



FOOTBALL 2003

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CURRENT 2003 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through October 19)

| School | PAC Games | | | | | All Games | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---|------|-----|-----|-----------|---|------|-----|-----|
| | W | L | Pct. | PF | PA | W | L | Pct. | PF | PA |
| Washington & Jefferson College | 4 | 0 | 1.00 | 117 | 58 | 6 | 0 | 1.00 | 181 | 95 |
| Waynesburg College | 3 | 0 | 1.00 | 121 | 29 | 6 | 1 | .857 | 283 | 88 |
| Westminster College | 2 | 1 | .667 | 64 | 39 | 3 | 3 | .500 | 103 | 133 |
| Grove City College | 2 | 2 | .500 | 71 | 99 | 3 | 4 | .429 | 169 | 168 |
| Thiel College | 0 | 4 | .000 | 57 | 81 | 1 | 5 | .167 | 92 | 130 |
| Bethany College | 0 | 4 | .000 | 6 | 130 | 0 | 7 | .000 | 54 | 264 |

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - October 18

WESTMINSTER 14, Thiel 13*

WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 38, Bethany 3*

Waynesburg 45, GROVE CITY 10*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - October 25

Grove City at Westminster* - 1 p.m.

Bethany at Thiel* - 1:30 p.m.

Washington & Jefferson at Waynesburg* - 1:30 p.m.

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

JEFF DUMM

Waynesburg College

Junior quarterback - 6-4, 211

Charleroi, Pa./Charleroi H.S.

Dumm earned his third PAC Player of the Week honor of the season after completing 17-of-25 passes for 220 yards with no interceptions and four touchdowns (63, 5, 10, 17) for the Yellow Jackets in their 45-10 road PAC win at Grove City. Dumm also rushed for 52 yards and a touchdown, including a career-long 51-yard run.

Also nominated was sophomore TB Darius Thompson of Thiel, sophomore QB Chris Edwards of Washington & Jefferson, and senior WR Brian Ekis of Westminster.

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

RYAN GRAFT

Washington & Jefferson College

Senior cornerback - 5-8, 180

Scottdale, Pa./Southmoreland H.S.

Graft posted six tackles, three pass breakups and an 82-yard interception return for a touchdown as the unbeaten and nationally-ranked Presidents handled PAC rival Bethany 38-3. He led a W&J defense which held the Bison to three points and 198 total yards.

Also nominated was senior CB Ryan Nohe of Bethany, junior LB Mike Choby of Grove City, sophomore DE Jonathan Howson of Thiel, senior LB Sean Ross of Waynesburg, and junior S Kevin Kresinski of Westminster.

PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

With a 38-3 loss at W&J Saturday, their 21st consecutive to the Presidents, Bethany fell to 0-7 for the first time since 1989 ... The Bison have not scored a touchdown in the last four games, their longest drought since 1941, when BC did not score at all in seven games, and their 13 points in the last five contests matches their worst point production since 1946 when Bethany tallied just 13 points in the first five games ... Against W&J, Bethany matched the Presidents with 19 first downs but had just 198 total yards, compared to 441 for W&J... QB Brian Wineberg threw for 125 yards and added a BC game-high 33 yards rushing ... WR Zack Merz caught eight balls for 88 yards... CB Ryan Nohe made nine tackles in the game, blocked a field goal and intercepted his fourth pass of the season.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J remained one of 16 unbeaten teams left in Division III after pummeling Bethany 38-3 on Homecoming Saturday at Cameron Stadium ... Sophomore QB Chris Edwards threw for 254 yards and three TDs in the victory ... He tossed scoring passes of 80 yards to sophomore TE Aaron Krepps, eight yards to senior FB Marcus Huth and six yards to senior WR Mike Virgin ... Senior CB Ryan Graft also intercepted a pass and raced 82 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter ... Sophomore RB R.J. Zitzelsberger, who saw his first action of the season after missing five game to an injury, scored on a 1-yard touchdown in the first quarter and finished the game with 64 yards on 20 carries ... Junior RB Matt Bettinazzi led all ground gainers with 106 yards on 12 attempts ... W&J has won 24 consecutive conference games.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City dropped its third straight Homecoming game Saturday as Waynesburg put up 28 first-half points ... Grove City committed six turnovers in the loss ... Dave DiDonato caught five passes, giving him 34 receptions for the season, including four TD catches ... DiDonato caught a 33-yard touchdown pass on a flea-flicker against Waynesburg ... Sam Mowrey went over the 1,000-yard mark passing in the loss ... LB Mike Choby and SS Greg Grupp each had 10 tackles while FS Ross Trimmer had nine stops ... The Wolverines are looking to surpass last season's win total ... Grove City has also exceeded last year's finish in the PAC and can still finish as the league runner-up ... By winning out, Grove City can wrap up its first winning season since 2000.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

In solidifying its stake for first place in the PAC, Waynesburg rolled to a 45-10 win at Grove City ... At 3-0, Waynesburg is a half-game behind 4-0 W&J for the PAC lead, while the Jackets are 6-1 overall for the first time since 1976 ... Junior QB Jeff Dumm threw for four TDs in a game for the fourth time in his career, while racking up 220 passing yards ... He connected with junior WR Paul D'Imperio four times for 93 yards and two scores ... Dumm rushed for a TD, and recorded a career-long 51-yard run ... The Jacket run defense and run offense helped Waynesburg outgain the Wolverines, 252-61, on the ground ... Senior LB Sean Ross had seven tackles and 1.5 sacks to lead the Jacket defense, while freshman RB Ryan Abels rushed for 139 yards on 28 carries and a score.

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcat defense posted season lows in total yards allowed (128), rushing yards allowed (67) and total offensive plays allowed (46), but a 47-yard field goal attempt by junior PK Paul Stibich hit the crossbar with 18 seconds to play in Saturday's 14-13 loss at Westminster ... Sophomore TB Darius Thompson had his best rushing game of the season, finishing with 92 yards on 23 carries ... Senior TB Justin Napotnik carried the ball 13 times for 67 yards (5.2 ypc) ... Sophomore RB John Dziurzynski scored his first TD as a Tomcat on a 1-yard plunge ... Sophomore DE Jonathan Howson led the defensive unit with eight tackles, four of those for a loss ... Junior DE George Kum-nji registered a pair of sacks ... Sophomore QB Mike Lindenfelster completed 12-of-25 passes for 110 yards.

Westminster Titans

Despite Thiel holding a 17-6 advantage in first downs and a 278-128 advantage in total yards, the Titans edged the PAC rival Tomcats 14-13 at Homecoming ... Junior RB Scott Froelich scored both TDs for the Titans (2, 24), but was held to a season-low 48 yards rushing ... A 47-yard field goal attempt with 22 seconds left by Thiel hit the crossbar and fell short ... Junior S Kevin Kresinski set up Westminster's first score with a 97-yard interception return to the Thiel 2-yard line ... Junior QB Joe Getsy was 5-of-13 passing for 61 yards, with senior WR Brian Ekis hauling in three catches for 52 yards ... A 44-yard pass from Getsy to Ekis on a 3rd-and-15 play set up the Titans' second TD ... Junior OLB Jerry Bonenberger paced the defense with 14 tackles and a sack.

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: Scott Froelich, RB, Westminster
October 4: Ryan Abels, RB, Waynesburg
October 11: Mike Virgin, WR, Wash. & Jeff.
October 18: Jeff Dumm, QB, Waynesburg
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: Frank Pilato, SS, Wash. & Jeff.
October 4: Gene Iannuzzi, CB, Grove City
October 11: Tom Froelich, CB, Westminster
October 18: Ryan Graft, CB, Wash. & Jeff.
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PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEW

Grove City (2-4, 2-2 PAC) at Westminster (3-3, 2-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 25 - 1 p.m.

Harold Burry Stadium (4,500/grass) - New Wilmington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1) in Grove City; WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; WKST-AM (1200) in New Castle; www.nsnsports.com; Westminster Cable Network (WCN).

Series Record: Westminster leads 44-31-8

Game Notes: Local PAC rivals Grove City and Westminster renew their rivalry in New Wilmington ... Grove City looks to break a two-game losing streak, while Westminster is looking for its third consecutive win ... Westminster has won five straight games over the Wolverines ... Grove City last defeated the Titans in 1979, 12-7 ... Last year, Westminster won at Thorn Field in Grove City 19-7 ... Nick Fritch blocked a GCC punt for the Titans, which Tom Froelich returned for a touchdown, while Brad Johnson and Scott Froelich added TD runs for Westminster ... Westminster limited Grove City to just 12 plays and 23 total yards in the second half, as the Titans used a steady ground game to control the ball and the clock (23:40 time of possession after halftime) ... The Wolverines are looking to finish above .500 in the PAC for the first time since 2000 ... From 1997-2000, Grove City went 14-3 in the PAC. ... Westminster has limited Grove City to just seven points in each of their first two meetings since the Titans achieved full Division III status ... The last meeting between the two schools at Burry Stadium came in 2001, as the Titans topped the Wolverines 16-7.

Bethany (0-7, 0-4 PAC) at Thiel (1-5, 0-4 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 25 - 1:30 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WPIC-AM (790) in Hermitage; www.nsnsports.com

Series Record: Thiel leads 30-27-1

Game Notes: Thiel hosts Bethany Saturday at Alumni Stadium, just the Tomcats' second home game of the season ... In the 58 head-to-head games, Thiel holds a 30-27-1 edge but has lost the last 11 straight against the Bison ... Bethany rolled up 436 yards of offense in its 31-9 win over the Tomcats last season ... The last Tomcat win over the Bison was a 28-21 home victory in 1991 ... In last season's 31-9 Bison triumph, RB Will Anderson (139 yards, two TDs) and QB Jeremy Lacaria (108 yards, one TD) led a potent ground game and the BC defense limited Thiel to 203 total yards... The Bison defense also forced three turnovers, had three sacks and scored a touchdown on a 71-yard fumble return by DE Dan Carter ... Senior TB Justin Napotnik finished with 81 yards on 20 carries in the loss for Thiel ... Bethany won its first trip to Alumni Stadium in 2001 with a 21-19 victory ... Bethany will be trying to avoid its first winless season in PAC play since 1991.

#11 Washington & Jefferson (6-0, 4-0 PAC) at Waynesburg (6-1, 3-0 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 25 - 1:30 p.m.

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

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7) in Waynesburg; WJPA-AM (1450) in Washington; WNJR-FM (91.7) in Washington; www.waynesburg.edu; www.nsnsports.com; WCYJ-TV (Channel 12) in Waynesburg and Franklin Township.

Series Record: Washington & Jefferson leads 28-2

Game Notes: The "Game of the Year" in the PAC pits the only two remaining unbeaten teams in conference play, as the undefeated and nationally-ranked Presidents travel to face the 6-1 Yellow Jackets in the biggest game in Greene County since Waynesburg joined the conference in 1990 ... A W&J win would give the Presidents their 17th PAC title in the past 18 years, while a Waynesburg victory would lift the Yellow Jackets into sole possession of first place with only a home game against Westminster remaining on Nov. 15 ... The last time these two teams tangled for at least a piece of the PAC title was in 1998 when host W&J defeated the visiting Yellow Jackets, 26-14, forcing a three-way share of the PAC crown—Waynesburg's only PAC title ... Waynesburg is 6-1 for the first time since 1976 ... The Jackets' 283 points so far this season are the second-most in school history after seven games ... Waynesburg has lost 13 straight to the Presidents ... Waynesburg is coming off a 45-10 win over Grove City Saturday in which the PAC No. 1 ranked Jacket defense limited the Wolverines to 193 yards of total offense; when W&J beat Grove City two weeks ago, the Presidents surrendered 450 yards ... W&J has claimed each of the last 13 meetings, since the series was restarted in 1990, including a tight 28-21 victory last season at Cameron Stadium ... The Presidents have won by 40 or more points in seven of the last 13 matchups ... W&J has won six straight contests at Wiley Stadium and holds an average margin of victory of 28.6 points ... The last Waynesburg win came in 1955, a 50-13 Yellow Jacket victory in Waynesburg, Pa.