

GNAC FOOTBALL

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2008 Football Report 2 (Sept. 1, 2008)

	Conference				All			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	1	0	44	38	1	0	44	38
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	0	1	13	45
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	31
Dixie State	0	1	38	44	0	1	38	44

LAST SATURDAY: Central Washington 44 at Dixie State 38 (ot); Humboldt State 13 at Sacramento State 45; Western Oregon 14 at Portland State 31.

THIS SATURDAY: Mesa State at Central Washington, 1 p.m.; Western New Mexico at Dixie State, 7 p.m.; Humboldt State at Southern Oregon, 6 p.m.; Western Oregon at Western Washington, 7 p.m.

POLLS: NFCA (Pre-Season) - 11. Central Washington; 38. Western Oregon. **D2Football.com (Pre-Season) -** 11. Central Washington.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense, Jared Bronson, Central Washington (TE, 6-4, 255, Sr., Kent, WA – Thomas Jefferson & UW) caught four passes for a career-high 146 yards, scored twice and set up a third touchdown in leading the Wildcats to a 44-38 overtime road win at Dixie State. In the first quarter his 17-yard reception to the eight set up a one-yard TD run by J.R. Hasty. He then scored on a 63-yard pass from Mike Reilly in the second quarter and his 24-yard TD in the fourth quarter briefly gave CWU a 35-31 lead with 2:07 left. **Defense,** Teddy Owens, Dixie State (LB, 6-0, 225, Jr., Pleasant Grove, UT) had a game-high 13 tackles, including eight solos as Dixie came within three seconds of knocking off the nationally 11th-ranked Wildcats before 2,891 fans at St. George, Utah. Owens also forced and recovered a fumble and combined with Kevin Wilks for a eight-yard sack. **Special Teams,** Garrett Rolsma, Central Washington (6-0, 197, Jr., University Place, WA – Curtis) connected on a 44-yard field goal as time expired to force overtime. He was also perfect on five extra points, averaged 49.7 yards on six kickoffs and surrendered just 13 return yards on punts of 38 and 34 yards.

HONORABLE MENTION: Skyler Ence, Dixie State (WR, 6-1, 225, Jr., St. George, UT) caught seven passes for 114 yards, including a 58-yard touchdown reception.

AROUND THE GNAC: Quarterbacks Mike Reilly and Dexter Hill had impressive debuts in the CWU-Dixie contest. Reilly completed 26 of 39 passes for 346 yards and three touchdowns increasing his career passing total to 9,088 yards and moving past Zak Hill (8,882) into second place on CWU's career passing list. Dixie's Dexter Hill was 21 of 32 for 296 yards and two touchdowns. . .Bronson flirted with the GNAC record for most yards on four receptions. Western Oregon's Mike Hinshaw set the record with 163 yards against Carson-Newman in 2002.

PLAYING OVERTIME: The CWU-Dixie game was the ninth overtime game in GNAC history and the first since Western Oregon outlasted Western Washington 52-49 in four overtimes on Oct. 2, 2004. Three of the previous eight have involved the Wolves and Vikings, who play this Saturday at Bellingham. . .Central Washington is now 2-1 in GNAC overtime games, defeating Western Washington 35-28 on Oct. 19, 2002 and losing to Carroll 27-21 on Aug. 28, 2004. . .Home teams are 5-4 in OT contests, splitting the six which have involved two conference teams.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 44, Dixie State 38 (Aug. 30 at St. George, UT): Running back J.R. Hasty scored on a 25-yard run on Central Washington's first offensive play in overtime to give the Wildcats a six-point win. . . .Quarterback Mike Reilly completed 26 of 39 passes for 346 yards (his ninth career 300-yard passing game) and three touchdowns, while tight end Jared Bronson caught four for 146 yards and two touchdowns. . . .Wide receiver Johnny Spevak had 11 receptions, for 133 yards, including three on a last-ditch drive in the fourth quarter which set up a 44-yard field goal by Garrett Rolsma as time expired to force the extra period. . . .Spevak now has 164 career receptions for 2,097 yards and is the eighth player in CWU school history to have 2,000 or more receiving yards. . .Bronson's second TD reception - a 24-yarder - had put CWU, which trailed 31-21 at one point, ahead 35-31 with 2:07 left. However, Dixie then drove 60 yards in nine plays to go ahead 38-35 on a 21-yard pass from Dexter Hill to Nash Fowler with 30 seconds remaining. But, Reilly then completed four passes, three to Spevak of seven, eight and nine yards, to set up Rolsma's tying field goal. . .In the overtime, Hill's 13-yard pass to Fowler gave Dixie a first down at CWU's 11, but lineman Tyrell Nielsen nailed Hill for a four-yard loss and then safety J.R. Jamerson intercepted Hill on the next play in the end zone. Hasty then quickly ended the game with his touchdown gallop. . .CWU finished with 492 yards in offense, including 58 on 12 rushes by Hasty. . .Dixie netted 411 yards. Hill completed 21 of 32 passes for 296 yards and two touchdowns. Wide receiver Skyler Ence caught seven for 114 yards, including a 58-yard TD catch in the second quarter. Running back Tauni Vakapuna had 84 yards on 20 carries, including touchdown runs of three and 27 yards. . .Defensively, linebacker Buddy Wood led CWU with 10 tackles. Linebacker Teddy Owens had 13 tackles and also recovered a fumble to lead Dixie. Richard May had six tackles, broke up two passes and also had a 29-yard interception return for a touchdown. . .Rolsma's field goal was the second longest of his career. He made a 45-yarder last year against Minnesota Duluth and is now three of eight on attempts from 40 or more yards.

Central Washington	7	14	7	10	6	--	44
Dixie State	6	11	14	7	0	--	38

CWU – Hasty 1 run (Rolsma kick)
DSC – Vakapuna 3 run (kick blocked)
CWU – Bronson 63 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
DSC – Ence 58 pass from Hill (Nelson pass from Hill)
CWU – Spevak 6 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
DSC – Schwab 27 Field Goal
DSC – May 29 interception return (kick failed)
DSC – Vakapuna 27 run (Wells rush)
CWU – Morris 2 run (Rolsma kick)
CWU – Bronson 24 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
DSC – Fowler 21 pass from Hill (Manning kick)
CWU – Rolsma 44 Field Goal
CWU – Hasty 25 run (no attempt)

Portland State 31, Western Oregon 14 (Aug. 30 at Portland):

Running back Bobby McClintock accounted for 116 yards and four touchdowns to lead Portland State past Western Oregon before 8,239 fans at PGE Park. . . McClintock scored on runs on five, three, one and seven yards and netted 48 yards on 15 carries. He also caught seven passes for 68 yards. . .PSU's run-and-shoot offense netted 499 yards, including 457 through the air as quarterback Drew Hubel, who replaced starter Tygue Howland late in the second quarter, completed 28 of 40 for 305 yards. . . Western Oregon finished with 255 yards, 137 rushing. Ben Kuenzi led the ground attack netting 78 yards on eight carries. Mississippi State transfer Josh Riddell was seven of 14 for 93 yards and two touchdowns. Riddell entered the game in the third quarter at quarterback, replacing starter Brady Lovell and led the Wolves on two scoring drives - one early in the third quarter which ended with a six-yard TD pass to Demario Ballard, and another in the final minute of the game as Shaun Kauleinamoku caught a 21-yard pass with 18 seconds left. The key play of the first drive was a 53-yard run by Kuenzi in which he broke through a multitude of Portland State tacklers and rambled to the PSU five-yard line. . .The first drive pulled WOU to within 14-7 with 10:30 left in the third, but PSU answered with three scoring drives in the next 15 minutes to seal the game. . .Defensive back Andrew Jackson had 12 tackles to lead the Western Oregon defense. Linebacker J.T. Gilmore and DB Gavin Romanick had 11 and DB Caleb Singleton had 10. Jackson and Romanick had interceptions. . . The WOU defense created three first-half turnovers, forced six punts and held PSU to one of seven on third down conversions. Romanick's interception came at the WOU four-yard line with just 1:34 remaining in the opening half.

Western Oregon	0	0	7	7	--	14
Portland State	7	0	14	10	--	31

PSU – McClintock 5 run (Urrego kick)
PSU – McClintock 3 run (Urrego kick)
WOU – Ballard 6 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
PSU – McClintock 1 run (Urrego kick)
PSU – Urrego 31 Field Goal
PSU – McClintock 7 run (Urrego kick)
WOU – Kauleinamoku 21 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)

Sacramento State 45, Humboldt State 13 (Aug. 30 at Sacramento):

Sacramento State built a 28-0 lead early in the second quarter rolling to a 32-point win over Humboldt State. . .The Hornets rushed for 259 yards - 105 by Bryan Hilliard and 103 by Evander Wilkins - and also added 137 yards through the air. . .Sac State also took advantage of Lumberjack errors recovering an incomplete lateral pass in the end zone for a first-quarter touchdown and returning an interception (by Deionte Gordon) to the HSU 10-yard line. . . Humboldt was held to 172 yards, 64 rushing and 108 passing. QB Brian Hildebrand completed 11 of 20 passes for 102 yards after replacing starter Garrett Hubrich who completed two passes in six attempts in the first quarter before taking a hard hit. Kevin Miles caught four passes for 25 yards and Tim Simmons and Matt Smith each had three receptions. . .Hildebrand scored HSU's lone touchdown on a nine-yard run in the second quarter. The Lumberjacks also got points from Enrique Leyva who booted field goals of 40 and 35 yards. Leyva also averaged 63 yards on four kickoffs. Bobby Thomas led HSU's rushing attack with 44 yards on six carries. . .Linebacker Michael Lynch had a team-high 12 tackles, including two for losses of seven yards. Defensive backs Jeff Williams and Guy Ricciardulli had 10 and eight tackles, respectively.

Humboldt State	0	10	3	0	--	13
Sacramento State	21	14	0	10	--	45

SAC – Washington 20 pass from Smith (Gamboa kick)
SAC – Hilliard 2 run (Gamboa kick)
SAC – Battle recovered fumble in end zone (Gamboa kick)
SAC – Lane 2 pass from Smith (Gamboa kick)
HSU – Hildebrand 9 run (Leyva kick)
SAC – Smith 5 run (Gamboa kick)
HSU – Leyva 40 Field Goal
HSU – Leyva 35 Field Goal
SAC – Hilliard 6 run (Gamboa kick)
SAC – Gamboa 32 Field Goal

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	1	0	44	38	2	0	92	52
Western Oregon	1	0	36	27	1	1	50	58
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	1	1	28	59
Dixie State	0	1	38	44	1	1	73	47
Western Washington	0	1	27	36	0	1	27	36

LAST SATURDAY: Mesa State 14 Central Washington 48; Western New Mexico 3 at Dixie State 35; Humboldt State 15 at Southern Oregon 14; Western Oregon 36 at Western Washington 27.

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

POLLS: NFCA (Sept. 2) - 11. Central Washington; 40. Western Oregon. **D2Football.com (Sept. 2) -** 10. Central Washington.

GNAC IN SOUTHWEST REGION: The five current GNAC teams competed in the Northwest Region last season, but have been moved to the Southwest Region this fall. The region will also include the Lone Star Conference and the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Also making the move to the Southwest Region from the Northwest is Nebraska Omaha, which is a now a member of the MIAA.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - D.J. Jackson, Western Oregon (RB, 6-1, 215, So., Portland, OR – Jesuit) and Mike Reilly, Central Washington (QB, 6-3, 212, Sr., Kalispell, MT – Flathead). . Jackson averaged 10.2 yards, netting 132 yards on 13 carries, in a 36-27 conference road win at Western Washington. On WOU's third quarter touchdown that gave it a 23-20 lead, he had runs of 45 and seven yards to set up a two-yard TD pass from Josh Riddell to Demario Ballard. Then in the fourth quarter, Jackson had runs of 21 and 13 yards on the first two plays of a 99-yard, 11-play drive as the Wolves got the clinching touchdown on a 16-yard run by Ben Kuenzi. . Reilly had 357 yards in total offense, increasing his career total to 10,334, in CWU's 48-14 win over Mesa State. He completed 17 of 24 passes for 293 yards and four touchdowns and also netted 64 yards on eight rushes and was not sacked. **Defense -** Chad Frank, Dixie State (DE, 6-0, 245, Jr., Albuquerque, NM – Sandia) had seven tackles, including two quarterback sacks for losses of 22 yards and another tackle for a one-yard loss as Dixie set GNAC records for fewest rushing yards allowed (minus 51) and lowest yards allowed per play (1.2). Frank was also credited with a forced fumble, a pass breakup and three quarterback hurries in a 35-3 victory against Western New Mexico. **Special Teams -** Courtney Smith, Central Washington (CB, 5-11, 200, Sr., Stockton, CA – East Union) set up the Wildcats' first touchdown blocking a

punt and scored its fourth touchdown returning a kickoff 95 yards for a score. In all Smith had 129 all-purpose yards. He was also credited with three tackles, including two solos.

HONORABLE MENTION: Dexter Hill, Dixie State (QB, 6-1, 190, Sr., Pocatello, ID – Highland) completed 22 of 35 passes for 243 yards and two touchdowns and wasn't intercepted.

AROUND THE GNAC: Dixie State, which allowed just 74 yards on 61 snaps, broke the old GNAC record for fewest rushing yards allowed of minus 9 set by Central Washington against Montana Western in 2004 and the old GNAC record for fewest yards allowed per offensive play of 1.5 set by Western Washington against Montana – Western in 2001. . Dixie just missed the GNAC record for fewest total yards allowed, holding the Mustangs to 74 yards, one off the GNAC record of 73 set by Central Washington against Eastern Oregon in 2004. . With the victories by CWU and Dixie State, GNAC teams will finish the season 2-0 against non-conference Division II opponents. All of the remaining non-conference games are versus Division I Championship Sub Division (Weber State, Eastern Washington, Montana, North Dakota), Division III (Linfield) or NAIA (Azusa Pacific) foes.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 48, Mesa State 14 (Sept. 6 at Ellensburg): Quarterback Mike Reilly threw four touchdown passes and finished with 357 yards in total offense and Courtney Smith led Central Washington's special teams to two touchdowns as the Wildcats routed Mesa State before 2,711 fans at Tomlinson Stadium. . Reilly, who joined Jon Kitna as the only players in CWU school history to surpass the 10,000 yard career total offense mark, completed 17 of 24 passes for 293 yards, including touchdown passes of 24 and 31 yards to Chris Rohrbach, 39 yards to Johnny Spevak and 13 yards to tight end Jared Bronson. He also netted 64 yards on eight rushes increasing his career rushing total to 953 yards. . Two of the biggest plays in the game were turned in by Smith who blocked a punt early in the first quarter leading directly to a touchdown by Ryan Dyer and then returned a kickoff 95 yards early in the second quarter. Smith's kickoff return came after Mesa had cut a 21-7 CWU lead to 21-14 on a seven-yard pass from quarterback Phil Vigil to Maurice Manley. . That, however, was the last hurrah for the Mavericks, who also scored on an 80-yard run by Kris Means. Mesa didn't score over the final 41 minutes and managed just 19 yards of total offense (compared to 231 by the Wildcats) in the second half. It had only four yards in

the fourth quarter. . . For the game, CWU finished with nearly twice as many yards as the RMAC school (467-239). The Wildcats had 315 yards passing and 152 rushing led by Reilly, J.R. Hasty (48 yards) and Jerome Morris (39 yards). . . Rohrbach led CWU's receivers with seven catches for 113 yards, while Spevak caught three for 92 yards. . . . Defensively, CWU came up with nine quarterback sacks, including two by Andrew Olney and also got turnovers from Jerome Williams (interception) and Jon Rogers (fumble recovery). Linebacker Adam Bighill had a team-best eight tackles. . . Williams' interception came as he jumped high in the air over a Maverick receiver, grabbed the ball with one hand and then held on to it as he tumbled to the ground to thwart a Mesa scoring drive. . . The play came at CWU's 29. Six plays later Spevak scored on a 39-yard pass from Reilly, who now has 10,334 yards in total offense, to give CWU a 14-0 lead, a lead it never relinquished. . . Central is now 5-0 all-time against current Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference teams.

Mesa State	7	7	0	0	--	14
Central Washington	21	14	6	7	--	48
CWU – Dyer 2 blocked punt return (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Spevak 39 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
Mesa – Means 80 run (Smith kick)						
CWU – Rohrbach 24 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
Mesa – Manley 7 pass from Vigil (Smith kick)						
CWU – Smith 95 kickoff return (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Bronson 13 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Rolsma 31 Field Goal						
CWU – Rolsma 21 Field Goal						
CWU – Rohrbach 31 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						

Dixie State 35, Western New Mexico 3 (Sept. 6 at St. George, UT): Quarterback Dexter Hill completed 22 of 35 passes for 243 yards and two touchdowns and Dixie State set two Great Northwest Athletic Conference defensive records (*See Around The GNAC*) in a 32-point win before 3,111 fans. . . Hill tossed TD passes of 13 and 18 yards to Kyser Christensen and Carson Seegmiller as Dixie State snapped a 3-3 tie in the second quarter. . . Christensen finished the contest with 118 yards on seven catches. Wide receiver Judd Thompson had 48 yards on six receptions and Skyler Ence had 36 on four catches. . . Dixie netted 404 yards in total offense – its high total since joining the four-year college ranks - as running backs Aaron Davies and Sione Tapuosi combined for 154 yards. Davies had 78 yards on 22 carries including a two-yard touchdown run in the third quarter, while Tapuosi had 76 yards on 16 carries. . . In addition to setting GNAC defensive records for fewest rushing yards allowed (minus 51) and lowest yards per play (1.2), the Dixie defense also contributed eight points, getting a safety in the third quarter and a touchdown in the fourth quarter on a fumble recovery by Andy Hicks. The recovery was one of two for Hicks, who also had four tackles. . . Chad Frank and Stephen Cook led Dixie with seven tackles and a forced fumble each. Frank had three tackles for losses, including two of six quarterback sacks by Dixie. Lineman Manu Mafi had 2 ½ sacks for losses totaling 15 yards. In all, Dixie stopped the Mustangs 10 times behind the line of scrimmage for losses totaling 92 yards. . . Dixie's special teams also contributed as Zack Manning booted field goals of 35 and 42 yards.

Western New Mexico	3	0	0	0	--	3
Dixie State	3	13	12	7	--	35
DSC – Manning 35 Field Goal						
WNMU – Flores 42 Field Goal						
DSC – Christensen 13 pass from Hill (Manning kick)						
DSC – Seegmiller 18 pass from Hill (kick failed)						
DSC – Manning 42 Field Goal						
Disc – Safety, ball snapped out of end zone						
DSC – Davies 2 run (Manning kick)						
DSC – Hicks recovered fumble in end zone						

Humboldt State 15, Southern Oregon 14 (Sept. 6 at Ashland): Humboldt State scored with 6:02 left in the fourth quarter on an eight-yard run by freshman quarterback Mike Proulx to beat Southern Oregon and give coach Rob Smith his first victory with the Lumberjacks. He previously won 109 games in 17 seasons at Western Washington. . . Proulx's TD run capped a four-play, 85-yard drive, and defensive back Mike Price then sealed the victory with an interception at the 18-yard line. . . Prior to the winning touchdown, wide receiver Kevin Miles completed a 46-yard pass to Mike Streck-Woodard after taking a lateral from Proulx to set up the score. . . The drive came on the heels on a great goal-line stand in which HSU forced Southern Oregon to settle for a 19-yard field goal by Corey O'Neill after having a first-and-goal from the three-yard line. . . Proulx, who came off the bench in the second half, finished with five completions in 10 attempts for 58 yards. He also netted 28 yards on nine carries. . . Thomas led the HSU running attack, which produced 164 of HSU's 303 yards of total offense, with 54 yards. . . The Lumberjack defense was opportunistic coming up with four interceptions, two of them by Guy Ricciardulli. It also held Southern Oregon to just 50 yards rushing, though the Raiders did net 343 yards passing. . . Linebackers Bubba Reynolds and Justin Calcote had team-highs 11 and 10 tackles, respectively.

Humboldt State	3	0	6	6	--	15
Southern Oregon	9	2	0	3	--	14
SOU – Stout 42 pass from Lee-Lauduski (kick failed)						
SOU – O'Neill 28 Field Goal						
HSU – Leyva 44 Field Goal						
SOU – Safety						
HSU – Smith 27 pass from Proulx (pass failed)						
SOU – O'Neill 19 Field Goal						
HSU – Proulx 8 run (pass failed)						

Western Oregon 36, Western Washington 27 (Sept. 6 at Bellingham): D.J. Jackson rushed for 132 yards on 13 carries and Ben Kuenzi, who had 81 yards, scored on runs of six and 16 yards as Western Oregon rallied from a 27-23 deficit against Western Washington to win its conference opener. . . Kuenzi scored from six yards out for the go-ahead touchdown with 2:31 left in the third quarter as WOU took advantage of a short-field situation because of a celebration penalty after a WWU touchdown to go 40 yards in five plays. . . Then after Viking running back Randall Eldridge was stopped inches short of the goal line on fourth down by linebacker J.T. Gilmore, WOU drove 99 yards in 11 plays with Kuenzi scoring the clinching TD with 3:49 left. . . Western Oregon finished with 462 yards, including 252 rushing. The Wolves, who converted on seven of 11 third-down plays, averaged 6.6 yards on 38

carries and had 13 rushing first downs. Quarterback Josh Riddell, a transfer from Mississippi State, completed 15 of 24 passes for 210 yards and two touchdowns, including a 58-yarder by Chris Malcolm. Sean Fullerton, Isaiah Smith and Shaun Kauleinamoku each caught three. Kauleinamoku also had a 37-yard punt return. . .Adam Perry completed 23 of 38 passes for 278 yards and three touchdowns to lead Western Washington, which was playing its season-opener. Eldridge had 148 yards, rushing for 80 in 24 carries and was also WWU's leading receiver catching six for 68 yards. Travis McKee caught five for 96 yards and Logan Cullen had four for 68 yards, including an 18-yard TD reception in the opening period. . .Gavin Romanick led Western Oregon's defense with 10 tackles and Caleb Jessup had 11 for the Vikings. Both players had eight solos. Don Thomas recovered a fumble and had two sacks for WWU. . .The loss was the sixth in a row for the Vikings who lost their final five games of the 2007 season.

Western Oregon	10	7	13	6	--	36
Western Washington	7	13	7	0	--	27
WOU – Rodriguez 33 Field Goal						
WWU – Cullen 18 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WOU – Malcolm 58 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
WWU – Eldridge 18 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WOU – Ore 14 run (Rodriguez kick)						
WWU – Sampson 13 blocked punt return (run failed)						
WOU – Ballard 2 pass from Riddell (kick failed)						
WWU – Hekker 10 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WOU – Kuenzi 6 run (Rodriguez kick)						
WOU – Kuenzi 16 run (run failed)						

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2008 Football Report 4 (Sept. 15, 2008)

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	2	0	75	62	3	0	123	76
Western Washington	1	1	57	50	1	1	57	50
Western Oregon	1	1	60	58	1	2	74	89
Humboldt State	0	1	14	30	1	2	42	89
Dixie State	0	1	38	44	1	2	80	91

LAST SATURDAY: Central Washington 31 at Western Oregon 24; Dixie State 7 at Weber State 44; Western Washington 30 at Humboldt State 14.

THIS SATURDAY: Humboldt State at Central Washington, 1 p.m.; Western Oregon at Dixie State, 7 p.m.; Western Washington at Eastern Washington, 6 p.m.

POLLS: NFCA (Sept. 9) - 8. Central Washington; 30. Western Oregon.
D2Football.com (Sept. 9) - 8. Central Washington.

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 6): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 4. Mike Reilly, CWU, 372.0; 13. Adam Perry, WWU, 312.0; 34. Dexter Hill, Dixie State, 258.0. All-Purpose - 34. Randall Eldridge, WWU, 148.0; 50. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 137.0. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 9. Mike Reilly, CWU, 183.8; 32. Dexter Hill, Dixie State, 150.7; 33. Josh Riddle, WOU, 149.1; 34. Adam Perry, WWU, 148.0. Receptions - 22. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 7.00; 40. Randall Eldridge, WWU, and Chris Rohrbach, CWU, 6.00. Receiving Yards - 22. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 112.50; 37. Travis McKee, WWU, 96.0; 50. Jared Bronson, CWU, 89.5. Scoring - 30. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 10.00; 35. Jared Bronson, CWU, 9.00. Field Goals - 13. Enrique Leyva, HSU, 1.50, and Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.50; 21. Zach Manning, Dixie State, 1.00. Punting - 30. Kyle Schierholt, HSU, 39.4; 45. Cory Dickson, WOU, 37.7. Punt Returns - 19. Nash Fowler, Dixie State, 12.67; 37. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 98.80. Kickoff Returns - 30. Jerome Williams, CWU, 27.8. Interceptions - 5. Zach Schrader, WWU, and Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 1.00. Tackles - 23. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 11.0; 31. Gavin Romanick, WOU, and Andrew Jackson, WOU, 10.5; 45. J.T. Gilmore, WOU, 10.0. Tackles For Losses - 28. Tyler Nielsen, CWU, and Michael Lynch, HSU, 2.25; 39. Don Thomas, WWU, 2.00. Sacks - 4. Don Thomas, WWU, 2.00; 23. Manu Mafi, Dixie State, 1.25; 30. Andrew Olney, CWU, and Matt Cox, WOU, 1.00. **Team (Top 50):** Total Offense - 17. Central Washington 479.5; 39. Dixie State 407.5; 48. Western Washington 386.0. Total Defense - 42. Dixie State 283.0. Rushing Offense - 31. Western Oregon 194.5. Rushing Defense - 8. Dixie State 47.5; 24. Western Oregon 75.0. Passing Offense - 10. Central Washington 330.5, 24. Dixie State 288.0, 29. Western Washington 278.0. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 11. Central Washington 184.0; 36. Dixie State 144.6; 43. Western Washington 144.2. Scoring Offense - 6. Central Washington 46.0; 21. Dixie State 36.5. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - 7. Central Washington 31.6. Punt Returns - 3. Western Oregon 37.0, 9. Western Washington 22.0, 26. Central Washington 14.2, 34. Dixie State 12.7. Net Punting - 21. Humboldt State 37.4 Turnover Margin - 22. Dixie State 1.50, 36. Western Washington 1.00, 50. Central Washington 0.50.

GNAC IN SUPER REGIONAL FOUR: The NCAA has announced that the four regional names (for football) have been officially changed. The former Northeast Region is now known as Super Regional One, the Southeast is known as Super Regional Two, the Northwest is Super Regional

Three and the Southwest is Super Regional Four. . . Last year the five current GNAC teams competed in the Northwest Region, but were moved to the Southwest (now Super Regional Four) this fall. The region will also include the Lone Star Conference and the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Also making the move to Super Regional Four from the Northwest is Nebraska Omaha, which is a now a member of the MIAA.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Johnny Spevak, Central Washington (WR, 6-3, 200, Jr., Edgewood, WA – Puyallup) caught 11 passes for 197 yards, including touchdown receptions of four and 71 yards as the Wildcats rallied from a 24-10 second-half deficit to beat Western Oregon at McArthur Field. His second TD reception snapped a 24-24 tie with 5:54 remaining in the fourth quarter. **Defense** - Caleb Jessup, Western Washington (LB, 6-0, 220, Jr., Kenmore, WA – Inglemoor) had a GNAC season-best 15 tackles and participated in two key quarterback sacks as the Viking defense limited Humboldt State to 53 second-half yards in a 30-14 win. Officially, Jessup was credited with 2 ½ tackles for losses (of 11 yards) and 1 ½ sacks (10 yards). **Special Teams** – David Johnson, Western Washington (LB, 6-2, 215, Fr. Odessa, WA) had a momentum-changing blocked punt in the final minute of the first half in the Vikings' 30-14 road win at Arcata. One play later Pat McCann scored on an 11-yard pass from Adam Perry to tie the game at 14-14. WWU then added 16 unanswered points in the second half as it snapped a six-game losing streak dating back to its final five games of the 2007 season.

HONORABLE MENTION: Josh Riddell, Western Oregon (QB, 6-0, 205, Jr., Salem, OR), who played at Mississippi State last season, completed 13 of 24 passes for 332 yards, including completions of 40 or more yards to three different receivers.

AROUND THE GNAC: Spevak's 197 yards receiving total is the seventh highest in GNAC history and the fourth best in CWU school history. He now has 178 career receptions for 2,386 yards. . . CWU quarterback Mike Reilly has had the three highest total offense games in the GNAC this season, all ending with the number "7" – 397 against Western Oregon, 387 against Dixie State and 357 against Mesa State. His fourth quarter TD pass to Spevak was his 100th career touchdown – 90 passing and 10 rushing. . Both of Jessup's sacks came on Humboldt possessions directly before WWU's two second-half touchdowns. . .Western Washington has blocked three punts in two contests this season, two by freshman running back Kevin Sampson. . .GNAC teams are 3-3 in non-conference game with all three losses against Division I

Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and one is against a NAIA opponent. All of the remaining non-conference games are versus Division I Championship Sub Division (Eastern Washington, Montana, North Dakota), Division III (Linfield) or NAIA (Azusa Pacific) foes.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 31, Western Oregon 24 (Sept. 13 at Monmouth): Wide receiver Johnny Spevak caught 11 passes for 197 yards including a 71-yard touchdown reception from quarterback Mike Reilly with 5:54 left in the game as CWU earned its second second-half come-from-behind win in two road contests. . .Spevak, who also scored on a four-yard reception in the third quarter, caught the game-winner moments after Western Oregon had a first-and-goal at CWU's 3 following a pass interference call. . .However, linebackers Buddy Wood and Jason Gran then stopped running back Ben Kuenzi for a three-yard loss (his only loss on the day) and defensive end Andrew Oney sacked WOU quarterback Josh Riddell at the 19-yard line. . .Following a Juan Rodriguez 36-yard missed field goal attempt, Reilly completed passes of five and seven yards to Mike Waller and running back Jerome Morris. He then was sacked at the 29 by Matt Cox, but on the next play hooked up with Spevak for the winning touchdown. . .Western Oregon had two more possessions, but CWU stopped them on downs on the first possession. On the second linebacker Adam Bighill intercepted Riddell on the first play and CWU was able to run out the clock. . .Both Reilly and Riddell had marvelous afternoons. Reilly finished with 397 total yards, completing 29 of 35 passes for 330 yards. He also ran for 67 yards, including a 53-yarder in the third quarter to set up Spevak's first six-pointer. . .Reilly now has 10,731 career total offense yards, 9,711 passing and 1,020 rushing. He is second quarterback in CWU history (and the first 30 years) to rush for a 1,000 yards. . .Riddell was 13 of 24 for 332 yards and three touchdowns, two of them to Demario Ballard of 34 and 45 yards and another of 53 yards to Isaiah Smith in the first 44 seconds of the second half to put the Wolves up 24-10. . .But, CWU struck back for two touchdowns later in the period to tie the game on a two-yard run by Morris. That drive featured passes of 31 and four yards to Spevak and then a pass interference call by the WOU defense against Spevak at the two-yard line. . .In addition to Spevak, CWU's top receiver was Waller who caught eight passes for 61 yards. Morris rushed for 48 yards and two touchdowns as CWU finished with 439 yards in total offense. . .Smith had three receptions for 114 yards for the Wolves, who had 349 yards, but just a net 17 on the ground. . .Defensively, Gran led Central with nine tackles. Gavin Romanick had 11 tackles, including a 10-yard quarterback sack, and J.T. Gilmore had 10 to pace the Wolf defense. . .Though Western Oregon led at halftime, Central Washington ran 44 plays to just 17 by WOU in the first 30 minutes. Western Oregon, however, averaged 10.3 yards per play (176 on 17) compared to 5.1 (225 on 44) for the Wildcats. WOU got its final first-half score with two seconds left following a 13-yard CWU punt. The Wolves then struck for a touchdown in the first 44 seconds of the

second half on Riddell's 53-yard pass to Smith, upping their per play average at that point to 12.9 (245 yards on 19 snaps). But, they managed just 104 yards on 28 plays (3.7) the rest of the way.

Central Washington	0	10	14	7	--	31
Western Oregon	3	14	7	0	--	24
WOU – Rodriguez 25 Field Goal						
CWU – Morris 3 run (Rolsma kick)						
WOU – Ballard 34 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
CWU – Rolsma 26 Field Goal						
WOU – Ballard 45 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
WOU – Smith 53 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
CWU – Spevak 4 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Morris 2 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Spevak 71 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						

Western Washington 30, Humboldt State 14 (Sept. 13 at Arcata): Western Washington scored 16 second-half points to snap a 14-14 tie in its win at Humboldt State and snap a six-game losing streak dating back to its final five games of the 2007 season. . .Josh Lider kicked a 23-yard field goal to finish off a 76-yard, 11-play drive with 1:22 left in the third quarter to put the Vikings ahead for good. Western Washington then added two touchdowns in the fourth quarter, each of which came on drives immediately after Viking linebacker Caleb Jessup came up with sacks to stall Humboldt State's offense. . .Matt Clark scored on a one-yard run to wrap up an 11-play, 62-yard drive early in the fourth quarter. . .Zach Hekker then scored an insurance touchdown on a 25-yard pass from Adam Perry with 55 seconds remaining. Hekker had a 22-yard reception to put the ball at the three-yard line prior to Clark's TD run. . .For the game, Western Washington outgained Humboldt State 333-227 in total offense, getting 194 yards through the air. Perry completed 17 of 27 passes for 188 yards and two touchdowns, including an 11-yard reception to Pat McCann with 51 seconds left in the first half following a blocked punt by WWU's David Johnson. . .Running back Randall Eldridge rushed for 78 yards, including a long of 19, as the Vikings added 139 yards on the ground. McCann had eight receptions for 88 yards to lead the Viking receivers. . .Humboldt had 134 rushing yards, including 74 by Bobby Thomas. Quarterback Mike Proulx completed nine of 21 for 93 yards, including touchdown passes of eight and 15 yards to Kevin Miles and Matt Smith. . .Defensively, Jessup led WWU with 15 tackles. He also was credited with a pass breakup. Jessup leads the GNAC in tackles averaging 13 per game. . .Jessup led a Viking defense that didn't allow a first down from the middle of the third quarter until the final minute and allowed just 53 second-half yards, most of those in the final 60 seconds. . .Bubba Reynolds led HSU with nine tackles and Justin Calcote had eight. . .HSU's Guy Ricciardulli had his GNAC-leading third interception of the season. It was the only takeaway by either team in the contest.

Western Washington	7	7	3	13	--	30
Humboldt State	7	7	0	0	--	14
WWU - Hill 4 run (Lider kick)						
HSU - Miles 8 pass from Proulx (Leyva kick)						
HSU - M. Smith 15 pass from Proulx (Leyva kick)						
WWU – McCann 11 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WWU – FG Lider 23						

WWU – Clark 1 run (kick blocked)
 WWU – Hekker 25 pass from Perry (Lider kick)

Weber State 44, Dixie State 7 (Sept. 13 at Ogden, UT):

Weber State scored touchdown on its first five possessions in cruising to a 37-point win over Dixie State before 8,201 fans in Ogden Saturday night. . . . Weber State put together touchdown drives of 53, 77, 83, 64 and 63 yards in opening up a 34-7 halftime lead. . . . Quarterback Cameron Higgins completed 18 of 23 passes for 333 yards and five touchdowns and running back Trevyn Smith netted 116 yards on 26 carries. . . . Smith scored on a 10-yard run and on a 10-yard pass from Higgins in the second quarter. Higgins also threw scoring passes of four, 37 and eight yards to Cody Nakamura and 62 yards to Mike Phillips. . . . Phillips' score put Weber State ahead 14-0. Dixie, however, then drove 80 yards in nine plays, scoring on a one-yard run by Aaron Davies to pull within seven points right at the end of the first quarter. . . . That drive featured a 26-yard pass from quarterback Dexter Hill to receiver Adam Wells, which brought the ball into Weber territory at the 36. From there Davies carried the ball five straight times acquiring the final 36 yards. . . . Weber, however, then responded with touchdowns on its next three possessions to end any thoughts of a Dixie upset. . . . Weber finished the

game outgaining Dixie 470 to 282 in total offense. In addition to Higgins' 333 passing yards, Weber netted 137 yards on the ground. . . . Quarterback Dexter Hill completed 15 of 26 passes for 161 yards for Dixie, which had a total of 196 passing yards and 86 rushing yards, including 45 on 11 totes by Davies. Kyser Christensen (38 yards) and Jason Brosie (33 yards) each had four receptions. Carson Seegmiller had 43 receiving yards on three catches. . . . Defensively, Teddy Owens led Dixie with 10 tackles. Punter Ammon Schwab averaged 42.1 yards on seven punts, including a long of 51. Ross Doman ranked second in tackles with seven and also had an interception for Dixie's lone takeaway. . . . Dixie did not turn the ball over.

Dixie State	7	0	0	0	--	7
Weber State	13	21	3	7	--	44

WSU – Nakamura 4 pass from Higgins (run failed)
 WSU – Phillips 62 pass from Higgins (Williams kick)
 DSC – Davies 1 run (Manning kick)
 WSU – Nakamura 37 pass from Higgins (Williams kick)
 WSU – Smith 10 run (Williams kick)
 WSU – Smith 10 pass from Higgins (Williams kick)
 WSU – Williams 37 Field Goal
 WSU – Nakamura 8 pass from Hughes (Williams kick)

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	3	0	123	72	4	0	171	86
Western Oregon	2	1	94	85	2	2	108	116
Western Washington	1	1	57	50	1	2	88	102
Dixie State	0	2	65	78	1	3	107	125
Humboldt State	0	2	24	78	1	3	52	137

LAST SATURDAY: Humboldt State 10 at Central Washington 48; Western Oregon 34 at Dixie State 27; Western Washington 31 at Eastern Washington 52.

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

POLLS: NFCA (Sept. 16) - 8. Central Washington; 31. Western Oregon. **D2Football.com (Sept. 16) - 7.** Central Washington.

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 13): Individuals (Top 50): **Individuals (Top 50):** Total Offense - 2. Mike Reilly, CWU, 380.3; 22. Adam Perry, WWU, 262.0; 46. Dexter Hill, Dixie State, 230.3. All-Purpose - 18. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 157.0. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 10. Mike Reilly, CWU, 182.8; 18. Josh Riddell, WOU, 166.8; 36. Adam Perry, WWU, 144.1; 47. Dexter Hill, DSC, 137.6. Receptions - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.3. Receiving Yards - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 140.7. Scoring - 32. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.00. Field Goals - 12. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.33; 23. Enrique Leyva, HSU, 1.00; 45. Zach Manning, Dixie State, and Juan Rodriguez, WOU, 0.67. Punting - 37. Kyle Schierholt, HSU, 39.0; 49. Cory Dickson, WOU, 37.7. Punt Returns - 41. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.80. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 2. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 1.00; 12. Ross Doman, DSC, and J.R. Jamerson, CWU, 0.67. Tackles - 8. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 13.0; 24. Gavin Romanick, WOU, 10.7; 33. J.T. Gilmore, WOU, and Andrew Jackson, WOU, 10.0. Tackles For Losses - 8. Tyler Nielsen, CWU, 2.33; 32. Michael Lynch, HSU, 1.83; 40. Don Thomas, WWU, 1.75. Sacks - 6. Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 1.33; 21. Don Thomas, WWU, and Andrew Olney, CWU, 1.00. Team (Top 50): Total Offense - 13. Central Washington 466.0. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 18. Dixie State 77.3; 24. Central Washington 81.0; 27. Western Oregon 86.3. Passing Offense - 8. Central Washington 330.3, 32. Dixie State 257.3. Passing Defense - 30. Western Washington 151.5. Pass Efficiency - 5. Central Washington 182.9; 45. Western Washington 142.0. Scoring Offense - 14 Central Washington 41.0. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - 37. Central Washington 23.4. Punt Returns - 1. Western Oregon 37.0, 23. Central Washington 14.2, 44. Dixie State 10.5. Net Punting - None. Turnover Margin - 25. Dixie State 1.33, 31. Central Washington 1.00.

GNAC IN SUPER REGIONAL FOUR: The NCAA has announced that the four regional names (for football) have been officially changed. The former Northeast Region is now known as Super Regional One, the Southeast is known as Super Regional Two, the Northwest is Super Regional Three and the Southwest is Super Regional Four. . .Last year the five current GNAC teams competed in the Northwest Region, but were moved to the Southwest (now Super Regional Four) this fall. The region will also include the Lone Star Conference and the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Also making the

move to Super Regional Four from the Northwest is Nebraska Omaha, which is now a member of the MIAA.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Adam Perry, Western Washington (QB, 6-0, 190, Sr., Longview, WA – R.A. Long) engineered an offense that gained a total of 515 yards and scored 31 points against Eastern Washington, the nation’s No. 14th ranked NCAA Division I Championship Subdivision team. Perry completed 24 of 37 passes for 349 yards and two touchdowns. He also rushed for two touchdowns. The Viking senior QB finished with 361 yards in total offense, 10 more yards than the Eagles surrendered to the entire University of Colorado offense in a 31-24 loss earlier this season in Boulder. **Defense -** Matt Cox, Western Oregon (DT, 6-0, 260, Sr., Salem, OR – North Salem) and Ryan Dyer, Central Washington (DE, 6-0, 235, Jr., University Place, WA – Life Christian). . .Cox had extraordinary numbers for a defensive tackle earning nine tackles, including 3 ½ for losses totaling 22 yards as the Wolves earned a 34-27 road win at Dixie State. He also had 1 ½ QB sacks including a key nine-yard sack to snuff out Dixie’s final scoring opportunity. On the season, Cox is tied for the GNAC lead in tackles for losses with seven. . .Dyer, who is the conference leader in sacks with 5 ½, had four of them for losses of 31 yards as Central Washington beat Humboldt State 48-10 to improve to 4-0. Dyer had a team-best seven tackles and also forced a fumble. **Special Teams –** Jon Dowd, Western Oregon (DB, 5-11, 205, Jr., Corvallis, WA – Crescent Valley) had kickoff returns of 32, 27 and 29 yards. The 32-yarder came off a lateral and helped set up a field goal in WOU’s victory. Dowd, who leads the GNAC in kick returns averaging 28.5, also made contributions on defense, earning four tackles and forcing a fumble.

HONORABLE MENTION: Mike Reilly, Central Washington (QB, 6-3, 212, Sr., Kalispell, MT – Flathead) completed 23 of 40 passes for 311 as he joined Detroit Lions quarterback Jon Kitna in the CWU 10,000 Yard Career Passing Club. It was Reilly’s 11th career 300-yard passing effort and the third this season. It was also his fifth consecutive 300-yard total offense game. With four in a row this season, he broke the GNAC record for most consecutive 300 yard total offense games of three originally set by Scott Mitchell of Western Washington in 2001 and equaled by Reilly in 2005. Reilly now has a total of 11,053 career total offense yards.

AROUND THE GNAC: Western Washington’s 515 yards in total offense against Eastern Washington nearly matched the season-high 536 yards the Eagles gave up to Texas Tech in their season opener. None of the Viking touchdowns were “cheapies” as they put together drives of 68, 79, 80 and 80 for their six-pointers. . .Western Washington running back Randall Eldridge rushed for 104

yards against EWU joining Western Oregon's D.J. Jackson as the only GNAC players to rush for 100 or more yards this season. Jackson ran for 132 two weeks ago against Western Washington. . .Central Washington receivers have produced five of the nine GNAC 100-yard receiving games this fall. Johnny Spevak has had three and Chris Rohrbach and Jared Bronson have one each. No one in the league except for Spevak has had more than one. . .Though Dowd had kickoff returns of 32, 27 and 29 officially he was credited with just two returns for 88 yards because of scoring rules. On the lateral, he is given credit for the return yards, but is not charged with an attempt. . .GNAC teams are 3-4 in non-conference game with all four losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and one is against a NAIA opponent. All of the remaining non-conference games are versus Division I Championship Sub Division (Montana, North Dakota), Division III (Linfield) or NAIA (Azusa Pacific) foes.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 48, Humboldt State 10 (Sept. 20 at Ellensburg): Mike Reilly threw for 311 yards and defensive end Ryan Dyer had four quarterback sacks to lead unbeaten Central Washington to a 38-point win over Humboldt State. . .Reilly completed 23 of 40 passes in increasing his career passing total to 10,013 yards, joining Jon Kitna as the only quarterbacks in school history to reach that milestone. . .Johnny Spevak caught nine of Reilly's tosses for 134 yards, including TDs of seven and 15 yards in the first and second quarter, respectively, as CWU built a 17-3 halftime lead. . .The Wildcats took advantage of three takeaways in scoring 17 of their 31 second-half points. A 42-yard interception return by Jerome Williams set up a 37-yard field goal by Garrett Rolsma to make it 20-3. . .Then after a 56-yard Spevak reception led to a three-yard TD run by Reilly, the Wildcats got a defensive score to go up 31-3 as defensive end Tyrell Nielsen rambled 51 yards with a recovered fumble near the end of the third quarter. . .In the fourth period, Justin Leonard and Andrew Skorney scored on runs of eight and 17, the latter set up by a 14-yard interception return by Chase Hessler. . .Humboldt State's lone touchdown came in the fourth quarter as Kevin Miles caught a 23-yard pass from backup quarterback Brian Hildebrand. . .CWU finished the game with 421 yards in total offense, including 67 rushing yards on 17 carries by Skorney. The 'Jacks netted 289 yards, 231 of them passing as starting QB Mike Proulx completed 14 of 28 for 159 yards. . .Proulx, however, was sacked five times, four by Dyer, who played running back for the Wildcats last season, for losses totaling 31 yards. Dyer led CWU's defense with seven tackles. He also forced a fumble. . .Free safety Jeff Williams had 10 tackles for Humboldt State. Barry Davis and Bubba Reynolds each had eight. . .Rolsma booted two field goals to increase his career total to 24, one short of the CWU school record. He was six-of-six on extra points extending his streak of extra points made to 24, 21 this season.

Humboldt State	0	3	0	7	--	10
Central Washington	7	10	17	14	--	48
CWU – Spevak 7 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
HSU – Leyva 23 Field Goal						
CWU – Rolsma 32 Field Goal						
CWU – Spevak 15 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Rolsma 37 Field Goal						
CWU – Reilly 3 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU - Nielsen 51 fumble return (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Leonard 8 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Skorney 17 run (Rolsma kick)						
HSU – Miles 23 pass from Hildebrand (Leyva kick)						

Eastern Washington 52, Western Washington 31 (Sept. 20 at Cheney): Eastern Washington scored three fourth-quarter touchdowns to fight off a determined upset bid by Western Washington in a 21-point victory at Cheney. . . Eastern Washington, which is ranked 14th nationally among NCAA Division I Championship Subdivision teams, snapped a 31-31 tie on a 10-yard pass from Matt Nichols to Aaron Boyce with 12:40 remaining before adding two insurance touchdowns. . .The Vikings had rallied from a 24-7 deficit to tie the game 24-24 early in the third quarter on a one-yard run by quarterback Adam Perry. . .EWU went back ahead 31-24 on a 27-yard pass from Nichols to Tony Davis, but the resilient Vikings bounced back, driving 80 yards in eight plays, pulling even again on a six-yard pass from Perry to Zach Hekker with 4:02 left in the third quarter. . .Western then stopped the Eagles on a fourth-and-1 play at the end of the third quarter and seemed to take momentum into the final period. . .Instead, Eastern took over. The Eagle defense forced a punt, and Nichols quickly led Eastern on its go-ahead score, the first of three consecutive TDs for the Big Sky team. . .Despite losing by 21 points, it was an impressive offensive showing for the Vikings, who outgained the Eagles 515-506, averaging six yards a snap. Perry completed 24 of 37 passes - including 10 for 152 yards to Travis McKee - for 349 yards and two TDs. . .Running back Randall Eldridge netted 104 yards on 23 carries as the Vikings finished with 140 rushing yards. Defensively, Zach Schrader led WWU with 12 tackles. . .Western Washington failed to produce a takeaway, a QB sack or a pass breakup in the contest and caught the Eagle offense behind the line of scrimmage just three times (each time for only a one-yard loss). Meanwhile, EWU had two interceptions, a fumble recovery, six breakups and nine tackles for losses of 40 yards.

Western Washington	7	10	14	0	--	31
Eastern Washington	17	7	7	21	--	52
EWU – Morris 3 run (Macias kick)						
WWU – Dallas 30 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
EWU – FG Macias 27						
EWU – Overbay 27 pass from Nichols (Macias kick)						
EWU – Morris 18 run (Macias kick)						
WWU – FG Lider 31						
WWU – Perry 6 run (Lider kick)						
WWU – Perry 1 run (Lider kick)						
EWU – Davis 27 pass from Nichols (Macias kick)						
WWU – Hekker 6 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
EWU – Boyce 10 pass from Nichols (Macias kick)						
EWU – Hart 3 run (Macias kick)						
EWU – Hart 30 run (Macias kick)						

Western Oregon 34, Dixie State 27 (Sept. 20 at St. George, UT): Ben Kuenzi scored on a six-yard run with 3:32 remaining to break a 27-27 tie as Western Oregon edged Dixie State. . . Kuenzi's touchdown capped off a seven-play, 65-yard drive as Western Oregon evened its overall record at 2-2 and improved to 2-1 in the GNAC, staying one game back of CWU. . .The winning drive, which featured a 28-yard pass from quarterback Josh Riddell to Shaun Kauleinamoku, came after Dixie had driven to the WOU 35 before turning the ball over on a fourth-and-nine incomplete pass. . .Each team scored twice in the final period. Dixie, which trailed 20-13 at halftime, tied the game at 20-20 in the opening minute of the quarter on an eight-yard run by quarterback Dexter Hill. That play finished off a 15-play, 88-yard, seven minute and 43 second drive. . .The Wolves then needed just 2:01 to reclaim the lead on a 49-yard pass to Kauleinamoku from Riddell. Dixie, however, struck back to tie the game 27-27 on a three-yard run by Adam Wells on the first play after a 59-yard fumble return by Aric Hutchinson. . .Western Oregon outgained Dixie 419-286 in the contest, including 155-25 on the ground. Kuenzi, who also caught three passes for 32 yards including a six-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter, netted 89 yards on 15 rushes, while D.J. Jackson had 67 on 11 carries. . .Riddell completed 21 of 34 passes for 264 yards. Hill matched those numbers, connecting on 19 of 38 for 261 yards, including eight to Judd Thompson for 98 yards. . .Defensively, Matt Cox led WOU, which had seven tackles for losses of 41 yards, with nine tackles, including a key nine-yard sack on Dixie's final possession. He had 3 ½ tackles for losses totaling 22 yards, including 1 ½ sacks for losses of 14 yards. J.T. Gilmore and Andrew Jackson each had eight tackles. Gavin Romanick scored on an 18-yard interception return for WOU's first touchdown . Stephen Cook had eight tackles for Dixie. Teddy Owens added seven.

Western Oregon	10	10	0	14	--	34
Dixie State	7	6	0	14	--	27

WOU – Rodriguez 36 Field Goal
 WOU – Romanick 18 interception (Rodriguez kick)
 DSC – Fowler 58 pass from Hill (Manning kick)
 WOU – Kuenzi 6 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
 DSC – Manning 27 Field Goal
 WOU – Rodriguez 36 Field Goal
 DSC – Manning 17 Field Goal
 DSC – Hill 8 run (Manning kick)
 WOU – Kauleinamoku 49 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
 DSC – Wells 3 run (Manning kick)
 WOU – Kuenzi 6 run (Rodriguez kick)

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	3	0	123	72	4	1	206	124
Western Oregon	3	1	138	113	3	2	152	144
Western Washington	2	1	86	77	2	2	117	129
Dixie State	0	3	92	107	1	4	134	154
Humboldt State	0	3	52	122	1	4	80	181

LAST SATURDAY: Central Washington 35 at Montana 38; Dixie State 27 at Western Washington 29; Western Oregon 44 at Humboldt State 28.

THIS SATURDAY: Dixie State at Central Washington, 1 p.m.; Azusa Pacific at Humboldt State, 6 p.m.; Western Washington at Western Oregon, 2 p.m.

POLLS: AFCA (Sept. 23) - 9. Central Washington; 36. Dixie State, 43. Western Oregon 44. Western Washington. **D2Football.com (Sept. 23)** - 7. Central Washington.

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Sept. 20): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 4. Mike Reilly, CWU, 365.8; 15. Adam Perry, WWU, 295.0; 47. Dexter Hill, Dixie State, 233.8. All-Purpose - 15. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 158.8. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 16. Mike Reilly, CWU, 170.2; 26. Josh Riddell, WOU, 157.5; 38. Adam Perry, WWU, 146.6. Receptions - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.5. Receiving Yards - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 139.0; 37. Travis McKee, WWU, 84.7. Scoring - 24. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.8; 32. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.0. Field Goals - 22. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.50; 24. Enrique Leyva, HSU; Zach Manning, Dixie State, and Juan Rodriguez, WOU, 1.00. Punting - 42. Kyle Schierholt, HSU, 39.0; 45. Ammon Schwab, DSC, 38.6. Punt Returns - 35. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.9. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 8. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 0.75; 36. Ross Doman, DSC; J.R. Jamerson, CWU; Jerome Williams, CWU; Richard May, DSC; and Gavin Romanick, 0.50. Tackles - 7. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 12.0; 31. J.T. Gilmore, WOU, and Andrew Jackson, WOU, 9.5; 41. Gavin Romanick, WOU, 9.2. Tackles For Losses - 19. Matt Cox, WOU, and Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 1.75; 43. Chad Frank, DSC, 1.50. Sacks - 3. Ryan Dyer, CWU, 1.38; 9. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.12; 14. Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, and Chad Frank, DSC, 1.00; 43. Buddy Wood, CWU, and Andrew Oney, CWU, 0.75. Team (Top 50): Total Offense - 18. Central Washington 454.8; 35. Western Washington 411.3. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 11. Western Oregon 71.0; 13. Central Washington 75.2; 29. Dixie State 96.8. Passing Offense - 8. Central Washington 325.5, 22. Western Washington 282.3; 35. Dixie State 258.2. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 9. Central Washington 170.5; 42. Western Washington 143.0. Scoring Offense - 9. Central Washington 42.8; 49. Western Washington 29.3. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - 37. Central Washington 22.5. Punt Returns - 1. Western Oregon 37.0, 20. Central Washington 12.8, 46. Dixie State 10.5. Net Punting - 50. Dixie State 34.1. Turnover Margin - 26. Dixie State 1.00, 32. Central Washington 0.75.

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Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Also making the move to Super Regional Four from the Northwest is Nebraska Omaha, which is a now a member of the MIAA.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Pat McCann, Western Washington (WR, 6-2, 205, Jr., Olympia, WA – College of the Canyons) caught eight passes for 232 yards and three touchdowns, including a GNAC-record 96 yarder, to lead the Vikings to a 29-27 home win against Dixie State. McCann also scored on catches of 11 and 40 yards. His yardage total was the second most in GNAC history, and was the most ever for a conference contest. **Defense** - Buddy Wood, Central Washington (LB, 6-3, 200, Jr. Chattaroy, WA - Riverside) had 13 tackles, including a 15-yard quarterback sack, and also contributed to three of CWU's five takeaways in a 38-35 loss to Montana. He recovered a fumbled punt to set up CWU's first touchdown, then forced and recovered a fumble returning it 20 yards for the Wildcats' second touchdown. He also forced a fumble in the third quarter to halt a Montana drive at CWU's 23. The Wildcats, however, gave that one back on a fumble four plays later leading to a Grizzly score. **Special Teams** – Josh Lider, Western Washington (K, 6-2, 195, Jr., Bellevue, WA – Sammamish) and Garrett Rolsma, Central Washington (K, 6-0, 197, Jr., University Place, WA – Curtis). . Both Lider and Rolsma had clutch field goals in the closing minutes of their respective games. Lider kicked two field goals in the final six minutes, including a 34-yarder to pull WWU within one point at 5:15 and then a 27-yarder game-winner with four seconds left. He also had a 28-yarder in the second quarter. . Rolsma nailed a 44-yarder to pull CWU into a 35-35 tie with Montana with 2:47 left. He also connected from 23 yards on the final play of the first half. His two field goals were the 25th and 26th of his career, breaking the CWU school-record of 25 set by CWU Hall-of-Famer Craig Warmenhoven between 1983 and 1986. Rolsma also averaged a season-best 45.2 yards on four punts and 60.4 yards on five kickoffs.

HONORABLE MENTION: Mike Proulx, Humboldt State (QB, 6-0, 195, Castro Valley, CA – Castro Valley) more than doubled his season pass yardage total, completing 24 of 35 for 351 yards in a 44-28 loss to Western Oregon. . Adam Perry, Western Washington (QB, 6-0, 190, Sr., Longview, WA – R. A. Long) became the fifth quarterback in GNAC history to throw for 400 or more yards in a single game as he completed 24 of 38 for 423 yards and three touchdowns. His total is the third highest in conference history.

AROUND THE GNAC: McCann fell four yards short of the GNAC record for most receiving yards in a game of 236 set by Nate Brookreson of Central Washington against Carroll in 2004. His 29.0 average also just missed the

record for most yards per reception of 29.8 set by Dustin Creager of Humboldt State against Azusa Pacific in 2001. . .Two Humboldt State receivers had 100-yard games against Western Oregon as Matt Smith had 10 receptions for 143 yards and Devin Stearns had six for 112 yards. . .CWU QB Mike Reilly threw for 280 recording his 34th career 200-yard game, two short of Jon Kitna's school record of 36. Johnny Spevak had his fourth 100-yard receiving game of the season and the 12th of his career, catching seven for 136 yards. . .CWU defensive end Ryan Dyer's four quarterback sacks against Humboldt State on Sept. 20 set a GNAC record for both sacks and yards (31). Dyer followed that up Saturday scoring Central's first touchdown on a 32-yard catch following Wood's first fumble recovery. . .GNAC teams are 3-5 in non-conference game with all five losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and one is against a NAIA opponent. All of the remaining non-conference games are versus Division I Championship Sub Division (North Dakota), Division III (Linfield) or NAIA (Azusa Pacific) foes.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Montana 38, Central Washington 35 (Sept. 27 at Missoula): Brody McKnight kicked a 42-yard field goal with one second remaining as the University of Montana defeated Central Washington before a Washington-Grizzly Stadium record crowd of 25,326. . .It was the most fans to ever witness a GNAC or CWU game bettering the record of 16,392 for the 2003 Battle in Seattle game between the Wildcats and Western Washington. . .Central Washington rallied from a 35-24 deficit late in the game to tie the contest on a 44-yard field goal by Garrett Rolsma with 2:47 remaining. . .But the Grizzlies, the No. 4 ranked team in the NCAA Division I Championship Sub-Division, then drove down the field, reaching CWU's 23 before a two-yard loss and two incomplete passes brought the clock down to five seconds and set up McKnight's game-winner. . .Montana had gone ahead by 11 points earlier in the fourth quarter on a three-yard fourth down touchdown run by Chase Reynolds after its drive had been extended on a pass interference penalty on a fourth-and-seven at CWU's 26. . .The Wildcats used a little trickery to get back into the game, converting a fourth down fake punt at their own 38 into a first down as up-back Adam Bighill took the direct snap and gained six yards to the 44. Two plays later, quarterback Mike Reilly hooked up with wide receiver Johnny Spevak for a 56-yard touchdown. . .Reilly tossed a two-point conversion pass to tight end Jared Bronson to pull CWU within three points with 3:54 remaining. . .CWU then got the ball right back as Sam Togar recovered an on-side kick. Two Reilly completions of nine and 16 yards to Mike Waller brought the ball to Montana's 27. The drive stalled there with three incompletions, but Rolsma kicked his school-record 26th career field goal to tie the contest. . .Montana outgained CWU 531-315 in the contest, but the Wildcats stayed in the game by forcing five turnovers and earning three sacks. Montana did not have a sack and forced just one CWU turnover. . .Two of the takeaways plus a 67-yard, six-play drive which ended with a 17-yard TD pass to Bronson, staked CWU to a 21-7 lead

in the second quarter. . .Montana struck back scoring twice on long passes of 64 and 42 yards to Marc Mariani to tie it, but Rolsma's 23-yard field goal on the last play of the half gave CWU a 24-21 lead at the break. . . .Montana, however, then got touchdown runs by Reynolds of 12 and three yards in the second half to go up 35-24 and set up the dramatic finish. . .Reynolds led the Big Sky school, which rushed for 154 yards, with 87. Bergquist completed 25 of 34 passes for a career high 377 yards. Ferriter had nine catches for 133 yards and Mariani had six for 161. . .Reilly was 21 of 35 for 280 yards (seven of them to Spevak for 136 yards), but Central managed just 35 yards on the ground in 17 rushes. . .Defensively, in addition to linebacker Buddy Wood (**See Player-of-the-Week**), CWU was led by linebackers Chris James and Bighill with 15 and 12 tackles, respectively. James had three tackles for losses of 10 yards, including a sack. Bighill also had an interception in the end zone to thwart one Montana drive.

Central Washington	7	17	0	11	--	35
Montana	7	14	7	10	--	38
CWU – Dyer 32 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
UM – Beaudin 2 pass from Bergquist (McKnight kick)						
CWU – Wood 20 fumble return (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Bronson 17 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
UM – Mariani 64 pass from Bergquist (McKnight kick)						
UM – Mariani 42 pass from Bergquist (McKnight kick)						
CWU – Rolsma 23 Field Goal						
UM – Reynolds 12 run (McKnight kick)						
UM – Reynolds 3 run (McKnight kick)						
CWU – Spevak 56 pass from Reilly (Bronson pass from Reilly)						
CWU – Rolsma 44 Field Goal						
UM – McKnight 42 Field Goal						

Western Washington 29, Dixie State 27 (Sept. 27 at Bellingham): Josh Lider kicked three field goals, including a game-winning 27-yarder with four seconds left, lifting Western Washington to a 29-27 win. . .Lider, who also had field goals of 28 and 34 yards, hit the game-winner after quarterback Adam Perry had driven the Vikings 69 yards in seven plays after WWU got the ball on downs at its own 32 with 1:47 left and no time outs remaining. . . .Moments earlier Lider's 34-yarder had pulled WWU to within one point after Dixie State had scored two second-half touchdowns - Dexter Hill passes of 24 and nine yards to Kyser Christensen and Judd Thompson, respectively - to overcome a 23-14 halftime deficit. . .Perry threw three first-half touchdowns to Pat McCann of 11, 40 and a GNAC-record 96 yards, to stake the Vikings to their early lead. The 96-yard Perry to McCann hookup broke the old record of 87 by Western Oregon's Ivan McCrae to Mike Hinshaw versus Carson-Newman in 2002. . .Perry finished the contest with a GNAC-season high 423 passing yards, completing 24 of 38. McCann caught eight for 232 yards, four yards short of the GNAC single-game record. . .WWU finished with 541 yards of total offense – its second straight 500-yard performance - as running back Kevin Sampson accounted for 85 of WWU's 118 yards on the ground. . .Dixie netted 375 yards, 137 rushing including 75 by running back Adam Wells and 48 by Hill, who completed 22 of 35 passes for 238 yards and four touchdowns. Christensen, who had six receptions for 78 yards, had two of them. . .Western Washington linebacker Caleb Jessup had another double-digit tackle game – his fourth in four

outings – finishing with 12 including four solos. Defensive lineman Nick Rocco had 1 ½ QB sacks. .Linebacker Andy Hicks led Dixie with eight tackles. DB Seth Mortensen had the game’s lone interception.

Dixie State	7	7	7	6	--	27
Western Washington	14	9	0	6	--	29
WWU – McCann 11 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WWU – McCann 40 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
DSC – Christensen 9 pass from Hill (Manning kick)						
WWU – McCann 96 pass from Perry (kick failed)						
DSC – Ott 11 pass from Hill (Manning kick)						
WWU –Lider 28 Field Goal						
DSC – Christensen 24 pass from Hill (Manning kick)						
DSC – Thompson 9 pass from Hill (kick failed)						
WWU –Lider 34 Field Goal						
WWU –Lider 27 Field Goal						

Western Oregon	9	7	14	14	--	44
Humboldt State	0	14	0	14	--	28
WOU – Safety, Cuellar sacked Proulx in end zone						
WOU – Jackson 1 run (Rodriguez kick)						
HSU – Miles 15 run (Leyva kick)						
WOU – Kauleinamoku 38 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
HSU – Streck-Woodard 13 pass from Hildebrand (Leyva kick)						
WOU – Marin 67 interception (Rodriguez kick)						
WOU – Ballard 26 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
OWU – Kuenzi 7 run (Rodriguez kick)						
HSU – Smith 23 pass from Proulx (Leyva kick)						
WOU – Fuller 9 run (Rodriguez kick)						
HSU – Stuart 2 run (Leyva kick)						

Western Oregon 44, Humboldt State 28 (Sept. 27 at Arcata): Ben Kuenzi rushed for 101 yards and the Wolves scored four second-half touchdowns to defeat Humboldt State. Western Oregon, which is 3-0 in conference road games with a visit left to Ellensburg, used some razzle-dazzle from its offense and three interceptions from its defense to beat Humboldt State. .Leading just 16-14 in the third quarter, tackle Anthony Marin intercepted a pass from HSU quarterback Brian Hildebrand, who was falling down in the grasp of two Wolf defenders, and returned it 67 yards for a touchdown. . WOU then added scores on its next two possessions to break it open. The first came on a double-reverse in which quarterback Josh Riddell finally threw a 26-yard TD pass to Demario Ballard for the score. The second was a seven-yard run by Kuenzi to complete a 95-yard, nine play drive. .Humboldt outgained Western Oregon 429 to 383 in total offense as starting QB Mike Proulx completed 24 of 35 to account for 351 of HSU's 385 passing yards. Matt Smith had 10 receptions for 143 and Devin Stearns had six for 112. .Led by Kuenzi, WOU rushed for 201 yards and Riddell added 182 passing on 13 of 22 completions, including six for 81 yards to Ballard. .In addition to Marin, WOU got interceptions from Caleb Singleton and Andy Douglas. Linebacker J.T. Gilmore had 13 tackles and DB Miguel Gonzalez was also in double figures with 10. .Linebacker Kevin Duley led Humboldt State with nine tackles and also had a fumble recovery and shared a tackle for loss. Barry Davis, Guy Ricciardulli and Luke Swangle had picks for the 'Jacks. Ricciardulli's was his league-leading fourth of the season.

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	4	0	172	86	5	1	255	138
Western Washington	3	1	110	90	3	2	141	142
Western Oregon	3	2	151	137	3	3	165	168
Humboldt State	0	3	52	122	2	4	104	198
Dixie State	0	4	106	156	1	5	148	203

LAST SATURDAY: Dixie State 14 at Central Washington 49; Azusa Pacific 17 at Humboldt State 24; Western Washington 24 at Western Oregon 13.

THIS SATURDAY: Western Washington vs. Central Washington (at Seattle, 6 p.m.); Humboldt State at Dixie State, 1 p.m.; Western Oregon at Southern Oregon, 2 p.m.

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HONORABLE MENTION: Mike Reilly, Central Washington (QB, 6-3, 212, Sr., Kalispell, MT - Flathead) completed 14 of 20 passes for 212 yards (208 in the first half) and four touchdowns in a 49-14 home win against Dixie State. Reilly set a school career record for most touchdowns responsible (110) and tied the school mark for most career passing touchdowns (99). Both marks were previously held by Jon Kitna. He also set a school record for most consecutive passes without an interception (141). . Nick Rocco, Western Washington (DE, 5-11, 225, So., Sammamish, WA – Skyline) had nine tackles, including three for losses of 32. Among his TFLs was a 13-yard sack. He also received credit for a 17-yard loss on the bad punt snap that set up WWU's third quarter touchdown.

AROUND THE GNAC: Reilly only needs 26 more pass attempts without an interception to equal the GNAC record of 167 set by Jason Baughman of Humboldt State in 2004. Scott Mitchell of Western Washington had a string of 164 without an interception in 2001. . CWU wide receiver Johnny Spevak had six receptions for 122 yards to tie a GNAC record for most consecutive 100-yard receiving games. He has had five 100-yard games this season, including four in a row and is the first player in GNAC history to have four in a row in the same season. . Dustin Creager of Humboldt State twice had four in a row over two separate seasons (2001-02 and 2002-03) and holds the GNAC record for most 100-yard games in a season (6) and career (20). Andy Olson of Western Washington in 2004 and CWU's Brian Potucek in 2002 also have had six in a single-season. Creager did it twice in 2001 and 2003. . GNAC teams are 4-5 in non-conference game with all five losses against Division I Championship Sub Division

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Central Washington 49, Dixie State 14 (Oct. 4 at Ellensburg): Quarterback Mike Reilly completed 14 of 20 passes for 212 yards and four touchdowns as the Wildcats stayed unbeaten in the GNAC with a 35-point home win. .Reilly tossed TD passes of 28 and 15 yards to Johnny Spevak, 10 yards to Mike Waller and 41 to Jamal Weems as Central Washington built a 42-7 halftime lead. .CWU's defense played a big role in the contest, scoring twice and setting up two short scoring drives. .Jerome Williams had two interceptions, including one in which he returned the ball 18 yards to the three-yard line. He has four interceptions this season and ranks 10th on the school career interception list with 10. .Two plays after Williams' 18-yard return, J.R. Hasty scored on a three-yard run to give the Wildcats a 21-7 lead with 7:35 left in the first half. .CWU then added three touchdowns in a 96-second span late in the half as Spevak scored his first TD with 2:16 remaining to finish off a 48-yard, six-play drive. .Linebacker Jason Gran then returned an interception 31 yards for a TD with 1:29 remaining and Spevak added his second TD with 40 seconds left after Marcus Ford forced and Buddy Wood recovered a fumble at Dixie's 22. .Jon Rogers returned another fumble 79 yards in the third quarter for CWU's only touchdown after the break. That is the longest return of a fumble in conference history. .Dexter Hill had a 10-yard touchdown pass to Skyler Ence in the first quarter and Teddy Owns scored on a four-yard run early in the fourth quarter for Dixie's only scores. .Despite the lopsided score, Dixie, which took CWU into overtime earlier this season, outgained Central 302-295 in total offense. The visitors had 173 passing yards - 109 by Nate Lewis (11-20-1) and 64 by Hill (6-12-2) - and 129 rushing (86 by Adam Wells). .CWU finished with 208 passing yards as Spevak had his fifth 100-yard receiving game in six contests, catching six for 122 yards. Hasty had 51 of Central's 87 yards on the ground. .Spevak now has 200 career catches for 2,778 yards. Brian Potucek (283) is the only other player in school history to reach that plateau. The Wildcats also had five takeaways and seven tackles for losses. .Chad Gochis had a game-high seven tackles for Dixie, including its only quarterback sack. Dixie had just one takeaway, an interception off CWU backup QB Kyle Miller late in the fourth quarter.

Dixie State	7	0	0	7	--	14
Central Washington	14	28	7	0	--	49
CWU – Waller 10 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
DSC – Ence 10 pass from Hill (Manning kick)						
CWU – Weems 41 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Hasty 3 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Spevak 28 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Gran 31 interception (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Spevak 15 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Rogers 79 fumble return (Rolsma kick)						
DSC – Owens 4 run (Manning kick)						

Western Washington 24, Western Oregon 13 (Oct. 4 at Monmouth): Randall Eldridge scored two touchdowns and Western Washington took advantage of four takeaways in defeating Western Oregon at McArthur Field. .Eldridge scored on a 56-yard pass from quarterback Adam Perry on the first play from scrimmage right after Western Oregon had taken advantage of a fumble recovery by Jon Dowd on the opening kickoff to go ahead 7-0. .The Wolves needed just five plays to move 21 yards, the final 16 on a pass by Josh Riddell to Shaun Kauleinamoku for the score. . . After the two quick touchdowns, there was no more scoring by either team for the next 26 minutes though not for the lack of trying by Western Oregon. .The Wolves drove inside the Viking 20 three times without earning points and held a 234-74 advantage in total offense with three minutes left in the half. .WOU's best chance to take the lead came after a 68-yard run by D.J. Jackson put the ball at the WWU 1, but an offensive pass interference call helped push the ball back to the 23, and a 40-yard field goal by Juan Rodriguez was blocked by William Jackson. .WOU again was inside the Viking 10 on the following series, but Riddell was intercepted by linebacker Nick Cragin. .Western Washington then scored 10 points in the final minute of the half to take the lead for good. .Pat McCann scored on a 20-yard pass from Perry to cap off an eight-play, 80-yard drive and put WWU ahead 14-7 with 41 seconds left in the second quarter. .Josh Lider then booted a 48-yard field goal (the longest in the GNAC this season) as time expired, following an interception by Nick Rocco. .Eldridge scored on a six-yard run midway through the third quarter after a bad snap on a punt situation gave the Vikings the ball at WOU's 31-yard line. .Western Oregon pulled to within 11 points with 5:53 left in the fourth quarter on a three-yard run by Riddell, but couldn't get any closer. .Western Oregon finished the contest with 373 yards to just 276 by the Vikings. Riddell completed 21 of 39 passes for 239 yards and D.J. Jackson rushed for 112 yards on 13 carries becoming the first player to record two 100-yard rushing games this season in the conference. .Perry was 17 of 26 for 241 yards for WWU and now leads the conference, averaging 295.8 yards per game (one-half yard per more than CWU QB Mike Reilly). .McKee caught six for 88 yards and Eldridge, who rushed for 53 yards, caught four for 78. .Nick Cragin led WWU with 14 tackles and also had two tackles for losses of six yards and an interception. .Caleb Jessup had 12 tackles - his fifth consecutive double-digit tackle game - and also recovered a fumble. Nick Rocco had nine tackles, including three for losses of 32 yards. .Matt Cox had eight tackles, including 1 1/2 sacks, to lead the Wolves. J.T. Gilmore also had eight tackles.

Western Washington	7	10	7	0	--	24
Western Oregon	7	0	0	6	--	13
WOU – Kauleinamoku 16 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
WWU – Eldridge 56 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WWU – McCann 20 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
WWU – Lider 48 Field Goal						
WWU – Eldridge 6 run (Lider kick)						
WOU – Riddell 3 run (kick failed)						

Humboldt State 24, Azusa Pacific 17 (Oct. 4 at Arcata):

Humboldt State got some big plays on both sides of the football in defeating Azusa Pacific. . On the first scrimmage play of the game, quarterback Mike Proulx tossed a lateral pass to wide receiver Kevin Miles, who then threw down field to Mike Streck-Woodard to complete a 69-yard TD pass. . The 'Jacks then used a fumble recovery by Tim Simmons on a Azusa Pacific punt return to set up a two-play, 35-yard drive to go up 14-0 on a two-yard TD run by Joevany Cueva. . The other play on the drive was a 43-yard pass from Proulx to Matt Smith (following a 10-yard penalty). . Later after a pass interception by defensive back Guy Ricciardulli halted a Cougar drive at the HSU 11, Cueva capped off an 88-yard, eight-play drive with a one-yard dive to put HSU up 21-7 at the break. . Humboldt managed just three points in the second half on a 37-yard field goal by Kyle Schierholt, but Ricciardulli, who also had four tackles including one for a loss, helped preserve the win recovering a fumble to thwart another Azusa drive at the 'Jack 30-yard line. . HSU finished the contest with 404 yards of total offense as running back Brian Stuart had 82 yards on 12 rushes and Bobby Thomas had 73 on eight carries. Cueva had 37 on eight totes. . Proulx was 11 of 22 passing for 163 yards. Smith had a team-best four catches for 99 yards. . Quarterback John VanDen Raadt accounted for 304 of Azusa's 380 yards, completing 21 of 36 passes for 282 yards and also netting 22 yards on 11 carries. . In addition to Ricciardulli, linebacker Bubba Reynolds led the Lumberjack defense with 12 tackles. Linebacker Michael Lynch had eight and DB Justin Price had seven.

Azusa Pacific	7	0	3	7	--	17
Humboldt State	14	7	0	3	--	24

HSU – Streck-Woodard 69 pass from Miles (Leyva kick)

HSU – Cueva 2 run (Leyva kick)

APU – Brown 1 run (Lenahan kick)

HSU – Cueva 1 run (Leyva kick)

APU – Lenahan 20 Field Goal

HSU – Schierholt 37 Field Goal

APU – Davis 17 pass from VanDen Raadt (Lenahan kick)

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	5	0	222	114	6	1	305	166
Western Oregon	3	2	151	137	4	3	200	171
Western Washington	3	2	138	140	3	3	169	192
Dixie State	1	4	122	162	2	5	164	209
Humboldt State	0	4	58	138	2	5	110	214

LAST SATURDAY: Central Washington 50, Western Washington 28 (at Seattle); Humboldt State 6 at Dixie State 16; Western Oregon 35 at Southern Oregon 3.

THIS SATURDAY: Central Washington at Humboldt State, 6 p.m.; Dixie State at Western Oregon, 2 p.m.; Western Washington at North Dakota, 1 p.m.

POLLS: AFCA (Oct. 7) - 11. Central Washington; 33. Western Oregon. **D2Football.com (Oct. 7)** - 6. Central Washington. **NCAA Super Regional 4 (Oct. 6)** - 1. West Texas A&M (6-0); 2. Abilene Christian (5-0); 3. Northwest Missouri (5-1); 4. Pittsburg State (5-1); 5. Central Missouri (5-1); 6. Midwestern State (4-1); 7. Central Washington (5-1); 8. Texas A&M - Kingsville (4-2); 9. Tarleton State (5-1); 10. Truman (3-2).

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Oct. 4): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 8. Mike Reilly, CWU, 329.5; 11. Adam Perry, WWU, 311.6. All-Purpose - 16. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 150.0. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 8. Mike Reilly, CWU, 173.2; 16. Adam Perry, WWU, 157.1; 42. Josh Riddell, WOU, 139.2. Receptions - 4. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 7.8. Receiving Yards - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 135.7; 21. Pat McCann, WWU, 90.6; 43. Travis McKee, WWU, 79.6. Scoring - 17. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.2; 18. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.0. Field Goals - 11. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.33; 19. Josh Lider, WWU, 1.20. Punting - None. Punt Returns - 46. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.6. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 5. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 1.17; 12. Jerome Williams, CWU, 0.67. Tackles - 5. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 12.0. Tackles For Losses - 24. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.67; 44. Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 1.42. Sacks - 5. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.17; 12. Ryan Dyer, CWU, 0.92; 34. Chad Frank, DSC, 0.80; 38. Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 0.75. **Team (Top 50):** Total Offense - 31. Western Washington 410.2; 37. Central Washington 404.8. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 4. Western Oregon 60.5; 24. Central Washington 97.3; 27. Dixie State 98.7. Passing Offense - 11. Western Washington 302.2; 14. Central Washington 298.3; 43. Dixie State 240.7. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 8. Central Washington 170.9; 20. Western Washington 153.4. Scoring Offense - 9. Central Washington 42.5. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - None. Punt Returns - 28. Central Washington 12.2. Net Punting - 47. Western Oregon 33.8. Turnover Margin - 5. Central Washington 1.83; 21. Humboldt State 1.00.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Mike Reilly, Central Washington (QB, 6-3, 212, Sr., Kalispell, MT – Flathead) and Adam Wells, Dixie State (RB, 5-9, 180, So., Kenmore, WA – Inglemoor). . . Reilly had a career-best 429 yards of total offense and set a school-record for career touchdown passes in leading Central Washington to a 50-28 win over Western Washington before 12,258 fans at Seattle's Qwest Field. Reilly, who also set an all-time NCAA record for most consecutive games with a touchdown pass (41), completed 36 of 47

passes for 371 yards and four touchdowns and added another 58 yards on the ground. He also broke the GNAC record and extended his own school record for most consecutive passes without an interception to 184 before a fourth-quarter pass tipped off the hands of a receiver and was grabbed by the Vikings' C.J. Green. . . Wells rushed for a GNAC season-best 186 yards on 21 carries to lead Dixie State to a 16-6 win over Humboldt State. He set up his team's first touchdown with a 22-yard run down to the eight-yard line, then scored the second on a 61-yard run. **Defense** - Caleb Singleton, Western Oregon (DB, 6-4, 205, So., Salem, OR – South Salem) led a ball-hawking Wolf defense that limited Southern Oregon to 169 yards in a 35-3 win. Singleton had two of WOU's five interceptions and was also credited with five tackles including half a sack.

HONORABLE MENTION: Chad Frank, Dixie State (DE, 6-0, 245, Jr., Albuquerque, N.M.) had seven tackles, including 2 ½ sacks for losses of 27 yards as the Utah school earned a total of eight sacks. Frank was also credited with three QB hurries.

AROUND THE GNAC: Reilly broke the previous NCAA All-Divisions record for most consecutive games with a touchdown pass held by Bill Borchert of Mount Union (Ohio) from 1994-97. He also increased his career total offense to 11,996, including 1,111 rushing (the most ever for a CWU quarterback). .CWU wide receiver Johnny Spevak caught 13 passes for 148 yards to set a GNAC record for most consecutive 100-yard receiving games (5). He also tied the GNAC record for most 100-yard games in a single-season (6). .CWU kicker Garrett Rolsma remained perfect on extra points. He is 37 of 37. The GNAC record for most consecutive PATs is 40 held by Michael Koenen of Western Washington. Counting last season when CWU competed in the North Central Conference, Rolsma has made 40 in a row. .GNAC teams are 5-5 in non-conference game with all five losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and three are against NAIA opponents. All of the remaining non-conference games are versus Division I Championship Sub Division (North Dakota), Division III (Linfield) or NAIA (Azusa Pacific) foes.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 50, Western Washington 28 (Oct. 11 at Seattle): Quarterback Mike Reilly gained a career-best 429 yards and set a school-record for career touchdown passes in leading Central Washington to a 22-point win over Western Washington before 12,258 fans at Seattle's Qwest Field. . . Reilly, who also set an all-time

NCAA record for most consecutive games with a touchdown pass (41), completed 36 of 47 passes for 371 yards and four touchdowns and added another 58 yards on the ground. . .Reilly's four TD passes – two to Johnny Spevak and one each to Sam Togar and Jamal Weems – increased his career total to 103, breaking the old record of 99 set by Jon Kitna between 1992 and 1995. . .Reilly also broke the GNAC record and extended his own school record for most consecutive passes without an interception to 184 before a fourth-quarter pass tipped off the hands of a receiver and was grabbed by the Vikings' C.J. Green. . .CWU never trailed in the game after opening up a 16-0 lead in the first quarter on a safety and TD passes of 10 and 30 yards to Togar and Weems. . .Western Washington, however, wouldn't go away as the Vikings cut their deficit to single digits on three different occasions, the final time at 29-21 with 10:29 left in the third quarter on a 56-yard pass from Adam Perry to Pat McCann. . .Central, however, then responded with three consecutive touchdowns. Spevak caught a seven-yard pass to cap off a 65-yard, nine play drive midway through the third quarter. . .Then in the fourth quarter Jerome Morris scored on a three-yard run to finish off a four-play, 69-yard drive and Spevak then capped off CWU's scoring with another seven-yard catch to wrap-up a 57-yard, eight-play march. . .Spevak, the nation's No. 2 ranked receiver among Division II players, caught 13 for 148 yards. Morris, who scored two touchdowns, led the Wildcats with 74 rushing yards as Central piled up a total of 531 yards, 160 on the ground. . .Perry passed for 320 yards for Western Washington, completing 22 of 36 and the Vikings finished with 372 total yards. Running back Randall Eldridge, who scored WWU's final touchdown, had 79 yards on 16 carries. He also caught five passes for 63 yards. Rick Cosey had 177 all-purpose yards, 122 on six kickoff returns, 41 on four receptions, two on a punt return and 12 on two rushes. . .WWU linebacker Caleb Jessup extended his string of double-digit tackle games to six, finishing with 15. DB Zach Schrader had 13 for the Vikings and DB Jerome Williams, who also blocked a punt, had 10 for CWU.

Central Washington	16	6	14	14	--	50
Western Washington	0	14	7	7	--	28

CWU – Safety, Lider runs out of end zone
 CWU – Togar 10 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
 CWU – Weems 30 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
 WWU – Perry 1 run (Lider kick)
 CWU – Rolsma 25 Field Goal
 WWU – McKee 2 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 CWU – Rolsma 30 Field Goal
 CWU – Morris 15 run (Rolsma kick)
 WWU – McCann 56 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 CWU – Spevak 7 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
 CWU – Morris 3 run (Rolsma kick)
 CWU – Spevak 7 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
 WWU – Eldridge 2 run (Reilly kick)

Dixie State 16, Humboldt State 6 (Oct. 11 at St. George, UT): Adam Wells rushed for 186 yards and one touchdown to lead Dixie State to a 10-point home win over Humboldt State. . . Quarterback Dexter Hill scored on an eight-yard run and Wells ran 61 yards for third quarter touchdowns as Dixie State broke up a scoreless deadlock. . .Humboldt State got its lone score in the fourth quarter on

a 15-yard pass from quarterback Brian Hildebrand to Kevin Miles, but the extra point was blocked and Dixie's Aric Hutchinson returned it for a defensive PAT. . .Hill's run capped off a nine-play, 79-yard drive on Dixie's first possession of the third quarter. Wells set up Hill's TD with a 22-yard run. The drive also featured passes of 20 and 14 yards from Hill to Kyser Christensen. . .Dixie State then got the ball right back and drove 98 yards in seven plays, the final 61 on Wells' long run. A fumble recovery early in the fourth quarter by Justin Rose at the Dixie 22 set up HSU's score. . .Dixie finished the contest with a 442-252 total offense advantage, netting 243 yards on the ground and 199 passing as Hill completed 21 of 36. Judd Thompson caught seven passes for 48 yards and Christensen had 59 on four catches. . . Hildebrand completed seven of 15 passes for 119 yards for the Lumberjacks after replacing starter Mike Proulx who was eight of 14 for 60 yards. Devin Stearns (61 yards) and Miles (41 yards) each had four catches. Bobby Thomas had 46 rushing yards on 11 carries. . .Dixie State outgained Humboldt 150-83 in the opening half, but it ended scoreless. . .Linebacker Teddy Owens led Dixie with 12 tackles, including two sacks for losses of 13 and another TFL for a one-yard loss. Chad Frank had 2 ½ sacks for losses of 27. HSU defensive back Jeff Williams had 12 tackles and linebacker Michael Lynch had 10.

Humboldt State	0	0	0	6	--	6
Dixie State	0	0	14	2	--	16

HSU – Hill 8 run (Manning kick)
 DSC – Wells 61 run (Manning kick)
 HSU – Miles 15 pass from Hildebrand (Schierholt kick blocked)
 DSC – Hutchinson PAT return

Western Oregon 35, Southern Oregon 3 (Oct. 11 at Ashland): Western Oregon used five interceptions on defense and 28 second-half points to beat Southern Oregon in the annual Little Civil War contest at Raider Stadium. . .WOU quarterback Josh Riddell ran for two scores and threw for two more, and Caleb Singleton led a thieving pass defense with a pair of interceptions as the Wolves won for the eighth consecutive time in the rivalry. . .Riddell scored the game's first touchdown on a quarterback sneak in the first quarter, and then later sprinted down the left sideline untouched for a 38-yard six-pointer early in the fourth quarter. In between, he threw TD strikes of seven yards to Shaun Kauleinamoku and 22 yards to Isaiah Smith. . . Singleton was joined in the pick department by Gavin Romanick, JT Gilmore and Bryan Huber. It was Romanick's fourth of the season. . .WOU's defense also limited the Raiders to just eight first downs and only 169 yards of total offense. . .SOU's only score in the ball game came after Riddell was blindsided on a blitz and fumbled late in the game, giving the hosts the ball at the 21-yard line. . .Despite the lopsided final, the Wolves only led 7-0 at the break. Two WOU drives ended via interceptions in the first half, and they also reached the one-yard line and failed to get on the board. . .But WOU's first three plays of the second half went for first downs as they marched down the field to score on the Riddell to Kauleinamoku connection. . .A Singleton interception set up their next score (Riddell to Smith), followed by the Riddell run and the final tally, a three-yard plunge by Ben Kuenzi with just

a little over two minutes left on the clock. . .Kuenzi finished with 90 yards rushing on 20 carries. Patrick Fuller, filling in for the injured DJ Jackson, added 79 yards on 13 packs. Riddell added 63 yards total, and 41 yards net. Smith led the WOU receivers with five catches for 81 yards. . .Marlon Rosales paced the Southern offense with 69 yards rushing, but SOU quarterback Bryan Lee-Lauduski had a rough outing, throwing almost as many interceptions (5) as completions (6). . .Gilmore led the Wolves in the tackling department with nine, including one for a loss.

Western Oregon	0	7	14	14	--	35
Southern Oregon	0	0	0	3	--	3

- WOU – Riddell 1 run (Rodriguez kick)
- WOU – Kauleinamoku 7 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
- WOU – Smith 22 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
- WOU – Riddell 38 run (Rodriguez kick)
- SOU – O’Neill 35 Field Goal
- WOU – Kuenzi 3 run (Rodriguez kick)

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	6	0	256	128	7	1	339	180
Western Oregon	4	2	193	172	5	3	242	206
Western Washington	3	2	138	140	3	4	201	234
Dixie State	1	5	157	204	2	6	199	251
Humboldt State	0	5	72	172	2	6	124	248

LAST SATURDAY: Central Washington 34 at Humboldt State 14; Dixie State 35 at Western Oregon 42; Western Washington 32 at North Dakota 42.

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

POLLS: AFCA (Oct. 14) - 11. Central Washington. **D2Football.com (Oct. 14)** - 6. Central Washington. **NCAA Super Regional IV (Oct. 13)** - 1. West Texas A&M (7-0); 2. Abilene Christian (6-0); 3. Northwest Missouri (6-1); 4. Pittsburg State 6-1; 5. Central Washington (6-1); 6. Central Missouri (5-2); 7. Texas A&M - Kingsville (5-2); 8. Tarleton State (6-1); 9. Washburn (5-2); 10. Nebraska-Omaha (4-2).

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Oct. 11): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 6. Mike Reilly, CWU, 343.7; 10. Adam Perry, WWU, 3110.7. All-Purpose - 17. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 151.1; 47. Randall Eldridge, WWU, 127.6. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 7. Mike Reilly, CWU, 171.9; 17. Adam Perry, WWU, 156.6; 39. Josh Riddell, WOU, 138.4. Receptions - 1. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.6. Receiving Yards - 1. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 137.4; 26. Pat McCann, WWU, 89.3. Scoring - 15. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.6; 16. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.4. Field Goals - 8. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.43; 26. Josh Lider, WWU, 1.00. Punting - None. Punt Returns - 42. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.6. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 3. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 0.86; 17. Jerome Williams, CWU, and Gavin Romanick, WOU, 0.57; 35. Caleb Singleton, WOU, 0.43. Tackles - 3. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 12.5. Tackles For Losses - 30. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.57. Sacks - 7. Chad Frank, DSC, 1.08; 10. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.00; 26. Ryan Dyer, CWU, and Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 0.79. **Team (Top 50):** Total Offense - 30. Central Washington 422.9; 38. Western Washington 403.8. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 4. Western Oregon 65.3; 17. Central Washington 90.9; 23. Dixie State 95.0. Passing Offense - 10. Central Washington 308.7; 11. Western Washington 305.2; 48. Dixie State 234.7. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 8. Central Washington 170.1; 18. Western Washington 153.6. Scoring Offense - 6. Central Washington 43.6. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - None. Punt Returns - 34. Central Washington 11.5. Net Punting - 42. Western Oregon 34.2; 44. Humboldt State 34.1. Turnover Margin - 5. Central Washington 1.71; 18. Humboldt State 1.14.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Josh Riddell, Western Oregon (QB, 6-0, 205, Sr., Salem, OR – McKay & Mississippi State) completed 17 of 25 passes for 267 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Wolves to a 42-35 home win over Dixie State. It was his fifth 200-yard game this season and was also his second highest total of the five. "It was Josh's most consistent game of the season," said Wolves head coach Arne Ferguson. "He ran the offense well and didn't make mistakes." **Defense** - Matt

Cox, Western Oregon (DE, 6-0, 260, Sr., Salem, OR – North Salem) had a career-high 10 tackles, including 3 ½ for losses of 24 yards. Among his TFLs were 2 ½ sacks for losses of 22 yards. In addition to recording his first career double-digit tackle game, Cox reached historic if not record-setting TFL milestones. He now has 53 career tackle for losses and 27 QB sacks. The GNAC TFL record is 50, however only 23 of Cox's have come as a member of the GNAC. His QB sack total is one short of the GNAC record. Officially, though he ranks eighth in GNAC history with 13 ½ sacks. **Special Teams** – Garret Rolsma, Central Washington (K-P, 6-0, 197, Jr., University Place, WA – Curtis) set a GNAC record for consecutive extra points made and stayed on pace to set GNAC records for single-season field goals, field goal percentage and kick scoring in a 34-14 win at Humboldt State. Rolsma has made 41 straight this season, breaking the old GNAC record of 40 set by NFL veteran Michael Koenen of Western Washington during the 2001 and 2002 seasons. Rolsma's streak is 44 counting his final three attempts last season. The NCAA Division II record is 70. Rolsma also made two of three field goals Saturday and is 12 of 16 on the season, ahead of Koenen's record for highest single season percentage of 70.7 (12 of 17) in 2004. His miss snapped a string of seven in a row, two short of the GNAC record. He needs just two more field goals and five more points to equal GNAC single-season records for field goals and kick scoring. He has also averaged 60.6 on kickoffs this season (including 13 touchbacks) helping CWU gain the top ranking in the conference in kickoff coverage (41.6).

HONORABLE MENTION: Randall Eldridge, Western Washington (RB, 5-10, 200, Jr., Lynnwood, WA – Chabot JC) had 198 all-purpose yards, including 110 rushing on 26 carries and 88 receiving on six catches in a close loss to Division I North Dakota. His 198 all-purpose yards is the second most in the GNAC this fall, trailing only teammate Pat McCann's 232 yards (all receiving) against Dixie State.

CHASING THE RECORD BOOK: Central Washington quarterback Mike Reilly completed 20 of 29 passes for 275 yards. He now ranks sixth in NCAA Division II history in career total offense yards with 12,269. Ahead of him in fifth place is James McNear of Concordia-St. Paul with 12,446 between 2002-05. In passing, he also ranks sixth with 11,160. Justin Coleman of Nebraska Kearney (1997-00) is fifth with 11,213. . Reilly's favorite target, Johnny Spevak, needs 10 more yards to join the 3,000 yard receiving club.

AROUND THE GNAC: Central Washington needs just one more conference win against either Western Oregon this Saturday or against Western Washington on Nov. 8 to

wrap-up its fourth title in the six-year history of the GNAC. Both games are at Tomlinson Stadium where the Wildcats have never lost a GNAC conference game and are 28-7 overall since 2001 (including 24-4 as a member of the GNAC). CWU did lose two North Central Conference home games in 2006 and one last season. Their last conference home loss previous to that was a 27-7 Columbia Football Association decision to Western Washington on Oct. 16, 1999. . . A win against the Wolves or Vikings would assure the Wildcats of playing in the post-season, either in the NCAA playoffs or in the Dixie Rotary Bowl in St. George, Utah, on Dec. 6 if they are not selected for the NCAA playoffs. . . GNAC teams are 5-6 in non-conference game with all six losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and three are against NAIA opponents. The remaining non-conference games are versus Division III (Western Oregon at Linfield on Nov. 8) or NAIA (Dixie State at Azusa Pacific on Oct. 25 and Central Washington at Azusa Pacific on Nov. 1) foes.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 34, Humboldt State 14 (Oct. 18 at Arcata): Quarterback Mike Reilly passed for 275 yards and two touchdowns and kicker Garrett Rolsma set a conference record for consecutive extra points as Central Washington beat Humboldt State moving within one GNAC win of clinching their fourth conference title in six years. CWU also won titles in 2002, 2004 and 2005. Western Washington was the GNAC champion in 2001 and 2003. . . Reilly completed 20 of 29 passes, including touchdown passes of eight yards to Mike Waller in the first quarter and seven yards to Jamal Weems with 38 seconds left in the second quarter to give CWU a 21-7 lead at the break. The latter score was set up by Jerome Williams' 49-yard kickoff return. . . Central then added 10 points in the third quarter on a 39-yard Rolsma field goal and a one-yard TD run by Reilly. Rolsma, who made all four of his extra points to extend his season streak to 41, added a 28-yard field goal in the fourth quarter to stretch CWU's lead to 34-7. . . Rolsma, who has made 44 in a row going back to last season, broke the old GNAC record for consecutive PATs of 40 held by Western Washington's Michael Koenen in 2001 and 2002. . . Humboldt State got its two touchdowns in the latter stages of each half as Devin Stearns scored on a 14-yard pass from running back Bobby Thomas with 3:01 left in the second quarter and on a 19-yard pass from quarterback Garrett Hubrich to Matt Devlin with 2:29 remaining in the final period. . . CWU outgained Humboldt 339 to 209 in total offense. Jerome Morris, who scored on a 10-yard run late in the first quarter to stake CWU to a 14-0 lead, led all rushers with 43 yards on 15 carries. . . Johnny Spevak (64 yards) and Chris Rohrbach (31 yards) each caught four passes as Reilly spread the ball around throwing to nine different receivers. . . Hubrich completed 26 of 35 passes for 162 yards for Humboldt. Kevin Miles caught six for 36 yards and Matt Devlin had five for 74 yards. . . Defensively, linebacker Buddy Wood led Central with 12 tackles and also forced a fumble. Cornerback Jon Rogers and linebacker Adam Bighill had interceptions. Bighill's interception set up CWU's first score. He also had

CWU's only fumble recovery. . . Linebacker Michael Lynch had 16 tackles, including two sacks for the 'Jacks. Linebacker Bubba Reynolds added 10 tackles.

Central Washington	14	7	10	3	--	34
Humboldt State	0	7	0	7	--	14
CWU – Waller 8 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Morris 10 run (Rolsma kick)						
HSU – Stearns 14 pass from Hubrich (Schierholt kick)						
CWU – Weems 7 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Rolsma 39 Field Goal						
CWU – Reilly 1 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Rolsma 28 Field Goal						
HSU – Devlin 19 pass from Hubrich (Schierholt kick)						

Western Oregon 42, Dixie State 35 (Oct. 18 at St. George, UT):

Western Oregon gave up two late touchdowns before holding on to beat Dixie State at Monmouth and keep alive its slim GNAC title hopes. The Wolves need to win their final two conference games and hope Central Washington loses its season finale Nov. 8 against Western Washington to finish in a tie with the Wildcats (and possibly the Vikings). If that happens, the conference's tie-breaker procedure would determine the champion. . . Western Oregon scored four unanswered touchdowns in the second half to overcome a 21-14 halftime deficit, but then had to hold on for dear life to beat Dixie State. . . The fourth second-half touchdown, a 27-yard pass from running back Patrick Fuller to Isaiah Smith with 7:14 left in the game, gave WOU a 42-21 lead. Dixie State, however, then scored twice in the final four minutes to climb back within a touchdown. . . Backup quarterback Nate Lewis tossed a 46-yard pass to Kyser Christensen to set up a one-yard TD plunge by Teddy Owens to close WOU's lead to 42-28. Before that Owens spent most of his afternoon at linebacker earning a game-best 12 tackles. . . Dixie subsequently held the Wolves on three downs and a bad snap on the punt attempt gave the visitors the ball in the red zone. Lewis then found Christensen from 10 yards out to pull his team to within seven points. . . WOU's Jake Zeutenhorst, however, recovered the onside kick and the Wolves picked up the first down that they needed to run out the clock. . . For the game, WOU outgained Dixie 400-289 as quarterback Josh Riddell completed 17 of 25 passes for 267 yards. He threw for two touchdowns, and did not have an interception. . . Riddell found Shaun Kauleinamoku six times for 110 yards and a score. Smith had four receptions for 111 yards and a touchdown. . . Dixie was led by starting quarterback Dexter Hill, who completed 15 of 32 passes for 178 yards. Christensen caught six for 113 yards. However, WOU's defense made life miserable for Hill in the second half holding Dixie to 58 yards after the break, forcing him into two interceptions and only one completion in nine attempts. . . WOU had six quarterback sacks in the game, including 2 1/2 by defensive end Matt Cox, who also had a team-high 10 tackles, and two by tackle Anthony Marin. Cox had 3 1/2 tackles for losses increasing his career total to 53. He now has 27 career sacks. . . WOU's offense got untracked in the third quarter as Riddell scored on a quarterback sneak and also threw a 28-yard six-pointer to Kauleinamoku before Fuller, who had a game-high 52 rushing yards, threw a 27-yard score to Smith. . . In between, Braden Bangay intercepted a Hill pass and ran it

down to the one-yard line and fumbled, but Marin recovered in the end zone for the score. Officially Marin is credited with a interception TD return (but no interception). On the season he has some rather unique interception numbers for a defensive tackle – one interception for 67 yards and two interception TDs.

Dixie State	14	7	0	14	--	35
Western Oregon	14	0	14	14	--	42

WOU – Robertson 25 pass from Robinson (Rodriguez kick)
 DSC – Ence 7 pass from Hill (Manning kick)
 DSC – Case 21 fumble return (Manning kick)
 WOU – Dickson 12 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
 DSC – Hill 21 run (Manning kick)
 WOU – Riddell 1 run (Rodriguez kick)
 WOU – Marin fumble recovery in end zone (Rodriguez kick)
 WOU – Kauleinamoku 28 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
 WOU – Smith 27 pass from Fuller (Rodriguez kick)
 DSC – Owens 1 run (Manning kick)
 DSC – K. Christensen 10 pass from Lewis (Manning kick)

Western Washington	14	0	10	8	--	32
North Dakota	7	14	14	7	--	42

UND – Murray 24 run (Hellevang kick)
 WWU – McCann 26 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 WWU – McCann 52 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 UND – Nicholas 31 pass from Freund (Hellevang kick)
 UND – Murray 6 run (Hellevang kick)
 UND – Nicholas 33 pass from Freund (Hellevang kick)
 WWU – Hekker 2 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 UND – Trenbeath 2 pass Freund (Hellevang kick)
 WWU –Lider 41 Field Goal
 UND – Solum 2 run (Hellevang kick)
 WWU – Clark 1 pass from Perry (McKee pass from Perry)

North Dakota 42, Western Washington 32 (Oct. 18 at Ashland): Running back Josh Murray rushed for 219 yards and two touchdowns and quarterback Danny Freund threw three TD passes to lead North Dakota to a 42-32 win over Western Washington before a crowd of 12,164 at Alerus Center. . .Western Washington kept it relatively close against the first-year NCAA Division 1-Football Championship Sub Division member as quarterback Adam Perry completed 24 of 37 passes for 374 yards and four touchdowns, two of them to wide receiver Pat McCann. . .The Vikings were within seven points (28-21) midway through the third quarter after a two-yard touchdown catch by tight end Zach Hekker. Running back Randall Eldridge set up the score rushing six times for 48 yards on the drive. But Ismael Bamba returned the ensuing kickoff 75 yards to the WWU 17, and three plays later, Freund connected with Brady Trenbeath for a two-yard score. . .WWU closed to within 11 (35-24) on a 41-yard field goal by Josh Lider, but UND responded again, using a nine-play, 54-yard drive capped by Catlin Solum's two-yard run. . .The Vikings completed the game with a 481-429 advantage in total offense. Eldridge had 110 yards on 26 rushes, and added 88 yards on six receptions. . .McCann had six catches for 179 yards including first-quarter touchdown receptions of 26 and 52 yards. His 29.83 yards per catch set a GNAC single-game record for a minimum of five receptions. He broke the old record of 29.80 set in 2001 by Dustin Creager of Humboldt State who had five catches for 149 yards against Azusa Pacific. . .Freund completed 14 of 22 passes for 181 yards for UND. Alex Nicholas had four catches for 81 yards and two touchdowns, grabbing a 33-yarder to open the second-half scoring. . .WWU middle linebacker Caleb Jessup, who entered the game third nationally in NCAA II in tackles per game (12.5), had 11 stops extending his string of double figure tackle games to seven. . .Late in the third quarter, Perry became the 10th Western player to surpass 4,000 career passing yards, finishing the contest with 4,137. He has thrown at least two touchdown passes in all seven games this season, and has thrown for more than 300 yards in four of the last five games.

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	Conference				All			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
*Central Washington	7	0	294	159	8	1	377	211
Western Washington	4	2	194	160	4	4	257	254
Western Oregon	4	3	224	210	5	4	273	244
Dixie State	1	5	157	204	3	6	229	274
Humboldt State	0	6	92	228	2	7	144	304
*Clinched GNAC title								

LAST SATURDAY: Western Oregon 31 at Central Washington 38; Dixie State 30 at Azusa Pacific 23; Humboldt State 20 at Western Washington 56.

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

POLLS: AFCA (Oct. 21) - 10. Central Washington. **D2Football.com (Oct. 21)** - 5. Central Washington. **NCAA Super Regional IV (Oct. 20)** - 1. Abilene Christian (7-0); 2. Northwest Missouri (7-1); 3. Pittsburg State (7-1); 4. West Texas A&M (7-1); 5. Central Missouri (6-2); 6. Central Washington (7-1); 7. Tarleton State (7-1); 8. Midwestern State (5-2); 9. Texas A&M Kingsville (5-3); 10. Washburn (6-2).

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Oct. 18): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 6. Mike Reilly, CWU, 334.9; 9. Adam Perry, WWU, 316.4; 47. Josh Riddell, WOU, 221.6. All-Purpose - 24. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 141.6; 29. Randall Eldridge, WWU, 139.3. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 8. Mike Reilly, CWU, 171.9; 15. Adam Perry, WWU, 160.2; 32. Josh Riddell, WOU, 143.9. Receptions - 1. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.0. Receiving Yards - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 128.2; 12. Pat McCann, WWU, 102.1. Scoring - 16. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.6; 27. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.2. Field Goals - 3. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.50; 18. Josh Lider, WWU, 1.00. Punting - 24. Kyle Schierholt, HSU, 40.5. Punt Returns - 38. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 9.7. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 4. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 0.75; 23. Jerome Williams, CWU, Caleb Singleton, WOU, Gavin Romanick, WOU, 0.50. Tackles - 4. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 12.3. Tackles For Losses - 6. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.81. Sacks - 2. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.19; 13. Chad Frank, DSC, 0.93; 28. Ryan Dyer, CWU, 0.79; 48. Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 0.69. **Team (Top 50):** Total Offense - 36. Western Washington 414.9; 37. Central Washington 412.4. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 5. Western Oregon 64.0; 13. Central Washington 81.1; 20. Dixie State 93.2. Passing Offense - 7. Western Washington 315.0; 10. Central Washington 304.5; 49. Dixie State 234.6. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 9. Central Washington 170.3; 18. Western Washington 156.9; 45. Western Oregon 136.9. Scoring Offense - 6. Central Washington 42.4; 48. Western Oregon 30.2. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - None. Punt Returns - None. Net Punting - 25. Western Oregon 35.2; 31. Humboldt State 34.8; 40. Central Washington 33.8. Turnover Margin - 6. Central Washington 1.75; 28. Humboldt State 0.75.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK

OFFENSE: Johnny Spevak, Central Washington (WR, 6-3, 200, Jr., Edgewood, WA – Puyallup) and Dexter Hill, Dixie State (QB, 6-1, 190, Sr., Pocatello, ID – Northern Iowa). . .Spevak set a GNAC single-season record with his seventh 100-yard receiving game of the season. He caught 10 passes for 166 yards including touchdown receptions of one and 41 yards in the second quarter as CWU overcame an early 10-3 deficit in a 38-31 Homecoming win over Western Oregon. He also recovered an on-side kick with less than two minutes to go to help preserve the victory as the Wildcats clinched their fourth conference title since 2002. . . Hill had 336 yards in total offense, including a GNAC QB season-high 95 rushing yards in a seven-point road win at Azusa Pacific. Hill, who completed 20 of 34 passes for 241 yards and one touchdown, ran 20 yards to set up one touchdown then later scored on a five-yard run as Dixie scored twice in the fourth quarter to overcome a seven-point deficit.

DEFENSE: Chris James, Central Washington (LB, 5-11, 210, Sr., Tacoma, WA – Bellarmine Prep) had 12 tackles and helped thwart two Western Oregon touchdown drives in a seven-point win. In the first quarter, he forced a fumble on a first-and-goal at CWU's 7-yard line. The fumble was recovered by CWU linebacker Buddy Wood who equaled a GNAC single-season record with his fourth recovery. Then in the second quarter James was credited with a QB hurry on a second-and-four pass from the CWU 18 that was intercepted by Courtney Smith. He also had a tackle for a three-yard loss.

SPECIAL TEAMS: Courtney Smith, Central Washington (DB, 5-11, 200, Sr., Stockton, CA – Langston) and Rick Copey, Western Washington (WR, 5-8, Jr., Camas, WA) . . Smith set one GNAC record and tied two others. His 98-yard fourth quarter kickoff return, which turned out to be the winning score, was the longest kick return in GNAC history. He also tied GNAC season and career records for kickoff return touchdowns (2). He also had three tackles and a key interception on a second-and-four play from CWU's 18 in the second period. . . Copey helped set up three first-half Western Washington touchdowns with long kick returns. He had a 42 and 61 returns to set up scores that put WWU ahead 21-6 and 28-13, respectively, in the first half. He also had a 41-yard punt return to set up the score that enabled the Vikings to stretch their lead to 35-13 late in the second quarter. In all, he had 164 yards on four returns, including 123 on three kickoffs.

HONORABLE MENTION: Adam Perry, Western Washington (QB, 6-0, 190, Sr., Longview, WA) tied a Viking school record with five touchdown passes, including four in the first half, in a 56-20 home win over Humboldt State. Perry, who leads the GNAC in passing yards (311.5), completed 22 of 29 for 319 yards and was not intercepted. . .Matt Cox, Western Oregon (DE, 6-0, 260, Sr., Salem, OR – North Salem) had a career-high 13 tackles, including 2 ½ for losses of nine yards. Cox, whose previous high of 10 came last week against Dixie State, also blocked a field goal attempt.

A LOOK AT THE DIXIE ROTARY BOWL: By virtue of its conference championship, Central Washington will represent the GNAC in the Rotary Bowl on Dec. 6 at St. George, Utah, *if it doesn't* qualify for the NCAA playoffs. If the Wildcats qualify for the playoffs, the GNAC's second-place finisher – either Western Washington or Western Oregon - will play in the Rotary Bowl. WWU can eliminate WOU from consideration if it beats Dixie State in St. George this Saturday or CWU in Ellensburg on Nov. 8.

CHASING THE NATIONAL RECORD BOOK: Central Washington quarterback Mike Reilly had 393 yards in total offense against Western Oregon, including 359 passing, to move from sixth to fourth on the NCAA Division II all-time career total offense chart with 12,662. Ahead of him in third place is Cullen Finnerty of Grand Valley State with 13,275 between 2003 and 2006. In passing, Reilly ranks fifth with 11,519. Andrew Webb of Fort Lewis (2000-03) is fourth with 11,742. . .CWU receiver Johnny Spevak increased his career receiving yards total to 3,156 yards. In two games this season against Western Oregon, Spevak has 21 catches for 363 yards and four touchdowns. Only two GNAC players have had 3,000 or more career receiving yards – Dustin Creager of Humboldt State (3,929 between 2001 and 2004) and CWU's Brian Potucek (3,889 between 2001 and 2005).

AROUND THE GNAC: Central Washington kicker Garrett Rolsma scored eight points against Western Oregon, increasing his season total to a GNAC kick scoring record 85. The record for most points by any player is 108. Rolsma extended his string of PATs without of miss to 49. . .Reilly and Perry each recorded their fifth 300-yard passing games of the season, one short of the GNAC record of six by Jacob Kadle of Humboldt State in 2001. . .Central Washington has won 18 consecutive GNAC games, dating back to a 28-21 loss to Western Washington in the "2004 Battle in Seattle" contest. Including games in 2006 and 2007 when the Wildcats competing in the NCC, Central has won 24 consecutive contests against current GNAC member schools. . .GNAC teams are 6-6 in non-conference game with all six losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and four are against NAIA opponents.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 38, Western Oregon 31 (Oct. 25 at Ellensburg): Mike Reilly threw for 359 yards and Courtney Smith returned a kickoff 98 yards for a

touchdown as Central Washington clinched its fourth GNAC football title since 2002 defeating Western Oregon before a Homecoming crowd of 4,318 at Tomlinson Stadium. . .Reilly surpassed the 3,000 yard total offense single-season mark for the third time in his career. It has been done only five times in CWU history. . .Smith is averaging 37.4 yards on nine returns. Only one other Division II player this season has a higher average, however Courtney is two attempts short of meeting the minimum number of attempts to qualify for the rankings (1.2 per team game). . . Central assured itself of a postseason game with the victory, either in the NCAA Division II playoffs or at St. George, Utah in the Dixie Rotary Bowl on Dec. 6. . .Smith's touchdown return, his second of the season, turned out to be the game-winner. . .After WOU had shaved CWU's 31-10 lead to 31-24 on touchdown passes of 45 and 35 yards to Justin Ore and Isaiah Smith late in the third quarter and early in the fourth period, Courtney Smith re-established the lead at 14 with his long return. . .Later WOU pulled back to within seven points on a 16-yard pass from Riddell to Isaiah Smith with 1:41 left, but CWU wide receiver Johnny Spevak recovered an onside kick and the Wildcats were able to run out the clock. . .Spevak had another spectacular game catching 10 passes for 166 yards including two second-quarter touchdowns of one and 44 yards. Chris Rohrbach also had a 100-yard game, catching seven for 112 yards. . .Reilly, who was intercepted once, was 22 of 34 for 359 yards. The Wildcats also netted 134 yards on the ground, 101 by running back Jerome Morris. . .Western Oregon outgained the Wildcats 527 to 493 as the two teams combined for 1,020 yards. QB Josh Riddell matched Reilly's numbers (also completing 22 of 34) for 381 yards and four touchdowns. Demario Ballard caught seven for 127 yards and Isaiah Smith had five receptions for 101 yards. . .Defensively, end Matt Cox, who had 2 1/2 tackles for losses, led WOU with 13 stops bettering his career high for the second week in a row. He now has 55 ½ career tackles for losses. Andrew Jackson and J.T. Gilmore each had 10 tackles. . .WOU's Gavin Romanick picked off his fifth pass of the season as Reilly was intercepted for only the fourth time in 2008. . .Linebackers Chris James and Buddy Wood had 12 and 10 tackles, respectively, for CWU. Wood also earned his league-leading fourth fumble recovery of the season, equaling the GNAC single-season record. Courtney Smith, who had 139 yards on four kickoff returns, and linebacker Adam Bighill also had takeaways with interceptions.

Western Oregon	3	7	7	14	--	31
Central Washington	3	14	14	7	--	38
WOU – Rodriguez 20 Field Goal						
CWU – Rolsma 26 Field Goal						
WOU – Kauleinamoku 25 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
CWU – Spevak 1 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Spevak 44 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Morris 1 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Reilly 1 run (Rolsma kick)						
WOU – Ore 45 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
WOU – I. Smith 35 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
CWU – C. Smith 98 kickoff return (Rolsma kick)						
WOU – !. Smith 16 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						

Western Washington 56, Humboldt State 20 (Oct. 25 at Bellingham): Western Washington kept its Rotary Bowl hopes alive with a 36-point home win over Humboldt State at Civic Stadium in Bellingham as quarterback Adam Perry completed 22 of 29 passes for 319 yards and a school-record tying five touchdowns. . Perry had touchdown passes of 36 yards and 28 yards to Pat McCann, 34 yards to Randall Eldridge and 12 and 13 yards to Travis McKee. All but McKee's 13-yard TD reception came in the opening half when the Vikings built a 42-13 lead. . McCann finished the contest with seven receptions for 144 yards and McKee had five for 89. Eldridge caught five for 42 and also added two more touchdowns on the ground from five and two yards as he netted 67 yards on 19 totes. . Western Washington finished the contest with 492 yards, while holding Humboldt State to 406. Humboldt QB Garrett Hubrich completed 16 of 27 for 211 yards. . Running backs Corey Stollmeyer (10-79) and Jovany Cueva (10-54) combined for 143 of the 'Jacks 145 rushing yards. Stollmeyer also had a GNAC season-best 265 all-purpose yards, including a GNAC single-game record 149 yards on seven kickoffs and 37 on four receptions. . WWU linebacker Caleb Jessup extended his string of double-digit tackle games to eight with 11, including seven solos. He also had a fumble recovery. WWU defensive end Nick Rocco had three tackles for losses of 17 yards, including two sacks for losses totaling 15 yards. Linebacker Michael Lynch had eight tackles to pace HSU.

Humboldt State	6	7	0	7	--	20
Western Washington	14	28	14	0	--	56

WWU – McCann 36 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 HSU – Schierholt 23 Field Goal
 WWU – Eldridge 5 run (Lider kick)
 HSU – Schierholt 37 Field Goal
 WWU – Eldridge 34 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 HSU – Stollmeyer 2 run (Schierholt kick)
 WWU – McCann 28 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 WWU – Eldridge 2 run (Lider kick)
 WWU – McKee 12 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 WWU – McKee 13 pass from Perry (Lider kick)
 WWU – Agyei 37 pass from Gardiner (Lider kick)
 HSU – Thomas 2 run (Schierholt kick)

Dixie State 30, Azusa Pacific 23 (Oct. 25 at Azusa): Quarterback Dexter Hill set up one fourth-quarter touchdown with a 20-yard run and then scored himself on a five-yard run as Dixie State overcame a 23-16 deficit to beat Azusa Pacific taking advantage of good field position in the final period. . A 47-yard field goal by Corey Lenahan gave APU a 23-16 lead with 2:23 left in the third quarter, but Cliff Leavitt returned the subsequent kickoff 35 yards to midfield. . Dixie then drove 50 yards in 10 plays. A 20-yard run by Hill on a third-and-10 from the APU 22 set up a two-yard run by Teddy Owens for the tying score with 13:42 remaining. . Later in the period, a Cougar gamble backfired as quarterback John VanDen Raadt's pass on fourth-and-4 from the Dixie 43 was incomplete. The GNAC school then went 57 yards in nine plays, the final five on a run by Hill for the game-winning TD. . Hill finished the contest with 336 yards in total offense, completing 20 of 34 passes for 241 yards and a touchdown and rushing for 95 yards on 14 carries. Dixie also got 83 rushing yards from Adam Wells as it netted 434 total yards, including 194 rushing. Skyler Ence led Dixie's receivers with seven catches for 82 yards. Wells had four catches for 17 yards. . Defensively, DB Richard May led the visitors with 11 tackles. Linebacker Stephen Cook had nine tackles, including three for losses. Two of his TFLs were sacks for losses totaling 16 yards. Owens had nine tackles and Dixie's lone takeaway as he recovered a fumble.

Dixie State	6	3	7	14	--	30
Azusa Pacific	3	10	10	0	--	23

APU – Hansen 42 Field Goal
 DSC – Christensen 33 pass from Hill (kick blocked)
 APU – Lenahan 35 Field Goal
 APU – VanDen Raadt 14 run (Lenahan kick)
 DSC – Manning 46 Field Goal
 DSC – Wells 50 run (Manning kick)
 APU – Davis 4 pass from VanDen Raadt (Lenahan kick)
 APU – Lenahan 47 Field Goal
 DSC – Owens 2 run (Manning kick)
 DSC – Hill 5 run (Manning kick)

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	7	0	294	159	9	1	413	217
Western Washington	5	2	214	174	5	4	277	268
Western Oregon	5	3	258	220	6	4	307	254
Dixie State	1	6	171	224	3	7	243	294
Humboldt State	0	7	102	262	2	8	154	338

LAST SATURDAY: Central Washington 36 at Azusa Pacific 6; Western Washington 20 at Dixie State 14; Humboldt State 10 at Western Oregon 34.

THIS SATURDAY: Western Washington at Central Washington, noon; Dixie State at Humboldt State, 6 p.m.; Western Oregon at Linfield, 1 p.m. (End-of-regular season).

POLLS: AFCA (Oct. 28) - 9. Central Washington. **D2Football.com (Oct. 28)** - 5. Central Washington. **NCAA Super Regional IV (Oct. 27)** - 1. Abilene Christian (8-0); 2. Northwest Missouri (8-1); 3. Pittsburg State (8-1); 4. West Texas A&M (8-1); 5. Central Washington (8-1); 6. Nebraska - Omaha 5-3; 7. Central Missouri (6-3); 8. Texas A&M Kingsville (6-3); 9. Tarleton State (7-2); 10. Central Oklahoma (5-4).

NATIONAL STATISTICS (Through Oct. 25): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 6. Mike Reilly, CWU, 341.3; 9. Adam Perry, WWU, 316.2; 32. Josh Riddell, WOU, 241.6; 40. Dexter Hill, DSC, 230.6. All-Purpose - 20. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 144.3; 31. Randall Eldridge, WWU, 135.0. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 9. Mike Reilly, CWU, 171.3; 10. Adam Perry, WWU, 167.2; 29. Josh Riddell, WOU, 149.8. Receptions - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.2; 50. Pat McCann, WWU, 5.4. Receiving Yards - 2. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 132.4; 6. Pat McCann, WWU, 107.4; 49. Travis McKee, WWU, 73.4. Scoring - 16. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.4; 22. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.7; 38. Pat McCann, WWU, 7.5. Field Goals - 4. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.44; 41. Josh Lider, WWU, 0.88. Punting - 38. Kyle Schierholt, HSU, 39.2. Punt Returns - None. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 6. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 0.67; 17. Gavin Romanick, WOU, 0.56; 35. Caleb Singleton, WOU; Jerome Williams, CWU; and Adam Bighill, CWU, 0.44. Tackles - 3. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 12.1. Tackles For Losses - 3. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.89. Sacks - 3. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.11; 19. Chad Frank, DSC, 0.81; 49. Ryan Dyer, CWU, 0.69. **Team (Top 50):** Total Offense - 28. Western Washington 424.5; 31. Central Washington 421.3; 42. Western Oregon 395.4. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 7. Western Oregon 71.8; 14. Central Washington 88.3; 27. Dixie State 103.3. Passing Offense - 6. Western Washington 320.8; 10. Central Washington 310.6; 33. Western Oregon 245.4; 50. Dixie State 235.3. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 7. Central Washington 169.9; 11. Western Washington 165.4; 32. Western Oregon 143.2. Scoring Offense - 7. Central Washington 41.9; 38. Western Washington 32.1; 46. Western Oregon 30.3. Scoring Defense - None. Kick Returns - 32. Central Washington 22.6. Punt Returns - 35. Western Washington 11.5. Net Punting - 21. Western Oregon 35.1; 36. Central Washington 34.0. Turnover Margin - 8. Central Washington 1.67; 33. Humboldt State 0.56.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Josh Riddell, Western Oregon (QB, 6-0, 205, Jr., Salem, OR – McKay/Mississippi State) completed 26 of 43 passes for 488 yards and four touchdowns leading the Wolves to a 34-10 home win against Humboldt State. Riddell set school and GNAC records for passing yards. He toppled the 1994 school mark of 420 yards set by Brian Traeger against

Southern Oregon and broke the GNAC record of 468 set by Jason Baughman of Humboldt State against Southern Oregon in 2003. He also tied the GNAC total offense record of 493 set by HSU's Chris Dixon against Sacramento State in 2001. His touchdown passes went to four different receivers – eight yards to Demario Ballard in the first quarter, 32 yards to Isaiah Smith and 19 yards to Shaun Kauleinamoku in the second quarter and 27 yards to Devin Stearns in the third quarter. **Defense** - Kevin Jones, Western Washington (CB, 5-9, 175, Sr., Seattle, WA – Kentwood/C. of Siskiyou) had seven tackles, including a game-high six solos, and also forced and recovered a fumble and returned an interception 26 yards. His fumble recovery at the Dixie 31 set up a 47-yard field goal by Josh Lider to give WWU a 12-7 lead midway through the second quarter. His interception came at the WWU 42. He returned it to the Dixie 32 and it indirectly, after an exchange of possessions, put WWU in position to post a safety.

A LOOK AT THE DIXIE ROTARY BOWL: By virtue of its conference championship, Central Washington will represent the GNAC in the Rotary Bowl on Dec. 6 at St. George, Utah, *if it doesn't* qualify for the NCAA playoffs. If the Wildcats qualify for the playoffs, Western Washington will play in the Rotary Bowl. The Vikings or Wildcats will play either the champion or second-place finisher from the Rocky Mountain Conference.

CHASING THE NATIONAL RECORD BOOK: Central Washington quarterback Mike Reilly had 249 yards in total offense against Azusa Pacific, including 217 passing, to remain in fourth place on the NCAA Division II all-time career total offense chart with 12,911. Ahead of him in third place is Cullen Finnerty of Grand Valley State with 13,275 between 2003 and 2006. In passing, Reilly remained in fifth, increasing his career total to 11,736. Andrew Webb of Fort Lewis (2000-03) is fourth with 11,742. . . CWU receiver Johnny Spevak increased his career receiving yards total to 3,210 yards. Only two GNAC players have had 3,000 or more career receiving yards – Dustin Creager of Humboldt State (3,929 between 2001 and 2004) and CWU's Brian Potucek (3,889 between 2001 and 2005).

AROUND THE GNAC: Riddell's 488-yard passing performance was the second 400-yard game this fall in the GNAC and the eighth in GNAC history. It was also his second straight 400-yard total offense game. He had 401 yards last week against Central Washington. Scott Mitchell of Western Washington had a GNAC-record three 400-yard total offense games in 2001. . . Isaiah Smith of Western Oregon recorded his fourth 100-yard receiving game. Spevak is the leader this fall with seven. . . Central

Washington's Garrett Rolsma extended his GNAC record string of consecutive PATs made without a miss to 50. Counting last season, he has made 53 in a row, five short of the CWU school record of 58 set by Wildcat Hall-of-Famer Craig Warmenhoven in the mid-1980s. .Rolsma also set a GNAC single-season records for most field goals made (15) and extra points made (50) and extended his own GNAC for most points scored by a kicker to 95. .Reilly needs 199 passing yards to equal the GNAC single season records of 3,193 yards by Jacob Kadle of Humboldt State (2001). With 29 TD passes, he is one short of his own GNAC record of 30 he set as a freshman in 2005. With 3,321 yards, He has already broken the GNAC single-season record for total offense of 3,181 by Kadle in 2001. .Spevak needs just 11 catches to equal the GNAC single-season record of 88 established by Humboldt's Dustin Creager in 2004 and needs only 19 yards to tie the GNAC record for most yards of 1,265 established by former CWU great Brian Potucek in 2002. .GNAC teams are 7-6 in non-conference game with all six losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and five are against NAIA opponents. Western Oregon plays at Linfield Saturday to complete the non-conference portion of the schedule.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Western Washington 20, Dixie State 14 (Nov. 1 at St. George, UT): Western Washington scored a touchdown with 18 seconds left in the second quarter and then played a scoreless second half with Dixie State to earn a six-point win. .The victory assures the Vikings will play in the Dixie Rotary Bowl at St. George on Dec. 6 if Central Washington is chosen for the NCAA playoffs. .If CWU is not chosen, the Wildcats will get the Rotary Bowl nod. .Pat McCann caught a two-yard pass from quarterback Adam Perry for WWU's winning touchdown to finish off a 62-yard, 10-play drive that required just 70 seconds after Dixie had gone ahead 14-12 on a 31-yard pass from quarterback Dexter Hill to Skyler Ence with 1:34 left in the half. .Ence's catch completed a 85-yard, 10-play drive. Dixie also scored on a four-yard run by Hill, which was set up by a 44-yard loss on a bad punt snap. .After Hill's TD, the Vikings went ahead with 12 unanswered points scoring on a nine-yard run by Dominique Hill, on a safety and on a 47-yard field goal by Josh Lider. .WWU ended the contest with a 311-240 total offensive advantage, holding Dixie to two second-half first downs after a 42-yard run by running back Aaron Davies brought the ball to WWU's 30 on Dixie's first possession of the half. .Following that run, a penalty stalled the drive and Dixie eventually turned the ball over on downs. .Perry led WWU offensively completing 23 of 31 passes for 243 yards. Travis McKee caught nine for 123 yards and McCann had five catches for 41 yards. Running backs Kevin Sampson (18-86) and Dominique Hill (11-54) combined for 140 yards. .Davies netted 81 yards on 16 rushes and Dexter Hill completed 13 of 23 passes for 127 yards for Dixie. .Defensively, linebacker Teddy Owens had 13 tackles and Micah Harward forced two fumbles to lead the Utah school. .Caleb Jessup had nine tackles, his lowest output of the season, and Kevin Jones had seven tackles, a forced

fumble, a fumble recovery and an interception to pace the Vikings. .Rick Copsey had his second straight 100-yard plus return game for the Vikings. He had 54 yards on three punt returns and 72 yards on three kickoff returns and finished with 161 all-purpose yards. His 31-yard return gave WWU good field position for its first-quarter touchdown. Jones forced and recovered a fumble setting up WWU's second-quarter field goal.

Western Washington	7	13	0	0	--	20
Dixie State	7	7	0	0	--	14
DSC – Hill 4 run (Manning kick)						
WWU – Hill 9 run (Lider kick)						
WWU – Safety, punter stepped out of end zone						
WWU – FG Lider 47						
DSC – Ence 31 pass from Hill (Manning kick)						
WWU – McCann 2 pass from Perry (McKee pass from Perry)						

Western Oregon 34, Humboldt State 10 (Nov. 1 at Monmouth): Quarterback Josh Riddell threw for a school and GNAC-record 488 yards and tied the conference record for total offense (493) in leading Western Oregon to a 34-10 home win against Humboldt State. .Riddell topped the 1994 school mark of 420 yards set by Brian Traeger against Southern Oregon and broke the GNAC record of 468 set by Jason Baughman of Humboldt State against Southern Oregon in 2003. He tied the GNAC total offense record of 493 set by HSU's Chris Dixon against Sacramento State in 2001. .Riddell tossed first-half touchdown passes of eight yards to Demario Ballard, 32 yards to Isaiah Smith and 19 yards to Shaun Kauleinamoku as WOU built a 27-3 halftime lead. .The Wolf QB, who completed 26 of 43 passes, also hooked up with Justin Ore for a 25-yard TD to complete the scoring in the second half. .Kauleinamoku (9-129), Ballard (5-129) and Ore (3-106) all surpassed the century mark in receiving as WOU outgained the Lumberjacks 589 to 263 in total offense. It is the first time in WOU and GNAC history a team has had three 100-yard receivers in the same game. .Ben Kuenzi led WOU in rushing with 72 yards on 18 rushes. Corey Stollmeyer rushed for 66 yards on 21 carries and quarterback Garrett Hubrich completed 27 of 46 passes for 225 for HSU. Kevin Miles caught nine, but for just 27 yards. .Stollmeyer had 169 all-purpose yards, including 49 on five receptions and 54 on three kickoffs. .Andrew Jackson led the WOU defense with 11 tackles. Gavin Romanick had 2 1/2 tackles for losses of 12 yards among his eight tackles. Bubba Reynolds had 16 tackles for Humboldt to tie the GNAC season-high. Justin Calcote had 11 tackles. .Miguel Gonzalez and Bryan Huber had interceptions for WOU and Justin Price had one for Humboldt.

Humboldt State	3	0	7	0	--	10
Western Oregon	10	17	0	7	--	34
HSU – Schierholt 41 Field Goal						
WOU – Rodriguez 44 Field Goal						
WOU – Ballard 8 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
WOU – Smith 32 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
WOU – Rodriguez 32 Field Goal						
WOU – Kauleinamoku 18 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						
HSU – Stearns 27 pass from Hubrich (Schierholt kick)						
WOU – Ore 25 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)						

Central Washington 36, Azusa Pacific 6 (Nov. 1 at Azusa): Running back Jerome Morris ran for 123 yards and freshman wide receiver Justin Helwege caught four passes for 136 yards as Central Washington improved to 9-1 with a non-conference victory. . . Morris scored on a 43-yard run and Helwege went 75 yards on a reception as CWU jumped to a 14-0 lead in the opening quarter. The Wildcats then added 16 points in the second quarter, two on a defensive PAT by J.R. Jamerson, to take a 30-6 lead at the intermission. . . Two field goals from 35 and 25 yards by Garrett Rolsma – his 14th and 15th of the season - were the only scores of the second half. . . CWU quarterback Mike Reilly completed 12 of 22 passes for 217 yards and backup Kyle Miller completed two of three for 49 yards. Central added 160 yards on the ground to outgain the Cougars 426-194 in total offense. . . Morris has had back-to-back 100-yard games to join D.J. Jackson of Western Oregon and Randall Eldridge of Western Washington as the only running backs in the league to produce two 100-yard games this fall. He had 101 last week against Western Oregon. . . Helwege had only two catches for 20 yards in his previous eight games this season. Another player who made his first significant contribution of the season was Reggie Westmoreland, who had 94 all-purpose yards, returning a punt for 52 yards and catching three passes for 42 yards, including a second-quarter six-yard touchdown. . . Safety Taylor Breitzman and linebacker Chris James led CWU with nine and eight tackles, respectively. Both players forced fumbles. Jerome Williams had an interception and Tyrell Nielson had a fumble recover and 1 ½ tackles for losses.

Central Washington	14	16	6	0	--	36
Azusa Pacific	0	6	0	0	--	6

- CWU – Morris 43 run (Rolsma kick)
- CWU – Helwege 75 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
- APU – Brunt 2 run (kick blocked)
- CWU – Jamerson PAT return
- CWU – Westmoreland 6 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
- CWU – Spevak 11 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)
- CWU – Rolsma 35 Field Goal
- CWU – Rolsma 25 Field Goal

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	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	8	0	343	180	10	1	462	238
Western Oregon	5	3	258	220	7	4	324	263
Western Washington	5	3	235	223	5	5	298	317
Dixie State	2	6	190	239	4	7	262	309
Humboldt State	0	8	117	281	2	9	169	357

LAST SATURDAY: Western Washington 21 at Central Washington 49; Dixie State 19 at Humboldt State 15; Western Oregon 17 at Linfield 9. (End-of-regular season).

NCAA PLAYOFFS: Saturday - Central Washington at West Texas A&M, 11 a.m. (Pacific Time).

DIXIE ROTARY BOWL (Dec. 6 at St. George, UT) – Western Washington (5-5) vs. Colorado Mines (8-3), noon (Mountain Time),

POLLS: AFCA (Nov. 4) - 8. Central Washington. **D2Football.com (Nov. 4)** - 5. Central Washington. **NCAA Super Regional IV (Final)** - 1. Abilene Christian (10-0); 2. Northwest Missouri (10-1); 3. Pittsburg State (10-1); 4. West Texas A&M (10-1); 5. Central Washington (10-1); 6. Nebraska - Omaha 7-3; 7. Texas A&M-Kingsville (7-4); 8. Tarleton State (8-3); 9. Central Oklahoma (7-4); 10. Central Missouri (7-4).

NATIONAL STATISTICS (End-of-Regular Season): Individuals (Top 50): Total Offense - 7. Mike Reilly, CWU, 332.7; 11. Adam Perry, WWU, 299.2; 23. Josh Riddell, WOU, 256.7; 35. Dexter Hill, DSC, 238.5. All-Purpose - 32. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 131.1. Rushing - None. Passing Efficiency - 6. Mike Reilly, CWU, 173.3; 14. Adam Perry, WWU, 159.1; 24. Josh Riddell, WOU, 150.2. Receptions - 5. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 7.5. Receiving Yards - 3. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 119.4; 13. Pat McCann, WWU, 97.1; 48. Travis McKee, WWU, 74.2. Scoring - 14. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 9.3; 19. Johnny Spevak, CWU, 8.7. Field Goals - 7. Garrett Rolsma, CWU, 1.36; 45. Josh Lider, WWU, 0.80. Punting - None. Punt Returns - None. Kickoff Returns - None. Interceptions - 15. Guy Ricciardulli, HSU, 0.55; 30. Gavin Romanick, WOU, and Jerome Williams, CWU, 0.45. Tackles - 7. Caleb Jessup, WWU, 11.4; 22. Bubba Reynolds, HSU, 10.2; 43. Teddy Owens, DSC, 9.1. Tackles For Losses - 5. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.82; 26. Chad Frank, DSC, 1.50. Sacks - 7. Matt Cox, WOU, 1.00; 27. Ryan Dyer, CWU, 0.75; 42. Tyrell Nielsen, CWU, 0.68. **Team (Top 50):** Total Offense - 32. Central Washington 418.5; 36. Western Washington 405.7; 41. Western Oregon 399.2. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 9. Western Oregon 76.9; 12. Central Washington 87.9; 14. Dixie State 92.9. Passing Offense - 9. Central Washington 305.1; 10. Western Washington 304.3; 30. Western Oregon 257.8; 50. Dixie State 234.6. Passing Defense - None. Pass Efficiency - 6. Central Washington 172.2; 16. Western Washington 157.9; 29. Western Oregon 144.9. Scoring Offense - 6. Central Washington 42.0. Scoring Defense - 44. Central Washington 21.6. Kick Returns - 19. Central Washington 23.9. Punt Returns - 19. Western Washington 12.9. Net Punting - 21. Western Oregon 34.8; 27. Central Washington 34.4. Turnover Margin - 8. Central Washington 1.55.

GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense - Justin Helwege, Central Washington (WR, 6-4, 205, Fr., Sammamish, WA – Eastlake) and Dexter Hill, Dixie State (QB, 6-1, 190, Sr., Pocatello, ID – Highland) . . . Helwege had three game-changing receptions for 108 yards as the

Wildcats wrapped up a NCAA post-season berth with a 49-21 win over Western Washington. In the second quarter with CWU protecting a 14-6 lead and facing a third-and-20 from its own 10-yard line, Helwege caught a 46-yard pass from quarterback Mike Reilly to key a nine-play, 80-yard TD drive. In the third quarter, his 37-yard catch took the ball to the three-yard line where Jerome Morris scored to put the Wildcats up 35-14. Then in the fourth quarter, he had a 25-yard reception to set up a two-yard run by Morris for another touchdown. . . Hill, a transfer from Northern Iowa, had 405 yards of total offense leading Dixie to a 19-15 win at Humboldt State. He threw for 336 yards, completing 31 of 59 passes, including a seven-yard game-winning TD pass to Kyser Christensen with one second remaining. He also rushed for 69 yards on 14 carries. **Defense** - Bubba Reynolds, Humboldt State (LB, 5-11, 218, Jr. Huntington Beach, CA – Orange Coast CC) had perhaps the most impressive statistical defensive game in GNAC history in a last-second loss to Dixie State. Reynolds set a GNAC single-game record for tackles (25) and tied the conference record for assisted tackles (16). He also had 2 ½ tackles for losses of seven yards, forced a fumble, intercepted a pass and also had a breakup. **Special Teams** – Courtney Smith, Central Washington (DB, 5-11, 200, Sr., Stockton, CA – East Union) returned the opening kickoff 84 yards to set up a touchdown enabling the Wildcats to take a lead they never relinquished. Western Washington kicked away from Smith, who is averaging 42.1 yards on 10 returns, the rest of the afternoon. Four of his 10 returns this fall have been for 45 or more yards (98, 95, 84 and 45), two of them for touchdowns.

DIXIE ROTARY BOWL: Western Washington will play Colorado School of Mines in the 23rd annual Dixie Rotary Bowl on Saturday, Dec. 6 (noon) at Hansen Stadium in St. George, Utah. . . It will be just the eighth post-season appearance in school history for the Vikings and the first since 1999 when they lost 27-24 at Northeastern, Okla., in the first round of the NCAA Division II national playoffs. . . Western and Colorado Mines both earned berths in the Dixie Rotary Bowl by being the top teams in their respective leagues not reaching the NCAA II national playoffs. . . Both league champions - Central Washington from the Great Northwest Athletic Conference and Chadron State from the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference - received playoff berths. . . The Vikings tied for second in the GNAC with Western Oregon, but received the berth because it outscored the Wolves 51-49 in the two contests between the two schools. . . Colorado Mines (8-3) was runner-up in the RMAC at 7-2. It will be making its second straight Rotary Bowl appearance. Last year it lost to Western Oregon 26-12. . . The 2008 Dixie Rotary Bowl will be broadcast live by FANZ-TV, which

will distribute the game across its affiliates nationally reaching over 12.5 million homes. . The first Rotary Bowl involving four-year schools in 2006 matched Fort Lewis, Colo., and Dixie State. Fort Lewis earned a 24-14 victory. The previous 20 meetings matched junior colleges with Dixie State serving as the home team in 19 of them.

CHASING THE NATIONAL RECORD BOOK:

Central Washington quarterback Mike Reilly had 339 yards in total offense against Western Washington, including 292 passing, but remained in fourth place on the NCAA Division II all-time career total offense chart with 13,250. Ahead of him in third place is Cullen Finnerty of Grand Valley State (2003-06) with 13,275. In passing, Reilly did climb two spots to No. 3, increasing his career total to 12,028. Ahead of him are Jimmy Terwilliger of East Stroudsburg (14,350) and Scott Eyster of Delta State (13,887), who both played between 2003 and 2006. Reilly is 325 yards shy of Jon Kitna's school-record of 12,353 yards, set between 1992 and 1995. .CWU receiver Johnny Spevak increased his career receiving yards total to 3,277 yards. Only two GNAC players have had 3,000 or more career receiving yards – Dustin Creager of Humboldt State (3,929 between 2001 and 2004) and CWU's Brian Potucek (3,889 between 2001 and 2005).

AROUND THE GNAC: Central Washington is the fifth-seed in Super Regional IV and will play fourth-seed West Texas A&M Saturday at 11 a.m. (Pacific) at Canyon, Tex., in the opening round of the NCAA Division II national playoffs. The winner will advance to the regional semifinals Nov. 22 against top-seed Abilene Christian. It is the third NCAA Division II post-season appearance for the Wildcats, who lost in the opening round in 2002 and reached the third round last year. CWU's best-ever national finish was in 1995 when it earned a share of the NAIA Division II national title with Findlay, Ohio. The Wildcats tied Findlay 21-21 in the title game. That was the last tie in the history of collegiate football as the tie-breaker rule was added the following year. .CWU quarterback Mike Reilly set GNAC single-season records for passing yardage, finishing the regular-season with 3,286 yards, and touchdown passes (32). He also increased his GNAC single-season record total for total offense to 3,660. His 173.3 quarterback efficiency rating is on pace to break the conference single-season record of 160.4 set by CWU's Zak Hill in 2002. .CWU wide receiver Johnny Spevak caught two TD passes to set a new conference single-season record with 16, He also set a conference record for receiving yards, increasing his total to 1,313 yards. .GNAC teams finished the season 8-6 in non-conference game with all six losses against Division I Championship Sub Division teams. Two of the wins are against Division II schools and six were against NAIA opponents.

LAST WEEK'S GAME SUMMARIES

Central Washington 49, Western Washington 21 (Nov. 8 at Ellensburg): Quarterback Mike Reilly had 339 yards in total offense and running back Jerome Morris tied a GNAC record with four rushing touchdowns as Central Washington wrapped up a NCAA Division II national

playoff berth with a 28-point win over arch-rival Western Washington before 5,098 fans at Tomlinson Stadium. .CWU will take a six-game win streak and a perfect 9-0 record against Division II opponents into the playoffs which begin with eight first-round games next Saturday. .Reilly played virtually an errorless game, completing 20 of 29 passes for 292 yards and three touchdowns and was not intercepted. He also rushed for 47 yards on 10 carries. .While Reilly, who threw TD passes of 33 yards to tight end Jared Bronson and six and 25 yards to Johnny Spevak, was the "initiator" leading the Wildcats on seven touchdown drives, Morris was the "closer" scoring from seven, one, three and two yards to tie the GNAC rushing record set by Ivan McCrae of Western Oregon in 2002. .CWU led for all but the first 77 seconds after Courtney Smith returned the opening kickoff 84 yards to set up Morris' first TD. Later in the half, the Wildcats went up 21-6 on the second TD of the game by Morris, who had almost as many points (24) as rushing yards (33 on 16 carries). .Western Washington, however, closed to within seven points with nine seconds left in the half as Viking quarterback Adam Perry capped a 10-play, 70-yard drive with a one-yard run. .CWU, however, took command scoring twice in the first 5:38 of the second half the first of which was set up kicker Garrett Rolsma who forced a fumble which was recovered by Ryan Dyer on the opening kickoff. Rolsma also made all seven of his PAT attempts to extend his streak to a school-record 60. .Reilly, who moved from fifth to third in NCAA Division II history in career passing yards (12,028), hooked up five times each to Bronson (75 yards) and Spevak (67 yards). Freshman Justin Helwege had three receptions for 108 yards and Chris Rohrbach had three for 28. .Perry was 23 of 43 for 234 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Vikings' passing game. Pat McCann (71 yards), Zach Hekker (54) and Rick Copsey (24) each caught four. .Running back Randall Eldridge netted 100 yards on 21 carries to lead WWU's ground attack. WWU finished the contest with 350 yards, just 30 fewer than the Wildcats. .Defensive back Jerome William led CWU in tackles with 12, including one for a two-yard loss. He also broke up two passes. Linebackers C.J. Green and Caleb Jessup had eight tackles each for WWU. Green had two stops for losses of eight yards. Defensive end Nick Rocco had three TFLs for losses of 16 yards.

Western Washington	6	8	0	7	--	21
Central Washington	14	7	14	14	--	49
CWU – Morris 7 run (Rolsma kick)						
WWU – Hekker 19 pass from Perry (kick failed)						
CWU – Bronson 33 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Morris 1 run (Rolsma kick)						
WWU – Perry 1 run (McKee pass from Perry)						
CWU – Spevak 6 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Morris 3 run (Rolsma kick)						
WWU – Hekker 8 pass from Perry (Lider kick)						
CWU – Morris 2 run (Rolsma kick)						
CWU – Spevak 25 pass from Reilly (Rolsma kick)						

Dixie State 19, Humboldt State 15 (Nov. 8 at Arcata): Quarterback Dexter Hill tossed a seven-yard pass to wide receiver Kyser Christensen with just one second remaining as Dixie State pulled out a narrow win over Humboldt

State. . .Dixie drove 68 yards in 13 plays for its winning touchdown right after Humboldt State had gone ahead 15-12 with 2:05 remaining on a 10-yard pass from Brian Hildebrand to Matt Smith and a Hildebrand to Matt Devlin two-point conversion. . .Hill completed seven of 12 passes on the game-winning drive for 64 yards, including four for 46 yards to Christensen, who also had a seven-yard reception to the Humboldt 43 on a fourth-and-five play and an 18-yard catch down to the 11 on a third-and-10 play. . .Hill finished the contest with 31 completions in 59 attempts for 336 yards and two touchdowns and also rushed 14 times for 69 yards as Dixie outgained Humboldt 428 to 257 in total offense. . .Christensen caught eight for 77 and Judd Thompson had seven receptions for 80 yards. Nash Fowler (75 yards) and Aaron Davies (51 yards) each had six catches. . .Fowler had a game-high 117 all-purpose yards, also returning four punts for 42 yards. . .Hildebrand completed 13 of 25 for 164 yards and two touchdowns for the Lumberjacks. Smith had five catches for 77 yards. . .Humboldt linebacker Bubba Reynolds had more than twice as many tackles as any one else in the contest as he set a GNAC single-game record with 25 stops. He also equaled the conference record for assisted tackles (16). Reynolds also had 2 ½ tackles for losses of seven yards, intercepted a pass, forced a fumble and broke up a pass. . .Also in double figure tackles were HSU linebacker Michael Lynch with 11 and Dixie linebacker Teddy Owens with 10. Owens also recovered a fumble.

Dixie State	0	6	3	10	--	19
Humboldt State	0	0	7	8	--	15

DSC – Davies 16 pass from Hill (kick failed)
DSC – Manning 22 Field Goal
HSU – Stearns 28 pass from Hildebrand (Schierholt kick)
DSC – Manning 24 Field Goal
HSU – Smith 10 pass from Hildebrand (Devlin pass from Hildebrand)
DSC – Christensen 7 pass from Hill (Manning kick)

Western Oregon 17, Linfield 9 (Nov. 8 at McMinnville): Ben Kuenzi scored the game's clinching touchdown on a three-yard run with 8:55 in the fourth quarter as Western Oregon beat Linfield to complete its season with a 7-4 record. . . Kuenzi had 44 yards on the short three-play, 54-yard drive catching a 41-yard pass from quarterback Josh Riddell on the play preceding the touchdown run. . .Kuenzi ended up with 117 all-purpose yards (wide receiver Shaun Kauleinamoku had 133 including 10 on three rushes, 32 on one reception, 52 on two kickoffs and 39 on two punt returns), netting 76 yards on 15 carries in addition to his lone catch. . .WOU had only 243 yards as Riddell was just five of 19 for 139, but held Linfield to a single touchdown and a field goal even though they gave up 364 yards. . .One of Riddell's completions was a 35-yard TD pass to Demario Ballard in the second quarter. WOU also got three more points in the quarter on a 36-yard field goal by Juan Rodriguez. . .Linfield's points came on a 53-yard run by Cole Franklin early in the first quarter and on a 35-yard field goal by Scott Birkhofer with 15 seconds remaining in the third quarter. . .WOU won despite giving up twice as many first downs (23-11) and having the football for 15 fewer minutes (37:29 to 22:31). . .Linebacker Andy Douglas led WOU with 11 tackles and also forced a fumble. Defensive end Matt Cox had two

tackles for losses of 10 yards, including a seven-yard quarterback sack. He led the GNAC in both categories finishing the season with 20 TFLs, including 11 sacks. His 58 ½ career TFLs is a WOU school-record.

Western Oregon	0	10	0	7	--	17
Linfield	6	0	3	0	--	9

Linf – Franklin 53 run (kick blocked)
WOU – Ballard 35 pass from Riddell (Rodriguez kick)
WOU – Rodriguez 36 Field Goal
Linf – Birkhofer 35 Field Goal
WOU – Kuenzi 3 run (Rodriguez kick)

2008 GNAC SCORES AND SCHEDULE

August: 30 – Central Washington 44 at Dixie State 38 (ot); Humboldt State 13 at Sacramento State 45; Western Oregon 14 at Portland State 31.

September: 6 – Mesa State 14 Central Washington 48; Western New Mexico 3 at Dixie State 35; Humboldt State 15 at Southern Oregon 14; Western Oregon 36 at Western Washington 27. 13 – Central Washington 31 at Western Oregon 24; Dixie State 7 at Weber State 44; Western Washington 30 at Humboldt State 14. 20 – Humboldt State 10 at Central Washington 48; Western Oregon 34 at Dixie State 27; Western Washington 31 at Eastern Washington 52. 27 – Central Washington 35 at Montana 38; Dixie State 27 at Western Washington 29; Western Oregon 44 at Humboldt State 28.

October: 4 – Dixie State 14 at Central Washington 49; Azusa Pacific 17 at Humboldt State 24; Western Washington 24 at Western Oregon 13. 11 – Central Washington 50, Western Washington 28 (at Seattle); Humboldt State 6 at Dixie State 16; Western Oregon 35 at Southern Oregon 3.. 18 – Central Washington 34 at Humboldt State 14; Dixie State 35 at Western Oregon 42; Western Washington 32 at North Dakota 42. 25 – Western Oregon 31 at Central Washington 38; Dixie State 30 at Azusa Pacific 23; Humboldt State 20 at Western Washington 56.

November: 1 – Central Washington 36 at Azusa Pacific 6; Western Washington 20 at Dixie State 14; Humboldt State 10 at Western Oregon 34. 8 – Western Washington 21 at Central Washington 49; Dixie State 19 at Humboldt State 15; Western Oregon 17 at Linfield 9.