



## Media Release

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### **Sask Sport Inc. Announces the February Athlete of the Month Award Recipient**

Noah Choboter of Regina is the recipient of the Sask Sport Inc. February Athlete of the Month Award. He was nominated by Swim Saskatchewan Inc.

It was a record-breaking month for Choboter, who set nine provincial records – a feat never accomplished in Saskatchewan before. He won a gold medal in the 100 metre backstroke and took home silver in the 50m backstroke at the Eastern Canadian Open Swim Meet. At the CIS Swimming Championships, he won gold in the 100m backstroke and 200m backstroke for the University of Regina Swim Team. Prior to the event, only one swimmer from the U of R had ever won a national gold medal. Choboter has qualified to compete in the Olympic Trials.

The other outstanding nominees for this month were:

- **University of Saskatchewan Huskies Wrestling Team, Saskatoon** – the men's squad won its first Canada West Championship in 30 years, led by gold medalist and Male Wrestler of the Year Josh Bodnarchuk. The women's team placed second at CanWest, led by gold medalist and Female Wrestler of the Year Katie Dutchak. U of S Wrestling Team Coach Daniel Olver was named Coach of the Year.
- **Gabrielle Sanson, Moose Jaw, Speed Skating** – qualified for the Junior World Long Track Championships in her first year of eligibility thanks to a strong showing at the Canadian Junior Long Track Championships. At nationals, she finished fourth overall by placing third in the 1,000m, fourth in the 1,500m and seven in both the 500m and 3,000m.

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For information regarding the Athlete of the Month Awards program, including previous nominees and recipients, visit [www.sasksport.sk.ca/awards.php](http://www.sasksport.sk.ca/awards.php)

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