All-American Baker named Empire 8 Swimmer of the Week 3/24/09



ALFRED, NY Matt Baker (Weedsport, NY/Weedsport), a senior on the Alfred University men's swimming and diving team, has been named Swimmer of the Week by the Empire 8 Conference.Baker was honored for his performance at last week's NCAA Division III swimming and diving championships, where he earned All-America honorable mention in two events: the 200-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke.Baker placed 13th in the 200-yard free, and his preliminary heat time of 1:40.28 set a new AU record. He placed 11th in the 100-yard backstroke, marking the third time in the last three seasons he has earned honorable mention All-American certification in that event.AU placed 29th at the NCAA meet, with senior Brian Agro (Gray, ME/Cheverus) also earning All-American honorable mention, in the 100-yard breaststroke.