

## MEN'S **BASKETBALL** 2004-05

#### Presidents' Athletic Conference

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## CURRENT 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through Dec. 5, 2004)

	PAC Games			All G	All Games		
<u>School</u>	W	<u>L</u>	Pct.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.	
Westminster College	0	0	.000	5	1	.833	
Grove City College	0	0	.000	4	1	.800	
Bethany College	0	0	.000	4	2	.667	
Thiel College	0	0	.000	2	3	.400	
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	1	4	.200	
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	1	4	.200	

#### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

#### Monday, November 29

West Liberty State 95, Bethany 72^ ROBERT MORRIS 107, Thiel 47

### Tuesday, November 30

Bethany 117, Ohio-Eastern 69<sup>^</sup> Capital 63, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 55 GROVE CITY 78, La Roche 68 WESTMINSTER 109, Penn State-Behrend 99 Waynesburg 57, PITT-GREENSBURG 52

#### Wednesday, December 1

THIEL 87, Hiram 81 BETHANY 55, Muskingum 53

## Thursday, December 2

CASE WESTERN RESERVE 78, Washington & Jefferson 55

### Saturday, December 4

Case Western Reserve 72, GROVE CITY 68 (OT) HOOD 84, Waynesburg 76

^ - at Wendy's Classic - Wheeling, W.Va.

## **UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

## Monday, December 6

Penn State-Altoona at Thiel - 7:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, December 7

Bethany at Hood - 7 p.m.

#### Wednesday, December 8

Allegheny at Westminster - 7:30 p.m. Kenyon at Grove City - 7:30 p.m. Mount Aloysius at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m. Thiel at York - 7:30 p.m.

### Thursday, December 9

Penn State-Altoona at Bethany - 7 p.m.

## Saturday, December 11

Grove City at Lake Erie - 2 p.m. Westminster at Elizabethtown - 3 p.m. La Roche at Bethany - 4 p.m. Thiel at Penn State-Altoona - 7 p.m. Waynesburg at Juniata - 7:30 p.m.

#### Sunday, December 12

Skidmore at Washington & Jefferson - 3 p.m.

## PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL **PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

## MARK DEMONACO

## **Westminster College**

5-8 Junior Guard New Castle, Pa./New Castle H.S.

DeMonaco posted team-high totals of 28 points and five assists to lead Westminster to a 109-99 win over Penn State-Behrend in the Titans' only game of the week. He shot 8-of-9 from the field (7-of-8 beyond the arc) and 5-of-6 from the line en route to the Titans' fourth straight win.

Also nominated was junior F/C Matt Drahos of Bethany, sophomore G Bobby Glass of Grove City, junior F Damien Williams of Thiel, sophomore G Jon Koch of Washington & Jefferson, and sophomore G Beau Wilson of Waynesburg.

## PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

## **Bethany Bison**

Bethany went 2-1 last week ... The Bison started the week with a loss to D-II West Liberty State at the Wendy's Classic (95-72) ... The squad rebounded to defeat Ohio University-Eastern the next night 117-69, marking the most points scored in a single game by the Bison in the Aaron Huffman era ... BC followed with its home opener the next night, its third in three nights, and came back to defeat previously unbeaten Muskingum, 55-53 ... The 117-point outburst against Ohio-Eastern was spearheaded by sophomore Jim Deep, who tallied 26 point, shooting 10-of-17 from the field and 5-of-9 from three-point range ... Mike and Matt Drahos each tallied 15 points.

## Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J hung tough with Capital Tuesday, but a 16-9 Crusader run in the final six minutes proved to be the difference ... The Presidents took a 24-21 lead into the locker rooms and held a 44-42 lead with just over eight minutes to play before Capital took the lead for good ... Sophomore G Jon Koch led W&J with 17 points, four rebounds, three assists and three steals ... Sophomore PG Anthony Hairston made his first six shots and finished with 12 points ... Case Western Reserve scored 16 unanswered points to begin the second half in a 23-point victory in Cleveland Thursday ... Koch had 17 points and five rebounds, while sophomore G Brandon Studer added 13 points and three assists for the Presidents, who shot just 30 percent (20-of-66).

## **Grove City Wolverines**

The Wolverines' eight-game regular season win streak ended Saturday with an overtime loss to Case Western ... Grove City rallied from an 11-point deficit to force OT but CWRU closed overtime with a 7-1 run ... Ryan Eller led Grove City with 16 points but shot just 3 of 11 from the floor ... Mike Lukcic went 4-of-4 beyond the arc and finished with 13 points ... The Wolverines were 11-of-24 on threepoint attempts ... Senior C Phil Bushre tossed in a career-high 25 points and added eight rebounds Tuesday in a 78-68 win over La Roche ... Eller added 15 points, including 3-of-3 accuracy on threepoint attempts ... The Wolverines made 8-of-10 three-point attempts in the first half.

## Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg snapped its three-game, season-opening losing streak when it beat Pitt-Greensburg, 57-52, Tuesday ... To get the win, the Yellow Jackets overcame a 19-point first-half deficit thanks to a 14-0 run during a five-minute stretch ... G Beau Wilson scored a season-high 22 points, including two decisive foul shots near the end to put the Bobcats down five with 17 seconds left ... Wilson along with classmate Jeff Nero, senior Ray Gillespie and freshman Josh Parisi combined for 47 of the Jackets' 57 points ... The Jackets were unable to make it to straight wins, falling 84-76 to Hood Saturday in a game that featured a combined 48 turnovers and 49 fouls ... Marc Lodovico led the team with a season-high 19 points, while Wilson and Nero scored 16 and 11 points.

## **Thiel Tomcats**

The Tomcats posted a 1-1 record last week ... Thiel followed up a 107-47 loss at Division I Robert Morris Monday with an 87-81 home victory over Hiram Wednesday ... Senior G Daryl Moore was the only Tomcat to total double figures against the Colonials, going for 11 points and six rebounds ... Against Hiram the team shot a season-best 53.2% from the field, including 54.5% from beyond the three-point line ... Four Tomcats finished in double figures, led by junior F Damien Williams' 20 point effort ... Williams was 8-for-12 from the field against the Terriers and 3-for-4 from three-point range ... Freshman F Joe Herrmann added 16 points and a game-high eight rebounds in the win.

## Westminster Titans

The Titans won their only game of the week with a 109-99 home victory on Tuesday against Penn State-Behrend, giving Westminster its fourth stright win ... Five Titans reached double figures in scoring, led by junior G Mark DeMonaco with game-high totals of 28 points and five assists ... DeMonaco shot 8-of-9 from the field, including 7-of-8 from three-point range, and 5-of-6 from the line ... Senior G Ed Pagley also connected on seven treys en route to 22 points ... Seniors Pat O'Connor and Chris Hatch each added 18 markers, with O'Connor snaring a game-high 10 rebounds for his first double-double of the campaign ... Junior G Brian Fadden rounded out the doubledigit scoring parade with 11 markers off the bench.

## 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:

January 2:

January 9:

January 16:

January 23:

January 30:

February 6:

February 13:

February 20:

## PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

## BETHANY BISON (4-2 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Hood (12/7 - 7 p.m.) vs. Penn State-Altoona (12/9 - 7 p.m.) vs. La Roche (12/11 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1)

**Upcoming Game Notes:** The Bison will again play three games this week after playing three games in three nights early last week ... The squad will open at Hood College on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. ... Last season, junior **Josh Polantz** drilled a shot at the buzzer from just inside the half court line to defeat Hood in overtime, 93-90 ... The Bison also defeated La Roche last season, 69-66, as **Jim Deep** had 16 points and **Matt Drahos** added 15 ... PSU-Altoona scored an upset over the Bison last year, 91-85, in overtime ... Altoona shot 49.3-percent from the field in the victory.

# THIEL TOMCATS (2-3 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Penn State-Altoona (12/6 - 7:30 p.m. at York (12/8 - 7:30 p.m.) at Penn State-Altoona (12/11 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

**Upcoming Game Notes:** Thiel will hit the road for two of its three games this week ... The Tomcats take on Penn State-Altoona twice, playing host on Monday and traveling to Altoona on Saturday ... Thiel is 0-2 all-time against the Lions ... On Wednesday the Tomcats travel to York, Pa. to take on the Spartans of York College ... It's the first time the two schools have met.

## GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (4-1 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Kenyon (12/8 - 7:30 p.m.) at Lake Erie (12/11 - 2 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City closes a four-game homestand Wednesday night against non-conference foe Kenyon ... Grove City has never lost to Kenyon, having won all five previous meetings ... The Wolverines won at Kenyon in last year's meeting, 67-59, Dec. 9, 2003 ... Ryan Eller had 18 points and 10 rebounds for the Wolverines while Mike Lukcic added 15 points in that victory ... The Wolverines will play Lake Erie for the first time in 10 seasons Saturday ... Grove City will also play the Storm Dec. 29 at the Bluffton Tournament.

# WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (1-4 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Skidmore (12/12 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7); www.washjeff.edu/wnjr Upcoming Game Notes: Washington & Jefferson and Skidmore will meet for the first time in history on Sunday afternoon ... Skidmore, located in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., will be playing its fourth game in six days when it arrives at the Henry Memorial Center ... The Thoroughbreds are currently 2-1 overall with victories over Hartwick (64-45) and CCNY (85-58).

# WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (1-4 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Mount Aloysius (12/8 - 7:30 p.m.) at Juniata (12/11 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7); www.waynesburg.edu
Upcoming Game Notes: Waynesburg looks to follow the
last Yellow Jacket team to start a season 1-4, which was
the 1977-78 squad ... In that season, the Jackets finished
15-8 and made the NAIA District Playoffs ... Waynesburg
is a perfect 3-0 in the all-time series against Mt. Aloysius,
including last season's 104-81 win in which six Jackets
scored in double figures, led by 17 points from Jeff Nero
... Waynesburg will face Juniata Saturday for the first time
since 1999-2000, when the Jackets won 81-52 ... WC holds
a 7-3 series advantage against the Eagles, who feature
eight freshmen and no seniors and are 1-5 thus far.

# WESTMINSTER TITANS (5-1 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Allegheny (12/8 - 7:30 p.m.) at Elizabethtown (12/11 - 3 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), www.msasportsnetwork.com Upcoming Game Notes: Westminster puts its four-game win streak on the line in non-conference contests against local rival Allegheny at home on Wednesday and at Elizabethtown on Saturday ... The Titans dropped a 75-64 decision to the Gators in Meadville last season, as Micah Delo led the team in scoring with 13 points while Pat O'Connor snared a team-high 12 rebounds ... A win over the Gators would give the Titans their longest win streak since a seven-game streak from Jan. 7-31 of last season ... Titan head coach Larry Ondako was named November 2004 Coach of the Month by DIII News.