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Sioux City's Grant Harder keeps the puck away from a Lincoln defender during a Feb. 17 game. Harder and two of his teammates, Nate Solma and Cam Patrick, were named to USA Hockey Division II National Tournament all-tournament team.

Metros trio named to all-tourney team

Solma, Harder and
Patrick honored after
winning national title

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Three members of the Division II USA Hockey National Tournament champion Sioux City Metros were named to the all-tournament team.

Sioux City had a member selected to every level as forward Nathan Solma, defenseman Grant Harder and goaltender Cameron Patrick were named to the all-tournament squad after leading the Metros to the title last weekend in West Chester, Penn.

The team defeated the East Islip Chiefs in the championship game.

East Islip had two players named to the team in forwards

Ryan Anatra and Anthony Pepe, and Wyatt Reeder of the Rushmore Thunder (S.D.) joined Harder as the all-star team's defensemen.

Anatra and Solma, who is the Metros' all-time leader in goals scored with over 100 for his career, led the tournament in goals scored as each had 10 goals over six games. Solma added five assists for the Metros, and was the only player at the tournament to have more than one hat trick.

Grant Harder was the top-scoring defenseman in the Division II tournament with seven goals and five assists. He also led a back line that held East Islip's three top scorers with points in the championship game.

Patrick only gave up eight goals while facing 136 shots over the six games at the tournament. Half of those came as the Metros were plating short-handed.