



NEW JERSEY ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

FOOTBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 10/28/17



OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

E.J. LEE • Wesley College
Sophomore • Running Back • Germantown, MD/Northwest

Lee earns NJAC Offensive Player of the Week honors for the second time this season after helping No. 14 Wesley improve to 7-0 in conference with a 26-7 NJAC road win at Montclair State. He produced his eighth consecutive rushing game this season, finishing the contest by averaging 7.9 per run with 157 yards on just 20 carries. He also rushed for a pair of scores, including a 47-yard fourth quarter touchdown. The league's leading rusher (1,170) by 491 yards over his nearest competitor, Lee is averaging a conference-best 146.2 yards per game.



DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MARQUIS OLIVER • Kean University
Senior • Defensive Line • Lakewood, NJ/Lakewood

Oliver becomes the second different Cougar to earn NJAC Defensive Player of the Week honors after helping Kean secure its fourth NJAC win of the season - a 27-7 victory over Christopher Newport. In a defensive effort in which Kean's defense held the CNU offense to 18.0 points below its scoring average, he secured three tackles, including two sacks, a forced fumble, and a fumble recovery which he returned 16 yards for a fourth quarter touchdown. Oliver currently ranks 20th in the NJAC in sacks (2.5).



SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

ZACH WARCOLA • The College of New Jersey
Sophomore • Punter • Mendham, NJ/Mendham

Warcola earns NJAC Special Teams Player of the Week honors after playing a key role in the Lions' second win of the season - a 20-0 road shutout at William Paterson. In a game of field position, he punted four times for an average of 49.0 yards per attempt. Three of his four punts were over 50 yards in distance and three were downed inside of WPU's 20-yard line. The only player in the league currently averaging over 40.0 yards per punt, Warcola is the NJAC leader at 42.7 per attempt.



OFFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

JACK LANHAM • Salisbury University
Freshman • Quarterback • Prince Frederick, MD/Calvert

Lanham earns NJAC Offensive Rookie of the Week honors after helping the No. 25 Sea Gulls improve to 7-0 in conference play with a 33-0 NJAC victory over Rowan. In just the second game of his collegiate career, he made the most of his only pass attempt in the contest, connecting on an 88-yard scoring strike to Blake Joppy for his first career touchdown pass. Through the first two games of his collegiate career, Lanham is 3-of-6 passing for 107 yards and a touchdown.



DEFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

ZACH STRAND • Frostburg State University
Freshman • Linebacker • Easton, MD/Easton

Strand becomes the second different Bobcat to earn NJAC Defensive Rookie of the Week honors after leading No. 15 Frostburg State improve to 6-1 in league play with a 35-3 NJAC road win at Southern Virginia. In just the eighth game of his collegiate career, he registered a career-high five tackles, including a career-best four solo stops. He also produced a career-high 3.5 tackles for a loss, including 1.5 sacks. Strand currently ranks sixth in the NJAC in total sacks (5.5).