



JMU'S SCHOR, VILLANOVA'S KPASSAGNON HEADLINE 2016 CAA FOOTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE AWARDS

RICHMOND, Va. (November 22, 2016) – CAA Football announced its 2016 post-season award winners on Tuesday, headlined by James Madison junior quarterback **Bryan Schor** being selected as the league's Offensive Player of the Year and Villanova senior defensive lineman **Tanoh Kpassagnon** being chosen as the conference's Defensive Player of the Year.

Other major award recipients included James Madison's **Mike Houston** as CAA Coach of the Year, JMU senior wide receiver/returner **Rashard Davis** as Special Teams Player of the Year, Towson freshman running back **Shane Simpson** as Offensive Rookie of the Year and New Hampshire freshman cornerback **Prince Smith, Jr.** as Defensive Rookie of the Year. New Hampshire senior cornerback **Casey DeAndrade** was honored with the Chuck Boone Leadership Award.

CAA Football's all-conference awards are voted on by the league's 12 head coaches. CAA champion James Madison led all teams with 14 selections, including 10 first-team honorees, while Richmond had 12 players named to the squad and Maine followed with 10.

In his first year as a full-time starter, Schor completed 156-of-213 passes for 2,026 yards and 18 touchdowns and also ran for 545 yards and nine TD's. The junior led the nation in completion percentage (73.2%) and ranked second in FCS in passing efficiency (178.2). Schor, who was second in the CAA in total offense (257.1 ypg), threw for over 200 yards in six games and rushed for over 100 yards twice. He completed better than 60% of his passes in nine of the Dukes' 10 contests.

Kpassagnon was a dominant force on the Villanova defensive line. The senior led the league and ranked 12th in FCS with 19.0 tackles for loss and also topped the conference and was 21st in FCS with 8.5 sacks. Kpassagnon recorded 40 total tackles, recovered two fumbles and also blocked a kick. He played a key role on a Wildcats' defense that ranked third nationally in scoring defense (14.9 ppg) and total defense (265.1 ypg).

Houston guided James Madison to a 10-1 overall record and the school's first outright CAA Football championship since 2008 with a perfect 8-0 mark. The Dukes, who received a #4 national seed and a first-round bye in the NCAA FCS playoffs, closed the regular season on an eight-game winning streak that included road victories over three nationally ranked opponents.

Davis averaged an incredible 31.9 yards on nine punt returns and tied a CAA record by returning three of them for touchdowns. The senior found the end zone on a pair of 76-yard returns against Morehead State and Elon and had a 75-yard return for a score vs. Central Connecticut State. Davis also contributed as a wide receiver, making 31 receptions for 345 yards and two touchdowns.

Simpson topped the CAA and ranked sixth in FCS with 166.8 all-purpose yards per game. The freshman averaged a CAA-best 26.9 yards on kickoff returns, which ranked 13th in FCS, highlighted by a school-record

100-yard touchdown return against New Hampshire. Simpson was also Towson's leading rusher with 784 yards and three touchdowns.

Smith made a big impact in the New Hampshire secondary, leading the team and ranking second in the CAA with five interceptions. He tied a conference record by returning two of the interceptions for touchdowns against Towson and Stony Brook. The freshman made 25 tackles and also led the Wildcats with 11 pass breakups.

DeAndrade was the recipient of the prestigious Chuck Boone Leadership Award, an honor that embodies the highest standards of leadership, integrity, teamwork and sportsmanship in academics and athletics. The senior cornerback once again excelled on the field, earning first-team all-conference honors at cornerback and third-team accolades as a punt returner. The Wildcats' captain, who is majoring in kinesiology/pedagogy, was a first-team Academic All-District honoree and is on the ballot for Academic All-America honors. The Boone Award is selected by the CAA Football athletics directors.



2016 CAA Football All-Conference Honors

2016 CAA Football Individual Awards

(as voted on by the head coaches)

COACH OF THE YEAR

Mike Houston, James Madison

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Bryan Schor, James Madison (QB - Jr.)

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Tanoh Kpassagnon, Villanova (DL - Sr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Rashard Davis, James Madison (PR/WR - Sr.)

OFFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Shane Simpson, Towson (RB - Fr.)

DEFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Prince Smith, Jr., New Hampshire (CB - Fr.)

CHUCK BOONE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Casey DeAndrade, New Hampshire (CB - Sr.)

2016 All-CAA Football First Team

(as voted on by the head coaches)

OFFENSE

Position	Player	School	Class
QB	Bryan Schor	James Madison	Jr.
RB	Khalid Abdullah	James Madison	Sr.
RB	Elijah Ibitokun-Hanks	UAlbany	So.
FB/HB	Anthony Manzo-Lewis	UAlbany	Jr.
WR	Brian Brown	Richmond	Sr.
WR	Brandon Ravenel	James Madison	Sr.
WR	Micah Wright	Maine	So.
TE	Jonathan Kloosterman	James Madison	Jr.
OL	Thomas Evans	Richmond	Sr.
OL	Mitchell Kirsch	James Madison	Sr.
OL	Tad McNeely	New Hampshire	Sr.
OL	Timon Parris	Stony Brook	Jr.
OL	Aaron Stinnie	James Madison	Jr.
OL	Jerry Ugokwe	William & Mary	Sr.
PK	Griffin Trau	Richmond	So.
KR	Shane Simpson	Towson	Fr.
PR	Rashard Davis	James Madison	Sr.

DEFENSE

Position	Player	School	Class
DL	Andrew Ankrah	James Madison	Jr.
DL	Winston Craig	Richmond	Sr.
DL	Tanoh Kpassagnon	Villanova	Sr.
DL	Patrick Ricard	Maine	Sr.
DL	Cam Shorey	New Hampshire	Sr.
LB	Charles Bell	Delaware	Jr.
LB	Austin Calitro	Villanova	Sr.
LB	Omar Howard	Richmond	Sr.
LB	Michael Nicastrò	UAlbany	Sr.
LB	Christophe Mulumba Tshimanga	Maine	Sr.
CB	Casey DeAndrade	New Hampshire	Sr.
CB	Taylor Reynolds	James Madison	Sr.
S	Raven Greene	James Madison	Jr.
S	Rob Rolle	Villanova	Jr.
P	Jake Ryder	Towson	Sr.

2016 All-CAA Football Second Team

(as voted on by the head coaches)

OFFENSE

Position	Player	School	Class
QB	Kyle Lauletta	Richmond	Jr.
RB	Kendell Anderson	William & Mary	Sr.
RB	Dalton Crossan	New Hampshire	Sr.
FB/HB	James Pavik	Richmond	Sr.

WR	Ray Bolden	Stony Brook	Jr.
WR	DeVonte Dedmon	William & Mary	Jr.
WR	Christian Summers	Towson	Sr.
TE	Andrew Caskin	William & Mary	Jr.
OL	Connor Bozick	Delaware	Sr.
OL	Matt Frank	James Madison	Sr.
OL	Brody Kern	Delaware	Jr.
OL	Brad Seaton	Villanova	Sr.
OL	Nicholas Vergos	Richmond	Sr.
PK	John Gallagher	Elon	Sr.
KR	Harold Cooper	Rhode Island	Jr.
PR	Micah Wright	Maine	So.

DEFENSE

Position	Player	School	Class
DL	Ousmane Camara	Stony Brook	Jr.
DL	Malachi Hoskins	UAlbany	Jr.
DL	Bilal Nichols	Delaware	Jr.
DL	Brandon Waller	Richmond	Jr.
LB	Shane Lawless	Stony Brook	So.
LB	Troy Reeder	Delaware	So.
LB	John Silas	Elon	Sr.
LB	Gage Steele	James Madison	Sr.
CB	Raysan Clark	UAlbany	Sr.
CB	Trey Reed	William & Mary	Sr.
S	Tyrice Beverette	Stony Brook	Jr.
S	Jaheem Woods	Stony Brook	Sr.
P	Gunnar Kane	James Madison	Sr.

2016 All-CAA Football Third Team

(as voted on by the head coaches)

OFFENSE

Position	Player	School	Class
QB	Dan Collins	Maine	Sr.
RB	Stacey Bedell	Stony Brook	Jr.
RB	Aaron Forbes	Villanova	So.
RB	Wes Hills	Delaware	Jr.
WR	Terrence Alls	James Madison	Jr.
WR	Andre Dessenberg	Towson	Sr.
WR	Neil O'Connor	New Hampshire	So.
WR	Tyler Wilkins	Richmond	So.
TE	Ryan Bell	Villanova	Jr.
TE	Garrett Hudson	Richmond	Jr.
OL	Max Andrews	Maine	Sr.
OL	Jamil Demby	Maine	Jr.
OL	Chris Durant	William & Mary	Jr.
OL	Andrew Lauderdale	New Hampshire	Sr.
OL	Kevin Malloy	UAlbany	Sr.
PK	Aidan O'Neill	Towson	Fr.
KR	Earnest Edwards	Maine	Fr.
PR	Casey DeAndrade	New Hampshire	Sr.

DEFENSE

Position	Player	School	Class
DL	Jose Duncan	Rhode Island	Jr.
DL	John Haggart	Stony Brook	So.
DL	Bryan Osei	Villanova	Sr.
DL	Isaiah Stephens	William & Mary	Jr.
LB	DeVaughn Chollette	New Hampshire	Sr.
LB	Stephen Lubnow	William & Mary	Sr.
LB	Sterling Sheffield	Maine	So.
LB	Ed Shockley	Villanova	Jr.
CB	Nassir Adderley	Delaware	So.
CB	Najee Goode	Maine	Jr.
CB	Darin Peart	Stony Brook	Jr.
S	Brendan Coniker	Richmond	Jr.
S	Monty Fenner	Towson	Jr.
S	Pop Lacey	New Hampshire	Fr.
P	John Hinchén	Villanova	Jr.