



# NEW JERSEY ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

## *Players of the Week*

WEEK ENDING MARCH 27, 2022



### PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MICHAEL LAPCZYNSKI • Kean University  
Senior • Third Base • Metuchen, NJ/Metuchen

Lapczynski collects his first NJAC Player of the Week honor after leading Kean to four straight wins. He batted .579 (11-for-19) with seven extra base hits, eight RBI, and six runs scored. He belted out six doubles and a home run to post a blistering 1.053 slugging percentage. He went 4-for-5 with two doubles, four RBI and a walk against Alvernia. He followed up with a 3-for-5 outing with a double, homer, and two RBI against St. Joseph's (LI). Lapczynski wrapped up the week going a combined 4-for-9 with three doubles and two RBI in a doubleheader sweep of Eastern. He currently ranks second in the NJAC with a .500 season batting average.



### PITCHER OF THE WEEK

JORDAN GRAY • The College of New Jersey  
Sophomore • Pitcher • Deptford, NJ/GCIT

Gray is named NJAC Pitcher of the Week for the first time this season after earning a complete game win over Haverford last Friday. He went the distance, striking out eight and scattering seven hits and walking just one for his second win of the season. The sophomore currently ranks fourth in the NJAC with a 1.80 ERA, and sits atop the NJAC rankings in the fewest hits and fewest runs allowed.



### ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

TUCKER ELDER • Stockton University  
Freshman • Outfield • Ewing, NJ/Ewing

Elder becomes the second Osprey this season to earn NJAC Rookie of the Week honors, joining Week 3 winner Jordan Nitti. Elder went a robust .700 (7-for-10) at the plate with two doubles, a home run, two RBI, and five runs scored. He also registered two stolen bases in as many attempts. He opened the week with a 3-for-4 performance in a win over St. Elizabeth. On Saturday, he went a combined 4-for-6 with two RBI, four walks, and both stolen bases in a doubleheader split with McDaniel.



### ROOKIE PITCHER OF THE WEEK

VINCE TAYLOR • Rutgers-Newark  
Freshman • RHP • Basking Ridge, NJ/Ridge

Taylor earns his first NJAC Rookie Pitcher of the Week honor after earning his first career save. Taylor closed out the Scarlet Raiders' win against Cairn, hurling two innings and striking out five of the six remaining batters needed for the win. In those two innings, he allowed just one hit on 32 pitches and picked up the save in the 5-3 win over the Highlanders to move the Scarlet Raiders to 9-5 on the year.