



## Great Northwest Athletic Conference

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### 2014 Softball Report No. 6 (March 25, 2014)

	Conference				All		
	W	L	W	L	H	A	N
Western Oregon	9	1	18	11	9-1	3-6	6-4
Central Washington	8	4	15	8	7-2	4-6	5-0
Saint Martin's	7	4	12	12	6-3	4-8	2-1
Western Washington	5	5	13	8	5-1	5-5	3-2
Montana State Billings	4	8	9	12	2-2	3-7	4-3
Northwest Nazarene	2	5	7	16	3-6	3-6	1-4
Simon Fraser	2	10	2	19	0-4	2-10	0-5

**LAST WEEK:** **Friday** – Simon Fraser 7-2 at Northwest Nazarene 8-7; Saint Martin's 2-2 at Western Oregon 6-6. **Saturday** – Central Washington 4-2 at Saint Martin's 3-5; Western Washington 5-4 at MSU Billings 10-5; Simon Fraser 3-8 at Northwest Nazarene 2-5. **Sunday** – Central Washington 3-0 at Western Oregon 2-4; Western Washington 12-13 at MSU Billings 2-5.

**THIS WEEK:** **Tuesday** – Lewis & Clark at Northwest Nazarene, noon. **Wednesday** – Concordia at Saint Martin's, noon. **Friday** – Central Washington at Western Washington, 1 p.m.; Western Oregon at Northwest Nazarene, 2 p.m. **Saturday** – Central Washington at Simon Fraser, 1 p.m.; Saint Martin's at MSU Billings, 1 p.m.; Western Oregon at Northwest Nazarene, noon. **Sunday** – Saint Martin's at MSU Billings, noon; Western Washington at Simon Fraser, 1 p.m.

**RANKINGS: NFCA (March 19)** – 34. Central Washington.

**HITTING STREAKS (10 or more):** 27 – Sam Munger, SMU (26 in 2013, 1 in 2014); 15 – Melanie Pfeiffer, WOU; Lacey McGladrey, SMU (12 in 2013, 3 in 2014). 11 – \*Amanda Evola, WOU. 10 – Bella Rovens, MSUB. \*Current

**NCAA NATIONAL STATISTICS (Top 30; through March 23): Team:** Batting – 5. Western Washington .363. Fielding – 28. Central Washington .969. Scoring – 15. Western Washington 7.05. Home Runs – 15. Western Washington 1.10. Slugging – 12. Western Washington .536. Double Plays – 6. Western Oregon 0.62. **Individual:** Batting – 19. Alexie Levin, WWU, 486. RBI – 25. Alexie Levin, WWU, 1.29; 28. Haylee Baker, WWU, 1.26; 29. Tavia Jenkins, SMU, 1.25. Stolen Bases – 9. Autumn Isaacson, WWU, 0.90. Saves – 20. Kelli Demianew, WOU, and Noelle Wright, NNU, 2. Slugging – 30. Alexie Levin, WWU, .889. Runs – 20. Autumn Isaacson, WWU, 1.24. Sacrifice Flies – 16. Bridget Box, WOU, 3.

**ALL-TOURNAMENT: MSUB Desert Stinger (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. **St. Mary's Rattler Invitational (Feb. 21-23)** – Ashlie Gardner, WOU.

**GNAC RED LION PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Player** – Raina Reece, Western Oregon (DP, 5-8, Fr., Salem, OR - South Salem) and Haylee Baker, Western Washington (SS, 5-4, Sr., Poulsbo, WA - Bainbridge) ... Both Reece and Baker had huge offensive weekends. Reece hit three home runs and drove in 10 runs as the Wolves stayed on top the GNAC standings sweeping two games from Saint Martin's and splitting a pair of contests with Central Washington.

She also had a single and double and posted a .385 batting average (5-of-13) and 1.176 slugging average. Baker had eight hits in 17 at bats. She homered four times and drove in 12 runs as the Vikings split a four-game series with Montana State Billings. **Pitcher** – Kelli Demianew, Western Oregon (5-10, Jr., Pendleton, OR) didn't allow an earned run in pitching the Wolves to two victories including a 4-0 shutout of Central Washington. In 15 innings, she allowed 15 hits, but just a pair of unearned runs extending her string of innings without allowing an earned run to 26 innings. She walked two and fanned three.

**HONORABLE MENTION:** Noelle Wright, Northwest Nazarene (P, 5-9, Sr., Irrigon, OR – Clackamas CC) split two decisions allowing just four earned runs in 17 2/3 innings. She fanned 10 and walked just three in posting a 1.58 ERA ... Shelby Johnson, Northwest Nazarene (SS, 5-7, Sr., Soda Springs, ID – Treasure Valley) had five hits in 12 at bats and stole three bases in earning the Crusaders a split of a four-game series with Simon Fraser ... Maria Gau, Central Washington (P, 5-7, Sr., Woodinville, WA) won two games, allowing just five runs in 20 2/3 innings. She walked nine and fanned 23 ... Danielle Raison, Simon Fraser (SS, 5-7, Jr., Langley, BC) had four doubles among seven hits in batting .467 as the Clan snapped a 19-game losing streak earning a series split with NNU.

**STREAKS:** Western Oregon leadoff hitter Melanie Pfeiffer extended her hitting streak to 15 before going 0-for-3 in Friday's second game against Saint Martin's. That matches the seventh longest in GNAC history and is the longest this season in the conference. WOU's Amanda Evola takes an 11-game streak into WOU's four-game series this weekend at Northwest Nazarene. Pfeiffer hit .547 (29-of-53) during her streak. Evola is batting .553 (21-of-38) during her streak.

#### TEAM NOTES

**Central Washington:** Kaitlyn Campbell had six hits in 14 at bats as the Wildcats split four low-scoring road games at Saint Martin's and Western Oregon. The games featured a grand total of 23 runs (less than three per team game). Andrea Hamada homered twice and accounted for four of CWU's nine RBIs.

**Montana State Billings:** The Yellowjackets hit .333 as they opened their home season splitting four games with Western Washington. Bella Rovens and Taylor Hoke led MSUB with five hits each. Rovens also walked four times

and fanned just once in 15 plate appearances posting a .600 on-base percentage.

**Northwest Nazarene:** Justine Callen batted .500 (5-of-10) and matched Shelby Johnson for most hits in NNU's series with Simon Fraser. The Crusaders had 16 fewer hits, but twice as many walks (16-7) and scored only two fewer runs. Three of the four game were decided by one run with NNU winning the first two.

**Saint Martin's:** Sam Munger and Dani Wall had five hits each and Taviah Jenkins drove accounted for half (5-of-10) of SMU's RBIs as the Saints posted a 1-3 record. Jenkins and Megan Miller had home runs.

**Simon Fraser:** Alex Baylak led the Clan in average batting .500 (6-of-12) in their series at Northwest Nazarene. Neither team hit a home run in the series. Leading the Clan pitching staff was Jessica Goulet, who allowed just seven runs (five earned) in 17 innings.

**Western Oregon:** Kelsie Gardner and Amanda Evola each had seven hits as the Wolves batted .324 in their doubleheaders with Saint Martin's and Central Washington outscoring the Saints and Wildcats 18-7. Raina Reece (*See Player of the Week notes*) accounted for 10 of WOU's 17 RBI. Evola scored one-third of its runs (6-of-18).

**Western Washington:** The Vikings batted .364 – one more point than their season average which ranks fifth nationally – in its series in Billings. Meghan Carrillo led WWU with nine hits in 12 at bats, while Haylee Baker (*See Player of the Week notes*) had eight hits.

## 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.

**Week of Feb. 17-23:** **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.

**Week of Feb. 24-March 2:** **Player** – Corrie Wilson, Saint Martin's (1B, 5-4, Fr., Ferndale, WA) had four hits in six at bats as the Saints swept a doubleheader from Northwest. **Pitcher** – Sam Munger, Saint Martin's (5-6, Jr., Everett, WA) tossed a two-hit shutout and struck out nine in five innings in a 15-0 victory.

**Week of March 3-9:** **Player** – Melanie Pfeiffer, Western Oregon (SS, 5-3, Sr., Reno, NV - Wooster) had 11 hits in 19 at bats and reached base 15 times posting a .652 on-base percentage as the Wolves won five of six games, including a four-game sweep of Montana State Billings. Pfeiffer, who extended her hitting streak to 12 games Tuesday, accounted for eight runs – 22 percent of WOU's total – scoring six times and driving in two. **Pitcher** – Noelle Wright, Northwest Nazarene (5-9, Sr., Irrigon, OR) pitched a two-hitter, but was the hard-luck loser in a 1-0 loss at Saint Martin's Friday. She struck out four and the lone run was unearned.

**Week of March 10-16:** **Player** – Sam Munger, Saint Martin's (SS-P, 5-6, Jr., Everett, WA - Cascade) had 11 hits in 24 at bats as the Saints split eight games. Among her 11 hits were three doubles and a triple. She also drove in seven runs. In the circle, she posted a 3-2 record and a 1.97 ERA. One of her losses was a two-hit 1-0 decision to Western Washington. **Pitcher** – Kelli Demianew, Western Oregon (5-10, Jr., Pendleton, OR – Blue Mountain CC) and Jenna DeRosier, Western Washington (5-7, Sr., Kelso, WA) ... Neither Demianew nor DeRosier allowed a run. Demianew picked up a pair of victories, including one in relief. In seven innings she allowed seven hits, but didn't walk a batter and struck out eight ... DeRosier scattered seven hits in blanking defending GNAC champion Saint Martin's 1-0. She walked one and fanned three.

**GNAC TEAM OF THE WEEK:** **Sept. 2-8** – Simon Fraser (football). **Sept. 9-15** – Northwest Nazarene (volleyball). **Sept. 16-22** – MSU Billings (men's cross country) and Simon Fraser (women's cross country). **Sept. 23-29** – Western Oregon (football). **Sept. 30-Oct. 6** – Seattle Pacific (men's soccer). **Oct. 7-13** – Central Washington (women's soccer). **Oct. 14-20** – Western Oregon (women's soccer). **Oct. 21-27** – Alaska Anchorage (men's and women's cross country). **Oct. 28-Nov. 3** – Simon Fraser (men's soccer). **Nov. 4-10** – Seattle Pacific (women's soccer) and Alaska Anchorage (women's cross country). **Nov. 11-17** – Western Washington (Volleyball). **Nov. 18-24** – Simon Fraser (men's soccer) and Western Washington (women's soccer). **Nov. 25-Dec. 1** – Western

Washington (men's basketball). **Dec. 2-8** – Saint Martin's (women's basketball). **Dec. 16-22** – Alaska Anchorage (women's basketball). **Dec. 30-Jan. 5** – Western Oregon (men's basketball). **Jan. 6-12** – Central Washington (men's basketball). **Jan. 13-19** – Seattle Pacific (men's basketball). **Jan. 20-26** – MSU Billings (women's basketball). **Jan. 27-Feb. 2** – Western Washington (men's basketball). **Feb. 3-9** – Central Washington (softball). **Feb. 10-16** – MSU Billings (men's basketball). **Feb. 17-23** – Alaska Anchorage (women's indoor track & field) and Western Washington (men's indoor track & field). **Feb. 24-March 2** – Alaska Fairbanks (Men's Basketball). **March 3-9** – Western Washington (women's basketball). **March 10-16** – Alaska Anchorage (Track & Field). **March 17-23** - Western Oregon (Softball).