



THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER BASEBALL



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2ND-RANKED SCOTS HOST MID-WEEK PAIR BEFORE KEY TRIP TO ALLEGHENY

The College of Wooster, which dropped slightly from its preseason No. 1 ranking to No. 2 in the American Baseball Coaches' Association/Collegiate Baseball NCAA Div. III poll after going 14-3 during its annual two-week spring break trip to Ft. Myers, Fla., will get into the heart of its regional schedule this week. The Fighting Scots have two mid-week nine-inning games at home against Baldwin-Wallace College (9-4) and Muskingum College (8-4), both members of the Ohio Athletic Conference, on Wednesday, March 29, and Thursday, March 30, respectively. First pitch at Art Murray Field is slated for 3:30 p.m. each day. Wooster owns all-time winning records against both, with a 58-46 mark against Baldwin-Wallace College, including victories the last two years, and a 36-26-1 edge on Muskingum. In 2005, the Muskies and Scots split a pair of regular season games (Muskingum won at Wooster 5-3 and Wooster won at Muskingum 7-5).

On tap for the Scots this weekend is a road trip to NCAC East Division rival Allegheny College (3-8, 0-0 NCAC East) for a four-game set in Meadville, Pa., Saturday and Sunday, April 1-2. Historically, this has been one of the most competitive match-ups in the NCAC, but since the conference's move to divisional play (2001), Wooster has gotten the better of Allegheny as the Scots are 14-6 in those games, including four-game sweeps in 2003 (5-4, 7-5, 11-5, 15-6) and in 2005 (7-6 in eight innings, 8-6, 16-6, 9-2). Both of those series were played at Art Murray Field.

Spring Break Recap: Jon Oliver (West Chester, Ohio / Lakota West) no-hit Oberlin College 6-0 in the first game of the teams' four-game NCAC East Division series (March 24-25), and the Fighting Scots went on to a sweep of Oberlin (6-0, 17-6, 6-1, 19-2), capping their spring trip with a 14-3 record. Oliver, a senior right-hander, became the first Wooster pitcher since **Brett Beech** in 1993 to throw a no-hitter, only facing two batters over the minimum and striking out nine. He is 3-0 in three starts with a miniscule 0.47 ERA and 25 strikeouts during 19.0 innings this season.

In addition to Oliver, the Scots' starting rotation consisted of senior right-hander **Brian Miller** (Ashland, Ohio / Ashland), sophomore lefty **Adam Samson** (Orrville, Ohio / Orrville), and freshman right-hander **Anthony Trapuzzano** (Pittsburgh, Pa. / Canevin Catholic). Miller won the only decision he factored in while compiling a 4.91 ERA, Samson went 3-1 with a 3.00 ERA and 22 strikeouts over 18.0 innings, and Trapuzzano was victorious in three of four starts (3-0), posted a 3.15 ERA, struck out 17, and saw the most innings of anybody on the staff (20.0).

Offensively, Wooster appears to have transformed from its usual powerful lineup to one that looks to take advantage of its speed. The Scots have already stolen 48 bases in 53 attempts, with outfielders **Sean Karpen** (Venetia, Pa. / Peters Township) and **Shaun Swearingen** (Hilliard, Ohio / Bishop Watterson) leading the way with nine swipes apiece. Wooster is batting .373 as a team, led by Swearingen's .491 average (26-for-53). The junior also tops the squad in doubles (8) and shares the lead in RBI with 21.

Four other regulars are above the .400 mark as well. Junior second baseman **Mike Barone** (Leechburg, Pa. / Kiski Area) is at .439 (18-for-41) with four doubles, three triples, and two homers, freshman shortstop **John Quimby** (Pittsburgh, Pa. / North Allegheny) is hitting .435 (20-for-46) with a pair of home runs coming on the last day of the trip, sophomore outfielder **Jake Sankal** (Mentor, Ohio / Mentor) went 19-for-44 for a .432 average while homering three times and stealing seven bases, and Karpen is batting .414 with a couple of dingers.

Also of note, senior first baseman **Kurt Kapferer** (Jefferson, Ohio / Jefferson Area) is providing the team with a significant power threat as he's blasted six of the Scots' 22 home runs and driven in 21, while after a slow start, sophomore right fielder **Pat Christensen** (Cincinnati, Ohio / Sycamore) improved his average to .321 (17-for-53) with three doubles and two homers.

NCAC Players of the Week: For their efforts last week, Wooster's **Sean Karpen** (Venetia, Pa. / Peters Township) and **Jon Oliver** (West Chester, Ohio / Lakota West) were selected as the North Coast Athletic Conference Player and Pitcher of the Week, respectively. Karpen, a 6-1, 165-pound sophomore using his first year of athletic eligibility, went 7-for-15 (.467) from the plate last week with eight runs scored, a pair of doubles, a home run, and five RBI. He also walked once and was hit by four pitches (.600 on-base percentage), and stole six bases in seven attempts.

Oliver's lone start of the week saw the 6-2, 205-pound right-hander pitch a no-hitter versus Oberlin. Four Yeomen reached base via errors (two) or walks (two), but he only faced two over the minimum, thanks to a caught stealing and a line-out double play. Oliver's fast start in 2006 has moved him into the top-10 in the Scots' career pitching records for games started (36), wins (24), innings pitched (229.2), and strikeouts (212).

QUICK FACTS

2006 Overall Record	14-3
2006 NCAC East Record/Standings	4-0/1st of 5
Head Coach	Tim Pettorini
Record at Wooster	775-297-6 (24th Year)
Career Record	775-297-6 (24th Year)

2006 SCHEDULE

March 12	vs. Albion [^]	W, 6-0
	vs. Albion [^]	W, 16-1
March 13	vs. Carroll [^]	W, 7-1
	vs. Carroll [^]	W, 10-6
March 15	vs. Rowan [^]	L, 15-18
March 16	vs. Benedictine [^]	W, 18-5
March 17	vs. Wilmington [^]	W, 12-7
	vs. Bethel [^]	W, 26-0
March 18	vs. Rowan [^]	W, 8-7
March 20	vs. St. Thomas (Minn.) [^]	L, 2-7
	vs. St. Thomas (Minn.) [^]	W, 4-2
March 21	vs. Univ. of the South [^]	L, 5-10
March 22	vs. New England College [^]	W, 15-1
March 24	vs. Oberlin ^{^*}	W, 6-0
	vs. Oberlin ^{^*}	W, 17-6
March 25	vs. Oberlin ^{^*}	W, 6-1
	vs. Oberlin ^{^*}	W, 19-2
March 29	BALDWIN-WALLACE	3:30
March 30	MUSKINGUM	3:30
April 1	at Allegheny* (2)	1:00
April 2	at Allegheny* (2)	Noon
April 4	at Otterbein	4:00
April 6	JOHN CARROLL	4:00
April 8	KENYON* (2)	1:00
April 9	KENYON* (2)	1:00
April 11	OTTERBEIN	4:00
April 12	MARIETTA	4:00
April 14	HIRAM* (2)	1:00
April 15	HIRAM* (2)	1:00
April 18	DENISON	4:00
April 19	HEIDELBERG	4:00
April 22	OHIO WESLEYAN (2)	1:00
April 23	at Ohio Wesleyan (2)	1:00
April 26	at Kent State	4:00
April 27	at Muskingum	4:00
April 29-30	NCAC Tourn. Semifinal Series	TBD
May 3	at Ohio Northern	4:00
May 4-5	NCAC Tourn. Championship Series	TBD
	(at Springfield, Ohio)	TBD
May 18-20	NCAA Div. III Regional Tourn.	TBD

(2) indicates doubleheaders

[^] indicates games at Ft. Myers, Fla.

* indicates NCAC East Division games

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THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER GOLF



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SCOTS HOPING FOR ANOTHER GOOD SHOWING AT KENYON CUP

Coming off some up-and-down results during their spring training trip, The College of Wooster golf team continues play this weekend (April 1-2) at the Kenyon College Cup Invitational, which will take place at the Apple Valley Golf Course in Howard, Ohio. Wooster will tackle the par-72, 6,946-yard course, hoping for a repeat performance from the past three seasons when the Scots finished as the runner-up in 15- (2003), 10- (2004), and 12-team fields (2005). Last spring, Wooster's second-place finish came during a weather-shortened event, tallying a score of 314 during Sunday's 18 holes of play. On Saturday, the course was covered by snow.

Spring Break Recap: The Scots participated in a couple of events during their annual southern swing, first competing in a dual match against Denison University on March 17, falling to the Big Red 320-303, and then taking part in the Muskingum College Invitational March 24-25, where they placed eighth out of 13 teams.

Andy Van Horn (Loudonville, Ohio / Loudonville) fired a 69 during Saturday's second round of the Muskingum Invite to tie for third overall in his first collegiate golf event of 2005-06, highlighting Wooster's initial spring tournament. Overall, the Scots placed eighth, tallying team scores of 305 and 307 for a 612 total at the EagleSticks Golf Club in Zanesville, Ohio, while Transylvania University won the championship with back-to-back 291s (582). After putting up a 74 in the opening round, Van Horn, who didn't play competitively during the fall to rest for his busy winter as a starter for Wooster's nationally-ranked men's basketball team, covered the 6,508-yard course in 1-under par for a score of 143. He was just two strokes off the pace of individual medalist **Garrett Humes** of Heidelberg College (70-71=141). The Scots' No. 2, **Brandon Tylka** (New Philadelphia, Ohio / Tuscarawas Central Catholic), carded 74 and 78 to tie for 29th (152) on the weekend, while also scoring both days was **Matt Mellott** (Baltimore, Md. / Friends School) as he turned in an 85 and 80 to place 61st (165). Slightly ahead of Mellott in the standings was **Patrick Lynch** (Naperville, Ill. / Marmion Academy), who had Wooster's low round Friday with a 72 but followed that up with an 87 for 159 and 53rd-place. Also in the Scots' lineup was **Jim Ipema** (Western Springs, Ill. / Lyons Twp.), who tied for 62nd (86-80=166), while competing as an individual was **Jason Greenwald** (N. Bethesda, Md. / Sherwood), who matched Tylka with a tie for 29th (79-73=152).

QUICK FACTS

Head Coach Rich Danch
2005 NCAC Finish 5th of 9

2005-06 SCHEDULE

Sept. 11	John Carroll Invitational Fowler's Mill Golf Course (Chesterland, Ohio)	5th of 7
Sept. 17-18	Wittenberg Invitational Saturday – Windy Knoll Golf Course Sunday – Reid Park Golf Course (Springfield, Ohio)	9th of 15
Sept. 25-26	Mt. Union Tournament Saturday – Tannenhaut Golf Club Monday – Alliance Country Club (Alliance, Ohio)	10th of 15
Oct. 1-2	Denison Fall Invitational Granville Golf Course (Granville, Ohio)	13th of 15
March 17	vs. Denison Laurel Island Links (Kingsland, Ga.)	L, 303-320
March 24-25	Muskingum Invitational Eagle Sticks Golf Club (Zanesville, Ohio)	8th of 13
April 1-2	Kenyon Cup Invitational Apple Valley Golf Course (Howard, Ohio)	
April 8-9	Ted Barclay Invitational Granville Golf Course (Granville, Ohio)	
April 14-15	Nye Intercollegiate Wooster Country Club (Wooster, Ohio)	
April 22-23	Ohio Wesleyan Strimer Invitational Saturday – Dornoch Golf Club Sunday – Oakhaven Golf Club (Delaware, Ohio)	
April 28-29	NCAC Championships Windy Knoll Golf Course (Springfield, Ohio)	



THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER MEN'S LACROSSE



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SCOTS HOST DENISON IN CONFERENCE OPENER SATURDAY

The College of Wooster men's lacrosse team gets its North Coast Athletic Conference schedule underway this week, as it plays host to Denison University (3-3, 1-0 NCAC) Saturday, April 1. Please note that the game's starting time and location have been recently changed to 3:30 p.m. (instead of 1 p.m.) at Carl Dale Memorial Field (instead of John P. Papp Stadium). Wooster will be aiming to end a three-game losing skid, while Denison is coming off a 9-8 overtime victory over arch-rival Ohio Wesleyan University in the squads' NCAC opener. The Big Red own a 36-5 lead in the all-time series with Wooster, however, the Scots have played them tough in recent years, losing 9-4 in 2005 and 8-7 in 2004. Wooster's last win against Denison came in 1991 (12-9).

Spring Break Recap: The Scots went 1-3 over spring break, evening their record to .500 (3-3) on the year.

On March 15, Wooster opened up a 7-1 advantage over Wesley College in the first quarter and never looked back, winning 12-8 in Dover, Del. Freshman **Mark Weschler** (Silver Spring, Md. / Our Lady of Good Counsel) and sophomore **Hisham Hassan** (Winchester, Mass. / Winchester) led the way with three goals and two assists apiece, while senior **Shawn Handy** (Carrboro, N.C. / Chapel Hill) and junior **Ben Abbott** (Yarmouth, Maine / Canterbury School – Conn.) each logged a pair of goals. Sophomore goalie **Matt Biester** (Wallingford, Pa. / Strath Haven) made 18 saves between the posts for the Scots, including 10 in the fourth quarter alone.

On March 18-19, Wooster entered the fourth quarter in a tie twice, but wound up on the short end against a couple of highly-challenging opponents, losing 8-5 to No. 15 ranked Dickinson College and 10-8 to York (Pa.) College. On March 18, it was Dickinson scoring three times in the fourth, including twice during the first 3:12, to hold off the Scots at Calvert Hall School in Towson, Md. The two teams played even throughout, as it was tied 2-2 after one quarter, 3-3 at the half, and 5-5 through three periods, and they were 30-30 in the shot department for the game. Weschler had given the Scots a 5-4 lead with 7:48 to play in the third, but the visitors would be held scoreless the rest of the way. On March 19, the score was knotted 6-6 with York going into the fourth, but in similar fashion to the previous day, the host Spartans rallied for three goals in a span of 4:19 to open a significant lead. This time, the Wooster offense answered with an unassisted goal by Hassan just over a minute later to make it a 9-7 game. York got the advantage back up to three (10-7) at the 6:37 mark and then held the Scots without a goal for the next 3:43 to preserve the victory. On the weekend, Wooster was paced offensively by Weschler, Hassan, and Abbott. Weschler scored two goals in each game and had five points overall, while Hassan and Abbott each finished with three goals and one assist. Also of note, Handy passed out three assists in the Dickinson game and **Austin Taylor** (Wooster, Ohio / Wooster) contributed one assist in each contest. In goal for all 120 minutes of the weekend was Biester, who totaled 22 saves – 14 versus Dickinson and eight at York – and **Sam Carmony** (Wooster, Ohio / Wooster) was a big part of the Scots' defensive effort with a combined 11 groundballs.

On March 25, visiting St. Vincent College held off a late charge by Wooster to win 12-11 at Papp Stadium. St. Vincent scored the first two goals of the fourth quarter to take a 12-10 lead. Then, the Scots took advantage of a man-up opportunity for the fourth consecutive time, with **Chris Vaccaro** (Plano, Texas / Plano) scoring on a pass from Handy at the 8:30 mark. However, that would be the final goal of what had been a high-scoring second half. At the outset of the game, Wooster was red hot, scoring four times within the first 4:29. The Bearcats, though, went on to keep the Scots off the scoreboard until there was less than a minute to go in the half, and during that same stretch, they had reeled off six unanswered goals. With St. Vincent leading 6-5 at the break, the two teams would exchange goals throughout the third period, with Wooster tying it 6-6, 7-7, 8-8, 9-9, and 10-10, and then the Bearcats going back ahead each time. Offensively on the day, **Chris Gatsch** (Princeton, N.J. / Blair Academy), Hassan, **Cole Simmons** (Calabasas, Calif. / Chaminade College Prep), and Weschler threw in two goals apiece for the Scots. Hassan also contributed two assists for a squad-high four points.

QUICK FACTS

2006 Overall Record	3-3
2006 NCAC Record/Standings	0-0
Head Coach	Jason Tarnow
Record at Wooster	32-28 (5th Year)
Career Record	32-28 (5th Year)

2006 SCHEDULE

Feb. 25	at Seton Hill	W, 20-2
March 4	at McDaniel	W, 9-8 (2ot)
March 12	at Cabrini	cancelled
March 15	at Wesley	W, 12-8
March 18	at Dickinson	L, 5-8
March 19	at York (Pa.)	L, 8-10
March 25	ST. VINCENT	L, 11-12
April 1	DENISON*	3:30
April 5	WHITTIER	4:30
April 8	at Wittenberg*	2:00
April 12	at Washington & Jefferson	7:00
April 16	at Ohio Wesleyan*	1:00
April 26	OBERLIN*	4:30
April 29	COLORADO COLLEGE (at Wooster H.S.)	7:30
May 6	at Kenyon*	1:00

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SCOTS TO PLAY TWO NON-LEAGUE FOES, INCLUDING HOME OPENER SATURDAY

After prevailing in the last two contests of its spring break trip, The College of Wooster women's lacrosse team begins the second half of the semester with a pair of non-conference match-ups this week. The Fighting Scots' first opponent on their northern schedule is Notre Dame (Ohio) College (1-4), a second-year program, on Wednesday, March 29. It will be a night game played at Brush High School in the Cleveland area, starting at 7:15 p.m. Wooster dispatched the Falcons last spring by a 16-3 count. On Saturday afternoon, April 1, the Scots will make their 2006 debut at Carl Dale Memorial Field, as they host Buffalo State University (1-3) at noon. Wooster has won all three of its prior meetings with Buffalo State, including the most recent in 1996 (18-4).

Spring Break Recap: The Scots went 2-1 during their annual season-opening spring break trip to West Palm Beach, Fla.

On March 21, Wooster was unable to hang on to a 7-5 halftime lead in its 2006 opener, as Mount Holyoke College rallied for a 13-8 win. Two of the Scots' seniors – **Helena Iaquina** (Nashua, N.H. / Nashua) and **Megan Sward** (Sewickley, Pa. / Sewickley Academy) – paced the offense, with each totaling four points. Iaquina's all came on goals, while Sward scored twice and assisted two others. Getting into the scoring column for the first time in their college careers were **Hillary Darragh** (Evanston, Ill. / Evanston Twp.), who put Wooster up 1-0, and **Carly Carey** (Cummington, Mass. / Academy at Charlemont), who also threw in a goal. Also of note, junior **Katie Graham** (Bethesda, Md. / St. James School) contributed an assist in her first game since 2004 after missing all of last year with an injury. Defensively, Scot senior **Nicki Hunt** (Wilmington, Del. / St. Paul's School for Girls) spent most of the game in goal, recording seven saves.

On March 22, the senior duo of Sward and Iaquina combined for nine goals to lead Wooster past Smith College 12-6. Sward scored the game's first goal, helping the Scots out to a 6-3 halftime lead, and ended up with seven points overall on four goals and three assists, while Iaquina found the back of the net five times and helped out on one other score. Also getting into the scoring column for Wooster were Carey with a goal and an assist, Graham and **Allison Harrod** (Cincinnati, Ohio / Sycamore), each of whom tossed in one goal, and **Jessica Baylor** (Milton, Mass. / Noble and Greenough), who notched an assist. Hunt spent all 60 minutes as the Scots' net-minder, producing six saves to preserve the win.

On March 24, a strong defensive effort, mixed with some timely scoring, led to Wooster's 8-7 win over nationally-ranked and previously unbeaten Wesleyan University. It was a back-and-forth game throughout, with neither squad leading by more than a goal. Tied 3-3 at the half, the Scots held a one-goal edge for much of the second, including at 8-7 with about 5:00 left. The final stretch saw a flurry of offensive activity by No. 13 Wesleyan, but Wooster held strong, anchored by the play of Hunt, who ended up with 22 saves. Offensively, Sward led the Scots with a hat trick, including the game-winning goal. That capped a successful three-game spring break trip for the senior as she totaled nine goals and five assists. Also for Wooster, Iaquina scored twice more, giving her 11 goals already this season, as did Graham. Rounding out the goal-scoring was **Annie Steward** (Littleton, Mass. / Lawrence Academy) with her first of 2006, and Carey passed out two assists and Baylor added one. Hunt's save total matched a career-high.

QUICK FACTS

2006 Overall Record	2-1
2006 NCAC Record/Standings	0-0
Head Coach	Liz Ford
Record at Wooster	2-1 (1st Year)
Career Record	2-1 (1st Year)

2006 SCHEDULE

March 21	vs. Mount Holyoke [^]	L, 8-13
March 22	vs. Smith [^]	W, 12-6
March 24	vs. Wesleyan [^]	W, 8-7
March 29	at Notre Dame (Ohio) (at Brush H.S.)	7:15
April 1	BUFFALO STATE	Noon
April 4	at Allegheny [*]	5:00
April 8	DENISON [*]	1:00
April 14	MICHIGAN (Club Team)	4:00
April 18	WITTENBERG [*]	5:00
April 20	OBERLIN [*]	4:30
April 22	at Kenyon [*]	1:00
April 26	at Ohio Wesleyan [*]	4:30
April 29	at St. Vincent	1:00
April 30	at Seton Hill	1:00
May 5-6	NCAC Tournament (at Granville, Ohio)	TBA

[^] indicates games at West Palm Beach, Fla.

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THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER SOFTBALL



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SCOTS TRAVEL TO MARIETTA, THEN HOST BACK-TO-BACK TWINBILLS

Following a 16-game spring break trip, The College of Wooster softball team jumps right back into competition this week with three scheduled doubleheaders against non-league opponents. The Fighting Scots, who came back from Fort Myers, Fla., with a mark of 7-8-1, first play a pair of challenging Ohio Athletic Conference foes – Marietta College (13-1) and John Carroll University (7-3). Wooster will travel to Marietta on Wednesday, March 29, for a set of games, beginning at 3 p.m., and then host John Carroll on Friday, March 31, at 2:30 p.m. The Scots wrap up the week on Sunday, April 2, by taking on visiting Bethany College (7-9), a traditional power in the Presidents' Athletic Conference, at 1 p.m. Historically, Wooster is a combined 6-8 against Marietta and John Carroll, including series splits in their most recent meetings (0-8, 4-3 against Marietta in 2005) and (3-10, 1-0 at John Carroll in 2004), respectively. The Scots have not done as well against the Bison, falling in each of their six meetings, including last season (1-2, 4-13 at Bethany).

Spring Break Recap: Wooster was in Fort Myers, Fla., for its annual two-week spring trip and returned north with a 7-8-1 overall record, including a 5-3 mark the last eight games.

The Scots came up empty in the first three games of the trip, suffering shutout losses to Defiance College (0-5) and Geneva College (0-3), sandwiched around a setback to Heidelberg College in eight innings (10-11). Despite allowing 19 runs in those games, only six were earned due to eight Wooster errors in the field. The offense turned it up a notch in the next contest, trouncing Skidmore College 26-2 on March 13, scoring 11 runs in the first inning and never looking back. The Scots faltered in the next contest, falling 4-0 to Montclair State University, but rebounded by run-ruling Richard Stockton College 8-0 in six innings. Freshman **Katie Pifer** (Meadville, Pa. / Meadville) picked up the victory, scattering seven hits over six innings for her first career shutout. In a rematch with Defiance on March 16, Wooster pushed the Yellow Jackets to the limit, tying the game 1-1 in the top of the seventh on a one-out, pinch hit inside-the-park home run by sophomore transfer **Katelynn Caywood** (Amherst, Ohio / Firelands). Defiance, however, rebounded with a run in the bottom half of the frame to win the game 2-1. Later that day, the Scots and Roger Williams University participated in a see-saw battle for nine innings until settling for a 3-3 tie. Wooster won a pair on Saturday, March 18, downing St. Joseph's College of Maine 5-0 and Bates College 9-6. Junior **Maria Gonzalez** (Millersburg, Ohio / West Holmes) provided the big stick on the day, knocking in three runs with a triple against St. Joseph's, and then driving in five more with a pair of home runs against Bates.

After going 4-5-1 through the first seven days of the trip, the Scots won three of their next four to move above .500 for the first time (7-6-1) on the season. Wooster dropped a 10-3 decision to a hard-hitting squad from Southern Connecticut State University on March 19, but then rebounded with a 2-0 victory over Plymouth State University, as Pifer tossed another shutout. Senior **Kelly Robinson** (North Olmsted, Ohio / North Olmsted) provided the key hit in that contest, connecting on her first career home run, a two-run blast in the bottom of the sixth. First-year **Alli Hall** (Shaker Hts., Ohio / Shaker Heights) notched her first collegiate win on March 21 against Franklin Pierce College, an NCAA Div. II institution. Hall allowed just two earned runs on five hits in the contest, while the Scot bats came alive in the sixth inning with four runs. Pifer retired three of the four hitters she faced in the seventh to get the save. Then, Wooster went on to a five-inning, 11-2 win over Mount Mercy College later that day. Robinson was perfect at the plate, going 3-for-3 with two singles, one double, and three RBI, while sophomore **Molly Gaffney** (Tallmadge, Ohio / Archbishop Hoban) was 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles and four RBI. The Scots dropped a pair of one-run games on the final day of their trip (March 23). First, a seventh-inning rally came up short for Wooster in a 2-1 loss to Carleton College, and in game two, the Black and Gold fell 13-12 in a high-scoring affair with Bowdoin College.

Offensively, the Scots batted .301 as a team over the two weeks, paced by Gonzalez's mark of .426. Gonzalez, batting third in the lineup, led the squad in hits (23), RBI (18), total bases (38), and slugging percentage (.706), and tied for the lead in both triples (3) and home runs (2). The left side of Wooster's infield proved to be a force throughout the trip, both on the field and at the plate. Gaffney and Robinson, playing shortstop and third base, respectively, committed just four errors combined in 128 fielding opportunities, and none over the final 14 games. On the offensive side of things, Gaffney finished with the second-highest batting average on the team at .388 to go with four doubles and 12 RBI, while Robinson finished at .340 with three triples, two home runs, and 11 RBI. Two other Scots return north with .300-plus averages, including Caywood at .326. Caywood has also crossed the plate 11 times and driven in seven runs. Senior outfielder **Angie Triplett** (Sunbury, Ohio / Big Walnut) was the other .300 hitter with an average of .303 and has plated eight RBI this spring.

Question marks abounded about Wooster's pitching staff prior to the start of the season, but those have been safely put to bed. Pifer and Hall were solid all trip long on the mound, led by Pifer's 6-3 record and 1.64 ERA.

QUICK FACTS

2006 Overall Record	7-8-1
2006 NCAC Record/Standings	0-0
Head Coach	Lori Schimmel
Record at Wooster	105-117-2 (7th Year)
Career Record	105-117-2 (7th Year)

2006 SCHEDULE

March 12	vs. Defiance [^]	L, 0-5
	vs. Heidelberg [^]	L, 10-11 (8)
March 13	vs. Geneva [^]	L, 0-3
	vs. Skidmore [^]	W, 26-2
March 15	vs. Montclair State [^]	L, 0-4
	vs. Richard Stockton [^]	W, 8-0
March 16	vs. Defiance [^]	L, 1-2
	vs. Roger Williams [^]	T, 3-3 (9)
March 18	vs. St. Joseph's (Maine) [^]	W, 5-0
	vs. Bates [^]	W, 9-6
March 19	vs. Southern Connecticut State [^]	L, 3-10
	vs. Plymouth State [^]	W, 2-0
March 21	vs. Franklin Pierce [^]	W, 4-2
	vs. Mount Mercy [^]	W, 11-2
March 23	vs. Carleton [^]	L, 1-2
	vs. Bowdoin [^]	L, 12-13
March 29	at Marietta (2)	3:00
March 31	JOHN CARROLL (2)	2:30
April 2	BETHANY (2)	1:00
April 5	at Oberlin* (2)	3:30
April 8	OHIO WESLEYAN* (2)	1:00
April 13	at Hiram* (2)	3:30
April 19	ALLEGHENY* (2)	3:30
April 22	DENISON* (2)	1:00
April 24	at Wittenberg* (2)	3:30
April 26	CASE (2)	3:30
April 29	at Kenyon* (2)	1:00
May 2	MUSKINGUM (2)	3:30
May 5-6	NCAC Tournament	TBD

[^] indicates games at Fort Myers, Fla.

(2) indicates doubleheaders

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SCOT NETTERS FACE A PAIR OF NON-LEAGUE FOES THIS WEEK

The College of Wooster men's tennis team looks to continue its strong start to the season against a pair of non-conference foes this week, including its first home date of the spring. On Thursday, March 30, the Fighting Scots are scheduled to host Ohio Northern University (7-3) on the D.J. Hard Memorial Courts in Wooster, Ohio, beginning at 4 p.m. Wooster turns around the following day, Friday, March 31, for a road trip to Case Western Reserve University (4-2) and a match-up with the Spartans at 4 p.m. Wooster leads the all-time series against both opponents, having never lost to Ohio Northern (11-0) and owning a 28-14-1 advantage on Case, including victories over both last year by 5-2 and 4-3 scores, respectively.

Spring Break Recap: The Scots extended their season-opening win streak to six before dropping back-to-back matches to regionally-ranked foes and closing out their annual 10-day spring break trip to Hilton Head, S.C. with a 4-2 record.

Wooster kicked things off down south with a 4-3 victory over Hobart College, with **Ted Hickey** (Sammamish, Wash. / Eastlake) prevailing in a third-set tiebreaker at No. 5 singles (4-6, 6-3, 7-6) to clinch the match. That was followed by regional wins over Hope College (5-2) and the Univ. of Wis.-Eau Claire (4-3), sandwiched around a 7-0 shutout of St. Lawrence University.

Then, the Scots ran into two of the toughest opponents it will face all year in the Univ. of Chicago and Carleton College, currently ranked No. 8 and No. 9, respectively, in the Central Region. Chicago blanked Wooster 7-0, despite an 8-3 win at third doubles for **Grant D'Augustine** (Cincinnati, Ohio / Turpin) and **Pat Grab** (Erie, Pa. / Cathedral Prep) and two singles matches going three sets, while the Scots scored one point on Carleton via D'Augustine's 6-4, 7-5 triumph at No. 3 singles.

The key to Wooster's success was its depth. While junior **Will Morrison** (Delaware, Ohio / Rutherford B. Hayes) won twice at No. 1 singles and sophomore **Dave Albrechta** (Fremont, Ohio / Fremont Ross) went 3-3 at the second spot, the Scots were a combined 14-10 from positions No. 3 to No. 6. Junior **Brian Ebbitts** (Mission Hills, Kan. / Shawnee Mission East) posted four individual victories, primarily at No. 3 singles, and extended his Chicago opponent to three sets. In addition to his key victory in the Hobart match, Hickey contributed two others as well as a close loss versus Chicago at No. 4 singles (6-7, 6-4, 8-10). Also, senior **Tim Wyatt** (Evergreen, Colo. / Evergreen Senior) produced three important wins in the bottom-third of the singles lineup and freshman **Jeremy Dominik** (Saint Marys, Ohio / Memorial) had a noteworthy triumph at No. 6 singles against Hope (3-6, 7-5, 6-3).

In doubles action, the pair of Ebbitts and Hickey started every match at No. 1 and won three times, while D'Augustine and Grab went 2-2 together. The other tandem to play at least three matches was **Dan Fleszar** (Ann Arbor, Mich. / Ann Arbor Pioneer) and **Sam Hickey** (Sammamish, Wash. / Eastlake), and they went 1-2.

QUICK FACTS

2006 Overall Record	6-2
2006 NCAC Record/Standings	2-0/T-1st of 9
Head Coach	Hayden Schilling
Record at Wooster	386-218 (27th Year)
Career Record	386-218 (27th Year)

2006 SCHEDULE

Feb. 18	vs. Wabash* (at Oberlin, Ohio)	W, 6-1
Feb. 28	at Ohio Wesleyan	W, 6-1
March 17	vs. Hobart^	W, 4-3
March 18	vs. Hope^	W, 5-2
March 19	vs. St. Lawrence^	W, 7-0
March 21	vs. Wis.-Eau Claire^	W, 4-3
March 22	vs. Chicago^	L, 0-7
March 23	vs. Carleton^	L, 1-6
March 30	OHIO NORTHERN	4:00
March 31	at Case Western Reserve	4:00
April 4	OBERLIN*	4:00
April 7-8	GLCA Tournament (at Gambier, Ohio)	All Day
April 10	DENISON	4:00
April 15	at Allegheny*	3:00
April 18	KENYON*	4:00
April 22	WITTENBERG	1:00
April 28-29	NCAC Tournament (at Gambier, Ohio)	All Day

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SCOTS LOOK TO BREAK INTO WIN COLUMN AGAINST MALONE, ONU

Aiming for its first win of the 2006 season, The College of Wooster women's tennis team will take on a pair of non-conference foes this week. First, the Fighting Scots will welcome NAIA member Malone College (5-5) to the D.J. Hard Memorial Courts in Wooster, Ohio, on Wednesday, March 29, at 4 p.m. The following day, Thursday, March 30, Wooster hosts Ohio Northern University (10-2), a member of the Ohio Athletic Conference, at 3:30 p.m. The Scots have dominated the series against Malone with 17 wins in 21 tries (17-4), including 8-1 in their most recent meeting (2003), however, Ohio Northern has won the only two prior matches with Wooster.

Last Week: The Scots lost five matches on their annual spring break trip (March 17-23) at Hilton Head, S.C., to fall to 0-6 on the year, but they have to be thrilled by the performances of top player **Joanna Tysko** (Athens, Ohio / Athens).

Wooster started its trip with a close 6-3 loss to Nazareth College on March 17. The Scots then played a pair of regionally-ranked opponents, falling to St. Lawrence University 8-1 (March 19) and Carleton College 9-0 (March 20). After a day off from competition, Wooster dropped 7-2 decisions to St. Catherine College (March 22), which included two third-set tiebreaker losses in singles, and the University of St. Thomas (March 23).

Tysko won four of her five matches at No. 1 singles, with the only setback coming in three sets to Carleton's top player, who is the 14th ranked player in the Central Region. Two of Tysko's victories also went the distance, as she edged Nazareth's top player 6-3, 2-6, 7-6 and **Shelly Bebler** of St. Catherine 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Another bright spot for the Scots was the play of **Emily Alward** (Moline, Ill. / Moline Senior) at No. 4 singles. She won two matches and also extended her opponent to three sets in a couple of close losses.

QUICK FACTS

2006 Overall Record	0-6
2006 NCAC Record/Standings	0-0
Head Coach	Lori Shulman
Record at Wooster	8-19 (2nd Year)
Career Record	8-19 (2nd Year)

2006 SCHEDULE

March 1	ASHLAND	L, 3-6
March 17	vs. Nazareth [^]	L, 3-6
March 19	vs. St. Lawrence [^]	L, 1-8
March 20	vs. Carleton [^]	L, 0-9
March 22	vs. St. Catherine [^]	L, 2-7
March 23	vs. St. Thomas (Minn.) [^]	L, 2-7
March 29	MALONE	4:00
March 30	OHIO NORTHERN	3:30
April 5	OVERLIN*	4:30
April 7	at Baldwin-Wallace	3:30
April 8	vs. Earlham* (at Springfield, Ohio)	Noon
	at Wittenberg*	3:00
April 10	WALSH	4:00
April 12	at Case	4:00
April 13	DENISON*	4:30
April 15	at Allegheny*	3:00
April 17	KENYON*	4:30
April 19	OHIO WESLEYAN*	4:30
April 25	at John Carroll	4:00
April 28-30	NCAC Tournament (at Gambier, Ohio)	All Day

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SCOTS TO HOST EIGHT TEAMS AT WOOSTER INVITATIONAL SATURDAY

The College of Wooster will host one of its two track and field meets of the outdoor season this week, as the Fighting Scots welcome eight teams for the annual Wooster Invitational at Carl Munson Track on Saturday, April 1. It will be a team-scored meet, and expected to participate are Case Western Reserve University, Cuyahoga Community College (women only), Columbus State Community College, Denison University, Edinboro University (split squad), Kenyon College, Notre Dame College (Ohio), Walsh University, and host Wooster. The Wooster Invite is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. with field events, followed by track races at noon, and is expected to wrap up around 5 p.m.

Spring Break Recap: The Scots sent a small contingent to compete at the Florida State Relays on March 23-24, while the majority of the team took part in the Emory Invitational on March 25, capping their week-long spring break training trip.

Junior thrower **Rick Drushal** (Lakeville, Ohio / West Holmes) won the shot put and the discus to lead Wooster's results at the Emory Invitational. Drushal threw the shot 46 feet, 10 inches, easily outdistancing his closest competition by 17.5 inches, while his mark in the discus of 148 feet, 10 inches was more than four feet ahead of the runner-up. He also competed in the discus at Florida State, finishing runner-up (145 feet, 10 inches).

The Scots performed well in the women's throwing events at Emory, too, with freshman **Katie Dale** (West Point, Ind. / McCutcheon) placing third in the shot put (35 feet, 10.75 inches) and sixth in the discus (109 feet, one inch).

In other action out on the field, Wooster put a couple among the top-eight in the pole vault with senior **Jill Berner** (Dunkirk, N.Y. / Fredonia) tying for fourth (10 feet), followed closely by freshman teammate **Ali Drushal** (Lakeville, Ohio / West Holmes) in a tie for seventh-place (9 feet, 6.25 inches). Also, freshman **Kayla Miller's** (Mercer, Pa. / Mercer Area) mark of 33 feet, 2.5 inches in the triple jump was good for seventh-place.

On the track, the Scots were paced by senior **Colin Tuner** (Cleveland Hts., Ohio / Cleveland Heights), who ran to a seventh-place showing in the 1500 meters (4:15.63), and **Matt Jensen** (Concord, Ohio / Notre Dame Cathedral Latin), who took eighth in the 110-meter hurdles (16.74). Additionally, senior **Taylor Delhagen** (Pultneyville, N.Y. / Williamson Central) led a pack of Scot runners in the 5000 meters at the Florida State Relays with a time of 15:57.04.

QUICK FACTS

2005 NCAC Men's Finish	8th of 10 (indoors)
	T-8th of 10 (outdoors)
2005 NCAC Women's Finish	8th of 9 (indoors)
	9th of 9 (outdoors)
Head Coach	Dennis Rice

2006 SCHEDULE

Jan. 20	at Oberlin Lid-Lifter	Non-Scoring
Jan. 28	NCAC Relays (at Granville, Ohio)	6th of 10 (m) 6th of 9 (w)
Feb. 3	at Case Invitational	8th of 10 (m) 8th of 11 (w)
Feb. 10	at Kenyon Invitational	5th of 9 (m) 3rd of 9 (m)
Feb. 11	All-Ohio Championships (at Ada, Ohio)	18th of 18 (m) 13th of 17 (w)
Feb. 17	Greater Cleveland Champs. (at Berea, Ohio)	8th of 9 (m) 7th of 8 (w)
Feb. 24	at Oberlin Invitational	Non-Scoring
Mar. 3-4	NCAC Championships (at Granville, Ohio)	8th of 10 (m) 6th of 9 (w)
Mar.23-24	at Florida State Relays	Non-Scoring
Mar. 25	at Emory Invitational	Non-Scoring
Apr. 1	WOOSTER INVITATIONAL	11:00
Apr. 8	at Case Invitational	11:00
Apr. 15	All-Ohio Championships (at Delaware, Ohio)	All Day
Apr. 22	at Kenyon Invitational	11:00
Apr. 28	WOOSTER CLASSIC	3:30
Apr.29-30	NCAC Decathlon/Heptathlon (at Springfield, Ohio)	All Day
May 4-5	NCAC Championships (at Delaware, Ohio)	All Day
May12-13	Dr. Keeler Invitational (at Naperville, Ill.)	All Day
May 19	at Baldwin-Wallace Twilight Meet	3:30
May25-27	NCAA Div. III Championships (at Lisle, Ill.)	All Day

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