

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2001-02

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CURRENT STANDINGS (through January 13, 2002)

	PAC Games			All	All Games		
School	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Bethany College	0	0	.000	11	3	.786	
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	6	4	.600	
Thiel College	0	0	.000	8	6	.571	
Grove City College	0	0	.000	6	7	.462	
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	5	6	.455	
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	5	7	.417	

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

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, January 7

La Roche 63, THIEL 59

Wednesday, January 9

Allegheny 58, GROVE CITY 53 CARNEGIE MELLON 84, Washington & Jefferson 45

Thursday, January 10

Westminster 88, GENEVA 76 BETHANY 83, Point Park 62 HIRAM 63, Thiel 62

Saturday, January 12

THIEL 85, Hilbert 22 Grove City 70, PENN STATE-ALTOONA 55

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, January 14

Medaille at Thiel - 7 p.m.

Washington & Jefferson at Penn State-Behrend - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 16

Thiel at Washington & Jefferson* - 5:30 p.m. Waynesburg at Grove City* - 6 p.m. Bethany at Westminster - 6 p.m.

Saturday, January 19

Thiel at Grove City* - 1 p.m. Washington & Jefferson at Bethany* - 4 p.m. Westminster at Waynesburg - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 20

Waynesburg at Pitt-Greensburg - 1 p.m.

PAC Women's Basketball Player of the Week

NIKKI BABIK Bethany College

5-7 Freshman Guard Johnstown, Pa./Westmont-Hilltop H.S.

Babik came off the bench to score a game-high 21 points in helping Bethany to its fourth consecutive victory, an 83-62 road win at NAIA member Point Park. Babik was 6-of-9 from the floor, including4-of-5 from behind the three-point arc, and was a perfect 5-of-5 from the foul line. She is shooting 51 percent from the floor, 46 percent from three-point range and 97 percent from the foul line this season for the Bison.

Also nominated was sophomore guard **Amanda Swanson** of Thiel and freshman forward **Bobbi Jo Hibbitts** of Washington & Jefferson.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

The Bison raced to an 18-point halftime lead and cruised to an 83-62 victory over visiting Point Park Thursday ... In winning its fourth consecutive game, Bethany had four players score in double figures ... Freshman guard Nikki Babik led the way with 21 points, which included 4-5 shooting from the arc ... Forward Kelley Richardson had 18, while guard Kiki Cohen and forward Katie Hardie each tossed in 15 ... Point guard Nicole Naccarato handed out eight assists and made seven steals.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

Washington & Jefferson fell in its only contest last week by an 84-45 margin to Carnegie Mellon ... The Presidents trailed, 41-20, at the half and the Tartans never looked back in running away with the 39-point win ... **Amy Strosnider** led the way for the Presidents with 11 points and eight rebounds ... **Bobbi Jo Hibbitts** was the only other W&J player in double figures with 10 points ... Hibbitts also added seven boards ... W&J shot just 35 percent for the game and committed 22 turnovers.

Grove City Lady Wolverines

Grove City head coach Melissa Lamie notched her 100th career victory (100-112) in the Lady Wolverines' win at Penn State Altoona ... Senior Stephanie Murphy tossed in a game-high 14 points and added a career-high eight assists ... Junior Jessica Jenkins grabbed a career-best 15 rebounds and junior Christy Faller pulled down 10 boards ... The Lady Wolverines shot just 28 percent (19-69) in Wednesday's loss to Allegheny.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Jackets did not play a game during the past week ... Riding a three-game winning streak, the Jackets open PAC play Wednesday when they travel to Grove City College.

Thiel Tomcats

The Cats lost by a combined five points to go 1-2 in last week's contests ... Amanda Swanson led the Cats with 24 points and five rebounds against La Roche, scoring all 24 in the second half ... The Cats managed to have three players score in double digits against Hiram, but it was not enough to push them past the Terriers...Danielle Mezzulo scored a game-high 15 points and grabbed seven boards, Mayumi Sasaki finished with 13 points and seven assists, while Sara Snyder had 12 points and seven boards...In their 85-22 romp over Hilbert, Sasaki tallied a season-high 11 assists, while Jennifer Barnes hit 4-of-5 beyond the three-point line for a game-high 14 points.

Westminster Lady Titans

Westminster tallied an 88-76 non-conference victory at Geneva College on Thursday, snapping a two-game losing streak ... Four Lady Titans scored in double figures, led by senior guard Robin Thayer with a game-high 23 points ... Junior guard Ashley Kenney added a season-high 17 points off the bench, while junior forward Samor Himes and freshman forward Erica Tallo added 15 and 12 markers, respectively ... Tallo hauled in a team-best nine rebounds, while junior point guard Jennifer Petures dished out a careerhigh 10 assists ... Thayer now has 1,091 career points and is just 95 points from surpassing Colleen Dion (1.185 points from 1992-96) as the program's all-time leading scorer.

Past PAC Women's Basketball Players of the Week

November 19: Kelley Richardson, C, Bethany

November 26: Katie Hardie, F, Bethany

December 3: Kelley Richardson, C, Bethany

December 10: Amanda Swanson, G, Thiel

December 17: Kiki Cohen, G, Bethany

January 7: Shawndra McDonald, G, Wash. & Jeff.

January 14: Nikki Babik, G, Bethany

January 21:

January 28:

February 4:

February 11:

February 18:

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (11-3 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Westminster (1/16 - 6 p.m.) vs. Washington & Jefferson* (1/19 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Bison begin defense of its three consecutive PAC titles this week ... When the Bison travel to New Wilmington on Wednesday, they will be looking for some revenge after the Titans swept them last season ... Despite the losses, Bethany leads the all-time series 4-2 ... The Green and White took two of three last year against the Presidents, including a 57-56 thriller in Washington to win the PAC Tournament ... Despite winning seven of the last eight meetings, Bethany still trails in the series 32-24.

THIEL TOMCATS (8-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Medaille (1/14 - 7 p.m.) at Washington & Jefferson* (1/16 - 5:30 p.m.) at Grove City* (1/19 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Sara Snyder currently leads the Cats in scoring, averaging 12.4 PPG ...**Mayumi Sasaki** is averaging 3.5 assists per game while running the Cat offense ...Thiel was swept by W&J last season, falling 69-59 on Jan. 27 and 95-75 on Feb. 17 ... The Presidents also beat Thiel 81-73 in the PAC Tournament last season ... Thiel lost both meetings against Grove City last year, losing 65-48 on Jan. 20 and 54-41 on Feb. 10.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (6-4 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Grove City* (1/16 - 6 p.m.) vs. Westminster (1/19 - 5:30 p.m.) at Pitt-Greensburg (1/20 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: Home games on WCYJ-FM (88.7) with internet broadcasts at *www.waynesburg.edu*

Upcoming Game Notes: The Jackets take a three-game winning streak into their PAC opener at Grove City on Wednesday.

GROVE CITY LADY WOLVERINES

(6-7 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg* (1/16 - 6 p.m.) vs. Thiel* (1/19 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Coming off a third-place finish in the PAC at 5-3, the Lady Wolverines host Waynesburg in their PAC opener on Wednesday ... Grove City dealt the Lady Jackets 32- and 20-point defeats last year to tie the all-time series, 13-13 ... The Lady Wolverines swept the season series against Thiel and lead that all-time series, 38-11.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (5-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Penn State-Behrend (1/14 - 7 p.m.) vs. Thiel* (1/16 - 5:30 p.m.) at Bethany* (1/19 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J topped PS-Behrend in Washington 75-70 in overtime on Nov. 28 ... W&J has claimed the last four meetings with Thiel, including all three contests last season ... **Shawndra McDonald** scored a career-high 34 points in last season's 69-59 win at W&J ... The Presidents and Bethany meet for the first time since last season's PAC Championship game in which the Bison came away with a 57-56 win ... **Rachel Armitage** averaged 17.7 points per game vs. the Bison last season ... Last year, both teams captured their home contests.

WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (5-7 Overall)

vs. Bethany (1/16 - 6 p.m.) at Waynesburg (1/19 - 5:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Titans open play against PAC competition against defending PAC champion Bethany College at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium on Wednesday ... Westminster went 10-0 against the PAC in 2000-01 including wins of 69-68 at Bethany and 69-54 over the Bison in New Wilmington ... Against Waynesburg, the Lady Titans won 73-44 on the road and 61-50 at home last season.