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Northwest Nazarene	2	0	6	2	0-0	3-1	3-1
Alaska Anchorage	2	0	8	6	6-1	1-3	1-2
Central Washington	1	1	5	5	0-0	2-2	3-3
Alaska Fairbanks	1	1	2	11	1-4	1-5	0-2
Seattle Pacific	1	1	5	5	0-0	2-2	3-3
Western Oregon	1	1	4	7	4-3	0-0	0-4
Western Washington	0	0	7	1	0-0	0-1	7-0
Simon Fraser	0	0	5	1	5-1	0-0	0-0
MSU Billings	0	2	2	8	0-0	0-4	2-4
Saint Martin's	0	2	2	10	0-2	1-3	1-5

LAST WEEK: Tuesday – Saint Martin's 3 at Warner Pacific 1 (21-25, 25-22, 25-12, 25-21). **Thursday** – Seattle Pacific 1 at Alaska Anchorage 3 (25-23, 23-25, 25-17, 25-23); MSU Billings 0 at Alaska Fairbanks 3 (25-20, 25-20, 28-26); Central Washington 2 at Western Oregon 3 (17-25, 31-29, 25-27, 25-23, 15-8); Northwest Nazarene 3 at Saint Martin's 1 (25-20, 25-12, 18-25, 25-21). **Friday** – SFU Invitational (Simon Fraser d. Camosun, 25-18, 25-19, 25-15). **Saturday** – MSU Billings 0 at Alaska Anchorage 3 (25-22, 25-15, 25-8); Seattle Pacific 3 at Alaska Fairbanks 0 (25-16, 25-22, 25-14); Central Washington 3 at Saint Martin's 0 (25-14, 25-19, 25-20); Northwest Nazarene 3 at Western Oregon 2 (15-25, 23-25, 25-21, 25-13, 15-9); SFU Invitational (Simon Fraser d. Capilano, 25-17, 25-13, 25-18); Simon Fraser d. Douglas, 25-17, 25-18, 25-20).

THIS WEEK: Tuesday – Evergreen State at Saint Martin's, 7 p.m. **Wednesday** – Northwest at Saint Martin's, 7 p.m.; Concordia at Western Oregon, 7 p.m. **Thursday** – Alaska Anchorage at Central Washington; Alaska Fairbanks at Northwest Nazarene; Western Washington at MSU Billings; Simon Fraser at Seattle Pacific, 7:30 p.m. **Saturday** – Alaska Anchorage at Northwest Nazarene; Alaska Fairbanks at Central Washington; Simon Fraser at MSU Billings; Western Oregon at Saint Martin's; Western Washington at Seattle Pacific, 5 p.m.

NCAA NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 22): Individuals (Top 30): Points – 19. Andrea Terpstra, NNU, 4.71; 20. Sam Harthun, UAF, 4.69; 28. Kayla Erickson, WWU, 4.46. Kills – 26. Sam Harthun, UAF, 4.02. Hitting Percentage – 2. Kayla Erickson, WWU, .484; 5. Emily Boerger, WWU, .453. Assists – 8. Taylor Dillard, WWU, 11.65; 14. Catie Fry, CWU, 11.03. Blocks – 3. Andrea Terpstra, NNU, 1.50; 10. Nikki Lowell, SPU, 1.31; 11. Becky Blees, WOU, 1.30; 21. Hannah Deede, WOU, 1.23; 24. Jodi Huddleston, UAA, 1.19. Digs – 2. Samantha Hutchinson, WWU, 6.50; 11. Kaely Kight, CWU, 5.77. **Team (Top 30):** Kills – 6. Western Washington 14.81. Hitting Percentage – 2. Western Washington .333. Assists – 9. Western Washington 13.54. Blocks – 3. Seattle Pacific 2.62; 7. Northwest Nazarene 2.54; 23. Alaska Anchorage 2.38. Digs – 8. Northwest Nazarene 19.25.

POLLS: AVCA (Sept. 23) – 11. Western Washington; 27. Central Washington.

ALL-TOURNAMENT: CSU San Bernardino Coyote Classic (Sept. 6-7) – Nikki Lowell, SPU; Catie Fry, CWU. **Point Loma Nazarene (Sept. 6-7)** – Chelsey Walter, MSUB. **UAA Spring Hills Suite (Sept. 5-7)** – Julia Mackey, UAA; Jodi Huddleston, UAA; Quinn Barker, UAA. **Alaska Nanook Classic (Sept. 6-7)** – Sam Harthun, UAF. **Sonoma State (Sept. 13-14)** – Kayla Erickson, WWU; Emily Boerger, WWU.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Offense – Sam Harthun, Alaska Fairbanks (OH, 6-0, So., Oregon City, OR) and Julia Mackey, Alaska Anchorage (OH, 5-11, So., Fairbanks, AK – West Valley) Harthun had a GNAC opening conference week high 31 kills and also hit for a .344 percentage, 140 points above her season average as the Nanooks split two matches. Harthun, who leads the GNAC on the season in kills (4.02) and service aces (0.53), had 18 kills and a .469 percentage in Thursday's 3-0 win over Montana State Billings. On the season, she has had three of the top five kill totals (19, 18 and 17) this fall in the GNAC ... Mackey had 13 kills in 20 attempts and didn't make an error as the Seawolves hit for a .437 percentage in a 3-0 win over MSU Billings. That was UAA's best percentage in a conference match in the 13-year history of the GNAC. Mackey finished the opening weekend with 26 kills and a .345 percentage as UAA swept a pair of matches. **Defense** – Taylor Roberts, Northwest Nazarene (L, 5-5, Jr., Nampa, ID) led the Crusaders, who have won five straight, to road wins at Saint Martin's and Western Oregon. Roberts had 50 digs as NNU held the Saints and Wolves to a combined .148 attack percentage. **Honorable Mention** – Elayna Rice, Northwest Nazarene; Quinn Barker, Alaska Anchorage; Brooklyn Gould-Bradbury, Simon Fraser; Alanna Chan, Simon Fraser; Linden Firethorne, Central Washington; Kaely Kight, Central Washington; Hannah Deede, Western Oregon.

GNAC TEAM OF THE WEEK: Sept. 2-8 – Simon Fraser (football). **Sept. 9-15** – Northwest Nazarene (volleyball).

GNAC 38-48 IN NON-CONFERENCE: GNAC teams have posted a 38-48 record in non-conference matches. Conference teams were 15-19 against CCAA opponents and 9-18 against PacWest foes.

GNAC (15) vs. CCAA (19): Northwest Nazarene 2-0, Western Oregon 1-0, Western Washington 4-1, Seattle Pacific 3-3, Central Washington 2-2, MSU Billings 2-4, Alaska Anchorage 1-4, Saint Martin's 0-2, Alaska Fairbanks 0-3.

GNAC (9) vs. PacWest (18): Western Oregon 1-0, Western Washington 1-0, Alaska Anchorage 2-2, Northwest Nazarene 2-2, Seattle Pacific 1-1, Saint Martin's 1-5, Alaska Fairbanks 1-6, MSU Billings 0-2.

YEAR-BY-YEAR NON-CONFERENCE RECORDS

Year	Regular	West	Nationals	Totals (+/-)
	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L
2001	50-41	1-2 (2)		51-43 (+8)
2002	32-45	0-1 (1)		32-46 (-14)
2003	44-38	0-2 (2)		44-40 (+4)
2004	41-36	0-1 (1)		41-37 (+4)
2005	31-49	1-2 (2)		32-51 (-19)
2006	41-38	0-3 (3)		41-41 (Even)
2007	41-41	3-2 (3)	2-1	46-44 (+2)
2008	52-41	0-1 (1)		52-42 (+10)
2009	55-49	1-2 (2)		56-51 (+5)
2010	27-39	3-3 (3)		30-42 (-12)
2011	32-36	0-2 (2)		32-38 (-6)
2012	47-36	1-2 (2)		48-38 (+10)
2013	38-48	TBA		38-48 (-10)
Totals		10-23 (24)	2-1 (1)	Minus 18

TEAM NOTES

Alaska Anchorage: In addition to Offensive Player of the Week Mackey's 26 kills, Alaska Anchorage also got 23 kills from Katelynn Zanders as it swept a pair of home matches. Quinn Barker led the defense with 38 digs. Erin Braun and Jodi Huddleston each had nine blocks.

Alaska Fairbanks: Sam Harthun (See *Player of the Week*) accounted for 45.6 percent of the Nanooks' kills (31 of 68) in contests with MSU Billings and Seattle Pacific. The Nanooks were also led by Keri Knight with 17 kills and a team-best four aces.

Central Washington: Linden Firethorne led the Wildcats with 32 kills and Rachel Hanses had 27 kills and a team-high six aces as the Wildcats split two road matches. Kaely Kight led CWU defensively with 43 digs.

MSU Billings: Chelsey Walter had 17 kills and Monica Grimsrud had 16 in road losses in Alaska. Grimsrud ranks second in the GNAC in career active kills with 841, trailing only Nikki Lowell of Seattle Pacific who has 877.

Northwest Nazarene: The Crusaders ran their win streak – all on the road – to five matches with 3-1 and 3-2 victories at Saint Martin's and Western Oregon as Elayna Rice and Andrea Terpstra led the way with 31 and 30 kills. Terpstra also had a team-high 10 blocks and hit for a .313 percentage.

Saint Martin's: Kristyn Ross and Kyra Davidson each had 28 kills as the Saints won one of three matches. Davidson also had a team-high 11 blocks. Jessica Riddle led SMU with 65 digs. Cymbree Decosta had 46 assists increasing her career total to 1,891.

Seattle Pacific: The Falcons hit for a .470 percentage (42-3-83) in Saturday's 3-0 win at Fairbanks, posting the fifth best single-match (3 sets) percentage in GNAC history. It was the second best percentage for a conference match. SPU hit for a GNAC-record .473 percentage last year against Saint Martin's. In its two matches, Madi Cavell and Ellie Britt led SPU with 25 kills. Jackie Arnold had 11 blocks.

Simon Fraser: The Clan are off to a 5-1 start and already have matched their combined win total for the past two seasons. They won just four matches last year and one during the 2011 season. Kelsey Robinson led SFU in three victories last weekend with 35 kills. Setter Brooklyn Gould-Bradbury had 94 assists and libero Alanna Chan had 36 digs. Amanda Renkema and Madeline Hait each had eight blocks.

Western Oregon: Hannah Deede just missed the first triple-double of the 2013 season, tallying 16 kills, 12 blocks and eight digs in a 3-2 win over Central Washington. Her 12 blocks tied a school record and was one off the GNAC single-match record for a five-set match. She finished the weekend with 27 kills, 18 blocks and 16 digs.

Western Washington: The Vikings, who rank second nationally in hitting percentage (.333) in back of Concordia-St. Paul (.350), open their conference season this week with matches at MSU Billings Thursday and Seattle Pacific Saturday.

PREVIOUS RED LION PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Week of Sept. 2-8: Offense – Marcy Hjellum, Central Washington (OH, 5-11, Sr., Kennewick, WA - Kamiakin) had 28 kills and 20 digs to earn *Red Lion Offensive Player of the Week* honors. She led the Wildcats to a sweep of Alaska Fairbanks and Alaska Anchorage as CWU nailed down a post-season playoff berth. **Defense –** Heather Allen, Northwest Nazarene (MB, 5-10, Sr., Boise, ID) had 16 blocks including 10 (the second highest single-match total this fall in the GNAC) in Saturday's 3-1 win against Alaska Fairbanks. Allen, the *Red Lion Defensive Player of the Week*, also had 13 kills and hit for a .333 percentage (13-2-33).

Week of Sept. 9-15: Offense – Andrea Terpstra, Northwest Nazarene (MB, 6-4, Jr., Ripon, CA) tallied 50 kills and 20 blocks as the Crusaders won three of four matches in the CSU East Bay/Notre Dame de Namur Route 92 Showdown. Terpstra, a transfer from San Diego State, hit for a .417 percentage (50-10-96). **Defense –** Samantha Hutchinson, Western Washington (L, 5-7, Jr., University Place, WA - Curtis) averaged 8.50 digs – two more than her season average of 6.50 - as the Vikings won three of four matches at the Sonoma State Seawolf Invitational. Hutchinson had a total of 102 digs in 12 sets.