

Matthew L. Greason '97



Matthew Greason is a member of the North Yarmouth Academy class of 1997. At NYA, he was a three sport athlete participating in soccer, ice hockey, and baseball. Although his focus was hockey, he excelled in soccer and baseball as well. Matt was a scoring threat in each sport and was captain of all three sports during his senior year.

During the fall season, Matt was an integral part of the varsity soccer program under coach and fellow Hall of Famer Steve Morris. Listed as a key returner each year, he was a powerful forward in the Panther line-up. There was rarely a game summary printed in the local newspaper where Matt was not listed as the leading scorer. As a senior captain, he helped lead his team to a record of 11-3-1. Matt was recognized in the post season by earning Western Maine Conference First Team All-Star honors and *Portland Press Herald* All-State recognition.

Each spring, Matt served as both a pitcher and an infielder for the baseball team, also coached by Steve Morris. Matt was an excellent hitter and proved to be vital to the team's success because of his versatility and athleticism. Whether it was stolen bases, runs batted in, or strikes thrown, Matt could always be relied upon to come up with the big play.

Matt made his largest contributions to the NYA athletic program during the winter. Newspaper interviews highlight his long hours spent on the ice from an early age. Described as one of the smartest players in his cohort, Matt was a focal point of the Panther squad and let his play

speaking for itself. He was named to the preseason *Sun Journal* All-State team his junior year, and he led in scoring and assists in both his junior and senior years. The *Portland Press Herald* featured many stories on Matt throughout his final season. As captain, he led his team to NYA's first Class "A" Boys Ice Hockey State Championship since 1989. He was named the *Portland Press Herald* Player of the Year and received the Travis Roy Award.

Matt went on to play one year at prep school before beginning his successful collegiate ice hockey career at Trinity College. He then served as the



assistant coach of the U-17 and U-18 Development Program Ice Hockey National Teams, and in the fall of 2011, Matt was named the head coach of the Trinity men's ice hockey program. North Yarmouth Academy is proud to induct Matthew L. Greason '97 into the Edgar F. White '38 Athletic Hall of Fame.