



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2001-02

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CURRENT STANDINGS (through January 20, 2002)

School	PAC Games			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Thiel College	2	0	1.00	7	10	.412
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	10	6	.625
Grove City College	1	1	.500	12	5	.706
Waynesburg College	0	1	.000	10	4	.714
Washington & Jefferson College	0	2	.000	3	11	.214
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	7	10	.412

* - Completing reclassification from NCAA Division II - games do not count in conference standings.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, January 14

Bethany 77, PENN STATE-ALTOONA 73

Wednesday, January 16

Thiel 67, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 61*

GROVE CITY 78, Waynesburg 60*

Bethany 78, WESTMINSTER 77

Saturday, January 19

BETHANY 90, Washington & Jefferson 66*

Thiel 79, GROVE CITY 67*

WAYNESBURG 81, Westminster 70

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, January 21

Waynesburg at Penn State-Altoona - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 23

Grove City at Washington & Jefferson* - 7:30 p.m.

Waynesburg at Bethany* - 8 p.m.

Westminster at Thiel - 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 26

Bethany at Thiel* - 3 p.m.

Waynesburg at Washington & Jefferson* - 3 p.m.

Grove City at Westminster - 6 p.m.

PAC Men's Basketball Player of the Week

KEITH SCHUBERT

Bethany College

6-4 Senior Forward

Girard, Ohio/Girard H.S.

Schubert averaged 25 points and eight rebounds per game in three contests this week, leading Bethany to a 3-0 week that included wins over PAC rivals Westminster and Washington & Jefferson. He scored 20 of his 29 points in the second half as Bethany overcame a 15-point deficit to post a 78-77 come-from-behind win over Westminster. On Saturday, he recorded 26 points in the Bison's PAC win over W&J. With 1,766 career points, Schubert is closing in on becoming the all-time scoring leader at Bethany, currently held by Rudy Yaksich (1,890 points)

Also nominated was senior forward **Pat Roberts** of Grove City, junior forward **A.H. Davis** of Thiel, senior center **Don Bruner** of Washington & Jefferson, and junior guard **Ray Robinson** of Waynesburg.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany went 3-0 last week, including a victory in their PAC opener ... On Monday at Altoona, the Bison kept the Cougars winless despite shooting only 32 percent from the floor ... At Westminster on Wednesday, Bethany rallied from a 15-point second half deficit and pulled out a one-point win when **Derek Hoffman** knocked down a 10-foot jumper off an offensive rebound with six seconds remaining ... On Saturday, the Bison used a 22-0 run midway through the second half to blow open a close game and open defense of their PAC title with a 90-66 triumph over W&J ... **Nevada Smith** averaged 14.3 points while **Derek Hoffman** averaged eight points and seven rebounds during the week.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J opened PAC play this week with losses to Thiel and at Bethany ... The Presidents led Thiel, 61-59, with 58 seconds left, but the Tomcats closed the game with an 8-0 run ... **Nolan Larry** led the Presidents with 17 points, while **Scott Chodor** added 13 markers ... Don Bruncker collected a season-high 12 points and grabbed six rebounds ... On Saturday, Bethany broke open a three-point game with a 22-0 run en route to a 90-66 win ... Larry once again led W&J with 18 points, while Chodor added 14 ... The Presidents shot a season-best 74 percent (14-of-19) in the first half against the Bison ... Larry, the sixth-leading scorer in NCAA Division III, is now averaging 24.1 points per game.

Grove City Wolverines

The Wolverines had a four-game winning streak stopped Saturday as Thiel rallied from a two-point halftime deficit to hand GCC its biggest losing margin (12) of the season ... Grove City had received NCAA regional recognition last week as one of four "honorable mention" teams in the Great Lakes Region ... The Wolverines used a 19-3 run in the second half to down Waynesburg, 79-67, in Wednesday's PAC opener ... Sophomore **Tanner Prosser** scored 20 points on 9-for-11 shooting, junior **Andy Vlajkovich** posted 17 points and eight boards, while senior **Pat Roberts** chipped in with 12 points, 12 caroms and three blocked shots.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Jackets rebounded from a disappointing conference-opening loss to Grove City to defeat the Westminster Titans 81-70 Saturday evening ... The Jackets trailed 45-34 at halftime but rallied to win their 10th game of the season behind a balanced offensive attack with five Jackets who scored in double figures ... The victory was number 541 for head coach **Rudy Marisa**.

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats and head coach **Karel Jelinek** have jumped out to a 2-0 record in the PAC with victories over W&J and Grove City last week...Sophomore **Mike Banach** had 15 points while senior **Erik Hemsing** had 11 points, 10 of them coming in the second half of their 67-61 win over W&J on Jan. 16...In their 79-67 victory over Grove City on Jan. 19 the Tomcats shot 50% from the field, aided by Hemsing's 4-of-8 shooting from behind the three-point line for 21 points and senior **Shane Manley**'s 15 markers...**A.H. Davis** become only the sixth men's player in Thiel College history to hit the 1,000 career point mark last week in Thiel's 67-61 victory over W&J.

Westminster Titans

Westminster dropped games against PAC opponents Bethany (78-77) and Waynesburg (81-70) last week ... The Titans lost large leads in both games, as they led Bethany by 19 points in the first half and 13 at halftime, while also leading Waynesburg by 11 at the half ... Five Titan cagers scored in double figures against the Bison, led by junior guard **Rick Giordano** with 16 markers ... The top Westminster scorer at Waynesburg was senior forward **Ryan Oman** with 15 points.

Past PAC Men's Basketball Players of the Week

November 19: K. Schubert, F, BET/A. Vlajkovich, G, GRO

November 26: Nolan Larry, G, Wash. & Jeff.

December 3: Nevada Smith, G, Bethany

December 10: Nolan Larry, G, Wash. & Jeff.

December 17: Aaron Ankrom, C, Waynesburg

January 7: Tanner Prosser, F, Grove City

January 14: Rob Strcula, G, Waynesburg

January 21: Keith Schubert, F, Bethany

January 28:

February 4:

February 11:

February 18:

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (10-6 Overall, 1-0 PAC) vs. Waynesburg* (1/23 - 8 p.m.) at Thiel* (1/26 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany faces a pair of PAC opponents this week ... The Bison swept the Yellow Jackets last season, winning 91-84 at Waynesburg and 83-82 in Bethany on a **Keith Schubert** jumper with six seconds left ... Bethany leads the all-time series with Waynesburg 40-36 ... The Tomcats were the only PAC team to defeat Bethany last season, handing the Bison an 80-68 setback in Greenville ... The Bison won the rematch in Bethany 80-74 to win their first PAC championship in 19 years ... Bethany leads the series 88-37 over the Tomcats.

GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (12-5 Overall, 1-1 PAC) at Washington & Jefferson* (1/23 - 7:30 p.m.) at Westminster (1/26 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City and W&J each won on its home floor last season ... The Presidents lead the all-time series, 44-38 ... The Wolverines were swept by the Titans a year ago and trail all-time, 70-35.

THIEL TOMCATS (7-10 Overall, 2-0 PAC) vs. Westminster (1/23 - 8 p.m.) vs. Bethany* (1/26 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Thiel has gotten out to a great 2-0 PAC start and will look to continue it against Westminster and Bethany this week ... The Tomcats were swept by Westminster last season, falling to the Titans 77-74 on Jan. 17 on the road at Memorial Fieldhouse and 74-68 on Feb. 3 at Rissell-Beeghly Gym ... The Tomcats split with the Bison in 2000-2001, winning 80-68 on Jan. 31 at Rissell-Beeghly and losing 80-74 on Feb. 14 at Bethany's Alumni Fieldhouse.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (3-11 Overall, 0-2 PAC) vs. Grove City* (1/23 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Waynesburg* (1/26 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J and Grove City meet for the 80th time on Wednesday, with the Presidents holding a 42-37 advantage in the series ... GCC took both meetings last season, including a 67-58 decision in Washington ... **Nolan Larry** averaged 18.0 points vs. the Wolverines last season ... Washington & Jefferson and Waynesburg will meet for the 73rd time ever, with W&J leading the all-time series 38-34 ... The Yellow Jackets also took both contests last season from W&J, toppling the Presidents 76-72 in Washington, Pa., before picking up an 86-73 win at Waynesburg.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (10-4 Overall, 0-1 PAC) at Penn State-Altoona (1/21 - 7 p.m.) at Bethany* (1/23 - 8 p.m.) at Washington & Jefferson* (1/26 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: Home games on WCYJ-FM (88.7) and on the internet at www.waynesburg.edu.

Upcoming Game Notes: With three away games this week, the Jackets will have played 10 of their last 11 games on the road.

WESTMINSTER TITANS (7-10 Overall) at Thiel (1/23 - 8 p.m.) vs. Grove City (1/26 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), New Wilmington; WKST-AM (1200), New Castle

Upcoming Game Notes: Westminster is hosting a reunion of the 1961-62 Titan men's basketball team on Saturday, as the team will be recognized at halftime of the Grove City game ... The '61-'62 Titans went 26-3 and advanced to the NAIA National Championship game, where they were defeated by Prairie View A&M ... Following the season, Westminster and Grambling were selected to represent the country in a six-week goodwill tour of South America, sponsored by the U.S. State Department.