

GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

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Volleyball

	Conference				All			
	W	L	SW	SL	W	L	SW	SL
Seattle Pacific	4	1	14	8	10	7	39	28
Western Washington	4	2	14	7	11	6	36	24
Alaska Anchorage	4	2	13	10	12	7	38	34
Northwest Nazarene	4	2	15	10	11	7	39	28
Montana State Billings	4	3	17	12	10	8	40	33
Western Oregon	3	3	12	13	6	11	25	40
Alaska Fairbanks	2	3	10	11	8	8	30	30
Central Washington	1	4	7	14	9	7	34	27
Saint Martin's	0	6	1	18	1	12	5	36

LAST WEEK: Monday – Alaska Anchorage 1 at MSU Billings 3 (25-23, 19-25, 26-24, 25-15). **Tuesday** – College of Idaho 3 at Northwest Nazarene 1 (25-19, 24-26, 25-23, 25-23). **Wednesday** – Western Washington 0 at Seattle Pacific 3 (25-20, 25-22, 25-13). **Thursday** – Western Oregon 0 at Alaska Anchorage 3 (25-20, 25-21, 25-20); Saint Martin's 0 at Alaska Fairbanks 3 (25-18, 25-16, 25-14); MSU Billings 2 at Northwest Nazarene 3 (25-18, 24-26, 27-29, 25-17, 15-8). **Saturday** – Saint Martin's 0 at Alaska Anchorage 3 (25-18, 25-21, 25-16); Western Oregon 3 at Alaska Fairbanks 2 (18-25, 25-21, 25-20, 21-25, 15-8); Central Washington 0 at Western Washington 3 (25-16, 31-29, 25-16); MSU Billings 3 at Seattle Pacific 2 (25-22, 19-25, 21-25, 31-29, 15-12).

UPCOMING: Thursday – Seattle Pacific at Central Washington; Northwest Nazarene at Western Washington; Saint Martin's at Western Oregon. **Saturday** – Alaska Anchorage at Alaska Fairbanks; Western Oregon at Central Washington; Northwest Nazarene at Seattle Pacific; Western Washington at Saint Martin's. **Tuesday (Oct. 13)** – Rocky Mountain at MSU Billings. **Wednesday (Oct. 14)** – Saint Martin's at Evergreen State.

POLLS: CSTV/AVCA National Division II (Sept. 28) – 34. Western Washington. **Note:** NCAA West Region polls will be released Oct. 15, Oct. 29 and Nov. 12 with the playoff qualifiers announced Sunday, Nov. 15.

NCAA NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 27): Individuals (Top 30): Kills - 5. Devon Crotteau, MSUB, 4.46; 19.Megan Thigpen, UAF, 3.90; 30. Jackie Matthisen, UAA, 3.70. Hitting Percentage - 20. Laura Sakala, WOU, .381; 25. Amber Johnson, .369. Aces - 4. Erin Norris, CWU, 0.80. Digs - 2. Brandie Vea, CWU, 6.07; 20. Haley Hevern, NNU, 5.26; 24. Allison Gotz, WWU, 4.98. **Team (Top 30):** Digs - 2. Northwest Nazarene 18.41; 3. Central Washington 18.31.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Lindsay Grant, Northwest Nazarene (OH, 6-1, Sr., Nampa, ID – Nampa Christian) and Melissa Porter, Montana State Billings (MB, 6-3, Redmond, UT – North Sevier). . .Grant had 29 kills, the second highest total by any player in the conference this fall, and 21 digs as the Crusaders edged Montana State Billings in five sets. In two matches including a non-conference contest with College of Idaho, she had 46 kills and 44 digs to increase her career totals to 1,012 and 1,170, respectively. She is the 24th player in GNAC history to record 1,000 kills and currently ranks 18th in career digs. . .Porter led the Yellowjackets, who have been perhaps the most surprising team in the GNAC this fall, to wins over

second-place Alaska Anchorage and GNAC front-runner Seattle Pacific. In three matches, she had 29 kills and a team-best 16 blocks, making several momentum changing plays especially in Monday's win against the Seawolves. Her third-set block ignited a comeback from a 17-11 deficit and she then she later had a kill to break a 24-24 tie in a 26-24 set victory. She finished with 10 kills and four blocks against UAA, then had 13 kills and seven blocks against NNU before contributing six kills and five blocks against SPU.

OTHER NOTABLE PERFORMANCES: Cortney Lundberg hit for a .528 percentage (33-5-53) and also had 11 blocks as Alaska Anchorage moved into a three-way tie for second-place in the GNAC winning two of three matches. Lundberg had 17 kills and a .895 percentage – the third highest in GNAC history – in Saturday's sweep of Saint Martin's. . .Sarah Risser had 36 kills, 39 digs and four aces producing 40 ½ points as Seattle Pacific split two matches, sweeping Western Washington before losing in five to MSUB. The Falcons had six match points in the fourth set before the Yellowjackets rallied to win. . .Devon Crotteau nearly averaged a 20-20 double-double in Montana State Billings' three matches finishing with 59 kills and 64 digs. She is the GNAC active career leader in kills with 1,195 and needs three more to move into the GNAC's All-Time Top 10. . .Megan Thigpen had 31 kills and 21 digs and hit for a .319 percentage as Alaska Fairbanks split two home contests. Thigpen had double-doubles in both matches (20 kills, 11 digs vs. Western Oregon; 11 kills, 10 digs vs. Saint Martin's) and now has had eight double-doubles, including five in UAF's last six matches.

RECORD BOOK NUMBERS: Cammy Dranginis of Northwest Nazarene had 21 kills - two away from her career high - and eight blocks in Northwest Nazarene's 3-2 win over MSU Billings. Dranginis' 26 1/2 points moved her into the GNAC All-Time Top 10 list in career points. She finished the evening in ninth place with 1,438 points. She also set a GNAC record for blocking assists, increasing her career total to 338 while extending her GNAC career record for total blocks to 436. . .Grant is the GNAC active leader in digs with 1,170, five more than Brandie Vea of Central Washington and 41 more than Megan Thigpen of Alaska Fairbanks. . .Erin Norris of Central Washington didn't have an ace in the Wildcats 3-0 loss at Western Washington leaving her career total to 185, three short of the GNAC record held by Alyssa Given of Seattle Pacific (2004-07).

AROUND THE GNAC: Jackie Matthisen had 46 kills and 25 digs as Alaska Anchorage won two of three matches. The Seawolves outhit their opponents by 90 points as Calli Scott directed the offense, earning 118 assists (11.80 per set). . .Danielle Reese and Laura Sakala each had 22 kills and Sakala had a team-high six blocks as Western Oregon earned a road split in Alaska. . .Heather Lyons of Alaska Fairbanks hit for a .333 percentage and had 24 kills and 22 digs. . .Seattle Pacific

outright its two opponents .218 to .176 and also had more kills (123-98), aces (12-3), digs (174-157) and blocks (13-12). Amber Johnson participated in 10 of the blocks. . Marlayna Geary had 30 kills and Allison Gotz had 39 digs as Western Washington split two 3-0 decisions. . Kirstyn Druzianich had a team-best 16 kills in Saint Martin's two road matches in Alaska.

ACADEMY OF ART MATCHES NOW REGION

COUNTERS: The PacWest Conference announced last week that Academy of Art has received a waiver from the NCAA and matches with A of A now count as regional contests. Earlier this fall, Alaska Anchorage split two matches with A of A, while Central Washington beat the PacWest school. Seattle Pacific and Western Washington both lost to the Urban Knights, who are 14-5 on the season. GNAC teams are now 19-12 against PacWest teams (including Academy of the Art) and 14-18 against CCAA teams for a 33-30 overall record against other West Region teams.

GNAC (19) vs. PACWEST (12): Western Washington 3-1, Central Washington 3-1, Alaska Anchorage 4-2, Seattle Pacific 3-2, Alaska Fairbanks 3-2, MSU Billings 2-2, Western Oregon 1-1, Saint Martin's 0-1.
GNAC (14) vs. CCAA (18): Central Washington 3-1, Northwest Nazarene 3-1, Western Washington 2-2, Seattle Pacific 2-2, Alaska Anchorage 2-2, Western Oregon 1-3, Alaska Fairbanks 1-3, Saint Martin's 0-4.

PACWEST (12) vs. GNAC (19): Hawaii Hilo 6-0, Academy of Art 3-2, Grand Canyon 2-2, BYU-Hawaii 1-5, Hawaii Pacific 0-3, Chaminade 0-3, Notre Dame de Namur 0-4. **CCAA (18) vs. GNAC (14):** Sonoma State 4-0, CSU San Bernardino 3-0, UC San Diego 1-0, Cal State East Bay 1-0, San Francisco State 3-1, Chico State 2-1, Cal State L.A. 2-2, Cal Poly Pomona 1-1, Humboldt State 1-3, CSU Stanislaus 0-2, CSU Dominguez Hills 0-4.

ALL-TOURNAMENT: Alaska Anchorage (Aug. 28-29) - Calli Scott, UAA (MVP); McKenzie Moss, UAA; Jackie Matthisen, UAA. **Sonoma State (Aug. 28-29)** - Cammy Dranginis, NNU; Erin Norris, CWU. **Central Washington (Sept. 3-4)** - Carlee Marble, CWU (MVP), Kady Try, CWU; Marlayna Geary, WWU; Allison Gotz, WWU. **Alaska Fairbanks (Sept. 4-5)** - Megan Thigpen, UAF; Allison Oddy, UAF. **UC San Diego (Sept. 4-5)** - Stacie Meisner, UAA. **Western Washington (Sept. 10-12)** - Sarah Risser, SPU; Amber Johnson, SPU; Marlayna Geary, WWU; Allison Gotz, WWU; Kady Try, CWU; Danielle Reese, WOU. **MSU Billings (Sept. 11-12)** - Devon Crotteau, MSUB; Lindsay Grant, NNU; Alaina Barber, NNU.

Women's Soccer

	Conference						All					
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	T	GF	GA	
Western Washington	4	0	1	10	3	13	6	2	2	16	11	
Seattle Pacific	4	1	0	15	3	12	10	1	0	25	3	
Montana State Billings	3	2	0	11	11	9	6	4	1	23	19	
Saint Martin's	2	3	0	6	9	6	6	5	0	15	14	
Central Washington	1	2	1	4	5	4	4	6	1	18	16	
Northwest Nazarene	1	3	0	8	11	3	3	5	3	19	25	
Western Oregon	1	5	0	5	17	3	2	8	3	16	29	

LAST WEEK: **Wednesday** - Western Washington 2 at Northwest Nazarene 0; Western Oregon 0 at Seattle Pacific 5. **Saturday** - Central Washington 3 at MSU Billings 0; Western Oregon 0 at Saint Martin's 1; Seattle Pacific 2 at Western Washington 3.

UPCOMING: **Monday** - Western Washington at Saint Martin's, 1 p.m. **Tuesday** - BYU-Hawaii at Seattle Pacific, 1 p.m. **Thursday** - Western

Oregon at Central Washington, 3 p.m.; Northwest Nazarene at MSU Billings, 4 p.m.; Western Washington at UC San Diego, 7 p.m. **Saturday** - Northwest Nazarene at Central Washington, 11 a.m. **Sunday** - MSU Billings at Rocky Mountain, noon; Saint Martin's at Simon Fraser, 1 p.m. **Monday (Oct. 12)** - Western Washington at Grand Canyon, 1:30 p.m.

POLLS: NSCAA National (Sept. 29) - 1. Seattle Pacific. **NSCAA Regional (Sept. 29)** - 1. Seattle Pacific; 2. Cal State L.A.; 3. Chico State; 4. Cal Poly Pomona; 5. UC San Diego; 6. Humboldt State; 7. Western Washington; 8. Cal State San Bernardino; 9. Cal State Dominguez Hills; 10. Saint Martin's.

NCAA NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 27): Individuals (Top 30): Points - 17. Jaucelyn Richter, MSUB, 2.33. Goals - 14. Jaucelyn Richter, MSUB, 1.00. Assists - 23. Kaycie Hutchins, CWU, 0.60. Goals Against - 1. Maddie Dickinson, SPU, and Jesslyn Rahm Kellerman, SPU, 0.00; 8. Kylie Broadbent, WWU, 0.23. Save Percentage - 1. Maddie Dickinson, SPU, and Jesslyn Rahm Kellerman, SPU, 0.00; 19. Kylie Broadbent, WWU, 0.89. **Team (Top 30):** Shutout Percentage - 1. Seattle Pacific 1.000. Goals Against - 1. Seattle Pacific 0.00. Save PCT. - 1. Seattle Pacific 1.000.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Emily Frankland, Western Washington (F, 5-4, Jr., Sammamish, WA - Skyline) had a pair of goals and an assist leading the Vikings to wins over Northwest Nazarene and Seattle Pacific. She scored a second-half goal to snap a scoreless tie in a 2-0 win at Northwest Nazarene. She then scored a goal in the fifth minute to end Seattle Pacific's 11-game shutout streak and later added an assist on a goal by Molly Shannon as the Vikings snapped SPU's 27-game unbeaten streak. "Emily really asserted herself," WWU coach Travis Connell said. "Her energy and execution were big factors in both of our victories."

OTHER NOTABLE PERFORMANCES: Freshman Kelsy Villegas had two goals - the first of her career - and Amber Easterbrook recorded her 18th career shutout in Central Washington's 3-0 win at Montana State Billings. Easterbrook is tied for fourth in GNAC history in shutouts and in career save percentage (.809).

RECORD BOOK NUMBERS: In addition to losing its GNAC-record 27-game unbeaten streak, Seattle Pacific's 21-game winning streak also came to an end in Saturday's loss at Orca Field in Bellingham. That streak fell two short of their own GNAC record of 23 they set in 2007. . Western Washington's first goal ended SPU's team streak of consecutive minutes without allowing a goal at 1048 minutes and six seconds. SPU goalkeeper Maddie Dickinson, who didn't play Saturday, extended her personal streak to 638 minutes and seven seconds in Wednesday's shutout of Western Oregon. That is the second longest streak in GNAC history trailing only a streak of 835 minutes by SPU's Jennifer Hull in 2003. Jesslyn Rahm Kellerman's streak ended at 421 minutes and 58 seconds.

AROUND THE GNAC: Kelly Irving, who ranks second in the conference with five, had a pair of assists in Western Washington's win over Seattle Pacific. . Megan Lindsay had two goals and an assist and Kelsey Jenkins had a goal in two assists in Seattle Pacific's two contests. Seattle Pacific outshot Western Washington 18-13 as Amanda Johnson launched eight, the second highest total by a player this fall in the conference. Five of Johnson's shots were on-goal. . . Nicole Nedervelt's goal in the 77th minute gave Saint Martin's a 1-0 win over Western Oregon. . The Wolves were outshot 35-14 in road

losses at Seattle Pacific and Saint Martin's. . .Montana State Billings was shutout for only the second time this season (by CWU) ending Jaucelyn Richter's six-game streak with a point. Richter had eight goals and three assists during the six games.

Men's Soccer

	Conference						All					
	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	T	GF	GA	
Montana State Billings	2	0	2	6	4	8	7	2	2	24	9	
Saint Martin's	2	1	0	5	4	6	7	5	0	21	18	
Seattle Pacific	1	1	1	4	4	4	7	1	3	18	8	
Western Washington	1	2	0	4	4	3	4	7	0	19	20	
Northwest Nazarene	0	2	1	4	7	1	3	6	1	18	24	

LAST WEEK: Thursday – Saint Martin's 3 at Seattle Pacific 2. **Saturday** – Northwest Nazarene 2 at MSU Billings 2 (2OT); Seattle Pacific 1 at Western Washington 0.

UPCOMING: Monday – Western Washington at Saint Martin's, 3 p.m.; Mary vs. Northwest Nazarene (at Billings), noon. **Tuesday** – Northwest Nazarene at Rocky Mountain, 2 p.m. **Saturday** – Seattle Pacific at Northwest Nazarene, 4 p.m. **Sunday** – MSU Billings at Rocky Mountain, 2:30 p.m.; Saint Martin's at Simon Fraser, 3 p.m. **Monday (Oct. 12)** – Seattle Pacific at Grand Canyon, 7:30 p.m.

POLLS: NSCAA National (Sept. 29) – 24. Seattle Pacific. **NSCAA Regional (Sept. 29)** - 1. Cal State L.A.; 2. Sonoma State; 3. Grand Canyon; 4. Seattle Pacific; 5. CSU San Bernardino; 6. Montana State Billings; 7. Chico State; 8. Cal State Stanislaus; 9. San Francisco State and UC San Diego.

NCAA NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 27): Individuals (Top 30): Points - 4. Sam Charles, MSUB, 2.70. Goals - 10. Sam Charles, MSUB, 1.10. Goals Against - 15. Kaleb Kuehn, SPU, 0.59; 27. Matt Mitchell, MSUB, 0.75. Save Percentage - 16. Matthew Mitchell, MSUB, .865. **Team (Top 30):** Goals Against - 7. Seattle Pacific 0.52; 24. MSU Billings 0.75. Shutout Percentage - 28. Seattle Pacific 444. Save Percentage - 10. Montana State Billings .875.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Zac Lubin, Saint Martin's (GK, 6-5, Jr., Bozeman, MT) had eight saves – one short of his career high - and did not allow a goal over the final 71:25 allowing the Saints to rally from a 2-0 deficit to beat Seattle Pacific 3-2. "Zac had a great game," SMU coach Rob Walker said. "He played well in the air on high balls, crosses and corners and his save on a fantastic SPU free kick by Alec Nelson to preserve the win was top class. . .Zac has done a great job in the goalkeeping department and as a co-captain. He leads us on the field, in the weight room and in the classroom. His dedication to being the best he can be was a key ingredient in Thursday's win as well as every day in training."

AROUND THE GNAC: Victor Kelmel redirected a Vlad Voin corner kick into the net at the 59:05 mark to snap a 2-2 tie and give Saint Martin's a 3-2 win over Seattle Pacific Thursday. . .Enis Isufi scored the game's only goal in Seattle Pacific's 1-0 win at Western Washington. . .MSUB's Sam Charles had a goal in a 2-2 tie with Northwest Nazarene extending his own GNAC career record for points to 114 and now has recorded a point in a GNAC-record 14 consecutive games. Including one season in the Heartland Conference, Charles has 57 career goals

(50 in the GNAC) and 128 career points. . .Cesar Lira, a former JC All-American at North Idaho, made his NNU debut in the contest and had eight saves, equaling the second highest total this fall in the conference.

ALL-TOURNAMENT: Chico State (Aug. 27-31) – Ruben Orozco, SMU; James Schmid, SMU; Erik Orozco, SMU.

Cross Country

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK: Men – Barak Watson, Northwest Nazarene (Fr., Nampa, ID – Columbia) ran the second fastest 8,000 meter time in Northwest Nazarene school history and finished eighth among 198 runners in the Willamette Chuck Bowles Invitational at Salem. His time of 24:32.05 was only 24 seconds behind winner Michael Wickman of Chico State who led the Wildcats to a five-point win over Boise State in the team race. Watson, who finished behind five Division I runners and two Chico athletes, has now had four consecutive Top 10 finishes to start his collegiate career. **Women** – Jaclyn Puga, Northwest Nazarene (Jr., Meridian, ID – Nampa Christian) placed 10th out of 203 runners at Willamette in a time of 18:05.99 leading NNU to a ninth-place team finish. She was fourth among Division II West Region athletes, trailing three runners from Chico State.

UPCOMING: Friday - San Francisco West Region Preview (UAA, SPU, WOU). **Saturday** - Western Washington Invitational (CWU, SMU, SPU, WWU); MSUB Yellowjacket Invitational (MSUB).

POLLS: USTFCCA National (Sept. 30): Men - 8. Western Washington, 13. Alaska Anchorage. **Women** - 5. Alaska Anchorage, 8. Western Washington; 12. Seattle Pacific. **Regional (Sept. 29): Men** – 1. Chico State; 2. Western Washington; 3. Alaska Anchorage; 4. Cal Poly Pomona; 5. Western Oregon; 6. Humboldt State; 7. Northwest Nazarene; 8. UC San Diego; 9. BYU-Hawaii; 10. Hawaii Pacific. **Women** – 1. Chico State; 2. Alaska Anchorage; 3. Western Washington; 4. Seattle Pacific; 5. Cal State L.A.; 6. UC San Diego; 7. Cal Poly Pomona; 8. Northwest Nazarene; 9. Western Oregon; 10. BYU-Hawaii.

LAST WEEK

Emerald City Invitational (Oct. 3 at Lower Woodland Park): Men - Seattle University 25, Seattle Running Club 36. **Individuals (8,000 Meters)** – 1. Rob Webster, UW, 25:59; 22. Gavin Brand, SPU, 28:58; 27. Daniel Hamilton, SPU, 30:34; 30. Nathan Seely, SPU, 31:30. **Women** - Washington 15, Seattle 47, Seattle Pacific 85 Eastside Runners 97. **Individuals (6,000 Meters)** - 1. Mo Huber, UW, 23:03; 18. Krysta Carrick, SPU, 25:56; 23. Laura Moser, SPU, 26:47; 26. Lauren Wood, SPU, 27:01; 27. Kayla Wilkins, SPU, 27:18; 28. Margaret Hanscom, SPU, 27:32.

Willamette Chuck Bowles Invitational (Oct. 3 at Salem): Men - Chico State 46, Boise State 51, Willamette 113, Idaho 164, Nebraska Wesleyan 169, San Jose State 232, Whitworth 234, Portland State 243, Northwest Nazarene 250, St. John's (Minn.) 257, Seattle Pacific 370. **Individuals (8,000 meters)** - 1. Michael Wickman, CSUC, 24:08.06; 8. Barak Watson, NNU, 24:32.05; 21. Chad Meis, SPU, 25:54.89; 26. Matt Stark, NNU, 25:0.09. **Women** - Chico State 43, Augustana (SD) 114, Idaho 116, Whitworth 142, St. Thomas (Minn.) 171, Whitman 177, Boise State 183, Nebraska Wesleyan 206, Northwest Nazarene 232. **Individuals (5,000 Meters)** - 1. Teegan Schoch, UI, 17:26.92; 10. Jaclyn Puga, NNU, 18:05.99; 22. Jordan Powell, NNU, 18:18.70; 28. Michelle Phillips, NNU, 18:23.49.

Colorado Rocky Mountain Shootout (Oct. 3 at Boulder): Men - Garden City CC 34, Metro State 37, Black Hills State 67, Gillette 148, South Dakota School of Mines 151, Rocky Mountain 173, Colorado Christian 185, Montana State – Billings 196. **Individuals (8,000 Meters)** - 1. Kenyon Neuman, UC, 24:51; 72.

Daniel Lombardi, MSUB, 28:28. Women - Mesa State 33, Metro State 62, Black Hills State 79, Montana State – Billings 110. **Individuals (5,800 Meters)** - 1. Jennifer Barringer, UC, 19:25; 41. Lisa Minnehan, MSUB, 23:42; 67. Mykel Ler, MSUB, 24:31; 68. Leah Thompson, MSUB, 24:31.

Men's Golf

PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Xavier Dailly, Western Washington (Jr., Burlington, WA – Burlington-Edison) finished seventh in the Western Washington Invitational at the Bellingham Golf and Country Club last Monday and Tuesday with a 54-hole score of three-under par 213. Dailly, a transfer from Washington State, had a final round four-under par 68, leading the Vikings to a fourth-place team finish, 11 strokes back of first-place Dixie State.

OTHER NOTABLE PERFORMANCES: Sam Ayotte of Western Washington joined Dailly in the Top 10 in the Western Washington Invitational placing ninth with a 54-total of 216. . Chris Richter, competing as an individual, finished sixth for Montana State Billings in the Rocky Mountain Invitational with a 210 total.

UPCOMING: Sunday-Monday - North Idaho Invitational (MSU Billings). **Monday-Tuesday** - Grand Canyon Fall Classic (Western Washington). **Wednesday** - Northwest Nazarene at Treasure Valley (Scotch Pines GC, Payette). **Monday-Tuesday (Oct. 12-13)** - Chico State Invitational (Northwest Nazarene, Saint Martin's).

Rocky Mountain Invitational (Sept. 27-28 at Billings): 1. Marcus Segerstrom, RMC, 206 (69-67-70); Conner Rakowski, RMC, 206 (66-72-68) and Jakob Good, RMC, 206 (71-68-67); 6. Chris Richter, MSUB, 210 (69-71-70); 25. Aaron Remus, MSUB, 223 (79-69-75); 47. Keithon Walter, MSUB, 239 (80-79-80).

Western Washington Invitational (Sept. 28-29 at Bellingham Golf & CC): Team Scores - 1. Dixie State 855 (297-283-275); 2. British Columbia 859 (288-282-289); 3. Chico State 861 (295-279-287); 4. Western Washington 866 (297-285-284); 5. Hawaii Hilo 867 (288-293-286); 8. Saint Martin's 884 (285-294-305); 12. Montana State Billings 921 (320-307-294); 13. Northwest Nazarene 926 (309-311-306). **Individuals (Par 72, 6,561 Yards)** - 1. Kyle Chappell, DSC, 208 (72-71-65) and Cameron Crawford, DSC, 208 (73-66-69); 7. Xavier Dailly, WWU, 213 (71-74-68); 9. Sam Ayotte, WWU, 216 (78-69-69); 15. Nick Varelia, WWU, 218 (73-71-74) and Justin Lanman, SMU, 218 (72-72-74); 20. Zach Dietz, SMU, 219 (70-73-76); 27. Brian Barhanovich, WWU, 222 (77-71-74), *Jake Webb, WWU, 222 (77-71-74) and Tyler Nicholas, MSUB, 222 (74-72-76); 38. Julian Peters, WWU, 224 (76-75-73), Jacob Harr, MSUB, 224 (76-79-69) and Jack Whealdon, SMU, 224 (69-74-81); 44. Olof Rosborg, SMU, 226 (74-75-77), *Adam Brisben, WWU, 226 (77-73-76) and Zach Grunig, NNU, 226 (77-75-74); 50. *Evan Needham, WWU, 227 (78-72-77); 54. Rowdy Hope, NNU, 229 (78-75-76); 58. Jeff McDonald, NNU, 233 (74-81-78); 66. Jeff Allen, MSUB, 239 (87-79-73); 67. Kevin Jech, SMU, 241 (84-79-78) and KC Kindle, MSUB (85-80-76); 70. Tanner Roggenkamp, NNU, 242 (80-84-78); 71. Travis Gates, MSUB, 244 (85-77-82) and Aaron VandeHey, NNU, 244 (84-80-80). *Competed as individual.

Football

	Conference				All			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Western Oregon	2	0	34	32	3	2	84	96
Central Washington	1	0	37	6	6	0	169	58
Dixie State	1	2	46	74	2	4	110	161
Humboldt State	0	2	36	41	3	2	147	91

LAST SATURDAY: Dixie State 6 at Central Washington 37; Humboldt State 31 at Azusa Pacific 10; Southern Oregon 0 at Western Oregon 23.

THIS SATURDAY: Central Washington at Humboldt State, 6 p.m.; Western Oregon at Dixie State, 1:05 p.m.

POLLS: AFCA (Oct. 5) – 4. Central Washington. **D2Football.Com (Sept. 29)** – 4. Central Washington.

NCAA NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 27): Individuals (Top 30): Total Offense - 14. Judd Thompson, DSC, 286.6; 25. Mike Proulx, HSU, 267.0; 28. Josh Riddell, WOU, 265.5. Pass Efficiency – 28. Mike Proulx, HSU, 147.5. Receptions – 19. Skyler Ence, DSC, 6.8; 24. Sean Fullerton, WOU, 6.5. Receiving Yards - 14. Kyser Christensen, DSC, 102.2. Field Goals - 11. Kyle Schierholt, HSU, 1.50; 20. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.20. Punting - 11. Mike Langston, DSC, 41.6. Kickoff Returns - 22. Jon Dowd, WOU, 28.4. HSU, 147.5. Punt Returns – 24. Braden Bangay, WOU, 14.1. Tackles – 28. Nick Cragin, DSC, 9.6. Tackles For Loss – 28. Nick Cragin, DSC, 9.6. Interceptions - 16. Miguel Gonzalez, WOU, and West Montgomery, HSU, 0.75; 23. Wesley Beavers, DSC, and Richard May, DSC, 0.60. **Team (Top 30):** Total Defense - 13. Central Washington 256.6. Rushing Defense – 28. Central Washington 97.6. Passing Offense - 17. Dixie State 279.4. Passing Defense - 29. Central Washington 159.0. Scoring Defense - 8. Central Washington 10.4. Punt Returns - 6. Central Washington 19.7. Turnover Margin - 18. Central Washington 1.20.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Johnny Spevak, Central Washington (WR, 6-3, 200, Sr., Edgewood, WA – Puyallup) caught eight passes for 71 yards and a pair of touchdowns leading the Wildcats to 37-6 conference home win over Dixie State. Spevak recorded his 50th and 51st career touchdown receptions with catches of five and 14 yards in the second and third quarters, respectively, increasing his career point total to 308. In the process he tied a CWU school record for career pass receptions and set the school record for career pass receiving yards increasing his totals to 283 and 3,907, respectively. Brian Potucek had 283 receptions for 3,889 yards for CWU between 2001 and 2004. Both receivers wore uniform number 84 in their careers and coincidentally have now combined for 84 career TD receptions. **Defense** – Adam Bighill, Central Washington (LB, 5-10, 218, Jr., Montesano, WA) led the Wildcats in tackles for the second week in a row making 11 stops, including 2 ½ for losses totaling 17 yards. He also had an interception. A year ago, Bighill was CWU's No. 2 tackler with 78 and tied for the team lead in interceptions with five. He missed Central's first four games this season, but in the last two contests has had 20 tackles (4 ½ for losses) and has helped lead a defense that has allowed just 389 yards, including minus 62 rushing. **Special Teams** – Jon Dowd, Western Oregon (WR, 5-11, 205, Sr., Corvallis, OR – Crescent Valley) had 139 all-purpose yards, including 102 on five punt returns, 14 on one kick return and 23 on two receptions. He scored WOU's first touchdown in a 23-0 win over Southern Oregon on a 49-yard punt return in the first quarter, then set up the first of three Wolf field goals recovering a fumble at the seven-yard line on a Southern Oregon punt return in the second quarter. Dowd leads the GNAC this fall in both punt returns (15.8) and kickoff returns (27.2). His punt return average is on pace to break the GNAC single-season record of 15.0 set by Greg Dykstra of Western Washington in 2002.

OTHER NOTABLE PERFORMANCES: Western Oregon's defense allowed just 131 yards in a 23-0 shutout of Southern Oregon, its first shutout since blanking Humboldt State 64-0 in 2007. Seventy-two of the 131 yards – and four of the Raiders nine first downs – came on a 12-play first quarter drive which

ended on the one-yard line with a Wolf fumble recovery by Gerritt Vincent. . . Bubba Reynolds led Humboldt State with 12 tackles as the Lumberjacks limited Azusa Pacific to 242 yards and a single touchdown in a 31-10 win. The Lumberjacks are allowing 304.8 yards per game, a significant improvement over a year ago when Humboldt gave up 418.7 yards per contest in Rob Smith's first season as head coach in Arcata.

AROUND THE GNAC: Western Oregon quarterback Josh Riddell needs just 46 yards to become the seventh quarterback in GNAC history to pass for 4,000 yards. He has 4,061 yards in total offense. WOU running back Ben Kuenzi has rushed for 2,200 career yards, including a team-best 242 this season. . . Spevak needs just one more touchdown to equal the Central Washington career record for touchdowns and set a new school mark for career points. The current records of 52 and 312 were set by running back Dan Murphy between 1996 and 1999. . . CWU kicker Garrett Rolsma extended his streak of consecutive extra points without a miss to 86 including 20 this season. Rolsma had 13 points Saturday increasing his career total to 277. He needs to average 4.6 points over CWU's final five regular-season games to join Spevak and Murphy as the only members of the CWU 300-point club.

Men's Basketball

SPORTING NEWS PRE-SEASON ALL-AMERICANS: Two GNAC players have been selected to The Sporting News pre-season All-American team. Both Morris Anderson of Western Washington and Chris Banchemo of Seattle Pacific were honorable mention choices. Lucas Alves of BYU-Hawaii was a first team pick. . .BYU-Hawaii was ranked second in the pre-season poll. Listed as "possible breakthroughs" were Central Washington, Seattle Pacific and Western Washington. The Vikings are the defending GNAC champions. Humboldt State and Cal Poly Pomona are ranked eighth and ninth, respectively, in the poll.