

# Women's Basketball Earns Four All-WIAC Honors

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MADISON - UW-Eau Claire women's basketball guard **Rachel Becker** (*Jr. -Gilmanton*) has been named to the All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) while three others were also recognized as All-Conference selections, it was announced recently by WIAC Commissioner Gary Karner.

Forward **Michelle Burns** (*Fr.-Eau Claire/North*) and guard **Jessica Dickey** (*Sr.-White Bear Lake, MN/Cretin-Derham Hall*) join Becker on the All-WIAC team as honorable mention selections while guard **Katie Murphy** (*Sr.-La Crosse/Aquinas*) was named to the All-Defensive team.

The Blugolds finished the 2004-05 season with an overall record of 16-11, including an upset win in the WIAC Tournament as fifth-seeded Eau Claire topped fourth-seeded River Falls. The Blugolds started off the season with seven straight victories. The string included a win at the Eau Claire Thanksgiving Showcase Tournament.

Becker led the conference in assists (5.11), while placing second in assist/turnover ratio (1.66), fifth in steals (2.44), 11th in free throw percentage (.727), 14th in defensive rebounds (3.70), 16th in scoring (10.2), and 18th in rebounding (5.0).

Becker had a phenomenal two-game string on January 25 and 29, when she recorded double-digit assists on back-to-back games. She tallied 11 assists in a 93-76 win over UW-Superior and 12 assists in a 72-64 win against UW-La Crosse.

Burns was fantastic for the Blugolds in her freshman season, finishing second in the conference in offensive rebounds (2.89), tied for third in free-throw percentage (.764), fourth in rebounding (7.1), seventh in defensive rebounds (4.19), eighth in field-goal percentage (.465), 14th in scoring (10.6).

Dickey had a solid season as she led the Blugolds in scoring (12.2), good for eight in the conference. She finished seventh in field goal percentage (.758), 10th in steals (1.85), 12th in offensive rebounds (1.96), 12th in field-goal percentage (.380), 17th in rebounding (5.0).

Murphy earns All-Defensive team distinction for the first time in her career after earning honorable mention last season. She finished tops in the WIAC in assist/turnover ratio (2.21), fourth in assists (3.0), seventh in three-point field goal percentage (.366), seventh in three-point field goals made (1.36), and eighth in steals (2.0).

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