



FOOTBALL 2002

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CURRENT REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through September 8, 2002)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Grove City College	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.00	30	7
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.00	63	20
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.00	28	7
Bethany College	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	9	31
Thiel College	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	9	13
Westminster College	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	26	28

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - September 7

CARNEGIE MELLON 31, Bethany 9
 Walsh 28, WESTMINSTER 26
 Waynesburg 28, DENISON 7
 Grove City 30, HIRAM 7
 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 63, Ursinus 20
 MALONE 13, Thiel 9

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - September 14

Washington & Jefferson at Allegheny - 1 p.m.
 Carnegie Mellon at Grove City - 1:30 p.m.
 Geneva at Thiel - 1:30 p.m.
 Kenyon at Bethany - 1:30 p.m.
 Otterbein at Waynesburg - 1:30 p.m.
 Westminster - off

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

TODD FRY

Washington & Jefferson College

Senior wide receiver - 5-11, 185

Hannibal, Ohio/River H.S.

Fry tied the W&J single-game reception record with 10 catches for 156 yards for the Presidents in their season-opening 63-20 win over Ursinus. He also scored a touchdown on a 38-yard reverse, giving him 194 all-purpose yards in the game.

Also nominated was junior TE **Pat Crossey** of Bethany, junior HB **Steve Roberts** of Grove City, sophomore QB **Daryl Moore** of Thiel, sophomore QB **Jeff Dumm** of Waynesburg, and sophomore TB **Scott Froelich** of Westminster.

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

KYLE VUCHAK

Grove City College

Senior defensive end - 6-3, 260

Warren, Ohio/Howland H.S.

Vuchak paced the Wolverine defense which held Hiram to no offensive points, 64 total yards and an 0-for-11 performance on third downs in Grove City's 30-7 win. He finished the game with a team-high five tackles, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery.

Also nominated was junior LB **Steve Ochap** of Bethany, sophomore LB **Robert Drake** of Thiel, senior LB **B.J. Swartzlander** of Washington & Jefferson, junior DL **Brandon Doppelheuer** of Waynesburg and sophomore S **Clint DeLuca** of Westminster.

PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

The Bison dropped their first season opener since 1999 and had the debut of **Chris Snyder** ruined with a 31-9 loss at CMU ... Bethany jumped on the board first on a 36-yard field goal by **Paul Barsotti**, but the Tartans took a 10-3 half-time lead and then scored 21 points to open the fourth quarter and put the game away ... QB **Jeremy Lacaria** was 15-29 in the loss for 197 yards and a touchdown ... TE **Pat Crossey** caught four balls for 53 yards and the lone score, a three-yard TD late in the fourth quarter ... Defensively, Bethany was led by LB **Steve Ochap's** 14 tackles and FS **Nick Lion's** 10 stops ... DT **John Hostetler** recorded eight tackles, one sack and forced a fumble.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J rolled up 571 yards of total offense en route to a 63-20 season opening victory over Ursinus at Cameron Stadium ... The 63 points marked the most points scored in a season opener for the Presidents since a 74-0 shutout of Bethany in 1930 ... **Brian Dawson** led the way for W&J by completing 17-of-27 passes for 284 yards and three touchdowns ... He threw for 279 of his yards in the first half ... **Todd Fry** tied a school record with 10 receptions for 156 yards, while **Joey Nichols** rushed for 75 yards on 20 carries ... **B.J. Swartzlander** led the W&J defense with eight tackles, one forced fumble, one 24-yard interception return for a TD and one pass deflection ... The Presidents outgained the Bears, 571-239.

Grove City Wolverines

The Wolverines won their first opener since 1997, as they outgained Hiram 471-64 and held 42-18 edge in time of possession in 30-7 win ... Sophomore **Brandon McGlothlin** led Grove City with 93 yards rushing, a career-high ... **Steve Roberts** amassed 200 all-purpose yards, including a 42-yard kickoff return to open the game ... Wolverine defense did not allow a point and held Hiram to an 0-for-11 performance on third down ... Grove City ran 78 plays compared to 41 for Hiram ... **Mike Titzel** booted a career-long 46-yard field goal in the first half ... Defensive end **Kyle Vuchak** made five stops and forced a fumble while free safety **Ross Trimmer** made his first collegiate interception.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg's new offense and improved defense were on display in Saturday's 28-7 win over Denison, as the Jackets won their third season opener in the last four years ... Waynesburg surrendered just 189 yards of total offense, compared to last season when Waynesburg gave up an unprecedented 432 yards per game, including 489 in its 2001 opener against Denison ... The improved defensive showing complimented the Jackets' new offense, as sophomore QB **Jeff Dumm** threw for 160 yards, including a 33-yard touchdown pass to **Paul D'Imperio**, who led all receivers with 99 yards on four catches ... FB **Jared Plisko** led all rushers with 49 yards on 13 carries ... Junior DT **Brandon Doppelheuer** led the Jackets' defense with seven tackles.

Thiel Tomcats

Thiel opened the 2002 season by falling 13-9 to NAIA member Malone College ... Sophomore QB **Daryl Moore** led the Tomcats running attack with eight carries for 72 yards ... Junior RB **Justin Napotnik** ran the ball 18 times for 43 yards ... Senior DB **Jay Salman** put the Tomcats on the board late in the second quarter, giving his squad a 6-3 lead after intercepting an **Eric Rector** pass and returning it 30 yards for the touchdown ... Defensively for the Tomcats, sophomore LB **Robert Drake** picked up where he left off in 2001, leading the squad with 14 stops, including 11 solo ... Senior LB **Dante Darby** chipped in with 11 tackles of his own.

Westminster Titans

Westminster dropped its fourth season opener in the last five years, falling at home to NAIA member Walsh University 28-26 ... The Titans led 10-7 at the half and 17-14 in the third period, but could not overcome 192 rushing yards and four touchdowns by **Derek Besgrove** of Walsh ... Sophomore TB **Scott Froelich** tallied the fourth 100-yard rushing effort of his career, tallying 137 yards on 32 carries ... Junior QBs **Matt Robison** and **Kevin Huber** split time, with Huber completing 11-of-15 passes for 137 yards and a TD, while Robison was 8-of-13 for 82 yards and a score ... The duo did combine for three interceptions ... Junior WR **Brian Ekis** and sophomore WR **Ben Haug** each caught TD passes, while Huber ran for another score.

Past PAC Offensive Players of the Week

September 7: Todd Fry, WR, W&J
September 14:
September 22:
September 29:
October 5:
October 12:
October 19:
October 26:
November 2:
November 9:
November 16:

Past PAC Defensive Players of the Week

September 7: Kyle Vuchak, DE, GRO
September 14:
September 21:
September 28:
October 5:
October 12:
October 19:
October 26:
November 2:
November 9:
November 16:

PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

Wash. & Jeff. (1-0) at Allegheny (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 14 - 1 p.m.

Robertson Field (3,500/grass) - Meadville, Pa.

Radio/TV: WJPA-AM (1450), WNJR-FM (92.1), www.nsnsports.com

Series Record: Allegheny leads 19-18-1

Game Notes: The Presidents have claimed the last seven games of the series, including a 28-14 win last season ... The Gators last victory in the series came in Washington, Pa., a 29-0 shutout in 1981 ... The last AC win in Meadville was the year before in 1980 ... Not one of W&J's last seven wins over Allegheny has been by more than 14 points ... The first game in series history came in 1898 as W&J shutout AC, 66-0 ... The Gators fell in their season opener to Baldwin-Wallace, 22-2 ... They managed just 225 yards of total offense in Head Coach **Mark Matlak's** debut.

Carnegie Mellon (1-0) at Grove City (1-0)

Saturday, Sept. 14 - 1:30 p.m.

Robert E. Thorn Field (3,000/grass) - Grove City, Pa.

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1)

Series Record: Carnegie Mellon leads 25-17-2

Game Notes: Grove City welcomes Carnegie Mellon to Robert E. Thorn Field Saturday ... Grove City has won two straight home games over CMU (1997, 2000) ... CMU pulled out a 17-14 win in the final seconds last year in Pittsburgh ... Wolverines look to start 2-0 for the first time since 1994 when they opened with wins over Kenyon and Bluffton ... Teams played every year from 1982-97 before two-year hiatus in late 1990s.

Geneva (0-1) at Thiel (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 14 - 1:30 p.m.

Alumni Stadium (1,400/turf) - Greenville, Pa.

Radio/TV: www.nsnsports.com

Series Record: First meeting

Game Notes: The Tomcats host the Golden Tornadoes in a non-conference contest in Thiel's home opener in Greenville ... Both teams will try to rebound from season-opening losses, as the Cats fell at Malone 13-9 while Geneva was pummeled 45-0 by NCAA Division II California (Pa.) at home during the opening week.

Kenyon (0-1) at Bethany (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 14 - 1:30 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: none

Series Record: Series tied 2-2-1

Game Notes: The last meeting between the teams was in 1979, a contest won by the Bison 21-17 ... A Bethany win would keep the Bison from falling to 0-2 for the first time since 1998, when the Green and White started the season 0-6 ... It would also keep **Chris Snyder** from being the first Bethany coach to lose his first two games since **Bob Goin** in 1963 ... Bethany will be gunning for its fourth consecutive win in a home opener ... Kenyon comes in off a 38-15 loss to Centre ... The Lords, who only have 35 players on their roster, had a 9-0 lead early and only trailed 17-15 at half, but 21 Centre points in the third quarter put the game away.

Otterbein (0-0) Waynesburg (1-0)

Saturday, Sept. 14 - 1:30 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7), WCYJ-TV Channel 13, www.waynesburg.edu

Series Record: Waynesburg leads 1-0

Game Notes: The last time Waynesburg played Otterbein the Yellow Jackets recorded a 32-0 win over the Cardinals in 1939, the same year Waynesburg made history by playing the first-ever televised football game ... **John F. Wiley** was a member of that squad, and is the namesake of Waynesburg's current stadium, where the Jackets will host their 2002 home-opener on Saturday ... The game will mark Otterbein's first action in 2002 under third-year coach **Rocky Alt**, after the Cardinal served a rare week-one bye ... The Jackets are 2-1 in their last three home openers.