



FOOTBALL 2001

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CURRENT STANDINGS (through games of September 29)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	34	7	4	0	1.00	124	17
Thiel College	1	0	1.00	40	27	1	3	.250	73	87
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	0	0	4	0	1.00	107	38
Grove City College	0	1	.000	27	40	1	3	.333	82	69
Waynesburg College	0	1	.000	7	34	1	3	.250	89	144
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	0	0	1	3	.250	51	94

* - Completing reclassification from NCAA Division II - games do not count in conference standings.

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - September 29

Washington & Jefferson 28, WESTMINSTER 7
BETHANY 34, Waynesburg 7*
THIEL 40, Grove City 27*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - October 6

Washington & Jefferson at Grove City* - 1 p.m.
Thiel at Waynesburg* - 1:30 p.m.
Westminster at Bethany - 2 p.m.

* - PAC contest

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

T.J. WILEY
Thiel College
Senior Quarterback - 5-10, 188
Titusville, Pa./Titusville H.S.

Wiley completed 15-of-24 passes for 251 yards and three touchdowns in leading the Tomcats to a 40-27 win over Grove City for the Mercer County Cup, giving Thiel its first PAC win since topping Grove City for the Cup in 1993. It also marked the first win for first-year Thiel head coach **Jack Leipheimer**.

Also nominated was junior fullback **Will Anderson** of Bethany, junior wide receiver **Todd Fry** of Washington & Jefferson, and sophomore running back **Rocky Doman** of Waynesburg.

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

RYAN NOHE
Bethany College
Sophomore Cornerback - 5-11, 190
Monaca, Pa./Center H.S.

Nohe posted a team-high eight tackles (six solo) and intercepted two passes as Bethany remained unbeaten with a 34-7 PAC win over Waynesburg. He returned a second quarter pickoff 28 yards for a touchdown (the first INT return for a score by the Bison since 1997) and also added two kick returns for 67 yards.

Also nominated was sophomore linebacker **Rennie Gash** of Thiel, junior defensive back **Todd Hawkins** of Washington & Jefferson, and senior linebacker **Clark Rolli** of Waynesburg.

PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany used the big play to key a 34-7 win over Waynesburg ... The Bison scored on an 83-yard pass from **Jeremy Lacaria** to **Justin Yanssens**, a 28-yard interception return from **Ryan Nohe** and a school-record 92-yard scoring run by **Will Anderson** in defeating the Yellow Jackets for the first time since 1996 ... **Scott Henderson** booted a pair of field goals (32, 42) ... Anderson rushed for 124 yards on 12 carries ... Lacaria was 8-of-17 for 161 yards passing and a TD, while also rushing for 45 yards and a four-yard TD ... Bethany is 4-0 for the second consecutive year. The last time the Bison started out 5-0 was in 1980, the last time the Bison won the PAC.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

Junior QB **Brian Dawson** passed for three touchdowns and junior RB **Joey Nichols** rushed for 167 yards and one score as Washington & Jefferson defeated Westminster, 28-7 ... Junior split end **Todd Fry** posted his fourth straight 100-yard game receiving and his third straight game with 150-yards or more ... Junior defensive back **Tim Hawkins** amassed eight tackles, one sack, one interception and blocked one field goal attempt in the win ... W&J held Westminster to just 279 yards of total offense ... The W&J defense, ranked No. 13 in D-III, is allowing just 293.8 yards of total offense and 9.5 points per game ... Fry has posted a 100-yard receiving game in each of the Presidents' first four wins.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City let a 20-7 lead slip away as Thiel defeated the Wolverines for the first time since 1993 ... Grove City had won the last seven Mercer County Cup encounters ... Starting freshman center **B.J. Arnold**, who was carried off on a stretcher, suffered a mild concussion and could return Saturday ... Grove City rallied from a 1-2 start last season to finish 6-4 ... Senior **Mike Orlando** posted his second straight 100-yard game, picking up 136 yards on 22 carries and scoring three TDs on runs of 2, 3 and 1 yard ... Sophomore **Steve Roberts** rushed for 73 yards on 11 carries.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Waynesburg offense continued to sputter, as the Yellow Jackets managed just one touchdown in two games, as Bethany recorded its first win (34-7) over Waynesburg since 1996 ... **Rocky Doman** scored the team's lone touchdown on a 2-yard run in the third quarter, while rushing for 78 yards on the day ... The turning point in the game came when Bethany blocked an 18-yard field goal after stuffing the Yellow Jackets' Doman for no gain on third-and-goal from the one ... Doman also posted five kick-off returns for 84 yards ... Senior linebacker **Clark Rolli** paced the Waynesburg defense, posting 10 tackles (4 solo, 6 assist, 1 for loss of 1 yard) in the loss.

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats and first-year head coach **Jack Leipheimer** earned their first victory of the 2001 campaign, defeating Grove City 40-27 in front of an over-capacity Homecoming crowd at Alumni Stadium on Saturday ... The Tomcats are now able to claim the Mercer County Cup for the first time since 1993, and also pick up their first PAC victory since '93 as well ... Sophomore outside linebacker **Rennie Gash** returned to his 2000 form, playing both ways for the Tomcats in the win ... Gash rushed five times for 15 yards and two TDs, while on the defensive side he recorded 10 tackles (3 solo, 7 assisted), three tackles for losses, one pass breakup, one sack, and one interception returned 12 yards for a touchdown.

Westminster Titans

Westminster fell to 1-3 after dropping a 28-7 home decision to PAC rival Washington & Jefferson ... The game did not count in the PAC standing due to Westminster's continuing reclassification from NCAA Division II ... Freshman TB **Scott Froelich** rushed 27 times for 106 yards in the loss, becoming the first Titan true freshman to surpass 100 yards in a game since **Denny Flora** in 1995 (vs. Allegheny) ... The lone Titan touchdown of the game came on a 52-yard pass from sophomore QB **Matt Robison** to senior WR **Brian Lipiello** ... Lipiello caught six passes for 107 yards against the Presidents ... Senior CB **Bryan O'Neill** posted his second interception in as many weeks in the W&J game.

Past PAC Offensive Players of the Week

September 1: Tom Naughton, QB, WAY
September 8: Mike Orlando, FB, GRO
September 15: Paul Stibich, K, THI
September 22: Joey Nichols, RB, W&J
September 29: T.J. Wiley, QB, THI
October 6:
October 13:
October 20:
October 27:
November 3:
November 10:

Past PAC Defensive Players of the Week

September 1: Duane Cymmerman, DT, BET
September 8: Mike Williams, DE, W&J
September 15: Sean Ross, LB, WAY
September 22: Ryan Graft, CB, W&J
September 29: Ryan Nohe, DB, BET
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PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

Washington & Jefferson (4-0, 0-0 PAC) at Grove City (1-2, 0-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 6 - 1 p.m.

Robert E. Thorn Field (3,500/grass) - Grove City, Pa.

Radio/TV: WSAJ-AM (91.1), Grove City; WJPA-AM (1450), Washington

Series Record: Washington & Jefferson leads 24-12

Game Notes: The Presidents and Wolverines meet in the 37th all-time meeting between the two schools ... The Wolverines have lost two straight to the Presidents since winning in 1997 (31-28) and 1998 (31-7) ... The '97 win gave the Wolverines their first PAC title, ending W&J streak of 11 straight league crowns ... The Presidents have claimed 15 of the last 17 games of the series since 1984, including last year's 38-17 win ... The two teams first met in 1893, with Washington & Jefferson coming away with a 6-0 win.

Thiel (1-3, 1-0 PAC) at Waynesburg (1-3, 0-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 6 - 1:30 p.m.

John F. Wiley Stadium (4,000/grass) - Waynesburg, Pa.

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7), Waynesburg/WCYJ-TV (Waynesburg Borough & Franklin Township); WTGP-FM (88.1), Greenville.

Series Record: Waynesburg leads 16-5-1

Game Notes: Waynesburg College defeated Thiel at Greenville last season 34-6, as quarterback **Tom Naughton** threw for 128 yards and two touchdowns, including one to classmate **Don Frazier** for 22 yards ... Frazier saw his first action in last week's game with Bethany since separating his shoulder in week two ... The Tomcats have not beaten the Yellow Jackets since Waynesburg joined the PAC in 1990 ... The last time Thiel defeated Waynesburg was in 1933. 6-0.

Westminster (1-3) at Bethany (4-0)

Saturday, Oct. 6 - 2 p.m.

Rine Field (1,000/grass) - Bethany, W.Va.

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1), Bethany; WWNW-FM (88.9), New Wilmington; WKST-AM (1200), New Castle; WEXC-FM (107.1), Greenville; NSN Sports Network (www.nsnsports.com); Tape-delay telecast by Westminster Cable 9 Television (Sunday, 7:30 p.m.)

Series Record: Westminster leads 27-8-2

Game Notes: The Bison look to improve to 5-0 for the first time since 1980, while the Titans will try to break a two-game losing streak ... Westminster has a 16-game winning streak and a 22-game unbeaten streak against Bethany ... The last Bison win was a 9-0 triumph in 1940 ... Bethany led last year's contest at Westminster 14-7 heading into the fourth quarter but two interceptions and a blocked punt led to 17 Titan points and a 24-14 Westminster win ... Bethany was limited to 87 total yards of offense and scored their two touchdowns on a blocked punt recovered in the end zone and a fumble return ... Westminster QB **James Graham** threw for 212 yards and two scores, while Titan linebacker **Don Augustine** picked off three Bethany passes.