

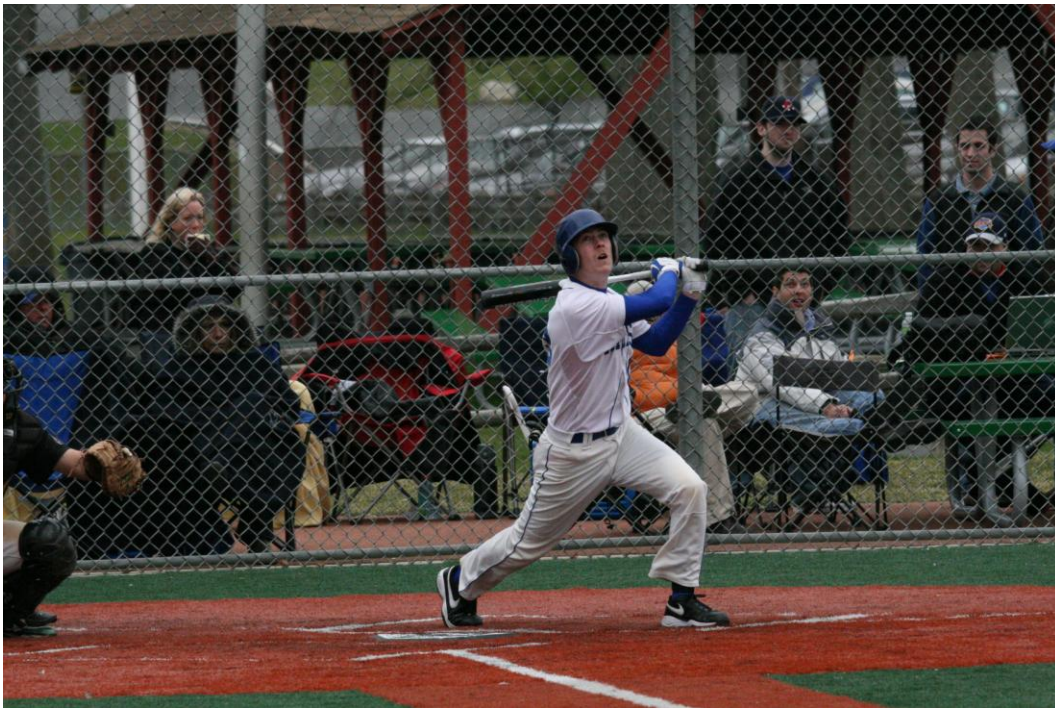


PURCHASE COLLEGE – SUNY MEN'S BASEBALL NEWS

Groves Slugs His Way to ECAC Player of the Week

Purchase, NY (**Mar. 16, 2011**) – A day after learning that he was named the Skyline Conference Player of the Week, **Austin Groves** receives another weekly honor – this time from the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC).

Groves (SR/Stratford, CT) has been named the ECAC Men's Baseball DIII Metro Player of the Week, sharing the weekly honors with Ramapo's Matt Hancock.



Austin Groves finds his stroke in the team's opening weekend of action. Groves has been named Skyline and ECAC Player of the Week. PHOTO BY OREN VOURMAN

Groves reached base safely in nine of his 13 at-bats and amassed a .923 slugging percentage as Purchase won all four of its contests on the week. The senior outfielder collected seven hits, including five doubles, and added five runs scored. Over the course of the week, Groves became the program's all-time hits leader.

The ECAS is the largest conference in the United States, with 312 member schools in NCAA Divisions I, II and III, ranging in location from Maine to North Carolina.

This is Groves' first ECAC honor of his career – a regional honor that is handed out weekly to players in the different divisions and in different regions.

-Bobby Ciafardini, SID