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Two Mavericks earn POW accolades

MANKATO — Minnesota State defensive end Randy Earl and punter Gerard DeWet have been honored by the North Central Conference for their play in Saturday's 26-16 conference victory over Augustana at Blakeslee Stadium.

Earl was named the NCC's defensive player of the week after collecting a career-high 10 tackles, 2.5 sacks and a forced fumble in the victory. Earl, who was named player of the week for the second time in his career, shares the award with Minnesota Duluth's Tyler Yelk.

DeWet received the special team's player of the week honor, averaging 42.0 yards on six punts with four punts being downed inside the 20-yard line. DeWet's longest punt covered a season-long 52 yards.

The Mavericks have had five players receive weekly honors from the NCC.

In addition to Earl and DeWet, quarterback Ben King has been honored twice, with receiver Donte Shackelford and cornerback Kelvin Rodgers each receiving the award once.

The Mavericks (3-1, 1-0 in NCC) are off until a game Sept. 29 at Nebraska-Omaha.