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## **Kirk Woolf, Jeremy Adorno named NCBWA Central Region Players of the Week**

*Woolf (Arkansas Monticello) and Adorno (Southern Arkansas) earn Player and Pitcher of the Week honors respectively*

**ST. CLOUD, Minn.** – Kirk Woolf of Arkansas Monticello and Jeremy Adorno of Southern Arkansas have respectively been named the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Central Region Player and Pitcher of the Week following stellar weekends in regional action. The honor is the first of 2023 for both players.

Kirk Woolf anchored the heart of the Boll Weevil order in a four-game series split against St. Cloud State, going 10-for-17 with five runs scored, a double, four home runs and eight RBI. The sophomore transfer from Cuesta College produced a pair of four-hit games while homering three times in the series opener, slashing .588/.632/1.353 for a whopping 1.985 OPS. A native of Martinez, California, Woolf has already surpassed his home run total from last season just seven games into 2023.

Jeremy Adorno was masterful in his second start of the season on February 10 against Missouri Western State, earning the win with 5.0 innings of one-hit baseball. The sophomore righthander allowed just two batters to reach base – giving up a lone single with the other reaching on an error – while striking out eight and walking none. Adorno set down 12 straight from the first through the fourth, retiring 14 of 16 faced in all. The Kissimmee, Florida product is the reigning NCBWA Central Region Pitcher of the Year.

The NCBWA Central Region committee consists of 15 voters with five representatives each from the GAC, MIAA and NSIC. Weekly regular season rankings will begin on February 13 and run through May 8. The Central Region of NCAA DII Baseball is comprised of three conferences – the Great American Conference, the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association and the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference – featuring 39 programs spanning nine states.

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