

BASEBALL 2011

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2011 BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT Bob Cene Park - Struthers, Ohio - May 12-14, 2011

Game A - May 13 - 10 a.m. - Cene Park Field 1 #4 Westminster 12, #1 Grove City 3

The fourth-seeded Titans opened tournament play with an upset victory, as Westminster jumped out to a 10-0 through six innings and was never seriously threatened the rest of the way. The big inning for the victors was a six-run fifth, as WC pounded out 18 hits on the game against the Wolverines. Junior SP Patrick Mulligan (Brookfield, OH/Brookfield H.S.) went the distance on the hill for the Titans, earning the complete game victory after allowing three runs on 10 hits with no walks and 11 strikeouts. Offensively, Westminster had seven player post multi-hit games. Junior SS Ethan Yeager (Pottstown, PA/Owen J. Roberts H.S.) was 3-for-5 with three RBIs, while junior 2B Bud Main (Ellwood City, PA/Riverside H.S.) was 3for-6 with two runs scored and two RBIs. Junior 1B Tim Wiand (Pottstown, PA/Owen J. Roberts H.S.) went 2-for-4 with three runs scored and two RBIs. For Grove City, senior P Kyle Silk (Akron, OH/Cuyahoga Valley Christian H.S.) took the loss on the hill, while senior OF Dan Quirk (Albany, NY/Schuylerville H.S.) was 3-for-4 with a triple and two runs scored at the plate.

Game B - May 13 - 10 a.m. - Cene Park Field 2 #3 Thomas More 10, #2 Washington & Jefferson 5

The defending PAC champion Saints took control of the opener against the Presidents early, as Thomas More rode a three-run homer by junior 1B Andrew Thole (Cincinnati, OH/McNicholas H.S.) in the second en route to a 7-0 lead midway through the third inning. W&J cut the lead to 7-2 after three and 9-5 after seven, but the Saints added an insurance tally in the eighth to close the scoring. Junior SP Aaron Carmack (Maimisburg, OH/ Miamisburg H.S.) earned the pitching win for TMC, allowing four runs on nine hits with three walks and three strikeouts in 6 1/3 innings. In addition to Thole, who went 2-for-4 at the plate, the Saint offense was paced by freshman 2B Jason Handley (Cincinnati, OH/Oak Hills H.S.), who went 4-for-5 with a double, three runs scored and three RBIs. Sophomore SS David Kennett (Grove City, OH/Grove City H.S.) went 3-for-5 for Thomas More. For Washington & Jefferson, senior SP Jordan Zivoder (Lyndhurst, OH/Brush H.S.) suffered the pitching loss after being chased after 2 2/3 innings. At the plate, sophomore OF Scott Brady (Allison Park, PA/Hampton H.S.) was 3-for-5 with a run scored for W&J.

Game C - May 13 - 1:45 p.m. - Cene Park Field 1 #3 Thomas More 11, #4 Westminster 4

The winner's bracket final was tight early, with Westminster and Thomas More each taking an early lead before the score was knotted at 4-4 after four innings. The Saints took a 5-4 lead in the fifth on a solo homer by junior 1B Andrew Thole (Cincinnati, OH/McNicholas H.S.), then brok the game open when Titan pitchers loaded the bases and proceeded to walk in six consecutive TMC runners in the seventh. Sophomore SP Grant Lewis (Mason, OH/Mason H.S.) earning the victory on the mound for Thomas More, giving up four runs (three earned) on eight hits with a strikeout in 5+innings. Sophomore OF Ryan Darner (Burlington, KY/Covington Catholic H.S.) was the big stick for the Saints, going 3-for-4 with a double and a team-high four RBIs. For Westminster, sophomore OF Kyle Allen (New Wilmington, PA/West Middlesex H.S.) also went 3-for-4 with a pair of runs scored. Junior SP Justin Prejsnar (New Castle, PA/New Castle H.S.) suffered the pitching loss for the Titans, giving up five runs (four earned) on seven hits with a strikeout in 4+ innings.

Game D - May 13 - 1:45 p.m. - Cene Park Field 1 #1 Grove City 8, #2 Washington & Jefferson 5

The Wolverines scored runs in four of the first five innings to take acommanding 7-0 lead after five frames. Washington & Jefferson rallied with a five-run sixth to cut the lead but could get no closer, as Grove City added an insurance score in the eighth. The win advanced GCC to Game E on Saturday, while the loss eliminated the Presidents from the tournament. Earning the pitching win for the Wolverines was senior Cory Metcalf (Ashland, OH/Ashland H.S.), who allowed five runs on 12 hits with one strikeout in six innings before giving way to sophomore RP Zach Butler (Massillon, OH/Cuyahoga Valley Christian H.S.), who threw three scoreless to close the game and earn the save. Offensively, senior OF Butch Kriger (Pittsburgh, PA/Montour H.S.) paced Grove City by going 3-for-5 with a pair of runs scored. Senior SP Pat Kennedy (Westerville, OH/South H.S.) suffered the pitching loss for W&J, while senior OF Andy Trettel (Wexford, PA/North Allegheny H.S.) went 3-for-5 in defeat.

Game E - May 14 - 2:45 p.m. - Cene Park Field 1 #4 Westminster 8, #1 Grove City 4

Trailing 4-3, the fourth-seeded Titans used a three-run seventh inning to top the #1-seeded Wolverines for the second time in the tournament, eliminating Grove City and advancing to the PAC title game vs. Thomas More. Junior P Vince Iosue (Euclid, OH/Notre Dame Cathedral Latin H.S.) earned the pitching win for Westminster, as he went eight innings allowing four runs on 11 hits with one walk and eight strikeouts. The Titan offense was led by senior OFRick DeBlasio (New Castle, PA/New Castle H.S.), who went 4-for-5 with a pair of doubles and two runsscored. Also for Westminster, sophomore OF Tyler Robinson (Creston, PA/Norwayne H.S.) was 2-for-4 with a two-run homer and a double in the win. Sophomore P Erick Locker (Canton, OH/Lake Center Christian H.S.) took the loss on the hill for GCC, while freshman 3B Tom Hawley (Aurora, OH/Aurora H.S.) went 3-for-4 and sophomore C Doug Wells (Staten Island, NY/St. Peter's H.S.) banged a pair of doubles forthe Wolverines.

Game F - May 14 - 6 p.m. - Cene Park Field 1 #3 Thomas More 9, #4 Westminster 1

The Saints captured their second consecutive PAC baseball title as they rolled past the Titans in the 2011 title game. Westminster jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead in the opening frame, but Thomas More answered with a four-run second to take a lead it would not relinquish. TMC sophomore P David Etscheid (Union, KY/Ryle H.S.) was the star of the game for the victors, as he went the distance for the winon the hill allowing one run on just three hits with one walk and four strikeouts. Offensively, Saint sophomore SS David Kennett (Grove City, OH/Grove City H.S.) was 3-for-4 with a pair of runs scored and two RBIs, while freshman 2B Jason Handley (Cincinnati, OH/Oak Hills H.S.) drove in a game-high five runs for the victors. Westminster senior SP Tim Lynn (Utica, PA/Franklin H.S.) was saddled with the pitching loss, while Titan sophomore OF Kyle Allen (New Wilmington, PA/West Middlesex H.S.) drove in the lone run of the game with an RBI single for the Blue & White.