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ALL-COUNTY BOYS LACROSSE

Offensive Player of the Year

TJ HARNE

URBANA JUNIOR ATTACK

■ An unstoppable force who led the undefeated Hawks to the Class 4A state title, Harne had one of the most dominant seasons in Frederick County lacrosse history. Try as they might, no defender could stifle the junior working from the X behind the net. Harne's ability to slip past defenders and create scoring opportunities in minimal space had no equal.

■ His 82 goals and 125 points outpaced every other county player by 20 and 40, respectively, while his 43 assists were second to Middletown's Ryan McLister by one. He had five goals in the state final against Broadneck, including four in the second half, to lift Urbana to its second championship in program history.

■ Harne was named the Class 4A player of the year by the Maryland State Lacrosse Coaches Association, and he was a finalist for the C. Markland Kelly Award, given to the best player in the state.





Defensive Player of the Year

ZACH THAYER

URBANA SOPHOMORE GOALIE

■ The breakout star was perhaps the Hawks' most important piece in their run to an undefeated season and the Class 4A state championship. No netminder was as calm in tense situations as Thayer, belying his age and varsity inexperience.

■ In his first season as a starter, Thayer looked like a seasoned senior rather than a sophomore. His 2.40 goals against average and .710 save percentage both topped the Frederick County leaderboards by wide margins and were among the best marks statewide. He made 15 saves in the title game against Broadneck, keeping Urbana in the contest time and again.

■ Thayer, also a top player on Urbana's ice hockey team, was named first team all state by the Maryland State Lacrosse Coaches Association.

FIRST TEAM

CHRISTIAN BASS
SENIOR MIDFIELD
OAKDALE

■ A top-tier two-way midfielder for the Class 3A West region finalists, Bass was a versatile player who rarely came off the field. He finished with 18 goals and seven assists while scooping 56 ground balls and causing 18 turnovers.



JACKSON BENNETT
JUNIOR ATTACK
MIDDLETOWN

■ A sharpshooter who paced the Knights' youthful attack, Bennett often found himself filling the back of the net in a hurry. The junior finished with a team-high 43 goals, adding 12 assists while picking up 32 ground balls.



AIDAN CASEY
SENIOR DEFENSE
URBANA

■ One of the captains of a nearly impenetrable defensive line, Casey wreaked havoc in the middle for the undefeated Class 4A state champion Hawks. The VMI commit scooped 43 ground balls and caused 18 turnovers.



JOHN COLLINS
SENIOR ATTACK
TUSCARORA

■ The Titans' all-time leading scorer capped his stellar career by pacing the team one final time. Collins finished with 36 goals and tied for the team lead with 20 assists for 56 points. He is committed to Lake Erie College.



CHARLES DOUGHERTY
SENIOR ATTACK
CATOCTIN

■ A do-it-all presence in the middle, Dougherty kept the Cougars' offense clicking and stepped up when needed defensively. He finished with 33 goals and 17 assists, picking up 34 ground balls and causing 13 turnovers.



CODY GRIFFIS
SENIOR MIDFIELD
LINGANORE

■ While the Class 3A state semifinalist Lancers loved to share the offense, Griffis remained one of their top scoring threats. His 37 goals were second on the team, while he also chipped in 12 assists. Griffis is committed to Shenandoah.



AIDAN HIMES
JUNIOR DEFENSE
URBANA

■ The best field defender for the county's top defensive team, Himes picked up 22 ground balls and caused 16 turnovers for the undefeated Class 4A state champions. The Delaware commit received first team all-state honors.



JACOB JENNINGS
SENIOR DEFENSE
OAKDALE

■ The quarterback of the Bears' defense, Jennings rarely came off the field the last two seasons and proved to be one of the team's most impactful players. He caused a team-leading 51 turnovers while also scooping 19 ground balls.



MARCO LAROCCO
JUNIOR ATTACK
LINGANORE

■ He was the craftiest playmaker and the leading scorer for the Lancers' balanced offensive attack. LaRocco finished with 67 points (24 goals, 43 assists) as he helped lead his team to the Class 3A state semifinals.



CAM MCGOVERN
FRESHMAN ATTACK
LINGANORE

■ No ninth-grader made as much of an immediate impact as McGovern, who had a knack for finishing at opportune times. His 44 goals paced the Lancers, and he chipped in 16 assists to help lead them to the Class 3A state semifinals.



CALEB MCHUGH
JUNIOR DEFENSE
MIDDLETOWN

■ He anchored the back line for the Knights and proved to be a handful for opposing attackers to work around. McHugh paced his team with 54 ground balls and 32 caused turnovers, also chipping in five goals.



RYAN MCLISTER
SOPHOMORE MIDFIELD
MIDDLETOWN

■ He was the best of the Knights' plethora of talented underclassmen, staking his claim as one of the county's shiftiest and most complete players. McLister's 44 assists led the county, and he also scored 41 goals and scooped 52 ground balls.



ALEX PIRAINO
SENIOR MIDFIELD
ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC PREP

■ The leading goal scorer for the Vikings, Piraino powered his squad to an undefeated regular season and another trip to the MIAA C Conference finals. The Frostburg State commit had 62 goals and elevated his game as a dominant two-way midfielder.



DAVID TURNBULL
SENIOR MIDFIELD
LINGANORE

■ Few used their stick or speed as well to shut down plays and flip possession. Turnbull's 72 ground balls led the area, while he caused 24 turnovers, scored six goals and had six assists. The Limestone commit was named an all-state honorable mention.



JACOB WARD
SENIOR ATTACK
URBANA

■ The Anderson University commit was a potent finisher who served as a dynamic attacking option for the Class 4A state champion Hawks. Ward's 67 points (48 goals, 19 assists) were tied for fourth among the area's public school players.



BRAD WHITEHOUSE
SENIOR ATTACK
WALKERSVILLE

■ He was the Lions' best offensive weapon once again, using creative stickhandling and hard-charging runs at the net to score. Whitehouse led Walkersville across the board offensively with 41 goals and 51 points.



SHAUN WRIGHT
SENIOR ATTACK
OAKDALE

■ The captain of the Bears' offense finished his high school career strong, leading the team in scoring with 75 points (43 goals, 32 assists) as they made the Class 3A West regional finals. Wright also picked up 40 ground balls.



SECOND TEAM

Pos.	Name	School	Grade
M	BRODIE BURDETTE	TUSCARORA	SOPHOMORE
D	LIAM BURKE	OAKDALE	SENIOR
D	LIAM CALLAHAN	MIDDLETOWN	JUNIOR
M	MARK COOKE	BRUNSWICK	JUNIOR
A	JOHNNY CRANE	URBANA	JUNIOR
D	JOHN ENOCH	TUSCARORA	SENIOR
A	JACK HAFLER	WALKERSVILLE	JUNIOR
M	ELIJAH JEAN-JACQUES	URBANA	SENIOR
G	TUCKER LEVINSON	LINGANORE	SENIOR
G	AVERY LINTHICUM	OAKDALE	SENIOR
FOGO/M	AIDAN MALONEY	LINGANORE	SENIOR
D	JP MCEVOY	URBANA	JUNIOR
D	TY MCGOVERN	LINGANORE	FRESHMAN
A	ASHTON MERRITT	CATOCTIN	JUNIOR
A	JOE NOVAK	SJCP	JUNIOR
A	DREW PHIPPS	OAKDALE	SENIOR
A	GAVIN PRUNTY	SJCP	SENIOR
M	GRIFFIN SHERIDAN	MIDDLETOWN	SENIOR
FOGO	BRAYDEN SOE	MIDDLETOWN	SOPHOMORE
D	AUSTIN WORD	WALKERSVILLE	JUNIOR

HONORABLE MENTION

Brunswick – Charlie Lawrence, Ben Wells
Catoctin – Colton Gray, Alex Hauk, Vince Reaver III
Frederick – Addison Crider, Issak Enriquez, Owen German
Linganore – Brian Bedard, Logan Cole, Matt Hauptman
Middletown – Rory Kopelson, Myles Sontz
Oakdale – Vince Cuttitta, Vincent Giganti, Mason Miller
St. John's Catholic Prep – Joey Garofalo, Landon Kunkle, Drake McGrath
Thomas Johnson – Joey Cox, Andrew Pinto
Tuscarora – Devin Barahona, Jasiri Belote, Cam Connors
Urbana – Brady Roberton, Jayden Sharper, Brandon Sybrant
Walkersville – Bryce Buschman, Hayden Hanson, Wil Muncy