

# FOOTBALL 2003

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### CURRENT 2003 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through November 9)

	PAC Games					All (	All Games				
School	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	
Waynesburg College	4	0	1.00	148	46	8	1	.889	338	112	
Washington & Jefferson College	4	1	.800	134	85	8	1	.889	281	150	
Westminster College	3	1	.750	113	59	5	4	.556	227	226	
Grove City College	2	3	.400	91	148	5	5	.500	246	252	
Thiel College	1	4	.200	99	95	2	7	.222	143	165	
Bethany College	0	5	.000	20	172	1	9	.100	113	357	

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS - November 8
Alfred 14, THIEL 9
MCDANIEL 45, Bethany 15
GROVE CITY 29, Merchant Marine (Kings Point) 14
Washington & Jefferson 41, APPRENTICE 0
Waynesburg 28, FROSTBURG STATE 7
THOMAS MORE 41, Westminster 39

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE - November 15 Thiel at Kenyon - 1 p.m. Buffalo State at Washington & Jefferson - 1:30 p.m. Westminster at Waynesburg\* - 1:30 p.m. Bethany, Grove City - off

## PAC Offensive Player of the Week

#### **BRIAN EKIS**

Westminster College Senior wide receiver - 6-2, 195 Boardman, Ohio/Boardman H.S.

Ekis broke a pair of Westminster single-game records, including one which had stood for 18 yards, in the Titans' 41-39 loss at Thomas More. He caught 13 passes for 221 yards and two TDs (18, 5), including a score with three seconds left allowing the Titans to pull within a two-point conversion. The old school records were 11 catches (done three times) and 218 receiving yards (by Dave Foley against W.V. Wesleyan in 1985).

Also nominated was senior FB Steve Roberts of Grove City, sophomore TB Darious Thompson of Thiel, junior QB Brent Marsteller of Washington & Jefferson, and freshman RB Ryan Abels of Waynesburg.

## PAC Defensive Player of the Week

MIKE PATTERSON
Grove City College
Junior defensive end - 6-3, 240
South Fayette, Pa./South Fayette H.S.

Patterson led Grove City to a 29-14 win over Kings Point (U.S. Merchant Marine) by posting eight total tackles, including four tackles for losses, two quarterback sacks, two pass breakups and a fumble recovery.

Also nominated was junior DL Chris Minton of Thiel, senior DB Sam Young of Washington & Jefferson, freshman SS Andy Tenney of Waynesburg, and sophomore CB Tom Froelich of Westminster.

## PAC FOOTBALL NOTES

#### Bethany Bison

The Bison closed the season at 1-9 after falling at McDaniel College 45-15 ... The game was tied 7-7 at the half with Bethany scoring on a 9-yard TD pass from Brian Wineberg to Pat Crossey late in the half, however, the Green Terror outcored the Bison 38-8 in the second half .. Wineberg completed 16-of-36 passes for 208 yards with three interceptions and two touchdowns and was also the team's leading rusher with 23 carries for 45 yards ... Zack Merz led the receiving corps with five catches for 76 yards, including a 43-yard TD catch ... McDaniel posted 400 yards of total offense, with 396 coming on the ground and four through the air, as three runners surpassed 100 yards for the game.

#### Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J improved to 8-1 by rolling to a 41-0 road shutout of the Apprentice School in Newport News, Va. ... Junior QB Brent Marsteller completed 16-of-29 passes for 255 yards and four TDs, including two to Aaron Krepps (20, 9) and one each to Justin Platz (8) and Garrett Brain (33) ... Sophomore R.J. Zitzelsberger added a 28-yard TD run, while Jacob Shields added a fumble recovery in the end zone for another score ... W&J outgained Apprentice 424-182 ... Platz led the Presidents rushing with 12 carries for 53 yards ... Eight different Presidents caught at least one pass ... Defensively, W&J posted its first shutout of the season and its first since a 31-0 blanking of Grove City in 2001 ... Sam Young posted a pair of interceptions and four pass breakups for W&J, while Nick Cherish and Eric Field led the team with nine tackles apiece.

### Grove City Wolverines

Grove City closed the 2003 season on a twogame win streak after knocking off 6-2 Kings Point ... Steve Roberts ran for 107 yards and two touchdowns after missing six weeks due to injury ... He only returned punts against Alfred last week ... Grove City's defense forced four turnovers ... FS Ross Trimmer intercepted a pass and recovered a fumble while NT Monte Bell forced two fumbles ... DE Mike Patterson had two sacks while DT Adam Gaab intercepted a pass, the first of his career ... Trimmer and Mike Prioletti both had 12 tackles ... Dave DiDonato caught two touchdowns and finished the season with 52 catches after catching three balls ... It was GCC's first win over Kings Point in three tries ... It is GCC's first non-losing season since 2000.

## Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg scored on three Frostburg State turnovers in a 28-7 non-conference win, as the Yellow Jackets became just the fourth team in school history to win eight games in a season ... At 8-1, the 2003 Jackets join only the 1932 (8-1), 1966 (11-0) and 1967 (8-1) teams at Waynesburg with eight wins ... Freshmen Ryan Abels (1, 38) and Eric Daniels (2, 5) scored two touchdowns each ... Abels led all rushers with 117 yards on 26 carries ... Freshman SS Andy Tenney led the Jackets with 10 tackles, two for a loss, a forced fumble setting up Waynesburg's first score and a pass defense ... Ivan Hawkins caught seven passes for 93 yards, followed by Paul D'Imperio with four catches for 53 yards, as junior QB Jeff Dumm threw for 171 yards on 14-of-23 passes.

#### Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats held Saxon TB Jesse Raynor to just 48 yards on 24 carries, but two rushing scores by QB Ron Duliba (1,6) proved to be enough for Alfred to defeat the Tomcats 14-9 in Thiel's final home contest of the season ... Duliba came into the game as Division III's 23rd-best runner, averaging 126.2 yards per game ... On Thiel's first scoring drive, senior TB Justin Napotnik accounted for 63 of the drive's 80 yards, culminating with a 10-yard TD run to pull the Tomcats to within one, 7-6 ... Sophomore TB Darious Thompson led all rushers with 67 yards on 11 carries, while Napotnik had 50 yards on 11 attempts ... Sophomore QB Mike Lindenfelser completed 15-of-29 passes for 117 yards ... Sophomore WR Tom McEntire caught seven passes for 47 yards.

#### Westminster Titans

Despite breaking five single-game offensive school records, Westminster had its fourgame win streak snapped at Thomas More ... The Titans scored on a Joe Getsy-to-Brian Ekis five-yard TD pass with three seconds to play to cut the lead to two, but the conversion pass attempt was ruled incomplete ... Ekis set new WC single-game records of 13 catches for 221 yards, while Getsy threw for a school-record 409 yards, completing 26of-43 passes ... Scott Froelich rushed 31 times for 206 yards, including a career-long 84-yard TD run, giving him three 200-yard games this season ... Froelich also caught five balls for 88 yards ... Westminster also set new team single-game records in passing yards (409) and total yards (620) ... The Titans never led, as TMC scored first and the teams alternated the next 11 scores.

#### 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: Dave DiDonato, SE, Grove City November 8: Brian Ekis, WR, Westminster 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: Steve Ochap, LB, Bethany November 8: Mike Patterson, DE, Grove City November 15:

## PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

## Thiel (2-7) at Kenyon (2-7)

Saturday, Nov. 15 - 1 p.m. Mount Vernon H.S. Field (2,000/grass) - Gambier, Ohio

Radio/TV: WPIC-AM (790), www.nsnsports.com

Series Record: Series tied 2-2

Game Notes: Thiel travels to Gambier, Ohio to take on the Kenyon College Lords in its final game of the 2003 season next Saturday...the Tomcats are coming off of a disappointing 14-9 loss to Alfred in their final home contest of the season, while the Lords are coming off of a bye week ... This non-conference rivalry dates back to 1998, with the four-game series tied 2-2 ... The Tomcats claimed the last meeting (2001) as they defeated the Lords 50-35 at Alumni Stadium in their final home game of the season.

#### Buffalo State (2-7) at Wash. & Jeff. (8-1)

Saturday, Nov. 15 - 1:30 p.m.

Cameron Stadium (4,500/field turf) - Washington, Pa.

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

Series Record: Series tied 4-4

Game Notes: Washington & Jefferson looks to post its fifth consecutive nine-win season as the Presidents host Buffalo State in their 2003 regular season finale ... Last year in Buffalo, W&J battled through a snowstorm to edge the Bengals 7-3 ... Washington & Jefferson has won the last three meetings between the two schools, with the last Buffalo State victory being a 40-21 decision in 1999 ... A win would help the Presidents retain their hopes for one of six "Pool B" bids in the 2003 NCAA Division III playoffs.

## Westminster (5-4, 3-1 PAC) at Waynesburg (8-1, 4-0 PAC)

Saturday, Nov. 15 - 1:30 p.m. John F. Wiley Stadium (4,000/grass) - Waynesburg, Pa.

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7) in Waynesburg, WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington, WKST-AM (1200) in New Castle; www.waynesburg.edu, www.nsnsports.com; WCYJ-TV (Channel 12 in Waynesburg/Franklin Twp.), Westminster Cable Network (WCN). Series Record: Westminster leads 35-23-3

Game Notes: The Yellow Jackets and Titans meet for the time in a game with huge implications for the PAC football title and NCAA Division III playoffs ... A win by Waynesburg would give the Jackets the undisputed PAC crown for the first time since 1968, while a Titan victory would give the PAC tri-champions with Westminster, Waynesburg and Washington & Jefferson all finishing 4-1 ... In addition, both Waynesburg and W&J are nationally-ranked and battling to be among the six "Pool B" teams selected for the 28-team NCAA Division III playoffs ... The Titans have won eight straight meetings with the Yellow Jackets, with the last Waynesburg victory coming in 1986 (10-9) ... Last year, Westminster won 33-29 in New Wilmington behind a career-high 344 passing yards by Kevin Huber, as the Titans overcame an early 16-0 deficit ... Titan RB Scott Froelich is averaging 149.4 yards per game rushing, more than double anyone esle in the conference ... Waynesburg is seeking its seventh straight win, which hasn't been done since 1967 ... Freshmen RBs Ryan Abels and Eric Daniels are averaging 73 and 72 yards per game for the Jackets ... Two weeks ago, when Westminster beat Frostburg State at home, 35-33, the Titans surrendered 389 yards of offense to the Bobcats, while the Jackets limited the Bobcats to 248 yards ... The Jackets have been scoring by way of the run lately, as QB Jeff Dumm is on a two-game touchdown pass drought after throwing for scores in his first 16 straight starts over the past two years.