



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2010-11

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PAC TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND GAMES - 2/22/11

First Round Game #1 - Washington, Pa.

#5 Thomas More 58, #4 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 57

The Saints recorded the lone upset of the opening round, as Thomas More took the lead for good at 58-57 on a pair of free throws by junior C **Colt Stafford (Groveport, OH/Bishop Hartley H.S.)** with 17.9 seconds to play, then posted a defensive stop against the Presidents in the closing seconds to preserve the win. Senior SG **Aaron Miller (Lexington, KY/Henry Clay H.S.)** led all TMC scorers with 18 points, while junior PG **Daniel Whelan (Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier H.S.)** and Stafford added 12 and 10 markers, respectively. For W&J, senior G **Brian Felker (Gibsonia, PA/Pine-Richland H.S.)** led all scorers with 21 points, followed by senior G **Paul Matthews (Greensburg, PA/Greensburg Salem H.S.)** with 14 points.

First Round Game #2 - Bethany, W.Va.

#3 BETHANY 90, #6 Westminster 58

After watching the visiting Titans jump out to an early 18-8 lead, the Bison took complete control with a 32-2 first half run to take a 40-20 advantage and were not threatened the rest of the way. Bethany shot 61 percent (33-of-54) from the field in the victory and were led in scoring by sophomore G **Reece Mabery (Natrona Heights, PA/Highlands H.S.)** with a game-high 19 points. Junior C **British Alexander (Dayton, OH/Trotwood Madison H.S.)** added 13 points and nine rebounds in the win, followed by senior G **Dustin Opalka (Cortland, OH/Lakeview H.S.)** and sophomore F **Brady Pacific (Avonmore, PA/Kiski Area H.S.)** with 10 points each. For Westminster, freshman G **Christian Shea (Pittsburgh, PA/Upper St. Clair H.S.)** scored a team-best 14 points, while sophomore G **Liam Halferty (Pittsburgh, PA/Central Catholic H.S.)** added 10.

First Round Game #3 - Latrobe, Pa.

#2 SAINT VINCENT 72, #7 Grove City 54

The Bearcats led by just four points (29-25) at the half, but outscored the defending PAC champion Wolverines 43-29 in the second period to secure the win in their first-ever PAC Tournament appearance. Four Saint Vincent players posted double-digit scoring totals, paced by junior G **Tauvon Pettiford (Baltimore, MD/Calvert H.S.)** with game-high totals of 21 points and nine rebounds. Junior G **Dennis Bassich (Silver Spring, MD/Einstein H.S.)** and senior G **BJ McGill (Upper Marlboro, MD/Suitland H.S.)** added 16 and 15 points, respectively, for SVC. Grove City was led by senior F **Luke Tomaselli (Cresson, PA/Penn Cambria H.S.)** with a game-high 21 points, while junior C **Kris Verderber (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston H.S.)** added 12 points in the loss.

First Round Game #4 - Greenville, Pa.

#1 THIEL 73, #8 Waynesburg 63

The eighth-seeded Yellow Jackets gave the top-seeded Tomcats all they could handle, as Waynesburg trailed just by just three points (27-24) at the half and remained within single-digits throughout the second half. Thiel posted four scorers in double figures, led by senior G **Devon Adams (Philadelphia, PA/George Jr. Academy H.S.)** with team-high totals of 18 points and seven assists. Sophomore G **Anthony Harvey (New Castle, PA/New Castle H.S.)** added 16 points for the victors, while sophomore G **Blair Rozenblad (Youngstown, OH/Kennedy Catholic H.S.)** posted a "double-double" with 15 points and a game-high 15 rebounds. For Waynesburg, junior F **Jeff Young (Washington, DC/John F. Kennedy H.S.)** led all WU scorers with 14 markers, while freshman G **Nick Herman (Pittsburgh, PA/West Allegheny H.S.)** added 10.

PAC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINAL GAMES - 2/24/11

Semifinal Game #1 - Greenville, Pa.

#1 THIEL 78, #5 Thomas More 65

After trailing 35-31 at the half, Thomas More took a 53-51 lead with 6:48 to play and appeared poised to post its second consecutive PAC Tournament upset. However, the top-seeded Tomcats outscored the Saints 27-12 the rest of the way to clinch hosting rights for Saturday's PAC Championship game. Thiel posted a very balanced scoring attack, as six players reached double figures in scoring, led by sophomore G **Blair Rozenblad (Youngstown, OH/Kennedy Catholic H.S.)** with team-high totals of 15 points and nine rebounds. Senior G **Devon Adams (Philadelphia, PA/George Jr. Republic H.S.)** added 14 markers and a team-best eight assists for the victors, while sophomore F **Ladell Trotty (Cleveland, OH/Lutheran East H.S.)** added 13 points and eight boards in the win. For TMC, junior PG **Daniel Whelan (Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier H.S.)** fired in a team-high 18 points in defeat, while senior SG **Brian Muse (Bethel, OH/Bethel H.S.)** added 14 markers.

Semifinal Game #2 - Latrobe, Pa.

#3 Bethany 66, #2 SAINT VINCENT 65

After leading by two (28-26) at the half, the visiting Bison slowly built their advantage throughout the second half and led by as many as 12 points (57-45) with 8:20 to play. However, the Bearcats staged a furious comeback to cut the lead to one in the final minutes. However, Saint Vincent missed a pair of potential go-ahead free throws with 30 seconds left, then after an offensive rebound a final SVC field goal attempt was offline as time expired. Bethany was led offensively by the sophomore duo of F **Nick Wilcox (Venetia, PA/Peters Township H.S.)** and G **Reece Mabery (Natrona Heights, PA/Highlands H.S.)** with 15 points apiece. Saint Vincent had four double-digit scorers, led by junior F **Tauvon Pettiford (Baltimore, MD/Calvert H.S.)** with a game-high 21 points and nine rebounds, while junior G **Dennis Bassich (Silver Spring, MD/Einstein H.S.)** added 19 points for the Bearcats.

PAC TOURNAMENT FINALS - 2/26/11

2011 PAC Championship Game - Greenville, Pa.

#3 Bethany 74, #1 THIEL 67

The Bison upset the top-ranked Tomcats on the road to earn their PAC-high 13th conference men's basketball championship. Thiel led for most of the opening half and took a 35-30 lead into intermission. Bethany slowly cut into the lead and took its first second half lead at 40-39 with 16:25 to play. Trailing 61-60 with 4:26 to play, the Bison outscored the Tomcats 14-6 the rest of the way to clinch the victory. The key statistic came at the free throw line, as Bethany connected on 82 percent (27-of-33) of its attempts from the charity stripe to just 42 percent (8-of-19) for Thiel. BC boasted four double-digit scorers, led by the duo of junior C **British Alexander (Dayton, OH/Trotwood Madison H.S.)** and sophomore G **Reece Mabery (Natrona Heights, PA/Highlands H.S.)** with 19 points apiece, with Alexander adding a game-high 12 rebounds and five steals. Sophomore G **James Barton (Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park H.S.)** added 14 markers in the victory. For the Tomcats, senior G **Devon Adams (Philadelphia, PA/George Jr. Republic H.S.)** posted team-best totals of 15 points and five assists, while sophomore C **Aundra Jones (Youngstown, OH/Kennedy Catholic H.S.)** posted a "double-double" with 13 points and a team-high 11 boards.

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