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## **EMPIRE 8 ANNOUNCES MEN'S LACROSSE ALL-CONFERENCE**

### ***Matt Kent of Nazareth Named Player of the Year***

**Rochester, NY** – The Empire 8 announced its Men's Lacrosse All-Conference team with conference champion Nazareth taking home two top individual honors. Senior long-stick midfielder Matt Kent was named Player of the Year and head coach Rob Randall was selected Coach of the Year. Attackman Dave Thering of RIT was named Empire 8 Rookie of the Year.

Kent dominated his position, finishing with 61 ground balls, and leading the Golden Flyers to the Empire 8 title and a berth in the NCAA Division III Championship tournament.

Thering, who also earned honorable mention all-conference honors, was named the league's top rookie after scoring 28 goals and adding 26 assists for 54 points. He also picked up 48 ground balls.

### **2003 Empire 8 Men's Lacrosse Awards**

**Player of the Year:** Matt Kent, Nazareth College

**Rookie of the Year:** Dave Thering, RIT

**Coach of the Year:** Rob Randall, Nazareth College

### **First Team All-Conference**

Bryan Coon	So.	Nazareth	Attack
Nick Mayer	Sr.	Ithaca	Attack
Dave Vail	Jr.	Alfred	Attack
Steve Douglas	Sr.	Alfred	Midfielder
Dennis Juleff	Sr.	Ithaca	Midfielder
Ryan Maloney	Sr.	Hartwick	Midfielder
Jim Quackenbush	Sr.	Nazareth	Midfielder
Matt Kent	Sr.	Nazareth	Long-Stick Midfielder
Chris Cimini	So.	Nazareth	Defender
Jonathan Manley	Jr.	RIT	Defender
Tim Riley	Sr.	Ithaca	Defender
Ryan Martin	Sr.	Ithaca	Goalie

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**Second Team All-Conference**

Brandon Brown	Jr.	Nazareth	Attack
Andrew Slotnick	Sr.	Elmira	Attack
Brian Weil	So.	Ithaca	Attack
Matt Casey	So.	Ithaca	Midfielder
Josh Marksberry	Jr.	Ithaca	Midfielder
Jason Mordaci	Sr.	Nazareth	Midfielder
Ryan Neward	Jr.	RIT	Midfielder
Kyle DeVoe	So.	Hartwick	Defender
Mike Field	So.	Nazareth	Defender
John King	Sr.	Elmira	Defender
Don Green	So.	Nazareth	Goalie

**Honorable Mention All-Conference**

Chris Balash	Fr.	Nazareth	Attack
Chris Copeland	Jr.	RIT	Attack
Kevin Geraghty	Jr.	Hartwick	Attack
Dylan Macro	Jr.	Alfred	Attack
Dave Thering	Fr.	RIT	Attack
Chris Burt	Sr.	Elmira	Midfielder
A.J. Fiorelli	Jr.	Alfred	Midfielder
Ken Fischmann	Jr.	Utica	Midfielder
Alex Karoly	Jr.	Elmira	Midfielder
Brett Raboy	Sr.	Hartwick	Midfielder
T.J. Rogers	Jr.	Nazareth	Midfielder
PJ Burns	Fr.	St. John Fisher	Defender
Kris Eifler	Jr.	Hartwick	Defender
Mike Lachut	Jr.	RIT	Defender
Mark Colite	Jr.	Hartwick	Goalie
Jon Sinclair	Jr.	RIT	Goalie

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