



FOOTBALL 2003

Presidents' Athletic Conference
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CURRENT 2003 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through October 26)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Waynesburg College	4	0	1.00	148	46	7	1	.875	310	105
Washington & Jefferson College	4	1	.800	134	85	6	1	.857	198	122
Westminster College	3	1	.750	113	59	4	3	.571	152	153
Grove City College	2	3	.400	91	148	3	5	.375	189	217
Thiel College	1	4	.200	99	95	2	5	.286	134	144
Bethany College	0	5	.000	20	172	0	8	.000	68	306

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - October 25
 WESTMINSTER 49, Grove City 20*
 THIEL 42, Bethany 14*
 WAYNESBURG 27, Washington & Jefferson 17*

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - November 1
 SUNY-Brockport at Thiel - 1 p.m.
 Frostburg State at Westminster - 1 p.m.
 Grove City at Alfred - 1 p.m.
 Newport News Apprentice at Bethany - 1 p.m.
 Hanover at Washington & Jefferson - 1:30 p.m.
 Waynesburg - off

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

SCOTT FROELICH
 Westminster College
 Junior running back - 5-10, 200
 Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio/Cuyahoga Falls H.S.

Froelich earned his second PAC Player of the Week honor this season after rushing 26 times for 204 yards and a school record-tying four TDs (80, 7, 8, 5) in a 49-20 win over Grove City. It was the second 200-yard game and 16th 100-yard rushing effort of his Westminster career.

Also nominated was junior WR Zack Merz of Bethany, junior SE Dave DiDonato of Grove City, senior RB Justin Napotnik of Thiel, senior WR Mike Virgin of Washington & Jefferson, and freshman RB Ryan Abels of Waynesburg.

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

KENNARD DAVIS
 Thiel College
 Junior free safety - 6-2, 181
 Farrell, Pa./Farrell H.S.

Davis scored three touchdowns, two on interception returns (99, 24) and one on a kickoff return (89) to lead Thiel over Bethany 42-14. Both the kick return and 99-yard interception return set new Thiel records. He also became the new Thiel career record-holder in interceptions with 17, surpassing Jim Baird.

Also nominated was senior SS Nick Lion of Bethany, junior LB Mike Choby of Grove City, junior SS Frank Pilato of Washington & Jefferson, senior NT Phil Thomas of Waynesburg, and junior OLB Jerry Bonenberger of Westminster.

PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany finished its PAC schedule winless for the first time since 1991 with a 42-14 loss at Thiel ... The Bison led 14-7 in the first quarter but surrendered 35 unanswered points ... In a 20-second span in the second quarter, BC went from a seven-point lead to a 21-14 deficit, thanks to a TD run, onside kick and long TD pass ... Bethany scored its first TD since Sept. 20 and actually had more yards (283-279) and first downs (17-13) than Thiel, but five Bison turnovers led to 21 Tomcat points ... WR Zack Merz had six receptions for 124 yards and a 31-yard TD catch in the loss ... Defensively, SS Nick Lion had nine tackles, one interception and one fumble recovery... The loss snapped Bethany's 11-game winning streak over the Tomcats, dating back to 1991.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J had its 24-game conference winning streak snapped at Waynesburg on Saturday ... The Presidents had not lost a conference game since a 31-7 loss to Grove City in 1998 ... The Presidents played most of the game without sophomore starting QB Chris Edwards, who was sidelined with an injury ... W&J held Waynesburg to 318 total yards, which was 104 below its average ... Senior WR Mike Virgin led W&J with five catches for 175 yards and two touchdowns ... Junior QB Brent Marsteller completed 8-of-22 passes for 151 yards and one touchdown after filling in for Edwards ... Junior strong safety Frank Pilato led the defense with 10 tackles, two forced fumbles and one INT ... Virgin moved into fifth place on the college's career reception list in the loss ... He has now caught 110 passes in his career.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City finished PAC play with a 2-3 mark, good for fourth place ... The Wolverines were picked last in the preseason poll ... ILBs Mike Choby (16) and Mike Prioletti (15) combined for 31 total tackles Saturday ... Sam Mowrey rushed for a career-high 87 yards, including a 39-yard run in the fourth quarter ... The Wolverines turned the ball over four times with two fumbles and two interceptions ... Grove City has lost eight straight to Westminster since a 12-7 win in 1979 ... Mowrey is now tied for third in single-season TD passes with 12 ... Mowrey has an excellent chance to finish in the top three in school history in single-season passing yards, touchdowns, completions and attempts ... Six players have attempted a pass for GCC this year.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg clinched at least a share of its first PAC title since 1998 with a 27-17 win over W&J ... With the win, Waynesburg ends a 13-game losing streak to its rival ... The Jackets now await a Nov. 15 game against Westminster to determine if they can win their first-ever outright PAC title and first outright conference title since 1968 ... The team is 7-1 for the first time since 1967 ... Waynesburg never trailed against W&J as Dan Coghlan scored on a 3-yard fumble return just 50 seconds into the game ... The Jackets struck to a ground attack led by freshman Ryan Abels with 137 yards on 31 carries and a 25-yard score to clinch the game with 1:57 left ... Waynesburg outrushed the Presidents, 168-42 ... The share of the conference title is Waynesburg's first PAC title in any sport since 1998.

Thiel Tomcats

Junior FS Kennard Davis provided a glimpse of what All-Americans are all about in the Tomcats' 42-14 rout of Bethany ... Davis outscored the Bison on his own, recording interception returns of 99 and 24 yards for touchdowns to go along with an 89-yard kick-off return for a score in the first quarter ... His kick return (89) and interception return (99) are both school records ... The Tomcat win was its first over the Bison since a 28-21 win at Stewart Field (Greenville H.S.) in 1991 ... Bethany took a 14-7 lead late in the first quarter, but Thiel would respond with 35 unanswered points in the lopsided win ... Senior TB Justin Napotnik rushed for a season-best 99 yards on 20 carries with a 27-yard TD scamper ... Sophomore WR Brandon Chambers had a 49-yard TD catch.

Westminster Titans

Westminster rolled to its third straight win with a 49-20 victory over Grove City ... The Titans led 49-6 midway through the third period ... Junior TB Scott Froelich scored on a career-long 80-yard TD run on the Titans' first play from scrimmage, then added three more scores to tie the school-record of four TD runs set by John Ciavarra vs. Thiel (10/14/2000) ... Junior QB Joe Getsy was 15-of-22 for 192 yards and two TD passes to senior WR Brian Ekis, who caught seven balls for 97 yards ... Junior OLB Jerry Bonenberger posted the final Titan points with a 25-yard interception return for a score ... A win by Westminster in the season finale on Nov. 15 at Waynesburg would give the Titans a share of the PAC football title with Waynesburg and W&J.

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: Scott Froelich, RB, Westminster
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.
October 25: Kennard Davis, FS, Thiel
November 1:
November 8:
November 15:

PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

SUNY-Brockport (7-1) at Thiel (2-5)

Saturday, Nov. 1 - 1 p.m.
Alumni Stadium (1,400/field turf) - Greenville, Pa.

Radio/TV: WPIC-AM (790), www.nsnsports.com
Series Record: SUNY-Brockport leads 2-0

Game Notes: Brockport has claimed both contests with Thiel, winning 33-21 in 1999 and 17-0 last season ... Both squads are coming off of victories, the Tomcats a 42-14 rout of Bethany College and SUNY-Brockport a 26-13 win over McDaniel ... Brockport went into Saturday's game ranked #24 in Division III ... Brockport will play its fourth road game in five weeks while the Tomcats get ready for just their third home contest of the season ... Thiel was held to just 122 yards of total offense in last season's 17-0 loss at Brockport ... The Golden Eagles returned a pair of interceptions for touchdowns (46, 36) while RB Adam Webster finished with 133 yards on 35 carries.

Frostburg State (3-3) at Westminster (4-3)

Saturday, Nov. 1 - 1 p.m.
Harold Burry Stadium (4,500/grass) - New Wilmington, Pa.

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

Series Record: Westminster leads 6-1-1
Game Notes: Westminster puts its three-game win streak on the line against visiting Frostburg State during Senior Day at Burry Stadium ... The Titans were unbeaten in seven games (6-0-1) against FSU dating back to 1975 prior to last season, when the Bobcats posted a 24-17 victory in Cumberland, Md. ... Westminster led 14-3 at the half, but FSU rallied for the win by outscoring the Titans 21-3 in the second half ... FB Ryan Mitchell and QB Matt Robison posted TD runs for Westminster, while WR Brian Ekis posted his first career 100-yard receiving effort with five catches for 108 yards in the loss.

Grove City (3-5) at Alfred (4-4)

Saturday, Nov. 1 - 1 p.m.
Merrill Field (5,000/turf) - Alfred, N.Y.

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1), www.nsnsports.com
Series Record: Grove City leads 4-3

Game Notes: Grove City looks to break a three-game losing streak ... The home team has won each of the last three meetings in this series ... Prior to that, the visiting team had won all four meetings ... Grove City won last year's meeting 12-7 at Robert E. Thorn Field in the 2002 home finale ... Alfred won the last meeting at Merrill Field, 16-10, in 2001 ... Three of Grove City's four road games are on artificial surfaces ... Grove City finishes the season with games against two New York institutions ... The Wolverines will host the United States Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point) on Nov. 8 in the regular season finale.

N.N. Apprentice (1-6) at Bethany (0-8)

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

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1)
Series Record: Bethany leads 4-0

Game Notes: The Bison have dominated this series since it began in 1999, outscoring the Builders 109-14 ... Last year in Virginia, Bethany got four TDs from RB Will Anderson in a 34-7 win ... The Bison defense held the Apprentice offense to 200 yards ... The Green and White need a win in one of their final two games to avoid their first winless season since 1989 and first 0-10 mark in BC history ... Apprentice comes in off a 31-6 loss at Salisbury last week ... The Builders managed just 150 total yards, including 31 on the ground ... The difference in the game could be turnovers, as Apprentice is plus-2 this season while Bethany is minus-19.

Hanover (6-1) at Washington & Jefferson (6-1)

Saturday, Nov. 1 - 1:30 p.m.
Cameron Stadium (3,500/field turf) - Washington, Pa.

Radio/TV: WJPA-AM (1450), WNJR-FM (91.7), www.nsnsports.com.

Series Record: Hanover leads 3-2

Game Notes: Both Washington & Jefferson and Hanover enter Saturday's game with 6-1 overall records ... The Panthers have won four-straight games and have scored 48 or more points in all four wins ... Hanover is the only team on W&J's 2003 schedule which holds a lead in the all-time series as HC has won three of the five meetings in history, including a 35-14 victory in Indiana last season ... The last time the two schools met in Washington was in 2001 as W&J came away with a 35-10 victory ... In last season's HC win, the Presidents outgained the Panthers, 503-364, and held a 7-0 lead for 32 minutes, but were hurt by three turnovers ... Mike Virgin caught seven passes for 143 yards and one touchdown in the loss.