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NCAC Football Report

**WABASH, WITTENBERG AND KENYON UNDEFEATED IN NCAC;
WOOSTER'S 14-GAME WIN STREAK COMES TO AN END**

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CLEVELAND -- North Coast Athletic Conference co-leaders Wabash (3-0, 5-0), Wittenberg (2-0, 2-3) and Kenyon (2-0, 2-3) look to keep conference winning streaks intact at Wooster (1-1, 4-1), against Hiram (1-1, 1-4) and versus Allegheny (0-2, 0-5), respectively.

The Little Giants topped Oberlin (0-2, 1-4) last week by a 42-7 count and have yet to allow more than a touchdown to its opposition this season. Wabash holds a 9-2 edge in the all-time series with the Scots, and a 3-2 advantage since 2000, when the Little Giants joined NCAC play. Last year, Wooster took a thrilling, 33-30, decision in Crawfordsville. The Tigers shut out Earlham (0-3, 1-5) on the road last week, 48-0, and have won all six previous meetings against the Terriers. Wittenberg returns home hoping to up their NCAC mark to 3-0 and overall record to 3-3 after an 0-3 start.

The Lords are coming off of a shocking, 24-21, upset over previously unbeaten and nationally ranked Wooster, snapping the Scots 14-game winning streak. Kenyon has played Allegheny 22 times since 1911. The Gators hold a 17-5 advantage, and a 16-3 edge since the NCAC formed in 1984. Kenyon's last victory over Allegheny came in the 1989 season, when the Lords took a 19-18 decision in Meadville. This week's game takes place in Gambier.

Other games on tap are Denison (1-1, 3-2) at Ohio Wesleyan (1-1, 3-2) and Earlham at Oberlin.

Grid Notebook: After suffering yet another close loss, 13-8 to Ohio Wesleyan, ALLEGHENY is 0-5 for the first time since the 1953 Gators squad went 0-8. The team's current six-game skid is its longest since 1979-80, when the team dropped the last two games of the 1979 campaign before starting 1980, 0-4. A bright spot for the Gators was junior **Mario Tarquinio (Charleroi, PA/Charleroi)** who led the team with 110 yards rushing on 28 carries. The defense accounted for all of Allegheny's points. Senior defensive back **Keith Keenan (Bloomingdale, OH/Indian Creek)** scored when he picked up a fumble and returned it 75 yards for a touchdown, then senior defensive lineman **Dan Monarko (Allison Park, PA/Hampton)** tackled the Ohio Wesleyan quarterback for a safety ... In DENISON's 53-6 victory over Hiram, the Big Red broke a 55-year-old school record, and set the conference record with eight interceptions. Senior cornerback **Eric Meibers (Cincinnati, OH/McNicholas)** had a team-high two of those snags, four tackles, and one tackle for a loss. The previous school mark was set by the 1950 Denison squad, which had seven against Capital; the previous NCAC record was held by the 1990 Allegheny squad. The Gators intercepted seven in a defeat of Earlham that year. Senior

quarterback **Larry Cappetto (Troy, MI/Troy)** completed 17-of-24 passes for 258 yards and four touchdowns, leading the Big Red to 445 yards of total offense ... In their loss to Wittenberg, EARLHAM was led by sophomore **Manny Myers (Fairmount, IN/Madison-Grant)**, who had 15 rushes for 98 yards and six receptions for 34 yards. Senior **Mike Thompson (Riverview, FL/East Bay)** led the defense with nine tackles ... HIRAM defender **Stephen Boxler (Windham, OH/Windham)** made 15 stops in a 53-6 loss to Denison. He leads the Terriers with 53 tackles, one sack and four tackles for a loss this season ... KENYON's thrilling, 24-21, defeat of Wooster was their first victory over the Scots since 1994. Junior tailback **Alby Coombs (Boston, MA/Belmont Hill)** carried 30 times for a season-high 167 yards, and scored twice. In the process, he tied the Lords' mark with his 26th career touchdown. Sophomore quarterback **Rafael Sanches**

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 15

Allegheny at Kenyon, 1:00
Denison at Ohio Wesleyan, 1:00
Earlham at Oberlin, 1:00
Hiram at Wittenberg, 1:00
Wabash at Wooster, 1:00

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Saturday, Oct. 8

Denison 53, Hiram 6
Kenyon 24, Wooster 21
Ohio Wesleyan 13, Allegheny 8
Wabash 42, Oberlin 7
Wittenberg 48, Earlham 0

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

CLEVELAND -- Kenyon junior **Alby Coombs (Boston, MA/Belmont Hill)** and Wabash sophomore **Adrian Pynenberg (Montgomery, IL/Oswego Community)** have been named offensive and defensive "Players of the Week" for their performances in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

Coombs, a 6-0, 210-pound running back, rushed 30 times for 258 yards and four touchdowns in the Lords' 42-21 upset of Wooster.

Pynenberg, a 5-10, 213-pound linebacker, made nine tackles, seven solo, 3.5 tackles for a loss of 22 yards, 2.5 sacks, 1 hurry, 2 passes broken up and one interception in a defeat of Oberlin.

NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2005 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

* conference games

Allegheny College (0-2; 0-5)

S. 3	at Baldwin-Wallace	L, 17-23
S. 10	WESTMINSTER	L, 9-12
S. 17	at Wash. & Jefferson	L, 21-45
O. 1	WOOSTER	L, 34-37
O. 8	OHIO WESLEYAN	L, 8-13
O. 15	at Kenyon	1:00
O. 22	at Hiram	1:00
O. 29	WABASH	1:00
N. 5	at Earlham	1:00
N. 12	WITTENBERG	1:00

Denison University (1-1; 3-2)

S. 3	WAYNESBURG	W, 21-17
S. 10	at Case	L, 6-20
S. 24	GETTYSBURG	W, 49-21
O. 1	at Wittenberg	L, 6-31
O. 8	HIRAM	W, 53-6
O. 15	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
O. 22	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 29	OBERLIN	1:00
N. 5	at Wabash	1:00
N. 12	at Kenyon	1:00

Earlham College (0-3; 1-5) *local times

S. 3	ROSE-HULMAN	L, 41-48
S. 10	MANCHESTER	W, 69-62
S. 17	at Anderson	L, 7-48
S. 24	at Wabash	L, 2-50
O. 1	at Hiram	L, 2-7
O. 8	WITTENBERG	L, 0-48
O. 15	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 22	at Denison	1:00
O. 29	KENYON	1:00
N. 5	ALLEGHENY	1:00

Hiram College (1-1; 1-4)

S. 3	at Carnegie Mellon	L, 0-45
S. 10	BLUFFTON	L, 6-31
S. 17	WESTMINSTER	L, 7-38
O. 1	EARLHAM	W, 7-2
O. 8	at Denison	L, 6-53
O. 15	at Wittenberg	1:00
O. 22	ALLEGHENY	1:00
O. 29	at Wooster	1:00
N. 5	KENYON	1:00
N. 12	at Oberlin	1:00

Kenyon College (2-0; 2-3)

S. 10	CENTRE	L, 25-36
S. 17	CASE	L, 8-19
S. 24	at Kalamazoo	L, 26-38
O. 1	at Oberlin	W, 21-20
O. 8	at Wooster	W, 24-21
O. 15	ALLEGHENY	1:00
O. 22	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
O. 29	at Earlham	1:00
N. 5	at Hiram	1:00
N. 12	DENISON	1:00

Oberlin College (0-2; 1-4)

S. 3	CASE	L, 27-30
S. 10	at Macalester	W, 44-14
S. 24	at Rose-Hulman	L, 13-45
O. 1	KENYON	L, 20-21
O. 8	at Wabash	L, 7-42
O. 15	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 22	WOOSTER	1:00
O. 29	at Denison	1:00
N. 5	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
N. 12	HIRAM	1:00

Ohio Wesleyan University (1-1; 3-2)

S. 3	FRANKLIN	W, 30-14
S. 10	at Thiel	L, 36-39
S. 17	OLIVET	W, 21-7
O. 1	WABASH	L, 7-29
O. 8	at Allegheny	W, 13-8
O. 15	DENISON	1:00
O. 22	at Kenyon	1:00
O. 29	at Wittenberg	1:00
N. 5	OBERLIN	1:00
N. 12	at Wooster	1:00

Wabash College (3-0; 5-0) *local times

S. 10	KALAMAZOO	W, 46-6
S. 17	at Washington (Mo.)	W, 23-7
S. 24	EARLHAM	W, 50-2
O. 1	at Ohio Wesleyan	W, 29-7
O. 8	OBERLIN	W, 42-7
O. 15	at Wooster	1:00
O. 22	WITTENBERG	1:00
O. 29	at Allegheny	1:00
N. 5	DENISON	1:00
N. 12	at DePauw	1:07

Wittenberg University (2-0; 2-3)

S. 3	CAPITAL	L, 0-54
S. 10	at Dayton	L, 23-41
S. 17	at Alma	L, 27-38
O. 1	DENISON	W, 31-6
O. 8	at Earlham	W, 48-0
O. 15	HIRAM	1:00
O. 22	at Wabash	1:00
O. 29	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
N. 5	WOOSTER	1:00
N. 12	at Allegheny	1:00

College of Wooster (1-1; 4-1)

S. 3	at Muskingum	W, 13-10
S. 10	MacMURRAY	W, 37-0
S. 24	at Case	W, 38-21
O. 1	at Allegheny	W, 37-34
O. 8	KENYON	L, 21-24
O. 15	WABASH	1:00
O. 22	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 29	HIRAM	1:00
N. 5	at Wittenberg	1:00
N. 12	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00

(Tavernier, FL/Coral Shores) added 40 rushing yards and threw for 149 yards and a score. Freshman **Nick Fanning (Warrensville, OH/Warrensville Hts.)** led the defense with five tackles and one interception ... In a 42-7 defeat at the hands of Wabash, OBERLIN senior wideout **Chad Kutting (Lorain, OH/Lorain Catholic)** totaled 63 yards receiving ... OHIO WESLEYAN's 13-8 defeat of Allegheny was its first ever in the series in Meadville. The Bishops' sophomore quarterback **Steve Hymes (Barberton, OH/Massillon Washington)** scored what proved to be the game-winner on an 89-yard touchdown run with nine minutes left. In the final minute, the Ohio Wesleyan defense preserved the victory, stopping the Gators on fourth and goal from the four. Junior linebacker **Dominic Schwed (Aurora, OH/Aurora)** was in on the tackles on each of the final two plays, stopping the Gators' Tarquinio for a loss on third down and the AC quarterback on the two as time ran out ... Sophomore **Adrian Pynenberg (Montgomery, IL/Oswego Community)** led Wabash in a 42-7 defeat of Oberlin with nine tackles, seven solo, 3.5 tackles for a losses totaling 22 yards, and 2.5 sacks, a quarterback hurry, two pass breakups and his second interception of the season. Junior wide receiver **Geoff Walker (Schererville, IN/Lake Central)** tied a school record and broke the NCAC mark with a 93-yard punt return for a touchdown, and

had five catches for a team-high 75 yards ... WITTENBERG sophomore fullback **Andy Vanover (Tipp City, OH/Tippecanoe)**, used primarily as a blocking back, had a career day with three receptions for 90 yards and 36 yards rushing on 11 carries, in addition to his usual blocking duties in a 48-0 defeat of Earlham. He scored the game's opening score on a 48-yard strike in the first quarter. Senior wide receiver **Jered Glover (Middletown, OH/Middletown)** became the Tigers' all-time leading receiver with 151 career receptions after his four-catch performance for 29 yards. Senior defensive tackle **Tyler Jenkins (Circleville, OH/Logan Elm)** had seven stops, with six solos, both career highs ... Freshman running back **Dustin Sheppard (Newark, OH/Johstown-Monroe)** finished with 15 carries for 92 yards and had WOOSTER's third score in a 24-21 loss to Kenyon. Sheppard's score late in the third quarter gave the Scots a 21-10 advantage.



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NCAC Fall Sports Update

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CLEVELAND -- Following is a capsule roundup of the NCAC's fall sports action.

CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

The final meets of the 2005 cross country regular season will be contested this week. Allegheny runs at the University of Rochester, Denison at Gettysburg. Earlham and Wittenberg compete in the Wilmington Invitational, while Kenyon and Ohio Wesleyan join in a tri-meet at Oberlin. Hiram runs at the Lake Erie College Invitational Thursday, then joins Wooster to run in the Scots' Jim Bean Twilight Invitational on Friday. Finally, Wabash runs in the Manchester Invitational. After this weekend, the only meet left is the Wooster Relays on October. 19.

The 2005 North Coast Athletic Conference Conference Cross Country Championships will be held at Earlham on October 29. The defending champions are Denison's women and Allegheny's men.

Notes: The Ohio-based colleges all competed in the All-Ohio Intercollegiate Cross Country Championships at Ohio Wesleyan last weekend. Denison won the women's Division III meet with three runners in the top 10 and a score of 69. Behind them in second was Oberlin with 101 points and two runners in the top 15. Kenyon was fifth, followed by Ohio Wesleyan in seventh, Wooster (11), Wittenberg (13) and Hiram (20). Wooster junior **Katie Wieferich (Marietta, OH/Marietta)** won the race with a time of 18:38.8, outdistancing the second place runner by almost 10 seconds. In the overall meet that included runners from all NCAA divisions and the NAIA, she was ninth. Wieferich is the first Scot runner to win the All-Ohio since Emily Moorefield in 1995. Oberlin sophomore **Alison Doniger (Atherton, CA/Menlo Atherton)** was third in 19:18.9. Also in the top 10 were Denison juniors **Christine Collins (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls)** in fifth (19:22.3) and **Elaine Binkley (Columbus, OH/Bishop Watterson)** in eighth (19:25.9) and DU senior **Kim Murley (Dalton, PA/Tunkhannock)** in ninth (19:33.4).

Denison led the men's team in fourth place with 127 points. Ohio Wesleyan was next in sixth, followed by Kenyon in seventh. Oberlin wound up 10th, Wooster, 13th, and Wittenberg in 15th. Oberlin junior **Travis Grout (Jefferson, OH/Jefferson Area)** was the top NCAC finisher in seventh place with a time of 27:04.3. Kenyon freshman **Jim Boston (Brookfield, WI/Marquette)** finished 10th in 27:34.0.

Allegheny also competed in the meet, but as part of the Open division. Teams were welcomed from outside Ohio to preview the 2005 NCAA Division III Championship course. The Gator men were third of 13 teams competing, while the women were 10th of 11 teams. Junior **Ben Mourer (Chicora, PA/Karns City)** led the men in second place with a time of 26:37.7. **Scarlett Graham (Farmington, PA/Uniontown)** paced the women in 16th place with a time of 19:53.9.

FIELD HOCKEY REPORT

North Coast leader Oberlin (7-2, 10-2) takes the week off from conference play and has only a Tuesday afternoon non-conference test at Washington & Jefferson on tap. The Yeowomen won both of their NCAC matches last week, a 3-0 decision over Denison and a 4-3 (strokes) defeat of Wooster.

Second-place Wittenberg (5-2, 7-5), on a tear after starting the year 0-4, has only a Saturday match at Wooster (4-4, 4-7) scheduled this week. Kenyon (4-4, 7-4) and Ohio Wesleyan (3-3, 4-5), tied with the Scots for third place, face off on Thursday afternoon in Gambier. The Bishops also face Earlham (0-7, 0-10) on Tuesday.

Wednesday, Wooster travels to Denison (3-4, 4-8) and Saturday the Big Red head over to Richmond to face the Quakers.

Notes: DENISON went 1-1 in conference play last week and four different players scored the team's four goals for the week ... KENYON went 1-1 last week, losing to Wittenberg, 2-1, and defeating Transylvania, 4-0. Freshman **Perrin Legg (Baltimore, MD/Bryn Mawr)** scored twice, including the game-winner against Transy ... Senior **Rosemary Mudry (University Hts., OH/Laurel School)** netted the clinching score in the penalty strokes as OBERLIN defeated Wooster, 4-3. She played all 100 minutes of the game ... WITTENBERG went 2-0 overall, including a 2-1 defeat of Kenyon, which avenged an early-season loss to the Ladies. Junior forward **Katy Barrett (Powell, OH/Watterson)** had the game-winner against Kenyon, then contributed a goal and an assist in the 4-1 defeat of Transylvania. She leads the Tigers with six goals and 13 points this season ... WOOSTER went 1-1 last week in NCAC play. Junior forward **Anlyn Addis (Ann Arbor, MI/Pioneer)** scored three times, including two in a 4-3 loss to Oberlin. Her score with 20 seconds left sent the game to overtime. In a 3-1 defeat of Earlham, she recorded her team's first goal to tie the contest at one.

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MEN'S SOCCER REPORT

Eight of 10 North Coast schools have two conference contests lined up for the week. The slate kicks off with a showdown between two of the league's top teams, Ohio Wesleyan (3-0-0, 12-0-0) and Wittenberg (3-0-0, 6-3-3). Both teams bring undefeated conference records into Tuesday's matchup in Delaware. The Battling Bishops hold a 30-7-1 advantage in the all-time series between the two schools. Nationally ranked Ohio Wesleyan, fourth in the latest NSCAA/adidas poll, is the league's only team without a loss overall this season. Last week, Ohio Wesleyan topped Wabash (2-2-0, 5-8-0), 3-0, while the Tigers are coming off a 2-1 win over Oberlin (2-1-1, 5-6-2).

The Bishops close out their week at Denison (1-2-0, 4-7-0) on Saturday, while the Tigers host Allegheny (3-1-0, 5-4-3) in another potential pairing of first place teams.

The Gators and Wooster (3-1-0, 8-1-2) share first place with OWU and Wittenberg. Each plays a single NCAC game this week. The Fighting Scots host Kenyon (0-3-1, 3-5-4) on Saturday.

The rest of the conference schedule features Oberlin at Hiram (0-4-0, 4-9-0) and Wabash at Earlham (0-3-0, 3-9-0) on Tuesday and Denison at Kenyon the next day. On Saturday, the final two games of the week send Hiram to Earlham (0-3-0, 3-9-0) and Wabash to Oberlin.

Notes: ALLEGHENY went 1-1 last week, falling 2-1 to Oberlin before edging Kenyon, 2-0. The win over the Lords' was the first Gator win this season by more than a single goal. Junior Alan Carr (Blairstown, NJ/Blair Academy) had a hand in all three goals during the week, scoring the lone goal against the Yeomen and tucking away the game-winner against Kenyon. He also assisted on the insurance goal against the Lords ... DENISON entered a check in the win column for the first time in conference play last week with a 2-1 decision over Hiram. Senior Troy Botha (Toledo, OH/St. John's) and sophomore Ryan Linn (Zanesville, OH/West Muskingum) netted the Big Red's two first-half goals ... Junior Atiq Zamani (Bloomington, IN/North) notched a game-winner against Manchester to help EARLHAM to a 1-1 week. The Quakers also lost, 2-1, to Wooster ... HIRAM freshman 'keeper Nathan Rausch (Cuyahoga Falls, OH/Cuyahoga Falls) stopped 12 shots on goals over two games last week. The Terriers recorded a 2-0 loss to Wooster and a 2-1 loss to Denison ... KENYON split a pair of games last week, defeating Case and falling to Allegheny, 2-0. Senior David Palchak (Marshall, MI/Marshall) converted a penalty kick to hand the Lords the 1-0 victory over the Spartans. The goal was his team-leading fourth of the season ... OBERLIN sophomore Sam Zackheim (Portland, OR/Lincoln) tallied both Yeomen goals in a 2-1 win over Allegheny. Oberlin followed with a 2-1 loss to Wittenberg ... Sophomore Nick Skoczen (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston) set up senior Cole Graham (Zanesville, OH/Zanesville) to put OHIO WESLEYAN on the scoreboard against Wabash. The Bishops went on to defeat the Little Giants, 3-0 ... WABASH opened the week with a 4-3 win over Anderson, before falling to OWU. Sophomore Gary Simkus (Highland, IN/Highland) added two more goals to his team-leading numbers in the win, including the opening score less than two minutes into the match. He now has eight goals in the season ... WITTENBERG opened the season with nine games in 18 days. The Tigers have slowed down the pace with just three games in the last 18 days, using the time to let four starters and a key reserve recuperate from injuries. Wittenberg won its only game last week, a 2-1 decision over Oberlin. Freshman Mark Cain (Hilliard, OH/Darby) scored the equalizer early in the second half and classmate Mark Borland (Kettering, OH/Alter) scored the game-winner with eight minutes left on the clock. Borland leads the team with two game-winners, six goals overall, five assists and 17 total points ... WOOSTER picked up another two wins last week. The Scots shut out Hiram, 2-0, and edged Earlham, 2-1. Senior forward Brian Conaway (Twinsburg, OH/Twinsburg) had a hand in all four Scot goals. In the second half against Hiram, he assisted on the first and scored the second. He also accounted for both goals against the Quakers, including the game-winner via penalty kick during the 77th minute. Conaway is just three points shy of becoming the third Scot in school history to total 100 for his career.

WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT

A full slate of North Coast games is on tap with every squad playing at least once. Denison (3-0-0, 9-2-1) has jumped out to an early lead. Kenyon (2-0-0, 7-3-1) and Wooster (2-0-0, 7-3-2) share second place with Wittenberg (2-1-0, 11-2-0) and Allegheny (2-1-0, 8-3-1). The Scots and the Ladies return to action Tuesday when Wooster entertains Oberlin (0-3-0, 5-7-1) and Kenyon hosts Wittenberg. The Big Red plays at Earlham (0-3-0, 6-5-1) Wednesday. Ohio Wesleyan (0-2-0, 6-4-0) hosts Hiram the same day. Allegheny (2-1-0, 8-3-1) and Wittenberg meet in Springfield on Saturday. Also Saturday, Hiram (1-2-0, 2-9-1) is at Earlham (0-3-0, 6-5-1) and Kenyon at Wooster.

Notes: DENISON had a big week with conference wins over Wittenberg, Oberlin and Hiram, all by shutout. The Big Red has eight shutouts this season and a current streak of four straight. Sophomore goalkeeper **Liz Gillette (Mentor, OH/Notre Dame Cathedral Latin)** lowered her goals-against average to 0.49. In just 30 career games she has 13 shutouts. Senior **Megan Roundsville (Boston, MA/Boston Latin)** led the offense with two goals and two assists ... KENYON's only action last week was a 1-0 defeat of Hiram. Senior **Kait Ross (Mattituck, NY/Mattituck-Cuchogue)** scored the goal ... OHIO WESLEYAN defeated non-conference foe Ohio Dominican, 4-0, then lost to NCAC opponent Allegheny by a 3-0 count. Freshman forward **Michelle Corbett (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** scored twice against ODU ... WITTENBERG won twice in conference play, shutting out both Earlham, 1-0 in overtime, and Oberlin, 3-0. The overtime game-winner was knocked in by freshman **Lauren Johnson (Columbus, OH/Hilliard Davidson)**. All three of the goals against the Yeowomen were scored in the final 30 minutes, and two of those scores were set up by freshman **Kristy Parker (Hamilton, OH/Ross)** ... WOOSTER junior **Erin Lustic (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** scored twice and assisted on another as the Scots went 2-0 last week. The team leader in goals (8), assists (4) and points (20), she had notched what proved to be the game winners in both contests.

VOLLEYBALL REPORT

Denison (4-0, 15-6) maintains its hold on first place, but will be put to the test twice in the coming week. Tuesday, the Big Red travel to take on Wittenberg (5-1, 17-4), then two nights later return home to host Ohio Wesleyan (1-3, 10-13).

Hiram (3-0, 22-3), which gave Wittenberg its first conference loss since 1997 and defeated Earlham (1-4, 5-17) last week, returns to the court at Wooster (3-2, 18-5) Wednesday.

Allegheny (1-3, 11-11) travels to Oberlin (0-3, 2-14) Tuesday and Kenyon (1-3, 7-13) heads to Earlham on Wednesday. The Gators continue their busy week with road matches at Ohio Wesleyan Friday night and at Kenyon on Saturday. Also on Saturday, Earlham entertains Wooster.

Notes: When ALLEGHENY defeated Earlham in straight sets last week, it snapped a six-match losing skid for the Gators. Sophomore **Traci Stoner (Celina, OH/Celina)** led the way with a triple double: 14 kills, 29 assists and 21 digs. In a three-game loss to Wittenberg, Stoner contributed 28 assists and seven kills ... DENISON defeated Wooster in five and lost to Ohio Northern in three. In those eight games, junior **Kristen Sheffield (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** led the way with 32 kills and posted a .295 attack percentage. Sophomore **Kelsey Bruce (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** posted a team-best 20 kills in the victory over the Scots, while junior **Jenny Gresla (Berne, IN/South Adams)** notched a career-high 74 assists. EARLHAM had a 1-3 week. Sophomore **Jessica Whitaker (Indianapolis, IN/Sccecina)** led the Quakers with 36 kills and 47 digs ... HIRAM won all four of its matches, including a historic four-game defeat of Wittenberg. The Terriers were led by senior **Shana Toth (Mantua, OH/Crestwood)** who had 44 kills, 11 blocks and 30 digs in 12 games. Sophomore **Megan Taylor (Cortland, OH/Lakeview)** contributed 169 assists, 11 blocks and 34 digs in 13 games ... KENYON posted a 1-1 mark in NCAC play. Freshman **Sam Hoessler (Lexington, OH/Lexington)** led the Ladies against Wittenberg with four kills, 17 assists and 13 digs ... WITTENBERG's loss to Hiram ended a 63-match conference regular-season winning streak dating back to 1997. In fact, the loss in the first game against the Terriers was the first one dropped by the Tigers to a conference opponent since 1999. Freshman libero **Laura Fender (Toledo, OH/St. Ursula)** compiled 52 digs in 10 games last week ... WOOSTER split two conference matches. Senior outside hitter **Tiffany Rice (Canton, OH/McKinley)** finished with 37 kills and a .440 attack percentage in the two matches and added eight digs and two blocks.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK (Oct. 9, 2005)

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Wooster junior **Katie Wieferich (Marietta, OH/Marietta)** won the Division III race and was ninth overall at the All-Ohio Intercollegiates. She finished the five-kilometer race in 18:38.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Allegheny junior **Ben Mourer (Chicora, PA/Karns City)** finished third at the NCAA Pre-National meet at Ohio Wesleyan. He finished the eight-kilometer course in 26:37 to held the Gators to a third-place team finish.

FIELD HOCKEY

Oberlin senior defender **Rosemary Mudry (University Hts., OH/Laurel School)** netted the clinching score in a shootout victory over Wooster. She played all 100 minutes, dictating the pace of the game. Mudry's play also contributed to her team's 3-0 defeat of Denison later in the week.

MEN'S SOCCER

Wooster senior forward **Brian Conaway (Twinsburg, OH/Twinsburg)** had a hand in all four Scot goals last week. In a 2-0 win over Hiram, he set up the first goal and scored the second. He also accounted for both goals in a 2-1 win over Earlham, including the game-winner via penalty kick during the 77th minute. Conaway is just three points shy of becoming the third Scot in school history to total 100 for his career.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Wooster junior **Erin Lustic (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** scored twice and assisted on another as the Scots went 2-0 last week. The team leader in goals (8), assists (4) and points (20), she had notched what proved to be the game winners in both of her team's victories last week.

VOLLEYBALL

Hiram senior **Shana Toth (Mantua, OH/Crestwood)** had 44 kills, 11 blocks and 30 digs in 12 games as the Terriers won twice in conference play. Toth, who ranks in the top five in the conference in four statistical categories, keyed Hiram's upset of Wittenberg, snapping a 63-match conference regular season winning streak.