



New England Intercollegiate Baseball Association



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Amy Lampe, Publicist (alampe@babson.edu)

Date: Wednesday, May 16, 2012

2012 NEIBA ALL-NEW ENGLAND DIVISION III BASEBALL TEAMS ANNOUNCED

BABSON PARK, Mass. – The New England Intercollegiate Baseball Association (NEIBA) announced the 2012 Division III All-New England Teams today which featured 51 athletes from across the region. Western Connecticut State University junior Conor Bierfeldt was named the NEIBA Division III Player of the Year. Bierfeldt finished the season with a .430 batting average while leading the Little East Conference with 10 homeruns on the season. He also added 61 hits with 16 doubles and six triples while scoring 48 runs and adding 50 RBI.

Senior pitcher Tyler Erickson from Castleton State College earned the NEIBA Pitcher of the Year award and enters this week's NCAA Regional with an overall record of 10-2. Erickson helped lead Castleton State to a North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) title this spring with a 2.03 ERA, 75 strikeouts, and only 11 walks allowed. He limited the 342 batters he faced to a .199 average.

In his 16th season as head coach, Wheaton College's Eric Podbelski was named the NEIBA Coach of the Year after leading the Lyons to their 12th New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) title this spring. Wheaton makes their third consecutive NCAA Tournament Appearance with an overall record of 34-8.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Conor Bierfeldt, Western Connecticut

PITCHER OF THE YEAR

Tyler Erickson, Castleton State

COACH OF THE YEAR

Eric Podbelski, Wheaton

FIRST TEAM

DH – Tucker White, JR, Southern Maine
 C – Brett Cahill, SO, Salem State
 1B – Joe Balowski, JR, Eastern Connecticut
 2B – Sean Riley, JR, Bridgewater State
 2B – Tim Clark, JR, Western New England
 3B – Mike Rubino, JR, Western New England
 SS – Sam Sager, SR, Tufts
 OF – Kyle Morrill, SR, Keene State
 OF – Sean Ryan, JR, Wheaton
 OF – Conor Bierfeldt, JR, Western Connecticut
 OF – Jeff Scafidi, SR, Anna Maria
 P – Tyler Erickson, SR, Castleton State
 P – Chad Rafferty, JR, St. Joseph's
 P – Ben Goldberg, JR, Trinity
 P – Alec Palioca, SO, Wheaton

SECOND TEAM

DH – Peter Burgio, SR, Keene State
 C – Mike Samela, SR, Amherst
 1B – David Pierce, JR, Bridgewater State
 2B – Ryan Zielinski, JR, Castleton State
 3B – Nick Grady, JR, Southern Maine
 3B – Greg Bates, JR, Keene State
 SS – Stephen Rogers, JR, Trinity
 SS – Kyle Allaire, SR, Rhode Island College
 OF – Eric Bergstrom, SR, Keene State
 OF – David Ricker, SR, Southern Maine

Continued in next column...

Second Team, continued

OF – Kevin Greene, JR, Westfield State
 OF – Mike Yates, SR, Western Connecticut
 UT – Jhonneris Mendez, JR, Suffolk
 P – Andy Sadoski, SO, Bridgewater State
 P – Frank Holbrook, JR, Wheaton
 P – Ben Ives, JR, Southern Maine
 P – Nick Douglass, JR, Southern Maine

THIRD TEAM

DH – Matt Collins, SR, Tufts
 DH – Karl Quist, SR, Springfield
 C – Nic Lops, FR, Saint Joseph's
 1B – Jake Cintolo, SO, Suffolk
 1B – Apolinar De la Cruz, FR, Wheaton
 2B – Brandon Chase, JR, Saint Joseph's
 3B – Kyle Brigham, FR, Daniel Webster
 SS – Danny O'Connell, SO, Eastern Connecticut
 SS – Jamill Moquette, SO, UMass Boston
 OF – Conor Cavanagh, SR, Lasell
 OF – Donnie Cimino, FR, Wesleyan
 OF – Creed Mangrum, SO, MIT
 OF – Matt Anthonis, JR, Western New England
 UT – Bob Cook, JR, Amherst
 UT – Alex Chetelat, SR, Newbury
 P – Matt Kerr, SR, Salem State
 P – Sean Meekins, FR, Trinity
 P – Oliver Van Zant, JR, Bowdoin
 P – Brendan Nugent, SO, Western New England