

Congratulations Tyrie!!

Dixie Hollins Graduate Tyrie Adams named the Southern Conference's Offensive Player of the Month.



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Cullowhee, N.C. - Western Carolina redshirt freshman quarterback [Tyrie Adams](#) was today named the Southern Conference's Offensive Player of the Month for games played in September. Selections are made by the conference office from nominations submitted by the media relations staffs of each school.

The monthly award is the first for Adams in his collegiate career. He is just the seventh different Catamount football player to earn a player of the month honor from the SoCon since 2003 – and just the second offensive player, the first since former QB [Brian Gaither](#) collected honors in September, 2003.

It is the third-straight season WCU has garnered a monthly award winner, joining [Daniel Riddle](#) (Oct., 2015) and [Trey Morgan](#) (Oct., 2014) – both of whom earned defensive honors.

Adams led the SoCon in passing yardage (312.3 yards per game) and total offense (369.3 yards per game) through the first month of the season. He amassed 1,108 yards of total offense including 937 passing yards and 171 on the ground in September. He completed nearly 70-percent of his passes during the month, connecting on 74 of his 106 attempts with seven touchdown passes.

Adams made his collegiate debut in starting the 2016 season-opener at FBS-foe, East Carolina, starting the first three games of his career in the Catamount backfield.

During the month, Adams collected SoCon Offensive Player of the Week plaudits after setting a WCU single-game record with 510 yards of total offense in the home win over Gardner-Webb. Adams threw for a career-best 427 yards, completing a career-best 36 passes for a school-record tying five TD passes. He added a career-high 83 yards on the ground in the victory over the Runnin' Bulldogs. In addition to weekly plaudits from the league office, the St. Petersburg, Fla., native also collected regional recognition as the SoCon's top offensive player from both College Sports Madness and Southern Pigskin.

Adams capped the month by recording his second 300-plus yard passing performance by throwing for 343 yards and two touchdowns against ETSU in a game played at the Bristol Motor Speedway.

Adams and the Catamounts look to bounce back this coming Saturday as WCU (1-3, 0-2 SoCon) hosts Wofford (3-2, 1-1 SoCon) in league action at E.J. Whitmire Stadium / Bob Waters Field in Cullowhee. The game will be broadcast on the American Sports Network (check local listings). On Saturday, Joe Lasher Junior is slated for a pregame concert in the Catamount Tailgate Concert Series in the Field House parking lot, with a postgame fireworks extravaganza – presented by Ingles and iHeartRadio affiliates 99.9 Kiss Country and Star 104.3 – planned following the game