

Donovan, Cotto Earn Weekly Honors

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Lenoir-Rhyne's Lauren Donovan and Amanda Cotto were chosen South Atlantic Conference Women's Lacrosse Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week, respectively.

Donovan, a junior midfielder from Hollywood, Md., totaled seven goals, eight assists and 15 total points for the week including a three-goal, six-assist performance against Wingate in a 23-8 league victory Saturday afternoon at home.

Donovan also totaled eight ground balls and nine draw controls last week and scored three times against fifth-ranked Florida Southern on Sunday.

For the year, Donovan leads the South Atlantic Conference in total points (49) and is second in both goals scored (33) and assists (16). Donovan also earned NCAA Division II All-Independent Team honors in 2012 and 2013.

Cotto, a senior goalkeeper from Fort Myers, Fla., totaled 17 saves for the week with a .354 save percentage. Cotto earned the win against the Bulldogs and tallied eight saves against both Rollins and Florida Southern, two teams ranked nationally in the top 10.

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Cotto has 53 saves on the season with six victories, a .408 save percentage and a 11.90 goals-against average.

Lenoir-Rhyne, 7-5 overall and 3-1 in the South Atlantic Conference, remains at home on Wednesday against Belmont Abbey at Moretz Stadium. Match time is set for 5:00 p.m.

White Paces L-R Men at UNC Pembroke Classic

The Lenoir-Rhyne Men's Golf Team shot a 614 (+38) and stands in ninth place after the first day of the UNCP/Campbell Oil/Sunoco Classic Monday at the River Landing Country Club.

Newberry leads after 36 holes of play with a 585 (+9) on the par-72, 6,795-yard course.

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Newberry's Richard Mansell leads with a 143 (-1) with one round to go while senior John White (Dudley Shoals, N.C.) is Lenoir-Rhyne's top golfer so far.

White is tied for 17th with a 151 (+7) while junior David Donovan (Hampstead, N.C.) and freshman Blake Childers (Granite Falls, N.C.) both carded a 153 (+9) and are tied for 25th overall for the Bears.

The second and final round of the tournament takes place on Tuesday.

UNCP/Campbell Oil/Sunoco Classic

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Wallace, N.C.

River Landing Country Club

Par: 72

Yards: 6,795

1. Newberry 585 (+9)

2. Mount Olive 600 (+24)

3. Erskine 604 (+28)

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4. Barton 607 (+31)

5. St. Thomas Aquinas 610 (+34)

6. Wingate 611 (+35)

7. Coker 612 (+36)

8. UNC Pembroke 613 (+37)

9. Lenoir-Rhyne 614 (+38)

10. Catawba 615 (+39)

11. West Alabama 624 (+48)

12. Sandhills CC 644 (+68)

13. Chowan 662 (+86)

14. Wake Tech CC 664 (+88)

15. Post 689 (+113)

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16. Johnston CC 731 (+155)

Lenoir-Rhyne's Individuals

17t. John White 151 (+7)

25t. David Donovan 153 (+9)

25t. Blake Childers 153 (+9)

48t. Drew Alford 157 (+13)

82t. Cort Fox 172 (+28)

L-R's Jay Goldsmith Named SAC Offensive Player Of Week

Lenoir-Rhyne University's Jay Goldsmith has been selected the South Atlantic Conference Men's Lacrosse Offensive Player Of The Week, league officials announced today.

Goldsmith, a junior attacker from Jamestown, N.C., scored a match-high five goals to go along with an assist in L-R's 17-10 win over Wingate in a league contest last Wednesday at Moretz Stadium.

The five-goal match was the second of the season for Goldsmith, who leads the squad in goals scored (20) and total points (28) so far this year.

In addition, Goldsmith has totaled eight assists and nine ground balls in 2014.

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Coker's Tim Ryan was named this week's South Atlantic Conference Men's Lacrosse Defensive Player Of The Week.

Lenoir-Rhyne (7-2, 4-0) is the lone unbeaten team in the South Atlantic Conference and will face Queens in a league showdown on Wednesday in Charlotte, N.C., beginning at 4:00 p.m.

The Bears, riding a six-match winning streak, moved up three spots to No. 11 in this week's USILA NCAA Division II Coaches Poll. The USILA is the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association.

Photo Courtesy: Amamda Cotto, L-R Athletics