



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2006-07

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Current 2006-07 Regular Season Standings (through December 10)

School	PAC Games			All Games		
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Waynesburg College	1	0	1.00	4	2	.667
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	5	3	.625
Westminster College	1	0	1.00	3	4	.429
Thomas More College	0	0	.000	0	7	.000
Grove City College	0	1	.000	2	4	.333
Thiel College	0	1	.000	2	4	.333
Washington & Jefferson College	0	1	.000	1	8	.111
Saint Vincent College*	0	0	.000	6	2	.750

* - NCAA Division III provisional member - ineligible for PAC title and Player of the Week honors

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, December 4

JUNIATA 61, Grove City 51
 SAINT VINCENT 65, Penn State-Beaver 54
 Waynesburg 93, FRANCISCAN-STEUBENVILLE 71

Wednesday, December 6

Carnegie Mellon 78, BETHANY 77
 WESTMINSTER 102, Allegheny 97
 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 71, Denison 49
 WAYNESBURG 69, Juniata 66

Saturday, December 9

Waynesburg 89, GROVE CITY 82* (ot)
 BETHANY 78, Thiel 76*
 SAINT VINCENT 67, Thomas More 61
 WESTMINSTER 88, Washington & Jefferson 73*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, December 11

Bethany at Penn State-Altoona - 7 p.m.
 Grove City at Kenyon - 7 p.m.
 Penn State-Behrend at Westminster - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13

Bethany at Marietta - 7 p.m.
 Thiel at Allegheny - 7:30 p.m.
 Hiram at Grove City - 8 p.m.

Thursday, December 14

La Roche at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 16

Hiram at Thiel - 3 p.m.
 Transylvania at Thomas More - 3 p.m.
 Mount Aloysius at Bethany - 7 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

CRAIG HANNON **Westminster College**

6-2 Junior Guard
 New Castle, Pa./Union H.S.



Hannon averaged 20.0 points per game while adding three rebounds and a pair of steals in leading Westminster to wins over Allegheny (102-97) and PAC rival Washington & Jefferson (88-73) last week. In the W&J win, he became the 32nd men's player in school history to surpass 1,000 career points. Hannon shot 12-of-26 (46.2%) from three-point range during the week.

Also nominated was freshman F **Ryan Besancon** of Bethany, junior G **Ryan Gerber** of Grove City, junior F **Joe Herrmann** of Thiel, sophomore G **Jeremy Abell** of Thomas More, sophomore F **Wahab Owolabi** of Washington & Jefferson, and junior G **Tim Drakely** of Waynesburg.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Bethany Bison

Bethany split a pair of games, dropping a one-point decision to Carnegie Mellon before winning a two-point game over Thiel to open PAC play ... F **Joe Testa** led five scorers in double figures vs. CMU with 18 points, while **Brody**

Jackson chipped in 13 and **Ryan Besancon**, **James Wallace** and **Marc Palermo** had 10 each ... In the PAC lid-lifter against Thiel, the Bison had a 15-point lead early in the second half but needed two free throws by **Chris Stephens** with 49 seconds to play to re-claim the lead ... **Besancon** notched 20 points and 11 boards for his first career double-double, while **Wallace** had 18 points and eight rebounds and **Stephens** scored 13 ... The win kept Bethany's win streak against PAC opponents alive at a league-record 25 games.



Grove City Wolverines

Grove City opened PAC play Saturday with an 89-82 overtime loss to Waynesburg ... Grove City led for much of the second half but Waynesburg forced overtime on a buzzer-beating three-pointer ... The Yellow Jackets outscored Grove City 12-5 in the extra session ... Junior G **Ryan Gerber** fired in 19 points, while senior F **Mark Smith** added 18 points on 7-of-10 shooting ... Sophomore PG **Ryan Gibson** dished out a career-high nine assists and added 14 points in 42 minutes ... F **Bobby Turner** made his season debut after missing the first five games due to injury ... Monday, the Wolverines dropped a 61-51 decision at Juniata ... **Joe Capotosta** led GCC with 11 points while **Craig Hallman** pulled down a game-high 14 rebounds.



Thiel Tomcats

Thiel dropped a 78-76 PAC opening contest at Bethany on Saturday in its only action of the week ... The Tomcats fought back from an 11-point halftime deficit (42-31) ... A layup by junior G **Gary Gates** gave the Tomcats their first lead (57-55) at the 9:14 mark of the second half

... Junior F **Joe Herrmann** led the Tomcats with 19 points, four rebounds, four steals, two assists and two blocks ... Sophomore G **Brandon Mirizio** scored 16 with three assists, while **Gates** scored 11 with three steals.



Thomas More Saints

In their only game of the week, the Saints lost a tough PAC opener to Saint Vincent, 67-61 ... Sophomore **Jeremy Abell** led TMC with a career-high 23 points and grabbed five rebounds ... Junior **Brad Buckner** added 13 points, and has reached double figures in five of the Saints' seven games ... **Buckner** added a team-high nine rebounds ... Senior **Ed Thornton** had a solid performance with six points, six rebounds and four assists.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

The Presidents recorded their first win of the season Wednesday by turning 30 Denison turnovers into 37 points during a 71-49 victory ... The win marked the first in the head coaching career of **Glenn Gutierrez** ... Seniors **Jon Koch** and **Matt Vorndran** paced the Presidents with 14 points each, while **Wahab Owolabi** netted 10 points and

grabbed six rebounds ... Saturday at Westminster, the Titans defeated W&J for the 23rd straight time at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium ... The Presidents, who have not won in New Wilmington in 67 years, were led by **Owolabi's** career-best 14 points and 14 rebounds ... **Koch** poured in a team-high 21 points, while junior **Greg Stuckey** added 10 ... **Koch** (1,481 career points) is 71 points shy of passing **Dave Branchen '91** for second place all-time at W&J.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

After a week off, the Yellow Jackets rattled off three-straight victories last week, including two in dramatic fashion ... Monday, Waynesburg cruised past Franciscan-Steubenville, 93-71, with five players reaching double figures in points ... Guards **Marc Lodovico** and **Dan Happe** led the way with 12 points each ... The Yellow Jackets posted a come-from-behind victory over Juniata, 69-66, Wednesday ... Junior G **Tim Drakeley** scored nine of his team-high 16 points in the final five minutes, including the game-clinching free throw with one second left ... **Drakeley** continued his late-game thrills Saturday at Grove City, as he sent the game into overtime with a three-pointer with one second left ... Waynesburg won the PAC opener 89-82, led by 22 points from **Beau Wilson**, while **Drakeley** added a career-high 17.



Westminster Titans

Westminster won two home games last week to improve to 3-4 on the season and 1-0 in the PAC after beating Allegheny, 102-97, Wednesday and topping W&J, 88-73, Saturday ... Junior G **Craig Hannon** led the Titans, scoring a game-high 25 points vs. Allegheny and 15 points vs. W&J ... In the W&J win, he scored the 1,000th point of his collegiate career to become the 32nd Titan men's basketball player to reach the milestone ... Senior F **Dom Joseph** also averaged 20 ppg last week, including a game-high 26 vs. W&J ...

Westminster leads the PAC with an 87.3 scoring average, down by 19.8 points (107.1 ppg) through the team's first seven games of 2005-06 when the Titans were 1-6 ... The difference: Westminster gave up 117.6 ppg last year and is allowing 88.9 ppg this year.



Saint Vincent Bearcats

The Bearcats extended their win streak to five games with a victory in their first PAC matchup, 67-61 over Thomas More ... Senior G **Jonny Hasson** scored 18 against TMC, following a 17-point performance earlier in the week against PSU-Beaver ... Junior C **Jim Ewing** saw action for the first time all season against TMC, returning from a broken thumb ... He grabbed four rebounds and scored two points in just three minutes of play ... Sophomore G **Billy Bains** averaged 13 points for the week.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS



Bethany Bison

at Penn State-Altoona (12/11 - 7 p.m.)
at Marietta (12/13 - 7 p.m.)
vs. Mount Aloysius (12/16 - 7 p.m.)

Bethany closes out the first semester with three games in six days this week ... BC heads to Altoona Monday for a rematch of the season opener ... The Bison's 91-87 double OT victory was their seventh win in eight career meetings with the Lions ... Bethany heads to Marietta Wednesday, looking to avenge a 112-109 loss to the Pioneers last season ... It will be the 55th meetings between the schools, with Marietta holding a 32-22 advantage ... On Saturday, Bethany and Mt. Aloysius clash for the first time ever in a battle between the second-highest scoring team in the PAC (86.8 ppg) and the top scoring team in the AMCC (85.9 ppg).

Grove City Wolverines

at Kenyon (12/11 - 7 p.m.)
vs. Hiram (12/13 - 8 p.m.)



Grove City closes the first semester with two games vs. North Coast Athletic Conference foes ... The Wolverines visit Kenyon Monday before hosting Hiram Wednesday ... GCC is 5-1 all-time against Kenyon ... The Lords won the most recent meeting, however, 69-65 at Grove City on Dec. 8, 2004 ... It will be Grove City's first trip to Gambier, Ohio since a 67-59 victory over Kenyon on Dec. 9, 2003 ... **Ryan Eller** led GCC with 18 points and 10 rebounds that night ... Grove City hosts Hiram in the 42nd all-time meeting between the programs ... Grove City owns a 31-10 all-time edge ... The Wolverines won last year's clash at Hiram in double overtime, 77-76.



Thiel Tomcats

at Allegheny (12/13 - 7:30 p.m.)
vs. Hiram (12/16 - 3 p.m.)

The Tomcats wrap up play in 2006 this week against a couple of past PAC foes as they travel to Allegheny Wednesday before hosting Hiram on Saturday ... Thiel and Allegheny have met 119 times, dating back to the 1923-24 season ... The Gators hold a commanding 87-32 advantage and have won eight of the last 10 meetings ... Thiel's last win was a 78-70 victory during the 1999-2000 season ... Thiel and Hiram have met 65 times since the 1916-17 season ... The Terriers maintain a 47-18 edge in the all-time series, but the Tomcats have claimed four of the last five meetings.



Thomas More Saints

vs. Transylvania (12/16 - 3 p.m.)

Thomas More continues to search for its first win of the 2006-07 season when the Saints open a three-game homestand against Transylvania Saturday at 3 p.m. ... TMC dropped a 100-64 decision to Transylvania in Lexington on December 2.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

No Games Scheduled

W&J is off until a road contest at Defiance on Monday, December 18.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

vs. La Roche (12/14 - 7:30 p.m.)

Waynesburg returns to non-conference on Thursday when they host La Roche College ... The Yellow Jackets lead the all-time series 27-8 after winning the last two meetings ... Last season, Waynesburg posted a 65-58 victory in Pittsburgh over the Redhawks ... **G Beau Wilson** scored a game-high 22 points on 7-of-14 shooting, including 4-of-6 from beyond the three-point arc.



Westminster Titans

vs. Penn State-Behrend (12/11 - 7:30 p.m.)
(WWW-FM (88.9) - www.titanradio.net)

Westminster (3-4, 1-0 PAC) enters the game on a season-high two-game win streak, while the Lions (5-2, 4-0 AMCC) enter the game winning their last four ... This is the third home game in six days for the Titans, as they will have a week-long break for semester finals before hosting Pitt-Greensburg Dec. 19 ... **Craig Hannon** scored 30 points in a 118-101 loss at Penn State-Behrend last year ... Other double-digit Titan scorers in the loss included freshman C **Steve Bielich** and sophomore G **Nick DiNatale** each with 12 points and senior G **Mark DeMonaco** with 11.



Saint Vincent Bearcats

at Franciscan-Steubenville (12/16 - 7 p.m.)

This will be the second meeting of the year between Saint Vincent and Franciscan ... SVC defeated Franciscan by a score of 98-47 on December 2 in Latrobe.