

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2005-06

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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Current 2005-06 Regular Season Standings (through January 29, 2006)

	PAC Games			All G	All Games		
School	\underline{W}	<u>L</u>	Pct.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.	
Bethany College	7	0	1.00	16	4	.800	
Washington & Jefferson College	6	1	.857	8	12	.400	
Waynesburg College	4	3	.571	11	7	.611	
Grove City College	3	3	.500	7	12	.368	
Westminster College	2	5	.286	5	14	.357	
Thomas More College	2	5	.286	2	18	.100	
Thiel College	0	7	.000	2	17	.105	

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Tuesday, January 24

CENTRE 81, Thomas More 55

Wednesday, January 25

WAYNESBURG 117, Westminster 87*
Bethany 102, THIEL 64*
WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 72, Grove City 57*

Saturday, January 28

THOMAS MORE 73, Thiel 66*
BETHANY 94, Westminster 86*
Washington & Jefferson 77, WAYNESBURG 71*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 31

Hood at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feburary 1

Thomas More at Bethany* - 7:30 p.m. Waynesburg at Thiel* - 7:30 p.m. Grove City at Westminster* - 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 4

Thomas More at Grove City* - 3 p.m. Washington & Jefferson at Westminster* - 4 p.m. Bethany 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 consecutive Player of the Week honor and third overall this season after averaging 28.5 points, 15.5 rebounds and 4.0 blocks per game for the Bison in wins over Thiel (102-64) and Westminster (94-86). He posted 25 points, five rebounds and three assists in the Thiel win, then amassed 32 points and grabbed a school-record 26 rebounds against the Titans. The 26 caroms also equalled the Division III nation single-game high for 2005-06. Drahos shot 64 percent from the field (23-of-36) and 79 percent at the line (11-of-14) for the week.

Also nominated was senior F **R.K.Thurman** of Thomas More, junior G **Brandon Studer** of Washington & Jefferson, junior G **Beau Wilson** of Waynesburg, and senior G **Mark DeMonaco** of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Bethany Bison

Bethany's win streak hit 11 games and consecutive game streak with 90 or more points grew to seven with a pair of PAC wins last week ... A 16-0 surge midway through the second half blew open the 102-64 win at Thiel, as BC matched its

school-record set last year with seven 100-point games this season ... F Matt Drahos had 25 points and F Mike Drahos totaled 12 points and 11 rebounds ... The Bison used a second record-setting performance from Matt Drahos to key a 94-86 win over Westminster ... Less than two weeks after setting a new mark with 49 points in a game, Drahos grabbed a College-record 26 rebounds to go along with 32 points in the win ... Mike Drahos added 24 and Josh Polantz scored 14 for the second straight game.



Grove City Wolverines

Grove City dropped its lone PAC game of the week last week, falling by 15 at Washington and Jefferson ... Junior F **Mark Smith** led the Wolverines with 16 points and five rebounds ... The Wolverines allowed Washington &

Jefferson to shoot 55 percent from the floor in the win ... Grove City had won 10 straight regular season games against the Presidents ... Counting last year's PAC Tournament loss to Washington and Jefferson, Grove City has lost two straight to the Presidents ... Grove City had won six straight games in the Henry Memorial Center, including four wins over the Presidents in that span.



Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats dropped a pair of PAC matchups last week, falling at home on Wednesday to Bethany 102-64 and on Saturday at Thomas More 73-66 ... The trip to Thomas More was Thiel's first-ever ... Against the Bison, the Tomcats were paced by senior F **Damien Williams**'

season-high 20 points and seven rebounds ... Freshman G James Beedle added 12 points off of the bench ... Thiel shot 50 percent (24-48) from the field in the loss ... Senior F Stephen Laird had 13 points in the loss at Thomas More ... Beedle added 12 points and six assists off of the bench ... Williams finished with 11 points and six rebounds while freshman G Andre Jones totaled 10 points and a career-high nine rebounds.



Thomas More Saints

The Saints earned their second win of the season, beating Thiel, 73-66 ... Senior **R.K. Thurman** led the Saints

with 23 points and 11 rebounds ... He moved within 21 points of becoming the fifth person in Thomas More's NCAA period, and 26th overall, to record 1,000 career points ... Junior **E.J. Haynes** was three blocks shy of a triple-double, posting 21 points, 10 rebounds and seven blocks ... His seven blocks gave his 51 for the season, tying the school's single-season mark he set last season ... In the Saints' non-conference defeat, Thurman had 21 points and seven rebounds for Thomas More in an 81-55 loss to Centre.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

W&J has won six of its first seven PAC games for the first time since the 1993-94 season ... During that season, the Presidents advanced to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Division III Tournament ... Junior guards **Jon Koch** and **Brandon Studer** combined for 70 points in the two W&J wins last week

... Both netted 17 markers Wednesday as W&J led GCC by as many as 21 points before settling for the 15-point win ... Freshmen C **Josip Lucic-Jozak** and G **Scott Oklin** added 12 and 10, respectively, for the Presidents, who shot 55 percent ... W&J swept the season series with Waynesburg for the first time in 12 chances Saturday behind 19 points from Koch ... W&J, which managed to hang in the game despite missing its first 12 attempts from the field, also received 17 points from Studer and 11 from Oklin.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg extended its win streak to five games with a 117-87 win over Westminster Wednesday before falling to Washington & Jefferson, 77-71, Saturday ... Against the Titans, six players scored in double figures, including 23 from junior **Beau Wilson** ... Junior F **Jeff Nero** posted 14 points, a game-high nine rebounds, seven assists, two

steals and two blocks ... As a team, Waynesburg shot 62 percent from the field en route to 117 points, the most since the 1999-2000 season and sixth-highest single-game total in school history ... With the score tied at 24-24 midway through the first half, the Yellow Jackets seized control of the game with a 42-13 to close out the half. Wilson bucketed a game-high 25 points in the loss to W&J, while Nero added 14 points ... Sophomore F **Josh Parisi** collected a season and career-high 13 boards against W&J.



Waynesburg (117-87) and Bethany (94-86) ... The Titans fell behind the Yellow Jackets 66-37 at the half ... Senior G Mark DeMonaco came off the bench to score 23 points and dish out a team-best four assist ... Sophomore F Nick Adams added 18 points on 6-of-11 shooting from three-point range, while senior G Brian Fadden added 10 points ,,, Sophomore F Chauncey Whitlow snared a team-high six rebounds ... At Bethany, DeMonaco and sophomore G Craig Hannon tied for

teamscoring honors with 24 points apiece, with DeMonaco also dishing out a team-best four assists ... Junior G **Greg Rosatelli** tied his Titan career-high with 17 points ... Whitlow snared a team-high eight rebounds in the loss.

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 Mark DeMonaco, G, Westminster 1/2 1/8 Mike Drahos, F, Bethany 1/15 Scott Mezyk, G, Bethany 1/22 Matt Drahos, F, Bethany 1/29 Matt Drahos, F, Bethany

2/5 2/12

2/12

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

Bethany Bison

vs. Thomas More* (2/1 - 8 p.m.) at Waynesburg* (2/4 - 7:30 p.m.)

The Bison look to surpass the two 11-game winning streaks they posted last year when they

host Thomas More Wednesday ... The Saints were the last team to hold BC under 90 points back on Jan. 7 in an 84-77 Bethany win ... **Matt Drahos** had a game-high 20 points and **Mike Drahos** tallied a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds ... BC then opens a three-game road trip Saturday at Waynesburg ... BC won their sixth straight and ninth of the last 11 meetings with the Yellow Jackets on Jan. 11, a 102-93 win that saw the Drahos brothers score 21 points each ... BC's current 11-game winning streak is tied for the fourthlongest in school history.



Thiel Tomcats

vs. Waynesburg* (2/1 - 7:30 p.m.)

Thiel's home contest on Wednesday against Waynesburg is its lone game of the week ... The Tomcats are 25-40 in their 65-game series with Waynesburg and have dropped four of their last

six meetings ... The Yellow Jackets posted a 94-55 win in Waynesburg on Jan. 16.



Grove City Wolverines

at Westminster* (2/1 - 8 p.m.) vs. Thomas More* (2/4 - 3 p.m.)

Grove City opens the second half of the PAC schedule Wednesday at Westminster ...Grove City won the first meeting between the teams,

106-94, Jan. 11 ... Five Wolverines scored in double figures, led by **Chuck Cotherman** with a career-high 23 points ... Mark Smith added 22 while **Shawn Carr** (19), **Bobby Turner** (11) and **John Scheller** (10) also reached double-digits ... The 106 points were the most scored by a **Steve Lamie**-coached team in a regulation game ... Grove City will look for a season sweep of Thomas More Saturday afternoon ... The Wolverines rallied for a 66-57 win at TMC Jan. 16 ... Carr led Grove City with 11 points in the win.



Thomas More Saints

at Bethany* (2/1 - 7:30 p.m.) at Grove City* (2/4 - 3 p.m.)

Thomas More lost to both Bethany and

Grove City earlier this season ... In the loss to Bethany, **R.K.Thurman** led Thomas More with 16 points and eight rebounds ... Thurman also recorded 14 points and 12 rebounds in the loss to Grove City ... He enters the week needing 21 points to break 1,000 for his career ... Grove City now holds a 2-0 advantage over TMC, while Bethany trails Thomas More, 3-1, all-time.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

at Westminster* (2/4 - 4 p.m.)

W&J travels to Buzz Ridl Gymnasium on Saturday for its only game of the week ... The Presidents and Titans will meet for the 64th time in history Wednesday with Westminster holding a 44-19 edge in previous contests ... Since

Westminster joined the PAC six seasons ago, the Titans hold an 8-4 advantage against W&J ... The Presidents have struggled in New Wilmington during that time as they have fallen all six times ... W&J has seemed to figure out Westminster's high-powered offense, as the Titans are only scoring 83.5 points per game versus W&J in the last two meetings.



Westminster Titans

vs. Grove City* (2/1 - 8 p.m.) vs. Wash. & Jeff.* (2/4 - 4 p.m.)

Westminster returns to Buzz Ridl Gymnasium for PAC matchups with Grove City and W&J ... The Titans dropped a 106-94 decision at Grove City on Jan. 11 to open conference play, despite 23 points by **Mark DeMonaco** ... Washington & Jefferson posted a 108-86 win over Westminster in Washington on Jan. 18, with **Craig Hannon** scoring a game-high 24 points for the Titans ... Westminster ranked fourth in the nation in

NCAA Division III in both scoring (104.6) and three-pointers made per game (17.3) last week.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

vs. Hood (1/31 - 7:30 p.m.) at Thiel* (2/1 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Bethany* (2/4 - 7:30 p.m.)

The Yellow Jackets step out of conference play Tuesday when they host Hood for their final non-conference tilt of the season ... The Blazers won

both first-ever meetings against Waynesburg last season ... After five straight home games, Waynesburg travels to Greenville Wednesday to face Thiel ... The Yellow Jackets routed the Tomcats on Jan. 16, 94-55, behind a 51 percent first-half shooting percentage ... Waynesburg returns home Saturday to host the reigning PAC champion Bethany Bison ... The Bison have won the last six meetings against the Yellow Jackets, including a 102-93 contest earlier this season.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL BROADCASTSTHIS WEEK

Bethany - Both games on www.teamline.cc (code 3724)

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

Waynesburg - Thiel and Bethany games on WCYJ-FM (88.7) in Waynesburg; Bethany game only on WCTV (Channel 12)

Westminster - Both games on WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; <u>www.titanradio.net</u>; <u>www.msasportsnetwork.com</u>; and the Westminster Cable Network (WCN) (Channels 9/10) in New Wilmington.