

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2005-06

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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Current 2005-06 Regular Season Standings (through January 9, 2006)

	PAC Games			All Games		
School	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	10	4	.714
Westminster College	1	0	1.00	4	9	.308
Washington & Jefferson College	1	0	.000	3	11	.214
Grove City College	0	0	.000	4	9	.308
Waynesburg College	0	1	.000	6	5	.545
Thiel College	0	1	.000	2	11	.154
Thomas More College	0	1	.000	0	13	.000

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Tuesday, January 3 Bethany 84, HIRAM 61

Wednesday, January 4

WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 71, Waynesburg 66* GROVE CITY 80, Pitt-Greensburg 73 WESTMINSTER 117, Thiel 100*

Friday, January 6

ALBRIGHT 95, Grove City 68[^] WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 75, SUNY-Maritime 72#

Saturday, January 7

Bethany 84, THOMAS MORE 77*
DESALES 111, Westminster 90
WAYNESBURG 91, Penn State-Fayette 83
SUNY-FREDONIA 81, Thiel 73 (OT)
Mary Washington 81, Grove City 72^
WOOSTER 97, Washington & Jefferson 72#

Sunday, January 8

BETHANY 105, D'Youville 55

- ^ at TGIFridays/Sheraton Invitational Reading, Pa.
- # at W&J Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic Washington, Pa.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 11

Waynesburg at Bethany* - 6 p.m. Washington & Jefferson at Thomas More* - 7:30 p.m. Westminster at Grove City* - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 12

Southern Virginia at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 14

Thomas More at Thiel* - 3 p.m. Waynesburg at Grove City* - 3 p.m. Washington & Jefferson at Bethany* - 4 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MIKE DRAHOS Bethany College

6-5 Senior Forward Wheeling, W.Va./John Marshall H.S.

Drahos averaged 21.0 points and 9.3 rebounds per game while leading the Bison to a 3-0 record for the week. He scored 30 points (on 14-of-23 shooting) and added 12 rebounds in an 84-61 win at Hiram. In the PAC opener against Thomas More, he posted his third straight double-double with 18 points and 10 boards. Drahos closed the week with 15 points and six caroms in a 105-55 rout of D'Youville. He shot 60 percent from the field (25-of-42) and 80 percent from the line (8-of-10) for the week.

Also nominated was senior G **Matt Phillips** of Grove City, junior G **Jon Koch** of Washington & Jefferson, junior G **Beau Wilson** of Waynesburg, and sophomore G **Craig Hannon** of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Bethany Bison

Bethany's win streak reached five with three wins last week, including a victory to open PAC play ... The week began with an 84-61 triumph at Hiram, as Mike Drahos recorded 30 points and 12 rebounds ... BC then began defense of

their PAC crown with an 84-77 win at Thomas More ... The Bison saw a 19-point second half lead sliced to two but scored the next six points and held on ... Matt Drahos tossed in 20 and Mike Drahos notched his third straight double-double with 18 points and 10 boards ... The win made the Drahos brothers and Josh Polantz the winningest class in BC history with their 62nd win, surpassing the 1960-64 class (61 wins) ... Bethany closed the week by clubbing D'Youville 105-55 for their largest win in 25 years.



Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats dropped a pair of road contests last week, falling in to Westminster in the PAC opener 117-110 Wednesday and at SUNY-Fredonia 81-73 in overtime Saturday ... Against the Titans, freshman G James Beedle had a career-best 29 points while sophomore F Joe

Herrmann tallied 22 points and a game-best 15 rebounds ... At Fredonia State, junior G Tony White hit a runner to tie the game at 66-66 in the waning moments, forcing the game into overtime ... The Blue Devils outscored the Tomcats 15-7 in the OT to secure the win ... Junior G Brad Bowman led the Tomcats with 18 points and seven rebounds ... Herrmann finished with 16 points and a game-high 12 rebounds, while White added 15 points.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

W&J opened its PAC schedule with a 71-66 comefrom-behind win over Waynesburg Wednesday ... The victory was W&J's first in a PAC opener since 1997-98 ... Junior G Jon Koch poured in 24 points to lead the Presidents, who trailed by 14 points in the first half ... Freshman C Josip

Lucic-Jozak added 19 points and 10 rebounds, while sophomore C Tony Lewis chipped in 12 points and five boards ... Koch dropped in 27 points, including five free throws in the final 19 seconds, to lift W&J past SUNY-Maritime in the opening round of the Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic Friday ... Lucic-Jozak posted 17 points and eight rebounds and junior G Brandon Studer netted 16 markers ... W&J trailed No. 3 Wooster by only five with 15 minutes left, but Wooster's pressure defense took over ... Koch led W&J with 19.



Westminster Titans

Westminster split a pair of games last week, topping Thiel at home 117-100 in the PAC opener for both teams Wednesday before falling at DeSales 111-90 Saturday ... Sophomore G Craig Hannon scored a career-high 45 points in the Thiel win, was 14-of-26 from the field, including 9-of-18 from three-point range, and 8-of-9 from the charity stripe ... His 45-point effort was the highest single-game total by a Titan since current senior G Mark DeMonaco scored 47 points against Case Western Reserve two years ago ... Hannon fell

just five points shy of the Titan single-game record of 50 points set by John Fontanella in 1967 ... DeMonaco posted 22 points, while adding team-high totals of seven assists and four steals ... Sophomore F Nick Adams scored a career-high 27 points at DeSales.



Grove City Wolverines

Grove City closed non-conference play last week by going 1-2 ... Albright downed Grove City Friday, 95-68, while Mary Washington rallied past the Wolverines Saturday, 81-72 ... Sophomore G Joe Capotosta scored 11

points against Albright ... Chuck Cotherman and Shawn Carr each added nine ... Against Mary Washington Saturday, Grove City jumped out to a 14-0 lead and led 39-36 at the half ... However, Mary Washington used a 19-2 second half run to take the lead for good ... Cotherman led Grove City with 14 while Carr and Matt Phillips both had 13 points ... GCC opened the week with an 80-73 win over Pitt-Greensburg ... Carr fired in 19 points, all in the second half ... Ryan Gerber scored 15 points while Capotosta added 10.



Thomas More Saints

Thomas More had runs of 12-4 and 25-9 in its first-ever Presidents' Athletic Conference game, but it wasn't

quite enough as they fell to the defending PAC champion Bethany 84-77 ... Senior F R.K. Thurman led the Saints with 16 points and eight rebounds ... Two other scorers reached double figures as junior Ed Thornton added 12 points and freshman Mason O'Hara - who sat out the first half - sparked the Saints in the second half with 12 points.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg took a split in its first action of 2006, losing to Washington & Jefferson before claiming a 91-83 victory over PSU-Fayette in non-conference action ... The Yellow Jackets owned a 14point lead over the Presidents in the conference opener, but suffered a 71-66 defeat ... Three Yellow Jackets reached double figures in the loss,

paced by junior F Jeff Nero who bucketed 14 points ... Junior cocaptain Beau Wilson scored a game-high 27 points in the nonconference game against PSU-Fayette on 7-of-14 attempts ... Classmate Marc Lodovico added a season-high 16 points.

2005-06 PAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

11/20	Beau Wilson, G, Waynesburg
11/27	Jon Koch, G, Washington & Jefferson
12/4	Matt Drahos, F, Bethany
12/11	Beau Wilson, G, Waynesburg
12/18	Shawn Carr, G, Grove City
1/2	Mark DeMonaco, G, Westminster

1/8 Mike Drahos, F, Bethany 1/15

1/29 2/5 2/12

1/22

2/19

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

Bethany Bison

vs. Waynesburg* (1/11 - 6 p.m.) vs. Wash. & Jeff.* (1/14 - 4 p.m.)

Bethany dives back into PAC for the rest of the season, beginning with two home games this

week ... BC hosts Waynesburg Wednesday ... The Bison lead the series with the Yellow Jackets 48-38, including two wins last year by an average of 32 points ... Bethany has won five straight over Waynesburg and eight of the last 10 ... The Bison and W&J meet Saturday for the first time since last year's PAC Tournament title game ... The Presidents were the only team to knock off BC in PAC play last year, a 66-64 win in Washington ... Bethany came back to win both meetings in Bethany, including a 94-78 triumph for the PAC title.



Thiel Tomcats

vs. Thomas More* (1/14 - 3 p.m.)

Saturday's match up between Thiel and Thomas More will be the first-ever meeting between the two schools ... The Saints are in their first season as members of the PAC.



Grove City Wolverines

vs. Westminster* (1/11 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Waynesburg* (1/14 - 3 p.m.)

Grove City opens PAC play with two home games this week, hosting Westminster Wednesday before welcoming Waynesburg

to the GCC Arena Saturday ... The Wolverines have not lost to Westminster at home since the Titans became full members of the PAC (4-0) ... It has been 307 games since Grove City allowed an opponent to reach 100 points in a regulation game ... Westminster leads the all-time series 73-41 ... However, Grove City has won five of the last seven ... **Steve Lamie** is 7-0 at home vs. Waynesburg ... Waynesburg last won at Grove City Jan. 31, 1998, 67-65 ... GCC has won eight straight and owns a 49-23 series advantage.



Thomas More Saints

vs.Wash. & Jeff.* (1/11 - 7:30 p.m.) at Thiel* (1/14 - 3 p.m.)

Thomas More continues PAC play in search of its first win of the season as they host Washington & Jefferson ... TMC holds a 3-1 advantage over the Presidents', winning the last three – including a 76-42 win in the 1997-98 season ... It will be the first game between Thiel and Thomas More in men's basketball.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

at Thomas More* (1/11 - 7:30 p.m.) at Bethany* (1/14 - 4 p.m.)

W&J and Thomas More will play for the fifth time in history and the first in PAC play Wednesday in Kentucky ... The Saints hold a three-game win streak over the Presidents ... All four previous

meetings occurred from 1994-98 ... W&J is 1-2 all-time at Thomas More ... The lone victory by W&J in the series came during the 1994-95 season when the Presidents posted a 64-57 road win ... W&J and Bethany have played 153 times with the Bison holding a 91-62 edge ... Since the 1998-99 season, Bethany has claimed 11 of 15 victories, including seven straight at Hummel Field House ... Bethany defeated W&J in the PAC title game last year 94-78.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

at Bethany* (1/11 - 6 p.m.) vs. Southern Virginia (1/12 - 7:30 p.m.) at Grove City* (1/14 - 3 p.m.)

The Yellow Jackets split a pair of road conference games this week by hosting NAIA Southern Virginia on Thursday in the first-ever meeting against

the Knights ... Waynesburg has lost its last five games to Bethany – the reigning conference champion ... The Bison averaged victories of over 30 points in both of last season's meeting against of the Yellow Jackets ... Waynesburg finishes the week with a contest at Grove City, who has won the last eight meetings between the two schools and 45 of the 69 all-time meetings.



Westminster Titans

at Grove City* (1/11 - 7:30 p.m.)

Westminster travels to face local PAC rival Grove City in the team's only contest of the week ... Both teams enter the contest at 1-0 in PAC play ... The Titans have posted 10 or more three-pointers in 39 consecutive games (dating back to a 74-57 loss at Alvernia in the 2004 ECAC South Region Tournament) and 56 straight regular season contests, dating to when the Titans started their current run-andf-gun offense midway through the 2003-04 season ... The Titans and Wolver-

ines split two games last year, with each winning at home ... **Mark DeMonaco** had 21 points for the Titans in a 94-86 loss at GCC, while **Craig Hannon** scored 26 in a 110-102 OT home win.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL RADIO/TV BROADCASTS THIS WEEK

Thiel - Thomas More game on WPIC-AM (790) in Hermitage.

Wash. & Jeff. - Bethany game only on WNJR-FM (91.7) in Washington; mms://media.washjeff.edu/WNJR

Westminster - Grove City game on WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; <u>www.titanradio.net</u>; <u>www.msasportsnetwork.com</u>