

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2001-02

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CURRENT STANDINGS (through February 10, 2002)

	PAC Games			All	All Games		
School	W	L	Pct.	\underline{W}	L	Pct.	
Bethany College	5	1	.833	18	5	.783	
Grove City College	5	2	.714	11	10	.524	
Washington & Jefferson College	4	3	.571	10	11	.476	
Thiel College	2	4	.333	11	12	.478	
Waynesburg College	0	6	.000	8	13	.381	
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	12	8	.600	

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

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Wednesday, February 6

Bethany 93, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 72* THIEL 61, Grove City 50* WESTMINSTER 84, Waynesburg 42

Saturday, February 9

Washington & Jefferson 57, GROVE CITY 49* WESTMINSTER 71, Thiel 55 Bethany 79, WAYNESBURG 51*

Sunday, February 10

Waynesburg 60, Chestnut Hill 42

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, February 11

Penn State-Behrend at Grove City - 7 p.m. Mount Union at Westminster - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13

Washington & Jefferson at Waynesburg* - 5:30 p.m. Westminster at Grove City - 6 p.m. Thiel at Bethany* - 8 p.m.

Thursday, February 14

Waynesburg at Chatham - 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 16

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

PAC Women's Basketball Player of the Week

NICOLE NACCARATO - Bethany College

5-6 Senior Guard Monessen, Pa./Monessen H.S.

Naccarato posted an outstanding all-around floor game this week, leading Bethany back into first place in the PAC with wins over Washington & Jefferson (93-72) and Waynesburg (79-51). She dished out a career-high 11 assists in the win over W&J, then topped that mark with 12 assists (just one away from the College single-gamerecord) while adding a career-best eight steals in the Waynesburg victory. For the week, she averaged 6.0 points, 5.0 rebounds, 11.5 assists and 5.5 steals per game.

Also nominated was senior forward **Sara Snyder** of Thiel and junior forward **Amy Strosnider** of Washington & Jefferson.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

Bethany moved back into first place in the PAC with two victories last week ... Forward Katie Hardie had 28 points and a career-high 17 rebounds in the Bison's 21-point victory at W&J ... Guard Kiki Cohen hit five treys and had 22 in the win, while guard Nikki Babik chipped in with 18. ... The Waynesburg victory, which was Bethany's 14th straight over the Jackets, was highlighted by a career-high 35 points from Kelley Richardson ... The 6-0 forward/center was 14-21 from the floor. 7-11 from the foul line and added 11 rebounds ... Hardie had 12 points, 12 rebounds, four assists and four steals ... For the week, Richardson averaged 23.5 points and nine rebounds, while Hardie totaled 20 points and 14.5 rebounds.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J firmed its grip on the third seed for the upcoming PAC Tournament with a 57-49 victory over Grove City on Saturday ... The Presidents forced 24 GCC turnovers and held the Wolverines to just 32 percent shooting ... Shawndra McDonald led W&J with 18 points, six rebounds, six steals and five assists, while Lauren Hull notched 13 points and 10 boards ... Amy Strosnider added 12 points and four caroms for W&J, which hit 19-of-21 free throws in the game ... On Wednesday, Bethany broke open a 58-56 second-half lead with a 17-5 run to secure the 93-72 win ... Strosnider led the Presidents with 21 points and a career-high 18 rebounds, while Rachel Armitage added 17 points.

Grove City Lady Wolverines

Grove City had its five-game conference winning streak snapped last week as Thiel and Washington & Jefferson dealt the Lady Wolverines their first league losses ... The team shot just 31 percent from the floor last week (36-for-115), including 21 percent from three-point territory (10-for-47) ... Freshman **Abby Moose** nearly rallied the Lady Wolverines past W&J with 10 points in a two-minute span that cut a 15-point deficit to three, but the Presidents held on to earn a split in the season series ... Junior **Jessica Jenkins** averaged 10.5 points and 6.5 boards last week.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Jackets hope to record their first PAC victory when they host Washington & Jefferson College on Wednesday night at the Rudy Marisa Fieldhouse ... The Presidents defeated the Jackets 76-73 in a game played Jan. 26 at W&J ... The Jackets snapped a four-game losing streak with a 60-42 upset victory over Chestnut Hill College (14-7) ... Freshman guard **Candace Newman** led the Jackets with 14 points ... Three other Jackets scored in double figures.

Thiel Tomcats

Thiel finished the week 1-1... Sophomore Amanda Swanson scored a game-high 20 points to lead the Tomcats over Grove City on Feb. 6 at Rissell-Beeghly Gym ... Senior Sara Snyder hit for 13 points in the win, handing the Lady Wolverines their first conference loss ... Thiel finished with a 40-33 rebounding advantage over Grove City, led by Snyder's game-high 10 boards ... Against the Lady Titans, Thiel shot just 33 percent (22-66) from the field ... Snyder finished with a gamehigh 21 points and 12 rebounds ... Freshman Laura Simonetti added seven points, three rebounds and three assists in the loss...Snyder currently leads the team with 13.6 points and 7.0 rebounds per game.

Westminster Lady Titans

Westminster ran its win streak to a season-high seven games this week, as the Lady Titans toppled PAC opponents Waynesburg (84-42) and Thiel (71-55) ... In the Waynesburg win, 13 of the 14 Lady Titans who dressed for the game dented the scoring column ... Junior Samor Himes and freshman Erica Tallo scored 14 points apiece against the Jackets, while senior guard Robin Thayer added 12 markers ... Ashley Kenney led Westminster against Thiel with 13 points, while Tallo and freshman Alyson Gasper added 10 apiece ... Thaver scored 21 points on the week, bringing her school-record career scoring total to 1,218 points.

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: Kelley Richardson, C. Bethany

January 28: Shawndra McDonald, G. Wash. & Jeff.

February 4: K. Kegg, GRO/A. Swanson, THI

February 11: Nicole Naccarato, G, Bethany

February 18:

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (18-5 Overall, 5-1 PAC)

vs. Thiel* (2/13 - 8 p.m.) vs. Grove City* (2/16 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1), Bethany

Upcoming Game Notes: With wins this week, Bethany can claim the top seed and hosting rights for the 2002 PAC Tournament ... In the first meeting at Thiel Jan. 26, **Kelley Richardson** totaled 26 points and 16 rebounds and the Bison forced 27 Lady Cat turnovers in a 72-55 victory ... Bethany had an eight-game winning streak stopped at Grove City Jan. 30, despite four players scoring in double figures ... **Katie Hardie** had 17 points and 16 rebounds but it wasn't enough in a 75-73 Lady Wolverines win.

THIEL TOMCATS (11-12 Overall, 2-4 PAC)

at Bethany* (2/13 - 8 p.m.) vs. Waynesburg* (2/16 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Thiel will try to even its record against Bethany this week after suffering a 72-55 defeat at the hands of the Bison on Jan. 26 at Rissell-Beeghly Gym ... Seniors Jen Barnes and Snyder each scored 10 points apiece in the loss ... Thiel earned their first PAC victory of the season by defeating Waynesburg 60-43 on Jan. 30 at the Rudy Marisa Field House, led by Swanson and Snyder, who each hit for 14 points against the Yellow Jackets.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (7-13 Overall, 0-6 PAC)

vs. Washington & Jefferson* - (2/13 - 5:30 p.m.) at Chatham (2/14 - 7 p.m.) at Thiel* (2/16 - 3 p.m.)

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

Upcoming Game Notes: The Jackets hope to record their first PAC victory when they host Washington & Jefferson College on Wednesday night at the Rudy Marisa Fieldhouse ... The Presidents defeated the Jackets 76-73 in a game played Jan. 26 at W&J.

GROVE CITY LADY WOLVERINES (11-10 Overall, 5-2 PAC)

vs. Penn State-Behrend (2/11 - 7 p.m.) vs. Westminster (2/13 - 6 p.m.) at Bethany* (2/16 - 4 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Wolverines open up a tough three-game week with Penn State Behrend at home on Monday ... Behrend, Westminster and Bethany all have winning records heading into this week's action ... Grove City will look to reverse a 67-62 loss to Westminster on Jan. 26 in which the Lady Wolverines saw an 18-point lead slip away in the second half ... The Lady Wolverines travel to Bethany for their PAC finale on Feb. 16.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (10-11 Overall, 4-3 PAC)

at Waynesburg* (2/13 - 5:30 p.m.) vs. Westminster (2/16 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes:): W&J looks to sweep the season series from Waynesburg for the fourth straight season on Wednesday ... The Presidents edged the Yellow Jackets, 76-73, on Jan. 26th ... **Shawndra McDonald** pumped in a career-high 36 points and dished out seven assists in the win ... The 36 points was the third-highest single-game scoring performance in W&J history ... Westminster defeated W&J, 62-60, earlier this season ... The Titans led by 18 points in the second half only to have W&J fight back to tie the contest with 2:10 remaining ... McDonald led W&J with 16 points, nine rebounds and seven assists, while **Rachel Armitage** added 16 markers.

WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (12-8 Overall)

vs. Mount Union (2/11 - 7 p.m.) at Grove City (2/13 - 6 p.m.) at Washington & Jefferson (2/16 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Titans will try to extend their seven-game win streak this week with road games at PAC members Grove City and W&J ... Westminster defeated the Lady Wolverines 67-62 in New Wilmington on Jan. 26, then topped the Presidents 62-60 at home on Jan. 30 ... Senior guard **Robin Thayer** led the team in scoring in both wins, scoring 15 points in each game ... The Lady Titans are now a combined 17-1 against PAC teams the past two seasons, with the lone loss coming at home to Bethany (77-57) earlier this season.