

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2001-02

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FINAL 2001-02 STANDINGS

	PAC Games			All	All Games		
School	W	L	Pct.	\underline{W}	L	Pct.	
Bethany College	6	2	.750	22	7	.759	
Grove City College	5	3	.625	14	12	.538	
Washington & Jefferson College	5	3	.625	11	14	.440	
Thiel College	4	4	.500	14	13	.519	
Waynesburg College	0	8	.000	9	16	.360	
Westminster College*	0	0	.000	14	11	.560	

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

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, February 11

GROVE CITY 72, Penn State-Behrend 49

Mount Union 64, WESTMINSTER 55

Wednesday, February 13

Washington & Jefferson 58, WAYNESBURG 55* GROVE CITY 77, Westminster 73 (20T) Thiel 73, BETHANY 69*

Thursday, February 14

Waynesburg d. Chatham - no score reported

Saturday, February 16

THIEL 72, Waynesburg 50*
Westminster 80, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 65
BETHANY 71, Grove City 65*

Monday, February 18

MOUNT ALOYSIUS 87, Westminster 64 Frostburg State 78, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 75

Wednesday, February 20

WESTMINSTER 66, Case Western Reserve 53

END OF REGULAR SEASON

2002 PAC Women's Basketball Tournament Tuesday, February 19 THIEL 77, Waynesburg 48

Friday, February 22 (at Bethany College)

Grove City 65, Washington & Jefferson 63 (OT) BETHANY 85, Thiel 62

Saturday, February 23 (at Bethany College)

BETHANY 60, Grove City 55

2002 NCAA Division III Championships

Wednesday, February 27

BETHANY 79, Benedictine 58

Saturday. March 2

WILMINGTON 82, Bethany 66

END OF 2001-02 SEASON

BETHANY BISON (21-6 Overall, 6-2 PAC)

vs. Benedictine (2/27)
Benedictine/Bethany winner at Wilmington (3/2)

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

Upcoming Game Notes: This will be the first-ever meeting between the Bison and the Eagles ... Bethany will be trying for its first postseason victory in College history, carrying a 0-6 record and a 0-3 mark in the NCAA Tournament ... The Green and White have lost in the first round of the Tournament the past two years to Messiah ... Benedictine earned a bid after finishing with an 18-7 record and in third place in the Northern Illinois-lowa Conference ... The Eagles have won four straight and 10 of their last 11 ... The winner of the this game will travel to Wilmington (Ohio) College to face the OAC champion on Saturday.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

The Bison claimed their fourth consecutive PAC title with two wins in the PAC Tournament ... Bethany, who is now 6-0 in the league tourney, opened it up with a 23-point victory over Thiel in the semifinals ... Sophomore Kelley Richardson posted 20 points and 14 boards as the Bison outscored the Lady Cats 50-34 in the second half ... In the title game, Bethany lost a double-digit second half lead but held the Lady Wolverines scoreless for the final three minutes in recording a 60-55 victory ... Richardson had a game-high 17 points and sophomore Katie Hardie totaled 16 points and 14 rebounds.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J enters the PAC Tournament as the No. 3 seed after tying Grove City for second place in the conference during the regular season with a 5-3 record ... The Wolverines were awarded the No. 2 seed due to their 1-1 record vs. top-seeded Bethany, while the Presidents lost both matchups with the Bison ... W&J finished the week 1-1 after defeating Waynesburg and falling to Westminster ... Shawndra McDonald scored 21 points and added seven assists, six steals and five rebounds in the win over the Yellow Jackets ... Lauren Hull and Amy Strosnider also added 12 markers ... Hull paced four W&J scorers in double figures on Saturday with 19 points ... McDonald scored 16 points, while Strosnider added 11 points and grabbed a game-high 16 rebounds.

Grove City Lady Wolverines

Grove City advanced to the PAC championship game for the first time, but settled for its fourth second-place conference finish in six years after falling to Bethany, 60-55 ... Junior forward Jessica Jenkins posted her second doubledouble of the year with 11 points and 11 rebounds in the finals ... The Lady Wolverines were held to 4-for-20 shooting from behind the three-point arc after knocking down 8 of 24 threes in their semifinal win over W&J the previous night ... Senior Kristy Kegg drilled a 25foot bomb at the buzzer in overtime to send GCC into the championship ... Freshman guard Abby Moose pumped in 13 points in a late 14-3 run that sent the game to OT tied, 53-53.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

The Jackets completed their 2001-2002 season with a 77-48 loss to the Thiel Tomcats in the preliminary game of the PAC tournament ... Junior forward **Kyana Bradley** returned from a hand injury to lead the Jackets with 17 points and seven rebounds ... Freshman **Ashley Urban** contributed 10 points to also reach double figures ... With nine wins, the Jackets improved significantly from last season's 4-20 overall record.

Thiel Tomcats

Riding a three-game win streak, the fourth-seeded Tomcats were downed by top seed Bethany College 85-62 in the second women's PAC semifinal game Friday ... The Bison took a 35-28 half-time lead over the Tomcats, paced by senior guard **Kiki Cohen**'s nine points ... Freshman guard **Laura Simonetti** led Thiel with nine first-half points... The Bison started the second half on a 11-4 run to increase their lead to 46-32 and never gave the Tomcats a chance to get backin the game ... Simonetti and sophomore guard **Amanda Swanson** each scored 15 points for Thiel.

Westminster Lady Titans

Westminster closed the regular season 14-11 after splitting a pair of games last week, including a 66-53 upset of #16ranked Case Western Reserve in the regular season finale on Wednesday ... Junior forward Samor Himes led the Lady Titans in both games, pouring in a career-high 32 points in an 87-64 loss at Mount Aloysius on Monday, then tossing in 17 in the CWRU upset ... Senior guard Robin Thayer scored 23 points in the two games, bringing her Westminster career scoring record to 1,287 points ... Thayer was one of six players selected to the Verizon Academic All-District II First Team last week.

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: Sara Snyder, F, Thiel

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (19-6 Overall, 6-2 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg or Thiel (2/22 - 8 p.m.)

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

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany will try to win its fourth consecutive PAC title this week as it hosts the conference tournament ... Now in its third year, the Bison have won the tournament the previous two seasons, defeating Grove City in the semis and W&J in the final both years to claim the crown ... One more victory will give the Bison 20 on the year, marking the third time in College history that Bethany has claimed 20 or more victories.

GROVE CITY LADY WOLVERINES (13-11 Overall, 5-3 PAC)

vs. Washington & Jefferson (at Bethany) (2/22 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City and Washington & Jefferson split the season series this year with each school winning on the road ... The Presidents made 19 of 21 free throws in their 57-49 win at Grove City on Feb. 9 ... The Lady Wolverines pulled out a 53-52 in Washington on an Erica Youngman layup with one second left ... Grove City fell in the PAC tournament semifinals last year to Bethany, 60-39.

THIEL TOMCATS (13-12 Overall, 4-4 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg* (2/19 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Thiel will host #5 seed Waynesburg on Tuesday at Rissell-Beeghly Gym for the play-in game of the 2002 PAC Women's Basketball Tournament ... Thiel holds a season sweep over the Yellow Jackets, winning 60-43 at Rudy Marisa Fieldhouse on Jan. 30 and 72-50 at Rissell-Beeghly on Feb. 16 ... Sara Snyder has averaged 16.5 points and 5.5 rebounds and Amanda Swanson 12.5 points and 8.0 rebounds for the Tomcats in those two regular-season wins ... Thiel hosted Waynesburg in the 2001 PAC Tournament play-in game, defeating the Yellow Jackets 49-38, led by sophomore Danielle Mezzulo's 11 points and eight rebounds.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (11-12 Overall, 5-3 PAC)

vs. Frostburg State (2/18 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Grove City (at Bethany) (2/22 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes:): W&J looks to claim its second-straight victory over Frostburg State on Monday evening after the Presidents took an 88-75 decision last season in Frostburg, Md. ... **Rachel Armitage** scored a career-high 31 points, while **Lauren Hull** ripped down 11 boards in last year's win ... Grove City and W&J split the regular-season series with both teams winning on the road ... W&J claimed the last meeting two weeks ago, 57-49 ... **Shawndra McDonald** is averaging 19.0 points, 4.5 assists, 4.5 steals and 4.0 rebounds per game vs. the Wolverines this season.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (9-15 Overall, 0-8 PAC)

at Thiel* (2/19 - 7 p.m.)

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

Upcoming Game Notes: As the fifth seed, the Jackets will travel to Greenville, Pa. to face the Thiel Tomcats in the preliminary round game of the PAC Tournament.

WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (13-10 Overall)

at Mount Aloysius (2/18 - 7 p.m.) vs. Case Western Reserve (2/20 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Titans will close the 2001-02 regular season this week with a pair of non-conference games, as Westminster travels to Mount Aloysius on Monday night, then hosts Case Western Reserve for Senior Night on Wednesday ... Westminster posted a 65-51 win over Mount Aloysius at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium on Dec. 1 ... Senior **Robin Thayer** bucketed a game-high 25 points in the win over Mount Aloysius, while juniors **Jennifer Petures** and **Teale Ganster** added 10 points apiece and classmate **Ashley Kenney** dished out a game-high seven assists.