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Longstreth/NFHCA Division II Regional Players of the Year Announced

CHANDLER, Ariz. – West Chester junior forward Rachal Toppi and Stonehill sophomore forward Kacie Smith have been selected as the Longstreth/National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Division II Regional Players of the Year, it was announced on Thursday.

Toppi claimed the honor in the Atlantic Region, while Smith was selected from the East Region.

Toppi continues to receive recognition from her outstanding 2016 campaign. Earlier this week, she was selected as a Longstreth/NFHCA First-Team All-American as she earned All-America status for the third time in as many seasons at West Chester. She also previously took home the Offensive Player of the Year award from both the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) and the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC). Toppi led all of Division II with 24 goals and 53 points. She has registered at least 22 goals in each of her first three seasons.

Smith had a memorable sophomore campaign as she was selected as the Player of the Year in the Northeast-10 Conference as well as a Longstreth/NFHCA First-Team All-American. She led the conference with 22 goals and 49 points, ranking second nationally in each category. Smith scored a team-high seven game-winning goals as she helped the Skyhawks earn a berth in the NCAA Division II Field Hockey Championship.

The Longstreth/NFHCA Division II National Player of the Year award will be announced on Dec. 13.

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