

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2001-02

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FINAL STANDINGS
1st - Bethany College
2nd - Grove City College
T-3rd - Thiel College
T-3rd - Waynesburg College
5th - Washington & Jefferson College

Game #1 - #4/#5 Play-in Game - Waynesburg, Pa. #4 WAYNESBURG 79, #5 Washington & Jefferson 77

The Waynesburg Yellow Jackets overcame a one-point halftime deficit to top visiting Washington & Jefferson and advance to the PAC Tournament semifinals, where they will face top-seeded Bethany on Thursday. W&J led 33-32 at the half, but the Jackets came back to lead by five points in the closing seconds. The Presidents hit a three-pointer at the buzzer to cut the final margin to two points. Three Jackets scored in double figures in the win, led by junior guard Ray Robinson (Uniontown/Uniontown H.S.), who came off the bench to score a team-high 20 points. Junior center Aaron Ankrom (Waynesburg, PA/Waynesburg Central H.S.) and senior guard Rob Strcula (Vienna, WV/Parkersburg Catholic H.S.) added 18 and 17 points, respectively, in the win. W&J was paced by junior guard Nolan Larry (Greensburg, PA/Greensburg Salem H.S.), who led all scorers with 33 points.

Game #2 - Semifinal #1 - Greenville, Pa. #3 Grove City 77, #2 THIEL 62

After dropping both regular season games against Thiel, the Grove City Wolverines advanced to the PAC Championship with a 15-point road win against the Tomcats. The Wolverines did their damage in the first half, racing to a 16-point (40-24) halftime lead. Three GCC players scored in double figures, led by sophomore Tanner Prosser (Pittsburgh, PA/Brentwood H.S.) with a game-high 29 points. Prosser shot 8-of-12 from the field and 12-of-14 from the line while hauling in 11 rebounds. Senior forward Pat Roberts (Home, PA/Marion Center H.S.) added 12 points and a game-high 17 rebounds, while sophomore guard Ian Dean (Damascus, MD/Damascus H.S.) added 10 points. Thiel was led by junior forwards Durell Hackett (Youngstown, OH/Rayen H.S.) and A.H. Davis (Boardman, OH/Boardman H.S.) with 17 and 12 points, respectively.

Game #3 - Semifinal #2 - Bethany, W.Va. #1 BETHANY 88, #4 Waynesburg 78

The top-seeded Bison advanced to host the PAC Championship game on Saturday via a 10-point win over visiting Waynesburg. In addition, the win gave the Bison (19-7) a new school record for wins in a season. Bethany took a nine -point lead (44-35) into halftime before playing the Jackets even in the second period. Four Bison players scored in double figures, led by senior guard **Nevada Smith (Leechburg, PA/Kiski Area H.S.)** who scored a game-high 28 points including eight three-pointers. Other top scorers for the victors included junior **Mike Majzun (Youngstown, OH/Struthers H.S.)** with 17, senior forward **Keith Schubert (Girard, OH/Girard H.S.)** with 16 andsenior

forward Derek Hoffman (St. Clairsville, OH/St. Clairsville H.S.) with 14. For Waynesburg, guards Rob Strcula (Vienna, WV/Parkersburg Catholic H.S.) and Mike King (Paden City, WV/Paden City H.S.) posted 16 points apiece.

Game #4 - PAC Championship - Bethany, W.Va.

#1 Bethany 89, #3 Grove City 74

The Bethany Bison captured their second consecutive PAC men's basketball title by overcoming a two-point halftime deficit to post a 15-point win against visiting Grove City. It marks the first time Bethany has captured back-to-back PAC men's basketball titles since the 1966-67 and 1967-68 seasons. The visiting Wolverines took a 38-36 lead into intermission, but the top-seeded Bison outscored GCC 53-36 in the decisive second half to earn the crown. Junior Mike Majzun (Youngstown, OH/Struthers H.S.) and senior Keith Schubert (Girard, OH/Girard H.S.) led the way for the victors with 25 and 24 points, respectively, while senior Nevada Smith (Leechburg, PA/Kiski Area H.S.) added 17 points and classmate Scott Johnson (Olathe, KS/Olathe South H.S.) dished out a teamhigh nine assists. Sophomore forward Tanner Prosser (Pittsburgh, PA/Brentwood H.S.) led the Wolverines with a "double-double" of 19 points and a game-high 10 assists, while senior Pat Roberts (Home, PA/Marion Center H.S.) and junior Andy Vlajkovich (Canfield, OH/Canfield H.S.) each added 11 markers in the loss.

2001-02 PAC Men's Basketball All-Conference Teams

FIRST TEAM Keith Schubert A.H. Davis Nolan Larry	Sr.	F	Bethany
	Jr.	F	Thiel
	Jr.	G	Wash, & Jeff.
Pat Roberts	Sr.	F	Grove City
Rob Strcula	Sr.	G	Waynesburg
SECOND TEAM			
Tanner Prosser Erik Hemsing Nevada Smith Ray Robinson Scott Johnson	So. Sr. Sr. Jr. Sr.	F G G G	Grove City Thiel Bethany Waynesburg Bethany
HONORABLE MENTION			
Andy Vlajkovich	Jr.	G G F C F C C	Grove City
Mike Majzun	Jr.		Bethany
Derek Hoffman	Sr.		Bethany
Aaron Ankrom	Jr.		Waynesburg
Scott Chodor	So.		Wash. & Jeff.
Phil Bushre	So.		Grove City
Tony Franz	So.		Wash. & Jeff.

PAC Freshman of the Year: Ryan Eller, Grove City PAC Coach of the Year: Rob Clune, Bethany PAC Player of the Year: Keith Schubert, Bethany