Meramec Soccer Lands MCCAC Title, 7 All-Conference Players

In a conference thoroughly dominated by the St. Louis Community College - Meramec men’s soccer team, the post season honors have matched the Magic’s success and MCCAC championship.

Meramec, who recently finished the year at 14-4-1, went a perfect 10-0 in conference play, earning second year head coach Brian Smugala Coach Of The Year honors. Smugala is 29-7-4 in his two seasons.

Named to the first team All-Conference is: goalie Tyler Italiano (St. Mary’s.) Italiano was 8-2-1 in goal for Meramec with 4 shutouts, only giving up 8 goals for a .72 goals against per game average.

Defender Grant Landon (Marquette), an All-American candidate, was part of the smothering defense as center back that shielded Italiano. Forward Joe Brennan (CBC), Meramec’s leading scorer the last two years, poured in 11 goals (5 game-winning) to go with 6 assists this season. Midfielder Sam Stremlau (St. Mary’s) also joins the first team with his ball control and relentless pressure in setting up plays.

On the MCCAC second team is defender Jimmy Koch (St. Charles West), midfielder Colin Kuster (DeSmet), and defender Charlie Reitz (CBC).