

FOS Editor Mark Brennan is a member of the media panel that picks the All-Big Ten men's basketball teams. This is his ballot, with comments on each selection.

MARK BRENNAN'S ALL-BIG TEN BALLOT

FIRST TEAM

Dee Brown	Illinois	He has my Wooden vote (for now).
Deron Williams	Illinois	Made everyone on team better.
Bracey Wright	Indiana	Did well with a cast of kids.
Vincent Grier	Minnesota	Terrific on offense and defense.
Mike Wilkinson	Wisconsin	Tough matchup for everyone.

SECOND TEAM

James Augustine	Illinois	Someone played post D for Illini.
Luther Head	Illinois	Made most of many open looks.
Alan Anderson	Michigan State	Strong, athletic all-around player.
Paul Davis	Michigan State	Not as good as I expected.
Carl Landry	Purdue	Got it done for struggling team.

THIRD TEAM

Roger Powell	Illinois	Great complementary player.
Jeff Horner	Iowa	I've always liked this guy.
Jeff Hagen	Minnesota	Most underrated player in league.
Vedran Vukusic	Northwestern	Efficient scorer in patient offense.
Terence Dials	Ohio State	More consistent this season.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

1. Dee Brown	Illinois	Driving force behind league's best team.
2. Deron Williams	Illinois	Unselfish, all-around talent.
3. Mike Wilkinson	Wisconsin	The key to the Badgers' success.

FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

1. Geary Claxton	Penn State	Outstanding with little veteran help.
2. D.J. White	Indiana	Didn't have to carry the load Claxton did.
3. Robert Vaden	Indiana	See above.

COACH OF THE YEAR

1. Bruce Weber	Illinois	I know. Let's see if he can recruit.
2. Tom Izzo	Michigan State	Keeps on doing what he does so well.
3. Dan Monson	Minnesota	Nice effort in rebuilding year.

NOTES:

WHERE'S HOJO? Penn State's Aaron Johnson may have led the league in rebounding (9.9 per), but he struggled once Big Ten play began, making 37 percent of his shots. I think the world of him. But couldn't vote for him here.

HEAD GAMES: Head was Illinois' leading scorer. So how come he's not on the first team here? The Illini could have survived a long stretch without him, but not without Brown or Williams.

LAST GUY TO MISS THE CUT: Iowa's Greg Brunner. Hagen was a more efficient player for a better team. Plus, Hagen was better in the two games between the teams, averaging 14.5 points and 14.5 rebounds.