

GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

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2007-08 Report 20 (Dec. 31, 2007)

Men's Basketball

	W	L	W	L	H	A	N
Northwest Nazarene	0	0	8	1	4-0	0-1	4-0
Seattle Pacific	0	0	8	1	4-1	1-0	3-0
Western Washington	0	0	7	2	5-0	0-0	2-2
Seattle University	0	0	7	2	3-0	0-1	4-1
Western Oregon	0	0	7	2	5-0	0-1	2-1
Alaska Anchorage	0	0	9	3	6-3	3-0	0-0
Central Washington	0	0	6	3	3-2	0-0	3-1
Saint Martin's	0	0	5	4	2-0	1-2	2-2
Alaska Fairbanks	0	0	3	6	3-2	0-2	0-2
Montana State Billings	0	0	0	10	0-3	0-1	0-6

Division II Games: Alaska Anchorage 9-0, Northwest Nazarene 4-0, Seattle Pacific 7-1, Seattle 7-2, Western Washington 4-2, Western Oregon 3-2, Central Washington 4-3, Saint Martin's 3-4, Alaska Fairbanks 0-3, MSU Billings 0-9.

West Region Games: Alaska Anchorage 3-0, Northwest Nazarene 2-0, Seattle 5-1, Seattle Pacific 2-1, Western Washington 3-2, Central Washington 3-3, Western Oregon 1-1, Saint Martin's 1-3, Alaska Fairbanks 0-1, *MSU Billings 0-7. (*MSUB region record includes games against schools in states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Western New Mexico and Colorado).

LAST WEEK: Friday – UAA AT&T Alascom (Christian Brothers 77, Alaska Fairbanks 60; Alaska Anchorage 71, Ferris State 45); WOU Phoenix Inn & Suites (Central Washington 78, Sonoma State 70; Western Oregon 77, Concordia 65); SPU Oak Harbor Classic (Alderson Broaddus 75, Seattle 73; Seattle Pacific 85, Concordia, N.Y. 70). **Saturday** – UAA AT&T Alascom (Ferris State 64, Alaska Fairbanks 56; Alaska Anchorage 75, Christian Brothers 52); WOU Phoenix Inn & Suites Classic (Central Washington 97, Concordia 52; Western Oregon 80, Sonoma State 76); Northwest Nazarene 66 at Idaho State 71; SPU Oak Harbor Classic (Seattle 93, Concordia, N.Y. 70; Seattle Pacific 83, Alderson Broaddus 71). **Sunday** – Concordia, N.Y. 50 at Saint Martin's 85.

THIS WEEK: Monday – Montana Western at MSU Billings. **Thursday** – Alaska Anchorage at Western Oregon, 7:30 p.m.; Alaska Fairbanks at Saint Martin's, 7:30 p.m.; Central Washington at Seattle Pacific; Western Washington at Northwest Nazarene. **Saturday** – Alaska Anchorage at Saint Martin's; Alaska Fairbanks at Western Oregon; Central Washington at Northwest Nazarene; Seattle at MSU Billings; Western Washington at Seattle Pacific.

POLLS: NABC (Dec.18) - 7. Seattle University, 17. Seattle Pacific. **NCAA West Region** – The first NCAA West Region weekly poll will be released Wednesday, Jan. 30. **GNAC Coaches Pre-Season:** 1. Alaska Anchorage (7) 104; 2. Seattle Pacific (1) 87; 3. Seattle (2) 84 ; 4. Western Washington and Central Washington 62; 6. Saint Martin's 52; 7. Northwest Nazarene 40; 8. Western Oregon 35; 9. Montana State Billings 18; 10. Alaska Fairbanks 16. **Note:** First-place votes in parenthesis. Points awarded on 11-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis).

DOUBLE DOUBLES: 4 – Carl Arts, UAA. 3 – Kevin Atkins, UAF. 2 – Rob Will, SPU; Luke Cooper, UAA; Jake Beitinger, CWU. 1 – Eight with.

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS: UAF Top of the World (Nov. 15-18) – Mladen Begojevic, UAF. **Central Washington (Nov. 16-17)** – Jake Beitinger, CWU; Brandon Foote, CWU; Tyler Roberts, NNU; Adam Shildmyer, NNU. **Seattle Pacific (Nov. 16-17)** – Rob Will, SPU; Ira Graham, WWU. **Western Washington (Nov. 23-24)** – Ira Graham, WWU; Calin Schell, WWU; Rob Diederichs, SPU; Rob Will, SPU. **UAA Great Alaska Shootout (Nov. 21-24)** – Carl Arts, UAA. **Central Washington (Nov. 30-Dec. 1)** – Jake Beitinger, CWU;

Sam Kelly, WOU; Brad Krichovsky, WOU. **CSU Pueblo (Nov. 30-Dec. 1)** – Bill Richardson, SMU. **WWU Great Western Shootout (Dec. 18-19 at Las Vegas)** – Ira Graham, WWU; Calin Schell, WWU; Jake Beitinger, CWU. **Humboldt State (Dec. 21-22)** – Michael Knight, Seattle; Ryan Coldren, Seattle. **Western Oregon (Dec. 28-29)** – Mike McLaughlin, WOU; Travis Kuhns, WOU; Nate Jackson, CWU; Jake Beitinger, CWU. **Seattle Pacific (Dec. 28-29)** – Marques Echols, SPU; Rob Diederichs, SPU; Michael Knight, SU. **Alaska Anchorage (Dec. 28-29)** – Chris Bryant, UAA (MVP); McCade Olsen, UAA; Luke Cooper, UAA.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Chris Bryant, Alaska Anchorage (G, 6-4, Sr., Metlakatla, AK) and Nate Jackson, Central Washington (G, 6-0, Sr., Seattle, WA – Cleveland & HCC). . .Bryant was selected the Most Outstanding Player as he led the Seawolves to two wins in the AT&T Alascom Jamboree at Anchorage. The Drake transfer scored 40 points, connecting on 15 of 27 shots, including nine of 19 treys. He also had 10 rebounds, five assists and three steals. The two wins improved UAA's Division II record to a perfect 9-0. . .Jackson scored 28 points and also had four rebounds, four assists and five steals as CWU earned wins over Sonoma State and Concordia, Ore., in the Phoenix Inn & Suites Classic at Monmouth. The CWU point guard made 11 of 13 shots and was selected to the all-tournament team.

HONORABLE MENTION: Marques Echols, Seattle Pacific (G, 6-2, Sr., Seattle, WA – Garfield & Peninsula) scored 45 points and had 10 assists to earn all-tournament honors as he led the Falcons to their sixth and seventh wins in a row. Echols made 16 of 27 shots, including eight of 15 three-pointers.

AROUND THE GNAC: Travis Kuhns and Mike McLaughlin of Western Oregon and Jake Beitinger of Central Washington joined Jackson on the all-tournament team at Monmouth. Kuhns had 28 points, 11 assists, nine rebounds and five steals, while McLaughlin scored 25 points and also had 13 rebounds in the Wolves' two victories. Beitinger had 28 points, 14 rebounds and three blocks in CWU's two wins. . . SPU's Rob Diederichs and Seattle's Michael Knight earned all-tournament honors in the SPU Oak Harbor Classic. Diederichs finished the tournament with 36 points (13-24 FGs) and 14 rebounds. Knight netted 32 points as the Redhawks split two games. SPU also got a solid 31-point, 16-rebound, seven-assist performance from JoJay Jackson. . .Luke Cooper registered his 23rd double-digit career assist game with 12 in Alaska Anchorage's win over Christian Brothers. Cooper (14 points, 15 assists) and McCade Olsen (32 points, 14 rebounds, 13-21 FGs) joined Bryant on the all-tournament team. . .Saint Martin's Jake Linton scored 12 points to increase his career total to 1,002 in Sunday's 35-point win over Concordia, N.Y. Linton is the 33rd player in GNAC history and the fourth Saint to reach that figure. Saint forward Brendan Campbell, who joined the GNAC 1,000 Point Club earlier this month, now has 1,022 points. . .Scott Helpenstell had team-highs of 16 points and nine rebounds in a five-point loss to Division I Idaho State as Northwest Nazarene sustained its first loss of the 2007-08 season. . .UAF's Kevin Atkins had 35

points, connecting on 15 of 23 shots, 13 rebounds and seven assists in a pair of losses at Anchorage.

WIN-LOSS RECORDS: Seattle Pacific and Alaska Anchorage will take seven-game win streaks into the start of the conference season. Western Oregon has won five straight, Saint Martin's has won four in a row and Central Washington has won its last three. .GNAC teams finished their pre-conference schedules with a 20-13 record against other West Region teams, including 15-10 against the CCAA. Cal State San Bernardino accounted for five of the CCAA's 10 victories. Against all Division II teams, GNAC squads posted an impressive .631 winning percentage (41-24). In all games, conference teams won 63.8 percent (60-34). Monday's MSUB-Montana Western game is the final non-conference contest of the season.

AGAINST THE WEST REGION: GNAC (15) vs. CCAA (10) - NNU 1-0, WOU 1-0, Seattle 5-1, CWU 3-1, WWU 3-2, SPU 1-1, SMU 1-3, UAF 0-1, MSUB 0-1. **GNAC (5) vs. PacWest (3)** - UAA 3-0, NNU 1-0, SPU 1-0, WOU 0-1, CWU 0-2. **CCAA (10) vs. GNAC (15)** - CSU San Bernardino 5-0, UC San Diego 1-0, Cal State L.A. 1-0, CSU Dominguez Hills 1-0, Humboldt State 2-1, San Francisco State 0-1, CSU Stanislaus 0-2, Sonoma State 0-2, Cal Poly Pomona 0-2, Chico State 0-3, CSU Monterey Bay 0-4. **PacWest (3) vs. GNAC (5)** - BYU-Hawaii 2-2, Notre Dame de Namur 1-1, Chaminade 0-1, Hawaii Hilo 0-1.

Women's Basketball

	W	L	W	L	H	A	N
Seattle University	0	0	9	0	5-0	4-0	0-0
Seattle Pacific	0	0	9	0	5-0	2-0	2-0
Central Washington	0	0	8	0	2-0	0-0	6-0
Alaska Anchorage	0	0	11	1	9-0	2-0	0-1
Alaska Fairbanks	0	0	7	1	2-1	3-0	2-0
Saint Martin's	0	0	7	2	5-0	0-0	2-2
Northwest Nazarene	0	0	6	2	4-0	1-0	1-2
Western Oregon	0	0	4	5	2-1	1-1	1-3
Montana State Billings	0	0	3	6	2-1	1-3	0-2
Western Washington	0	0	3	9	1-2	1-1	1-6

Division II Games: Seattle Pacific 8-0, Central Washington 7-0, Seattle 6-0, Alaska Fairbanks 7-1, Alaska Anchorage 7-1, Saint Martin's 4-2, Northwest Nazarene 4-2, Western Oregon 2-4, MSU Billings 2-6, Western Washington 3-9.

West Region Games: Seattle 6-0, Seattle Pacific 6-0, Central Washington 5-0, Alaska Anchorage 4-0, Saint Martin's 4-1, Alaska Fairbanks 4-1, Northwest Nazarene 4-2, *MSU Billings 2-4, Western Oregon 2-4, Western Washington 2-7. (*MSUB region record includes games against schools in states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Western New Mexico and Colorado).

LAST WEEK: Friday - Sonoma State Invitational (Sonoma State 66, MSU Billings 51); UCSD GNAC/CCAA Challenge (Cal Poly Pomona 68, Western Washington 62; Seattle Pacific 75, UC San Diego 65). **Saturday** - Sonoma State Invitational (Chico State 73, MSU Billings 59); UCSD GNAC/CCAA Challenge (Seattle Pacific 77, Cal Poly Pomona 58; UC San Diego 79, Western Washington 76, 2 ot).

THIS WEEK: Monday - Albertson at Northwest Nazarene. **Thursday** - MSU Billings at Alaska Anchorage; Seattle at Alaska Fairbanks; Northwest Nazarene at Western Oregon, 5:30 p.m.; Seattle Pacific at Saint Martin's, 5:30 p.m. **Saturday** - Seattle at Alaska Anchorage; MSU Billings at Alaska Fairbanks; Central Washington at Western Washington; Northwest Nazarene at Saint Martin's, 5 p.m.; Seattle Pacific at Western Oregon, 5 p.m.

POLLS: WBCA (Dec. 18) - 4. Alaska Anchorage; 15. Seattle Pacific. **NCAA West Region** - The first NCAA West Region weekly poll will be released Wednesday, Jan. 30. **GNAC Coaches Pre-Season:** 1. Seattle Pacific (5) 99; 2. Alaska Anchorage (4) 95; 3. Western Washington (1) 80; 4. Seattle 71; 5. 57; 6.

Montana State Billings 56; 7. Central Washington 43; 8. Saint Martin's 24; 9. Western Oregon and Alaska Fairbanks 19. (**Note:** First-place votes in parenthesis. Points awarded on 11-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis.).

ALL-TOURNAMENT: Notre Dame (Nov. 16-17) - Shayla Corder, WOU. **UAA Great Alaska Shootout (Nov. 20-21)** - Rebecca Kielpinski, UAA (MVP); Maria Nilsson, UAA; Kahlie Quinones, UAA. **Western Washington (Nov. 23-24)** - India Soo, WWU; Tara Holgate, WWU; Jamey Gelhar, SMU. **Northwest Nazarene (Nov. 23-24)** - Jennifer Williams, NNU; Kristin Hein, NNU; Leada Berkey, WOU. **UAA Glacier Classic (Nov. 30-Dec. 1)** - Maria Nilsson, UAA (MVP); Dasha Basova, UAA; Rebecca Kielpinski, UAA; Cristina Bruketta, UAF; Sarah Herrin, UAA. **Seattle Pacific (Dec. 7-8)** - Beth Christensen, SPU (MVP); Libby Magnuson, SPU; Kelsey Hill, SPU; Amanda Dunbar, WWU. **Western Oregon (Dec. 21-22)** - Kassie Ludeman, SMU (MVP); Amber Harmon, SMU; Leada Berkey, WOU; Katie Torland, WOU. **UC San Diego (Dec. 28-29)** - Jackie Hollands, SPU (MVP); Kelsey Hill, SPU; Beth Christensen, SPU; India Soo, WWU. **Sonoma State (Dec. 28-29)** - Alira Carpenter, MSUB.

DOUBLE DOUBLES: 4 - Kristin Hein, NNU. 3 - Claire Pallansch, WWU. 2 - Seven with. 1 - Nine with.

GNAC PLAYER-OF-THE-WEEK: Jackie Hollands, Seattle Pacific (G, 5-9, Sr., Oregon City, OR) earned Most Valuable Player honors in leading the Falcons to wins over UC San Diego and Cal Poly Pomona in the CCAA/GNAC Crossover Classic at San Diego. Hollands led SPU in scoring with 31 points, steals with five and blocks with three. She also had three assists and six rebounds.

HONORABLE MENTION: Alira Carpenter, Montana State Billings (G, 5-8, Jr., Lewistown, MT - Fergus County) scored 34 points and also had eight rebounds to earn all-tournament honors in the Sonoma State Classic. Carpenter increased her career total to 1,012, becoming the 19th player in MSUB school history to score 1,000 or more points.

AROUND THE GNAC: SPU's Kelsey Hill and Beth Christensen and Western Washington's India Soo also earned all-tournament honors at San Diego. Hill had 22 points and 16 rebounds, while Christensen finished the tournament with 19 points and 14 assists. Soo led the Vikings with 31 points, though she also was charged with 15 turnovers. WWU freshman Marelle Moehrle scored 23 points on eight of 14 shooting (5 of 10 from the three-point line) and also had nine rebounds. Moehrle had 19 points and eight rebounds in Saturday's double-overtime loss to UC San Diego. Claire Pallansch and Gabby Wade each had 21 rebounds in the tournament.

WIN-LOSS RECORDS: Only three prior teams in GNAC history - Seattle Pacific in 2002-03 and 2003-04 and Alaska Anchorage in 2006-07 - had previously completed the non-conference regular-season portion of their schedule unbeaten. SPU, Seattle and Central Washington all accomplished that feat this season as GNAC teams combined for a 67-26 record (.720). .GNAC teams finished the pre-conference season with a 50-25 record in Division II games and 37-17 in West Region games. All of its advantage in the Region came against the PacWest (21-0). GNAC teams finished a game below .500 (16-17) against the CCAA. .Alaska Anchorage has won a school-record 25 straight home games, including a school-record tying 21 at the Wells Fargo Sports Complex and four at Sullivan Arena. In his two years at UAA, coach Tim Moser is 24-0 in Anchorage.

AGAINST THE WEST REGION: GNAC (16) vs. CCAA (17) - SPU 5-0, CWU 2-0, Seattle 1-0, SMU 2-1, NNU 3-2, WOU 2-4, WWU 1-7, UAF 0-1, MSU Billings 0-2. **GNAC (21) vs. PacWest (0)** - Seattle 5-0, UAA 4-0, UAF 4-0, CWU 3-0, SMU 2-0, SPU 1-0, NNU 1-0, WWU 1-0. **CCAA (17) vs. GNAC (16)** - CSU Dominguez Hills 1-0, Chico State 4-1, Sonoma State 2-1, CSU San Bernardino 2-1, UC San Diego 3-2, Cal Poly Pomona 2-2, San Francisco State 1-2, CSU Stanislaus 1-2, Humboldt State 1-3, CSU Monterey Bay 0-2. **PacWest (0) vs. GNAC (21)** - Dixie State 0-2, Hawaii Hilo 0-2, Notre Dame de Namur 0-3 Hawaii Pacific 0-4, Chaminade 0-5, BYU-Hawaii 0-5.

Conference Champions: Men's Cross Country – Western Washington. **Men's Soccer** – Seattle University. **Volleyball** – Western Washington. **Women's Cross Country** – Seattle Pacific. **Women's Soccer** – Seattle Pacific.

NACDA (End of Fall): 1. Grand Valley State 404; 12. Seattle Pacific 173; 18. Western Washington 147; 53. Seattle 75; 64. Central Washington 70; 100. Northwest Nazarene and Western Oregon 25.

All-Sports Standings

GNAC: Overall (5 of 14 sports): Western Washington 66, Western Oregon 61, Seattle Pacific 55, Seattle 54, Central Washington 46, Northwest Nazarene 43, MSU Billings 33, Alaska Anchorage 32, Alaska Fairbanks 21, Saint Martin's 21. **Men (2 of 7 sports):** Western Washington 26, Seattle 20, Western Oregon 18, Alaska Anchorage 16, Central Washington 14, Alaska Fairbanks 12, MSU Billings 10, Northwest Nazarene 8, Seattle Pacific 8, Saint Martin's 8. **Women (3 of 7 sports):** Seattle Pacific 47, Western Oregon 43, Western Washington 40, Northwest Nazarene 35, Seattle 34, Central Washington 32, MSU Billings 23, Alaska Anchorage 16, Saint Martin's 13, Alaska Fairbanks 9.