



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2001-02

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FINAL REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through February 16, 2002)

School	PAC Games			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Bethany College	7	1	.875	18	7	.720
Thiel College	5	3	.625	11	14	.440
Grove City College	4	4	.500	16	9	.640
Waynesburg College	3	5	.375	17	8	.680
Washington & Jefferson College	1	7	.125	6	18	.250
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	10	15	.400

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

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, February 11

WAYNESBURG 87, Penn State-Altoona 66
 LA ROCHE 80, Washington & Jefferson 64

Wednesday, February 13

BETHANY 75, Thiel 59*
 WAYNESBURG 86, Washington & Jefferson 71*
 Westminster 76, GROVE CITY 69

Saturday, February 16

BETHANY 96, Grove City 91 (OT)*
 THIEL 95, Waynesburg 91 (2OT)*
 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 65, Westminster 63

END OF REGULAR SEASON

2002 PAC Men's Basketball Tournament

Tuesday, February 19

#5 Washington & Jefferson at #4 Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 21

W&J/Waynesburg winner at #1 Bethany - 7 p.m.
 #3 Grove City at #2 Thiel - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 23

PAC Championship at highest remaining seed (time TBA)

PAC Men's Basketball Player of the Week

KEITH SCHUBERT

Bethany College

6-4 Senior Forward

Girard, Ohio/Girard H.S.

Schubert earned PAC Player of the Week honors for a league-best fifth time this week, as he led the Bison to the top regular season record in the PAC and the top seed for this week's PAC Tournament. He averaged 31.5 points and 8.0 rebounds per game last week, as Bethany went 2-0 with home wins over Thiel (75-59) and Grove City (96-91 in overtime). His 43 points in the overtime win over Grove City was the second-highest single game scoring total in school history. He also became the first player in Bethany history to surpass the 2,000-career point plateau, finishing the regular season with 2,009 career points. He also broke the school record for points in a season with 641, previously set by **Bill Gallagher** (633 in 1988-89).

Also nominated was junior forward **A.H. Davis** of Thiel, junior guard **Nolan Larry** of Washington & Jefferson and junior guard **Ray Robinson** of Waynesburg.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany wrapped up the regular season and tied the College record for single-season wins with a pair of victories ... In the Thiel win, which sealed the #1 seed in the PAC Tournament, guard **Nevada Smith** tallied 18 of his 24 points in the second half as Bethany pulled away for a 75-59 victory ... Guard **Scott Johnson** (eight points, 12 rebounds, six assists) and forward **Todd McGuinness** (eight points, eight rebounds and four assists) also had solid games ... In a thrilling come-from-behind win over Grove City, forward **Keith Schubert** carried the Bison to the triumph ... He scored 31 points, including 16 in the final five minutes, in the second half. Included in that were three free throws with eight seconds left in regulation that sent the game to OT.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J concluded its regular-season schedule with a 65-63 victory over Westminster on Saturday ... The win marked just the 16th victory in 55 all-time meetings versus the Titans ... The Presidents fought back from a 17-point second-half deficit ... **Nolan Larry** scored 17 of his game-high 20 points in the second half, including four three-pointers ... W&J fell 86-71 to Waynesburg on Wednesday ... The Presidents held an early 22-16 lead, but an 11-0 run to end the half for the Yellow Jackets gave WC a 43-32 half-time advantage ... Larry led W&J with 19 points, while **Scott Chodor** netted 16 ... **Mike Drevitch** added 10 points on 3-of-6 three-point shooting ... LaRoche evened the season series with W&J on Monday by defeating the Presidents, 80-64 ... Franz led W&J with 14 markers.

Grove City Wolverines

The third-seeded Wolverines will open the 2002 PAC Men's Basketball Championship Tournament at second-seeded Thiel on Thursday ... Grove City enters the tournament coming off back-to-back losses for the first time this season ... Sophomores **Tanner Prosser** and **Jim Fetzner** scored 13 points apiece in the Wolverines' 76-69 loss to Westminster last Wednesday ... Junior **Andy Vljakovich** fired in a team-high 24 points in Saturday's overtime loss at Bethany, matching his career single-game high set early this year ... The Wolverines continue to rank among the nation's best in rebound margin (+12.0) and field-goal shooting defense (37.4 percent).

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Jackets will host Tuesday night the Washington & Jefferson Presidents in the preliminary game of the PAC Tournament ... With the double-overtime loss at Thiel College Saturday (95-91), the Jackets enter the tournament as the fourth seed ... Junior **Ray Robinson** led the Jackets with 23 points while four other Jackets reached double figures: **Rob Strcula** (15), **Mike King** (13), and **Ryan Vance** and **Aaron Ankrom** (12 each) ... The winner of the preliminary game will travel to Bethany on Thursday to face the Bison in the conference semifinals.

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats have earned the second seed in the 2002 PAC Men's Basketball tournament, going 1-1 against PAC foes last week ... After suffering a 68-56 loss at Waynesburg on Jan. 30, the Tomcats welcomed the Yellow Jackets to Rissell-Beehly on Feb. 16 for their final PAC contest and defeated the visitors 95-91 in double OT ... Junior forward **Durrell Hackett** scored a season-high 21 points while grabbing four rebounds ... Junior forward **A.H. Davis** scored all 17 of his points after halftime and finished with a season-high 18 rebounds ... Thiel hit the boards well against Waynesburg, outrebounding the Yellow Jackets 51-40 ... Bethany topped Thiel 75-59 in the Tomcats' other game.

Westminster Titans

The Titans closed the 2001-02 season at 10-15 after splitting a pair of games against PAC opponents last week, topping Grove City 76-69 on Wednesday before falling at Washington & Jefferson 65-63 on Saturday ... Against the Wolverines, three true freshmen led the Titans in scoring: **Pat O'Connor** (career-high 23 points), **Craig Bohyer** (15) and **Chris Hatch** (nine) ... Westminster led W&J by 15 points at halftime (41-26) before succumbing to a second half Presidents rally ... Junior guard **Jeff Simmons** led Westminster with 14 points in the loss ... Junior center **Greg Foster** posted his fourth "double-double" of the season in the loss at W&J, posting 10 points and 13 rebounds.

Past PAC Men's Basketball Players of the Week

November 19: K. Schubert, F, BET/A. Vljakovich, 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: Keith Schubert, F, Bethany

February 4: Keith Schubert, F, Bethany

February 11: Rob Strcula, G, Waynesburg

February 18: Keith Schubert, F, Bethany

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (18-7 Overall, 7-1 PAC)

vs. W&J or Waynesburg (2/21 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM, (88.1), Bethany

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany, who has won back-to-back regular season titles for the first time since winning three in a row from 1965-68, has home-court advantage throughout the PAC Tournament ... The Bison swept each team in the league, with the exception of potential semifinal opponent Waynesburg, who beat Bethany at the buzzer on Feb. 9 ... The PAC did have a tournament back in 1992, on a trial basis, and the Bison won it, defeating Thiel and W&J ... The Conference still recognized the regular season leader as the league champion that season.

GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (16-9 Overall, 4-4 PAC)

at Thiel* (2/21 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Wolverines will look for their first win of the season over Thiel when the two Mercer County rivals meet in the PAC Championship Tournament semifinals on Thursday in Greenville ... Thiel won the last meeting at Rissel-Beeghly Gym on Feb. 6, 64-63, rallying from seven points down in the final minute ... Grove City freshman **Ryan Eller** scored a career-high 22 points off the bench in the loss ... The Tomcats won in Grove City on Jan. 19, 79-67.

THIEL TOMCATS (11-14 Overall, 5-3 PAC)

vs. Grove City (2/21 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Tomcats will enter the PAC Men's Basketball Tournament as the number two seed. They will host Grove City, the number three seed, on Thursday, Feb. 21 at Rissel-Beeghly to determine who will advance to the championship game, which will be played at the home court of the highest remaining seed on Saturday, Feb. 23 ... Number five seed Washington & Jefferson will travel to number four seed Waynesburg for the play-in game on Tuesday, and the winner of that game will travel to Bethany to take on the number one seeded Bison on Thursday.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (6-18 Overall, 1-7 PAC)

at Waynesburg (2/19 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J and Waynesburg will meet for the third time this season on Tuesday evening with both teams claiming victories on their home floors ... The Yellow Jackets defeated W&J just six days ago, 86-71, at Marisa Field House ... Waynesburg leads the all-time series between the two schools, 39-34 ... **Nolan Larry** is averaging 22.5 points, 6.5 assists, 5.5 rebounds vs. the Yellow Jackets this season ... He has also connected on 52 percent of his shots (15-of-29) ... **Tony Franz** scored a career-high 27 points and grabbed 11 rebounds in W&J's 86-79 win over WC earlier this season.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (17-8 Overall, 3-5 PAC)

vs. Washington & Jefferson (2/19 - 7:30 p.m.)

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

Upcoming Game Notes: Waynesburg split a pair of games with W&J in the regular season.

WESTMINSTER TITANS (10-15 Overall)

Season Complete