



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2004-05

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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CURRENT 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through Feb. 6, 2005)

<u>School</u>	<u>PAC Games</u>			<u>All Games</u>		
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Bethany College	5	1	.833	18	3	.857
Westminster College	4	2	.667	14	7	.667
Grove City College	4	2	.667	11	9	.550
Washington & Jefferson College	3	3	.500	6	15	.286
Waynesburg College	2	4	.333	8	13	.381
Thiel College	0	6	.000	4	17	.190

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Tuesday, February 1

Bethany 96, LAKE ERIE 93 (2OT)

NOTRE DAME (OHIO) 86, Waynesburg 61

LA ROCHE 76, Washington & Jefferson 69

GENEVA 125, Westminster 116

Wednesday, February 2

LANCASTER BIBLE 87, Thiel 81

Saturday, February 5

Bethany 78, THIEL 72*

WESTMINSTER 110, Grove City 102* (OT)

Washington & Jefferson 71, WAYNESBURG 69*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 9

Waynesburg at Grove City* - 7:30 p.m.

Washington & Jefferson at Bethany* - 8 p.m.

Westminster at Thiel* - 8 p.m.

Saturday, February 12

Grove City at Washington & Jefferson* - 3 p.m.

Westminster at Bethany* - 4 p.m.

Thiel at Waynesburg* - 7:30 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

RYAN ELLER

Grove City College

6-2 Senior Forward

Erie, Pa./Iroquois H.S.

Eller scored a career-high 41 points (shooting 17-of-21 from the field) and added seven assists for Grove City as the Wolverines fell 110-102 in overtime at PAC rival Westminster in the team's only game of the week. He also became the 21st 1,000-point scorer in Grove City history in the contest. Eller's scoring total tied a 41-point output by **Mike Drahos** of Bethany on Jan. 24 for the highest single-game point total in the PAC this season.

Also nominated was junior G/F **Matt Drahos** of Bethany, sophomore G **Brandon Studer** of Washington & Jefferson, and freshman G **Craig Hannon** of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany has now posted wins in its last five games, including two last week over conference foe Thiel (78-72) and Lake Erie (96-93 in 2OT) ... Against Thiel, Bethany held on behind **Matt Drahos'** offensive performance ... The junior scored 29 points – with six straight points from the free throw line to ice the game – and nabbed 17 rebounds in the win ... Against Lake Erie, the Bison earned their 13th non-conference victory and wrapped up their non-league schedule with a wild 96-93 win in double overtime ... **Brandon Duncan** sank three straight free throws to end the second overtime ... Duncan scored a career-best 31 points off his 8-of-11 three-point accuracy ... Matt Drahos notched 28 points and 16 rebounds.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J recorded its first win at the Rudy Marisa Fieldhouse since 1993-94 after defeating Waynesburg, 71-69, Saturday ... Sophomore G **Brandon Studer** canned a pair of free throws with eight seconds to lift the Presidents to the victory ... Studer finished with a game-high 23 points, while classmate **Jon Koch** added 20 ... A late first-half run on Tuesday gave LaRoche a double-digit lead and the Redhawks held on for a 76-69 triumph ... Koch led the Presidents with 22 points on 8-of-15 shooting ... Sophomore F **Patrick Stewart** finished with 12 points and six rebounds, while sophomore PG **Anthony Hairston** added 10 points and four boards ... The Presidents shot 42 percent (24-of-57) and were out-rebounded by a 32-29 margin.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City dropped into a second-place tie with Westminster Saturday after the Wolverines' overtime loss to Westminster ... Senior F **Ryan Eller** became Grove City's 21st 1,000-point scorer after pouring in a career-best 41 points Saturday, giving him 1,005 career points ... Eller also became the first Grove City player in 10 years to score 40 points or more in a game ... **Phil Bushre** nearly posted GCC's second all-time recorded triple-double with 27 points, 12 rebounds and eight assists ... Saturday's game tied for the highest scoring in series history with 212 points ... Three years ago, Grove City downed the Titans in four overtimes, 111-101 ... Bushre, Eller and guard **J.D. Collar** all played in that game.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg fell to 2-4 in the PAC with a 71-69 loss to W&J after losing to non-conference Notre Dame (Ohio), 86-61, earlier in the week ... Against the Presidents, the Yellow Jackets trailed by 16 points with 14 minutes left in the game before tying the score at 69-69 with 30 seconds left ... Jacket F **Jeff Nero** finished with a team-high 17 points and seven rebounds off the bench ... He made 5-of-6 attempts from the field, including 4-of-5 from beyond the arc ... Reserve G **Chris Moore** added 10 points in the loss ... Against the NAIA Falcons, sophomore F **Shawn Coleman** scored a team-high 20 points on 9-of-13 attempts and grabbed a team-high six rebounds ... Classmates **Marc Lodovico**, Nero, and **Beau Wilson** all reached double digits.

Thiel Tomcats

Thiel saw its winless streak extend to 13 last week - losing at Lancaster Bible 87-81 Wednesday and at home to Bethany 78-72 Saturday ... Against the Chargers freshman F **Joe Herrmann** led four Tomcats in double figures with 18 points, including 3-of-6 from three-point range ... On Saturday, senior G **Daryl Moore** capped a late 13-2 run by the Tomcats and cut the Bison lead to two (74-72) with just under a half-minute to play before **Matt Drahos** was perfect on four free throws down the stretch to seal the Bethany win ... Herrmann had 23 points, nine rebounds and four steals while freshman G **Ross Watson** had career highs in points (18) and rebounds (8)... Moore finished with 14 points and five assists.

Westminster Titans

The Titans dropped a 125-116 non-league decision at NAIA Geneva Tuesday before topping PAC foe Grove City 110-102 in overtime Saturday ... At Geneva, junior F **Dom Joseph** paced Westminster with 18 points, followed by junior G **Mark DeMonaco** with 17 ... Senior G **Chris Hatch** added 13 points and a team-high eight rebounds, while DeMonaco dished out seven assists ... Freshman G **Craig Hannon** scored 13 of his team-high 26 points in overtime of the GCC win ... Joseph added 19 points and a team- and season-best 10 rebounds and six assists ... Other Titan double-digit scorers included senior F **Pat O'Connor** with 12 and freshman G **Brian Urso** with a career-high 11 points.

Past PAC Men's Basketball Players of the Week

November 21: Ryan Eller, F, Grove City
November 28: Daryl Moore, G, Thiel
December 5: Mark DeMonaco, G, Westminster
December 12: Matt Drahos, F/C, Bethany
January 2: Marc Lodovico, G, Waynesburg
January 9: Mike Drahos, G/F, Bethany
January 16: J.D. Collar, G, Grove City
January 23: Mike Drahos, G/F, Bethany
January 30: Pat O'Connor, F, Westminster
February 6: Ryan Eller, F, Grove City
February 13:
February 20:

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (18-3 Overall, 5-1 PAC)

vs. Washington & Jefferson* (2/9 - 8 p.m.)
vs. Westminster* (2/12 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1)

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany enters its game against W&J with a five-game win streak on the line ... W&J already snapped a Bison winning streak, edging Bethany 66-64 in Washington, Pa., to end an 11-game win streak ... Bethany hasn't tasted defeat since falling to W&J ... Saturday's contest with Westminster will be an offensive battle between the two schools ... Bethany earned a 120-109 victory over the Titans earlier this season with **Mike Drahos** scoring a PAC season-best 41 points ... The game also marks the second time the Bison face the team that defeated them in the 2004 PAC Championship game.

GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (11-9 Overall, 4-2 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg* (2/9 - 7:30 p.m.)
at Washington & Jefferson* (2/12 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1), www.msasportsnetwork.com
(Saturday only)

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City aims to stop its two-game losing streak Wednesday against visiting Waynesburg ... Head coach **Steve Lamie** is 6-0 at home against the Yellow Jackets ... Grove City won the first meeting this season Jan. 19, 71-62, at the Rudy Marisa Field House ... **Ryan Eller** led Grove City with 26 points, including 23 in the second half ... The win was Grove City's fourth in a series of six straight victories ... Overall, Grove City has won seven straight against the Yellow Jackets ... **Phil Bushre** now has 881 career points.

THIEL TOMCATS (4-17 Overall, 0-6 PAC)

vs. Westminster* (2/9 - 8 p.m.)
at Waynesburg* (2/12 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WPIC-AM (790) - Wed. only

Upcoming Game Notes: Westminster improved to 43-7 all-time against the Tomcats after posting a 125-100 win on Jan. 19 in New Wilmington ... The Titans are 8-2 against Thiel in the last 10 matchups with the last Tomcat win coming at home during the 2001-02 season (73-62) ... The Tomcats travel to Waynesburg Saturday evening with the Yellow Jackets holding a 39-24-1 series lead ... Waynesburg came away with an 83-63 victory in Greenville on Jan. 24 despite an 18-point, seven-assist, six-rebound effort from **Daryl Moore**.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (6-15 Overall, 3-3 PAC)

at Bethany* (2/9 - 8 p.m.)
vs. Grove City* (2/12 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7), www.washjeff.edu

Upcoming Game Notes: Washington & Jefferson looks to sweep the season series from Bethany in the 152nd meeting in history Wednesday ... W&J holds a 91-60 lead in the series, including a 66-64 victory on January 19th when sophomore G **Jon Koch** canned a pair of free throws with eight seconds left to clinch the victory ... Sophomore F **Matt Vorndran** led W&J with 15 points and nine rebounds ... Grove City picked up a 67-54 victory on January 24th to take a 46-42 lead in the all-time series ... GCC shot 62 percent in the second half ... The Presidents will look to snap the Wolverines' nine-game win streak in the series.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (8-13 Overall, 2-4 PAC)

at Grove City* (2/9 - 7:30 p.m.)
vs. Thiel* (2/12 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7), www.waynesburg.edu; WCYJ-TV (Channel 12) - Sat. only

Upcoming Game Notes: Waynesburg is on a season-long four-game losing streak, including three to PAC opponents ... The Yellow Jackets continue conference play Wednesday when they travel to Grove City, which has won nine of the last 10 meetings including a 71-62 victory in this season's first meeting ... F **Jeff Nero** led Waynesburg with 15 points, five rebounds and four steals in the loss ... The Jackets have won three of the last four meetings with Thiel, including this season's 86-63 contest at Greenville as freshman F **Josh Parisi** scored a season-high 22 points.

WESTMINSTER TITANS (14-7 Overall, 4-2 PAC)

at Thiel* (2/9 - 8 p.m.)
at Bethany* (2/12 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), www.msasportsnetwork.com

Upcoming Game Notes: The Titans hit the road for a pair of PAC contests against Thiel and Bethany this week ... Westminster made a school-record 27 three-pointers in a 125-100 win over the Tomcats in New Wilmington on Jan. 19 ... Senior F **Pat O'Connor** became the 31st 1,000 point scorer in school history in the win, finishing the game with 24 points ... The Titans dropped a 120-109 home decision to Bethany on Jan. 24 ... Five Westminster players scored in double figures in the loss, led by freshman G **Craig Hannon** with a game-high 21 points, including five three-pointers.