

**Ithaca College**  
vs.  
**Nazareth College**  
**Saturday, April 22, 2006**  
**1 p.m.**  
**Upper Terrace Field**

**TODAY'S GAME**

The 20th-ranked Ithaca Bombers (9-3, 6-0 Empire 8) host the seventh-ranked Nazareth Golden Flyers (9-2, 4-1 Empire 8) in a conference game.

**ABOUT ITHACA**

The Bombers have won a conference-record 15 straight league contests. Ithaca has never lost a home regular season conference game, winning all 18 contests. The Bombers can clinch the top seed for next week's Empire 8 Championship Tournament with a win today. Sophomore **Matt Nelligan** and junior **Dennis Butler** were named Empire 8 Player of the Week and Goalie of the Week, respectively. **Nelligan** tallied 11 goals last week and leads the team with 37 goals and 41 points. **Butler** made 31 saves last week and holds a .616 saves percentage on the season.

**LAST TIME OUT**

The Bombers clinched at least a share of the Empire 8 regular season title with a 14-2 victory at Elmira on Wednesday. **Nelligan** and freshman **Mike Cintineo** led Ithaca with four goals each.

**SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**

Today marks the final home game for five Ithaca seniors: **Brandon Geluso**, **Doug Lumb**, **Reid Palmieri**, **Matt Pugliese** and **Andrew Zysk**.

**Geluso** has recorded 60 points on 42 goals and 18 assists during his career. He ranks fourth on the team this year with 20 points. **Geluso** recorded a career-high seven goals and eight points in 2004 against Elmira. In 2005, he scored the game-winning goal in double overtime over Nazareth to help the Bombers complete their first undefeated season in the Empire 8.

**Lumb** has tallied 66 points on 43 goals and 23 assists. He ranks third on the team this season with 21 points on eight goals and a team-leading 13 assists. **Lumb** scored a career-high four goals against Messiah in 2005 and recorded a personal-best three assists against RIT this season.

**Palmieri** switched to the long stick midfielder position this season after playing in goal his first three seasons, making 42 career saves. He has started in five games in 2006, collecting 18 ground balls.

**Pugliese** has totaled 14 points on seven goals and seven assists in 42 career games. He has recorded nine points on three goals and six assists this season, including the game-winning goal over Rensselaer.

**Zysk** has appeared in 48 games during his four-year career, starting in the last 42 games. He has collected 41 career groundballs. **Zysk** recorded the first two points of his collegiate career in 2006, registering assists in victories over Lycoming and Utica.

**ABOUT NAZARETH**

The Golden Flyers had won eight straight contests before losing to seventh-ranked RIT 12-11 on Saturday. Junior **Ryan Hotaling** leads the team with 49 points on 23 goals and 26 assists. Junior **Patrick Mullin** holds a goals against average of 6.93 and a save percentage of .642.

**ABOUT THE SERIES**

The Golden Flyers hold a 14-3 all-time series advantage over the Bombers. The teams split two contests last season with Ithaca winning 15-14 in two overtimes at Nazareth and the Golden Flyers prevailing in the Empire 8 Championship Tournament 14-4.

**NEXT UP**

Ithaca will participate in the Empire 8 Championship Tournament to begin on Friday, April 28.

**ITHACA RESULTS (9-3, 6-0 Empire 8)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Feb. 25	at Lycoming	W, 14-7
Mar. 4	vs. King's (Pa.)	Postponed
Mar. 8	at 20-Washington & Lee	L, 4-12
Mar. 15	at 26-Oneonta	W, 9-3
Mar. 22	at St. John Fisher *	W, 8-7
Mar. 25	at 12-Geneseo	L, 6-16
Mar. 29	RENSELAER	W, 11-8
April 1	UTICA *	W, 14-2
April 5	6-CORTLAND	L, 10-15
April 8	at Alfred *	W, 17-5
April 12	7-RIT *	W, 11-10
April 15	at Hartwick *	W, 14-10
April 19	at Elmira *	W, 14-2
<b>April 22</b>	<b>7-NAZARETH *</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
April 28	Empire 8 Championship Semifinal ~	TBA
April 30	Empire 8 Championship Final ~	TBA

\* Empire 8 game

~ Empire 8 Championship Tournament

(top four teams qualify, sites and game times TBA)

**EMPIRE 8 STANDINGS**

<u>School</u>	<u>Conf.</u>	<u>Overall</u>
<b>1. 20-Ithaca *</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>9-3</b>
2. 8-RIT *	5-1	12-2
<b>3. 7-Nazareth *</b>	<b>4-1</b>	<b>9-2</b>
4. Utica	3-3	7-5
5. St. John Fisher	2-3	8-5
6. Hartwick	2-4	4-9
7. Elmira	1-5	4-8
8. Alfred	0-6	1-9

\* - clinched a spot in Empire 8 Championship Tournament

**ITHACA COLLEGE (9-3, 6-0 Empire 8)**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>High School</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
1	* BOBZIEN, Logan	A	So.	6-1	165	Arapahoe	Littleton, Colo.
2	* SCHICK, Pete	D	So.	6-3	200	Niskayuna	Niskayuna
3	* GUSTUS, Tim	A	So.	5-11	185	Rivers School	Wayland, Mass.
4	*** ZYSK, Andrew	D	Sr.	5-10	190	West Genesee	Syracuse
5	BUSH, Kevin	M	So.	5-10	165	Arapahoe	Littleton, Colo.
6	** HAMMES, Matt	M	Jr.	5-10	165	Homer	Cortland
7	TROIANI, Joe	M	Fr.	5-9	165	C. Milton Wright	Bel Air, Md.
8	*** PALMIERI, Reid	M	Sr.	6-2	160	Somers	Amawalk
9	* NELLIGAN, Matt	A	So.	5-7	150	Pingree School	Rowley, Mass.
10	* NOWAK, Mike	A	So.	5-8	195	Ballston Spa	Ballston Spa
11	BERG, Adam	A	Fr.	5-6	150	Mendham	Chester, N.J.
12	PIARULLI, Kevin	D	Fr.	6-2	200	Immaculate Heart Central	Watertown
13	** BUTLER, Dennis	G	Jr.	6-1	230	Pleasantville	Pleasantville
14	** GELUSO, Brandon	A	Sr.	6-0	175	Harborfields	Greenlawn
15	CUTTER, Matt	A	Fr.	5-8	165	Needham	Needham, Mass.
16	*** LUMB, Doug	M	Sr.	5-10	180	Auburn	Auburn
17	** PUGLIESE, Matt	M	Sr.	6-0	190	Williamsville East	Williamsville
18	* POHORELY, Kyle	M	So.	5-8	180	Hunterdon	Whitehouse Station, N.J.
19	CARMAN, Chris	A	Fr.	5-10	180	Monte Vista	Alamos, Calif.
20	GIUNTA, Mike	M	Fr.	5-8	165	B. Reed Henderson	West Chester, Pa.
21	* RUMSEY, Will	M	So.	6-2	185	Homer	Homer
22	RUHNKE, Matthew	M	Fr.	5-10	180	Brien McMahon	Norwalk, Conn.
23	WIEDEMANN, Neth	D	Fr.	6-1	195	Episcopal School of Dallas	Dallas, Texas
25	MEADOW, Collin	G	Fr.	6-0	180	Downingtown East	Downingtown, Pa.
27	WELD, Dwight	A	Fr.	5-10	165	East Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill, N.C.
28	OSGOOD, Ian	D	Fr.	5-9	164	Bow	Bow, N.H.
29	* TEECE, Alex	D	So.	5-11	195	Williston-Northampton	Florence, Mass.
30	* GOLDEN, Kyle	M	Jr.	5-10	160	Ossining	Briarcliff Manor
31	CONNERY, Ben	G	Fr.	6-0	185	Homer	Homer
32	STAIR, Jordan	D	Jr.	6-2	192	Heritage	West Littleton, Colo.
33	SIEFERT, Alec	A	Fr.	5-7	140	Duxbury	Duxbury, Mass.
34	CONNOLLY, J.P.	M	Fr.	5-11	180	Simsbury	Simsbury, Conn.
35	CINTINEO, Mike	M	Fr.	5-8	165	Honeoye Falls-Lima	Honeoye Falls
36	SMITH, Kevin	D	Jr.	6-2	195	Canandaigua Academy	Canandaigua

\* Letters won (16 returning letter winners)

**Head Coach:** Jeff Long

**Assistant Coaches:** Andy Schreck, John Wallace

**Captains:** Brandon Geluso, Doug Lumb, Reid Palmieri, Matt Pugliese, Andrew Zysk

**Nazareth College (9-2, 4-1 Empire 8)**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>High School</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
1	CIVALIER, Aaron	M	So.	6-3	180	Penfield	Rochester
2	MACIASZEK, Ryan	M	Sr.	6-1	200	Fairport	Fairport
3	DESIMONE, Anthony	G	So.	5-5	150	Immaculate Heart	Clayton
4	HIRSCH, Jordan	A	Jr.	5-8	160	Hendrick Hudson	Montrose
5	KANELLIS, Mark	M	So.	5-8	150	Cortland	Cortland
6	ADAMS, Bryan	M	Sr.	5-9	165	Guilderland	Schenectady
7	LISSNER, Brian	A	So.	5-11	170	E. Syracuse-Minoa	E. Syracuse
8	PURCELL, Kyle	M	Sr.	6-4	205	Bow	Bow, N.H.
9	LUCARELLI, Nick	D	Fr.	6-1	180	Elmira Notre Dame	Elmira
10	MULLIN, Patrick	G	Jr.	5-6	170	Irondequoit	Rochester
11	SIENKIEWICZ, Andy	A	So.	6-3	190	Corning West	Painted Post
12	McGRATH, Mike	M	Sr.	6-4	205	Webster	Webster
13	CIVALIER, Alex	G	Sr.	6-4	205	Penfield	Rochester
14	PERKINS, Ryan	D	Jr.	5-11	195	Ithaca	Ithaca
15	BAKER, Jamie	M	So.	6-0	190	Seton Hall Prep	Kinnelon, N.J.
16	GIBBONS, Kevin	M	Jr.	5-9	185	Bishop Brady	Canterbury, N.H.
17	CONLEY, Ryan	D	Jr.	6-1	200	Fairfield	Fairfield, Conn.
19	KIMBALL, Kevin	M	Jr.	5-9	185	St. Mark's	Framingham, Mass.
20	HOTALING, Ryan	A	Jr.	6-2	190	Onondaga	Syracuse
21	DENNISON, Sean	M	Fr.	5-10	165	Fairfield Prep	Redding, Conn.
22	AMIDON, Chad	M	Jr.	5-8	180	Onondaga	Marcellus
23	POLINO, George	G	Sr.	5-10	160	Guilderland	Schenectady
24	O'KEEFE, Conor	M	Jr.	5-10	175	Stony Brook	Setauket
25	DONALD, Francis	D	Jr.	6-0	205	St. Mark's School	Dallas, Texas
26	COLE, Alex	D	Fr.	6-0	180	Indian Hill	Cincinnati, Ohio
27	MANGINI, Jeff	D	Sr.	6-1	180	Freeport	Freeport, Maine
28	GORDON, Gery	M	Jr.	5-10	160	Lynbrook	Lynbrook
29	TUTTLE, Will	D	Jr.	6-2	240	Phillips Exeter	Kennebunk, Maine
30	CUTIA, Steve	A	So.	5-7	145	Cortland	Cortland
31	ROMANO, David	M	Fr.	5-8	165	Guilderland	Schenectady
32	SCHULTHEIS, Jim	A	Jr.	5-10	160	West Islip	West Islip
33	WALL, Jim	A	Fr.	5-10	135	Corcoran	Syracuse
34	GAFFNEY, Brian	M	Sr.	5-10	185	Fairport	Pittsford
35	KANELLIS, Greg	A	Sr.	5-10	155	Cortland	Cortland
36	LAW, Chris	A/M	Fr.	5-9	175	Catonsville	Catonsville, Md.
38	ALOI, Matt	M	So.	5-11	170	Jamesville-DeWitt	Jamesville
41	CUMMINGS, Mike	A/M	Fr.	5-9	170	Elmira Notre Dame	Elmira
42	FISCHER, Brian	D	Fr.	6-3	215	Westhill	Syracuse
43	BALASH, Chris	A	Sr.	5-11	175	Auburn	Auburn
46	HANSS, John	D	So.	5-9	165	Irondequoit	Rochester

**Head Coach:** Rob Randall

**Assistant Coaches:** Tim Booth, Chris Corcoran, Joe Kostolansky, Gordon Quonce

**Managers:** Rob Green, Matt Ort



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