

## **Final Four-Bound Simon Fraser Lands Six Players on 2012 Daktronics Men's Soccer All-West Region Team**

*Four Clan Earn First Team Accolades, Grand Canyon's Robinson Named West Region Player of the Year*

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**ROHNERT PARK, Calif.** – NCAA Division II West Region champion Simon Fraser, which punched its ticket into the NCAA Division II Men's Final Four with a 1-0 win over Incarnate Word in the quarterfinals on Saturday, placed a region-high six players on the 2012 Daktronics NCAA Division II Men's Soccer All-West Region Teams that were released Monday. Four of the six players from SFU landed on the First Team and Grand Canyon senior forward Saeed Robinson was voted as the West Region Player of the Year, highlighting Monday's release of the annual postseason awards sponsored by Daktronics, Inc. and voted on by the region's sports information directors.

Clan junior forward Carlo Basso, senior midfielder Michael Winter, freshman midfielder Ryan Dhillon and senior defender Matt Besuschko all were voted to the First Team with freshman defender Quante Abbott Hill Smith and senior defender Helge Neumann snagging Second Team honors. They are the first Daktronics Division II All-Region award winners in the history of the program, which is in its first full year as an NCAA member after spending the past two seasons in transition between NAIA and the NCAA.

Simon Fraser, now 19-1-1 and outscoring its opponents 72-14 this season, will take Thanksgiving weekend off before making the trip to Evans, Ga. for the NCAA Division II Men's Soccer Final Four. They'll play a semifinal match against Saginaw Valley State on Nov. 29. The winner will then face off with the other semifinal winner, either Mercyhurst or Lynn, for the national championship on Dec. 1.

Grand Canyon's Robinson, who was recently named the Pacific West Conference Player of the Year, was also voted the region's top player after leading the West with 18 goals this season. He also added six assists to total 42 points on the year. In addition, Robinson was named to the All-West Region First Team for the second consecutive year.

UC San Diego goalkeeper Josh Cohen earned a First Team All-Region nod as the nation's leader in goals against average. The junior allowed just five goals in 13 matches played this season (1,134 minutes), sporting a GAA of 0.397. He was also named the 2012 CCAA Most Valuable Defensive Player just a couple of weeks ago. Cohen's teammate, Triton defender Alec Arshat, also earned First Team All-Region honors this season after helping to anchor the conference's best defense.

Cal State L.A. placed two forwards on the All-Region First Team – senior Rosario Bras and junior Antti Arvola. It is the second Daktronics All-Region selection for Bras and the first for Arvola, who was the CCAA's Most Valuable Offensive Player this season.

Rounding out the First Team selections were forward Alejandro Porras (Hawaii Pacific), midfielder Pedro Guevara (Dominican), midfielder Thomas Chameraud (Montana State Billings), defender Jordan Hatanaka (Cal State Dominguez Hills) and defender Jon Pearman (Seattle Pacific).

All 13 Daktronics NCAA Division II All-West Region First Team selections will now be included on the All-America ballot. The 2012 Daktronics NCAA Division II All-America Team will be announced on Nov. 28, just one day prior to the semifinal matches in Georgia.

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## 2012 Daktronics NCAA Division II Men's Soccer All-West Region Teams

### First Team

Pos	Name	School	Yr	Hometown
GK	Josh Cohen	UC San Diego	Jr.	Sunnyvale, Calif.
F	Saeed Robinson	Grand Canyon	Sr.	Portmore, Jamaica
F	Carlo Basso	Simon Fraser	Jr.	Coquitlam, B.C., Canada
F	Antti Arvola	Cal State L.A.	Jr.	Espoo, Finland
F	Rosario Bras	Cal State L.A.	Sr.	Guadalupe, Calif.
MF	Pedro Guevara	Dominican (CA)	Sr.	Santa Rosa, Calif.
MF	Michael Winter	Simon Fraser	Sr.	Vancouver, B.C., Canada
MF	Thomas Chameraud	Montana State Billings	Sr.	Poitiers, France
MF	Ryan Dhillon	Simon Fraser	Fr.	North Delta, B.C., Canada
D	Alec Arsht	UC San Diego	Jr.	Oak Park, Calif.
D	Jordan Hatanaka	Cal State Dominguez Hills	Jr.	Taylorsville, Utah
D	Jon Pearman	Seattle Pacific	Sr.	Glendale, Ariz.
D	Matt Besuschko	Simon Fraser	Sr.	Port Moody, B.C., Canada

### Second Team

Pos	Name	School	Yr	Hometown
GK	Joshua Zehring	Grand Canyon	So.	Gilbert, Ariz.
F	Taylor Varnadore	Sonoma State	Jr.	Sebastopol, Calif.
F	Alejandro Porras	Hawaii Pacific	Jr.	Begues, Spain
F	Armando Garcia	Notre Dame de Namur	Jr.	Redwood City, Calif.
F	Jonathan Gonzalez	Notre Dame de Namur	Jr.	Bloomfield, N.J.
MF	Jio Santana	Cal State Dominguez Hills	Jr.	Bishop, Calif.
MF	Micah Miranda	Chico State	Sr.	Kailua Kona, Hawaii
MF	Jesus Gonzalez	Notre Dame de Namur	Jr.	Santa Barbara, Calif.
MF	Juan Ochoa	Cal State L.A.	Jr.	Paramount, Calif.
D	Lee Nishanian	Cal State San Bernardino	Jr.	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.
D	Quante Abbott Hill Smith	Simon Fraser	Fr.	Brampton, Ontario, Canada
D	Mike Janjigian	Chico State	Jr.	Pleasanton, Calif.
D	Helge Neumann	Simon Fraser	Sr.	Oslo, Norway

**West Region Player of the Year:** Grand Canyon senior forward Saeed Robinson (Portmore, Jamaica)

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