



FOOTBALL 2003

Presidents' Athletic Conference
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CURRENT 2003 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through September 21)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1.00	64	37
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	.667	145	52
Thiel College	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	.500	35	49
Grove City College	0	0	.000	0	0	1	2	.333	98	69
Westminster College	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	.000	37	93
Bethany College	0	0	.000	0	0	0	3	.000	48	134

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - September 20

Mansfield 50, WESTMINSTER 17
 Washington & Jefferson 36, FRANKLIN & MARSHALL 14
 GETTYSBURG 31, Waynesburg 30
 Defiance 14, GROVE CITY 9
 Thiel 35, BLUFFTON 7
 Wooster 69, BETHANY 7

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - September 27

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

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

BRANDON CHAMBERS
 Thiel College
 Sophomore wide receiver - 6-0, 164
 Farrell, Pa./Farrell H.S.

Chambers broke a 22-year-old Thiel school record for receiving yards in a game, as he caught eight passes for 283 yards (35.4 avg.) and three touchdowns (48, 49 and 57 yards) for the Tomcats in their 35-7 non-conference road win at Bluffton College.

Also nominated was senior QB Sam Mowrey of Grove City, sophomore WR/KR Aaron Krepps of Washington & Jefferson, freshman RB Dennis Gearhart of Waynesburg, and senior WR Brian Ekis of Westminster.

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

ERIC FIELD
 Washington & Jefferson College
 Junior linebacker - 6-2, 250
 Erie, Pa./Cathedral Prep H.S.

Field recorded 15 tackles, including 10 solo stops, to lead the 20th-ranked Presidents to a 2-0 mark with a 36-14 non-conference win at Franklin & Marshall College. Field paced a W&J defensive unit which held F&M to 201 total yards of offense.

Also nominated was sophomore LB Ben Szelong of Grove City, sophomore DE Jonathan Howson of Thiel, senior LB Sean Ross of Waynesburg, and sophomore DE Adam Hadbavny of Westminster.

PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany suffered their worst loss in more than 70 years with a 69-7 defeat to Wooster ... The Scots outgained Bethany 494-149, including a 367-110 advantage on the ground ... The lone Bison touchdown came on a 10-yard run by sophomore QB Ivan Braszo ... RB J.K. Murphy led BC's offensive efforts with 62 yards rushing on 11 carries ... Bethany's defense was led by DE Mike Mills, who had 10 tackles and 1.5 sacks and CB Ryan Nohe, who made four stops and picked off his second pass of the year ... The loss was BC's worst since a 74-0 shutout to W&J in 1930.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

The Presidents extended their winning streak to two games following a 36-14 thrashing of Franklin & Marshall on Saturday in Lancaster ... Sophomore QB Chris Edwards completed 10-of-20 passes in the first half for 266 yards and two TDs and finished the game with 292 yards ... Sophomore WR Aaron Krepps, who ranked third in the nation in all-purpose yards per game after week one, caught three passes for 145 yards and touchdowns of 49 and 69 yards ... Junior RB Matt Bettinazzi posted his first 100-yard rushing game of his career after gaining 156 yards on 29 carries ... Defensively, junior LB Eric Field notched 15 tackles, including 10 solo stops, to give him 29 total tackles after two games ... The Presidents outgained the Diplomats, 525-201, and held a 24-16 advantage in first downs.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City dropped its second straight game Saturday, as Defiance came from behind for a 14-9 win ... Sam Mowrey threw for 184 yards and also led team in rushing for the second straight game, adding 57 yards on the ground ... Dave DiDonato caught seven passes for 79 yards while Bo Danton and Tim Flenner each caught four passes ... Inside linebacker Ben Szelong led Grove City's defense with eight tackles and a sack while safety Ross Trimmer had a team-high 10 hits ... The Wolverine defense also picked up a safety ... It was Grove City's first safety since Sept. 11, 1999 against Ohio Wesleyan ... Grove City also lost that game 14-9.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg's mid-game meltdown and a missed extra point proved costly at Gettysburg, as the Yellow Jackets lost, 31-30, completing their third-straight road game to start the season ... Gettysburg scored three TDs in a span of 2:27, giving the Bullets a 31-17 lead early in the third quarter ... The Jackets came back, however, on Mike McGarrity's 42-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown with 7:20 remaining and Paul D'Imperio's 26-yard TD catch from Jeff Dumm with 1:30 left ... Freshman K Ben Popson converted a school-record 19th-straight PAT kick after McGarrity's score ... His streak was broken when his first missed college extra point was wide left ... The Jackets surrendered 433 yards of total offense, but were led offensively freshman RB Dennis Gearhart (158 yards on 31 carries).

Thiel Tomcats

Sophomore WR Brandon Chambers broke Jim Kick's 22-year old single-game receiving record with eight catches for 283 yards and three touchdowns in the Tomcats' 35-7 win at Bluffton ... Kick set the previous record with 215 yards receiving in a 34-3 win over W&J on October 24, 1981 ... Chambers amassed 198 yards on five catches with two TDs in the first half ... Thiel, fueled by four second quarter touchdowns, finished with a 495-240 advantage in total net yards over the Beavers ... Sophomore Darius Thompson, a two-way threat as a running back and cornerback, led the rushing attack with 75 yards on seven carries with a TD ... Junior QB Daryl Moore had a huge day, finishing with 302 yards on 12-of-21 passing with four touchdowns.

Westminster Titans

Westminster dropped to 0-2 on the season following a 50-17 loss to NCAA Division II Mansfield University at Burry Stadium ... The Titans trailed only 22-17 at the half and drove the opening second-half kickoff to the Mountie 15-yard line, but a Titan fumble was returned 54 yards by Mansfield to set up the first of four unanswered second-half touchdowns ... Senior WR Brian Ekis led the WC offense with eight catches for a career-high 154 yards, including a 65-yard TD reception ... Senior QB Matt Robison was 14-of-25 passing for 211 yards with one interception ... Junior RB Scott Froelich rushed for 70 yards on 24 carries ... Freshman K Jason Montgomery booted a 35-yard field goal ... Sophomore DE Adam Hadbavny had 1 1/2 sacks to pace the defense.

Past PAC Offensive Players of the Week

September 6: Jeff Dumm, QB, Waynesburg
September 13: Jeff Dumm, QB, Waynesburg
September 20: Brandon Chambers, WR, Thiel
September 27:
October 4:
October 11:
October 18:
October 25:
November 1:
November 8:
November 15:

Past PAC Defensive Players of the Week

September 6: Mike Choby, LB, Grove City
September 13: Frank Pilato, SS, Wash. & Jeff.
September 20: Eric Field, LB, Wash. & Jeff.
September 27:
October 4:
October 11:
October 18:
October 25:
November 1:
November 8:
November 15:

PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

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

Saturday, Sept. 27 - 1:30 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1) in Grove City; www.nsnsports.com

Series Record: Grove City leads 33-19-1

Game Notes: The Wolverines have won six straight games over Bethany ... The last Bison win was a 17-13 victory in 1996 and the last Green and White triumph at GCC came in 1995, a 13-6 win ... The game is the PAC opener for both teams ... Bethany is 2-8 in their last 10 conference lidlifters ... Bethany won PAC openers in 2001 (Waynesburg, 34-7) and 1996 (Waynesburg, 26-12) ... In last year's 28-20 loss to Grove City, the Bison blew a 20-14 halftime lead ... QB Jeremy Lacaria threw for 315 yards and threw and rushed for a score but the Bison's failure to score in three trips to the red zone in the second half sent Bethany to the defeat ... Grove City has not won its home conference opener since a 27-7 win over Thiel in 2000.

Thiel (1-1, 0-0 PAC) at #20 Washington & Jefferson (2-0, 0-0 PAC)

Saturday, Sept. 27 - 1:30 p.m.

Cameron Stadium (3,500/field turf) - Washington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7), WJPA-AM (1450) in Washington; WPIC-AM (790) in Hermitage; www.nsnsports.com

Series Record: Washington & Jefferson leads 33-21-2

Game Notes: The Presidents have won each of the last 21 games in the series, as Thiel's last win against W&J was a 34-3 win on Oct. 24, 1981 in Greenville ... The Tomcats jumped out to a 17-7 halftime lead against the Presidents in 2002, but Todd Fry caught touchdown passes of four and 11 yards to propel the Presidents to a 21-17 win ... The 58-game series between W&J and Thiel is the second-longest rivalry in W&J school history, trailing just the 79-game series with Bethany ... Thiel is coming off of a 35-7 victory at Bluffton on Sept. 20 ... Sophomore WR Brandon Chambers set a single game receiving record against the Beavers, collecting 283 yards on eight catches with three touchdowns ... Junior QB Daryl Moore had by far his best game as a Tomcat, completing 12 of 21 passes for 302 yards and four touchdowns ... Despite the tight 21-17 victory last season in Greenville, W&J has outscored the Tomcats by a 746-91 margin in the last 16 games in the series.

Westminster (0-2) at Allegheny (0-2)

Saturday, Sept. 27 - 1 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), WKST-AM (1200), www.nsnsports.com; Westminster Cable Network (WCN)

Series Record: Westminster leads 24-23-5

Game Notes: Local rivals Westminster and Allegheny meet on Saturday, with both winless after difficult early non-conference schedules ... The Titans have dropped both of their games to scholarship programs, while the Gators have lost road contests at D-III Top 25 programs Baldwin-Wallace (45-26) and W&J (28-23) ... Last year in New Wilmington, the Titans jumped out to a 17-0 lead en route to a 24-13 victory ... Scott Froelich posted 239 yards of total offense against the Gators (187 rushing, 52 receiving) and scored twice, while Kevin Huber was 9-of-13 passing for 183 yards in the win.

Alfred (1-2) at Waynesburg (2-1)

Saturday, Sept. 27 - 1:30 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7); www.waynesburg.edu; WCYJ-TV Channel 12

Series Record: Waynesburg leads 2-1

Game Notes: Former PAC member Alfred visits Waynesburg this year ... Last year, the Jackets traveled to New York and posted a 39-3 win ... The game triggered the first of five 300-yard passing games for then-sophomore QB Jeff Dumm, who threw for 359 yards and three TDs (66, 13, and 62) while also rushing for two scores (1, 12) ... The Jackets are coming off a heartbreaking 31-30 loss at Gettysburg last week for their first defeat of the season, while the Saxons enter the game coming off their first win, 24-14 over St. Lawrence, as RB Jesse Raynor rushed for 180 yards and two scores, as well as kicking a 39-yard field goal.