

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2006-07

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Current 2006-07 Regular Season Standings (through December 31)

	PAC Games			All Games		
<u>School</u>	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Waynesburg College	1	0	1.00	6	2	.750
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	8	3	.727
Westminster College	1	0	1.00	7	5	.583
Thomas More College	0	0	.000	0	12	.000
Grove City College	0	1	.000	4	6	.400
Thiel College	0	1	.000	3	7	.300
Washington & Jefferson College	0	1	.000	2	10	.167
Saint Vincent College*	0	0	.000	7	3	.700

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

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, December 18 DEFIANCE 72, Washington & Jefferson 67 Centre 76, THOMAS MORE 56

Tuesday, December 19

Lake Erie 88, SAINT VINCENT 80 WAYNESBURG 97, Frostburg State 72 WESTMINSTER 99, Pitt-Greensburg 94

Wednesday, December 20

Manchester 59, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 57#

Thursday, December 21

HANOVER 116, Westminster 90 Cincinnati-Clermont 88, THOMAS MORE 66 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 62, Earlham 60#

Friday, December 29, 2006

Cincinnati-Clermont 87, Grove City 82% Indiana-Southeast 83, Thiel 59@ WESTMONT 77, Thomas More 47! Westminster 80, Olivet 67^

Saturday, December 29-30

Grove City 87, Wright State-Lake 77 (ot)% York 83, Thiel 71 (ot)@ Johns Hopkins 72, Thomas More 50! Westminster 98, MARIETTA 73^

- Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic - Washington, Pa.
% - McDonalds of Bluffton Holiday Classic - Bluffton, Ohio
@ - at Wittenberg Zimmerman Memorial Classic - Springfield, Ohio
! - at Westmont Tournament - Santa Barbara, Calif.
^ - at Marietta Shrine Tournament - Marietta, Ohio

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 3 Bethany at Lake Erie - 7 p.m. Case Western Reserve at Grove City - 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 6

Grove City at Bethany* - 2 p.m. Saint Vincent at Washington & Jefferson* - 4 p.m. Thomas More at Westminster* - 4 p.m. Thiel at Waynesburg* - 7:30 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

RYNE MURRAY Westminster College 6-4 Freshman Forward

Pittsburgh, Pa. Upper St. Clair H.S.

Murray led Westminster to a 3-1 holiday mark by averaging 17.3 points and 9.8 rebounds per game. He was named MVP of the Marietta Shrine Tournament

after averaging 20.0 points and 10.5 rebounds as the Titans won the tournament title with wins over Olivet (80-67) and host Marietta (98-73).

Also nominated was sophomore G **Ryan Gibson** of Grove City, senior G **Joe Koch** of Washington & Jefferson, and junior G **Tim Drakeley** of Waynesburg.



PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Bethany Bison

The Bison, who have been off since a 123-105 win over Mount Aloysius Dec. 16, return to the court Jan. 3 at Lake Erie ... Bethany, whose 8-3 record is one game better than where they were year ago when they finished 23-5, will be put-

Thiel Tomcats

sity-Southeast in the opening round and fell to

York College (N.Y.) 83-71 in overtime in the con-

solation game ... Against IU-S, freshman G Cory

ting their four-game winning streak on the line against the Storm ... Speaking of winning streaks, the Bison return to conference play Saturday when they host Grove City ... BC will be trying to extend their PAC-record 25-game winning streak against league foes in the contest.

Chafee led the Tomcats with a career-high 25-point, 7-rebound

effort ... Sophomore G Brandon Mirizio and junior F Joe Herrmann

added 13 and 11 points, respectively ... In Saturday's consolation

game, York used a 21-9 overtime spurt to down Thiel 83-71 ... Herrmann finished with a game highs in both points (30) and re-

bounds (13) ... Mirizio added 19 points and five boards.



Grove City Wolverines

The Wolverines went 1-1 at the McDonald's of Bluffton Holiday Classic ... GCC earned its first overtime win of the season in the consolation game, topping Wright State-Lake, 87-77 ... Junior G Ryan Gerber fired in a career-

high 27 points on 9-of-11 shooting, while sophomore Joe McCoy posted a career-high 18 points ... Ryan Gibson added 14 points and six assists ... Grove City had just seven turnovers in 45 minutes of action ... In an 87-82 semifinal loss to Cincinnati-Claremont, Gibson posted 17 points and eight assists en route to All-Tournament honors ... Forward Mark Smith (13) and Gerber (10) also reached double-digits ... The Wolverines shot 59 percent (30 of 51) from the floor but made just 11 of 24 foul shots in the defeat.



Thomas More Saints

For the second consecutive season, the Saints will be entering Presidents' Athletic Conference play winless after

losing four games over winter break ... Junior Brad Buckner was the lone player to average double figures over the four-game span, scoring 40 points for a 10.0 ppg average. He added four rebounds per contest ... Senior Michael Selm and sophomore Jeremy Abell provided TMC with some long range shooting, combining for 11 of the team's 14 three-pointers.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

The Presidents posted a 1-2 record, including a third-place finish at the Hilton Garden Inn/ Jacksons Classic, during the break ... W&J dropped a five-point decision at Defiance despite the 1,500th career point by senior G Jon Koch ... Koch posted 17 points and six rebounds, while senior G Brandon Studer notched 16 points and

four boards ... Manchester hit a lay-up with 2.4 seconds left to record a 59-57 win in the first round of the HGI/Jacksons Classic ... W&J led for the first 23 minutes and held a 10-point advantage with under eight minutes left ... Sophomore F Wahab Owolabi paced W&J with a career-high 18 points ... Studer helped W&J defeat Earlham in the consolation with 17 points, while Koch added 16 ... Koch was named All-Tournament for the third straight year.



Westminster Titans

Westminster won three of its four games during the last two weeks to improve to 7-5 ... The Titans won the 36th annual Marietta Shrine Tournament Dec. 29-30 with wins over Olivet (80-67) and Marietta (98-73) ... Westminster also defeated Pitt-Greensburg (99-94) Dec. 19 and lost at Hanover (116-90) Dec. 21 ... Freshman F Ryne Murray posted career-highs in points in each of the four games (14, 15, 17, 23), including 23 in the Shrine Tournament championship to earn tournament MVP honors ... Murray registered the second and

third double-doubles of his career as he also snared game-high rebounds of 11 in the final and 10 in the first round ... Senior G/F Dom Joseph also had a stellar four-game stretch, averaging 14.5 ppg, including 19 and 15 points to earn all-tournament honors.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Yellow Jackets scored a season-high 97 points and made a season-best 59.4 percent (38-of-64) of their shots on Dec. 19, as they posted a 97-72 victory over Frostburg State ... The win marked the fifth straight for

Waynesburg, who improved to a perfect 3-0 at home this season ... Junior G Tim Drakeley led five players in double-figure scoring with a career-high 19 points ... Senior G Marc Lodovico posted 17 points and five assists, while G Jered Gamble and G Beau Wilson, along with F Josh Parisi, all added 11 points ... Parisi added a game and season-high eight rebounds ... The Yellow Jackets closed the first period on a 25-10 run ... Waynesburg would lead by as many as 29 points in the contest after making eight second-half three-pointers.



Saint Vincent Bearcats

A huge second half comeback propelled the the Lake Erie College Storm to an 88-80 victory over the Bearcats at the Carey Center on December 19 ... Jonny Hasson nailing four treys over the final nine minutes of the first frame to give the Bearcats a 41-29 halftime advantage

... The roles were then quickly reversed, thanks to a relentless pressure and trapping Storm defense, which forced 10 turnovers over the final 10 minutes of the regulation and held SVC to just five points over that span ... Three Bearcats scored in double-figures, including Tre'sor Kalambay (19), Hasson (17), and Roscoe Biggers (15) ... Raymar Byrd and Billy Bains each grabbed six boards to pace the Bearcats.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS



Bethany Bison

at Lake Erie (1/3 - 7 p.m.) vs. Grove City* (1/6 - 2 p.m.)

After a lengthy break, Bethany returns to action Wednesday at Lake Erie ... The Storm, winners

of five in a row, are 8-1 this season, with their only loss coming to Findlay, a nationally-ranked NAIA program ... Bethany leads the series with Lake Erie 3-2, although the Storm beat BC 77-62 last year in Hummel Field House en route to winning the AMCC and earning an NCAA Tournament bid ... Bethany returns to PAC play Saturday when they host Grove City ... The Wolverines lead the all-time series 43-29, but the Bison have captured eight straight over GCC ... The last meeting was a 68-52 triumph in Grove City behind double-doubles from Matt and Mike Drahos.



Thiel Tomcats

at Waynesburg* (1/6 - 7:30 p.m.)

The Tomcats will return to PAC action on Saturday when they travel to Waynesburg ... Thiel and Waynesburg have met 66 times with the Yellow Jackets holding a 41-25 overall mark ...

The Tomcats are just 1-5 in their last six matchups with the Yellow Jackets.



Grove City Wolverines

vs. Case Western Reserve (1/3 - 7 p.m.) at Bethany* (1/6 - 2 p.m.) (Bethany game - WSAJ-FM (91.1); www2.gcc.edu/sports)

Grove City hosts Case Western Reserve Wednesday ... Case Western leads the all-time series 4-3... CWRU earned an 86-66 win over Grove City in Cleveland on Dec. 10, 2005 ... **Shawn Carr** and **Joe Capotosta** each had 14 points for the Wolverines ... The Wolverines last defeated Case Dec. 4, 2002, with a 70-46 home win ... Former Bethany ace **Todd McGuinness** is now an assistant coach at CWRU ... Saturday, Grove City will visit PAC rival Bethany ... Grove City leads the all-time series 46-30 ... The Bison have won eight straight against Grove City.



Thomas More Saints

at Westminster* (1/6 - 3 p.m.)

The Saints open PAC play with a road contest at Westminster in New

Wilmington ... The Titans claimed all three match-ups between the two programs last season, including a 30-point win in the PAC Tournament opening round.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

vs. Saint Vincent* (1/6 - 4 p.m.) (WNJR-FM (91.7); mms://media.washjeff.edu/WNJR)

Washington & Jefferson and Saint Vincent will meet for the first time as Presidents' Athletic Conference foes Saturday at the Henry Memorial Center ... The Presidents lead the all-time series

by a 21-16 margin ... The two schools have not met since the 2003-2004 season, when SVC came away with an 80-53 win in Washington, Pa. ... W&J was limited to 27 percent shooting in the loss ... The last time W&J defeated the Bearcats in Washington, Pa., was during the 1993-94 season, as the Presidents came away with a 96-75 win.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets vs. Thiel* (1/6 - 7:30 p.m.)

After a lengthy layoff for the holiday season, Waynesburg returns to action on Saturday against conference-rival Thiel ... The Yellow Jackets lead the all-time series by a

41-25 margin and swept the two-game season series against the Tomcats last season ... In seven career games against Thiel, senior G **Beau Wilson** has averaged 14.1 points/game and made 43.5 percent (27-of-62) of his shots, while also posting 17 assists and 15 rebounds ... Waynesburg is off to its best start after eight games (6-2) since the 2001-02 campaign when it finished 18-9.



Westminster Titans

vs. Thomas More* (1/6 - 4 p.m.) (WWNW-FM (88.9); www.titanradio.net)

Westminster has now won six of its last seven games ... The average score of last year's Thomas More-Westminster games were 119-98 as the Titans swept the season series with three wins ... The wins included a 122-92 triumph in the PAC Tournament first round, a 100-92 win at Thomas More, and a 134-109 win at home which was the second-highest single-game point

total scored by the Titans in team history ... Junior G Craig Hannon scored a team-high 24 points in each of the two most recent games.



Saint Vincent Bearcats

at Washington & Jefferson* (1/6 - 4 p.m.) (http://www.redzonemedia.com)

The Bearcats return to action for the first time in 18 days when Saint Vincent travels to face league foe W&J in Washington Saturday ... The two schools have not met since the 2003-2004

season, when SVC came away with an 80-53 win in Washington.