

# **WRESTLING 2001-02**

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## FINAL 2001-02 STANDINGS

	PAC Matches			All	All Matches		
<u>School</u>	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Washington & Jefferson College	2	0	1.00	7	0	1.00	
Thiel College	1	1	.500	5	7	.417	
Waynesburg College	0	2	.000	1	13	.071	

#### THIS WEEK'S RESULTS Tuesday, February 5 Mount Union 39, WAYNESBURG 6

Thursday, February 7

WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 34, Waynesburg 15\* Gannon 36, THIEL 3

### Saturday, February 9

Washington & Jefferson 39, RIT 12# Washington & Jefferson 31, CASE WESTERN RESERVE 21# Washington & Jefferson 28, Heidelberg 22# Waynesburg at Mid-State Wrestling League Inv. (no results reported)

# - at Case Western Reserve Duals - Cleveland, Ohio

### END OF REGULAR SEASON

#### Thursday, February 14

PAC Championships (at Waynesburg College) Thiel - 132 Washington & Jefferson - 94 Waynesburg - 68.5

#### Saturday, February 23

NCAA Division III Midwest Regional (Terre Haute, Ind.) Washington & Jefferson - 2nd place Waynesburg - 5th place Thiel - 7th place

Friday-Satrday, March 1-2 NCAA Division III National Championships (Wilkes-Barre, Pa.) Washington & Jefferson - 33rd place (9.0 points) Thiel - 37th place (6.0 points)

#### Thiel Tomcats

The Thiel College wrestling team wrestled to a seventh-place finish (52.5 points) at Saturday's NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Wrestling Qualifier, held at the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Sports and Recreation Center in Terre Haute, Ind. ... The Tomcats claimed one first-, one fourth-, one fifth-, and two sixth-place finishes ... Senior 141-pounder Jeff Linn entered his bracket as the top seed and defeated #2 seed Rocky Burkett of Manchester College 6-4 in the final to earn championship laurels ... With his victory, Linn advances to next weekend's NCAA Division III National Championship at the First Union Center in Philadelphia to compete for a national championship ... Linn was also a NCAA national qualifier in 1999 ... At 125-pounds sophomore Rob Regner finished in fourth place after falling to Waynesburg's J.R. Fiddler 10-0 in the third-place match ... At 133pounds sophomore Chris Brown finished sixth, losing by pin-fall to MacMurray College's Leo Blay at 3:48 ... At 149-pounds junior Steven Dedrick

earned fifth-place after defeating Olivet College's **Chris Dunham** 12-4 in the fifth-place match ... Senior 197-pounder **Jason Miklacic** finished sixth in his class after forfeiting in the fifth-place match to Manchester College's **Jeremiah Rakoczy**.

## PAC WRESTLING NOTES

#### Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

The Washington & Jefferson wrestling team tied for second place of 12 teams at the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Qualifier on Saturday at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Ind. ... The Presidents finished the event with a total of 91 points ... Three W&J grapplers qualified for the next weekend's NCAA Division III Championships held at the First Union Center in Wilkes Barre, Pa., hosted by the University of Scranton and King's College ... Junior 133-pounder Kevin DeJulius and freshman 165-pounder Aaron Gibbs both earned trips to the Division III Championships after winning regional championships in their respective weight classes as the No. 1 seed ... DeJulius became the first W&J wrestler to qualify for the national tournament after claiming the 133-pound championship at the regional ... In the championship bout, DeJulius qualified for the national tournament with a pinfall victory over Nathan Hills of Manchester at the 6:39 mark ... Gibbs pinned his first two opponents in a total of 3:41, before defeating Case Western Reserve's Chris Nader by pinfall in the finals at the 7:34 mark ... Senior 184-pounder Wes Koteski qualified for the second consecutive season after finishing as the runner-up in the regional ... Following the tournament, the region's coaches voted Koteski in as a wildcard for the NCAA Championships ... W&J advanced the most wrestlers to the NCAA Tournament in the program's history.

#### Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Sophomore J.R. Fidler (125 lb.) and freshman Chris Vicente (149) placed third in the Regional ... Freshman Derek Maple (133) placed fourth in his weight class while two other Jackets, senior Mike O'Neil (157) and junior Matt Queen (165), placed fifth ... Freshmen Bryan Patnesky (174) and Kelby Church (Hwt.) each placed sixth.

### Past PAC Wrestlers of the Week

November 19: Aaron Gibbs, 165 lbs., Wash. & Jeff. November 26: Mike Schiemer, 133 lbs., Thiel December 3: Wes Koteski, 184 lbs., Wash. & Jeff. December 10: Steve Dedrick, 149 lbs., Thiel January 7: Aaron Gibbs, 165 lbs., Wash. & Jeff. January 14: Nick Shannon, 285 lbs., Thiel January 21: Jeremy Stragand, 125 lbs., Wash. & Jeff. January 28: Jason Miklacic, 197 lbs., Thiel February 4: Matt Smith, 174 lbs., Wash. & Jeff. February 11: Wes Koteski, 184 lbs., Wash. & Jeff.