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★ OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY ★ WABASH COLLEGE ★ WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY ★ COLLEGE OF WOOSTER

NCAC Football Special
EIGHT NORTH COAST SQUADS IN ACTION SATURDAY;
WITTENBERG BEGINS WITH A WIN

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CLEVELAND -- There's no place like home, unfortunately only three North Coast squads will get to enjoy the comforts of their own beds this week as five of the eight active NCAC teams are on the road, starting with defending league champion, Wittenberg (1-0). The Tigers, who defeated Albion, 44-7, last week at home, look to continue their winning ways when they head over to neighboring Urbana Saturday.

Ohio Wesleyan opens its 2002 season this week, travelling to Olivet. The Bishops finished 2001 with a sparkling 9-1 record and look to continue their winning ways this season. Earlham (0-1), Hiram (0-1) and Kenyon (0-1) look to pick up their first wins this season. Coming off a 23-0 loss at Rose-Hulman last week, the Quakers hope for a better result at Manchester. The Terriers, after a 30-7 defeat to Grove City, will regroup at Bluffton. The Lords, edged 38-15 by Centre last week, head down to Bethany.

Wabash also opens its season this weekend. The Little Giants, who last year tied with Ohio Wesleyan for second place in the NCAC, begin their 2002 campaign by hosting Kalamazoo. Allegheny (0-1) and Denison (0-1) also stay home this week. The Gators host Washington & Jefferson, while the Big Red entertains Case Western Reserve. Last week, Allegheny fell, 22-2, to Baldwin-Wallace and Denison dropped a 27-7 decision to Waynesburg.

Oberlin (0-1) and Wooster (1-0), idle this week, return to action on Sept. 21, when the Yeomen travel to Case Western Reserve and the Fighting Scots host Bethany. Oberlin has fallen to 0-1 on the season with a 13-6 loss to Franklin & Marshall last week. Wooster won its first contest of the season, a 14-9 triumph over Hope.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 14

Case Western Reserve at DENISON, 1:00
Kalamazoo at WABASH, 1:00
OHIO WESLEYAN at Olivet, 1:00
Washington & Jefferson at ALLEGHENY, 1:00
HIRAM at Bluffton, 1:30
KENYON at Bethany, 1:30
EARLHAM at Manchester, 7:00
WITTENBERG at Urbana, 7:30

Last Week's Results

Saturday, Sept. 7

Baldwin-Wallace 22, ALLEGHENY 2
Centre 38, KENYON 15
Franklin & Marshall 13, OBERLIN 6
Grove City 30, HIRAM 7
Rose-Hulman 23, EARLHAM 0
Waynesburg 27, DENISON 7
WITTENBERG 44, ALBION 7
WOOSTER 14, Hope 9

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

CLEVELAND -- Wittenberg junior **Skip Ivery (Columbus, OH/Groveport-Madison)** and Wooster senior **Kevin Rooker (Uniontown, PA/Laurel Highlands)** have been named offensive and defensive "Players of the Week" for their performances last week in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

Ivery, a 5-11, 178-pound wide receiver, was on the receiving end of the longest pass play (94 yards) in Wittenberg history in the Tigers' 44-7 win over Albion. He finished with three catches for 122 yard.

Rooker, a 6-0, 200-pound defensive back, helped lead the Fighting Scots to a 14-9 win over Hope. He registered nine tackles and one interception. Rooker shares the team lead in tackles.

2002 North Coast Athletic Conference Football Standings (Through games of Sep 7, 2002)

Team	NCAC			Points			Overall			Points		
	W	L	T	For	Opp	Pct	W	L	T	For	Opp	Pct
Wittenberg.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	44	7	1.000
Wooster.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	14	9	1.000
Kenyon.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	15	38	.000
Denison.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	7	28	.000
Hiram.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	7	30	.000
Oberlin.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	6	13	.000
Allegheny.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	2	22	.000
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Earlham.....	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	23	.000

2002 North Coast Athletic Conference Football Team Statistics (Through games of Sep 7, 2002)

SCORING OFFENSE										RUSHING OFFENSE					
G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg		G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Wittenberg.....	1	6	5	0	0	1	0	44	44.0	1	53	310	5.8	4	310.0
Kenyon.....	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	15	15.0	1	52	190	3.7	0	190.0
Wooster.....	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	14	14.0	1	48	130	2.7	0	130.0
Denison.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	7	7.0	1	33	43	1.3	1	43.0
Hiram.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	7	7.0	1	23	39	1.7	0	39.0
Oberlin.....	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	6.0	1	27	29	1.1	0	29.0
Allegheny.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2.0	1	35	13	0.4	0	13.0
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Earlham.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	27	-27	-1.0	0	-27.0

SCORING DEFENSE										RUSHING DEFENSE					
G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg		G	Rushes	Yards	Avg.	TD	Yds/G
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Wittenberg.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	7	7.0	1	39	93	2.4	2	93.0
Wooster.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	9	9.0	1	25	118	4.7	0	118.0
Oberlin.....	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	13	13.0	1	39	119	3.1	1	119.0
Allegheny.....	1	3	1	0	0	1	0	22	22.0	1	33	142	4.3	0	142.0
Earlham.....	1	3	2	0	0	1	0	23	23.0	1	38	148	3.9	2	148.0
Denison.....	1	4	4	0	0	0	0	28	28.0	1	50	180	3.6	3	180.0
Hiram.....	1	4	3	0	0	1	0	30	30.0	1	45	221	4.9	2	221.0
Kenyon.....	1	5	5	0	0	1	0	38	38.0	1	67	359	5.4	3	359.0

PASS OFFENSE										TOTAL OFFENSE							
G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G		G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Yards	Avg/P	TD	Yds/G
Wittenberg.....	1	20	15	1	75.0	237	11.9	1	237.0	1	310	237	73	547	7.5	5	547.0
Kenyon.....	1	35	14	2	40.0	214	6.1	1	214.0	1	190	105	67	295	4.4	2	295.0
Allegheny.....	1	36	19	2	52.8	196	5.4	0	196.0	1	43	214	68	257	3.8	2	257.0
Denison.....	1	37	17	1	45.9	176	4.8	1	176.0	1	29	196	63	225	3.6	0	225.0
Wooster.....	1	15	8	0	53.3	105	7.0	2	105.0	1	130	61	66	191	2.9	0	191.0
Oberlin.....	1	18	4	2	22.2	61	3.4	0	61.0	1	13	176	72	189	2.6	1	189.0
Earlham.....	1	26	14	1	53.8	53	2.0	0	53.0	1	39	25	41	64	1.6	0	64.0
Hiram.....	1	18	4	1	22.2	25	1.4	0	25.0	1	-27	53	53	26	0.5	0	26.0
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0

PASS DEFENSE										TOTAL DEFENSE							
G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G		G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Yards	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Wittenberg.....	1	30	11	1	36.7	85	2.8	1	85.0	1	118	85	55	203	3.7	1	203.0
Allegheny.....	1	15	9	0	60.0	87	5.8	1	87.0	1	93	186	71	279	3.9	2	279.0
Hiram.....	1	11	7	1	63.6	112	10.2	1	112.0	1	148	148	71	296	4.2	3	296.0
Earlham.....	1	33	15	0	45.5	148	4.5	1	148.0	1	221	87	60	308	5.1	3	308.0
Denison.....	1	28	12	2	42.9	160	5.7	1	160.0	1	142	173	62	315	5.1	1	315.0
Wooster.....	1	29	16	1	55.2	173	6.0	1	173.0	1	180	160	78	340	4.4	4	340.0
Oberlin.....	1	32	12	2	37.5	186	5.8	0	186.0	1	119	314	76	433	5.7	5	433.0
Kenyon.....	1	37	24	1	64.9	314	8.5	4	314.0	1	359	112	78	471	6.0	4	471.0

KICKOFF RETURNS					PUNT RETURNS					
G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg	
Wooster.....	1	3	104	0	34.7	1	5	46	0	9.2
Oberlin.....	1	2	62	0	31.0	1	2	7	0	3.5
Wittenberg.....	1	2	43	0	21.5	1	4	10	0	2.5
Allegheny.....	1	5	104	0	20.8	1	1	2	0	2.0
Kenyon.....	1	6	123	0	20.5	1	3	3	0	1.0
Denison.....	1	5	94	0	18.8	1	2	1	0	0.5
Hiram.....	1	6	95	0	15.8	0	0	0	0	0.0
Earlham.....	1	5	59	0	11.8	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0.0
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0.0

PUNTING							PASS EFFICIENCY									
G	No.	Yards	Avg	Ret	Yds	Avg Net/P	G	Att	Cmp	Pct	Int	Yds	TD	Effic		
Wooster.....	1	6	244	40.7	4	15	2.5	38.2	1	20	15	.750	1	237	1	181.0
Earlham.....	1	10	398	39.8	3	32	3.2	36.6	1	15	8	.533	0	105	2	156.1
Oberlin.....	1	8	279	34.9	3	-2	-0.2	35.1	1	37	17	.459	1	176	1	89.4
Kenyon.....	1	8	302	37.8	3	44	5.5	32.2	1	35	14	.400	2	214	1	89.4
Hiram.....	1	8	299	37.4	6	78	9.8	27.6	1	36	19	.528	2	196	0	87.4
Allegheny.....	1	9	303	33.7	5	67	7.4	26.2	1	26	14	.538	1	53	0	63.3
Denison.....	1	10	327	32.7	4	121	12.1	20.6	1	18	4	.222	2	61	0	28.5
Wittenberg.....	1	3	85	28.3	2	29	9.7	18.7	1	18	4	.222	1	25	0	22.8
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Wabash.....	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0

2002 North Coast Athletic Conference Individual Football Statistics Through games of Sep 7, 2002

RUSHING						
Player	Team	Cl	G	Att	Yds	Avg TD Yds/G
Grove, Daniel	WIT	SR	1	25	233	9.3 4 233.0
Scott Jones	WOO	SR	1	31	133	4.3 0 133.0
Travis Oman	OBE	SO	1	26	118	4.5 0 118.0
Stephan, Jason	WIT	SR	1	10	53	5.3 0 53.0
Dustin Grannis	KEN	JR	1	26	52	2.0 1 52.0

INTERCEPTIONS						
Player	Team	Cl	G	Int	Yds	TD Int/G
Josh Smith	HIR	JR	1	1	53	1 1.00
Goldsbury, D	WIT	SR	1	1	19	1 1.00
Jay Watt	DEN	SR	1	1	6	0 1.00
Tim Webb	KEN	FR	1	1	0	0 1.00
Ryan Bush	DEN	JR	1	1	0	0 1.00
Mark Lengel	OBE	JR	1	1	0	0 1.00
Kevin Rooker	WOO	SR	1	1	0	0 1.00
Ben Franz	OBE	JR	1	1	-1	0 1.00

PASSING AVG/GAME								
Player	Team	Cl	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds TD Avg/G
Cornett, Greg	WIT	SR	1	19	14	1	73.7	227 1 227.0
Bubba Smith	ALL	JR	1	36	19	2	52.8	196 0 196.0
Larry Cappelto	DEN	FR	1	27	13	1	48.1	146 1 146.0
Brad Noojin	KEN	JR	1	22	10	1	45.5	125 0 125.0
Jeff Spraggins	WOO	SR	1	15	8	0	53.3	105 2 105.0
Nick Stalick	KEN	SO	1	13	4	1	30.8	89 1 89.0
Ryan Squatrito	OBE	SO	1	17	4	2	23.5	61 0 61.0
Jeremiah King	ERL	FR	1	16	9	1	56.2	27 0 27.0
Justin Rummell	ERL	FR	1	10	5	0	50.0	26 0 26.0
Anthony Johnsto	HIR	FR	1	11	3	1	27.3	21 0 21.0

PASS EFFICIENCY										
Player	Team	Cl	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Eff.
Forrest, Kurt	WIT	JR	1	1	1	0	100.0	10	0	184.0
Cornett, Greg	WIT	SR	1	19	14	1	73.7	227	1	180.9
Jeff Spraggins	WOO	SR	1	15	8	0	53.3	105	2	156.1
Larry Cappelto	DEN	FR	1	27	13	1	48.1	146	1	98.4
Nick Stalick	KEN	SO	1	13	4	1	30.8	89	1	98.3
Bubba Smith	ALL	JR	1	36	19	2	52.8	196	0	87.4
Brad Noojin	KEN	JR	1	22	10	1	45.5	125	0	84.1
Justin Rummell	ERL	FR	1	10	5	0	50.0	26	0	71.8
Zach Daubenmire	DEN	JR	1	5	2	0	40.0	17	0	68.6
John Stoll	DEN	SO	1	5	2	0	40.0	13	0	61.8

TOTAL OFFENSE						
Player	Team	Cl	G	Rush	Pass	Plays Total Yds/G
Cornett, Greg	WIT	SR	1	10	227	22 237 237.0
Grove, Daniel	WIT	SR	1	233	0	25 233 233.0
Bubba Smith	ALL	JR	1	-3	196	47 193 193.0
Scott Jones	WOO	SR	1	133	0	31 133 133.0
Larry Cappelto	DEN	FR	1	-13	146	31 133 133.0
Travis Oman	OBE	SO	1	118	0	26 118 118.0
Brad Noojin	KEN	JR	1	-9	125	25 116 116.0
Jeff Spraggins	WOO	SR	1	-4	105	17 101 101.0
Nick Stalick	KEN	SO	1	-1	89	14 88 88.0
Ryan Squatrito	OBE	SO	1	1	61	28 62 62.0

PUNT RETURN AVG					
Player	Team	Cl	G	Ret	Yds TD Avg
Zach Lewis	OBE	SO	1	4	43 0 10.8
Nick Hajjar	WOO	SR	1	2	7 0 3.5
Vance Murphy	OBE	FR	1	1	3 0 3.0
Stephan, Jason	WIT	SR	1	2	6 0 3.0
Dele Kadri	DEN	SR	1	4	10 0 2.5
Jon Turner	ALL	JR	1	1	2 0 2.0
Brendan McNamar	KEN		1	2	1 0 0.5
Freeman, Mike	WIT	FR	1	1	-3 0 -3.0

RECEPTIONS/GAME						
Player	Team	Cl	G	Rec	Yds TD Avg/C Rec/G	
Brendan McNamar	KEN		1	7	65 0 9.3 7.00	
Darrian Story	ERL	FR	1	7	20 0 2.9 7.00	
Josh Jirgens	DEN	SR	1	6	95 1 15.8 6.00	
Jon Turner	ALL	JR	1	6	53 0 8.8 6.00	
Brian Woods	ALL	JR	1	5	24 0 4.8 5.00	
Luke Pelger	ALL	SR	1	4	87 0 21.8 4.00	
Crane, Adrian	WIT	SR	1	4	33 0 8.2 4.00	
Ivery, Skip	WIT	JR	1	3	122 1 40.7 3.00	
Ryan Hartschuh	WOO	SR	1	3	53 0 17.7 3.00	
Horn, Tim	WIT	SR	1	3	37 0 12.3 3.00	

KICK RETURN AVG					
Player	Team	Cl	G	Ret	Yds TD Avg
Scott Jones	WOO	SR	1	1	59 0 59.0
Nick Hajjar	WOO	SR	1	1	39 0 39.0
Dino DiNardo	ALL	SO	1	1	34 0 34.0
David Lightfoot	OBE	JR	1	2	62 0 31.0
Jon Turner	ALL	JR	1	2	54 0 27.0
Stephan, Jason	WIT	SR	1	2	43 0 21.5
Calvin Hatfield	KEN	SO	1	6	123 0 20.5
Josh Jirgens	DEN	SR	1	5	94 0 18.8
John Pascarella	HIR	SR	1	4	66 0 16.5
Niarchos Kincai	HIR	FR	1	1	16 0 16.0

RECEIVE YDS/GAME							
Player	Team	Cl	G	Rec	Yds TD Avg/C Yds/G		
Ivery, Skip	WIT	JR	1	3	122 1 40.7 122.0		
Josh Jirgens	DEN	SR	1	6	95 1 15.8 95.0		
Luke Pelger	ALL	SR	1	4	87 0 21.8 87.0		
Marc Marie	KEN	JR	1	2	78 1 39.0 78.0		
Brendan McNamar	KEN		1	7	65 0 9.3 65.0		
Jon Turner	ALL	JR	1	6	53 0 8.8 53.0		
Ryan Hartschuh	WOO	SR	1	3	53 0 17.7 53.0		
Scott Barker	OBE	SO	1	2	45 0 22.5 45.0		
Horn, Tim	WIT	SR	1	3	37 0 12.3 37.0		
Crane, Adrian	WIT	SR	1	4	33 0 8.2 33.0		

PUNTING				
Player	Team	Cl	G	Punts Yds Avg
Thomas, Jacob	WIT	SO	1	2 85 42.5
Dan Ries	ERL	FR	1	9 381 42.3
Ryan Hartschuh	WOO	SR	1	6 244 40.7
Patrick Howell	KEN	JR	1	8 302 37.8
Mike Shafer	HIR	FR	1	8 299 37.4
Andy Stromwell	DEN	JR	1	8 291 36.4
Matt Muzum	DEN	SO	1	1 36 36.0
Ryan Drews	OBE	SO	1	8 279 34.9
Bryan Hunter	ALL	SR	1	9 303 33.7
TEAM	ERL	FR	1	1 17 17.0

ALL PURPOSE								
Player	Team	Cl	G	Rush	Rcv	PR	KR	Yds Avg/G
Grove, Daniel	WIT	SR	1	233	2	0	0	235 235.0
Scott Jones	WOO	SR	1	133	8	0	59	200 200.0
Josh Jirgens	DEN	SR	1	0	95	0	94	189 189.0
Calvin Hatfield	KEN	SO	1	0	0	0	123	123 123.0
Ivery, Skip	WIT	JR	1	0	122	0	0	122 122.0
Travis Oman	OBE	SO	1	118	3	0	0	121 121.0
Jon Turner	ALL	JR	1	0	53	2	54	109 109.0
Stephan, Jason	WIT	SR	1	53	0	6	43	102 102.0
Luke Pelger	ALL	SR	1	0	87	0	0	87 87.0
Dustin Grannis	KEN	JR	1	52	32	0	0	84 84.0

SCORING										
Player	Team	Cl	G	TD	XPT	FG	Pts	Pts/G		
Grove, Daniel	WIT	SR	1	4	0	0	24	24.0		
Thomas, Jacob	WIT	SO	1	0	5	1	8	8.0		
Marc Marie	KEN	JR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		
Josh Smith	HIR	JR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		
Dustin Grannis	KEN	JR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		
Rob Hooper	WOO	SR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		
Ivery, Skip	WIT	JR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		
Goldsbury, D	WIT	SR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		
Steve Willever	OBE	SO	1	0	0	2	6	6.0		
Josh Jirgens	DEN	SR	1	1	0	0	6	6.0		

SCORING (TDs)								
Player	Team	Cl	G	TD	Rush	Pass	Ret	PAT Pts Pts/G
Grove, Daniel	WIT	SR	1	4	4	0	0	24 24.0
Josh Jirgens	DEN	SR	1	1	0	1	0	6 6.0
Marc Marie	KEN	JR	1	1	0	1	0	6 6.0
Goldsbury, D	WIT	SR	1	1	0	0	1	0 6 6.0
Rob Hooper	WOO	SR	1	1	0	1	0	0 6 6.0
Dustin Grannis	KEN	JR	1	1	1	0	0	0 6 6.0
Josh Smith	HIR	JR	1	1	0	0	1	0 6 6.0
Ivery, Skip	WIT	JR	1	1	0	1	0	0 6 6.0
Tim Slovensky	WOO	SO	1	1	0	1	0	0 6 6.0

FIELD GOALS					
Player	Team	Cl	G	FG	Pct. FG/G
Steve Willever	OBE	SO	1	2	2 100.0 2.00
Thomas, Jacob	WIT	SO	1	1	1 100.0 1.00
Ben Woodcock	KEN		1	1	1 100.0 1.00

SCORING (KICK)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	PATs	FGs Pts Pts/G
Thomas, Jacob	WIT	SO	1	5-6	1-1 8 8.0
Steve Willever	OBE	SO	1	0-0	2-2 6 6.0
Ben Woodcock	KEN		1	0-1	1-1 3 3.0
Richie McNally	WOO	SO	1	2-2	0-1 2 2.0
Scott Hoffman	HIR	FR	1	1-1	0-0 1 1.0
Mike O'Donnell	DEN	SR	1	1-1	0-0 1 1.0

FLD GOAL PCT					
Player	Team	Cl	G	FG	FGA Long Pct.
Steve Willever	OBE	SO	1	2	2 27 100.0
Ben Woodcock	KEN		1	1	1 20 100.0
Thomas, Jacob	WIT	SO	1	1	1 24 100.0
Richie McNally	WOO	SO	1	0	1 0 0.0