



PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

Devin Wilkerson



- Current team: **2005 Boys**
- Favorite Position: **Right Wing**
- Favorite soccer player: **Lionel Messi**
- Favorite soccer team: **Barcelona**
- Best experience as a Rush WI West player so far: **Traveling to Milan – Italy with Rush and competing against some great European clubs.**
- What are you looking for to achieve as a soccer player? **Make Rush Select Team, Play College soccer and pursue soccer professionally.**
- Who inspires you to be motivated for practices, games, and tournaments? **I am inspired and motivated to win, learning from losses and working hard to beat those I have been defeated by.**
- Favorite quote: **“Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing” – Pele**

Selected for: **“Great start of the season for Devin. Most dangerous player so far; creating space for the team, having a positive mentality and scoring goals will take him far. Devin is showing me that he can absolutely be a team player more than just an individual player. Keep the hard work!” – Coach Cesar Golfetti, 2005 Rush Boys Coach.**



Isabel Ploessi



- Current team: **2005 Girls**
- Favorite Position: **Right Back**
- Favorite soccer player: **Julie Ertz**
- Favorite soccer team: **US Women’s National Team**
- Best experience as a Rush WI West player so far: **Having the opportunity to play with girls from all over the area and learning from a variety of coaches.**
- What are you looking for to achieve as a soccer player? **Starting on a College Varsity team.**
- Who inspires you to be motivated for practices, games, and tournaments? **My teammates and Family.**
- Favorite quote: **“Dream as if you’ll live forever, live as you’ll die today” – James Dean.**

Selected for: **“Isabel demonstrated great focus and a strong ethic during trainings and games. She has also been improving a lot since she started to play for Rush! – Coach Joe Lewis, 2005 Girls Coach.**

Honorable Mentions: Talia Bembnister (Academy Girls); Brody Schauf (Academy Boys); Allison Nelson (2007 Girls); Marissa King (2006 Girls); Andre De La Rosa (Nero Boys), Joe O’Flaherty (Nero Boys), Mason Schlinger (Nero Boys/GK of the month); Sera Speltz (03/04 Girls); Will Cambio (02/03 Boys)