

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2005-06

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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Current 2005-06 Regular Season Standings (through January 22, 2006)

	PAC Games			All Game	All Games	
School	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.	<u>W</u> <u>L</u>	Pct.	
Bethany College	5	0	1.00	14 4	.778	
Washington & Jefferson College	4	1	.800	6 12	.333	
Waynesburg College	3	2	.600	10 6	.625	
Grove City College	3	2	.600	7 11	.389	
Westminster College	2	3	.400	5 12	.294	
Thomas More College	1	5	.167	1 17	.056	
Thiel College	0	5	.000	2 15	.117	

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, January 16

Grove City 66, THOMAS MORE 57* WAYNESBURG 94, Thiel 55* Bethany 140, WESTMINSTER 109*

Wednesday, January 18

WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 108, Westminster 86 GROVE CITY 81, Thiel 65* WAYNESBURG 92, Thomas More 74*

Saturday, January 21

BETHANY 92, Grove City 58* Washington & Jefferson 83, THIEL 71* WESTMINSTER 134, Thomas More 109*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 24

Thomas More at Centre - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 25

Westminster at Waynesburg* - 7:30 p.m. Bethany at Thiel* - 8 p.m. Grove City at Washington & Jefferson* - 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 28

Thiel at Thomas More* - 3 p.m. Westminster at Bethany* - 4 p.m. Washington & Jefferson at Waynesburg* - 7:30 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MATT DRAHOS Bethany College

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

Drahos earned his second Player of the Week honor this season after averaging 36.0 points, 11.0 rebounds and 2.5 blocks per game for the Bison in wins over Westminster (140-109) and Grove City (92-58). His 49-point effort at Westminster, where he shot 21-of-27 from the field and 7-of-9 from the line, broke the Bethany single-game scoring record of 45 points set in 1965. Against GCC, he posted 23 points, nine rebounds, five assists, four blocks and three steals.

Also nominated was senior F **Chuck Cotherman** of Grove City, junior G **Jon Koch** of Washington & Jefferson, junior G **Beau Wilson** of Waynesburg, and senior G **Mark DeMonaco** of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Bethany Bison

The Bison remained unbeaten in PAC play with two more wins last week ... The week began in historic fashion, as BC broke a 42-year-old school record for points in a game with a 140-109 win at Westminster ... F **Matt Drahos** also

surpassed a school record with 49 points on 21-of-27 shooting and added 13 rebounds to go over 800 for his career ... G **Brody Jackson** went 10-for-10 from the floor for a career-high 24, while **Scott Mezyk** tallied his first career double-double with 10 points and 12 assists ... Saturday, Matt Drahos had 23 and nine, while **Mike Drahos** scored 18 and went over 1,500 career points in a 92-58 victory over Grove City ... It was Bethany's seventh straight win over GCC and their most lopsided since a 74-34 win in 1935-36.



Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats dropped three PAC contests last week, losing at Waynesburg 94-55 Monday, at Grove City 81-65 Wednesday and at home Saturday to W&J 83-71 ... Against Waynesburg freshman G **James Beedle** led the Tomcats with 15 points ... Thiel shot just 29 percent from the

field against the Yellow Jackets ... Against Grove City, Beedle finished with a game-high 20 points while junior F **Geno Bianco** tallied 16 points and six rebounds ... In Saturday's loss to W&J, Bianco was the lone Tomcat to get into double figures, finishing with career-highs in both points (21) and rebounds (9) ... Senior F **Stephen Laird** added eight points while senior F **Damien Williams**, junior F **Brad Bowman** and freshman G **Andre Jones** each scored seven.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

W&J upped its record to 4-1 in PAC play after knocking off Westminster and Thiel this past week ...The Presidents are off to their best conference start since the 1994-95 season, which is the last time W&J claimed a PAC Championship ... W&J has won five of seven contests since the new

year started ... Junior G **Jon Koch** poured in a career-high 38 points on 14-of-23 shooting as the Presidents cruised past Thiel on Saturday in Greenville ... Junior G **Brandon Studer** added 15 points and four assists, while freshman C **Josip Lucic-Jozak** chipped in with 12 markers ... Studer led five Presidents in double figures versus Westminster with 22 ... Koch netted 15 points and grabbed nine rebounds for W&J, which shot 58 percent (44-of-76) overall and handed out 31 assists.



Westminster Titans

Westminster went 1-2 in PAC play last week ... After losses to Bethany (140-109) and at W&J (108-86), the Titans snapped a four-game losing streak with a 134-109 win over Thomas More ... Senior G **Mark DeMonaco** led five double-digit scorers with a team-high 27 points in the Bethany loss ... Against the Presidents, sophomore G **Craig Hannon** scored 20 of his team-high 24 points in the opening half and was 7-of-15 from beyond the three-point arc ... DeMonaco came off the bench to score a team-high 29 points against the

Saints, as the Titans fell one point short of the school single-game socring record (135 vs. Allegheny - Dec. 8, 2004) ... Sophomore F **Brian Urso** added 23 points, including 19 in the first half, while junior G **Greg Rosatelli** scored a Titan career-high 16 points.



Grove City Wolverines

Grove City went 2-1 in PAC play last week ... Against Thomas More Monday, GCC held the Saints to 28 percent shooting in the second half ... Only **Shawn Carr** (11) scored in double figures for Grove City, but eight players scored

at least six points ... **Matt Phillips** had six assists and no turnovers while **Ryan Gerber** recorded four steals ... Wednesday against Thiel, senior F **Chuck Cotherman** tossed in 19 points on 8-of-10 shooting, while Carr added 15 points on five three-pointers ... **Mark Smith** contributed 14 points and six rebounds ... As a team, the Wolverines hit 10 three-pointers and had 20 assists ... Frosh **Daniel Zacour** posted a career-high 14 points in Grove City's 92-58 loss at Bethany Saturday ... Freshman **Ryan Gibson** had five assists.



Thomas More Saints

The Saints went to 1-17 on the season after dropping three PAC games this past week ... Senior **R.K.Thurman**

scored in double figures in all three games, including a 14-point, 12-rebound effort against Grove City on Monday ... He averaged 14 points and 8.7 rebounds for the week ... Inside partner **E.J. Haynes** secured his fourth double-double of the season, the second in conference play, with 18 points and 18 rebounds against Waynesburg ... He added 22 points and six rebounds in Saturday's Westminster game and, for the week, averaged 15.3 points and 11.3 rebounds ... Freshman **Mason O'Hara** had a career-high 22 against Waynesburg.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Yellow Jackets improved to 3-2 in league play with PAC victories over Thiel (94-55) and Thomas More (92-74) last week ... Four Waynesburg players scored in double figures against the Tomcats, with **Beau Wilson** leading the way with 16 points followed by **Jeff Nero** (15), **Marc Lodovico** (13) and **Tim Drakely** (10) ... Wilson bucketed a

game-high 31 markers against the Saints, while Jeff Linden added 20 points and **Ryan Bujnowski** grabbed a team-high 11 rebounds.

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 **Scott Mezyk**, G, Bethany

1/22 **Matt Drahos**, F, Bethany

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PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

Bethany Bison

at Thiel* (1/25 - 8 p.m.) vs. Westminster* (1/28 - 4 p.m.)

Bethany renews its second oldest rivalry Wednesday when it travels to Thiel ... The Bi-

son and Tomcats will face off for the 136th time, with BC holding a 94-41 advantage ... Bethany swept all three meetings last year, including a 126-86 victory in the PAC Tournament semifinals, the largest win in the short history of the conference tourney ... Bethany then has its rematch with Westminster Saturday, which will be less than two weeks after BC broke numerous school records in a 140-109 win ... The Bison have averaged 123.3 points while sweeping the last three games from the Titans and **Matt Drahos** has averaged 44.5 points and 16 rebounds in the last two contests.



Thiel Tomcats

vs. Bethany* (1/25 - 7:30 p.m.) at Thomas More* (1/28 - 3 p.m.)

The Tomcats will host PAC-leading Bethany Wednesday before embarking on their first-ever trip to Crestview Hills, Ky., Saturday to take on

Thomas More ... Thiel and Bethany have met 137 times with the Bison holding a 94-43 advantage ... Bethany has won six of the last 10 meetings, including a pair of regular-season wins and an opening-round playoff victory last season ... The Bison's average margin of victory over the Tomcats last season was 22.0 points ... Thomas More and Thiel met for the first time Jan. 14 in Greenville with the Saints recording a 92-84 win.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

vs. Grove City* (1/25 - 8 p.m.) at Waynesburg* (1/28 - 7:30 p.m.)

Washington & Jefferson and Grove City will play for the 91st time in history on Wednesday evening with the Wolverines holding a slim 47-43 edge ... The Presidents ended the Wolverines' 10-

game win streak in the series in last year's PAC Semifinals with a 69-57 road victory ... The win also snapped a 12-game losing streak at the GCC Arena ... Grove City has still managed to claim 12 of the last 14 meetings ... **Jon Koch** had 24 points and **Josip Lucic-Jozak** had 19 points and 10 points during W&J's 71-66 win over Waynesburg on Jan. 4th ... The victory moved W&J ahead in the all-time series by a 42-41 margin.



Westminster Titans

at Waynesburg* (1/25 - 5:30 p.m.) at Bethany* (1/28 - 4 p.m.)

Westminster hits the road for PAC contests at Waynesburg and Bethany this week ... The Titans swept the season series with the Yellow Jackets in 2004-05, posting a 113-98 win at Waynesburg while recording a 127-108 victory in New Wilmington behind 30 points by **Mark DeMonaco** ... The Titans and Bison will do battle for the second time in a 12-day span, as Bethany set a school-record for points in a game by posting a

140-109 win in New Wilmington on Jan. 16 ... Westminster has connected on 10 or more three-pointers in 43 consecutive games and 60 straight regular season contests.



Grove City Wolverines

at Wash. & Jeff.* (1/25 - 8 p.m.)

Grove City closes the first half of its PAC schedule Wednesday night against Washington & Jefferson ... The Wolverines have won nine straight against the Presidents in the regular

season ... Wash. and Jeff. eliminated Grove City from last year's PAC tournament with a 69-57 win at Grove City in the semifinals Feb. 24, 2005 ... It is Grove City's lone game of the week ... Grove City will be idle Saturday ... Grove City is in the middle of span in which five of six games are on the road.



Thomas More Saints

at Centre (1/24 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Thiel* (1/28 - 3 p.m.)

Thomas More steps away from PAC play when the Saints travel to face Centre Tuesday ... It will be the second game between the two schools this season, with Centre claiming the first round, 68-51 despite R.K. Thurman and E.J. Haynes combining for 22 points and 17 rebounds ... Centre leads the all-time series, 12-4, including six of the last seven ... In the Saints last game with Thiel, Thomas More recorded its first win over the season, downing the Tomcats, 92-84 ... Freshman Brandon Bolden and junior Ed Thornton each had career days, securing career scoring high's with 20 and 18 points, respectively. Junior E.J. Haynes added 16 points and 11 rebounds.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

vs. Westminster* (1/25 - 7:30 p.m.)

vs. Wash. & Jeff.* (1/28 - 7:30 p.m.)

Waynesburg will remain at home this week with PAC contests against Westminster Wednesday and Washington & Jefferson Saturday ... The Titans won both meetings against the Yellow Jack-

ets last season, including a 113-98 decision in Waynesburg ... W&J opened the PAC schedule with a 71-66 home win over the Yellow Jackets on Jan. 4.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL BROADCASTSTHIS WEEK

Bethany - Thiel game on www.teamline.cc (code 3724)

Grove City - Washington & Jefferson game on WSAJ-FM (91.1) in Grove City and www.gcc.edu/sports.

Thiel - Bethany game only on WPIC-AM (790) in Hermitage.

Thomas More - Thiel game only on Insight Communications Chs. 22/6

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

Waynesburg - Both games on WCYJ-FM (88.7) and WCTV (Channel 12) in Waynesburg.

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