



FOOTBALL 2001

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CURRENT STANDINGS (through games of October 6)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	34	7	5	0	1.00	148	17
Washington & Jefferson College	1	0	1.00	31	0	5	0	1.00	138	38
Waynesburg College	1	1	.500	35	40	2	3	.400	117	150
Thiel College	1	1	.500	46	55	1	4	.200	79	115
Grove City College	0	2	.000	27	71	1	3	.250	82	100
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	0	0	1	4	.200	51	118

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

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - October 6

Washington & Jefferson 31, GROVE CITY 0*
WAYNESBURG 28, Thiel 6*
BETHANY 24, Westminster 0

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - October 13

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

* - PAC contest

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

JEREMY LACARIA

Bethany College

Junior Quarterback - 6-0, 205

McMurray, Pa./Peters Township H.S.

Lacaria rushed 19 times for 139 yards, while adding a pair of touchdown passes (30, 9) in leading Bethany to a 24-0 Homecoming win over Westminster. Lacaria has led the Bison to their first 5-0 start since 1980, which was also the last time Bethany won the PAC title.

Also nominated was senior wide receiver **Kevin Wilder** of Thiel, junior quarterback **Brian Dawson** of Washington & Jefferson, and senior running back **Orlando Magruder** of Waynesburg.

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

MATT DIETZ

Washington & Jefferson College

Senior Linebacker - 5-11, 205

Library, Pa./South Park H.S.

Dietz recorded 10 tackles, including two for losses, and one QB sack as Washington & Jefferson improved to 5-0 with a 31-0 road shutout at Grove City. It was the first shutout for the Presidents in their past 28 contests. Dietz leads W&J with 50 tackles in the 2001 season.

Also nominated was sophomore cornerback **Ryan Nohe** of Bethany, senior inside linebacker **Adam Corbett** of Grove City, and senior linebacker **Rob Connolly** of Waynesburg.

PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

With a 24-0 win over Westminster, the Bison are 5-0 for the first time since 1980 ... QB **Jeremy Lacaria** rushed for 139 yards on 19 carries and threw for two more scores as Bethany defeated Westminster for the first time since 1940, ending a 16-game losing and 22-game winless streak against the Titans ... Fullback **Will Anderson** rushed for 81 yards, as the Bison rolled up 241 yards on the ground ... Bethany's defense held the Titans to 220 yards in posting their second shutout of the season ... It's the first time Bethany has blanked two opponents in the same year since 1981, when the Bison shut out Grove City and Oberlin ... Cornerback **Ryan Nohe** returned an interception for a touchdown for the second time in as many weeks.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

Junior QB **Brian Dawson** passed for two TDs and rushed for another in leading Washington & Jefferson to a 31-0 shutout of Grove City ... Junior SE **Todd Fry** caught 10 passes for 118 yards and one score ... Junior RB **Joey Nichols** carried 20 times for 114 yards ... Junior CB **Roger Snyder** returned one punt for an 80-yard TD and set up another on a 33-yard return ... The defense held Grove City to 342 total yards, including just 87 through the air ... The W&J defense, ranked No. 9 in D-III, pitched a shutout for the first time in 28 games, dating back a 61-0 victory over Thiel in 1998 ... Fry has gone for 100+ yards receiving in each game this season ... Nichols has rushed for 100+ yards in each of the past three games.

Grove City Wolverines

The Wolverines surrendered 308 total offensive yards in the first half and couldn't advance the ball past W&J's 42 in their first seven possessions in a 31-0 loss ... Grove City was shut out for just the second time in five years ... Senior fullback **Mike Orlando** rushed for 105 yards on 21 carries ... Senior quarterback **Mike Kashurba** rambled for 81 yards on 19 attempts as Grove City piled up 241 yards rushing in the game ... GCC held W&J to just 70 total offensive yards in the second half, but were outgained in the game, 378-328 ... Grove City recorded five sacks in the game, including two by senior ILB **Adam Corbett**, who finished with 12 total tackles, including five solos.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg returned to form offensively, while riding a breakthrough defensive performance to end a three game losing streak and notch its first PAC win over Thiel 28-6 ... The Yellow Jackets struck first on a 38-yard TD run by **Rocky Doman** ... Doman led the Jackets with 130 yards on 20 carries ... Senior quarterback **Tom Naughton** threw for 204 yards, completing 15-of-21 passes, including a 10 yard TD pass to tight end **Don Frazier** ... **Bob Landis** recorded two sacks for -14 yards ... Senior running back **Orlando Magruder** caught three passes for 81 yards, including a 31-yard TD reception while rushing for 48 yards on nine carries ... **Rob Connolly** had a 50-yard interception return.

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats managed only 15 first downs in Saturday's 28-6 loss to Waynesburg ... The Cats were able to recover three Jacket fumbles and intercept one Naughton pass, but couldn't convert the turnovers into points ... Senior wide receiver **Kevin Wilder** caught nine passes for 77 yards in the loss.

Westminster Titans

Westminster fell to 1-4 after dropping a 24-0 decision at PAC rival Bethany ... It was the first win for Bethany over Westminster since the 1940 season, breaking a 16-game winning streak and 22-game unbeaten streak for the Titans ... Freshman tailback **Scott Froelich** was the bright spot for the Westminster offense, posting 22 carries for 92 yards (4.2 avg.) ... Froelich has 198 rushing yards (99.0 avg.) over the past two weeks ... Westminster has been held without an offensive point in three of five games this season ... **Joe Bianco** and **Eric Witt** led the Titan defense with 10 total tackles apiece, with Bianco adding his PAC-best sixth QB sack of the season.

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: Jeremy Lacaria, QB, BET
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
October 6: Matt Dietz, LB, W&J
October 13:
October 20:
October 27:
November 3:
November 10:

PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

Thiel (1-4) at Westminster (1-4)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 1:30 p.m.

Harold Burry Stadium (4,500/grass) - New Wilmington, Pa.

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

Series Record: Westminster leads 36-14-7

Game Notes: The Titans and Tomcats both look to bounce back from losses last week, with Westminster looking to end a three-game losing streak at Homecoming 2001 ... Westminster has won the last 15 meetings against Thiel ... The last win for the Tomcats over the Titans was a 20-7 Thiel win during the 1950 season ... Last year, Westminster posted a 51-7 victory over Thiel at Stewart Field in Greenville ... **John Ciavarra** rushed 23 times for 173 yards and four touchdowns (4, 18, 8, 11) for the Titans in that game, as Westminster rolled up 333 rushing yards ... The Titan defense held Thiel to 0-10 passing with three interceptions, as the Tomcats managed just four first downs and 77 total net yards.

Bethany (5-0, 1-0 PAC) at Washington & Jefferson (5-0, 1-0 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 2 p.m.

Cameron Stadium (4,500/field turf) - Washington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WJPA-AM (1450), Washington; WVBC-FM (88.1), Bethany; NSN Sports Network (www.nsnsports.com)

Series Record: Washington & Jefferson leads 58-20

Game Notes: Undefeated PAC foes Bethany and Washington & Jefferson meet in a game that will go a long way towards determining the 2001 PAC football champion ... The Presidents have won 18 consecutive meetings between the clubs, with the last Bison victory being a 12-7 win in 1983 ... The last time the two teams faced when both were undefeated was in 1995, when both squads entered the game 3-0 ... W&J won that contest 51-0 ... In last year's game, Bethany took an 18-14 lead in third quarter on a pair of long TD passes by **Billy Hunter**, but W&J QB **Brian Dawson**, who threw for 338 yards, tossed a pair of scoring passes down the stretch to bring the Presidents back for a 28-18 triumph ... This game will match two of the top defenses in the country, as Bethany has given up just 17 points in five games, while W&J has allowed only 38 points ... The 77 meetings with Bethany is the longest running series in W&J's history ... The last time Bethany defeated the Presidents in Washington, Pa., was a 28-9 Bison win in 1982 ... Since 1990, eight of W&J's 11 wins have been by 25 or more points.

Waynesburg (2-3, 1-1 PAC) at Grove City (1-3, 0-2 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 2 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1), Grove City; WCYJ-FM (88.7), Waynesburg; Internet broadcast (www.waynesburg.edu).

Series Record: Waynesburg leads 19-14-5

Game Notes: The Yellow Jackets and Wolverines square off for the 39th time ... Waynesburg has not beaten Grove City since 1998, when a 33-13 win propelled the Yellow Jackets to a share of its only PAC championship ... Since then, the Jackets have suffered heartbreaking losses to the Wolverines ... In 1999, the Jackets lost 28-24 at Thorn Field ... Last year, the teams engaged in the longest game in both school's histories, as Grove City prevailed in a four-overtime slugfest, 32-29 ... Grove City was led by fullback **R.J. Bowers'** 266 yards on a career-high 47 carries, while breaking two all-time NCAA records (32 straight 100-yard games and 84 career TDs) ... Senior tight end **Don Frazier** caught three passes for 42 yards for Waynesburg in that game ... Each of the past three meetings has been decided by a touchdown or less ... The Wolverines are 5-6 against the Yellow Jackets since Waynesburg joined the PAC in 1990.