



NEW JERSEY ATHLETIC CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 11/14/09



OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

JAKE GRACI • The College at Brockport
Senior • Quarterback • Farnham, NY/Lake Shore

Graci earns NJAC Offensive Player of the Week honors for the third time this season after leading the Golden Eagles to a 48-20 NJAC road win over rival Buffalo State in the traditional I-90 Bowl. In the victory, he completed 25-of-39 passes for 404 yards and five touchdowns (88, 7, 20, 66, and 14 yards apiece). In the final game of his collegiate career, he broke Brockport school records for touchdown passes in a season (23) and passing yards in a season (2,668), while tying a school record for touchdown passes in a game (5). Graci currently leads the NJAC in passing yards per game (266.9).



DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

ANDREW YEZZI • Rowan University University
Senior • Linebacker • Franklinville, NJ/Delsea Regional

Yezzi becomes the second different Prof to earn NJAC Defensive Player of the Week honors after playing a key role in Rowan's 39-0 win over NJAC rival TCNJ. In the final game of his collegiate career, he garnered 12 tackles, including 4.5 tackles for a loss. He also registered 2.5 sacks, a forced fumble, and an interception which he returned 33 yards, as the Prof defense held TCNJ to just 52 yards of total offense in the shutout. Yezzi currently leads the NJAC in tackles for a loss (18).



SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

STEVE LAYDEN • Montclair State University
Sophomore • Punter • Westampton, NJ/Rancocas Valley

Layden becomes the second different Red Hawk to earn NJAC Special Teams Player of the Week honors after helping MSU secure the 2009 NJAC Championship with a 14-6 victory over rival Kean. In a defensive struggle in which every yard of field position mattered, Layden punted 11 times in the contest and helped set up both Red Hawk touchdowns by downing punts inside Kean's 1 and 6-yard lines. The 11 punts in the victory marked the second most in any NJAC game this season. The win secured the 18th NJAC Championship for MSU and their first league title since 2003. Layden currently ranks sixth in the NJAC in punting average with a mark of 34.9.

OFFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

NO NOMINATIONS

DEFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

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