



FOOTBALL 2006

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CURRENT 2006 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through October 28)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington & Jefferson College	4	0	1.00	159	51	7	1	.875	263	106
Waynesburg College	4	1	.800	130	103	4	4	.500	164	195
Thiel College	3	2	.600	133	82	4	4	.500	160	120
Thomas More College	2	3	.400	110	95	5	3	.625	168	134
Bethany College	2	3	.400	90	184	4	4	.500	186	264
Westminster College	1	3	.250	90	126	2	6	.250	139	232
Grove City College	1	5	.167	105	176	1	7	.125	126	242

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS (October 28)

Bethany 21, THOMAS MORE 17*
 WASH. & JEFF. 30, Waynesburg 3*
 FROSTBURG STATE 14, Westminster 6
 Rochester 38, GROVE CITY 21
 Thiel - off

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (November 4)

Westminster at Thiel* - 1:30 p.m.
 Thomas More at Washington & Jefferson* - 1:30 p.m.
 Bethany at Carnegie Mellon - 1 p.m.
 Case Western Reserve at Grove City - 1 p.m.
 Frostburg State at Waynesburg - 1:30 p.m.

PAC Offensive Player of the Week

MATT CRUSE

Bethany

Freshman WR

6-3, 195

Naples, Fla.

Barron Collier H.S.



Cruse caught eight passes for 91 yards and two touchdowns, including a game-winning 14-yard TD reception with 59 seconds to play, as Bethany posted a come-from-behind 21-17 PAC win at Thomas More. His first score was a 45-yard TD reception in the third quarter which tied the game 14-14.

*Also nominated was freshman QB **Andrew DiDonato** of Grove City, senior RB **Ryan Mendel** of Washington & Jefferson, and freshman QB **Kevin Franz** of Westminster.*

PAC Defensive Player of the Week

R.J. FALDOWSKI

Bethany

Junior DB

6-1, 195

Harrisville, Ohio

Buckeye Local H.S.



Faldowski recorded eight tackles and a pair of interceptions as Bethany came back from a 14-0 deficit to post a 21-17 PAC win at Thomas More. His first pick thwarted a TMC drive in Bison territory late in the first half, while his second secured the win in the final minute of the game.

*Also nominated was senior DE **Dan Brodland** of Washington & Jefferson, junior LB **Brendon Steele** of Waynesburg, and sophomore LB **Jordan Blinn** of Westminster.*

PAC Special Teams Player of the Week

KYLE SIDEBOTHAM

Wash. & Jeff.

Senior PK

5-11, 170

Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

Cuyahoga Falls H.S.



Sidebotham earned the award for the second consecutive week after drilling a career-long 42-yard field goal and making all three of his extra-point attempts, as W&J took sole possession of first place in the PAC with a 30-3 home win over Waynesburg.

*Also nominated was senior P **Henry Johnston** of Grove City.*

PAC FOOTBALL CAPSULES



Bethany Bison

For the second time this season, Bethany erased a double-digit halftime deficit to post a road win, as BC rallied out of a 14-0 hole to post a 21-17 victory at Thomas More ... The Bison had just 40 yards of offense at intermission, but BC outgained the Saints 231-104 in the second half ... QB **Brent Owens** got the Bison on the scoreboard in the third quarter with a five-yard TD pass to **T.J. Parker**, then tied the game on the next possession with a 45-yard scoring pass to **Matt Cruse** ... Bethany won the game with the winning drive in the final three minutes, capped off by a 14-yard scoring pass from Owens to Cruse with 59 seconds to play ... DB **R.J. Faldowski** picked off his second pass of the game to clinch the win, which gave BC four overall wins and two PAC victories for the first time since 2001.

Thiel Tomcats



Thiel has the weekend off ... The Tomcats close PAC play this Saturday against Westminster before closing the season with a home contest against currently unbeaten (8-0) UAA champion Carnegie Mellon.



Grove City Wolverines

Grove City dropped its first-ever meeting with Rochester Saturday, 38-21 ... QB **Andrew DiDonato** set new Grove City single-game records with 27 completions and 47 attempts ... His 268 yards passing represented the 6th-highest total in GCC history ... He also threw a career-high three TD passes ... Senior **Scott Fichter** caught a pair of TDs, posting eight catches for 83 yards ... Fichter also threw a two-point pass to **Dan Jeltres** ... **Stephen Mercer** returned after missing a month due to injury and caught six balls ... **Ian Tobin** also had a TD catch ... **Bill Waugh** led GCC with a dozen tackles ... DiDonato's 33-yard TD pass to Fichter was Grove City's first third-quarter points this season ... Lightning delayed the game for 36 minutes in the third quarter.



Thomas More Saints

Thomas More had its three-game winning streak snapped with a 21-17 home loss to Bethany at Dixie Heights HS Stadium in Erlanger, Ky. ... It was the second time this season the Saints yielded a late fourth quarter touchdown in a loss ... Receiver **Austin Vogt** made his first collegiate appearance in the backfield and rushed for 92 yards on 16 carries ... The Saints ran the ball 44 times for 176 yards ... Senior **Mark Carlisle** had a game-high 14 tackles for Thomas More.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

W&J limited Waynesburg to 171 total yards and scored a pair of defensive touchdowns to earn a 30-3 victory Saturday at Cameron Stadium ... The Presidents, who only attempted two passes in the second half, rode senior RB **Ryan Mendel** to the victory as he carried 35 times for 154 yards and one TD... Sophomore QB **Bobby Swallow** completed 7-of-10 passes for 73 yards and a TD ... Sophomore WR **David Ravida** caught a game-high four passes for 23 yards and a 3-yard touchdown ... Senior DE **Dan Brodland** and junior DT **Jeff Ernst** both returned interceptions 21 yards for touchdowns in the fourth quarter to seal the win ... Senior PK **Kyle Sidebotham** drilled a career-long 42-yard field goal to give the Presidents a 17-3 cushion in the fourth quarter.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

With sole possession of first place in the PAC at stake, the Waynesburg College football team suffered a 30-3 defeat from nearby Washington & Jefferson on Saturday afternoon ... After averaging almost 229 rushing yards per game in its last four games (all victories), the Waynesburg rushing attack was limited to 118 yards on the ground by W&J ... The Presidents looked like they would expand their 7-0 lead on their next possession before DB **Stefon Strothers** forced and recovered a fumble at the 50-yard line ... Waynesburg LB **Brendon Steele** led all players with a season-high 15 tackles (nine solo, six assist), including two tackles for losses ... Fellow LBs **Dan Andreassi** and **Aaron Wood** each finished the game with 10 stops.

Westminster Titans



Westminster lost 14-6 at Frostburg to fall to 2-6 on the year ... Westminster scored its lone touchdown with 12:23 remaining in the first quarter on a 23-yard fumble recovery and return by Josh Weese ... Frostburg State outgained Westminster in total yards, 338-226, including a decisive 246-51 advantage in rushing yards ... Westminster QB **Kevin Franz** led the team with 18 yards rushing on five attempts and 14-of-33 passing for 175 yards ... Sophomore WR **Jordan Belosh** caught a team-high four passes for 68 yards ... Sophomore LB **Jordan Blinn** made a game-high 17 tackles to lead the Titan defense.

2006 PAC Football Players of the Week

	Offense	Defense	Special Teams
9/2	T. Stillman, TMC	M. Carlisle, TMC	T. McNeil, BET
9/9	T.J. Parker, BET	C. Walsh, W&J	T. McNeil, BET
9/16	B. Swallow, W&J	B. Steinmetz, TMC	C. Anderson, BET
9/23	R. Abels, WAY	R. Hughes, THI	F. Romeo, WES
9/30	D. Hess, THI	M. Czerwein, WAY	H. Johnston, GRO
10/7	M. Collier, TMC	D. Brodland, W&J	S. Koyl, THI
10/14	R. Mendel, W&J	M. Carlisle, TMC	C. Willis, TMC
10/21	R. Mendel, W&J	A. Taylor, WAY	K. Sidebotham, W&J
10/28	M. Cruse, BET	R.J. Faldowski, BET	K. Sidebotham, W&J
11/4			
11/11			

WEEK 10 PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS



Westminster (2-6, 1-3 PAC) at Thiel (4-4, 3-2 PAC)

Saturday, Nov. 4 - 1:30 p.m.

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



Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; www.titanradio.net; Westminster Cable Network (WCN) - tape delay Sunday at 7:30 p.m.; WPIC-AM (790) and WLLF-FM (96.7) in Hermitage; www.msasportsnetwork.com;

Series Record: Westminster leads 42-17-8

Game Notes: Westminster leads the all-time series which dates back to 1894, but the Tomcats have won the last two meetings, 34-0 last year in New Wilmington and 28-0 two years ago in Greenville ... Previously, the Titans had won 18 straight games dating back to 1951 ... This year's game features the PAC's top two leaders in passing and total offense as Westminster freshman QB **Kevin Franz** leads the league in those categories with 189.1 and 209.2 yards per game, respectively, while Thiel senior QB **Billy Blankeship** is second with 176.5 and 193.2 ... Thiel WR Marc LaScola had two catches for 117 yards and a touchdown while MLB Jeff Wagner had seven tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and a sack in last season's Tomcat win.



Thomas More (5-3, 2-3 PAC) at Washington & Jefferson (7-1, 4-0 PAC)

Saturday, Nov. 4 - 1:30 p.m.

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



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

All-Time Series Record: Washington & Jefferson leads 1-0

Game Notes: Washington & Jefferson will look to take another step towards the 2006 PAC football title with a home contests against league foe Thomas More ... W&J and Thomas More will meet for the second time in history, including the first in Washington, Pa., on Saturday ... Prior to the game, W&J will honor 17 players for Senior Recognition Day ... The Presidents posted a 32-14 victory over Thomas More in the first meeting between the two schools a year ago behind 373 yards passing and four touchdowns from Chris Edwards ... The Presidents' defense limited the Saints to 75 rushing yards on 35 attempts ... The three-hour, 26-minute game featured 156 total plays and 825 total yards ... Eric Taslov gathered a career-high 12 tackles in the victory.

... A Thomas More win against W&J would secure TMC's first winning season since the Saints were 6-4 in 2003 ... Saint LB Mark Carlisle needs 30 tackles to break the career tackle record.



Bethany (4-4) at Carnegie Mellon (8-0)
Saturday, Nov. 4 - 1 p.m.
Gesling Stadium (3,500/turf) - Pittsburgh, Pa.

Radio/TV: None

All-Time Record: CMU leads 31-7

Game Notes: CMU has won the last four games, including a 30-15 victory in Bethany last year, and has taken 16 of 17 dating back to 1980 ... The only BC triumph in that stretch was a 27-16 win in Pittsburgh in 2000 ... A win by Bethany would ensure their first .500 season since 2001 and just the fifth in the last 24 years ... QB **Brent Owens'** completion percentage this season (62.6) has him on pace to break **Derek Scavnicky's** 1992 single season record (60.7) ... WR **Matt Cruse** has seven TD receptions this season, just two away from tying **T.J. Parker's** record set last year ... CMU clinched its first UAA title since 1997 with a 10-7 OT win over Washington (Mo.) Saturday ... The 8-0 Tartans are seeking their first undefeated season and NCAA playoff berth since 1990.



Case Western Reserve (4-4) at Grove City (1-7)
Saturday, Nov. 4 - 1 p.m.
Thorn Field (3,500/turf) - Grove City, Pa.

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

All-Time Record: First meeting

Game Notes: For the second straight week, Grove City will face a first-time opponent ... Grove City has not played Case Western Reserve since its 1970 consolidation ... The Wolverines did play Adelbert College (Western Reserve University's undergrad school) in 1968 and 1969, winning both games ... Current Grove City head coach **Chris Smith** made his first collegiate start at safety in that 1968 meeting, a 14-11 Grove City triumph ... The game will mark Grove City's 2006 home finale.



Frostburg St. (2-5) at Waynesburg (4-4)
Saturday, Nov. 4 - 1:30 p.m.
Wiley Stadium (4,000/turf) - Waynesburg, Pa.

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

All-Time Record: WC leads 25-12-1

Game Notes: Waynesburg returns to Wiley Stadium to host Frostburg State for Senior Day ... The all-time series that dates back to 1961... The Bobcats won last season's match-up in overtime, 17-10 ... FSU jumped out to a 7-0 lead after recovering a blocked punt deep in Yellow Jacket territory ... The Bobcats claimed the victory in the first overtime on a four-yard TD run ... This weekend's contest will be the final home game for 16 Waynesburg seniors, most of whom were part of the Yellow Jackets' 2003 PAC title team ... Senior RB **Eric Daniels** has amassed 1,361 all-purpose yards this season, just 272 yards shy of the single-season record (since 1995) set by Mike Stout in the 1996 season.