

Great Northwest Athletic Conference

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	Conference			All			
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Western Washington	0	0	8	3	2-0	3-1	3-2
Central Washington	0	0	7	4	0-0	2-4	5-0
Montana State Billings	0	0	5	4	0-0	1-1	4-3
Western Oregon	0	0	6	9	0-0	0-5	6-4
Northwest Nazarene	0	0	5	8	1-3	3-1	1-4
Saint Martin's	0	0	2	5	0-0	0-4	2-1
Simon Fraser	0	0	0	9	0-0	0-4	0-5

LAST WEEK: Friday – Central Washington 6-3 at Holy Names 1-4; British Columbia 3 at Northwest Nazarene 6; Great Falls 11 at Northwest Nazarene 3; St. Mary's, Tex. Rattler Invitational (Western Oregon 6,Tarleton State 4; St. Mary's 7, Western Oregon 3). Saturday – Central Washington 1-1 at Dominican 2-3; Dickinson State at MSU Billings, cancelled; Eastern Oregon 3-3 at Northwest Nazarene 2-10; St. Mary's, Tex. Rattler Invitational (Western Oregon 9, Midwestern State 7; Western Oregon 10, Rogers State 8); Northwest 0-0 at Western Washington 9-14. Sunday – Central Washington 8-10 at Academy of Art 0-12; Dickinson State at MSU Billings, cancelled; St. Mary's, Tex. Round Robin (Midwestern State 2, Western Oregon 1; Western Oregon 5, Oklahoma Christian 4).

THIS WEEK: Friday – Northwest Nazarene at College of Idaho, 3 p.m. **Saturday** – College of Idaho at Northwest Nazarene, 11 a.m.; Minot State at MSU Billings, cancelled; Northwest at Saint Martin's, noon; Simon Fraser at British Columbia, 1 p.m. **Sunday** – Minot State at MSU Billings, cancelled; Saint Martin's at Concordia, noon; British Columbia at Western Washington, noon. **Tuesday (March 4)** –Western Oregon at Concordia, 2 p.m.

RANKINGS: NFCA (Pre-Season) - 12. Saint Martin's.

HITTING STREAKS (8 or more): 8 - Kailyn Campbell, CWU; Alexie Levin, WWU.

GNAC RED LION PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Player - Ashlie Gardner, Western Oregon (IF, 5-7, Sr., Salem, OR - North Salem) earned all-tournament honors at the Rattler Invitational at San Antonio, Tex., batting .350 and leading the Wolves with six RBI. She had seven hits in 20 at bats, including two doubles and a home run leading WOU to four wins in six contests. Pitcher - Maria Gau, Central Washington (5-7, Sr., Woodinville, WA) allowed just three runs and 15 hits in 18 innings, winning two of three decisions during a weekend road trip to California. She walked five and fanned 12.

HONORABLE MENTION: Eryka Brill, Western Oregon (P, 6-1, Sr., Dallas, OR) won a pair of games at the Rattler Invitational. In 18 innings, she allowed 10 runs, walked four and fanned 11 ... Justine Callen, Northwest Nazarene (P, 5-9, So., Oregon City, OR – Clackamas CC) pitched the Crusaders to a 10-3 win over Eastern Oregon, allowing seven hits and a pair of earn runs ... Brianna Kinghorn,

Northwest Nazarene (1B, 5-6, Jr., Meridian, ID – Mountain View) had seven hits in 14 at bats and drove in four runs as the Crusaders dropped three of four games.

TEAM NOTES

Central Washington: Despite outscoring its three opponents, 29-22, the Wildcats lost four of six games on a road trip to California, losing twice by one run and twice by two runs. Austin Wilkerson (.429), Sammy Morris (.375) and Jill McDaniel (.316) all had six hits. McDaniel had CWU's lone home run and drove in a team-high seven runs.

Northwest Nazarene: In addition to Kinghorn (See *Honorable Mention* notes), Ali Schauer led NNU offensively with five hits in eight at bats as the Crusaders won one of four games in their home openers. NNU was outhit .316 to .278.

Western Oregon: Melanie Pfeiffer batted .429 (9-of-21) in the Rattler Invitational at San Antonio. She was one of four .300 hitters (min. 12 at bats) for WOU in the tournament including Ashlie Gardner, Amanda Evola (.304, 7-for-23) and Bridget Box (.300, 6-of-20). Evola also drove in five runs.

Western Washington: Alexie Levin had five hits in six at bats to lead the Vikings to a doubleheader sweep of Northwest. Levin also drove in five runs. WWU's pitchers (Jenna DeRosier, 2 hits in 5 innings), Aspen Ison (0 hits in 5 innings) and Shayna Adelstein (0 hits in 1 inning) didn't allow a run.

MSUB DESERT STINGER ALL-TOURNAMENT (Feb. 7-9): First Team – Jordan Walley, WWU; Kiana Wood, CWU. Second Team – Aubrey Conceicao, MSUB; Amanda Evola, WOU; Kelsie Gardner, WOU. Defensive MVP – Brianna Kinghorn, NNU. Team Records – Central Washington 5-0, Western Washington 3-2, MSU Billings 2-3, Western Oregon 2-3, Northwest Nazarene 1-4, Simon Fraser 0-5.

GNAC RED LION PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Week of Jan. 27-Feb. 2: Player – Alexie Levin, Western Washington (1B, 5-7, So., Everett, WA - Everett) had seven hits in 13 at bats, scored four runs and drove in four as the Vikings won three of four games in Hawaii. Among her seven hits was a pair of doubles. Pitcher - Jenna DeRosier, Western Washington (P, 5-7, Sr., Kelso, WA) tossed complete-game wins over BYU-Hawaii (5-1) and

Hawaii Hilo (6-2) allowing just 10 hits in 14 innings. She walked four and struck out five.

Week of Feb. 3-9: Player - Kelsie Gardner, Western Oregon (1B, 5-8, Fr., Salem, OR - South Salem) and Brianna Kinghorn, Northwest Nazarene (1B, 5-6, Jr., Meridian, ID - Mountain View) ... Gardner had nine hits, including a pair of home runs, in 19 at bats and drove in nine runs as the Wolves averaged nearly nine runs a game in posting a 2-3 record in the MSUB Desert Stinger in Las Vegas. Gardner also had a pair of doubles and scored six runs. Kinghorn batted .407 (11-of-27), hit four home runs and drove in 12 runs as the Crusaders won four of nine games, including three of four in a series at Menlo. Pitcher - Kiana Wood, Central Washington (5-6, Fr., Aloha, OR) allowed just two runs in 24 2/3 innings, in winning three games including shutouts over Minot State (3-0) and Western New Mexico (5-0). Wood allowed 20 hits - only one against Minot (a two-out single in the first inning) - and walked five, while fanning 20 batters. Both of the runs she allowed came on solo home runs.