

### MEN'S BASKETBALL 2003-04

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### CURRENT REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through January 4, 2004)

	PAC Games			All Games		
School	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Bethany College	0	0	.000	6	4	.600
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	5	6	.455
Thiel College	0	0	.000	4	7	.364
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	3	6	.333
Grove City College	0	0	.000	3	7	.300
Westminster College	0	0	.000	3	9	.250

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS Monday, December 15 Pitt-Greensburg 95, WAYNESBURG 82

Tuesday, December 16 Bethany 81, HIRAM 65

Wednesday, December 17 WESTMINSTER 92, La Roche 71 Washington & Jefferson 102, PITT-GREENSBURG 90

Saturday, December 20 ALLEGHENY 75, Westminster 64 ASHLAND 70, Thiel 67 Waynesburg 68, PENN STATE-MCKEESPORT 63

Monday, December 22 Thiel 80, LAKE ERIE 76

Saturday, December 27 OTTERBEIN 80, Westminster 65# MARIETTA 75, Thiel 55!

Sunday, December 28 Buffalo State 65, Thiel 50! Maryville 93, Westminster 55#

Monday, December 29 OBERLIN 78, Bethany 70 Muskingum 61, GROVE CITY 57 RANDOLPH-MACON 83, Washington & Jefferson 58%

Tuesday, December 30 Mount Union 74, GROVE CITY 48 Washington & Jefferson 82, Hood 60%

Friday, January 2 Westminster 123, Kalamazoo 96\$

Saturday, January 3 LA ROCHE 73, Grove City 63 Lake Erie 92, THIEL 81 Washington & Jefferson 77, Eastern Connecticut State 75^ LA GRANGE 97, Westminster 96\$ Rutgers-Newark 89, Waynesburg 62@

Sunday, January 4 HAMILTON 93, Washington & Jefferson 69^ Swarthmore 77, Waynesburg 54@

# - at "O" Club Classic - Westerville, Ohio ! - at Marietta Shrine Tournament - Marietta, Ohio % - at Rees Jewelers Christmas Classic - Ashland, Va. \$ - at Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament - La Grange, Ga. ^ - at Hamilton Tournament - Hamilton, N.Y. @ - at Rinso Marquette Tournament - Annville, Pa. UPCOMING SCHEDULE Tuesday, January 6 Waynesburg at Penn State-Altoona - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 7 Medaille at Bethany - 3 p.m. Allegheny at Thiel - 7 p.m. Case Western Reserve at Westminster - 7 p.m. Pitt-Greensburg at Grove City - 7 p.m. Frostburg State at Washington & Jefferson - 8 p.m.

Thursday, January 8 Waynesburg at La Roche - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 10 Penn State-McKeesport at Waynesburg - 2 p.m. Lancaster Bible at Bethany - 3 p.m. La Roche at Washington & Jefferson - 5 p.m. Thiel at SUNY-Fredonia - 8 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday, January 10-11 Grove City at Moravian College Greyhound Classic

### PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

#### STEVE BUTTON

Washington & Jefferson College 6-3 Junior Forward Linesville, Pa./Linesville H.S.

Button was named to the all-tournament teams at both Randolph-Macon and Hamilton over the holidays, as he led the Presidents by averaging 18.8 points and 4.8 rebounds in four games. He shot 57 percent from the field (24-of-42) and 84 percent from the line (27-of-32).

Also nominated was sophomore G/F Mike Drahos of Bethany, junior F Ryan Eller of Grove City; freshman G Chris Kwolek of Thiel, junior G Nick Tomsko of Waynesburg, and junior G Ed Pagley of Westminster.

### PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

#### Bethany Bison

The Bison will return home this week for the first time in over a month ... The last time Bethany played at home was Nov. 29 against Notre Dame (OH) ... Since then, the Bison have played six consecutive road games ... This week, Bethany will host Medaille on Wednesday, Dec. Jan. 7, and Lancaster Bible on Saturday, Jan. 10 ... In the two Bethany games over the holidays, Mike Drahos averaged 20 ppg. and 8.0 rpg., while shooting a combined 10-of-19 (.526) from the field and 20-of-23 (.869) from the free throw line ... In the win over Hiram on Dec. 16, Drahos led the way with 21 points and seven rebounds ... In the loss to Oberlin, he led the team with 19 points and tied for the team lead with nine rebounds ... He went 11-of-13 (.846) from the free throw line in the contest.

#### Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J posted a 3-2 record in their last five contests, including a pair of 1-1 showings at the Randolph-Macon and Hamilton Tournaments ... The Presidents went over 100 points for just the second time in 10 years in a 102-90 win over Pitt-Greensburg on Dec. 17th ... W&J, which shot 63 percent, was led by freshman G Brandon Studer's career-high 26 points in the win ... W&J lost to No. 8 Randolph-Macon, but defeated Hood at the Rees Jewelers Christmas Classic ... Freshman G Jon Koch netted 17 points in the loss to R-MC, while junior F Steve Button poured in 21 points in the win over Hood ... W&J erased an 18-point deficit in defeating Eastern Connecticut State this past Saturday as Button scored 25 points in 23 minutes of action ... The Presidents then dropped a 93-69 decision to Hamilton on Sunday.

### Grove City Wolverines

Grove City is in the middle of a four-game slide, including an 0-2 outing at the Wolverines' Howard Johnson Holiday Classic ... Junior PG Mike Lukcic earned All-Tournament honors for Grove City ... Ryan Eller fired in 20 points against Muskingum while Tanner Prosser led Grove City with 15 against Mount Union ... Eller added 20 in Saturday's loss at La Roche ... Grove City has outrebounded its opponents in each of the last three games ... For the first time this year, Grove City's rebound margin is above zero ... Prosser is now 19th on Grove City's all-time scoring list with 1,024 points ... No starter is shooting better than 63 percent from the line this season ... Sophomore G Matt Phillips returned to the rotation after missing three games due to injury.

#### Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg posted a 1-3 record including a 95-82 loss to Pitt-Greensburg on Dec. 15, followed by a 68-63 win at Penn State-McKeesport on Dec. 20 and two losses in last weekend's Rinso Marquette Tournament hosted by Lebanon Valley College ... At the tournament, the Jackets lost to Rutgers-Newark (89-62) as they shot 41 percent and to Swarthmore (77-54) shooting 34 percent, the second lowest of the season ... Reserve junior G Nick Tomsko was the lone bright spot for Waynesburg, making the all-tournament team and posting his first two double-figure point games of his career with 10 against Newark and 16 against Swarthmore ... Mike King, the PAC's leading scorer coming into the week, scored 21, 14, and 16 points in successive games, before a season-low one point against Swarthmore.

#### Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats went 1-4 over the holiday break ... Their Ione victory, an 80-76 win at Lake Erie, came on Dec. 22 ... Senior F D.J. Gambridge led a quartet in double figures against Lake Erie, finishing with 16 points, six rebounds and four assists ... Sophomore F Damien Williams added 15 and five rebounds, while junior G's Daryl Moore and Ryan Singleton each dropped in 14 ... Prior to that win Thiel fell at DII Ashland 67-70 on Dec. 20 ... The Tomcats went 0-2 at the Marietta College Holiday Shrine Tournament, falling to the host Pioneers 55-75 on Dec. 27 and Buffalo State 50-65 on Dec. 28 ... Freshman G Chris Kwolek finished with 10 in each contest at the tournament...The Tomcats dropped an 92-81 decision to Lake Erie on Jan. 3.

#### Westminster Titans

Westminster went 2-4 over the holiday break ... The Titans posted a 92-71 home win over La Roche on Dec. 17 ... Sophomores Dom Joseph and Mark DeMonaco, who both transferred to Westminster from La Roche prior to this season, scored 23 and 15 points, respectively, in the win ... Westminster buried a school-record 22 three-pointers in a 123-96 win over Kalamazoo on Jan. 2, falling just three points short of the school mark for points in a game (126 vs. Baptist Bible in 1998) ... DeMonaco and junior G Chris Hatch posted career-high totals of 27 and 25 points, respectively ... Junior G Ed Pagley had a career-best 24 markers in a 97-96 loss to La Grange ... After making 47 three-pointers in the team's first 10 games, the Titans talllied 33 treys in two games at La Grange.

### Past PAC Men's Basketball Players of the Week

November 23: Mark DeMonaco, G, Westminster

November 30: Mike Drahos, F, Bethany December 7: Mike King, G, Waynesburg December 14: Tanner Prosser, F, Grove City

January 4: Steve Button, F, Washington & Jefferson

January 11: January 18:

January 25:

February 1:

February 8:

February 15:

February 22:

### PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

## BETHANY BISON (6-4 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Medaille (1/7 - 3 p.m.) vs. Lancaster Bible (1/10 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Jan. 10 game vs. Lancaster Bible will be the first-ever meeting between the two schools.

## GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (3-7 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Pitt-Greensburg (1/7 - 7 p.m.) at Moravian College Greyhound Classic (1/10-11)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City will try to break a four-game losing streak when the Wolverines host Pitt-Greensburg on Wednesday.

# THIEL TOMCATS (4-7 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Allegheny (1/7 - 7 p.m.) at SUNY-Fredonia (1/10 - 8 p.m.)

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

Upcoming Game Notes: Thiel will try and rebound from a 1-4 mark over the break against Allegheny on Wednesday and SUNY-Fredonia on Saturday ... The Gators handed the Tomcats an 82-81 loss last season in Meadville ... Allegheny leads the series 84-32 and has claimed eight of the last 10 contests (last Tomcat victory - 78-70 in 2000-01) ... Thiel will head to Fredonia, N.Y. on Saturday to take on the Fredonia State Blue Devils ... Fredonia leads in the all-time series 14-13 ... The Tomcats won the last contest between the schools (90-81) during the 1995-96 season.

# WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (5-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Frostburg State (1/7 - 8 p.m.) vs. La Roche (1/10 - 5 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7)

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J and Frostburg State meet for the 11<sup>th</sup> time in history on Wednesday evening with the two schools splitting the first 10 all-time meetings ... Frostburg State holds a three-game win streak in the series, including last season's 74-54 win at the Catholic Tournament ... Chris Houser led W&J in last year's meeting with 10 points ... The W&J-La Roche series is knotted at 9-9 in history, but the Redhawks have claimed six of the last seven meetings ... Last season, LaRoche edged W&J, 84-80, in Washington despite a career-high 32 points from Steve Button.

## WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (3-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Penn State-Altoona (1/6 - 7 p.m.) at La Roche (1/8 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Penn State-McKeesport (1/10 - 2 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Waynesburg plays three non-conference games this week, two of which are teams that fell victim to a pair of the Jackets' three wins this season ... Waynesburg travels to Penn State-Altoona on Tuesday, after the Jackets defeated the Lions 87-70 at home on Dec. 4 ... After a road game at La Roche on Thursday, Waynesburg hosts Penn State-McKeesport on Saturday ... McKeesport's last game was a 68-63 home loss against the Jackets in the teams' first-ever meeting on Dec. 20.

# WESTMINSTER TITANS (3-9 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Case Western Reserve (1/7 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), www.nsnsports.com Upcoming Game Notes: The Titans host the Spartans from Case Western Reserve University in a non-conference game at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium on Wednesday ... CWRU, a member of the University Athletic Association, is 2-6 entering this week ... The Spastans play at home against Ohio Wesleyan on Monday night before travelling to Westminster ... Last year, Case Western Reserve overcame a 26-22 halftime deficit in Cleveland to post a 59-56 victory over the Titans, as John Link bucketed a gamehigh 18 points for the Spartans ... Greg Foster and Justin Crum recorded 14 and 13 points, respectively, in the loss for Westminster.