



BASEBALL 2003

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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CURRENT STANDINGS (through April 20, 2003)

School	PAC Games			All Games			
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.
Westminster College	10	5	.667	22	9	0	.710
Waynesburg College	9	5	.643	18	13	1	.578
Thiel College	8	7	.533	18	17	0	.514
Bethany College	8	7	.533	14	19	0	.424
Grove City College	6	8	.429	10	11	0	.476
Washington & Jefferson College	3	12	.200	5	20	0	.200

RECENT RESULTS

Monday, April 14

WESTMINSTER 7-10, Grove City 1-0*
Thiel 7-4, WAYNESBURG 5-5*

Tuesday, April 15

GROVE CITY 18-4, La Roche 0-2
Waynesburg 16, BETHANY 3*

Wednesday, April 16

WAYNESBURG 7-12, Bethany 2-4*
Grove City 6-6, THIEL 3-7* (game 2 - nine innings)

Thursday, April 17

Hiram 15, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 6
Pitt-Greensburg 4-4, WESTMINSTER 3-6
Thiel 9, GROVE CITY 8* (12 innings)

Friday, April 18

CLARION 7-1, Westminster 4-2
Bethany 19, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 10*

Saturday, April 19

BETHANY 10-18, Washington & Jefferson 6-14*
THIEL 7, Hiram 6

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, April 21

Waynesburg at Penn State-Altoona (2) - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, April 22

Grove City at Waynesburg (1)* - 3 p.m.
La Roche at Washington & Jefferson (2) - 3 p.m.

Thursday-Saturday, April 24-26

PAC Championship Tournament (at WAY or WES)

April 24

Game A - #2 Waynesburg/Westminster vs. #3 Thiel - noon
Game B - #1 Waynesburg/Westminster vs. #4 Bethany - 3 p.m.

April 25

Game C - Game A winner vs. Game B winner - 10 a.m.
Game D - Game A loser vs. Game B loser - 1 p.m.
Game E - Game C loser vs. Game D winner - 4 p.m.

April 26

Game F - Championship game - noon
Game G - if necessary - 3 p.m.

Friday, April 25

PAC Tournament #5-6 series

#5 Grove City at #6 Washington & Jefferson (1)* - 3 p.m.

Saturday, April 26

PAC Tournament #5-6 series

#6 Washington & Jefferson at #5 Grove City (2)* - 1 p.m.

PAC BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

GEORGE TAYLOR

Waynesburg College

6-1 Senior Outfielder/Pitcher

Washington, Pa./Chartiers-Houston H.S.

Taylor hit .524 (11-for-21) with four HRs and 13 RBIs last week, leading the jackets to a 4-1 mark in PAC action. He also improved his pitching record to 7-1 with six innings of five-hit ball in a 12-4 win over Bethany.

Also nominated was freshman SS **Eric Sperlazza** of Bethany, sophomore OF **Michael McMillen** of Grove City, senior DH **Jim Chester** of Thiel, senior CF **B.J. Swartzlander** of Washington & Jefferson, and junior 2B/DH **Justin Joseph** of Westminster.

PAC BASEBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

After getting outscored 35-9 against Waynesburg, the Bison rebounded to outslug W&J 47-30 in a three-game sweep that propelled Bethany into the PAC Tournament ... CF **Scott Johnson** went 4-7 with five RBIs and three runs scored and P **Adam Martin** went seven innings to improve his record to 5-2 in the 19-10 win ... In the first game Sat., Bethany scored six in the sixth to come back from a 5-4 deficit for the win ... SS **Eric Sperlazza** hit a three-run homer and **Matt Raiti** picked up his fifth save to break the Bethany single-season record ... Bethany finished the sweep with a four-run win, as **Todd Welsh, Jon Kreidler, Aaron Meadows** and **Nelson Rodriguez** all hit long balls.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J struggled to an 0-4 record last week, allowing 10 or more runs in all four losses ... On Thursday, Hiram scored at least one run in seven of the nine innings to earn the nine-run win ... W&J cut the lead to 5-3 against Hiram on a run-scoring single from freshman DH **Curt Kiebler** and a two-run double by senior 2B **Greg Lucchino** ... Senior CF **B.J. Swartzlander** blasted a three-run homer ... In Friday's loss to Bethany, sophomore C **Frank Pilato** led the way with three hits and three RBI, while Kiebler was 2-for-3 with two RBI ... Senior RF **Brent Rockwell** also collected three hits ... Swartzlander paced the Presidents in the doubleheader loss to the Bison on Saturday by going 5-for-6 with two home runs, five RBI and five runs scored.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City's two-year run as PAC champion came to a halt as the Wolverines were eliminated from PAC tournament consideration ... Thiel pulled out two extra-inning victories, mathematically eliminating Grove City ... Junior P/DH **Greg Grupp** went 4-for-6 in Thursday's 12-inning game with Thiel, part of a week in which he hit .471 (8-for-17) ... Freshmen pitchers **Eric Arnesen** and **Bradford Clark** picked up their first career victories as Grove City swept a non-league doubleheader from La Roche Tuesday ... Sophomore **Luke Lester** earned his first save in the front end of Wednesday's twinbill at Thiel ... Lester saved the game for starter **Ryan Carr**, who improved to 2-0.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg went 4-1 last week with four straight wins, one over Thiel and three over Bethany ... In the 5-4 win over Thiel, **Eric Holt** hit a game-winning, two-run double scoring **Steve Mahler** and **Bill Tenney**, the latter on a play at the plate ... Later in the week Holt pitched a 7-2 win over Bethany, as he carried a no-hitter through 5 1/3 innings, while tying a season-high nine strikeouts ... At the plate, Holt and **George Taylor** had stellar weeks ... Holt was 7-for-19 with eight RBIs and a home run, while Taylor was 11-for-21 with four HR and 13 RBI ... Taylor currently leads the team with seven homers after hitting his four blasts in two games (all two-run homers) ... Should Waynesburg defeat Grove City Tuesday, the Jackets will host the PAC tournament.

Thiel Tomcats

Thiel broke the school single-season win record last week, finishing 4-2 and 3-2 in PAC action ... The Tomcats, now 18-17 on the season, surpassed last season's 17 wins with their 7-6 win over Hiram on Saturday ... They have also secured the third seed in this weekend's PAC Championship Tournament ... The Tomcats split a doubleheader at Waynesburg before taking 2-of-3 from Grove City ... Junior RHP **Jarred Floch** improved to 4-3 with the win over Waynesburg on Monday, while senior 1B **Randy Chiquelin** and senior DH **Jim Chester** each had home runs ... Senior RHP **Bryan Goble** worked the final two innings of the Tomcats 7-6 win over Grove City Thursday, allowing one run on three hits with a strikeout.

Westminster Titans

The Titans went 4-2 last week, sweeping PAC foe Grove City (7-1 and 10-0) while splitting non-conference doubleheaders with Pitt-Greensburg (losing 4-3 and winning 6-4) and D-II Clarion (losing 7-4 and winning 2-1) ... Three Titans posted perfect lines in the GCC opener: senior 1B **Kevin Culp** was 3-for-3 with a double and three runs scored; Junior DH **Justin Joseph** also went 3-for-3 with an RBI double and a stolen base; and junior C **Ben Yeckel** was 2-for-2 with a double, two runs and two RBIs ... Senior **Jason Mumford** fired a four-hit shutout with six strikeouts in the Grove City nightcap ... Culp had the complete game victory in the Clarion nightcap, allowing one run on just two hits with eight strikeouts, while junior 2B **Brian Goettler** was 3-for-4 with a double.

Past PAC Baseball Players of the Week

March 16: Randy Chiquelin, 1B/DH, Thiel

March 23: Eric Holt, P/OF, Waynesburg

March 30: Scott Johnson, OF, Bethany

April 6: Mike Ritter, SS, Grove City

April 13: Kevin Culp, P/1B, Westminster

April 20: George Taylor, OF/P, Waynesburg