



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2004-05

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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CURRENT 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through Jan. 2, 2005)

School	PAC Games			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Bethany College	0	0	.000	9	2	.818
Westminster College	0	0	.000	9	3	.750
Grove City College	0	0	.000	4	6	.400
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	4	6	.400
Thiel College	0	0	.000	4	7	.364
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	2	8	.200

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, December 13

WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 77, Union 68
Westminster 95, LA ROCHE 89
GENEVA 72, Grove City 53

Tuesday, December 14

BETHANY 76, Hiram 70

Wednesday, December 15

JUNIATA 81, Washington & Jefferson 58

Saturday, December 18

ALLEGHENY 79, Thiel 66
WAYNESBURG 85, La Roche 68

Monday, December 20

Wooster 116, WESTMINSTER 79

Tuesday, December 21

Muskingum 89, Thiel 62@

Wednesday, December 22

Houhgon 66, Thiel 54@

Wednesday, December 29

BETHANY 96, Oberlin 69
Lake Erie 71, Grove City 57!
WOOSTER 79, Washington & Jefferson 73\$
Waynesburg 112, MARIETTA 103%
Westminster 122, Bethany Lutheran 119^

Wednesday-Thursday, December 29-30

Denison 83, Grove City 80!
St. Norbert 79, Washington & Jefferson 60\$
Manchester 77, Waynesburg 58%
MONTCLAIR STATE 103, Westminster 82^

@ - at Muskingum Christmas Tournament - New Concord, Ohio

! - at Bluffton Invitational - Bluffton, Ohio

\$ - at Mose Hole/Wooster Kiwanis Classic - Wooster, Ohio

% - at Marietta Shrine Tournament - Marietta, Ohio

^ - at Mountainside Hospital Holiday Classic - Montclair, N.J.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, January 3

Westminster at Case Western Reserve - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 4

Grove City at Pitt-Greensburg - 7 p.m.

Washington & Jefferson at Frostburg State - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 5

Bethany at Medaille - 3 p.m.
Juniata at Thiel - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 6

Penn State-McKeesport at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 7

Bethany at Lancaster Bible - 3 p.m.
Grove City vs. Elizabethtown (at DeSales) - 6 p.m.
Hood at Washington & Jefferson - 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 8

Grove City at DeSales Casa Mia Tournament
Fredonia State at Thiel - 3 p.m.
W&J Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic - 6 & 8 p.m.
Juniata at Westminster - 7:30 p.m.
Penn State-New Kensington at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MARC LODOVICO

Waynesburg College

6-1 Sophomore Guard

Beaver Falls, Pa./Blackhawk H.S.

Lodovico led the Yellow Jackets to a 2-1 record over the holidays by averaging 17 points per game in the three contests, shooting 54.3 percent from the field while adding 10 rebounds and seven assists. He scored a career-high 28 points in a 112-103 win over Marietta.

Also nominated was junior F **Mike Drahos** of Bethany, sophomore G **Jon Koch** of Washington & Jefferson, and junior G **Mark DeMonaco** of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany ran its win streak to seven games following non-league victories over Hiram and Oberlin ... Despite missing 12 of its first 13 shots and falling behind 13-2 to start the game, the Bison rallied to defeat Hiram 76-70 ... Junior **Mike Drahos** led Bethany with 21 points and six rebounds, while **Chris Stephens** added 14 points, four assists and four steals ... Junior **Josh Polantz** scored a season-high 11 points and dished out six assists ... All five starters scored in double figures en route to an easy 96-69 victory over Oberlin ... Mike Drahos led the Bison men with 19 points while chipping in eight rebounds ... Brother **Matt Drahos** recorded a game-high 12 rebounds while scoring 11.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J posted a 1-3 record in games over the holiday break ... On Dec. 13, the Presidents defeated Union, 77-68, behind 17 points from sophomore G **Jon Koch** ... W&J knocked down 13-of-27 shots from three-point range in the victory ... Two days later, Juniata limited W&J to just six first-half field goals in an 81-58 win ... The Presidents trailed by just five points (67-62) with 2:30 remaining, but second-ranked Wooster held on for a hard-fought 79-73 victory over the Presidents ... Koch scored 21 of his game-high 24 in the second half ... Sophomore F **Patrick Stewart** added 17 markers ... St. Norbert drilled 13-of-31 treys in the consolation game ... Koch led the way with 16, while sophomore PG **Anthony Hairston** added 12.

Grove City Wolverines

After posting a 4-0 mark in November, December was not kind to the Wolverines, who went 0-6 during the month ... Grove City closed 2004 by participating in the McDonald's of Bluffton Tournament Dec. 29-30 ... **J.D. Collar** made his season debut in the semifinals against Lake Erie and fired in 22 points, including four three-pointers ... Against Denison Thursday, the Wolverines had 26 assists and just three turnovers but could not snap their skid ... **Phil Bushre** led Grove City with 23 points and six boards while **Matt Phillips** tossed in a season-high 18 points ... **Mike Lukcic** tied a career-high with nine assists ... NAIA Geneva pulled away from Grove City in the second half Dec. 13 and picked up a 72-53 victory.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg recorded its first back-to-back wins of the season when it defeated La Roche and Marietta ... The Jackets closed the 85-68 win over the Redhawks with a 19-0 run during the final 6:45 of the game ... In the 112-103 win over the Pioneers, the Yellow Jackets scored the most points in a game since the 2001-02 season ... Also in the Marietta win, Waynesburg shot a season-best 57.3 percent from the field and scored 72 points in the paint ... Five Jacket players reached double figures in the win, led by a season- and career-high 28 points from G **Marc Lodovico** ... In the second round of the Marietta Tournament, Manchester handed the Jackets a 77-58 defeat. Lodovico scored a combined 40 points to earn all-tournament honors.

Thiel Tomcats

The Thiel men went 0-3 over the holiday break ... After falling at Allegheny 66-79 on Dec. 18, the Tomcats lost to Muskingum (62-89) and Houghton (54-66) at the Muskingum Christmas Tournament on Dec. 21-22 ... Senior G **Daryl Moore** led the squad in scoring for the sixth time this season against the Gators, finishing with 16 points, seven rebounds, four assists and four steals ... Moore and junior F **Stephen Laird** each had 13 points in the loss to Muskingum, while junior G **Henry Passerello** added 12 points on 3-of-4 shooting from three-point range ... Junior G **C.J. Hunt** was the lone Tomcat to score in double figures against Houghton, finishing with a dozen points.

Westminster Titans

The Titans went 2-2 over the holidays ... A 95-89 road win at La Roche on Dec. 13 was followed by a 116-79 home loss to undefeated and #2-ranked Wooster on Dec. 20 ... Westminster then split a pair at a tournament at Montclair State, topping Bethany Lutheran 122-199 before falling 103-82 to the host Red Hawks ... Senior G **Chris Hatch** led six double-digit scorers with a team-high 17 points at La Roche ... In the Wooster loss, the Titans were paced by junior G **Mark DeMonaco** with a team-high 26 points, including 8-of-14 shooting from three-point range ... DeMonaco posted 24 points and added a team- and career-high 10 assists vs. Bethany Lutheran ... DeMonaco and senior F **Pat O'Connor** earned all-tournament honors.

Past PAC Men's Basketball Players of the Week

November 21: Ryan Eller, F, Grove City

November 28: Daryl Moore, G, Thiel

December 5: Mark DeMonaco, G, Westminster

December 12: Matt Drahos, F/C, Bethany

January 2: Marc Lodovico, G, Waynesburg

January 9:

January 16:

January 23:

January 30:

February 6:

February 13:

February 20:

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (9-2 Overall, 0-0 PAC) at Medaille (1/5 - 3 p.m.) at Lancaster Bible (1/7 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany will look to extend its seven-game winning streak with a pair of non-conference road contests at Medaille College in Buffalo, N.Y., on Wednesday and at Lancaster Bible on Friday ... Four Bison are currently averaging double figures in scoring: **Mike Drahos** (17.7 ppg), **Matt Drahos** (16.5 ppg), **Jim Deep** (12.1 ppg) and **Brandon Duncan** (10.8 ppg).

GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (4-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC) at Pitt-Greensburg (1/4 - 7 p.m.) at DeSales Casa Mia Tournament (1/7-8)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City opens 2005 Tuesday night at Pitt-Greensburg ... The Wolverines picked up a 78-66 home win over UP-G on Jan. 7, 2004 ... **Ryan Eller** fired in a then-career high 30 points in the win while added 11 points, 10 assists and eight boards ... Grove City has not played in Greensburg since a 75-62 loss on Dec. 4, 2000 ... The Wolverines are 0-3 all-time in Greensburg ... Grove City will also compete in DeSales' Casa Mia Tournament this weekend in Allentown ... Grove City will play Elizabethtown Friday night, then play either DeSales or Averett Saturday.

THIEL TOMCATS (4-7 Overall, 0-0 PAC) vs. Juniata (1/5 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Fredonia State (1/8 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Thiel will play host to Juniata (Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.) and SUNY-Fredonia (Saturday, 3 p.m.) this week ... The Tomcats are 1-3 all-time against Juniata, last falling to the Eagles 81-70 during the 1996-97 season ... Thiel holds a 13-15 overall record against SUNY-Fredonia and lost to the Blue Devils 68-56 last season ... Thiel shot just 29.5 percent from the field and was out-rebounded 48-33 in last year's SUNY-Fredonia loss.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (2-8 Overall, 0-0 PAC) at Frostburg State (1/4 - 7:30 p.m.) W&J Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic (1/7-8)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7), www.washjeff.edu

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J travels to Frostburg State on Tuesday for the 12th meeting between the two schools ... W&J leads the series, 6-5, after notching a 98-75 win last year in Washington ... **Brandon Studer** led five W&J double figure scorers with 18 points ... W&J and Hood will meet for the second time in history on Friday in the second game of the Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic at the Henry Memorial Center ... W&J took last year's matchup by an 82-60 margin at the Randolph-Macon Tournament ... The Presidents own a 2-0 career record versus Albright, but dropped the only meeting in history versus Chowan.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (4-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC) vs. Penn State-McKeesport (1/6 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Penn State-New Kensington (1/8 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Waynesburg swept the season-series with PSU-McKeesport by an average of 10 points last year ... In last season's 81-66 home victory, the Yellow Jackets, led by a season-high 24 points from **Marc Lodovico**, shot 50.8 percent from the field and held a 42-35 rebounding advantage over the Lions ... PSU-McKeesport was a new opponent last season for the Jackets, just as PSU-New Kensington will be a first-ever meeting this Saturday.

WESTMINSTER TITANS (9-3 Overall, 0-0 PAC) at Case Western Reserve (1/3 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Juniata (1/8 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), www.msasportsnetwork.com

Upcoming Game Notes: Westminster battles non-league foes Case Western Reserve and Juniata in the final tune-ups before the start of conference play on Jan. 15 ... The Titans rolled to a 111-95 win over Case in New Wilmington last season behind a career-high 47-point effort by **Mark DeMonaco**, including a school-record 11 three-pointers (10 in the opening half) ... Westminster suffered an 83-62 setback at Juniata in Huntingdon, Pa., a year ago, despite a team-high 19 points by **Pat O'Connor**.