

Six Nations Rebels have eye on fifth straight Founders Cup



(The Six Nations Rebels took time to give out some hardware and celebrate what was last summer their fourth straight Founders Cup victory. Following the awards and luncheon it was time to look ahead as many Rebels hopefuls and vets took the floor for 2015 team tryouts. (Photo By Neil Becker)

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Aiming high and going out on a positive note is always the objective of an elite athlete.

Along with winning championships the highest honor no matter the

sport is to be recognized by your teammates and organization.

Recently at the Six Nations Rebels pot luck awards luncheon Chase Martin who ended his junior 'B' career in triumph ally lifting his third

Founders Cup and the Rebels fourth straight ended up winning the Carney Elijah Johnson Memorial Award, Most Valuable Player of the Year Award (along with Mitch Green), Oliver "Cap" Bomberly Trophy, Karen



Six Nations Rebels goaltender Chase Martin who ended his Junior 'B' career with his third Founders Cup gets presented the Carney Elijah Johnson Memorial Trophy from Tom Johnson. (Photo By Neil Becker)



Six Nations Rebels Layne Smith who won the Blair Martin Memorial Trophy poses with team president Scott Maracle. Smith described the feeling of winning what was his first Founders Cup as "Unbelievable." Smith scored 33 goals and 79 points in his rookie campaign. (Photo By Neil Becker)

Kathleen Rose Hill Memorial Trophy and the Clayton Sandy Memorial Trophy.

"It's a humbling feeling, Martin who finished his Rebels career with a 39-2 record and a 6.43 GAA said. "It's an honour, (winning these awards) This (Carney Elijah Johnson Memorial Award) really means a lot because of the spirit Carney had

on and off the floor. I just tried to be as good a teammate as he was." Reflecting on his three seasons of wearing Rebels colors Martin who will be trying out next summer for the Six Nations Rivermen added that winning the 2012 Founders Cup was the most emotional of his three. "We Had to overcome some big obstacles," Mar-

tin said in reference to the passing of Johnson. "It was an amazing feeling playing and winning (Founders) at home." Meanwhile Rebels executive Cam Bomberly who has been keeping a close eye on early team tryout sessions was full of strong praise for his entire team from last year including Martin. **(Continued Next Page)**