

2008 PAC Football Release Week 2 - September 8



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2008 PAC FOOTBALL STANDINGS (through Sept. 7)

School	PAC Games			PF	PA	All Games				
	W	L	Pct.			W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington & Jefferson	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.00	49	35
Bethany	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	7	40
Grove City	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	7	34
Thiel	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	18	21
Thomas More	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	14	41
Waynesburg	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	6	27
Westminster	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	27	62
Geneva*	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	18	27
Saint Vincent*	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	7	38

* - NCAA Division III provisional member - not eligible for 2008 PAC championship or player of the week honors

LAST WEEK (September 6)

McDaniel 38, SAINT VINCENT 7
Washington & Jefferson 49, OBERLIN 35
OTTERBEIN 40, Bethany 7
DICKINSON 34, Grove City 7
John Carroll 41, THOMAS MORE 14
Marietta 21, THIEL 18
HEIDELBERG 62, Westminster 27
Wooster 27, WAYNESBURG 6
Seton Hill 27, GENEVA 18

THIS WEEK (September 13)

Kentucky Christian at Bethany - 1 p.m.
Saint Vincent at Gallaudet - 1 p.m.
Thiel at Albion - 1 p.m.
Waynesburg at Hanover - 1 p.m.
Allegheny at Westminster - 1:30 p.m.
Carnegie Mellon at Grove City - 1:30 p.m.
Geneva at Salisbury - 6 p.m.
Frostburg State at Washington & Jefferson - 7 p.m.
Thomas More - idle

Offensive Player of the Week

CURT JONES

Wash. & Jeff.

Senior RB

6-2, 205

Falconer, N.Y.

Falconer H.S.



Jones posted 187 yards of total offense and a career-high four touchdowns for W&J in a 49-35 win at Oberlin. He rushed 24 times for 126 yards and three touchdowns (1,3,2) while adding three receptions for 61 yards and another score (43) in the victory.

Also nominated was senior WR **Stephen Mercer** of Grove City, senior WR **Tim Van Horn** of Thiel, sophomore RB **Robert Heller** of Waynesburg, and junior QB **Kevin Franz** of Westminster.

Defensive Player of the Week

RYAN KRULL

Waynesburg

Junior LB

5-9, 190

Revloc, Pa.

Central Cambria H.S.



Krull recorded 14 total tackles (nine solo, five assists) along with a half sack and a blocked extra point attempt for the Yellow Jackets in their 27-6 loss to Wooster on Saturday.

Also nominated was sophomore DE **Kevin Twarek** of Grove City, freshman MLB **Mike Lewis** of Thiel, and junior DL **Jacob Bloomhuff** of Washington & Jefferson.

Special Teams Player of the Week

BRICE MERTIFF

Thiel

Freshman P

5-9, 188

Tyrone, Pa.

Tyrone H.S.

Mertiff helped Thiel win the battle of field position in a 21-18 loss to Marietta by booting seven punts for 247 yards (35.3 average), including a long of 45 yards. He also placed three of his seven punts inside the Marietta 20-yard line.

Also nominated was sophomore SS **Butch Kriger** of Grove City, junior WR **Joe Mucho** of Washington & Jefferson, freshman K **Bryan Arbes** of Waynesburg, and junior K **Fred Romeo** of Westminster.

PAC FOOTBALL 2008 - Week 2 Conference Notes

ROUGH ROAD: It was a rough opening weekend for PAC football teams, as eight of the nine conference squads suffered defeats in their season openers ... The lone bright spot for the conference was defending PAC champion W&J, a 49-35 winner at Oberlin ... The Yeomen gave the Presidents a scare, as the game was tied after three periods ... Waynesburg QBs threw five interceptions in a loss to Wooster ... Heidelberg's 62 points are the fourth-most scored against a Westminster team all-time and the most since Pitt beat WC 88-0 in 1926.

WHO'S HOT: Freshman DB **Antoine Barber** was a bright spot for Saint Vincent in its 38-7 home loss to McDaniel ... Barber posted a 75-yard interception return for a touchdown for the Bearcats only points, then later posted nine tackles and blocked a field goal attempt ... Thiel senior WR **Tim Van Horn** had 11 catches for 121 yards and a touchdown against Marietta ... Westminster junior QB **Kevin Franz** eclipsed the 4,000-yard career passing yardage mark with 202 yards in the Titans' loss at Heidelberg ... **Taylor McNeil** had 101 all-purpose yards for Bethany vs. Otterbein.

AROUND THE LEAGUE: Waynesburg sophomore RB **Robert Heller** had 22 carries for 104 yards vs. Wooster ... With a 34-7 loss on Saturday, Grove City is now 0-4 in season openers against Dickinson this decade ... Senior WR **Nick Dew** had six catches for 43 yards in Thomas More's 41-14 loss to John Carroll ... Freshman K **Bryan Arbes** booted a 44-yard field goal for Waynesburg vs. Wooster ... Geneva LB **Aaron Tommelleo** posted 16 tackles, including 10 solo stops, in the Golden Tornadoes' 27-18 loss to NCAA Division II Seton Hill on Saturday night.



**Bethany
Bison
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



Bethany's 2008 opener was dampened by five turnovers in a 40-7 loss at Otterbein ... After falling behind 13-0, the Bison moved within a score after a 7-yard TD pass from **Dan Pegg** to **Randy Rankin** ... BC drove inside the Cardinal 32 three more times before the half, but interceptions thwarted every threat and it was a 13-7 Otterbein lead at the break ... The hosts scored on their first four possessions of the second half to take control, while the Bison offense was limited to 93 yards after halftime ... TE **Jorge Laboy** led all receivers with seven catches for 68 yards, while WR **Taylor McNeil** had 101 all-purpose yards (44 receiving, 33 rushing, 24 KO returns) ... Defensively, FS **Nelson Mitzen** had nine tackles, one INT and one fumble recovery for the Bison.

**Geneva Golden
Tornadoes
(0-1)**



The long-awaited season opener at the newly renovated Reeves Field went off without a hitch, with the exception of the final score ... The Golden Tornadoes scored the first six points and the last 12 points against NCAA Division II Seton Hill, but it was the 27 unanswered points in between that made the difference in a 27-18 loss ... **Gerard Muschette** led the offense with a pair of rushing touchdowns from three and 76 yards out ... Muschette rushed for 82 yards on eight carries ... Geneva's defense forced three turnovers, including a 45-yard interception return from **Dan Terracciano** that set up a touchdown ... Sophomore QB **David Girardi** was 18-for-31 for 163 yards in his first collegiate start ... **Aaron Tommelleo** led the defense with 16 tackles, including 10 solo tackles.

**Grove City
Wolverines
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



Grove City opened the 2008 season Saturday in Carlisle, Pa., with a 34-7 loss against Dickinson College ... Grove City forced a pair of first-half turnovers but could not turn either opportunity into points ... **Vance Keirse**y returned an interception to the Dickinson 4-yard line in the first half, while **Kevin Twarek** forced a fumble that the Wolverines recovered deep in Dickinson territory ... Twarek recorded a career-high nine tackles and a sack for Grove City ... **Stephen Mercer** caught five passes for 58 yards, including a 25-yard touchdown from **Andrew DiDonato** ... Grove City is 0-4 against Dickinson in season openers this decade.

**Saint Vincent
Bearcats
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



The Bearcats opened up the 2008 campaign with a 38-7 home loss against McDaniel College ... Saint Vincent started strong, with a 75-yard interception return touchdown from freshman **Antoine Barber** on McDaniel's first possession, but it was all the Bearcats could manage, as the team gained just 67 yards of total offense ... Freshman HB **Zach Mihalko** led the way, gaining 41 yards on 10 carries ... Defensively, freshman LB **Anthony Johnson** enjoyed a fine debut, finishing with 12 tackles, including two TFL's and a sack ... Barber also had a fine first day in the green and gold, making nine stops and adding a blocked field goal to his interception return, while sophomore safety **Sean Hufgard** recorded a career-high 10 tackles.

**Thiel
Tomcats
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



Thiel opened the season with a 21-18 home loss to Marietta.

**Thomas More
Saints
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



Thomas More fell 41-14 to John Carroll Saturday in TMC's 2008 season opener at Dixie Heights H.S. Stadium in nearby Fort Mitchell, Ky. ... Offensively, Saint junior QB **Trevor Stellman** was 14-of-25 passing for 114 yards and senior WR **Nick Dew** was his favorite target as he pulled down six catches for 43 yards ... The Saints were led on the ground by freshman RB **Anthony Knott**, who had five carries for 47 yards and senior RB **Cordario Collier** with 10 rushes for 33-yards and two touchdowns. ... Sophomore LB **Matt Clark** led the defense with nine total tackles ... In addition to Clark, sophomore DB **Aaron Monk** had 8.5 tackles and junior DB **Martez Williams** had 6.5 tackles ... The Saints are off this week (September 13) and return to action at Waynesburg on Sept. 20.

**Washington & Jefferson
Presidents
(1-0, 0-0 PAC)**



Washington and Jefferson is currently ranked No. 13 in the nation ... The Presidents opened the season on Saturday with a 49-35 shoot-out victory over Oberlin College ... Senior running back **Curt Jones** totaled 187 yards and scored four touchdowns ... The Presidents out-gained the Yeomen by a 512-312 margin ... W&J was the only PAC team to record a win in week one of the 2008 football campaign ... Senior quarterback **Bobby Swallow** threw for 351 yards, completing 22-of-40 pass attempts and two touchdown passes ... Senior wide receiver **David Ravid**a hauled in eight receptions for the Presidents for 83 yards, including one touchdown ... Defensively senior linebacker **David Gitlitz** led W&J with 10 total tackles (7s, 3a).

**Waynesburg
Yellow Jackets
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



The Waynesburg Yellow Jackets got their season off to a rough start with a 27-6 loss to the Fightin' Scots of Wooster on Saturday, Sept. 6 ... All-American running back **Robert Heller** rushed for 104 net yards on 22 carries to lead the offense, but a combined five interceptions from Waynesburg quarterbacks **Brad Dawson** and **Kyle Kyper** stifled the team's scoring chances ... Freshman kicker **Bryan Arbes** accounted for all six Jacket points with a 44-yard field goal in the first quarter to give the home team its one-and-only lead (3-0) and a 28-yarder in the third cut a Wooster lead to 13-6 ... Junior linebacker **Ryan Krull** led the defense with 14 tackles, including nine solo stops, and a blocked extra point.

**Westminster
Titans
(0-1, 0-0 PAC)**



Westminster opened up the 2008 season with a decisive 62-27 loss at Heidelberg Saturday ... Junior QB **Kevin Franz** was 21-of-38 passing with 202 yards ... Franz became only the fifth player in school history to throw for 4,000 career yards ... Franz hooked up with junior WR **Chad Rosatelli** in the second quarter for a 25-yard TD reception ... The Student Princes racked up 596 yards of offense and scored on 9-of-13 drives ... Junior **Fred Romeo** kicked two career-long 34 yard field goals during the game ... Junior TB **Nick McKolosky** and freshman TE **Nate Horgan** scored the other two Titan touchdowns on a 2-yard run and a 3-yard pass from freshman QB **Shawn Lehocky**, respectively ... Junior TE **Gary Hutsler** caught a career-high five passes for 38 yards ... Senior CB **Kiel Wolf** led the defense with 10 tackles in his first career start.

PAC FOOTBALL GAME PREVIEWS - WEEK 2



Kentucky Christian (0-2) at Bethany (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 1 p.m.
Bison Stadium (1,000/turf) - Bethany, W.Va.

Radio/TV: www.teamline.cc (code 3724)

Series Record: First meeting

Game Notes: Bethany will play its first game at refurbished Bison Stadium Saturday when they host Kentucky Christian ... Bethany has won three straight home openers, including victories over Franklin & Marshall in 2005 (35-21), Hiram in 2006 (42-7) and Saint Vincent in 2007 (66-7) ... Kentucky Christian, located in Grayson, Ky., is a first-year NAIA program ... After losing a 56-12 decision to NAIA Virginia-Wise in their first game, the Knights dropped a hard-fought 31-28 contest Saturday to Division II Kentucky Wesleyan ... In their opener, KCU had five turnovers and gave up 583 total yards of offense ... QBs **Ricky Phillips** and **Beau Dailey** both threw TD passes in the setback.



Saint Vincent (0-1) at Gallaudet (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 1 p.m.
Hotchkiss Field (1,000/turf) - Washington, D.C.

Radio/TV: WCNS-AM (1480); www.redzonemedia.com

Series Record: Gallaudet leads 1-0

Game Notes: The Bearcats will look for their first win of the year when they travel to Washington D.C. and Gallaudet University in the rematch of the 2007 season opener... Gallaudet won last year's meeting in Latrobe 32-13... Saint Vincent head coach **Bob Colbert** began his coaching career at Gallaudet, serving as the Bison head coach in 1972 and '73 ... The Bison opened the season with a 21-14 overtime loss to Hiram... Gallaudet returns 16 starters from the 2007 season, its first of NCAA Division III varsity competition.



Thiel (0-1) at Albion (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 1 p.m.
Sparkle-Sprandel Stadium (4,244/grass) - Albion, Mich.

Radio/TV: WPIC-AM (790); www.790wpic.com

Series Record: Albion leads 3-1

Game Notes: Both Thiel and Albion look to rebound from season-opening losses ... Thiel fell, 21-18, at home versus Marietta and Albion suffered a, 20-6, defeat at the hands of Butler... Saturday's bout is the Tomcats first road contest of the young season... The Tomcats and Britons have locked horns four times previously, with Albion holding a 3-1 edge... The series began in 1992 and was most recently renewed in 2007 - a 13-10 Thiel win ... Thiel is 1-1 at Sparkle-Sprandel Stadium.



Waynesburg (0-1) at Hanover (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 1 p.m.
L.S. Ayres Field (4,000/turf) - Hanover, Ind.

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7); www.waynesburg.edu;

Series Record: Series tied 1-1

Game Notes: The Hanover Panthers are coming off of a 46-22 road loss to Centre (Ky.) College this past weekend ... The two teams have split their only two previous meetings. The last time the two teams played was in 2005, head coach **Rick Shepas'** first year, and the Jackets won 34-17 ... The game will be the home debut for new Hanover head coach **Joe Austin** ... It will also be the first game played on Hanover's new synthetic surface.



Allegheny (1-0) at Westminster (0-1)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 1:30 p.m.
Burry Stadium (4,500/turf) - New Wilmington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9); WMGW-AM (1490);

Westminster Cable Network (WCN); www.titanradio.net;

Series Record: Westminster leads 27-25-5

Game Notes: Westminster takes on Allegheny in a non-conference game at Burry Stadium ... The Gators are coming off a 34-18 win at Juniata Saturday, while the Titans are looking to turn things around after a disappointing 62-27 loss at Heidelberg ... Westminster and Allegheny opened the season last year in Meadville, with the Titans winning 13-6 in a well-fought defensive battle ... Also, three of the past five meetings have gone into overtime ... Saturday will also mark the unveiling of the new FieldTurf, the new lighting, the Fusco plaza and Neff entrance way at Burry Stadium ... Westminster will be dedicating the new facilities before the game.



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

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 1:30 p.m.
Thorn Field (3,500/turf) - Grove City, Pa.

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1); www2.gcc.edu/sports

Series Record: Carnegie Mellon leads 30-18-2

Game Notes: Grove City hosts Carnegie Mellon in the 2008 home opener Saturday ... The Wolverines are in pursuit of their first home opener victory since 2004 ... Carnegie Mellon leads the all-time series, 30-18-2 ... Last year, CMU earned a 16-6 home win over the Wolverines in Week Two ... Grove City held CMU to just 11 first downs in last year's meeting ... Grove City last defeated CMU at Thorn Field in 2000, 17-14 ... In 2002, CMU earned a 9-6 overtime win the Wolverines in Grove City ... That is Grove City's most recent overtime game ... CMU opened its season with a 35-7 win at Ohio Wesleyan September 6.



Geneva (0-1) at Salisbury (1-0)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 6 p.m.
Sea Gull Stadium (2,000/turf) - Salisbury, Md.

Radio/TV: WBVP-AM (1230); WMBA-AM (1460) ;
www.msasportsnetwork.com

Series Record: Salisbury leads 1-0

Game Notes: Geneva will face 12th-ranked Salisbury University for the second time in as many years and only the second time in school history ... Last year, the Sea Gulls escaped Beaver Falls with a 20-7 victory ... Geneva will make its first trip into Salisbury, Md and will be playing the first-ever night game at Sea Gull Stadium ... Salisbury opened the 2008 season with a 30-28 victory over Albright College.



Frostburg St. (0-0) at Wash. & Jeff. (1-0)

Saturday, Sept. 13 - 7 p.m.
Cameron Stadium (5,500/turf) - Washington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WJPA-AM (1450); www.wjpa.com

Series Record: W&J leads 3-0

Game Notes: W&J and Frostburg State meet for the fourth time in history... The last time the two schools met was in the 1993 NCAA Playoffs when W&J claimed a 28-7 victory ... The Bobcats will be under the direction of first-year head coach **Tom Rogish** in 2008 ... Prior to FSU, Rogish served as an assistant coach at D-II Shepherd (W.Va.) University ... The Bobcats return four starting linemen from last year's squad, but have question marks at quarterback with only one player (junior **Brian Brosnam**) on the current roster with on-field experience, ... The defense should be the strong point for the Bobcats, who return seven starters ... Frostburg finished 2-7 in 2007.

**Bethany Bison
0-1, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 at Otterbein L 7-40
 13 KENTUCKY CHRISTIAN 1 p.m.
 20 at Grove City* 7 p.m.
 27 Open Date

October

4 THOMAS MORE* 2 p.m.
 11 at Thiel* 1:30 p.m.
 18 at Westminster* 1:30 p.m.
 25 WAYNESBURG* 1 p.m.

November

1 GENEVA* 1 p.m.
 8 at Wash. & Jeff.* 1:30 p.m.
 15 SAINT VINCENT* 1 p.m.

**Geneva Golden Tornadoes
0-1****September**

6 SETON HILL L 18-27
 13 at Salisbury 6 p.m.
 20 Open Date
 27 at Thiel* 1:30 p.m.

October

4 WASH. & JEFF.* 7 p.m.
 11 at Grove City* 1:30 p.m.
 18 WAYNESBURG* 7 p.m.
 25 at Saint Vincent* 1 p.m.

November

1 at Bethany* 1 p.m.
 8 THOMAS MORE* 1:30 p.m.
 15 WESTMINSTER* 1:30 p.m.

**Grove City Wolverines
0-1, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 at Dickinson L 7-34
 13 CARNEGIE MELLON 1:30 p.m.
 20 BETHANY* 7 p.m.
 27 at Wash. & Jeff.* 7 p.m.

October

4 at Saint Vincent* 1:30 p.m.
 11 GENEVA* 1:30 p.m.
 18 THOMAS MORE* 2 p.m.
 25 Open Date

November

1 at Waynesburg* 1:30 p.m.
 8 at Westminster* 1:30 p.m.
 15 THIEL* 1 p.m.

**Saint Vincent Bearcats
0-1****September**

6 MCDANIEL L 7-38
 13 at Gallaudet 1 p.m.
 20 at Westminster* 1:30 p.m.
 27 WAYNESBURG* 1:30 p.m.

October

4 GROVE CITY* 1:30 p.m.
 11 at Thomas More* 1:30 p.m.
 18 at Wash. & Jeff. 2 p.m.
 25 GENEVA* 1 p.m.

November

1 THIEL* 1:30 p.m.
 8 Open Date
 15 at Bethany* 1 p.m.

**Thiel Tomcats
0-1, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 MARIETTA L 18-21
 13 at Albion 1 p.m.
 20 WASH. & JEFF.* 1:30 p.m.
 27 GENEVA* 1:30 p.m.

October

4 at Westminster* 1:30 p.m.
 11 BETHANY* 1:30 p.m.
 18 Open Date
 25 at Thomas More* 1:30 p.m.

November

1 at Saint Vincent* 1:30 p.m.
 8 WAYNESBURG* 1:30 p.m.
 15 at Grove City* 1 p.m.

**Thomas More Saints
0-1, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 JOHN CARROLL L 14-41
 13 Open Date
 20 at Waynesburg* 1:30 p.m.
 27 WESTMINSTER* 1:30 p.m.

October

4 at Bethany* 2 p.m.
 11 SAINT VINCENT* 1:30 p.m.
 18 at Grove City* 2 p.m.
 25 THIEL* 1:30 p.m.

November

1 WASH. & JEFF.* 1:30 p.m.
 8 at Geneva* 1:30 p.m.
 15 MOUNT ST. JOSEPH 1:30 p.m.

**Wash. & Jeff. Presidents
1-0, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 at Oberlin W 49-35
 13 FROSTBURG STATE 7 p.m.
 20 at Thiel* 1:30 p.m.
 27 GROVE CITY* 7 p.m.

October

4 at Geneva* 7 p.m.
 11 Open Date
 18 SAINT VINCENT* 2 p.m.
 25 WESTMINSTER* 7 p.m.

November

1 at Thomas More* 1:30 p.m.
 8 BETHANY* 1:30 p.m.
 15 at Waynesburg* 1:30 p.m.

**Waynesburg Yellow Jackets
0-1, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 WOOSTER L 6-27
 13 at Hanover 1 p.m.
 20 THOMAS MORE* 1:30 p.m.
 27 at Saint Vincent* 1:30 p.m.

October

4 Open Date
 11 WESTMINSTER* 1:30 p.m.
 18 at Geneva* 7 p.m.
 25 at Bethany* 1 p.m.

November

1 GROVE CITY* 1:30 p.m.
 8 at Thiel* 1:30 p.m.
 15 WASH. & JEFF.* 1:30 p.m.

**Westminster Titans
0-1, 0-0 PAC****September**

6 at Heidelberg L 27-62
 13 ALLEGHENY 1:30 p.m.
 20 SAINT VINCENT* 1:30 p.m.
 27 at Thomas More* 1:30 p.m.

October

4 THIEL* 1:30 p.m.
 11 at Waynesburg* 1:30 p.m.
 18 BETHANY* 1:30 p.m.
 25 at Wash. & Jeff.* 7 p.m.

November

1 Open Date
 8 GROVE CITY* 1:30 p.m.
 15 at Geneva* 1:30 p.m.