

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2002-03

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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CURRENT REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (as of February 16, 2003)

	PAC Games			All	All Games		
School	<u>W</u>	L	Pct.	<u>W</u>	L	Pct.	
Waynesburg College	6	2	.750	16	6	.727	
Grove City College	5	3	.625	14	8	.636	
Thiel College	5	3	.625	13	10	.565	
Bethany College	3	5	.375	10	12	.455	
Westminster College	3	5	.375	9	14	.391	
Washington & Jefferson College	2	6	.250	5	17	.227	

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, February 10

WAYNESBURG 86, Notre Dame (Ohio) 79

Wednesday, February 12

WAYNESBURG 97, Bethany 90* Grove City 60, WESTMINSTER 53* THIEL 83, Washington & Jefferson 64*

Saturday, February 15

BETHANY 101, Washington & Jefferson 85* Thiel 79, GROVE CITY 76* WAYNESBURG 75, Westminster 67*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 19

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

Saturday, February 22

Bethany at Westminster* - 3 p.m. Grove City at Washington & Jefferson* - 3 p.m. Waynesburg at Thiel* - 3 p.m.

END OF 2002-03 REGULAR SEASON

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

RAY ROBINSON

Waynesburg College 6-0 Senior Guard Uniontown, Pa./Uniontown H.S.

Robinson posted a carer week as he led the Jackets to their seventh straight win and sole possession of first place in the PAC. He averaged 33.0 points per game as Waynesburg went 3-0, topping non-conference opponent Notre Dame (Ohio) 86-79 before posting PAC wins over Bethany (97-90) and Westminster (75-67). His first basket in the Westminster game was his 2,000th career point, as he became just the second player in school history to reach the plateau. Against Bethany, he returned from an ankle injury to hit a game-clinching three-pointer with under two minutes to play after Bethany had gone on a 24-0 run in his absence. Robinson now leads the PAC in scoring at 23.6 points per game.

Also nominated was senior G Mike Majzun of Bethany, senior C **Phil Bushre** of Grove City, senior F **A.H. Davis** of Thiel, senior G **Nolan Larry** of Washington & Jefferson, and sophomore F **Pat O'Connor** of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

The Bison split a pair of PAC games last week, dropping a decision at Waynesburg before topping the century mark in a win over W&J ... Bethany trailed by 26 against the Yellow Jackets before a 24-0 run brought them right back into the game ... The deficit was cut to one with a minute to play before Waynesburg pulled away ... G Mike Majzun had 27 and C Derek Hoffman added 26 ... The W&J win was highlighted by five Bison scoring in double figures and Bethany shooting 56 percent (38-68) for the game ... Hoffman had 20 and Majzun scored 18, while Cory Boyle dumped in 14 and Matt and Mike Drahos each tallied 13 ... Bethany has broken the 100-point plateau in three of the last four games (99.7 ppg during that span).

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

Senior G Nolan Larry became W&J's alltime leading scorer on Wednesday at Thiel with a 20-point effort ... Larry broke the record held by Dave Branchen (1987-91) for the past 12 years with a length of the floor lay-up at the 6:37 mark of the second half ... After this week's action, Larry has scored 1,578 points in his career ... Sophomore F Michael Chicone netted 16 points and sophomore F Steve Button was the only other President in double figures against Thiel with 10 points ... Bethany shot 56 percent on Saturday in jumping out to a 48-38 halftime lead and cruised to the 16-point triumph ... Chicone scored 22 points for the Presidents including 5-of-7 three-point shots ... Larry added 20 points, while junior C Tony Franz finished with 12 points.

Grove City Wolverines

Grove City fell out of first place with its second loss to Thiel ... Tanner Prosser led Grove City with 21 points while Phil Bushre added 16 ... Nate Maurer, who fouled out with 10 minutes remaining, and Andy Vlajkovich each tallied 11 ... The Wolverines were unable to hang onto a 39-31 halftime lead ... At Westminster Wednesday night, Grove City completed a season sweep of the Titans by holding the hosts to under 30 percent shooting from the floor ... Maurer moved into 10th place on Grove City's single-season scoring list by firing in 22 points while Vlajkovich added 11 ... With 434 points this year, Maurer moved past Dan Von Handorf for 10th place ... Ninth place belongs to Jay Peters (452 in 1984-85)

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg is riding a seven-game win streak, as the Jackets have their best PAC record since 1998-99 at 6-2 ... Waynesburg took over sole possession of first place with Saturday's 75-67 win over Westminster and Grove City's 79-76 loss to Thiel ... Senior G Ray Robinson averaged 33 points per game for the week and became the second player in school history to score 2,000 career points, as he broke the barrier against Westminster ... Waynesburg blew big leads in the wins over Notre Dame Monday and Bethany (97-90) Wednesday ... Notre Dame was down by 16 points in the second half, but had a chance to tie the game with 28 seconds left ... Bethany erased a 28-point deficit, cutting the lead to one.

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats go into the final week of regular-season PAC action riding a four-game win streak with victories last week over W&J (83-64) and Grove City (79-76) ... Thiel led the entire game against the

Presidents, using a 14-4 run to start the game and a 14-5 run through the first six minutes of the second half to hold off W&J ... Senior F A.H. Davis led the Tomcats with a 20-point, 11-rebound, six assist performance ... Thiel extended its regular-season win streak against Grove City to four games while pulling even with the Wolverines in the PAC standings after their three-point win in Grove City on Saturday ... Davis paced all scorers with 22 points, eight boards and three assists, while Mike Banach scored 12 and Daryl Moore 11.

Westminster Titans

The Titans saw their current skid hit four games with PAC losses to Grove City (60-53) on Wednesday and at Waynesburg (75-67) on Saturday ... Sophomore F Pat O'Connor was the lone Titan to reach double figures against GCC with 12 points, all in the first half, on four threepointers ... Senior C Greg Foster added team-high totals of nine rebounds and three blocks ... Three Titans scored in double figures at Waynesburg, led by freshman G Brian Fadden with a careerhigh 21 points ... Sophomores Chris Hatch and O'Connor added 16 and 10 points, respectively, with O'Connor also dishing out a team-high three assists ... Foster and junior F Tom Freed each grabbed a team-high 13 rebounds, with Freed's mark setting a new career-high.

Past PAC Men's Basketball Players of the Week

November 25: Phil Bushre, C, Grove City

December 2: Nate Maurer, G/F, Grove City

December 9: Mike Pamepinto, G, Waynesburg

December 16: Mike Majzun, G, Bethany

January 6: Mike Majzun, G. Bethany

January 13: Ray Robinson, G, Waynesburg

January 20: A.H. Davis, F, Thiel

January 27: Tony Franz, C, Wash. & Jeff.

February 3: Nate Maurer, G/F, Grove City/Brian Fadden, G, Westminster

February 10: Matt Drahos, F, Bethany/Jake Marcoux, F/C, Waynesburg

February 17: Ray Robinson, G, Waynesburg

February 24:

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (10-12 Overall, 3-5 PAC)

vs. Thiel* (2/19 - 8 p.m.) at Westminster* (2/22 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1)

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany will be looking for revenge in its final two PAC regular season games ... Thiel thumped the Bison 82-63 in Greenville on Jan. 29, behind 24 points and 13 rebounds from **Shane Manley** ... Bethany, who was led by **Josh Polantz**'s 15 points, shot just 33 percent in the game and was outrebounded 46-36 in the contest ... In the Feb. 1 meeting with Westminster, Bethany fought back to tie the game but a triple by Titan **Chris Hatch** with 52 seconds to play was the winning score... **Derek Hoffman** had a career-high 28 points, while **Matt Drahos** tallied 24.

THIEL TOMCATS (13-10 Overall, 5-3 PAC)

vs. Washington & Jefferson* (2/12 - 8 p.m.) at Grove City* (2/15 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany leads the all-time series with the Tomcats 90-38 ... Thiel earned an 82-63 victory over the Bison in Greenville on Jan. 29, led by senior G **Shane Manley**'s 24-point, 13-rebound outing ... The Tomcats suffered an 84-68 at Waynesburg on Feb. 1, falling to 68-84 against the Yellow Jackets in all-time meetings despite finishing with three players in double figures ... Manley led the Tomcats with 14 points and six rebounds in the loss.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (16-6 Overall, 6-2 PAC)

at Grove City* (2/19 - 7:30 p.m.) at Thiel* (2/22 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7), www.waynesburg.edu Upcoming Game Notes: Waynesburg will defend first place in the PAC on the road against two teams tied for second ... Wednesday, the Jackets will travel to Grove City, where they lost last year, 78-60 ... Grove City already defeated Waynesburg this season 79-77, but the Jackets have not lost since, winning seven straight ... The Wolverines lost to Thiel Saturday 79-76, giving the Jackets sole possession of first ... Waynesburg will travel to Thiel Saturday, after defeating the Tomcats at home 84-68 ... Waynesburg lost an overtime game in last year's regular-season finale at Thiel, 95-91.

GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (14-8 Overall, 5-3 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg* (2/19 - 7:30 p.m.) at Wash. & Jeff.* (2/22 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1) - Saturday only

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City looks to complete a pair of season sweeps this weekend as the regular season comes to a close ... Seniors Geoff Gehring, Jeb Schreiber and Andy Vlajkovich will be honored before Wednesday's game with Waynesburg ... Grove City has swept Waynesburg twice in the last three years and has not lost at home to the Yellow Jackets since 1998 ... Nate Maurer could move up into seventh place on GCC's single-season scoring record by the end of the week ... John Cochran's 462 points in 1969-70 currently ranks seventh.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (5-17 Overall, 2-6 PAC)

vs. Westminster* (2/19 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Grove City* (2/22 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7)

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J and Westminster meet for the 57th time Wednesday, with the Titans holding a 40-16 series edge ... The Titans have claimed six of the last seven games in the series with the only WC loss coming last season in Washington (65-63) ... W&J fought back from a 17-point second-half deficit to post the win ... **Nolan Larry** scored 17 of his 20 points in the second half ... Grove City and the Presidents have met 86 times, with GCC leading the series 45-41 ... W&J has dropped ninestraight games at Grove City, but have won four of the past six contests in Washington.

WESTMINSTER TITANS (9-14 Overall, 3-5 PAC)

at Wash. & Jeff.* (2/19 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Bethany* (2/22 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), WKST-AM (1200), WEXC-FM (107.1); www.nsnsports.com; Westminster Cable Network (WCN) - *Saturday only*.

Upcoming Game Notes: The Titans will try to get back to the .500 mark in PAC play as they face W&J and Bethany, two teams WC has already posted wins against this season ... Westminster shot 67 percent from the field in the first half en route to a 90-74 home win over W&J on Jan. 29, as **Brian Fadden** posted 16 points ... The Titans then posted an 84-82 win at Bethany on Feb. 2, as **Chris Hatch** hit a game-winning three-pointer to break an 81-81 tie with 52 seconds to play.