

RECENT RESULTS

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

Lynn 9, Palm Beach Atlantic 1

Rollins 13, Embry-Riddle (Fla.) 6

Florida Tech 3, Nova Southeastern 1

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

Florida Southern 7, Florida Tech 2

Eckerd 11, Warner Southern 9

Barry 13, St. Thomas (Fla.) 3

Valdosta St. 8, Saint Leo 1

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

BARRY 9, NOVA SOUTHEASTERN 0

TAMPA 16, ROLLINS 2

FLORIDA SOUTHERN 11, LYNN 6

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN 20, BARRY 7

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN 12, BARRY 2

FLORIDA SOUTHERN 7, LYNN 4

LYNN 10, FLORIDA SOUTHERN 6

TAMPA 14, ROLLINS 7 (11)

ROLLINS 8, TAMPA 6

Flagler 2, Saint Leo 1

Saint Leo 16, Flagler 3

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

Saint Leo 6, Flagler 3

Softball Weekly Honor Roll

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

	GP	BA	SLG	OBP	FLD	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	SB-SBA
Ashley Arcuri, UT (Jr, 2B)	3	.500	.500	.500	1.000	10	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-0

Arcuri played a key role as the Spartans notched an impressive SSC series victory at No. 1 Barry. Batting .500 for the series, Arcuri hit safely in each game. In a 2-1 win in game two, she went 1-for-3 and drove in both Tampa runs. In another 2-1 win in the finale, she was 3-for-4 and scored both Spartan runs of the contest. She concluded the weekend with a .500 slugging percentage, a .500 OBP, and a 1.000 fielding percentage.

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Tatiana Casis, SLU (Jr, IF)	6	.400	.850	.429	.762	20	3	8	6	3	0	2	1	2	1-2

Casis led the Lions to a 5-1 week, including SSC series wins at No. 15 Rollins and against Nova Southeastern. In six games, she batted .400 with three runs, six RBI, three doubles, and two home runs. She hit safely in five games. Casis was 2-for-4 with a homer and drove in both runs in the Lions' 2-0 finale win at Rollins. In an 8-2 game two win versus NSU, she was 3-for-4 with a double and a home run, driving in two runs. For the week, she recorded a .850 slugging percentage and a .429 OBP.

OTHER NOMINEES

	GP	BA	SLG	OBP	FLD	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	SB-SBA
Monica Meadows, RC (Fr, UT)	6	.529	.765	.526	.750	17	5	9	5	2	1	0	1	0	0-0
Lindsey Powell, FSC (Fr, OF)	2	.500	.500	.500	1.000	8	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0-0

PITCHER OF THE WEEK

	GP	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HR	HBP	CG	ShO
Nicole Anderson, RC (Jr)	4	3-1	-	0.54	26.0	14	2	2	2	37	2	1	2	4	3

Anderson went 3-1 with a 0.54 ERA, notching four complete games, including three shutouts. In 26.0 innings of work, she surrendered two earned runs on 14 hits and two walks with 37 strikeouts. Anderson's first complete-game shutout came in a 1-0 win over Saint Leo, as she allowed four hits with no walks and seven strikeouts. She also tallied a complete shutout in a 4-0 victory over Eckerd, giving up just one hit with no walks and a career-high 15 strikeouts. In an 8-0 win against the Tritons, she surrendered two hits and one walk while striking out six.

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Ashley Urbanik, SLU (Jr)	5	3-1	1	0.73	28.2	18	4	3	13	18	1	0	1	4	1

Urbanik led the Lions to a pair of key SSC series wins, tallying a 3-1 record and a save. She tossed four complete games, including a shutout. In 28.2 innings, Urbanik permitted three earned runs on 18 hits and 13 walks with 18 strikeouts. Her complete-game shutout came in a 2-0 win at No. 15 Rollins, as she allowed just two hits and two walks with three strikeouts. She also didn't allow an earned run in SLU's 3-1 victory over Nova Southeastern, surrendering five hits and four walks while fanning five. She concluded the week with a 0.73 ERA.

OTHER NOMINEES

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Heather VanLandingham, UT (So)	1	1-0	-	1.00	7.0	4	1	1	1	6	1	0	0	1	0

Baseball Weekly Honor Roll

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

	GP	BA	SLG	OBP	FLD	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	SB-SBA
Zach Maggard, FSC (Fr, C)	4	.643	1.143	.688	.967	14	5	9	4	1	0	2	2	1	0-0

Maggard played a big part in the Moccasins' 3-1 weekly mark, which included a key SSC series victory over No. 29 Lynn. Maggard batted .643 with five runs and four RBI, tallying multiple hits in all four contests. In an 11-6 series opening win over Lynn, he went 3-for-4 with a home run, three RBI, and two runs. In the Mocs' 7-4 victory in game two, he was 2-for-3 with another homer and two runs. For the week, Maggard posted a 1.143 slugging percentage, a .688 OBP, and a .967 fielding percentage.

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J.D. Martinez, NSU (So, LF)	4	.529	1.118	.579	1.000	17	6	9	9	1	0	3	2	0	0-0

Martinez batted .529 with six runs and nine RBI, as the Sharks went 2-2 with a conference series win at Barry. Martinez hit safely in every game. In a 20-7 game two win over the Bucs, he went 4-for-5 with a homer, a double, five RBI and three runs. In a 12-2 win in the finale, he was 3-for-5 with two home runs, four RBI, and three runs. Martinez completed the week with a 1.118 slugging percentage, a .579 OBP, and a 1.000 fielding percentage.

OTHER NOMINEES

	GP	BA	SLG	OBP	FLD	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	SB-SBA
Michael Demma, FT (So, 1B)	2	.373	.625	.375	1.000	8	1	3	2	2	0	0	3	1	0-0
Jose Jimenez, UT (Jr, IF)	3	.417	1.167	.588	.857	12	6	5	11	0	0	3	5	0	0-0
Yunior Tabares, SLU (Sr, RF/1B)	4	.529	.824	.529	1.000	17	3	9	6	2	0	1	0	2	0-0
Corey Whiting, RC (Sr, CF)	4	.429	.929	.529	1.000	14	5	6	5	1	0	2	2	2	1-1
Wes Williams, EC (Jr, DH)	1	.800	.800	.833	-	5	2	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	2-2

PITCHER OF THE WEEK

	GP	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HR	HBP	CG	ShO
Kevin Ferguson, UT (Sr)	1	1-0	-	1.29	7.0	6	1	1	2	11	1	0	0	0	0

Ferguson led the No. 3 Spartans to a 16-2 win at Rollins, allowing one earned run on six hits and one walk over 7.0 innings. He struck out a career-high 11 batters in the contest.

	GP	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HR	HBP	CG	ShO
Bobby Hernandez, BU (Jr)	1	1-0	-	0.00	9.0	6	0	0	3	5	1	0	1	1	1

Hernandez posted a complete-game shutout against a Nova Southeastern offense that churned out 32 runs the rest of the way. Hernandez allowed six hits and three walks with five strikeouts en route to a 9-0 Buccaneer victory.

OTHER NOMINEES

	GP	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	WP	HR	HBP	CG	ShO
Marty Cornish, RC (Jr)	3	1-0	1	0.87	10.1	6	3	1	1	8	0	0	0	0	0
Jake Koch, FT (Jr)	1	1-0	-	1.12	8.0	5	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Zachary North, NSU (Fr)	2	1-0	-	0.82	11.0	8	1	1	1	5	0	0	0	0	0