

2011-12 PAC Wrestling Release

Week 8 - January 23



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2011-12 PAC STANDINGS (through January 22)

School	PAC Contests			All Contests			
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.
Waynesburg	1	0	1.00	5	8	0	.385
Thiel	1	0	1.00	3	5	0	.375
Washington & Jefferson	0	2	.000	2	5	0	.286

PAC Wrestler of the Week

JOSH ETZEL **Wash. & Jeff.**

Sophomore
149 pounds
Elizabeth, Pa.
Elizabeth Forward H.S.



Etzel collected a 5-0 record during the week against Penn State-DuBois and at the Messiah Open. He won his match by pinfall against PS-DuBois. Etzel claimed the 149-pound championship at the Messiah Open with a perfect 4-0 record. He defeated The College of New Jersey's Josh Gorzo 6-3 in the championship match.

Also nominated was senior 197-pounder **Patrick Morris** of Thiel and junior 184-pounder **Anthony Bonaventura** of Waynesburg.

PREVIOUS RESULTS

Friday, January 20, 2012

Mount Union 22, THIEL 16
Wash. & Jeff. 34, PSU-DUBOIS 16

Saturday, January 21, 2012

Wash. & Jeff./Waynesburg at Messiah Open - unscored

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

Ohio Valley at Waynesburg - 7 p.m.

Thursday, January 26, 2012

PSU- Beaver/Greater Allegheny/Fayette at Waynesburg - 6 p.m.

Saturday, January 28, 2012

Wash. & Jeff. at Thiel Mel Berry Duals -10 a.m.



PAC Wrestling 2011-12 - Week 8 Conference Notes

NEWS & NOTES: Members of the Waynesburg University wrestling team braved the snow and ice on Saturday to compete at the Messiah Open ... On Saturday, Mount Union defeated Thiel 22-16 it was the second time in just over two months that a dual meet matchup between Mount Union and Thiel came down to the final weight class ... Wash. & Jeff. ended a five-meet losing skid with a 34-16 victory at Penn State-DuBois on Friday.

AROUND THE LEAGUE: Waynesburg's **Anthony Bonaventura** led the Yellow Jackets by winning the 184-pound title by going 3-0 at the Messiah Open ... Thiel's **Matt Lowry** and **Jacob Lowry** posted back-to-back victories at 165 pounds and 174 pounds against Mount Union ... Heavyweight **Taylor Potts** and 149-pounder **Josh Etzel** and 165-pounder **David Dibenedetto** all recorded falls during W&J's victory at Penn State-DuBois on Friday.

2011-12 PAC Wrestlers of the Week

- Nov. 7- **Corey Brown**, 133-lbs, THI
- Nov. 14 - **Sam Lombardo**, 165-lbs, WAY
- Nov. 21 - **Garrett Johnston**, 157-lbs, WAY
- Dec. 5 - **Corey Brown**, 133-lbs, THI
- Dec. 12 - **Sean Byham**, 141-lbs, THI
- Jan. 9 - **Garrett Johnston**, 157-lbs, WAY
- Jan. 17 - **Corey Brown**, 133-lbs, THI
- Jan. 23 - **Josh Etzel**, 149-lbs, W&J
- Jan. 30 -
- Feb. 6 -

Thiel Tomcats
(3-5, 1-0 PAC)



For the second time in just over two months a dual meet matchup between Mount Union and Thiel came down to the final weight class .. The Purple Raiders notched six individual match wins, including four by major decision, to defeat the homestanding Tomcats 22-16 in front of a near capacity crowd at Beeghly Gymnasium on Senior Recognition Night Friday evening ... Mount Union jumped out to a 15-3 advantage five matches into the dual meet with **Corey Brown**, currently the top-ranked wrestler at 133 pounds in the most recent National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) individual rankings, providing the lone Thiel victory, a 7-3 decision over Bryant Roby, during the five-match stretch ... **Matt Lowry** and **Jacob Lowry** posted back-to-back victories for Thiel at 165 pounds and 174 pounds, respectively, to get Thiel back to with two points of the Purple Raiders (15-13) ... Derek Hesson, the second-ranked heavyweight in the latest NWCA national rankings, secured an 8-2 decision over **Will Ringer** to propel the Purple Raiders to dual meet victory.

Washington & Jefferson Presidents
(2-5, 0-2 PAC)



Washington & Jefferson College ended a five-meet losing skid with a 34-16 victory at Penn State-DuBois on Friday ... Senior heavyweight **Taylor Potts** and sophomores 149-pounder **Josh Etzel** and 165-pounder **David Dibenedetto** all recorded falls ... The Presidents also received a 4-3 win at 184 pounds from sophomore **Steve Thornton** ... Etzel won all four of his matches to claim the 149-pound title at the Messiah Open on Saturday ... Dibenedetto added a second-place finish, while Potts claimed third in the open invitational ... Etzel is now 18-3 this year with three falls ... Potts has already amassed a career-high 24 victories against only eight losses ... Potts owns a 71-41 career record with 15 falls ... He is 11th on the school's all-time victory list and is on pace to become only the sixth wrestler in school history to have 30 wins in a season ... Senior 133-pounder **Zach Cecchetti** now has 78 career victories which ties him with Tony Dietrich '97 for sixth place on the school's all-time list.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets
(5-8, 1-0 PAC)



Members of the Waynesburg University wrestling team braved the snow and ice on Saturday to compete at the Messiah Open ... The Yellow Jackets made the best of the trip, as four of their own finished in the top four of their respective weight classes at the un-scored event ... Sophomore **Anthony Bonaventura** led the contingency by winning the 184-pound title ... The Commack, N.Y. native went 3-0 on the day to take the crown and gutted out three one-point decision victories ... Bonaventura defeated Tom Kuegler of the host Falcons in the championship bout by the final score of 10-9 ... Sophomore **Cameron Fine** placed second in the 174-pound weight class, while sophomore **Sam Lombardo** (165) and freshman **Sam Guidi** (174) both finished in fourth place at their respective weights ... Fine scored two wins by fall, while Lombardo added one win by pin on the day.

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3-5, 1-0 PAC

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents
2-5, 0-2 PAC

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets
5-8, 1-0 PAC

Nov. 4-5	at Ithaca Invitational	3rd/9
Nov. 12	at Wash. & Jeff. Invit.	NTS
Nov. 19	at Mount Union	L 15-16
Dec. 3	at Ohio Northern Invit.	8th/16
Dec. 9	WASH. & JEFF.*	W 33-9
Jan. 7	at Waynesburg Invit.	3rd/12
Jan. 13-14	at Lycoming Budd Whitehall Duals	
	Ohio Northern	L 6-39
	RIT	W 23-12
	King's	W 31-15
	Wisc.-Stevens Point	L 16-18
	Rhode Island	L 9-32
Jan. 20	MOUNT UNION	L 16-22
Jan. 28	MEL BERRY DUALS	10 a.m.
Feb. 1	WAYNESBURG*	7 p.m.
Feb. 4	at B-W Summa Invit.	10 a.m.
Feb. 10	at PAC Championships	5 p.m.
Feb. 25	at NCAA Midwest Regional (Case West. Reserve)	10 a.m.

Nov. 5	at King's Monarch Invit.	6th/13
Nov. 11	MANCHESTER	W 26-17
Nov. 12	W&J INVITATIONAL	NTS
Nov. 19	at Mercyhurst Open	NTS
Dec. 9	at Thiel*	L 9-33
Dec. 28	at Wilkes Open	NTS
Jan. 7	at Gettysburg Quad	
	Gettysburg	L 23-25
	Wash. & Lee	L 15-22
	Hunter	L 12-37
Jan. 11	WAYNESBURG*	L 6-36
Jan. 14	at Ursinus Invitational	7th/9
Jan. 20	at Penn St-DuBois	W 34-16
Jan. 21	at Messiah Open	NTS
Jan. 28	at Thiel Mel Berry Duals	10 a.m.
Feb. 4	at B-W Summa Invit.	10 a.m.
Feb. 10	PAC CHAMPIONSHIPS	5 p.m.
Feb. 25	at NCAA Midwest Regional (Case West. Reserve)	10 a.m.

Nov. 5	at Messiah Invitational	4th/8
Nov. 12	at Mount Union Invit.	3rd/4
Nov. 16	at Shippensburg	W 21-15
Nov. 19	at Messiah Quad	
	vs Messiah	L 13-19
	vs Lake Erie	L 9-31
	vs York	L 15-18
Nov. 30	at West Liberty State	L 9-24
Dec. 3	at Ohio Northern Invit.	9/16
Dec. 8	at Muskingum	W 40-6
Dec. 14	MERCYHURST	L 18-21
Dec. 18	at Gator Duals	
	Loras	W 30-12
	Morningside	W 20-19
	Luther	L 16-32
	Elmhurst	L 13-33
Jan. 7	WAYNESBURG INVIT.	1st/12
Jan. 11	at Wash. & Jeff.	W 36-6
Jan. 14	ITHACA	L 16-18
Jan. 21	at Messiah Open	NTS
Jan. 25	OHIO VALLEY	7 p.m.
Jan. 26	PENN ST.-BEAVER	6 p.m.
	PENN ST.-GR. ALLEGHENY	
	PENN ST.-FAYETTE	
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