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Hastings College's Amanda Olson

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## Olson, Guyer propelled Broncos to nationals

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When asked what Amanda Olson did for the Hastings College soccer team this season, coach Mark Hiemenz's response was, "What didn't she do?"

The senior from Lincoln East played defender for the first third of the season to fill a need there, then went on a scoring blitz when she moved to forward.

"Considering the 20 goals in the last two thirds of the season, it's interesting what she would have done if she played there the entire season," Hiemenz said.

Other coaches in the state noticed that goal barrage, voting for Olson as honorary captain of The World-Herald NAIA and Division II women's soccer team.

Fellow Bronco Alex Guyer receives the nod on the men's team.

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Olson accepted her defensive role without complaint. But when Hailee Wright was ready to take over that spot, Hiemenz said Olson seemed to perk up on offense and it showed on the field.

She helped lead Hastings to a 16-5-1 record, 9-1 in the Great Plains Athletic Conference, as the Broncos advanced to the national tournament, where they lost in the first round.

Olson also had seven assists and was named an honorable mention All-American, as was teammate Jenn Lerner, who is also on the All-Nebraska team.

"She was able to execute at the times that we needed," Hiemenz said. "It was just a massive contribution to us all around."

Guyer was a first-team NAIA All-American for the Broncos, who went 20-4-0 and 9-1-0 in the GPAC. They reached the national quarterfinals.

A sophomore goalie from Lincoln Southwest, Guyer posted 10 shutouts, had a .088 goals-against average and picked up 92 saves.

Coach Chris Kranjc said Guyer had a hand in several defining moments for Hastings, especially early in the season when the Broncos won several games by a goal.

"We could have easily been in a completely different spot record-wise if Alex hadn't made those big saves," Kranjc said. "He was very consistent, a very strong player on crosses and a good distributor of the ball. He's the total package."

Teammates Thomas Boss, an honorable mention All-American, and Jake Essi also got votes for captain. Hastings had another All-American in third-team defender Tyler Ortlieb.

As good as Guyer was, he was made even better by working against the other Bronco goalkeepers Kranjc said, especially Gretna freshman Tim Stoltenberg.

"The competition is always there," Kranjc said. "That's helped Alex get to where he's been."

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- F: Nathan Douglas, Concordia , Sr.
- F: Leigh Veidman, Bellevue, Sr.
- F: Isaac Beber, Doane, Jr.
- M: Thomas Boss, Hastings, Sr.
- M: Sam Blackman, Midland, Fr.
- M: Jake Essi, Hastings, Sr.
- M: Manuel Lira, Bellevue, Jr.
- D: Tyler Ortlieb, Hastings, Jr.
- D: Nick Saunders, Midland, So.
- D: Quinn Selby, Doane, So.
- D: Alan Carr, Bellevue, So.
- G: Alex Guyer, Hastings, So.
- G: Lewis Wilcox, Midland, Jr.

Honorary captain: Alex Guyer, Hastings

Honorable mention: Jake Cawsey, Tobias Maertzke, Ben Martin, Lee Woolmore, Bellevue; Chris DeFeyter, Sean Doran, Gideon Soenksen, Concordia; Gabe Garbin, Jake Miller, Chris Watson, Doane; Leon Brudy, Jake Ramsay, Hastings; Alan Craig, Gary Giffin, Nate Mishou, Harri Rogers, Midland; Santiago Castano, Carlos Fernandes, York

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 D: Sarah Talcott, UNK, Sr.  
 G: Brittany Toth, Hastings, Sr.  
 G: Megan Manley, Midland, So.

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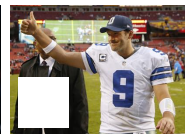
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