

# FOOTBALL 2005

#### Presidents' Athletic Conference

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# **CURRENT REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through October 1, 2005)**

	PAC Games						All Games				
School	W	L	Pct.	<u>PF</u>	<u>PA</u>		W	L	Pct.	<u>PF</u>	<u>PA</u>
Thomas More College	4	0	1.00	78	32		4	1	.800	85	44
Thiel College	2	0	1.00	79	42		4	0	1.00	160	78
Grove City College	1	1	.500	28	27		2	3	.400	81	77
Washington & Jefferson College	0	1	.000	35	38		4	1	.800	228	79
Waynesburg College	0	1	.000	7	13		2	2	.500	86	58
Westminster College	0	1	.000	3	17		2	2	.500	56	81
Bethany College	0	3	.000	34	95		1	4	.200	94	145

## LAST WEEK'S RESULTS (October 1)

GROVE CITY 21, Bethany 12\*
THOMAS MORE 13, Waynesburg 7\*
Thiel 38, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 35 (OT)\*
Westminster - off

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (October 8)

Grove City at Thiel\* - 1:30 p.m.

Washington & Jefferson at Westminster\* - 1:30 p.m. Waynesburg at Bethany\* - 2 p.m.

Thomas More - off

## **PAC Offensive Player of the Week**

# MATT WEIL Grove City College

Sophomroe fullback - 6-0, 210 Fombell, Pa./Riverside H.S.

Weil rushed 31 times for a career-high 162 yards and the game-clinching seven-yard TD run with 2:24 to play, leading the Wolverines to their second consecutive win with a 21-12 PAC victory over visiting Bethany.

Also nominated was junior WR T.J. Parker (Austintown, Ohio/Austintown Fitch H.S.) of Bethany, sophomore TB Steve Minton (Cranberry Township, Pa./Seneca Valley H.S.) of Thiel, senior WR Garrett Brain (Uniontown, Pa./Laurel Highlands H.S.) of Washington & Jefferson, and junior RB Ryan Abels (Elizabeth, Pa./Elizabeth Forward H.S.) of Waynesburg.

# **PAC Defensive Player of the Week**

# RASHAWN WEST Thomas More College

Sophomore outside linebacker - 5-10, 190 Oxford, Ohio/Talawanda H.S.

West posted 10 total tackles and a pair of quarterback hurries in a 13-7 home PAC win over Waynesburg, including a key tackle which kept the Jackets out of the end zone and preserved a 10-7 TMC lead in the fourth quarter.

Also nominated was junior LB Cliff Anderson (Sycamore, Pa./West Greene H.S.) of Bethany, senior SS Aaron Margo (Dover, Ohio/Dover H.S.) of Grove City, junior CB Steve Boyle (Warren, Ohio/Howland H.S.) of Thiel, junior SS Gabe McKee (Hubbard, Ohio/Hubbard H.S.) of Washington & Jefferson, and sophomore DL Mike Czerwien (Pittsburgh, Pa./North Hills H.S.) of Waynesburg.

## PAC FOOTBALL CAPSULES



## Bethany Bison

The Bison nearly rallied from a 14-point first quarter deficit, but fell short in a 21-12 defeat at Grove City ... Junior QB **Brent Owens** connected with junior WR **T.J. Parker** for an eightyard scoring pass in the second quarter to make

it a 14-6 GCC lead at the half ... Early in the fourth quarter, the Bison had a chance to tie the game after senior QB **Brian Wineberg** tossed a six-yard scoring pass to Parker ... However, the two-point conversion failed and Grove City tacked on an insurance score two drives later ... It was the third game this year Parker has caught two TD passes in a game to tie the school record ... Defensively, three LBs recorded double-digit tackles, including **Cliff Anderson** (12 tackles), **Bill Wineberg** (11) and **Tim Goetz** (10).



#### Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats posted five interceptions in their thrilling 38-35 overtime win at sixth-ranked W&J Saturday ... The win for the Tomcats extends their win streak to four, their longest win streak to open a season since 1962 ... The win was also their first over W&J since a 34-3 win in 1981, a

span of 23 games ... Sophomore PK Sammy Koyl hit a 22-yard field goal (his first as a Tomcat) in the first OT for the win ... Senior QB Darrell Satterfield finished 16-of-31 for 141 yards and one TD ... Sophomore RB Steve Minton rushed for 136 yards on a careerhigh 30 attempts with two TDs (2, 21) ... Senior WR Tom McEntire had eight catches for 106 yards and a score ... Junior MLB Jeff Wagner had nine tackles, one interception and two pass breakups.



### Washington & Jefferson Presidents

W&J had its 14-game regular-season win streak snapped Saturday as Thiel recorded a 38-35 win in overtime at Cameron Stadium ... The last W&J regular season loss was a 10-7 setback to Buffalo State in the 2003 regular-season finale ... The Presidents last lost their PAC opener in 1998 as Grove City posted a 31-7 win ... Senior QB

Chris Edwards threw for 328 yards and four TDs, but the Tomcats snared five interceptions ... Senior RB R.J. Zitzelsberger rushed for a team-high 72 yards on 12 carries and senior WR Aaron Krepps totaled 149 yards and one score on 10 receptions ... Senior WR Garrett Brain also caught a pair of TD passes ... Senior CB Mike Wilmus and junior CB Cory Walsh led the defense with 11 tackles.



#### Westminster Titans

The Titans had the week off ... Westminster returns to action at home this weekend against PAC rival Washington & Jefferson at Harold Burry Stadium.



## Grove City Wolverines

Grove City improved to 1-1 in the PAC Saturday with a 21-12 win over Bethany ... It is the Wolverines' second straight win overall and ninth straight over the Bison ... Sophomore FB **Matt Weil** ran for career-high totals of 162

yards on 31 carries ... The Wolverines recorded five sacks defensively, giving them 23 for the season (GCC had 21 all of last season) ... **Steve Weary** became Grove City's all-time career kick-blocker with five as he batted down a Bethany extra-point attempt in the second quarter ... Grove City won for the first time on Homecoming since 2000 ... Weil's game-clinching touchdown with 2:33 left marked Grove City's first fourth-quarter points of the season ... SE **Scott Fichter** is averaging 20 yards per reception.



#### Thomas More Saints

The Thomas More defense continues to lead the charge as the "Black Shirts" allowed seven points in beating the

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets 13-7 for the Saints' fourth straight conference win ... Sophomore OLB **Rashawn West** made the biggest play of the game when he caught Waynesburg RB **Ryan Abels** from behind, keeping the Yellow Jackets out of the end zone ... WC failed to score on the drive in the six-point loss ... West finished with 10 tackles and two QB hurries ... Thomas More has a bye this week and will play two non-conference games before returning to PAC play at Thiel on Oct. 29.



### Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Yellow Jackets suffered a 13-7 defeat in a penalty-filled conference opener at Thomas More Saturday ... Waynesburg committed 15 penalties for 134 yards as the Jackets lost their first PAC opener since the 2001 season ... In the losing effort, junior RB **Ryan Abels** posted his fourth-straight 100-yard performance ... Abels finished

the game with 156 yards and a touchdown on 15 carries and moved into fourth place in school history with 2,417 career rushing yards ... Senior WR **Dominick Hunter** posted seven receptions against TMC and now ranks second in school history with 152 career receptions, trailing the record held by **Paul D'Imperio** by three grabs ... Senior DB **Andy Tenney** and sophomore DE **Mike Czerwien** led the defensive charge with 14 and 10 tackles, respectively.

2005 PAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK						
	Offense	<u>Defense</u>				
9/3	Aaron Krepps, WR, W&J	Gary Gerba, SS, BET				
9/10	Steve Minton, RB, THI	Mark Carlisle, LB, TMC				
9/17	Chris Edwards, QB, W&J	Aaron Margo, SS, GRO				
9/24	Ryan Abels, RB, WAY	Kevin Strouse, DE, THI				
10/1	Matt Weil, FB, GRO	Rashawn West, LB, TMC				
10/8						
10/15						
10/22						
10/29						
11/5						
11/12						

# **WEEK 5 PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS**

## Grove City (2-3, 1-1 PAC) at Thiel (4-0, 2-0 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 8 - 1:30 p.m. Alumni Stadium (1,400/turf) - Greenville, Pa.

Radio/TV: WLLF-FM (96.7) in Hermitage; WSAJ-FM (91.1) in Grove City; www.gcc.edu

Series Record: Grove City leads 54-32-5

Game Notes: Grove City and Thiel meet in the 22nd annual battle for the coveted Mercer County Cup ... Grove City has won 14 of the 21 Cup clashes (including eight of the last 11 Cup games), despite the Tomcats earning victories in three of the last four meetings ... Grove City's 54 wins over Thiel are the Wolverines' most against any foe ... Only Westminster (46) and new PAC member Geneva (40) have more wins over the Wolverines than Thiel ... Thiel's defense limited the Wolverines to 261 yards and recorded four interceptions in their 24-9 win at Robert E. Thorn Field in 2004... TB **Steve Minton** rushed for 135 yards and one touchdown while WR **Brandon Chambers** posted three catches for 80 yards, including a 50-yard scoring strike from QB **Darrell Satterfield** to open the fourth quarter that extended the Tomcat lead to 21-3 ... The Wolverines won the first meeting against Thiel in 1892, 58-0 ... Grove City pulled out a dramatic 16-15 win over the Tomcats in the last meeting at Alumni Stadium in 2003 as **Gene lannuzzi** blocked a punt and returned it for a touchdown with less than two minutes left ... Grove City is 1-1 all-time at Thiel's Alumni Stadium ... The teams have met every year since 1982.

# Washington & Jefferson (4-1, 0-1 PAC) at Westminster (2-2, 0-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 8 - 1:30 p.m. Harold Burry Stadium (4,500/grass) - New Wilmington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; WJPA-AM (1450) and WNJR-FM (91.7) in Washington; <a href="https://www.wjpa.com">www.wjpa.com</a>; www.washjeff.edu; www.titanradio.net; www.msasportsnetwork.com

Series Record: Washington & Jefferson leads 24-2

Game Notes: Both teams will be looking to avenge losses in their PAC openers, as Westminster dropped a 17-3 decision to Thomas More on Sept. 24 while Washington & Jefferson looks to bounce back from an overtime loss to Thiel last weekend ... The Presidents and Titans meet for the 27th time in history with W&J holding a 24-2 advantage ... Westminster has dropped four straight decisions to W&J since its 19-17 victory over the Presidents in 2000 in Washington ... Last year in Washington, the Titans rallied from an early 14-0 deficit to tie the game 14-14, only to see the Presidents roll off 40 consecutive points in a 54-14 win ... The last meeting between the two teams in New Wilmington came in 2003 and saw W&J post a 26-17 win over Westminster despite a 208-yard rushing effort by Titan RB Scott Froelich ... W&J has not lost back-to-back games since starting the 1997 season with an 0-3 record ... Since that time, the Presidents have lost 11 regular-season games and have bounced back to win its next game all 11 times ... W&J QB Chris Edwards has thrown for two or more touchdowns in 15 straight games ... W&J had won 24 of its previous 25 regular-season home games before Saturday's loss to Thiel.

## Waynesburg (2-2, 0-1 PAC) at Bethany (1-4, 0-3 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 8 - 2 p.m. Bethany Field (1,000/grass) - Bethany, W.Va.

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1) in Bethany; WCYJ-FM (88.7) in Waynesburg; www.waynesburg.edu

Series Record: Waynesburg leads 23-14-7

Game Notes: Saturday's contest will be the 45th time that Bethany and Waynesburg have faced off on the gridiron ... The Yellow Jackets have won three straight in the series and seven of the last eight meetings, including a 56-17 triumph last year ... Bethany led 10-7 after the first quarter on a 35-yard FG by Clayton Williams and a 22-yard TD pass from Nazih Banna to Brett Clough ... But Waynesburg responded with 21 points in the second and third quarters to put the game away ... The lone BC victory in the last eight match-ups was a 34-7 win in 2001 ... Yellow Jacket RB Ryan Abels has averaged 155.5 yards and scored eight touchdowns in his two games against the Bison ... Abels' backfield mate, Eric Daniels, averages over 80 yards per game on 13 carries in his two career games against Bethany ... Yellow Jacket senior WRs Ivan Hawkins and Dominick Hunter enter the contest on the brink of breaking the career receptions mark of 155, set last season by Paul D'Imperio ... Hunter ranks second on the career receptions list with 152, while Hawkins is close behind with 148 ... Bethany WR T.J. Parker has caught seven TD receptions on the year, which leaves him one short of the Bethany record set in 1997 when Jared McKnight caught eight scoring passes ... Bison LB Tim Goetz leads the team and ranks second in the conference with 57 total tackles, while his 12 stops for losses leads the PAC.