

# GNAC FOOTBALL

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## Football Report 1 (Sept. 3, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	1	0	75	41
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	1	0	22	19
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**LAST WEEK:** **Friday** – Fort Lewis 41 at Central Washington 75.  
**Saturday** – Western Oregon 22 at Mesa State 19.

**THIS WEEK:** **Thursday** – Western Washington at Central Oklahoma, 7 p.m. **Saturday** – Central Washington at North Dakota, 1:30 p.m.; Humboldt State at Southern Oregon, 6 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense** – Zak Hill, Central Washington (QB, 6-0, 185, Jr., Battle Ground – Prairie). . Hill set a GNAC and a Northwest small-college record for most consecutive completions and threw for 404 yards in a 74-41 rout of Fort Lewis. Hill, who did not play in the fourth quarter, completed 24 of 30 passes, including 15 in a row in the first half. He threw four touchdown passes, including two to Moses Lewis, and also rushed for a touchdown. **Defense** - Jeff Charleston, Western Oregon (DL, 6-4, 240, So., Dallas – Central). . Charleston sparked a fourth-quarter Western Oregon comeback over Mesa State returning a fumble 26 yards for a touchdown. He also was credited with 2 ½ tackles for losses, including two sacks for losses totaling 10 yards

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Hill's 404 passing yards was the most for a Central Washington quarterback since Casey Jacox threw for 408 against Humboldt State in 1997. It was also just two yards short of the GNAC record of 406 set by Scott Mitchell of Western Washington against Fort Lewis last season. . Hill missed most of last season after sustaining a separated shoulder in CWU's season-opener against North Dakota. The Wildcats travel to North Dakota, the defending NCAA Division II national champion, this Saturday. . Western Oregon's win over Mesa was its second in two seasons. Last year the Wolves opened their season with a 14-13 win over the Mavericks. Back in 1986, Mesa beat WOU 39-32 in the first round of the NAIA Division I national playoffs. A year later, Mesa stopped Southern Oregon 38-7 in the NAIA playoffs.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 75, Fort Lewis 41 (at Ellensburg):** Fort Lewis jumped to a 14-0 lead in the first 94 seconds, but Central Washington used a 30-point third quarter to cruise to a record-setting 75-41 win over the Skyhawks. . The Wildcats set modern-day school records for most yards gained (695) and most points scored, breaking the old marks of 687 and 73 set against Pacific during the 1991 season. . Individually, the Wildcats got outstanding offense performances from quarterback Zak Hill, running back

Mario Sweet and wide receivers Moses Lewis and Brian Potucek. . Hill, who scored his first career rushing touchdown, completed 80 percent of his passes (24-30) on the way to a career-high 404 yard passing performance. Sweet, a transfer from Eastern Washington, netted 152 yards and scored two touchdowns in his CWU debut, while Martese Henderson, another EWU transfer netted 89 yards on 12 rushes. . Lewis caught six passes for 194 yards, including touchdown receptions of 22 and 62 yards, while Potucek netted 108 yards on six catches, including a 55-yard reception for a touchdown. . CWU's kicking game was also superb. Matt McDowell was 10 for 10 on extra points as he became the first player in modern Northwest small-college history (since 1985) to boot 10 in a single game. Meanwhile, Joe Smith booted a 41-yard field goal to snap a 28-28 tie on the final play of the first half and also averaged 50.0 yards on three punts. . Defensively, Jeremy Jacobs made the big play, intercepting a pass at the 12-yard line and converting it into six points in the third quarter. Jacobs also had a team-high eight tackles, including seven primaries. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington, Offense, Zak Hill (QB, 6-0, 185, Jr., Battle Ground – Prairie; Defense, Jeremy Jacobs (DB, 6-2, 195, Sr., Lakewood – Lakes).**

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Fort Lewis</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>41</b>

FLC – Webb 72 run (Bjork kick)  
FLC – McKenzie recovered fumble in end zone (Bjork kick)  
CWU – Lewis 22 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Lopez 25 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
FLC – Moore 1 run (Bjork kick)  
CWU – Potucek 55 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
FLC – Stock 2 pass from Webb (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Hill 1 run (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Smith 43 Field Goal  
CWU – Sweet 1 run (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Safety, Fort Lewis flagged for intentional grounding  
CWU – Lewis 62 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Jacobs 12 interception (McDowell kick)  
FLC – Webb 3 run (Bjork kick)  
CWU – Sweet 4 run (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Highline 1 run (McDowell kick)  
FLC – Brewer 38 pass from Webb (pass failed)  
CWU – Henderson 17 run (McDowell kick)

**Western Oregon 22, Mesa State 19 (at Mesa):** Wide receiver Mike Hinshaw caught a 71-yard pass from sophomore quarterback Denny Bies with 5:26 left in the fourth quarter as Western Oregon rallied from a 19-7 fourth-quarter deficit to defeat Mesa State. . WOU also beat Mesa last year in its season opener 14-13 at Monmouth. . Two fumble recoveries turned the game toward the Wolves in the fourth quarter after Mesa had built a 19-7 lead on the strength of a 40-yard run by Charles Duke and a 67-yard touchdown pass from Brandon Milholl to Dukes. . Defensive back Matt Overlin, who finished

with 15 tackles, forced a fumble and lineman Jeff Charleston picked up the ball and ran 26 yards to cut the deficit to 19-14 with 10:45 left in the fourth quarter. .Mesa, however, then drove 56 yards to WOU's nine, but on first down, Lance Donnelly forced Adrian Perez to fumble and defensive back Matt Toelle recovered at the eight-yard line. .It took the Wolves just 38 seconds to convert the turnover into the game-winning points as James Watts netted 21 yards on the first play to set up Hinshaw's 71-yard touchdown catch from Bies. The two then teamed up on the two-point conversion to give WOU a three-point lead. .Mesa had two more possessions. Jamil Wynn's interception ended the first one. The second ended on downs on a fourth-and-three four-yard sack by Donnelly. .Western Oregon finished with 374 yards in total offense. Bies completed 15 of 31 passes for 273 yards. Hinshaw had 127 yards on three receptions, including a 26-yard first quarter touchdown reception. Watts led the Wolf rushers with 67 yards on nine carries. Dukes led Mesa with 107 yards rushing. .On defense, linebacker Tayt Tolman had a team-high 16 tackles. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon,** Offense, Mike Hinshaw (WR, 6-0, 185, Jr., Scappoose); Defense, Jeff Charleston, Western Oregon (DL, 6-4, 240, So., Dallas – Central).

<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Mesa State</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>19</b>

WOU – Hinshaw 26 pass from Bies (Parmelee kick)

Mesa – Dukes 40 run (Cummings kick)

Mesa – Cummings 35 Field Goal

Mesa – Dukes 67 pass from Milholl (kick failed)

Mesa – Cummings 36 Field Goal

WOU – Charleston 26 fumble return (Parmelee kick)

WOU – Hinshaw 71 pass from Bies (Hinshaw pass from Bies)

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## Football Report 2 (Sept. 9, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	2	0	118	48
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	1	0	22	19
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	1	0	24	16
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	27

**LAST WEEK:** **Thursday** – Western Washington 24 at Central Oklahoma 16. **Saturday** – Central Washington 43 at North Dakota 7; Humboldt State 17 at Southern Oregon 27.

**THIS WEEK:** Central Washington at Carroll, 1 p.m.; Western Oregon at Eastern Washington, 6:05 p.m.; Fort Lewis at Western Washington, 6 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Zak Hill, Central Washington (QB, 6-0, 185, Jr., Battle Ground) – Hill completed 26 of 32 passes for 347 yards and four touchdowns and led the Wildcats on seven consecutive scoring drives (6 touchdowns, 1 field goal) in a 43-7 win over defending NCAA Division II national champion North Dakota. **Defense,** Lino Fenumiai, Western Washington (DT, 6-0, 270, So., Juneau, AK) – Had seven tackles, including three for losses of nine yards (one of which was an eight-yard quarterback sack).

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Central Washington quarterback Zak Hill was named the NCAA Division II Co-Offensive Player-of-the-Week by Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette for the weekend of Aug. 30-31. Hill, who passed for 404 yards and four touchdowns in a 75-41 win over Fort Lewis, Colo., shared the award with Fred Leonard, a quarterback at the University of Arkansas - Monticello. Hill was also selected to share the West Region Player-of-the-Week award by D2football.com. .After setting a GNAC and Northwest small-college record for most consecutive completed passes (15) against Fort Lewis, Hill equaled the old record of 14 against North Dakota.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 43, North Dakota 7 (at Grand Forks):** Zak Hill threw for 347 yards and four touchdowns and Central Washington scored 43 unanswered points in upsetting second-ranked and defending national champion North Dakota before 10,518 fans in the Alerus Center. .Hill, who played in just three quarters for the second straight game, completed 26 of 32 passes, including 14 straight at one point. He helped the Wildcats take a 37-7 halftime lead by completing 17 of 21 tosses in the first half. .After going three-and-out on its first possession, the Wildcats scored on their next seven possessions. Hill tossed touchdown passes of 45 yards and nine yards to Brian Potucek and Jake Roberts in the first quarter. .CWU then scored 24 second quarter points. Mario Sweet scored on a five-yard run with 13:38 left in the half and Matt

McDowell's 31-yard field goal with 3:50 left gave the 'Cats a 23-7 lead. Central then took advantage of a 30-yard interception return by Rocky Martinez and a fumble recovery on the subsequent kickoff by Drey Willis to score 14 points in the final 1:41. The touchdowns came on passes of 39 yards and eight yards by Hill to Potucek and Jeb Dorn. CWU then completed the scoring driving 67 yards in seven plays, capped off by an eight-yard run by Sweet, to start the second half. .Sweet led CWU's ground attack with 78 yards on 12 rushes. Roberts and Potucek were the recipients of more than half of Hill's completions. Roberts caught eight for 74 yards and Potucek had seven receptions for 127 yards. .CWU finished with a 444-242 advantage in total offense. It was the most yards a North Dakota team had allowed since surrendering 446 to South Dakota State during the 1999 season. .CWU punter Joe Smith averaged 46.8 yards on four punts. .Linebacker Mitch Richards led the Wildcats with eight tackles, including one for a seven-yard loss. Levi Teasley and Willis had fumble recoveries. **Players-of-the-Game:** **Central Washington,** Offense, Zak Hill (6-0, 185, Jr., Battle Ground) – Through two games, Hill has completed 80.6 percent of his passes and has a 225.0 NCAA quarterback ranking. He has thrown eight touchdowns and has not been intercepted. Defense, Mitch Richards (LB, 5-9, 215, Jr., Stanwood).

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>North Dakota</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>7</b>
UND – Ahlers 8 pass from Klosterman (Glas kick)						
CWU – Potucek 45 pass from Hill (kick failed)						
CWU – Roberts 9 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Sweet 5 run (McDowell kick)						
CWU – McDowell 31 Field Goal						
CWU – Potucek 39 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Je. Dorn 8 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Sweet 8 run (kick failed)						

**Western Washington 24, Central Oklahoma 16 (at Edmond):** Western Washington scored touchdowns on its first three possessions of the second half to rally from a 7-3 halftime deficit and defeat Central Oklahoma 24-16 Thursday in the season opener for both schools before a crowd of 6,500. .The Vikings got two touchdown passes from quarterback Josh Shimek and a two-yard scoring run by running back Jake Carlyle, both making their first career starts, to take a 24-10 lead early in the fourth period. .Central Oklahoma, which got inside the Western 20 six times but failed to score on four of them, pulled to within eight points on a six-yard pass from Erick Johnson to tight end Brandon Whiteley with two minutes left, but the extra point was blocked, and the ensuing onside kickoff went out of bounds. Western then picked up one first down and ran out the clock. .It was the first season-opening win for the Vikings, who lost to Central Oklahoma 28-24 last year in Bellingham, since 1998. .Shimek completed 28 of 38

passes for 325 yards and two touchdowns. He opened the second half with a four-yard scoring pass to slotback Nate Kuhns to cap a 12-play, 78-yard drive, then followed that up with a 13-yard touchdown pass to tight end Adam Snel that gave Western a 17-7 lead with 5:20 left in the third quarter. . . A.J. Haglund then hit a 50-yard field goal to narrow the margin to 17-10, but Carlyle, who ran for 50 yards on 16 carries, scored three minutes into the fourth quarter to give the Vikings a two-touchdown lead. . . Western had 271 of its 413 total yards after halftime, with Shimek going 18-of-22 for 200 yards after the break. . . Western opened the scoring on a 52-yard field goal by Michael Koenen early in the second quarter, but the Bronchos dominated the first half, having a 257-143 edge in total offense and taking a 7-3 lead on a one-yard run by Derrick Camacho six minutes before halftime. For the game, Johnson was 14-of-26 for 196 yards passing with a touchdown and an interception. Wide receiver Dee Dee Carter, who led NCAA II nationally in receiving yardage (133.5 avg.) in 2001, was held to five catches for 72 yards. The 72 yards was lower than Carter had in all but one game last season. Brent Ingram had four catches for 80 yards. . Central Oklahoma's Jason Phenix led all rushers with 79 yards on 12 carries, but the Bronchos had just seven yards net rushing in the second half. . Koenen's 52-yard field goal was a Wantland Stadium record and was also a Western record seventh consecutive made. . Wide receiver Mike Westbrook had seven receptions for 73 yards for the Vikings. Greg Dykstra had six catches for 55 yards, extending his consecutive games with a reception to 29, and Kuhns had five catches for 81 yards. Defensive backs Martez Johnson and Rob White led WWU with 11 tackles each, while defensive end Corey Gunnerson and tackle Lino Fenumiai each had three tackles for losses. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Josh Shimek (QB, 6-4, 220, Jr., Pasco); Defense, Lino Fenumiai (DT, 6-0, 270, So., Juneau, AK) – Had seven tackles, including three for losses of nine yards (one of which was an eight-yard quarterback sack).

<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Central Oklahoma</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>16</b>

WWU – Koenen 52 Field Goal  
 UCO – Camacho 1 run (Haglund kick)  
 WWU – Kuhns 4 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
 WWU – Snel 13 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
 UCO – Haglund 50 Field Goal  
 WWU – Caryle 2 run (Koenen kick)  
 UCO – Whiteley 6 pass from Johnson (kick blocked)

**Southern Oregon 27, Humboldt State 17 (at Ashland):** Running back Dusty McGrorty had 262 all-purpose yards in leading the Raiders to a 10-point win in the first of two meetings between the schools this fall. . McGrorty, who scored 25 touchdowns last season, netted 155 yards on 26 rushes and also had 102 yards on two kickoff returns and five yards on one reception. He scored twice in the first 104 seconds of the contest, returning the opening kickoff 88 yards for a score. Just seconds later, Damien Schubert returned a fumble by Kyle Lucas 41 yards to set up a three-yard touchdown run by McGrorty. . Humboldt bounced back to pull within 14-10 at the end of the quarter, scoring on a 31-yard pass from quarterback Chris Dixon to Dustin

Creager and on a 20-yard field goal by David Waltzman, but SOU put 13 more points on the board in the middle two quarters and held the Lumberjacks scoreless until only 1:34 was remaining in the contest when Creager hauled in a 12-yard pass from Tim Sprinkles. . HSU outgained the Raiders, who reached the second round of the NAIA playoffs last season, 365-343, including a 212-185 advantage through the air. Dixon completed 14 of 25 for 176 yards. Running back Mitch Jones had 114 yards on 24 rushes. Creager caught six passes for 115 yards and Brent Adkins had 51 yards on five catches. Creager added 118 more yards on four punt returns, including a 52-yarder. Jermaine Ervin had 88 kickoff return yards, including a long of 54. Four players had 10 or more tackles for HSU. Mo Muheize and Ervin had 11 each, while Chris Padilla and Chris Walters each had 10. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Dustin Creager (WR, 6-1, 186, So., Mission Viejo, CA – Santa Margarita) – Creager, who led the GNAC in receiving and scoring and ranked second in all-purpose running, finished with 233 all-purpose yards; Defense, Jermaine Ervin (DB, 6-1, 215, Sr., Bakersfield).

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Southern Oregon</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>27</b>

SOU – McGrorty 88 kickoff return (Baker kick)  
 SOU – McGrorty 3 run (Baker kick)  
 HSU – Creager 31 pass from Dixon (Waltzman kick)  
 HSU – Waltzman 20 Field Goal  
 SOU – Baker 21 Field Goal  
 SOU – Poeltl 80 pass from Woodward (Baker kick)  
 SOU – Baker 19 Field Goal  
 HSU – Creager 12 pass from Sprinkles (Waltzman kick)

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## Football Report 3 (Sept. 16, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	3	0	144	56
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	2	0	76	30
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	1	1	42	74
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	27

**LAST WEEK:** Central Washington 26 at Carroll 8; Western Oregon 20 at Eastern Washington 55; Fort Lewis 14 at Western Washington 52.

**THIS WEEK:** St. Mary's at Central Washington, 1 p.m.; Willamette at Humboldt State, 1:30 p.m.; Western Oregon at Carson-Newman, 1 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense,** Greg Dykstra, Western Washington (WR, 6-1, 200, Sr., Everson, WA – Lynden Christian). . .Dykstra scored four touchdowns, including one on a 58-yard punt return, to lead the Vikings to a 52-14 win over Fort Lewis. He had six receptions for 121 yards, scoring on catches of 23, 26 and 31 yards and finished with 179 all-purpose yards. **Defense,** Rob White, Western Washington (FS, 6-1, 220, So., Woodinville - Inglemoor) forced four fumbles, three of which the Vikings recovered, and also had an interception. He was also credited with a team-best nine tackles, including seven solos.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Western Washington has converted on five-of-five fourth down opportunities this fall. Central Washington leads the conference in third down efficiency, converting on 18 of 38 (47.4). . .WWU's 2-0 start is its best since 1996 and Central's 3-0 start is its best since 1998. The Vikings were ranked 20<sup>th</sup> and the Wildcats were ranked 22<sup>nd</sup> in last week's AFCA NCAA Division II national football poll . . .In two games against GNAC schools, Fort Lewis has been outscored 125-55. . . Central Washington quarterback Zak Hill was named the NCAA Division II Co-Offensive Player-of-the-Week by Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette for the second week in a row for his performance in a 46-7 win over North Dakota Sept. 7.

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Sept. 7): Individual:** Rushing - 29. Mario Sweet, CWU, 115.0; 30. Mitch Jones, HSU, 114.0. Passing - 2. Zak Hill, CWU, 225.0 (points), 12. Josh Shimek, WWU, 157.6. Total Offense - 6. Zak Hill, CWU, 361.0; 9. Josh Shimek, WWU, 327.0; 32. Denny Bies, WOU, 246.0. Receptions - 20. Michael Westbrook, WWU, 7.0; 34. Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.5. Receiving Yards - 11. Moses Lewis, CWU, 130.5; 13. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 127.0; 19. Brian Potucek, CWU, 117.5; 23. Dustin Creager, HSU, 115.0. Scoring - 17. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 14.0; 20. Dustin Creager, HSU, and Mario Sweet, CWU, 12.0. All-Purpose - 2. Dustin Creager, HSU, 233.0; 11. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 186.0. Punt Returns - 4. Dustin Creager, HSU, 29.5. Kickoff Returns - 24. Jermaine Ervin, HSU, 29.3. Field Goals - 18. Michael Koenen, WWU, and David Waltzman, HSU, 1.0. Punting -

15. Jason Taroli, WOU, 42.6; 20. David Waltzman, HSU, 42.0. Interceptions - 13. Mark Burbidge, WWU, and Jamil Wynn, WOU, 1. Tackles - 2. Tayt Tolman, WOU, 16.0; 10. Matt Overlin, WOU, 13.0; 31. Four GNAC players tied at 11.0. Sacks - 7. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 2.5; 10. Matt Olafson, WOU, 2.0. Forced Fumbles - 1. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 2. Passes Defensed - 5. Jamil Wynn, WOU, 3.0. **Team:** Total Offense - 4. Central Washington 570.0; 30. Western Washington 413.0. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - None. Passing Offense - 3. Central Washington 377.0; 7. Western Washington 325.0; 26. Western Oregon 273.0. Pass Efficiency Defense - None. Scoring - 4. Central Washington 59.0 Scoring Defense - None. Turnover Margin - 29. Central Washington 1.5; 31. Western Oregon 1.0.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Western Washington 52, Fort Lewis 14 (at Bellingham):** Wide receiver Greg Dykstra scored four touchdowns, three on pass receptions, and strong safety Rob White forced four turnovers as Western Washington won its home opener, defeating Fort Lewis. . .Dykstra tied school records for touchdowns and touchdown receptions in a game, hauling in passes of 23, 26 and 31 yards for scores and adding a 58-yard touchdown on a punt return in the final minute of the first half. Dykstra finished with six receptions for 121 yards, catching a pass for the 30th consecutive game. . . White forced four fumbles, three of which the Vikings recovered, and also had an interception to set a school record by forcing four turnovers. . .Western scored on its opening drive of the game, marching 93 yards in 10 plays, capped by a pass from quarterback Josh Shimek to Dykstra. Western added 17 points in the second quarter to take a 24-0 lead at halftime and held a 45-0 lead early in the fourth quarter before Fort Lewis quarterback Andrew Webb threw two touchdown passes in a 58-second span. . .Webb hit Mark Tatom for a 57-yard score and following an interception by Richard Johnson, found Chris Brewer on the next play for a four-yard touchdown. . . Shimek completed 18-of-32 passes for 239 yards with an interception and four touchdowns, throwing two scoring passes to Dykstra and also finding tight end Adam Snel for a 23-yard score and slotback Michael Westbrook on a three-yard touchdown. Backup quarterback Steve Nichols was seven-of-12 for 114 yards and two touchdowns. . . Webb was 19-of-35 for 221 yards with two touchdowns and one interception, ending a streak of six consecutive 300-yard passing games that began last season. Jamal Allen, who led NCAA II nationally with 106 receptions last year, had six catches for 77 yards. . .Western place-kicker Michael Koenen converted all seven extra-point attempts (extending his two-season streak to 17) and also hit a 24-yard field goal, giving him a school-record eight

consecutive field goals made. He also averaged 48.2 yards on four punts. . .The Vikings had a 502-356 edge in total offense and nearly a 2-1 advantage in time-of-possession (39:18-20:42). . .JeVarian Gamble, Jesse Looker and Brett Snyder-Ferguson recovered fumbles. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Greg Dykstra (WR, 6-1, 200, Sr., Everson, WA – Lynden Christian). Defense, Rob White (FS, 6-1, 220, So., Woodinville - Inglemoor).

<b>Fort Lewis</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>52</b>

WWU – Dykstra 23 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
 WWU – Koenen 24 Field Goal  
 WWU – Snel 23 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
 WWU – Dykstra 26 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
 WWU – Olson 22 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)  
 WWU – Dykstra 31 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)  
 FLC – Tatom 57 pass from Webb (Bjork kick)  
 FLC – Brewer 4 pass from Webb (Bjork kick)  
 WWU – Westbrook 3 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)

**Eastern Washington 55, Western Oregon 20 (at Cheney):** Eastern Washington scored a touchdown with 53 seconds left in the second quarter, then put up 35 second-half points in cruising to a 55-20 win over Western Oregon before 3,463 fans at Woodward Stadium. . .Quarterback Josh Blankenship, who started three years at Tulsa before transferring to Eastern, completed 35 of 49 passes for 426 yards and five touchdowns. The 35 completions was a school record. . .Western Oregon had pulled to within three points at 13-10 with 3:30 left in the opening half on an 80-yard pass from quarterback Denny Bies to Bret Hughes. The Wolves then regained possession, but couldn't move the ball and Blankenship needed just 52 seconds to put together a eight-play, 79-yard drive, which ended with a 15-yard pass to Kyler Randall inside the final minute of the half. . .Blankenship also threw touchdown passes of 18 and five yards to Tim Calhoun, 17 yards to Joe Pierce and 24 yards to Eric Kimble. . .Eastern finished with 630 yards in total offense, including 136 rushing by Jovan Griffith, while holding the Wolves to 318 yards. Bies completed 24 of 41 passes for 235 yards. . .Mike Hinshaw had 203 all-purpose yards for WOU, catching eight passes for 70 yards, including a six-yard touchdown pass from Bies with 14:11 left in the fourth quarter. He also had 133 returns on eight kickoff returns. . .Brad Satran had eight catches for 50 yards. Ivan McCrae led the Wolf running game with 36 yards on 14 carries. . .Defensive backs Chad Boyd and Matt Overlin had 12 tackles each and linebacker Tayt Tolman had 11, including 1 ½ tackles for losses to lead Western's defense. Jeff Charleston, Kyle Kinion and Pro Escobedo all recovered fumbles. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon**, Offense, Mike Hinshaw (WR, 6-0, 185, Jr., Scappoose, OR); Defense, Tayt Tolman (LB, 6-1, 205, Jr., Tangent, OR – South Albany) – Had a team-best five unassisted tackles among his 11 stops. Also deflected a pass.

<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Eastern Washington</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>55</b>

WOU – Keippela 21 Field Goal  
 EWU – Griffith 3 run (kick blocked)  
 EWU – Griffith 2 run (Heintz kick)  
 WOU – Hughes 80 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)  
 EWU – Randall 15 pass from Blankenship (Vijil kick)  
 EWU – Calhoun 18 pass from Blankenship (Heintz kick)  
 EWU – Pierce 17 pass from Blankenship (Heintz kick)  
 WOU – Keippela 37 Field Goal  
 WOU – Hinshaw 6 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)  
 EWU – Calhoun 5 pass from Blankenship (Heintz kick)  
 EWU – Kimble 24 pass from Blankenship (Heintz kick)  
 EWU – Clyde 14 pass from Meyer (Heintz kick)

**Central Washington 26, Carroll 8 (at Helena):** Josh Lopez broke a scoreless halftime tie with a 70-yard punt return for a touchdown and Rocky Martinez added another score for the special teams as Central Washington defeated Carroll 26-8 at Nelson Stadium. . .After Carroll, ranked third in the NAIA, received the opening kickoff of the second half, Lopez returned a punt from his own 30-yard line to put the Wildcats ahead by a 7-0 score. Brian Potucek scored on a 18-yard pass from Zak Hill on Central Washington's first full possession of the quarter to give Central a two-touchdown advantage. . .Matt McDowell connected on a 33-yard field goal and CWU added a safety early in the fourth quarter to go ahead 19-0. Martinez then returned the kickoff following the safety 75 yards to up CWU's lead to 26-0. Only a 10-yard run by the Fighting Saints' quarterback Tyler Emmert with eight minutes to go broke the shutout for the CWU defense. . .Hill completed just 17 of 33 passes for 147 yard. Redshirt freshman Chris Murphy led the Wildcats with 67 yards on the ground. Martese Henderson added 49 yards as Central Washington featured a balanced offensive attack. The Wildcats finished with 140 yards rushing and 147 yards passing. . .Mario Sweet, who gained 230 yards in CWU's first two games, sat out most of the game with an ankle injury sustained in CWU's 46-7 win at North Dakota on Sept. 7. . .Carroll just barely eclipsed the 200-yard mark against the Central Washington defense. The Fighting Saints (1-1) received 91 yards rushing from Heath Wall and 106 yards passing from Emmert. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Chris Murphy (RB, 5-9, 180, Fr., Royal City) – The younger brother of CWU's all-time leading rusher (Dan Murphy) netted 67 yards on 15 rushes and also caught one pass for six yards. Defense, Lance Gibson (DL, 6-5, 247, Sr., Rupert, ID) – Had eight tackles, including 1 ½ quarterback sacks for losses totaling 23 yards.

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Carroll</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>8</b>

CWU – Lopez 70 punt return (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Potucek 18 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – McDowell 33 Field Goal  
 CWU – Safety  
 CWU – Martinez 75 kickoff return (McDowell kick)  
 Carroll – Emmert 10 run (Wigen pass from Emmert)

# GNAC FOOTBALL

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## Football Report 4 (Sept. 23, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	4	0	174	76
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	2	0	76	30
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	1	2	62	129
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	27

**LAST WEEK:** St. Mary's 20 at Central Washington 30; Willamette 28 at Humboldt State 42; Western Oregon 20 at Carson-Newman 55.

**THIS WEEK:** Central Washington at New Haven, 1 p.m.; Southern Oregon at Humboldt State, 6 p.m.; UC Davis at Western Oregon, 12:30 p.m.; Western Washington at St. Mary's, 1 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Will Johnson, Central Washington (RB, 5-11, 220, So., Sarasota, Fla. – Booker). . Johnson came off the bench to rush for 97 yards and a game-clinching touchdown as Central Washington defeated NCAA Division I-AA Saint Mary's, Calif., before 3,500 fans at Tomlinson Stadium. Johnson, a U.S. veteran who completed his military service while stationed at Fort Lewis, scored on a five-yard run with 1:34 left. His TD run capped off a 10-play, 67-yard drive, and consumed 3:36 on the clock. **Defense,** Chris Walters, Humboldt State (LB, 5-10, 215, Sr., Anaheim, CA – Santa Ana College). . Walters had a pass break on a fourth down situation in HSU territory late in the fourth-quarter to help preserve a 42-28 non-conference win over Willamette. He finished the contest with 11 tackles, including one for a five-yard loss.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Central Washington quarterback Zak Hill, who has thrown for 12 touchdowns and has been intercepted just once, sustained a slight right shoulder separation late in the second quarter of Saturday's game against Saint Mary's and is expected to miss at least one week. . . The Wildcats' 4-0 start is their best since they began the 1993 season with four straight wins. . Carson-Newman's 55-20 win over Western Oregon was its 40<sup>th</sup> in its last 42 home games. The Wolves coincidentally lost by the same exact score two weeks ago at Eastern Washington. . Western Washington was ranked 17th and Central Washington was ranked 20th in last week's AFCA NCAA Division II national football poll. In the D2football.com poll, the Wildcats were ranked 21<sup>st</sup> and the Vikings were ranked 22<sup>nd</sup>. In Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette, CWU and WWU were ranked eighth and 11<sup>th</sup>, respectively. . . Western Washington safety Rob White was selected the **d2football.com West Region Defensive Player-of-the-Week** for his performance in Western's 52-14 win over Fort Lewis on Sept. 14. . GNAC teams have a combined 5-1 won-loss record against other Division II schools, including 3-0 against teams from the Rocky Mountain Conference. . This week's four-game GNAC slate marks the first time this fall all four conference teams have been in action on the same weekend.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Sept. 16)** - 17. Western Washington; 20. Central Washington. **D2football.com (Sept. 16)** - 21. Central Washington, 22. Western Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Sept. 15)** - 8. Central Washington, 11. Western Washington.

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Sept. 14): Individual:** Rushing - 29. Mitch Jones, HSU, 114.0. Passing - 5. Zak Hill, CWU, 179.1 (points), 17. Josh Shimek, WWU, 156.0. Total Offense - 10. Zak Hill, CWU, 292.0; 11. Josh Shimek, WWU, 287.0; 28. Denny Bies, WOU, 240.5. Receptions - 35. Dustin Creager, HSU, Greg Dykstra, WWU, and Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.0. Receiving Yards - 11. Dustin Creager, HSU, 115.0; 21. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 98.5; 26. Brian Potucek, CWU, 94.0; 33. Moses Lewis, CWU, 89.0. . Scoring - 9. Dustin Creager, HSU, and Greg Dykstra, WWU, 12.0. All-Purpose - 1. Dustin Creager, HSU, 233.0; 8. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 194.5. Punt Returns - 1. Dustin Creager, HSU, 29.5. Kickoff Returns - 18. Jermaine Ervin, HSU, 29.3. Field Goals - 24. Michael Koenen, WWU, David Waltzman, HSU, and Andrew Keippela, WOU, 1.0. Punting - 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 49.1; 14. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 42.1; 15. David Waltzman, HSU, 42.0; 21. Michael Koenen, WWU, 41.6. Interceptions - None. Tackles - 5. Tayt Tolman, WOU, 13.5; 15. Matt Overlin, WOU, 12.5; 30. Jermaine Ervin, HSU, and Mohammed Muheize, HSU, 11.0. Sacks - 21. Matt Olafson, WOU, and Mark Lamoreaux, HSU, 1.5; 33. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 1.25. Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 2.0; 4. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 1.0. **Team:** Total Offense - 7. Central Washington 475.7; 11. Western Washington 457.5. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - None. Passing Offense - 5. Western Washington 339.0; 11. Central Washington 300.3; 25. Western Oregon 254.0. Pass Efficiency Defense - None. Scoring - 7. Central Washington 48.0; 19. Western Washington 38.0. Scoring Defense - 28. Western Washington 15.0. Turnover Margin - 19. Western Oregon and Western Washington 1.5; 30. Central Washington 1.0.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 30, Saint Mary's 20 (at Ellensburg):** Will Johnson came off the bench to rush for 97 yards and a game-clinching touchdown as Central Washington defeated NCAA Division I-AA Saint Mary's, Calif. before 3,500 fans at Tomlinson Stadium. . The Wildcats, who played the second half without quarterback Zak Hill who sustained a shoulder injury late in the second quarter, improved to 4-0, while Saint Mary's fell to 2-2. . . Johnson scored on a five-yard run with 1:34 left, which capped off a 10-play, 67-yard drive, and consumed 3:36 on the clock. CWU backup quarterback Dale Chase twice completed third down passes (21 yards to Jake Roberts and

15 yards to Brooks Denny) to keep the drive going. . . Chase completed seven of 15 passes for 88 yards after replacing Hill late in the second quarter. Hill had completed 14 of 19 passes for 189 yards and three touchdowns, including a 75-yard TD pass to Brian Potucek on the first play from scrimmage in the game. Potucek finished with six catches for 128 yards. Roberts caught four passes for 50 yards and Moses Lewis had four receptions for 38 yards. . . Kicker Joe Smith averaged just 39.8 yards on four boots (10 yards below his previous season average), but all four ended up inside the 20, including a 51-yarder against the wind in the fourth quarter, which eventually set up CWU's clinching touchdown drive. . . Following Johnson's touchdown run, Rocky Martinez sealed the victory with an 18-yard interception return to the Saint Mary's 46-yard line. . . The Wildcats finished with a 469-239 advantage in total offense, including a 277-44 advantage through the air. Central also netted 192 rushing yards despite playing without starting running back Mario Sweet, who sat out the contest with an ankle injury. Martese Henderson netted 48 yards on 10 rushes and redshirt freshman Chris Murphy had 36 yards on seven rushes. . . Clint Wilson rushed for 118 yards on 13 carries to lead the Gaels. . . Linebackers Levi Teasley and Blake Walker and defensive back Jeremy Jacobs led Central with 12, 10 and 10 tackles, respectively. Defensive linemen T.J. Horgan and Lance Gibson each had two tackles losses totaling four yards each. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Will Johnson (RB, 5-11, 220, So., Sarasota, Fla. – Booker). Defense, Levi Teasley (LB, 5-8, 195, Jr., Ellensburg) – Had nine solo tackles, including one for a two-yard loss. Also recovered a fumble.

<b>Saint Mary's</b>	7	7	6	0	--	20
<b>Central Washington</b>	13	7	3	7	--	30
CWU – Potucek 75 pass from Hill (kick failed)						
SMC – Wilson run (Arevalo kick)						
CWU – Roberts 15 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Rocha 7 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)						
SMC – Coleman 4 run (Arevalo kick)						
CWU – McDowell 33 Field Goal						
SMC – Johnston 6 run (kick failed)						
CWU – Johnson 5 run (McDowell kick)						

**Humboldt State 42, Willamette 28 (at Arcata):** A pass breakup by Chris Walters with just under four minutes remaining helped Humboldt State fight off a second-half comeback by Willamette enabling the Lumberjacks to post a 14-point victory at the Redwood Bowl. . . Following the breakup which came on a fourth-and-10 play from the Lumberjack 40, Mitch Jones clinched the win with a 59-yard touchdown run. Jones finished with 91 yards rushing and three touchdowns. Quarterback Chris Dixon threw for 308 yards and two touchdowns as Humboldt State leveled its record at 1-1. . . The Lumberjacks had built a 28-0 halftime lead over the NCAA Division III Bearcats. Jones scored on runs of two and 10 yards and Dixon threw touchdown passes of 10 and six yards to John Otterness and Antoine Smith. But, Willamette then pulled to within seven points on the strength of three second-half touchdown runs by Greg Reed (5, 21 and 16) and a 59-yard pass from Tyler Gaspard to Brett Meyer. The last of WU's four scores, Reed's six-yard run, came with 10:42 left in the fourth

quarter. But, HSU was twice able to fight on Willamette penetrations into their territory, first on a 16-yard interception return by linebacker Tim White and later on Walters' breakup. . Humboldt finished the game with 448 yards in total offense. Dixon completed 13 of 26 passes. Dustin Creager caught four passes for 110 yards and Smith had four receptions for 72 yards. . . Drew Ecklund netted 114 yards on 23 rushes and Reed had 97 on 18 carries for Willamette, which netted 472 yards, including 340 on the ground. Brett Meyer had four receptions for 129 yards, accounting for nearly all of Willamette's total of passing total of 157. Walters finished with 11 tackles, including one for a five-yard loss. Linebacker Eddie Plaxton had a team-high 13 tackles and defensive back Chris Padilla had 11. DB Jermaine Irvin had a team-high eight solo stops, two of them for losses totaling five yards. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Mitch Jones (RB, 5-10, 200, Sr., Reno, NV – Wooster). Defense, Chris Walters (LB, 5-10, 215, Sr., Anaheim, CA – Santa Ana College).

<b>Willamette</b>	0	0	21	7	--	28
<b>Humboldt State</b>	7	21	7	7	--	42
HSU – Jones 2 run (Waltzman kick)						
HSU – Otterness 10 pass from Dixon (Waltzman kick)						
HSU – Jones 10 run (kick failed)						
HSU – Smith 6 pass from Dixon (Dixon run)						
WU – Reed 5 run (Libby kick)						
WU – Reed 21 run (Libby kick)						
HSU – Lucas 16 run (Waltzman kick)						
WU – Meyer 59 pass from Gaspard (Libby kick)						
WU – Reed 6 run (Libby kick)						
WU – Jones 59 run (Waltzman kick)						

**Carson-Newman 55, Western Oregon 20 (at Jefferson City):** Fifth-ranked Carson-Newman, Tenn., scored two touchdowns in the final 2:02 of the first half, then outscored Western Oregon 21-7 in the second half in defeating the Wolves 55-20 before 3,112 fans in Jefferson City. . Western Oregon had closed to within eight points on a eight-yard pass from quarterback Denny Bies to wide receiver Brad Satran with 2:22 left in the opening half. But, the Eagles then struck quickly, needing just one play to score on a 43-yard pass from quarterback Leonard Guyton to Mikkaail Jenkins following a long kickoff return. Carson-Newman then got the ball back with 47 seconds left and again scored on the first play, a 48-yard Guyton pass to Reggie Alexis. . . Guyton completed just five passes out of Carson-Newman's veer offense (all on play action), but four went for touchdowns of 42, 43, 48 and 98 yards, the latter to Alvin Sanders with 4:48 left in the third quarter. . . WOU finished with a 435-411 advantage in total offense, but turned the ball over six times. Four different times they failed to get touchdowns after driving deep into Carson-Newman territory, twice settling for 27 and 28-yard field goals by Andrew Keippela and twice coming up empty. . . Bies, who was picked off twice, completed 19 of 36 passes for 255 yards. Satran caught eight passes for 107 yards. . . Running back Ivan McCrae, who led the Wolves with 37 yards, also completed an 87-yard TD pass to Mike Hinshaw and had 135 return yards, including 124 on three kickoffs. The 87-yard pass is the longest play from scrimmage in the brief two-year history of the GNAC. . . Hinshaw caught four passes for 163 yards and finished with 259 all-purpose

yards. . .The two teams combined for 395 yards in kickoff returns, including 223 by the Wolves. . .Linebacker Dave Morrill led Western Oregon’s defense with nine tackles, including a sack. He also had a fumble recovery. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon,** Offense, Brad Satran (WR, 6-3, 180, Jr./ Tigard, OR) – Had several outstanding grabs among his team-leading eight receptions. Defense, Dave Morrill (LB, 6-3, 260, Sr., Warren, OR – Scappoose).

<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Carson-Newman</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>55</b>

- Carson – Josue fumble recovery in end zone (Gonzalez kick)
- WOU – Keippela 27 Field Goal
- Carson – Jenkins 42 pass from Guyton (Gonzalez kick)
- WOU – Keippela 28 Field Goal
- Carson – Boone 7 run (Gonzalez kick)
- WOU – Satran 8 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)
- Carson – Jenkins 43 pass from Guyton (kick failed)
- Carson – Alexis 48 pass from Guyton (Gonzalez kick)
- Carson – Alexis 41 run (Gonzalez kick)
- Carson – Sanders 98 pass from Guyton (Gonzalez kick)
- WOU – Hinshaw 87 pass from McCrae (Keippela kick)
- Carson – Hightower 2 run (Gonzalez kick)

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## Football Report 5 (Sept. 30, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	5	0	195	89
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	3	0	107	58
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	1	2	69	75
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	1	3	82	193

**LAST SATURDAY:** Central Washington 21 at New Haven 13; Southern Oregon 20 at Humboldt State 10; UC Davis 64 at Western Oregon 20; Western Washington 31 at St. Mary's 28.

**THIS SATURDAY:** Central Washington at Montana State, 1:35 p.m.; St. Mary's at Humboldt State, 6 p.m.; Western New Mexico at Western Washington, 1 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Josh Shimek, Western Washington (QB, 6-4, 220, Jr., Pasco). . Shimek completed 15 of 20 passes for 162 yards and three touchdowns as the Vikings stayed unbeaten with a three-point road win at NCAA Division I-AA Saint Mary's. After the Gaels had taken a four-point lead with 5:37 remaining, Shimek led WWU on a 74-yard, 10-play drive, which consumed all but 1:11 on the clock. He finished the drive off completing a 15-yard pass to Greg Dykstra for the winning touchdown. **Defense,** Marlo Airhart, Central Washington (DT, 6-2, 280, So., Seattle, WA – Mountlake Terrace). . Airhart had five tackles, including back-to-back sacks late in the fourth quarter, which enabled the Wildcats to thwart a New Haven comeback and win their fifth consecutive game.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Western Washington punter Michael Koenen averaged 48.2 yards on five punts, including a school-record boot of 73 yards in Saturday's win at Saint Mary's. Both his average (minimum 5 punts) and his long are also GNAC single-game records. Koenen, however, did have his school-record string of eight consecutive field goals made snapped when a 37-yard try was blocked in the third quarter. . Central Washington ranks first in the GNAC in every major team statistical category except passing defense. Humboldt State is the leader in that category, allowing just 159.3 yards per game. . WWU has won nine of its last 10 games, including six of seven to conclude the 2001 campaign. . Central Washington's road trip to West Haven, Conn., to play New Haven also included a side trip to New York City where the Wildcats made a visit to Ground Zero.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Sept. 23)** - 15. Western Washington; 16. Central Washington. **D2football.com (Sept. 23)** - 18. Central Washington, 19. Western Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Sept. 22)** - 8. Central Washington, 10. Western Washington.

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Sept. 21): Individual:** Rushing - 31. Mitch Jones, HSU, 102.5. Passing - 2. Zak Hill, CWU, 184.1 (points), 11. Josh Shimek, WWU, 156.0; 22. Chris Dixon, HSU, 140.3. Total Offense - 10. Josh Shimek, WWU, 287.0; 17. Zak Hill, CWU, 268.3; 20. Chris Dixon, HSU, 260.5; 28. Denny Bies, WOU, 236.0. Receptions - 15. Brad Satran, WOU, 6.7; 21. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 6.0, and Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.0. Receiving Yards - 7. Dustin Creager, HSU, 127.5; 8. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 120.0; 16. Brian Potucek, CWU, 102.5; 34. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 88.0. Scoring - 8. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 12.0; 31. Mitch Jones, HSU, 9.0. All-Purpose - 3. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 217.0; 11. Dustin Creager, HSU, 191.5. Punt Returns - 3. Dustin Creager, HSU, 21.3. Kickoff Returns - 14. Jermaine Ervin, HSU, 29.3. Field Goals - 24. Michael Koenen, WWU, 1.0. Punting - 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 46.6; 10. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 42.2; 13. Michael Koenen, WWU, 41.6. Interceptions - None. Solo Tackles - None. Total Tackles - 17. Tayt Tolman, WOU, 11.3; 26. Chris Padilla, HSU, 10.5, and Chris Walters, HSU, 10.5; 35. Jermaine Ervin, HSU, 10.0, and Rob White, WWU, 10.0. Tackles For Losses - None. Sacks - 23. Matt Olafson, WOU, 1.0. Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 2.0; 4. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 0.67; 28. James Delgado, WWU, 0.50, and Jesse Looker, WWU, 0.50. Passes Defended - None. **Team:** Total Offense - 7. Central Washington 474.0; 10. Western Washington 457.5; 31. Humboldt State 406.5. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - None. Passing Offense - 3. Western Washington 339.0; 14. Central Washington 294.5; 15. Western Oregon 287.3. Pass Efficiency Defense - 28. Central Washington 92.5 (points).. Scoring - 8. Central Washington 43.5; 14. Western Washington 38.0. Scoring Defense - 28. Western Washington 15.0. Turnover Margin - 19. Western Washington 1.5.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 21, New Haven 13 (at West Haven, Conn.):** Marlo Airhart had sacks on two consecutive plays late in the fourth quarter enabling Central Washington to fight off a fourth-quarter New Haven comeback and defeat the Chargers. . CWU improved to 5-0 with the victory, while New Haven, which had won the two previous meetings between the two schools, fell to 1-3. . The 5-0 start is CWU's best since it won all nine of its regular-season games in 1991. Central did not lose a regular-season game between 1988 and 1991. . The Wildcats jumped to a 21-0 lead at halftime, scoring on a pair of touchdown runs by Willie Johnson (5 and 12 yards) and on a 21-yard pass from quarterback Dale Chase to Brian Potucek. Potucek's TD catch came on the final play

of the first quarter. . .New Haven, however, put together a pair of touchdown drives in the fourth quarter to pull within eight points and had a first-and-10 at CWU's 45 before two incomplete passes and two sacks by Airhart gave the Wildcats the ball back with 1:39 left in the contest. . .Chase, starting in place of Zak Hill who sustained a slight shoulder separation in last week's win over Saint Mary's, completed 23 of 39 passes for 304 yards (including 16 of 21 for 236 in the first half) and was not intercepted. It was his third career 300-yard passing game. . .Johnson netted 124 yards on 26 rushes, while Moses Lewis caught six passes for 102 yards. Potucek had seven receptions for 88 yards. . .New Haven quarterback Rob D'Innocenzio completed 23 of 39 passes for 288, including eight for 116 yards to Matt Marcks, but CWU's defense held the Chargers to a net 14 yards on the ground. . .Airhart, Dusty Hawkins and Rocky Martinez all had two tackles for losses. Martinez led the CWU defense with six tackles. Nick Omatsu had five tackles and also intercepted a pass and broke up two other passes. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Brian Potucek (WR, 6-0, 185, So., Tacoma, WA – Clover Park); Defense, Marlo Airhart (DT, 6-2, 280, So., Seattle, WA – Mountlake Terrace) – Had five tackles, including two key sacks in fourth quarter.

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>New Haven</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>13</b>
CWU – Johnson 5 run (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Potucek 21 pass from Chase (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Johnson 12 run (McDowell kick)						
UNH – Armendariz 13 pass from D'Innocenzio (Anderson kick)						
UNH – Robinson 18 pass from D'Innocenzio (kick failed)						

**Southern Oregon 20, Humboldt State 10 (at Arcata):** Humboldt State held Southern Oregon to just 75 first-half yards, but the Raiders rebounded from a 7-3 halftime deficit to defeat the Lumberjacks 20-10 in a non-conference football game at the Redwood Bowl Saturday. . .The win completed a two-game series sweep by the Raiders, who also beat Humboldt State 27-17 earlier this season in Ashland. . .SOU netted 219 of its 294 yards after the break, scoring twice on touchdowns, including a two-yard run by Dusty McGrorty. McGrorty's TD snapped a 10-10 tie. Steve Baker kicked a 50-yard field goal with 6:15 left in the fourth quarter to provide the final margin. . .McGrorty, who had just 21 yards at halftime, finished with 127 yards on 30 rushes. SOU quarterback Dan Woodward completed 18 of 29 passes for 136 yards. . .Humboldt, which had five consecutive three-and-out possessions in the second half, netted just 248 yards. Mitch Jones led the Lumberjack running game with 44 yards on 11 carries. Quarterback Aaron Currell completed 11 of 19 passes for 107 yards, including a five-yard second-quarter touchdown pass to Chris White. . .Dustin Creager led the HSU receivers with seven receptions for 66 yards, while Brent Adkins had six receptions for 59 yards. . .Chris Walters led Humboldt State's defense with 14 tackles, including five solo stops. He also had one tackle for a one-yard loss. Jermaine Ervin had 10 tackles, including one for a loss and also intercepted a pass. Sean Sherbert and Tim White both had two tackles for losses. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Dustin Creager (WR, 6-1, 186, So., Mission

Viejo, CA – Santa Margarita) – Finished with 90 all-purpose yards, catching seven passes for 66 yards and netting 24 yards on four punt returns. Defense, Sean Sherbert (DE, 6-5, 230, Fr., Moraga, CA – Campolindo) – Had eight tackles, including a team-high six solo tackles. Also had two tackles for losses totaling 15 yards, including a 14-yard QB sack.

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Southern Oregon</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>10</b>
HSU – White 5 pass from Currell (Waltzman kick)						
SOU – Baker 34 Field Goal						
HSU – Waltzman 25 Field Goal						
SOU – Zosel 5 pass from Woodward (Baker kick)						
SOU – McGrorty 2 run (Baker kick)						
SOU – Baker 50 Field Goal						

**UC Davis 64, Western Oregon 20 (at Monmouth):** UC Davis returned two interceptions for touchdowns and also scored in the air, on the ground and on a kickoff return in defeating Western Oregon at Monmouth. . .The Aggies broke out of a 7-7 tie, scoring on six of their next seven possessions to take a 44-7 halftime lead. UC Davis then added three more touchdowns in the second half in winning their third game in four starts. WOU fell to 1-3. . .Despite scoring 64 points, the Aggies managed just 367 yards in total offense, including 90 by running back Matt Massari. Quarterback Ryan Flanigan completed 12 of 19 passes for 191 yards and three touchdowns. Carnell Green and Justin Patterson had 46 and 66 yard interception returns for TDs (two of five WOU turnovers) and Kevin Freeman had a 96-yard kickoff return. . .Damien Cole and Mike Hinshaw scored TDs for WOU on passes of four and 60 yards from Denny Bies and Mike Baird, respectively. Andrew Keippela also booted 26 and 46 yard field goals. . .Baird completed eight of 16 passes for 151 yards. Brad Satran caught seven passes for 53 yards. Hinshaw had 183 all-purpose yards, 91 on four receptions and 92 on four kickoff returns. . .In addition to its 367 yards in total offense, UC Davis had 252 return yards, 116 on three interceptions, 125 on four kickoff returns (all by Freeman) and 11 on two punt returns. . .Chad Boyd and Kevin Holcomb led WOU with eight tackles each. The Wolves, however, had just two stops for losses, a seven-yard sack by Lucas Garcia and a one-yard stop by Lyman Panui. . .Garcia and Lance Donnelly had fumble recoveries. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon**, Offense, Mike Hinshaw (WR, 6-0, 185, Jr., Scappoose, OR); Defense, Lyman Panui (LB, 6-0, 230, Jr., Waianae, HI) – Credited with five tackles, including one for a loss. Also forced a fumble and broke up a pass.

<b>UC Davis</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>
UCD – Massari 2 run (Apocotos kick)						
WOU – Cole 4 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
UCD – Oliva 6 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)						
UCD – Freeman 10 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)						
UCD – Green 46 interception (Apocotos kick)						
UCD – Swanigan 4 run (Apocotos kick)						
UCD – Apocotos 44 Field Goal						
UCD – Oliva 41 pass from Flanigan (kick failed)						
WOU – Keippela 26 Field Goal						
WOU – Keippela 46 Field Goal						
UCD – Freeman 96 kickoff return (kick failed)						
WOU – Hinshaw 60 pass from Baird (Keippela kick)						

UCD – Patterson 66 interception (Apocotos kick)  
UCD – Vann 1 run (Apocotos kick)

**Western Washington 31, Saint Mary's 28 (at Moraga):**

Wide receiver Greg Dykstra caught a 15-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Josh Shimek with 1:11 left, then defensive back Rob White sealed the victory with an interception as Western Washington defeated NCAA Division I-AA Saint Mary's, Calif. in a non-conference football game at Moraga. . .It was the second consecutive game Dykstra had tied WWU's school record by catching three TD passes. . The Vikings, now 3-0, led 21-7 at halftime, but the Gaels scored 21 second-half points to take a 28-24 lead on a 32-yard pass from quarterback Ryan Sauter to Andre Coleman. Shimek, however, then engineered a 10-play, 74-yard drive, which consumed 4:26 on the clock and left Saint Mary's ground-oriented offense with just 71 seconds left. A 14-yard run by redshirt freshman Duncan Sherrard set up the winning score. . With the Gaels forced to go to the air, White ended Saint Mary's hopes with an interception with just 24 seconds left in the contest. . .Earlier Dykstra, who has caught at least one pass in 31 consecutive games, had caught touchdown passes of 22 and six yards from Shimek. The Vikings also got a two-yard touchdown run from Sherrard with 43 seconds left in the opening half and a 29-yard third-quarter field goal by Michael Koenen. . .Saint Mary's nearly had another touchdown in the second half when fullback Clint Wilson broke lose and seemed headed for a 76-yard touchdown, but he was caught from behind by Viking cornerback Anthony Dalton, who stripped the ball loose, enabling White to recover at the 17. . .Shimek finished the game with 15 completions in 20 attempts for 162 yards. Dykstra caught five passes for 69 yards. Sherrard led WWU's rushing attack with 99 yards on 20 carries. Saint Mary's, which outgained the Vikings 463-364, netted 373 yards on the ground, including 116 by Wilson. . .Lann Olson led the Viking defense with 19 tackles, including 11 solos. Jesse Looker had 12 tackles, while White and Brett Thompson had nine each. Thompson also had a six-yard quarterback sack and recovered a fumble. **Players-of-the-Game:** **Western Washington**, Offense, Josh Shimek (QB, 6-4, 220, Jr., Pasco); Defense, Lann Olson (LB, 6-0, 215, Jr., Chehalis, WA – West).

<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Saint Mary's</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>28</b>

WWU – Dykstra 22 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
SMC – Coleman 3 run (Arevalo kick)  
WWU – Dykstra 6 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
WWU – Sherrard 2 run (Koenen kick)  
SMC – N. Brown 24 pass from Sauter (Arevalo kick)  
WWU – Koenen 29 Field Goal  
SMC – Sauter 1 run (Arevalo kick)  
SMC – Coleman 32 pass from Sauter (Arevalo kick)  
WWU – Dykstra 15 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)

# GNAC FOOTBALL

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## Football Report 6 (Oct. 7, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	6	0	226	105
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	4	0	169	71
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	1	3	76	111
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	1	3	82	193

**LAST SATURDAY:** Central Washington 31 at Montana State 16; St. Mary's 36 at Humboldt State 7; Western New Mexico 13 at Western Washington 62.

**THIS SATURDAY:** Central Washington at Western New Mexico, 1 p.m.; Humboldt State at Azusa Pacific, 6 p.m.; Western Oregon at San Diego, 7 p.m.; Western Washington at South Dakota State, 7 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense,** Duncan Sherrard, Western Washington (RB, 5-10, 200, Fr., Seattle – Roosevelt); **Defense,** Blake Walker, Central Washington (LB, 6-0, 220, So., Everett, WA – Cascade). . .Sherrard rushed for 151 yards, the second highest total this fall in the GNAC, including 112 in the third quarter, to key a 45-point second half as the Vikings ripped Western New Mexico 62-13. The WWU freshman back scored 14 points in the third quarter on runs of 16 and 26 along with a two-point conversion, then added six more in the fourth period on a four-yard run. . .Walker accounted for more than a quarter of Central Washington's unassisted tackles in an impressive 15-point win over Montana State as the Wildcat defense had 53 yards in losses and held the Division I-AA Bobcats to just 31 net rushing yards. The CWU linebacker finished with 13 tackles, including 10 solos and three for losses totaling 14 yards. Two of the three were sacks (for losses of 12 yards).

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Western Washington has converted on seven-of-seven fourth down opportunities this fall, including two in Saturday's win over Western New Mexico. . .The Vikings grabbed the conference lead away from Central Washington in total offense, rushing offense, passing offense and scoring offense with their 62-point explosion against the Mustangs. CWU leads the conference in total defense, rushing defense, scoring defense and net punting and is also the leader in passing defense efficiency, though it only ranks third in pass defense yards allowed. . .Two years ago, CWU quarterback Zak Hill threw 18 interceptions and last year Dale Chase led the GNAC by also throwing 18 interceptions. However, this year the two CWU QBs have been picked off just once in 210 attempts. . .Hill led the nation last week in pass efficiency with a 184.1 rating, but will drop out of the national rankings this week because he has played in just four of CWU's six games. A player in required to participate in 75 percent of his team's games to be eligible to be ranked nationally. . .Western Washington kicker Michael Koenen was named **d2football.com National Special Teams Player-of-the-Week** for his role in the Vikings' 31-28 win over NCAA I-AA Saint Mary's on Sept. 28. Koenen, a sophomore from Ferndale, averaged 48.2

yards on five punts, including a school and GNAC record 73-yarder on his first attempt. He also kicked a 29-yard field goal after having his school record streak of eight consecutive made three-pointers ends when a 37-yard attempt was partially blocked.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Sept. 30)** - 14. Central Washington; 15. Western Washington. **D2football.com (Sept. 30)** - 18. Central Washington, 19. Western Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Sept. 29)** - 6. Central Washington, 9. Western Washington.

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Sept. 28): Individual:** Rushing – None. Passing - 1. Zak Hill, CWU, 184.1 (points), 9. Josh Shimek, WWU, 164.1. Total Offense - 12. Zak Hill, CWU, 268.3; 22. Josh Shimek, WWU, 248.7. Receptions - 12. Brad Satran, WOU, 6.8; 22. Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.2; 29. Dustin Creager, HSU, 5.7, and Greg Dykstra, WWU, 5.7. Receiving Yards - 8. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 112.8; 14. Dustin Creager, HSU, 107.0; 20. Brian Potucek, CWU, 99.6. Scoring - 5. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 14.0. All-Purpose - 2. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 208.5; 22. Dustin Creager, HSU, 157.7. Punt Returns – 15. Dustin Creager, HSU, 15.2. Kickoff Returns – 10. Corey Smith, HSU, 30.8; 19. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 28.9; 21. Martez Johnson, WWU, 28.5. Field Goals – 1. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 2.0; 26. Michael Koenen, WWU, 1.0. Punting - 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 46.1; 5. Michael Koenen, WWU, 43.9; 20. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 40.5. Interceptions – 31. Rob White, WWU, 0.67. Total Tackles – 9. Chris Walters, HSU, 11.7; 29. Jermaine Ervin, HSU, 10.0, and Lann Olson, WWU, 10.0. Solo Tackles - None. Sacks – None. Tackles For Losses - None. Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 1.33; 20. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 0.50. Passes Defended - None. **Team:** Total Offense - 8. Central Washington 466.2; 17. Western Washington 426.3. Total Defense - None. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - None. Passing Offense - 10. Central Washington 296.4; 12. Western Washington 290.0; 16. Western Oregon 277.8. Pass Efficiency Defense – None. Scoring - 11. Central Washington 39.0; 18. Western Washington 35.7. Scoring Defense – None. Turnover Margin - 4. Western Washington 2.3.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Western Washington 62, Western New Mexico 13 (at Bellingham):** . . .Duncan Sherrard ran for three second-half touchdowns to lead Western Washington to a 62-13 win over Western New Mexico in a non-conference football game at Civic Stadium in Bellingham. . .The Vikings, who are now 4-0, led by just four points at halftime, but outscored the Mustangs (2-4) 45-0 in the final 30 minutes as Sherrard scored on runs of 16, 26 and four

yards. B.J. Frost also scored a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter on a run of three yards and a 26-yard pass from third string quarterback Joe Brazier. . .Sherrard netted 151 yards on 23 rushes, including 112 yards in the third quarter, and three quarterbacks combined for 351 yards as the Vikings outgained Western New Mexico 539-280 in total offense. Starting quarterback Josh Shimek completed 12 of 17 passes for 154 yards and backup Steve Nichols was 14 of 20 for 171 yards. Nichols threw for two touchdowns, including one to Mike Westbrook. . .Westbrook caught eight passes for 70 yards, while Greg Dykstra had seven catches for 105 yards. Dykstra, who extended his string of games with at least one catch to 28, also netted 76 yards on four punt returns. . .Western Washington jumped to an early 17-0 lead scoring on TD passes of 55 yards from Shimek to Andy Olson and 28 yards from Nichols to Dykstra and a 42-yard field goal by Michael Koenen. But Western New Mexico then scored twice to cut its halftime deficit to four points. Bobby Willcox got the second touchdown on a 38-yard pass from Marques Reischl with 20 seconds left in the half. The Vikings, however, then scored 10 points in less than 90 seconds midway through the third quarter on a safety, 16-yard run by Sherrard and two-point PAT run by Sherrard to start a string of 45 answered points, including 28 in the fourth period. . .Reischl completed nine of 19 passes for 147 yards and two touchdowns to lead WNMU's offense. Robert Muro netted 88 yards on 20 rushes. . .Linebacker Lann Olson led WWU's defense with 10 tackles, including two for losses of four yards among his nine solos. Linebacker Brett Thompson had four tackles for losses of 22 yards, including three quarterback sacks. Defensive end Kevin Kamphouse was also credited with two tackles for losses. Tackle Bob Carlstrom had the Vikings' lone takeaway, a fumble recovery. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Duncan Sherrard (RB, 5-10, 200, Fr., Seattle – Roosevelt); Defense, Brett Thompson (LB, 6-0, 235, Jr., Auburn, WA – Auburn-Riverside).

<b>Western New Mexico</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>62</b>
WWU – Olson 55 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Koenen 42 Field Goal						
WWU – Dykstra 28 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)						
WNM – Romano 3 pass from Reischl (kick failed)						
WNM – Willcox 38 pass from Reischl (Yamini kick)						
WWU – Safety						
WWU – Sherrard 16 run (Sherrard run)						
WWU – Sherrard 26 run (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Westbrook 6 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Sherrard 4 run (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Frost 3 run (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Frost 26 pass from Brazier (Koenen kick)						

**Central Washington 31, Montana State 16 (at Bozeman, MT):** Central Washington built a 21-3 lead late in the first half and went on to stun Montana State 31-16 in a non-conference football game before 12,307 homecoming fans at Bozeman. . .It was the second win for CWU over a NCAA Division I-AA team this fall and its first ever in

three tries against the Bobcats. Central stayed unbeaten at 6-0, while the Big Sky school fell to 2-3. . .Montana State, which trailed 21-10 at halftime, pulled to within five points midway through the third quarter on a 15-yard pass from quarterback Tyler Thomas to Blake Wolf, but CWU then dominated the remainder of the game getting a 49-yard field goal from Matt McDowell with 30 seconds to go in the third quarter before adding an insurance touchdown on a three-yard run by Willie Johnson early in the fourth period. . .CWU quarterback Dale Chase, making his second start of the season, engineered the upset by completing 22 of 39 passes for 279 yards and one touchdown. Chase played in place of Zak Hill, the nation's top-ranked passer, who missed his second consecutive game with a slight shoulder separation. . .Brian Potucek caught six passes for 60 yards and Jake Roberts had four catches for 113 yards. . .Running back Mario Sweet, who had missed CWU's last two games with an ankle injury, netted 72 yards on 25 rushes. Johnson had just 12 yards on eight rushes, but scored three touchdowns on runs of one, one and three yards. . .CWU outgained the Bobcats 315-278, including a 271-247 advantage through the air. MSU quarterback Tyler Thomas, a transfer from Oregon State, completed 13 of 31 for 150 yards before being replaced in the fourth quarter by Travis Lulay. . .CWU had a 5-1 takeaway advantage, recovering three fumbles and intercepting two passes. Jeremy Jacobs sealed the victory with an interception on MSU's final possession. . .Jacobs intercepted the ball at the goal line and ran 100 yards for an apparent TD, but a clipping penalty behind the run nullified the score. . .CWU's defense had eight tackles for losses, including three by linebacker Blake Walker and two by Levi Teasley. Walker finished with 10 solo tackles and three assists. Among his tackles for losses were two sacks. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Dale Chase (QB, 6-5, 215, Jr., Olympia, WA – Riverridge) – Chase hasn't thrown an interception in 96 attempts this fall during his two starts and three relief appearances of Hill; Defense, Blake Walker (LB, 6-0, 220, So., Everett, WA – Cascade).

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Montana State</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>16</b>
MSU – Cook 32 Field Goal						
CWU – Johnson 1 run (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Johnson 1 run (McDowell kick)						
CWU – Denny 14 pass from Chase (McDowell kick)						
MSU – Turnquist 17 pass from Thomas (Cook kick)						
MSU – Wolf 15 pass from Thomas (kick failed)						
CWU – McDowell 49 Field Goal						
CWU – Johnson 3 run (McDowell kick)						

**Saint Mary's 36, Humboldt State 7 (at Arcata):** . .Clint Wilson rushed for 91 yards and NCAA Division I-AA Saint Mary's, Calif., gained 320 yards on the ground in defeating Humboldt State 36-7 in a non-conference football game before 4,327 fans at Arcata. . .Four different players scored rushing touchdowns for the Gaels, including Wilson, Heath Villarreal and quarterbacks Ryan Sauter and Trevor Johnston. Villarreal finished with 63 yards on six rushes, while Sauter and Johnston netted 65 and 39 yards, respectively. . .The two Saint Mary's quarterbacks

attempted just nine passes, completing five for 72 yards as the Gaels finished with 392 yards in total offense. .Humboldt had 251 yards, including 100 on the ground. Mitch Jones accounted for 93 of the ground yards. Quarterback Chris Dixon completed 11 of 24 passes for 132 yards, but was picked off three times. Humboldt also fumbled the ball away twice and finished with five turnovers, while taking away the ball once from Saint Mary's. .Humboldt scored its lone touchdown in the third quarter on a five-yard pass from Chris Dixon to Dustin Creager. The TD came on the third play after Gabe Jackson recovered a Sauter fumble at the seven-yard line. .Humboldt's defense twice came up with big fourth-down stops to prevent scores. In the second quarter linebackers Tim White and Chris Walters stopped running back Chris Harrell on a fourth-and-goal from the one-yard line. The Jacks ended another Gael threat when Zach Weinberger sacked Sauter at the HSU 31 on a fourth-and-eight. .HSU punter David Waltzman averaged 42.3 yards on six punts, including a season-best kick of 49 yards. Brent Adkins, who caught five passes for 65 yards, also punted once for 40 yards. .White and Walters led HSU's defense with 11 tackles each. Kevin Ashton had two tackles for losses of 13 yards, including a quarterback sack. The loss dropped HSU to 1-3. Saint Mary's, which lost the last two weeks to Central Washington and Western Washington, evened its overall record at 3-3. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Mitch Jones (RB, 5-10, 200, Sr., Reno, NV); Defense, Tim White (LB, 6-1, 230, Jr., Battle Mountain, NV) – Was credited with 1 ½ tackles for losses of seven yards among his 11 tackles.

<b>Saint Mary's</b>	7	7	7	15	--	36
<b>Humboldt State</b>	0	0	7	0	--	7

SMC – Sauter 13 run (Arevalo kick)

SMC – Villarreal 7 run (Arevalo kick)

SMC – Wilson 7 run (Arevalo kick)

HSU – Creager 5 pass from Dixon (Waltzman kick)

SMC – N. Brown 14 pass from Johnston (N. Brown run)

SMC – Johnston 23 run (Arevalo kick)

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## Football Report 7 (Oct. 14, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	0	0	0	0	7	0	282	115
Western Washington	0	0	0	0	4	1	188	94
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	2	3	116	196
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	1	4	98	146

**LAST SATURDAY:** Central Washington 56 at Western New Mexico 10; Humboldt State 22 at Azusa Pacific 35; Western Oregon 34 at San Diego 3; Western Washington 19 at South Dakota State 23.

**THIS SATURDAY:** Western Washington at Central Washington, 1 p.m.; Humboldt State at UC Davis, 1:30 p.m.; Western New Mexico at Western Oregon, 2 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Brad Satran, Western Oregon (WR, 6-3, 180, Jr., Tigard, OR). **Defense,** Tayt Tolman, Western Oregon (LB, 6-1, 205, Jr., Tangent, OR – South Albany). . . Satran and Tolman had huge games in leading the Wolves to a 34-3 win over NCAA Division I-AA University of San Diego. . . Satran caught eight passes for a school-record 225 yards, including touchdown receptions of 78, 81 and two yards. His 81-yarder is the second longest passing play this fall in the GNAC and the third longest in the two-year history of the conference. His 225 reception yards is the seventh best single-game total in Northwest small-college modern history (since 1985) and the highest total since Ben Clampitt of Western Washington set the record with 295 yards against Humboldt State in 1998. . . Tolman had 15 tackles (seven solos), including six for losses totaling 22 yards. Two of the six were QB sacks. He also forced a fumble as WOU held San Diego to a single field goal.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Western Washington wide receiver Greg Dykstra has caught one or more passes in 33 consecutive games. He had four for 68 yards in Saturday's game at South Dakota State to increase his career totals to 150 receptions for 2,313 yards. . . Humboldt State running back Mitch Jones needs 20 yards to join the 2,000 yard career rushing club. Two other players in the short two-year history of the conference have reached that level – Western Oregon's Jason Taroli and Central Washington's Nat Conley. Both players completed their eligibility last season, finishing their careers with 2,836 and 2,121 yards, respectively. . . Central Washington quarterback Zak Hill needs 73 yards to join the 5,000 yard passing club. Dale Chase, who has started the last three games in place of the injured Hill, has thrown for 3,197 career yards. . . WOU kicker Andrew Keippela is a perfect 10-of-10 on extra points and has made eight straight field goals since missing his first kick of the season from 51 yards. . . Central Washington and Western Washington were ranked 1-2 in last week's official NCAA Division II West regional poll. The top four teams in the final poll in November advance to the playoffs. The official poll is released each Monday afternoon.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Oct. 7) -** 13. Central Washington; 15. Western Washington. **D2football.com (Oct. 7) -** 18. Central Washington, 19. Western Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Oct. 6) -** 6. Central Washington, 9. Western Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Oct. 7) -** 1. Central Washington (6-0); 2. Western Washington (4-0); 3. Texas A&M-Kingsville (3-1); 4. UC Davis (4-1); 5. Chadron State (4-1); 6. Tarleton State (5-1); 7. Colorado School of Mines (4-1); 8. Eastern New Mexico (4-1); 9. Nebraska-Kearney (4-1); 10. Southwestern Oklahoma State (4-1).

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Oct. 5): Individual:** Rushing – None. Passing - 11. Josh Shimek, WWU, 164.4. Total Offense - 33. Josh Shimek, WWU, 225.8. Receptions - 12. Brad Satran, WOU, 6.8; 24. Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.2; 25. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 6.0. Receiving Yards - 4. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 112.8; 24. Brian Potucek, CWU, 93.0; 27. Dustin Creager, HSU, 90.0; 33. Greg Dykstra, WU, 87.5. Scoring - 7. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 12.0. All-Purpose - 3. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 208.5. Punt Returns – 1. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 23.3; 15. Dustin Creager, HSU, 15.2. Kickoff Returns – 16. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 28.9; 17. Corey Smith, HSU, 28.0. Field Goals – 1. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 2.0; 29. Michael Koenen, WWU, 1.0. Punting - 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 44.5; 6. Michael Koenen, WWU, 43.6; 20. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 40.5. Interceptions – None. Total Tackles – 10. Chris Walters, HSU, 11.5; 30. Lann Olson, WWU, 10.0. Solo Tackles – 13. Lann Olson, WWU, 6.3. Sacks – 16. Brett Thompson, WWU, 1.0. Tackles For Losses - None. Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 1.00; 12. Jeff Charleston, WOU, 0.50, and Jesse Looker, WWU, 0.50. Passes Defended - None. **Team:** Total Offense – 11. Western Washington 454.5; 15. Central Washington 441.0. Total Defense – 34. Central Washington 286.5. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense – 24. Central Washington 94.0. Passing Offense - 6. Western Washington 305.3; 9. Central Washington 292.2; 13. Western Oregon 277.8. Pass Efficiency Defense – 35. Central Washington 102.0 (points). Scoring - 9. Western Washington 42.3; 16. Central Washington 37.7. Scoring Defense – 30. Central Washington 17.5; 34. Western Washington 17.8. Turnover Margin - 13. Western Washington 1.75; 28. Central Washington 1.17.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Western Oregon 34, San Diego 3 (at San Diego):** Brad Satran caught eight passes for a school-record 225 yards to lead Western Oregon to a 34-3 victory over NCAA Division I-AA San Diego before 3,134 fans at Torero Stadium. . . Satran scored on receptions of 78 and 81 yards in the second quarter and then added a two-yard TD

reception in the third quarter. All three passes were thrown by quarterback Denny Bies, who completed 13 of 17 passes for 291 yards. Bies took over the conference passing lead with his performance. He is averaging a league-best 228.6 yards per game (Zak Hill of CWU is averaging 271.8, but has played in only four of CWU's seven games and doesn't qualify). . .The Wolves also scored on a one-yard run by Ivan McCrae (their first rushing touchdown of the season) and on a pair of field goals by Andrew Keippela (30 and 31 yards) in building a 34-0 lead early in the fourth quarter. USD kicker Adam Williams ruined the shutout by connecting on a 32-yard field goal with 43 seconds remaining in the game. . .McCrae finished with a WOU season-high 106 yards on 14 rushes as Western Oregon (2-3) netted 151 yards on the ground and 454 in total offense. San Diego had 365 yards, including 241 by quarterback Eric Rasmussen, who completed 16 of 30 passes. . .Satran now leads the conference in receptions per game (7.0) and reception yardage per game (103.2). He leads teammate Mike Hinshaw (100.4) by just 14 yards in the latter category. . .Tayt Tolman led WOU's defense with 15 tackles, including six for losses of 22 yards. Chad Boyd had 10 tackles and Tim Martin had five, including three for losses. Martin also recovered a fumble and deflected a pass. **Players-of-the-Game: Offense**, Brad Satran (WR, 6-3, 180, Jr., Tigard, OR). **Defense**, Tayt Tolman (LB, 6-1, 205, Jr., Tangent, OR – South Albany).

<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>San Diego</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>3</b>
WOU – McCrae 1 run (Keippela kick)						
WOU – Satran 78 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
WOU – Satran 81 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
WOU – Satran 2 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
WOU – Keippela 30 Field Goal						
WOU – Keippela 31 Field Goal						
USD – Williams 32 Field Goal						

**South Dakota State 23, Western Washington 19 (at Brookings, S.D.):** South Dakota State scored 20 second-half points to overcome a 19-3 halftime deficit and defeat Western Washington 23-19 before 2,147 fans at Brookings, S.D. . .The loss ended a four-game winning streak for the Vikings, while SDSU improved to 3-2 on the season. . .Scott Nedved scored a pair of touchdowns in the second half, including one on a four-yard run to put the Jackrabbits ahead for the first time with 10:18 remaining. Nedved's run capped a 15-play, 85-yard drive. . .Western's best chance to regain the lead came on the following series as a 34-yard pass from Josh Shimek to Greg Dykstra put the Vikings on the SDSU 30. But, on second-and-seven Shimek was sacked and fumbled and Jackrabbit linebacker Chris Coautte recovered. . .Western broke out of a 3-3 tie, scoring 16 points in the second quarter on a safety and on touchdown runs of four yards by Jake Carlyle and Nyle Chambers. But, SDSU pulled to within three in the third quarter on a one-yard run by Nedved and a seven-yard pass from quarterback Dan Fjeldheim to Josh Davis to set up its winning fourth-quarter TD drive. . .The Jackrabbits outgained the Vikings 449-254 in total offense. Fjeldheim completed 28 of 42 passes for 339 yards, including 16 for 164 yards to Davis. James O'Neill and Nedved rushed for 65 and 50 yards, respectively. . .Western's yardage total,

which included only 72 in the second half, was a season low. The Vikings also committed three turnovers after having just five in its first four games. . .Shimek was seven of 15 for 111 yards for the Vikings. Greg Dykstra had four receptions, increasing his career total to 150, for 68 yards. Duncan Sherrard netted 86 yards on 17 rushes to lead the Viking ground game. . .Michael Koenen averaged 47.2 yards on five punts to take over the conference punting lead (44.4) from CWU's Joe Smith (44.0). . .Rob White led Western's defense with 16 tackles, including nine solos. He also intercepted a pass. Lann Olson had 13 tackles, including 3 ½ for losses. He forced two fumbles and had one recovery. Corey Gunnerson also had a recovery. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Michael Koenen (K-P, 5-10, 180, So., Ferndale, WA) – Had a long of 60 yards and placed four of his five punts inside the 20. Also kicked a 38-yard field goal and extended his string of consecutive extra points made to 30, including 23 this season. Defense, Lann Olson (LB, 6-0, 215, Jr., Chehalis, WA).

<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>South Dakota State</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>23</b>
WWU – Koenen 38 Field Goal						
SDSU – Witt 26 Field Goal						
WWU – Safety						
WWU – Carlyle 4 run (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Chambers 1 run (Koenen kick)						
SDSU – Nedved 1 run (pass failed)						
SDSU – Davis 7 pass from Fjeldheim (Witt kick)						
SDSU – Nedved 4 run (Witt kick)						

**Central Washington 56, Western New Mexico 10 (at Silver City, NM):** Central Washington scored four touchdowns in each half and held Western New Mexico to just 100 yards in total offense in rolling to a 56-10 win over the Mustangs in a non-conference game at Silver City. . .CWU quarterback Dale Chase completed 18 of 25 passes for 313 yards and three touchdowns. It was Chase's fourth career 300-yard passing game. He threw for 362 and 316 last year against Eastern Washington and UC Davis and passed for 304 two weeks ago at New Haven. . .CWU quarterbacks have produced four of the six 300-yard passing games this fall in the GNAC (two by Zak Hill and two by Chase). . .Willie Johnson led CWU's running game, netting 71 yards on 12 rushes, including three touchdowns. It was Johnson's second consecutive three-touchdown game. He has scored eight touchdowns in the Wildcats' last three games. . .Chase tossed touchdown passes of 40 and eight yards to Moses Lewis in the second quarter and also completed a 46-yard pass to Jake Roberts early in the third period. Lewis finished the game with four catches for 105 yards, while Roberts had three for 102. Brian Potucek had 60 yards on six receptions. . .Meanwhile, Johnson scored touchdowns on runs of one, 14 and 14 yards as CWU opened up a 49-10 lead after three quarters. . .Mario Sweet and Josh Lopez also scored TDs for the Wildcats. Sweet got the 'Cats on the board in the first quarter with a one-yard run. Lopez scored on a six-yard pass from third-string QB Brian Baugh for the only score of the final period. Baugh completed seven of 12 passes for 86 yards. . .Western New Mexico's lone touchdown was scored by its defense as Dyrus Williams returned a fumble 35 yards for a

touchdown in the second period. CWU's defense had three interceptions, including two by Rocky Martinez. . Blake Walker led the defense with nine tackles. Lance Gibson had seven, including 3 ½ for losses. . CWU allowed 453 yards and 41 points in its season opener, but over its last six games, the Wildcats have surrendered just 74 points (12.2 per game) and 1,366 yards (227.6 per game). . CWU kicker Joe Smith kicked off nine times, but only one of the nine (for 18 yards) was returned. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Moses Lewis (WR, 6-3, 185, So., Yakima, WA) – Lewis's 17.9 yards per reception is the second best mark in the GNAC behind GNAC sprint champion Mike Hinshaw, who averages 22.8 yards per catch; Defense, Rocky Martinez (DB, 5-8, 175, Jr., Lynnwood, WA) – Martinez, who leads the conference in interceptions (4) and takeaways (5), was credited with four passes defended, including two interceptions.

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Western New Mexico</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>10</b>

CWU – Sweet 1 run (McDowell kick)  
 WNMU – Yamini 47 Field Goal  
 CWU – Lewis 40 pass from Chase (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Lewis 8 pass from Chase (McDowell kick)  
 WNMU – Williams 35 fumble return (Yamini kick)  
 CWU – Johnson 1 run (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Johnson 14 run (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Roberts 46 pass from Chase (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Johnson 14 run (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Lopez 6 pass from Baugh (McDowell kick)

**Azusa Pacific 35, Humboldt State 22 (at Azusa):**

.Humboldt State quarterbacks Aaron Currell and Tim Sprinkles combined for 399 yards passing, but it wasn't enough to overcome a four-touchdown effort by Azusa Pacific running back Ben Buys as the unbeaten Cougars defeated the Lumberjacks 35-22 at Azusa before 2,250 fans. . Buys scored the game's clinching touchdown on a one-yard run with 1:24 left. Earlier he had scored on runs of one, 12 and seven yards. Buys finished the game with 84 yards on 20 rushes. APU quarterback Luke Winslow completed 19 of 33 passes for 272 yards as the Cougars had an even 400 yards in total offense. . HSU had 467 yards. Currell completed 24 of 31 passes for 215 yards and Sprinkles completed 10 of 20 passes for 184 yards. Dustin Creager caught nine passes for 111 yards, while Chris White (97 yards) and Kai Beech (48 yards) each had five catches. Beech scored on a 12-yard pass from Currell early in the third quarter to pull HSU to within six points at 21-15, but the Cougars countered with a 51-yard pass from Winslow to Nate Farris. HSU then drove 79 yards in seven plays with Mitch Jones scoring from two yards out to once again cut APU's lead to six, but was unable to score again over the game's final 22 minutes. . Jones had 64 yards on 18 rushes to increase his career total to 1,980 yards. Punter David Waltzman averaged 40.2 yards on five punts, including a season-best boot of 53 yards. Kick returner Corey Smith had 55 yards on two returns, including one of 39 yards. Defensive back Cody Killingsworth led Humboldt in tackles with eight. He also forced a fumble and broke up a pass. Nick White had seven tackles, including one for a two-yard loss. Adam Angeli had HSU's lone quarterback sack for a loss of 18 yards .

.Humboldt fell to 1-4 with the loss, while Azusa, a NAIA school, remained unbeaten in five games. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Dustin Creager (WR, 6-1, 186, So., Mission Viejo, CA) – Creager surpassed the 100 career catch mark increasing his career total to 108 for 1,645 yards. Defense, Cody Killingsworth (DB, 5-11, 195, Jr., Ferndale, CA – C. of the Redwood).

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Azusa Pacific</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>35</b>

APU – Buys 1 run (Ryburn kick)  
 HSU – Waltzman 22 Field Goal  
 APU – Buys 12 run (Ryburn kick)  
 APU – Buys 7 run (Ryburn kick)  
 HSU – Currell 2 run (pass failed)  
 HSU – Beech 12 pass from Currell (pass failed)  
 APU – Farris 51 pass from Winslow (Ryburn kick)  
 HSU – Jones 2 run (Waltzman kick)  
 APU – Buys 1 run (Ryburn kick)

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## Football Report 8 (Oct. 21, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	1	0	35	28	8	0	317	143
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	3	3	152	213
Humboldt State	0	0	0	0	1	5	112	195
Western Washington	0	1	28	35	4	2	216	129

**LAST SATURDAY:** Western Washington 28 at Central Washington 35 (ot); Humboldt State 14 at UC Davis 49; Western New Mexico 17 at Western Oregon 36.

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

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Brian Potucek, Central Washington (WR, 6-0, 185, So., Tacoma – Clover Park). . Potucek caught a GNAC season-high 10 passes for 178 yards and a touchdown and also scored on a 32-yard reverse in the Wildcats' 35-28 home overtime win over Western Washington before a record crowd of 7,200 at Ellensburg. **Defense,** Nick Omatsu, Central Washington (DB, 5-5, 150, Jr., Redmond, WA – Eastlake) and Cody Killingsworth, Humboldt State (DB, 5-11, 195, Jr., Ferndale, CA – C. of the Redwood). . Omatsu, who also had three tackles, broke up three passes, including one on the final play of the game, which helped CWU preserve a its overtime win over Western Washington. Killingsworth was credited with seven tackles and also had 103 return yards, including 35 on an interception, 15 on one punt return and 53 on two kickoff returns.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Central Washington quarterback Zak Hill, who missed 3 ½ games with a shoulder injury, has the three highest single-game passing and total offense performances in the GNAC this fall, including career highs of 413 passing yards and 414 total offense yards in Saturday's overtime win against Western Washington. Hill also surpassed the 5,000 yard passing mark in the game, increasing his career total to 5,350 and becoming the 27<sup>th</sup> quarterback in modern Northwest small-college history (since 1985) to reach that figure. . Central Washington improved its all-time overtime record to 3-0, while Western Washington fell to 0-4 in overtime games.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Oct. 14)** - 9. Central Washington; 23. Western Washington. **D2football.com (Oct. 14)** - 17. Central Washington, 25. Western Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Oct. 13)** - 5. Central Washington, 19. Western Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Oct. 14)** - 1. Central Washington (7-0); 2. Texas A&M-Kingsville (4-1); 3. UC Davis (4-1); 4. Chadron State (4-1); 5. Tarleton State (5-1); 6. Nebraska-Kearney (5-1); 7. Western Washington (4-1); 8. Eastern New Mexico (5-1); 9. Southwestern Oklahoma State (5-1); 10. Colorado School of Mines (4-2).

## NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Oct. 12):

**Individual:** Rushing – None. Passing - 9. Josh Shimek, WWU, 155.9; 28. Dale Chase, CWU, 138.6. Total Offense - None. Receptions - 9. Brad Satran, WOU, 7.0; 22. Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.1; 23. Dustin Creager, HSU, 6.0; 33. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 5.6. Receiving Yards – 11. Brad Satran, WOU, 103.2; 15. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 105.4; 20. Dustin Creager, HSU, 94.2; 29. Brian Potucek, CWU, 88.3. Scoring - 15. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 9.6; 17. Will Johnson, CWU, 9.0; 27. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 8.5. All-Purpose - 6. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 180.4. Punt Returns – 2. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 23.3; 29. Dustin Creager, HSU, 12.3. Kickoff Returns – 8. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 28.9; 13. Corey Smith, HSU, 27.9. Field Goals – 1. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 2.0; 25. Michael Koenen, WWU, 1.0. Punting - 3. Michael Koenen, WWU, 43.6; 5. Joe Smith, CWU, 44.0; 31. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 39.6. Interceptions – 32. Rocky Martinez, CWU, and Nick Omatsu, CWU, 0.57. Total Tackles – 23. Lann Olson, WWU, and Chris Walters, HSU, 10.6; 28. Tayt Tolman, WOU, and Rob White, WWU, 10.2. Solo Tackles – 14. Lann Olson, WWU, 6.2; 20. Rob White, WWU, 5.8. Sacks – 20. Lance Gibson, CWU, 0.9. Tackles For Losses - None. Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 0.80; 21. Jeff Charleston, WOU, Jesse Looker, WWU; Lann Olson, WWU, Tayt Tolman, WOU, and Joe Panuke, WOU, 0.40. Passes Defended - None. **Team:** Total Offense – 10. Central Washington 449.9; 25. Western Washington 414.4. Total Defense – 18. Central Washington 259.9. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense – 20. Central Washington 86.0. Passing Offense - 5. Central Washington 306.0; 14. Western Washington 270.8; 13. Western Oregon 277.8. Pass Efficiency Defense – 22. Central Washington 96.6 (points). Scoring - 7. Central Washington 40.3; 14. Central Washington 37.6. Scoring Defense – 27. Central Washington 16.4. Turnover Margin - 15. Western Washington 1.40; 22. Central Washington 1.00.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 35, Western Washington 28 (at Ellensburg):** Sophomore running back Willie Johnson scored three rushing touchdowns for the third straight game, and junior cornerback Nick Omatsu batted away the final pass attempt of overtime as Central Washington defeated Western Washington in the seventh annual Cascade Cup football game at Ellensburg before a record crowd of 7,200. The game was also the GNAC opener for both teams. . CWU, which is the No. 1 ranked team in the NCAA West Region and is ranked ninth nationally, remained unbeaten in eight starts. Western fell to 4-2 with the loss. . Johnson, who finished with a career-high 150 yards rushing on 27 carries, scored all three of his

touchdowns after halftime on runs of one, one, and two yards. His final score gave Central Washington a one-touchdown advantage on their possession in overtime. . In its set of downs, Western Washington started by gaining four yards on a pass from Josh Shimek to Greg Dykstra. Back-to-back incomplete passes by Shimek set the table for a fourth-and-six from the CWU 21. But, on the game's final play, Shimek tried to go back to Dykstra, only to have Omatsu knock away the potential game-tying touchdown toss. . The knock-away was the second big defensive play made by the 5-foot-5 corner in crunch time, as he also had a pass deflection with 56 seconds to go in the fourth quarter. That break-up forced Western Washington's Michael Koenen to attempt a 54-yard field goal into a sweeping wind, but his try, which appeared to be straight on when it left his foot, sailed wide left after being caught up in a strong cross wind. . Western led 21-14 at halftime, but CWU quarterback Zak Hill engineered two long touchdown drives (83 and 81 yards) in the second half, each of which culminated with a one-yard run by Johnson to put the 'Cats on top 28-21 with 10:01 left. . Western, however, then drove 63 yards in eight plays to tie the game on a five-yard run by Shimek with 4:39 remaining. . CWU dominated the yardstick, outgaining the Vikings 604 to 333 in total offense (the most yards a Western team had allowed since 1989), but the 'Cats turned the ball over three times and Matt McDowell missed a pair of short field goals (24 and 33 yards). . Hill completed 31 of 50 passes for 413 yards. Brian Potucek caught 10 passes for 178 yards and a touchdown and also scored on a 32-yard reverse. Jake Roberts had seven receptions for 85 yards. . Shimek completed 20 of 37 passes for 217 yards to lead Western. Duncan Sherrard netted 94 yards on 18 rushes. Dykstra had 48 yards on six receptions. . Viking defensive back Rob White had a GNAC season-high 20 tackles, including 13 solos and teamed up with Kevin Kamphouse for Western's only tackle for loss on the day. Martez Johnson and James Delgado had interceptions. Johnson's 40-yard return set up a one-yard touchdown run by Sherrard in the opening quarter. Delgado's 29-yard return gave Koenen a chance to win the game at the end of regulation after it looked like CWU might go in for the winning score. . Lance Gibson and Blake Walker led CWU with seven tackles each. Gibson had 2 ½ for losses totaling 11 yards. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Brian Potucek (WR, 6-0, 185, So., Tacoma, WA – Clover Park); Defense, Nick Omatsu (DB, 5-5, 150, Jr., Redmond, WA-Eastlake). Western Washington, Offense, Duncan Sherrard (RB, 5-10, 200, Fr., Seattle, WA – Roosevelt); Defense, Rob White (FS, 6-1, 220, So., Woodinville, WA – Inglemoor).

<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>35</b>

WWU – Sherrard 1 run (Koenen kick)  
 CWU – Potucek 32 run (McDowell kick)  
 WWU – Carte 11 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)  
 CWU – Potucek 18 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
 WWU – Sherrard 2 run (Koenen kick)  
 CWU – Johnson 1 run (McDowell kick)  
 CWU – Johnson 1 run (McDowell kick)  
 WWU – Shimek 5 run (Koenen kick)  
 CWU – Johnson 2 run (McDowell kick)

**UC Davis 49, Humboldt State 14 (at Davis):** Michael Oliva and Joe Bandel each scored two first-half touchdowns as UC Davis jumped to a 42-0 halftime lead in crushing Humboldt State at Toomey Field in Davis. . Bandel scored on passes of 30 and 32 yards from Ryan Flanigan and Oliva caught TD passes of seven and 39 yards from Flanigan and Kenny Kearns, the latter with 18 seconds remaining in the half. . Humboldt finally got on the board in the second half scoring on Aaron Currell TD passes of 31 yards to Chris Dixon and four yards to Brent Adkins. The first touchdown came with 1:09 left in the third quarter and capped off a 65-yard, seven-play drive. The second came with 10:48 left in the fourth period. The nine-play, 55-yard drive was aided by a pair of pass interference penalties. . UC Davis finished with 602 yards in total offense, including 343 passing. Flanigan completed eight of 12 passes for 135 yards and four touchdowns. Kearns completed seven of 10 passes for 131 yards and one touchdown. Elihu Vann and Massari led the Aggies ground game with 146 and 111 yards, respectively, while Oliva caught five passes for 82 yards to lead the receivers. . HSU netted just two yards on the ground and finished with 212 yards in total offense. Currell completed 18 of 25 passes for 186 yards. Adkins caught seven for 94 yards. . David Waltzman averaged 42.3 yards on seven punts. . Cody Killingsworth had 103 return yards, 35 on an interception, 53 on two kickoff returns and 15 on a punt return. Killingsworth also was credited with seven tackles. . Jermaine Ervin and Nick White led HSU's defense with 13 and 12 tackles, respectively. The loss dropped the Lumberjacks to 1-5 on the season. UC Davis, which is ranked second in the West Region in back of CWU, improved to 5-1. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Brent Adkins (WR, 6-0, 190, Jr., Redmond, WA – Walla Walla CC); Defense, Cody Killingsworth (DB, 5-11, 195, Jr., Ferndale, CA – College of the Redwoods).

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>UC Davis</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>49</b>

UCD – Bandel 30 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)  
 UCD – Massari 10 run (Apocotos kick)  
 UCD – Saysette 11 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)  
 UCD – Bandel 32 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)  
 UCD – Oliva 7 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)  
 UCD – Oliva 39 pass from Kearns (Apocotos kick)  
 UCD – Massari 1 run (Apocotos kick)  
 HSU – Dixon 31 pass from Currell (Waltzman kick)  
 HSU – Adkins 4 pass from Currell (Waltzman kick)

**Western Oregon 36, Western New Mexico 17 (at Monmouth):** Western Oregon built a 33-3 lead through three quarters and went on to defeat Western New Mexico in a non-conference football game at Monmouth. A Homecoming crowd of 3,200 watched the Wolves even their overall record at 3-3. . Ivan McCrae and wide receiver Mike Hinshaw each scored two touchdowns for the Wolves, who held the Mustangs to just 158 yards in total offense, including 62 passing. . McCrae scored on a two-yard run in the first quarter, then capped a 12-play, 64-yard drive with a one-yard run in the third quarter. Hinshaw opened the scoring catching a 27-yard pass from Denny Bies on WOU's first possession of the contest and later added six more points on a 90-yard kickoff return. .

.Hinshaw finished with 205 all-purpose yards, including 135 on two kick returns. He had 70 yards on four receptions. McCrae rushed for 81 yards on 19 rushes. Bies completed 11 of 21 passes for 121 yards. WOU finished with only 221 yards in total offense, but had 236 return yards, including 83 on seven punt returns. .Kicker Andrew Keippela, who came into the game ranked first nationally in field goals per game, added three more to his collection, connecting twice from 29 yards and once from 47 yards. Punter Lucas Taroli averaged 45.0 yards on three punts . .Linebacker Dave Morrill led WOU's defense with nine tackles, including two quarterback sacks for losses of 19 yards. Tayt Tolman had eight tackles, including a nine-yard sack and another tackle for a four-yard loss. Antar Brame had five tackles and also broke up two passes and blocked a kick. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon,** Offense, Andrew Keippela (K, 6-2, 180, So., McMinnville, OR) – Made three of four field goal attempts (missing from 57 yards) and is now 11 of 13 on the season. His miss ended of string of nine consecutive field goals made; Defense, Dave Morrill (LB, 6-3, 260, Sr., Warren, OR – Scappoose).

<b>Western New Mexico</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>36</b>

WOU – Hinshaw 27 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)  
WOU – McCrae 2 run (Keippela kick)  
WOU – Keippela 29 Field Goal  
WNM – Yamini 44 Field Goal  
WOU – Hinshaw 90 kickoff return (Keippela kick)  
WOU – McCrae 1 run (kick failed)  
WOU – Keippela 29 Field Goal  
WNM – Salcedo 8 run (Yamini kick)  
WOU – Keippela 47 Field Goal  
WNM – Gautier 22 pass from Salcedo (Yamini kick)

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## Football Report 9 (Oct. 28, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	2	0	75	41	9	0	357	156
Western Washington	1	1	55	42	5	2	243	136
Western Oregon	0	1	13	40	3	4	165	253
Humboldt State	0	1	7	27	1	6	119	222

**LAST SATURDAY:** Western Oregon 13 at Central Washington 40; Humboldt State 7 at Western Washington 27.

**THIS SATURDAY:** Central Washington at Humboldt State, 1 p.m.; Western Oregon at Southern Oregon, 1 p.m.; New Haven at Western Washington, 1 p.m.

**WHAT'S LEFT:** Nov. 9 – UC Davis at Central Washington, noon; Humboldt State at Cal Poly SLO, 6 p.m.; Western Washington at Western Oregon, 1 p.m. Nov. 16 – Humboldt State at Western Oregon, 1 p.m.; UC Davis at Western Washington, 1 p.m. Nov. 23 – Humboldt State at Sacramento State, 1 p.m.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Steve Nichols, Western Washington (QB, 6-2, 210, So., Stevenson, WA), who was making his first career start, completed 18 of 28 passes for 310 yards and two touchdowns and was not intercepted as he led the Vikings to a 27-7 win over Humboldt State. **Defense,** Aaron Fontno, Central Washington (DB, 5-10, 160, Jr., Kent, WA – Kentwood & College of the Redwood) had 123 return yards, including 100 on six punt returns. His 63-yard return for a touchdown, which came right after a 42-yard touchdown run by Willie Johnson, enabled CWU to extend a 16-6 halftime lead to 30-6 midway through the third period and the Wildcats then went on to beat Western Oregon 40-13.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Western Washington wide receiver Greg Dykstra, who had 10 receptions for 164 yards Saturday against Humboldt State, ranks 12<sup>th</sup> in both receptions (166) and reception yards (2,525) in modern Northwest small-college football history (since 1985). . . Only three players in Northwest small-college history have caught 200 career passes, but two GNAC sophomores are well on their way to reaching that plateau. HSU sophomore Dustin Creager has 118 career receptions for 1,738 yards and Central Washington sophomore Brian Potucek already has 102 career catches for 1,651 yards. . . Potucek leads the GNAC with four 100-yard receiving games this fall. Creager, Dykstra and Moses Lewis of Central Washington have three each, while Brad Satran and Mike Hinshaw of Western Oregon and CWU's Jake Roberts have two each. . . Central Washington has already clinched no worse than a tie for its third league title under head coach John Zamberlin. The Wildcats also won the 1998 CFA title under Zamberlin and shared the 2000 title with Western Washington. . . Though official attendance records aren't available prior to 1980, CWU has had its two largest crowds in recorded history the past two weeks drawing a total of 12,614.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Oct. 22)** - 8. Central Washington. **D2football.com (Oct. 21)** - 15. Central Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Oct. 20)** - 4. Central Washington, 21. Western Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Oct. 21)** - 1. Central Washington (8-0); 2. Texas A&M-Kingsville (5-1); 3. UC Davis (5-1); 4. Nebraska-Kearney (6-1); 5. Tarleton State (6-1); 6. Midwestern State (5-3); 7. Southwestern Oklahoma State (5-2); 8. Chadron State (5-2); 9. Western Washington (4-2); 10. Eastern New Mexico (5-2).

## NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Oct. 19): Individual:

Rushing - None. Passing - 11. Josh Shimek, WWU, 145.8; 25. Dale Chase, CWU, 138.6. Total Offense - None. Receptions - 13. Brad Satran, WOU, 6.5, and Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.5; 21. Dustin Creager, HSU, 6.0; 27. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 5.7. Receiving Yards - 14. Brian Potucek, CWU, 98.5; 18. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 95.3; 19. Brad Satran, WOU, 94.2. Scoring - 10. Willie Johnson, CWU, 10.3; 16. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 9.2; 28. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 8.0. . All-Purpose - 3. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 183.2. Punt Returns - None. Kickoff Returns - 8. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 28.9; 29. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 25.0; 30. Corey Smith, HSU, 25.0. Field Goals - 1. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 2.2. Punting - 2. Michael Koenen, WWU, 45.2; 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 44.0; 27. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 40.2. Interceptions - None. Total Tackles - 10. Rob White, WWU, 11.8. Solo Tackles - 4. Rob White, WWU, 7.0; 28. Lann Olson, WWU, 5.5. Sacks - 20. Lance Gibson, CWU, 0.9. Tackles For Losses - 26. Lance Gibson, CWU, 1.7; 32. Tayt Tolman, WOU, 1.6. . Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 0.67; 35. Jeff Charleston, WOU, Jesse Looker, WWU; Lann Olson, WWU, Tayt Tolman, WOU, and Joe Panuke, WOU, 0.33. Passes Defended - 21. Nick Omatsu, CWU, 1.5. **Team:** Total Offense - 4. Central Washington 469.1; 31. Western Washington 400.8. Total Defense - 23. Central Washington 269.0. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 22. Central Washington 89.8. Passing Offense - 4. Central Washington 319.4; 19. Western Washington 261.8; 26. Western Oregon 255.8. Pass Efficiency Defense - 30. Central Washington 98.8 (points). Scoring - 6. Central Washington 39.6; 13. Western Washington 36.0. Scoring Defense - None. Turnover Margin - 9. Western Washington 1.67.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 40, Western Oregon 13 (at Ellensburg):** Central Washington held Western Oregon to 29 rushing yards, and sophomore running back Willie Johnson surpassed the 100-yard rushing mark for the third time with a season-high 151 as the eighth-ranked Wildcats remained perfect with a 40-13 football victory over the Wolves at Tomlinson Stadium before a homecoming

crowd of 5,414. . .The Wildcats, now 9-0 for the first time since 1991, held WOU to minus-4 rushing yards through three quarters of play. The Wolves then went to the ground game on eleven of their 18 offensive plays in the fourth quarter, netting 33 yards and the game's final score on a three-yard carry by Ivan McCrae with 6:12 remaining. . .CWU led 7-6 late in the opening quarter before starting a string of 33 unanswered points, which included touchdown runs of 20 and 42 yards by Johnson, a 63-yard punt return touchdown by Aaron Fontno, a three-yard TD pass to tight end Jeb Dorn from quarterback Zak Hill plus 44 and 37-yard field goals by Matt McDowell and Joe Smith, respectively. . .Johnson has scored a touchdown in each of his last six games and has had five straight multiple touchdown games (three games with three touchdowns and two games with two touchdowns). . .Central finished with a 499-211 edge in total offense. Hill completed 20 of 28 passes for 258 yards and two touchdowns, including a three-yard TD pass to Moses Lewis to cap a 10-play, 85-yard drive on CWU's opening possession of the game. . .Brian Potucek had six catches for 82 yards and Josh Lopez caught five for 42. Lewis finished with four catches for 75 yards. . .For Western Oregon, quarterback Denny Bies was 15-for-28 for 182 yards, including a 43-yard touchdown pass to Mike Hinshaw in the first quarter. Brad Satran (72 yards) and Hinshaw (54 yards) each caught four passes. McCrae was limited to 41 yards rushing on 15 carries. . .Linebacker Blake Walker had a team-high eight tackles, including one for a loss, to lead Central's defense. Defensive tackle T.J. Horgan was credited with two QB sacks for losses totaling 16 yards. Defensive back Antar Brame had 10 stops for the Wolves, including seven primary tackles. Pro Escobedo was credited with three tackles for losses of 10 yards, while Jeff Charleston had two for losses of 10. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Willie Johnson (RB, 5-11, 220, So., Sarasota, Fla.) – Johnson, who is the only running back in the league with more than one 100-yard game this fall, surpassed the century mark for the third time; Defense, Aaron Fontno (DB, 5-10, 160, Jr., Kent – Kentwood & College of the Redwood) – In addition to two tackles, had 123 return yards, including 100 on six punt returns. **Western Oregon**, Offense, Mike Hinshaw (WR, 6-0, 185, Jr., Scappoose) - Had 134 all-purpose yards, including 43 on a first-quarter TD reception, and 80 on four kickoff returns. Defense, Pro Escobedo (DL, 6-2, 240, Jr., Nyssa, OR – Chemeketa).

<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>40</b>

CWU – Lewis 3 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
WOU – Hinshaw 43 pass from Bies (kick failed)  
CWU – McDowell 44 Field Goal  
CWU – Johnson 20 run (kick failed)  
CWU – Johnson 42 run (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Fontno 63 punt return (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Dorn 3 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)  
CWU – Smith 37 Field Goal  
WOU – McCrae 3 run (Keippela kick)

**Western Washington 27, Humboldt State 7 (at Bellingham):** Quarterback Steve Nichols, making his first career start, threw for 310 yards and two touchdowns and

also ran for a score, leading Western Washington to a 27-7 victory over Humboldt State at Civic Stadium. . .The win was the Vikings' eighth straight home win (three short of the school record of 11 set during the 1999 and 2000 seasons) and its 19<sup>th</sup> in its last 21 home starts. . .Western wide receiver Greg Dykstra had 10 receptions for 164 yards and a touchdown, the 29th scoring catch of his career, which is one short of the school record. He also extended his string of consecutive games with a catch to 35, two away from the Western standard. . .Dykstra's 166 career catches are four away from the Viking record set by Chris Nichol between 1993 and 1996 and is career yardage total of 2,525 also ranks second on the school charts. . .After a scoreless first quarter, Western opened the scoring with a 30-yard field goal by Michael Koenen, then took a 10-0 lead on a 13-yard pass from Nichols to Dykstra with 2:18 left in the half. . .The Lumberjacks responded by going 80 yards in less than two minutes, capped by a three-yard touchdown pass from Aaron Currell to Brett Adkins. Currell completed 18-of-21 passes for 168 yards and a touchdown before leaving the game after taking a hard hit midway through the third quarter. Adkins had 10 receptions for 73 yards. The Lumberjacks had just two first downs and 43 yards of offense after Currell's departure. . .Western took control of the contest in the third quarter. On the second play of the half, slotback Mike Westbrook turned a short pass over the middle into a 65-yard gain, setting up a one-yard scoring run by Nichols on the following play. On the next Western possession, Koenen kicked a 36-yard field goal that gave the Vikings a 20-7 lead. Western then closed the scoring with a four-yard pass from Nichols to tight end Adam Snel with 3:27 left in the contest. . .The Vikings had a 521-243 edge in total offense as WWU quarterbacks combined to go 26-of-37 for 385 yards. Nichols was 18-of-28, and Josh Shimek, the starter in the first six games, was eight-of-nine for 75 yards. Mitch Jones netted 32 yards on 13 rushes for the Lumberjacks to surpass the 2,000 yard career mark. He now has 2,025. . .HSU defensive back Cody Killingsworth had a game-high 10 tackles, including eight solos. Mark Lamoreaux had two tackles for losses of nine yards, including a seven-yard quarterback sack. Lann Olson and Brett Thompson each had eight tackles for Western. Defensive end Corey Gunnerson had 3 ½ tackles for losses totaling 12 yards. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Steve Nichols (QB, 6-2, 210, So., Stevenson); Defense, Corey Gunnerson (DE, 6-3, 255, Sr., Everett). **Humboldt State**, Offense, Aaron Currell (QB, 6-0, 205, Sr., Lake Elsinore, CA) – Completed all but three of his 21 pass attempts before leaving the game with an injury; Defense, Justin Graham (DB, 5-8, 185, So., West Hills, CA – El Camino Real) – Had five tackles, including four solos. Also recovered a fumble and broke up a pass.

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>27</b>

WWU – Koenen 30 Field Goal  
WWU – Dykstra 13 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)  
HSU – Adkins 3 pass from Currell (Waltzman kick)  
WWU – Nichols 1 run (Koenen kick)  
WWU – Koenen 36 Field Goal  
WWU – Snel 4 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)

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## Football Report 10 (Nov. 4, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	3	0	116	55	10	0	398	170
Western Washington	1	1	55	42	5	3	264	183
Western Oregon	0	1	13	40	4	4	199	273
Humboldt State	0	2	21	68	1	7	133	263

**LAST SATURDAY:** Central Washington 41 at Humboldt State 14; Western Oregon 34 at Southern Oregon 20; New Haven 47 at Western Washington 21.

**THIS SATURDAY:** UC Davis at Central Washington, noon; Humboldt State at Cal Poly SLO, 6 p.m.; Western Washington at Western Oregon, 1 p.m.

**NEXT SATURDAY:** Humboldt State at Western Oregon, 1 p.m.; UC Davis at Western Washington, 1 p.m.

**WHAT'S LEFT:** Nov. 23 – Humboldt State at Sacramento State, 1 p.m.; NCAA Division II Playoffs begin.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Brad Satran, Western Oregon (WR, 6-3, 180, Jr., Tigard, OR) caught seven passes for 162 yards, including a 50-yard fourth-quarter reception, which snapped a 20-20 tie in the Wolves 34-20 win over NAIA nationally fifth-ranked Southern Oregon. **Defense,** Lance Gibson, Central Washington (DL, 6-5, 247, Sr., Rupert, ID) had a team-high seven tackles, including six solos, as the Wildcats ran their winning streak to 10 with a 41-14 road win against Humboldt State. Gibson, who leads the GNAC in tackles for losses (17 ½) and quarterback sacks (9), had three tackles behind the line of scrimmage for losses of 10 yards (including a five-yard QB sack) as the Wildcats, who have held their opponents to 60 or fewer rushing yards in five of their last six contests, limited Humboldt to a net 53 rushing yards.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Western Oregon running back Ivan McCrae's 92-yard punt return in Saturday's 34-20 win over Southern Oregon was the longest punt return in modern Northwest small-college history breaking the old mark of 89 by Walter Bailey of Western Washington against Pacific Lutheran in 1988. . Western Washington wide receiver Greg Dykstra, who has caught a pass in 36 consecutive games, caught five passes for 74 yards against New Haven to increase his career total to a school record 171. . Central Washington equaled its school mark for most regular-season victories. The Wildcats also won 10 regular-season games in 1984. The school record for victories, including playoff games, is 11 set in 1984 and then equaled in 1990.

**NCAA PLAYOFF NOTES:** The NCAA Division II football playoffs begin Saturday, Nov. 23 with regional play. The regional finals will be Nov. 30 with the four regional winners advancing to the semifinals (West vs.

South, Northeast vs. Midwest) on Dec. 7. The championship game, which is televised nationally, will be Dec. 14 at Florence, Ala. . A total of 150 schools – 31 in the Midwest, 41 in the South, 49 in the Northeast and 29 in the West – play Division II football.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Oct. 29)** - 7. Central Washington. **D2football.com (Oct. 28)** - 14. Central Washington, 25. Western Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Oct. 27)** - 4. Central Washington, 16. Western Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Oct. 28)** - 1. Central Washington (9-0); 2. Texas A&M-Kingsville (6-1); 3. UC Davis (6-1); 4. Nebraska-Kearney (7-1); 5. Chadron State (6-2); 6. Western Washington (5-2); 7. Tarleton State (6-2); 8. Eastern New Mexico (6-2); 9. Abilene Christian (4-3); 10. Midwestern State (5-4).

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Oct. 26): Individual:** Rushing - None. Passing - 10. Josh Shimek, WWU, 146.5; 28. Dale Chase, CWU, 137.2. Total Offense - None. Receptions – 16. Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.4; 20. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 6.3; 26. Brad Satran, WOU, 6.2. Receiving Yards - 16. Brian Potucek, CWU, 96.7; 24. Brad Satran, WOU, 91.0; 26. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 90.0; 29. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 89.4. Scoring - 7. Willie Johnson, CWU, 10.5. All-Purpose - 6. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 176.1. Punt Returns - None. Kickoff Returns - 22. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 26.0; 35. Corey Smith, HSU, 25.0. Field Goals - 1. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 1.8; 20. Michael Koenen, WWU, 1.0. Punting - 3. Michael Koenen, WWU, 44.3; 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 44.0; 12. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 41.3. Interceptions – 26. Rocky Martinez, CWU, 0.56. Total Tackles - 18. Rob White, WWU, 10.4. Solo Tackles - 10. Rob White, WWU, 6.3; 32. Lann Olson, WWU, 5.6. Sacks - 17. Lance Gibson, CWU, 0.9. Tackles For Losses - 29. Lance Gibson, CWU, 1.6. Forced Fumbles - 1. Rob White, WWU, 0.57; 13. Lann Olson, WWU, 0.43. Passes Defended – None. **Team:** Total Offense - 2. Central Washington 472.4; 23. Western Washington 418.0. Total Defense - 17. Central Washington 262.6. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 12. Central Washington 83.0. Passing Offense - 4. Central Washington 314.3; 13. Western Washington 279.4; 31. Western Oregon 245.3. Pass Efficiency Defense - 21. Central Washington 100.2 (points). Scoring - 7. Central Washington 39.7; 21. Western Washington 34.7. Scoring Defense – 32. Central Washington 17.3. Turnover Margin - 12. Western Washington 1.29.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**Central Washington 41, Humboldt State 14 (at Arcata):** Central Washington clinched the 2002 GNAC football title

and all but wrapped up a NCAA Division II national playoff berth with a 41-14 defeat of Humboldt State at the Redwood Bowl. . .The Wildcats completed their conference season with a perfect 3-0 record and improved to 10-0 overall. CWU, which is ranked first in the NCAA West Region, completes its regular-season against UC Davis next Saturday at Ellensburg. . .The top four ranked teams in the regional poll qualify for the national playoffs and it is unlikely that even a loss to the regionally third-ranked Aggies would drop CWU out of the top four. . .Quarterback Zak Hill threw for 314 yards and three touchdowns and running back Willie Johnson rushed for 144 yards and two touchdowns - his sixth consecutive multiple touchdown game - as CWU outgained the Lumberjacks 520-308. . .Hill completed 29 of 40 passes and was not intercepted as he surpassed the 300-yard mark for the fourth time this season. . .Johnson, who has 16 touchdowns, scored on a 48-yard run in the first quarter and on a one-yard run in the second quarter as the Wildcats built a 34-7 halftime lead. CWU also got touchdowns in the opening quarter on a 17-yard interception return by linebacker Levi Teasley and on a 20-yard pass from Hill to wide receiver Brian Potucek. . .Potucek, who caught nine passes for 125 yards, also caught a seven-yard TD pass from Hill in the second quarter. Hill threw a five-yard TD pass to Brooks Denny to complete the scoring in the fourth quarter. Denny had seven catches for 55 yards. . .HSU scored touchdowns on a 14-yard run by Mitch Jones in the second quarter and on a 20-yard pass from Chris Dixon to Antoine Smith in the third period. Aaron Currell and Dixon combined for 255 passing yards. Currell completed nine of 17 for 171 yards. Dixon was five of 11 for 84 yards. Wide receiver Dustin Creager led the Lumberjacks with four receptions for 104 yards. Jones had 44 rushing yards on 15 carries. . .Lance Gibson led CWU defensively with three tackles for losses totaling 10 yards, including a five-yard sack. Mitch Richards and Marlo Airhart each had two tackles for losses. Teasley and Brian Corpuz had interceptions. Tim White and Cody Killingsworth had 15 and 13 tackles, respectively, for HSU. Killingsworth had one tackle for a loss of one yard, one of only three tackles for losses (for a total of four yards) by the Lumberjacks. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Willie Johnson (RB, 5-11, 220, So., Sarasota, Fla.) - Johnson, who has produced four of the top six single-game rushing totals in the GNAC this fall, surpassed the 100-yard mark for the third week in a row, increasing his season total to 760, including 445 in the last three games. Defense, Lance Gibson (DL, 6-5, 247, Sr., Rupert, ID). **Humboldt State**, Offense, Dustin Creager (WR, 6-1, 186, So., Mission Viejo, CA - Santa Margarita) - Creager caught four passes for 104 yards, including a long of 58. It was his fourth 100-yard receiving yards game this fall. Defense, David Waltzman (P-K, 6-1, 200, Jr., Laguna Niguel, CA - Saddleback) - Waltzman averaged 43.8 yards on five punts and had a net a 40.6.

<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>14</b>
CWU - Johnson 48 run (McDowell kick)						
CWU - Teasley 17 interception (McDowell kick)						
HSU - Jones 14 run (Waltzman kick)						
CWU - Potucek 20 pass from Hill (kick failed)						
CWU - Johnson 1 run (Smith kick)						

CWU - Potucek 7 pass from Hill (Smith kick)  
 HSU - Smith 20 pass from Dixon (Waltzman kick)  
 CWU - Denny 5 pass from Hill (Smith Kick)

**Western Oregon 34, Southern Oregon 20 (at Ashland):**

Two big plays - one offensive and one defensive - helped Western Oregon pull away from a 20-20 fourth-quarter tie for a 14-point victory over NAIA fifth-ranked Southern Oregon before 1,650 fans at Raider Stadium. . .The Wolves, who have won three of their last four games, squandered a 20-3 first-quarter advantage, but reclaimed the lead on a 50-yard pass from Denny Bies to Brad Satran with 11:32 remaining in the final period. Then with 8:50 left, Chad Boyd scored the clinching touchdown on a 60-yard interception return. . .The Raiders had recovered from a 20-3 first-quarter deficit with 17 unanswered points in the second and third quarters, tying the game on a three-yard pass from quarterback Dan Woodward to John Conrad early in the third period. . .Southern Oregon, which had a four-game winning streak snapped, had an eight-minute overall possession time advantage, but the Wolves scored three first-quarter touchdowns in a total of 2:21 - a 92-yard punt return for a touchdown by running back Ivan McCrae, a 29-yard Bies to Mike Hinshaw pass play immediately following a fumble recovery by Jamil Wynn and a 10-yard Bret Hughes TD grab with 1:43 left in the frame. . .McCrae, whose punt return was the longest in modern Northwest small-college history, finished with 144 all-purpose yards, including 118 on three returns. . .Western Oregon had a 357-332 edge in total offense. Bies completed 21 of 30 passes for 279 yards. Woodward converted on 21 of 46 for 249 yards. . .Hinshaw (8-74) and Satran (7-162) combined for 15 of the Wolves completions, while Heykel Aouriri had seven receptions (all in the first half) for 105 yards and Danny Negra had eight catches for 74 yards for SOU. . .SOU's Dusty McGrorty, who came into the game ranked second nationally among NAIA players averaging 153.8 yards per game, was the game's leading rusher though he was held to 74 yards on 21 carries, less than half his season average. . .Matt Overlin led WOU's defense with nine tackles. Dave Morrill, who forced one fumble and recovered another, had eight tackles and also deflected a pass. Tayt Tolman and Lance Donnelly each had two tackles for losses. . .Damien Schubert led SOU with nine tackles, including one for a loss. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon**, Offense, Brad Satran (WR, 6-3, 180, Jr., Tigard, OR); Defense, Chad Boyd (DB, 6-0, 195, Fr., Salem, OR - Sprague) - Had six tackles, including one for a three-yard loss in addition to his clinching interception return for a touchdown.

<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Southern Oregon</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>
WOU - McCrae 92 punt return (kick blocked)						
WOU - Hinshaw 29 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
SOU - Baker 32 Field Goal						
WOU - Hughes 10 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
SOU - Baker 47 Field Goal						
SOU - McGrorty 1 run (Baker kick)						
SOU - Conrad 3 pass from Woodward (Baker kick)						
WOU - Satran 50 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)						
WOU - Boyd 60 interception return (Keippela kick)						

**New Haven 47, Western Washington 21 (at Bellingham):**

Quarterback Rob D'Innocenzio passed for 501 yards and four touchdowns as New Haven rallied from a 21-13 first-half deficit to defeat Western Washington before 2,872 fans at Civic Stadium . . . The loss was a crushing blow to the Vikings' post-season hopes and dropped them to 5-3 on the season. New Haven evened its record at 4-4. All four of its losses have been to nationally-ranked teams. . . The loss, which snapped a seven-game home win streak, was also the most lopsided home loss for WWU since a 41-12 defeat by Simon Fraser in 1986. . . Western jumped to a 14-3 first-quarter lead as Duncan Sherrard scored a pair of touchdowns on a 10-yard run and a five-yard pass from Steve Nichols, but the Chargers outscored WWU 24-7 in the second quarter then tacked on 20 unanswered second half points. . . WWU led 21-20 late in the second quarter and had a second-and-goal from the eight yard line, but Nichols was intercepted in the end zone by Jamar Williams. Four plays later, D'Innocenzio found Osric Bittle behind the Western defense for a 82-yard touchdown that put New Haven in front for good. . . D'Innocenzio completed 24 of 42 passes, including touchdown passes of seven and nine yards to Devin Robinson. He also hooked up with Matt Marcks for a 64-yard TD pass in the fourth quarter. . . Marcks had a school-record 286 yards on 10 receptions, while running back Maikel Mehu rushed for 132 yards on 27 carries as the Chargers outgained the Vikings 690 to 481 in the offensive slugfest. . . The 690 yards was the most a Viking team had ever allowed in a single game, breaking the old mark of 668 in s 66-0 loss to Nevada Reno in 1978. . . New Haven's Kevin Nelson added 154 return yards, including a 75-yard punt return for a touchdown in the fourth period, which stretched a 12-point lead to 19. . . Nichols, who scored on a seven-yard run in the second quarter, had 411 yards in total offense for WWU. The Viking quarterback, who was intercepted twice, completed 29 of 57 passes for 386 yards. Mike Westbrook had seven catches for 74 yards and Andy Olson caught six for 102. Greg Dykstra had five catches for 74 yards. . . Western had 212 kick return yards, including 110 on three returns by Anthony Dalton. Dalton also had three tackles, two pass breakups and the Vikings' only interception. . . Defensive backs Rob White and Martez Johnson, who had 105 return yards (90 on four kickoffs) each had eight tackles. . . Punter Michael Koenen averaged 48.8 yards on four punts, including a long of 55. Koenen also converted on three extra points extending his string of successful conversions to 40, including 33 this season.

**Players-of-the-Game:** **Western Washington**, Offense, Andy Olson (WR, 6-1, 195, Fr., Chehalis, WA - West); Defense, Anthony Dalton (DB, 5-9, 190, Sr., Olympia, WA - Riverridge & Yuba JC).

<b>New Haven</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>21</b>
UNH – Anderson 33 Field Goal						
WWU – Sherrard 10 run (Koenen kick)						
WWU – Sherrard 5 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)						
UNH – Robinson 7 pass from D'Innocenzio (Anderson kick)						
UNH – Anderson 22 Field Goal						
WWU – Nichols 7 run (Koenen kick)						
UNH – Robinson 9 pass from D'Innocenzio (Anderson kick)						
UNH – Bittle 82 pass from D'Innocenzio (Anderson kick)						
UNH – Mehu 10 run (kick blocked)						
UNH – Nelson 76 punt return (Anderson kick)						
UNH – Marcks 64 pass from D'Innocenzio (Anderson kick)						

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## Football Report 11 (Nov. 11, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	3	0	116	55	11	0	436	184
Western Washington	2	1	75	59	6	3	284	200
Western Oregon	0	2	30	60	4	5	216	293
Humboldt State	0	2	21	68	1	8	133	293

**LAST SATURDAY:** UC Davis 14 at Central Washington 38; Humboldt State 0 at Cal Poly SLO 30; Western Washington 20 at Western Oregon 17 (3ot).

**THIS SATURDAY:** Humboldt State at Western Oregon, 1 p.m.; UC Davis at Western Washington, 1 p.m.

**NEXT SATURDAY:** Humboldt State at Sacramento State, 1 p.m.; NCAA Division II Playoffs begin.

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Brian Potucek, Central Washington (WR, 6-0, 185, So., Tacoma, WA – Clover Park) caught 10 passes for a career-high 180 yards and two touchdowns and had 241 all-purpose yards as the Wildcats beat UC Davis in a showdown of the top two teams in the NCAA Division II West Region poll. **Defense,** Blake Walker, Central Washington (LB, 6-0, 220, So., Everett, WA- Cascade HS) had a season-high 14 tackles, including eight solos. He also had two tackles for losses of 11 yards, including a nine-yard quarterback sack, as the Wildcats held the Aggies to a net 97 yards on 40 carries.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Since returning from a mid-season injury, Central Washington quarterback Zak Hill has thrown for 1,335 in four games, three times surpassing the 300-yard mark. Hill's 172.3 NCAA quarterback efficiency rating would rank him second nationally, trailing only Brian Eyeraman of Indiana (Pa.), who has 181.7 rating, if he had played in enough games. His 302.8 yards per game average is better than any of the 35 quarterbacks ranked in the efficiency rankings. Hill will re-emerge in the national rankings after the first week of the playoffs when he'll reach the 75 percent NCAA games played threshold. . Western Washington place-kicker Michael Koenen, who kicked a game-winning 32-yard field goal in the Vikings' triple overtime win over Western Oregon Saturday, had his string of consecutive PATs snapped at 40, including 33 this season, when he missed following a first-quarter Viking touchdown. . Saturday's WOU-WWU three overtime game equaled the longest contest in Northwest small-college history. Pacific Lutheran beat Western Washington 46-44 in three overtimes in 1997. In 1998, Western Oregon lost a three overtime game to Humboldt State 27-24 and Simon Fraser beat Southern Oregon 43-37 in three extra periods.

**NCAA PLAYOFF NOTES:** The NCAA Division II football playoffs begin Saturday, Nov. 23 with eight

regional contests. The regional finals will be Nov. 30 with the four regional winners advancing to the semifinals (West vs. South, Northeast vs. Midwest) on Dec. 7. The championship game, which is televised nationally, will be Dec. 14 at Florence, Ala. . A total of 150 schools – 31 in the Midwest, 41 in the South, 49 in the Northeast and 29 in the West – play Division II football.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Nov. 5) - 6.** Central Washington. **D2football.com (Nov. 4) - 13.** Central Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Nov. 3) - 4.** Central Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Nov. 4) - 1.** Central Washington (10-0); 2. UC Davis (7-1); 3. Nebraska-Kearney (8-1); 4. Texas A&M-Kingsville (6-2); 5. Eastern New Mexico (7-2); 6. Chadron State (7-2); 7. Tarleton State (7-2); 8. Abilene Christian (5-3); 9. Midwestern State (6-4); 10. Southwestern Oklahoma State (6-3).

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Nov. 3): Individual:** Rushing - None. Passing - 13. Josh Shimek, WWU, 146.5; 16. Steve Nichols, WWU, 142.8; 24. Dale Chase, CWU, 137.2; 33. Denny Bies, WOU, 132.5. Total Offense - None. Receptions - 14. Brian Potucek, CWU, 6.7; 20. Brad Satran, WOU, 6.3; 23. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 6.1; 35. Dustin Creager, HSU, 5.5. Receiving Yards - 9. Brad Satran, WOU, 99.9; 10. Brian Potucek, CWU, 99.5; 32. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 88.0. Scoring - 7. Willie Johnson, CWU, 10.7. All-Purpose - 5. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 175.8. Punt Returns - 14. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 14.5. Kickoff Returns - None. Field Goals - 2. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 1.6. Punting - 1. Michael Koenen, WWU, 44.8; 4. Joe Smith, CWU, 44.0; 6. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 41.8; 30. David Waltzman, HSU, 39.5. Interceptions - None. Total Tackles - 26. Rob White, WWU, 10.1. Solo Tackles - 12. Rob White, WWU, 6.1. Sacks - 17. Lance Gibson, CWU, 0.9. Tackles For Losses - 18. Lance Gibson, CWU, 1.8. Forced Fumbles - 2. Rob White, WWU, 0.50; 17. Lann Olson, WWU, 0.38. Passes Defended - None. **Team:** Total Offense - 2. Central Washington 477.2; 18. Western Washington 425.9. Total Defense - 17. Central Washington 267.1. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 9. Central Washington 80.0. Passing Offense - 3. Central Washington 314.3; 8. Western Washington 292.8; 29. Western Oregon 249.5. Pass Efficiency Defense - 31. Central Washington 102.3 (points). Scoring - 7. Central Washington 39.8; 21. Western Washington 33.0. Scoring Defense - 29. Central Washington 17.0. Turnover Margin - 28. Western Washington 0.75.

## GAME SUMMARIES

### Central Washington 38, UC Davis 14 (at Ellensburg):

Quarterback Zak Hill passed for 350 yards – his fifth 300-yard game of the season - and four touchdowns and Central Washington held UC Davis scoreless over the final 44:47 as the Wildcats clinched the No. 1 seed for the NCAA Division II West Regional playoffs with a 38-14 win at Tomlinson Stadium. . .The Aggies scored on their opening possession, driving 90 yards in eight plays, then added another touchdown on a two-yard run by Matt Massari on the second play of the second quarter (on a drive that twice was prolonged by third-down penalties). But, CWU dominated the remainder of the contest scoring 31 unanswered points and holding UC Davis to just 96 yards in the second half. . .Hill, meanwhile, tossed touchdown passes of 26 and 47 yards to Brian Potucek and eight and 16 yards to Moses Lewis. CWU, which scored its first touchdown on a seven-yard run by wide receiver Jake Roberts, also scored on a one-yard run by Willie Johnson, his 17th TD of the season. . .Johnson netted 131 yards on 21 rushes (his fourth consecutive 100-yard game and his GNAC best fifth of the year) as CWU added 142 yards on the ground in outgaining the Aggies 492-337. . .Hill completed 21 of 28 passes, including 10 to Potucek (180 yards), four to Lewis (89 yards) and three to Roberts (42 yards). Potucek also had 63 return yards and finished with 241 all-purpose yards. . .Matt Massari led UC Davis with 112 yards on 25 rushes and also caught five passes for 39 yards. CWU, however, threw the Aggies for 47 yards in losses and limited UCD to only 97 net rushing yards. Three quarterbacks combined to complete 17 of 30 passes for 240 yards. . .Linebacker Blake Walker led CWU's defense with 14 tackles, while defensive backs Jeremy Jacobs and linebacker Levi Teasley had eight each. Defensive back Nick Omatsu forced a fumble and also intercepted his fifth pass of the season to tie teammate Rocky Martinez for the conference lead. Omatsu was also credited with three pass breakups. . .CWU, which will likely host a first-round playoff game Nov. 23, completed its regular season with a perfect 11-0 record. UC Davis, which was ranked second in last week's regional poll behind the Wildcats, will take a 7-2 record to Bellingham next Saturday and probably will need a win against Western Washington to qualify for the 16-team playoff field. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Brian Potucek, Central Washington (WR, 6-0, 185, So., Tacoma, WA – Clover Park) – Tied a career high for receptions (10) and established a new career high for reception yards (180) and also increased his season totals to 77 catches for 1,175 yards, becoming the third player in school history to surpass the 1,000 yard mark in receiving yards. Defense, Blake Walker (6-0, 220, So., Everett, WA – Cascade).

<b>UC Davis</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>38</b>

UCD – Eaglin 15 pass from Flanigan (Apocotos kick)

CWU – Roberts 7 run (Smith kick)

UCD – Massari 2 run (Apocotos kick)

CWU – Potucek 26 pass from Hill (kick failed)

CWU – Johnson 1 run (pass failed)

CWU – Lewis 8 pass from Hill (kick blocked)

CWU – Potucek 47 pass from Hill (kick failed)

CWU – Lewis 16 pass from Hill (McDowell kick)

### Western Washington 20, Western Oregon 17 (at Monmouth):

Michael Koenen kicked a 32-yard field goal in the third overtime as Western Washington outlasted Western Oregon at Monmouth. . .Each team missed FGs in the first two overtimes. Koenen, who was questionable for the game because of a concussion and quad injury sustained against New Haven on Nov. 2, missed twice from 40, while Andrew Keippela, who missed from 47 in the final overtime, missed from 29 and 33 yards. . .Keippela, who had made 11 of 14 three-pointers prior to Saturday and hadn't missed inside the 50, converted on just one of five attempts, connecting from 27 yards in the opening quarter and missing from 52 yards on the final play of the first half. . .An 11-yard reception by Greg Dykstra, who had five catches for 60 yards and tied WWU's career records for TD catches (30) and consecutive games with a reception (37), set up the winning three-pointer. . .Western Washington had a chance to win the game in regulation, driving to WOU's 20 with three minutes left before quarterback Jason Shimek was intercepted by Tayt Tolman. WOU then nearly won the game on the final play of the fourth quarter as Shimek was intercepted by Jason Haslebacher, who returned the ball 54 yards to the 15 before being knocked out of bounds as time expired. . .Western Oregon led 10-9 at halftime. The teams then traded third-quarter scores. Dykstra scored on a seven-yard pass from Shimek and Andy Olson's two-point conversion made it 17-10. But, Ivan McCrae evened it up with a three-yard TD run. . .McCrae finished with 125 yards on 35 rushes, while Wolf quarterback Denny Bies completed 17 of 38 for 138 yards. WWU had a 328 to 258 edge in total offense as Shimek, who replaced Steve Nichols in the second quarter, completed 19 of 32 passes for 181 yards. Mike Westbrook caught nine for 110 yards. Duncan Sherrard led the Viking runners with 97 yards on 26 carries. . .Koenen, who came into the game ranked first nationally in punting, averaged 46.8 yards on six boots. . .Rob White and Lann Olson led WWU's defense with 12 and 10 tackles, respectively. Jesse Looker had the Vikings' lone interception. . .Western Oregon intercepted four passes, returning them a total of 105 yards. In addition to Haslebacher and Tolman, Antar Brame (22 yards) and Jamil Wynn (17 yards) also had interceptions. The Wolves, who had five takeaways, also got a fumble recovery by Trevor Hutchens. In addition to his interception, Tolman had a team-high 11 tackles, two for losses of 12 yards. Lucas Garcia (5 yards) and Matt Olafson (4 yards) each had three tackles for losses. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Mike Westbrook (WR, 6-0, 200, Sr., Lakewood, WA – Lakes & BYU); Defense, Jesse Looker (Rov, 5-11, 210, Jr., Puyallup, WA – Santa Rosa JC) – In addition to WWU's lone interception also had nine tackles. **Western Oregon**, Ivan McCrae (RB, 5-10, 210, Jr., Keizer, OR – North Salem & Moorpark) – Finished with 171 all-purpose yards, 125 rushing, two on two receptions and 44 on four punt returns. Defense, Tayt Tolman (LB, 6-1, 205, Jr., Tangent, OR – South Albany).

<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	--	<b>20</b>
<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	--	<b>17</b>

WOU – Koenen 44 Field Goal  
 WOU – Satran 10 pass from Bies (Keippela kick)  
 WWU – Westbrook 9 pass from Nichols (kick failed)  
 WOU – Keippela 27 Field Goal  
 WWU – Dykstra 7 pass from Shimek (Olson pass from Shimek)  
 WOU – McCrae 3 run (Keippela kick)  
 WWU – Koenen 32 Field Goal

**Cal Poly San Luis Obispo 30, Humboldt State 0 (at San Luis Obispo):**

Quarterback Chris Peterson scored three first-half rushing touchdowns, including one after recovering his own fumble in the end zone, to lead NCAA Division I-AA Cal Poly San Luis Obispo to a 30-0 shutout of Humboldt State in a non-conference game at Mustang Stadium. . . After recovering a fumble for Cal Poly's first score, Peterson, who netted 127 yards on 23 rushes, scored on runs of nine and one yards. Peterson, who has scored 12 touchdowns this fall, had 194 yards in total offense, also completing six of 11 passes for 67 yards. . . . Defense and specialty teams accounted for all the second-half scoring as Darrell Jones scored on a 79-yard punt return and the Mustang defense recorded a safety when linebacker Dave Woods sacked HSU quarterback Dustin Creager in the end zone. Jones had 178 all-purpose yards –121 on four punt returns, 24 on one kickoff and 33 on four receptions. . . Creager, who normally plays wide receiver, replaced Chris Dixon at QB in the third quarter and completed three-of-10 passes for 63 yards. Before making the switch, Creager caught two passes for 32 yards. . . . Cal Poly finished with a 337-229 advantage in total offense. Humboldt had 173 passing yards - 110 by Chris Dixon (5-11-1). Antoine Smith caught three passes for 78 yards. . . Tim White led the HSU defense with 13 tackles, including two for losses of five yards. Jermaine Ervin also had two tackles for losses of two yards and deflected a pass. Ervin also had 30 yards on two kickoff returns. Cody Killingsworth had six tackles and recovered two fumbles. **Players-of-the-Game:** **Humboldt State**, Offense, Antoine Smith (WR, 5-10, 160, Sr., Oakland, CA – Laney); Defense, Jermaine Ervin (DB, 6-1, 215, Sr., Bakersfield, CA – Bakersfield College).

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	--	<b>0</b>
<b>Cal Poly San Luis Obispo</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	--	<b>30</b>

Cal Poly – Peterson recovered fumble on 3 run (Niakan kick)  
 Cal Poly – Peterson 9 run (Niakan kick)  
 Cal Poly – Peterson 1 run (Niakan kick)  
 Cal Poly – Jones 79 punt return (Niakan kick)  
 Cal Poly – Safety, Creager sacked in end zone by Woods

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## Football Report 12 (Nov. 18, 2002)

	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	3	0	116	55	11	0	436	184
Western Washington	2	1	75	59	6	4	291	214
Western Oregon	1	2	71	74	5	5	256	307
Humboldt State	0	3	35	109	1	9	147	334

**LAST SATURDAY:** Humboldt State 14 at Western Oregon 41; UC Davis 14 at Western Washington 7.

**THIS SATURDAY:** Humboldt State at Sacramento State, 1 p.m.; NCAA Division II Playoffs (UC Davis at Central Washington, noon).

**GNAC PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK:** **Offense,** Ivan McCrae, Western Oregon (RB, 5-10, 210, Jr., Keizer, OR – North Salem) rushed for 142 yards on 25 carries and set a GNAC record with four rushing touchdowns as the Wolves defeated Humboldt State 41-14. **Defense,** Dave Morrill, Western Oregon (LB, 6-3, 260, Sr., Warren, OR – Scappoose) had 12 tackles, including five solos and also had a tackle for a one-yard loss.

**SATURDAY'S NCAA DIVISION II PLAYOFF GAMES:** **South** - Catawba (8-2) at Valdosta State (11-0); Fayetteville State (10-1) at Carson-Newman (11-0). **West** - UC Davis (8-2) at Central Washington (11-0), noon; Texas A&M-Kingsville at Nebraska-Kearney (9-1). **Northeast** - CW Post (11-0) at Grand Valley State (10-0); Saginaw Valley (9-2) at Indiana, Penn. (10-1). **Midwest** - Minnesota-Duluth (11-0) at Northwest Missouri State (11-0); Central Missouri State (10-1) at Northern Colorado (10-1). . . A total of 150 schools – 31 in the Midwest, 41 in the South, 49 in the Northeast and 29 in the West – play Division II football.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Nov. 12)** - 5. Central Washington. **D2football.com (Nov. 11)** - 5. Central Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Nov. 10)** - 3. Central Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Nov. 11)** - 1. Central Washington (11-0); 2. Nebraska-Kearney (9-1); 3. Texas A&M-Kingsville (7-2); 4. UC Davis (7-2); 5. Eastern New Mexico (8-2); 6. Chadron State (7-2); 7. Tarleton State (8-2); 8. Western Washington (6-3); 9. Abilene Christian (5-4); 10. Midwestern State (6-4).

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (Through Nov. 10): Individual:** Rushing - None. Passing - 16. Josh Shimek, WWU, 139.8; 20. Steve Nichols, WWU, 138.7. Total Offense - None. Receptions – 8. Brian Potucek, CWU, 7.0; 21. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 6.0; 27. Brad Satran, WOU, 5.8. Receiving Yards – 6. Brian Potucek, CWU, 106.8; 26. Brad Satran, WOU, 5.8. Scoring - 7. Willie Johnson, CWU, 10.7. All-Purpose - 11. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 161.0. Punt Returns – 19. Greg Dykstra, WWU, 13.6; 20. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 13.6. Kickoff Returns – None. Field Goals - 2. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 1.5; 23. Michael Koenen, WWU, 1.0. Punting - 1. Michael

Koenen, WWU, 45.1; 17.. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 40.3. Interceptions – None. Total Tackles - 22. Rob White, WWU, 10.3. Solo Tackles - 13. Rob White, WWU, 6.0. Sacks - 12. Lance Gibson, CWU, 0.9. Tackles For Losses - 22. Lance Gibson, CWU, 1.7. Forced Fumbles - 5. Rob White, WWU, 0.44; 20. Lann Olson, WWU, 0.33. Passes Defended – 28. Nick Omatsu, CWU, 1.4. **Team:** Total Offense - 2. Central Washington 478.5 27. Western Washington 415.0. Total Defense - 20. Central Washington 273.5. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense - 8. Central Washington 81.5. Passing Offense - 2. Central Washington 317.5; 9. Western Washington 286.2. Pass Efficiency Defense - 35. Central Washington 104.5 (points). Scoring - 7. Central Washington 39.6; 26. Western Washington 31.6. Scoring Defense – 24. Central Washington 16.7. Turnover Margin – None.

**VERIZON ALL-DISTRICT VIII ACADEMIC:** Greg Dykstra, Western Washington (WR, Sr., 3.64, Engineering); Mike Hinshaw, Western Oregon (WR, Jr., 3.64, Political Science); Mark Lamoreaux, Humboldt State (DL, Sr., 3.56, Kinesiology); Brett Thompson, Western Washington (LB, Jr., 3.29, Economics/Social Studies); Rob White, Western Washington (DB, So., 3.71, Biology).

## GAME SUMMARIES

**UC Davis 14, Western Washington 7 (at Bellingham):** UC Davis rushed for 336 yards and held Western Washington to a season-low 176 yards, including only five rushing, in defeating the Vikings 14-7 Saturday in a non-conference football game before 2,565 fans at Civic Stadium. . . The Vikings finished their season with a record of 6-4, while the Aggies improved to 8-2. . . UC Davis had two rushers go over 100 yards despite losing starting running back Matt Massari in the first quarter to a quad bruise. O.J. Swanigan gained 178 yards on 31 carries and Elihu Vann netted 130 yards on 22 rushes. . . Both players scored touchdowns in the second quarter as Swanigan capped a five-play, 80-yard drive with a one-yard run and Vann finished off a nine-play, 58-yard drive scoring from four yards out. . . Western, which had six first downs in the opening quarter but didn't get another until two minutes were left in the third period, scored the game's only second-half points on a 58-yard pass from Josh Shimek to Andy Olson in the fourth quarter. The Vikings had two possessions after Olson's touchdown, but were unable to get another first down. . . UCD quarterback Ryan Flanigan attempted just nine passes, completing five, for 84 yards, including a 69-yarder to Michael Oliva. Oliva had two receptions for 81 yards. . . Western starting quarterback Steve Nichols completed 13 of 27 passes for 91 yards. Nichols led WWU on a drive to the Davis 14 early in the fourth quarter, but was then stripped of the ball by A.J. Avila. He injured his knee on the play and did not return. .

.Shimek was two for nine for 80 yards. Greg Dykstra caught five for 61 yards. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Washington**, Offense, Andy Olson (WR, 6-1, 195, Fr., Chehalis, WA) – Scored WWU’s only touchdown on a 58-yard reception in which he slipped two tackles. Defense, Lann Olson (LB, 6-0, 315, Jr., Chehalis, WA) – After his younger brother cut the Vikings’ deficit in half, Lann came up with a key third-down stop to give the Vikings the ball back midway through the final quarter. Lann led all tacklers in the game with nine, including five solos and three for losses totaling seven yards.

<b>UC Davis</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Western Washington</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>7</b>

UCD – Swanigan 1 run (Apocotos kick)  
UCD – Vann 4 run (Apocotos kick)  
WWU – Olson 58 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)

**Western Oregon 41, Humboldt State 14 (at Monmouth):**

Ivan McCrae rushed for 142 yards and four first-half touchdowns leading Western Oregon to a 41-14 win over Humboldt State before 1,500 fans at Monmouth. . .The Wolves, who finished 1-2 in the GNAC, built a 38-0 halftime lead in leveling their overall record at 5-5. Humboldt, which has lost eight straight, finished winless in three conference games and fell to 1-9 overall. HSU completes its season next Saturday at Sacramento against Sacramento State. . . , McCrae scored on a 23-yard in the first quarter and then added TDs on runs of four, one and three yards in the second quarter. WOU also scored a touchdown in the opening quarter on a fumble recovery in the end zone by defensive back Joe Panuke and on field goals of 30 and 22 yards by Andrew Keippela in the first and third quarters, respectively. . .After falling behind 41-0, HSU finally got on the scoreboard on a five-yard run by quarterback Chris Dixon in the third quarter and on a 17-yard pass from Dixon to Brent Adkins in the fourth quarter. . .WOU finished with a 455-217 edge in total offense. The Wolves netted 206 yards on the ground and added 249 passing yards as quarterback Denny Bies completed 16 of 24 passes for 225 yards. Mike Hinshaw caught seven passes for 98 yards. Brad Satran had four receptions for 67 yards. . . Mitch Jones had 68 rushing yards to lead the Lumberjack offense. Jones increased his career total to 2,148, which ranks second on the Lumberjack career chart. Dixon completed 10 of 22 passes for 112 yards. Adkins caught four passes for 53 yards. . .There were a total of 10 fumbles in the contest as HSU fumbled seven times (losing three) and WOU dropped the football three times (losing two). . .Dave Morrill led the Wolf defense with 12 tackles, including one for a loss. Morrill also played on offense, gaining 10 yards and losing three on two carries. Lance Donnelly had six tackles, including three for losses of 10 yards. . .Jermaine Ervin had 17 tackles for Humboldt, including one for an eight-yard loss. He also recovered a fumble. Cody Killingsworth and Chris Walters had 13 and 12 tackles, respectively. **Players-of-the-Game: Western Oregon**, Offense, Ivan McCrae (RB, 5-10, 210, Jr., Keizer, OR – North Salem); Defense, Dave Morrill (LB, 6-3, 260, Sr., Warren, OR – Scappoose). **Humboldt State**, Offense, Mitch Jones (RB, 5-10, 200, Sr., Reno, NV); Defense, Jermaine Ervin (RB, 6-1, 215, Sr., Bakersfield, CA).

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Western Oregon</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>41</b>

WOU – McCrae 23 run (Keippela kick)  
WOU – Panuke recovered fumble in end zone (Keippela kick)  
WOU – Keippela 30 Field Goal  
WOU – McCrae 4 run (Steen pass)  
WOU – McCrae 1 run (kick failed)  
WOU – McCrae 3 run (Keippela kick)  
WOU – Keippela 22 Field Goal  
HSU – Dixon 5 run (kick blocked)  
HSU – Adkins 17 pass from Dixon (Smith pass from Dixon)

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## Football Report 13 (Nov. 25, 2002)

Final Standings	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Central Washington	3	0	116	55	11	1	442	208
Western Washington	2	1	75	59	6	4	291	214
Western Oregon	1	2	71	74	5	5	257	307
Humboldt State	0	3	35	109	1	10	182	376

**LAST SATURDAY:** Humboldt State 35 at Sacramento State 42; NCAA Division II Playoffs (UC Davis 24 at Central Washington 6).

**PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK: Offense** – Chris Dixon, Humboldt State (QB, 6-0, 195, Jr., El Sobrante, CA – Contra Costa JC) set GNAC records for total offense (493), passing yardage (455) and passing completions (39) in rallying the Lumberjacks from a 28-7 deficit against Sacramento State. After HSU pulled into a 35-35 tie with the Big Sky Division I school, the Hornets got the game-winning touchdown on a two-yard run by Andrew Bonner. **Defense** - Jeremy Jacobs, Central Washington (DB, 6-2, 195, Sr., Lakewood, WA – Lakes) had a CWU season-high 16 tackles, including eight solos in a 24-6 loss to UC Davis.

**AROUND THE GNAC:** Running back Willie Johnson, wide receiver Brian Potucek, defensive backs Rocky Martinez and Nick Omatsu and defensive lineman Lance Gibson, all from Central Washington, won GNAC statistical titles. Johnson finished as the league's top rusher (84.5) and scorer (9.8). Potucek led the league in receptions (7.2), while Martinez and Omatsu shared the lead in interceptions (5). Martinez was also the takeaway leader with six, while Gibson led the GNAC in tackles for losses (19 ½) and sacks (11). . .Mike Hinshaw of Western Oregon led the conference in all-purpose running (155.6). Other conference stat champions included Greg Dykstra in punt returns (13.5), Anthony Dalton in kickoff returns (23.6), Michael Koenen in punting (44.9) and Rob White in tackles (9.9), all from Western Washington. Andrew Keippela of Western Oregon led the conference in kick scoring (7.2). Five players – Cody Killingsworth, Jeff Charleston, Lucas Garcia and Dave Morrill, all of WOU, and Lann Olson of Western Washington – tied for the lead in fumble recoveries with three each.

**POLLS: AFCA Division II (Nov. 19)** - 5. Central Washington. **D2football.com (Nov. 18)** - 5. Central Washington. **Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette (Nov. 17)** - 3. Central Washington. **NCAA Division II West Region Poll (Final)** - 1. Central Washington (11-0); 2. Nebraska-Kearney (9-1); 3. Texas A&M-Kingsville (8-2); 4. UC Davis (8-2); 5. Tarleton State (9-2); 6. Chadron State (8-2); 7. Abilene Christian (6-4); 8. Midwestern State (7-4); 9. Eastern New Mexico (8-3); 10. Southeastern Oklahoma State (7-3).

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL LEADERS (end-of-regular-season; final statistics will be release following end of playoffs): Individual:** Rushing - None. Passing -

17. Josh Shimek, WWU, 139.5. Total Offense - None. Receptions – 6. Brian Potucek, CWU, 7.0; 24 Greg Dykstra, WWU, 5.9; 31. Brad Satran, WOU, 5.6. Receiving Yards – 7. Brian Potucek, CWU, 106.8; 27. Brad Satran, WOU, 87.3. Scoring - 7. Willie Johnson, CWU, 10.7. All-Purpose - 12. Mike Hinshaw, WOU, 155.6 Punt Returns – 22. Ivan McCrae, WOU, 12.4; 34. Dustin Creager, HSU, 10.7. Kickoff Returns – None. Field Goals - 2. Andrew Keippela, WOU, 1.56; 31. Michael Koenen, WWU, 0.90. Punting - 1. Michael Koenen, WWU, 44.9; 16. Lucas Taroli, WOU, 40.3. Interceptions – None. Total Tackles - None. Solo Tackles - 17. Rob White, WWU, 5.8. Sacks - 13. Lance Gibson, CWU, 0.9. Tackles For Losses - 18. Lance Gibson, CWU, 1.7. Forced Fumbles - 9. Rob White, WWU, 0.40; 24. Lucas Garcia, WOU, 0.33; 31. Lann Olson, WWU, 0.30. Passes Defended – 25. Nick Omatsu, CWU, 1.4. **Team:** Total Offense - 3. Central Washington 478.5. Total Defense - 19. Central Washington 273.5. Rushing Offense - None. Rushing Defense – 7. Central Washington 81.5. Passing Offense - 2. Central Washington 317.5; 12. Western Washington 274.7. Pass Efficiency Defense - 30. Central Washington 104.5 (points). Scoring - 6. Central Washington 39.6. Scoring Defense – 20. Central Washington 16.7. Turnover Margin – None.

## GAME SUMMARIES

**UC Davis 24, Central Washington 6 (at Ellensburg):** Quarterback Ryan Flanigan completed all 14 of his first-half passes and finished with 266 passing yards to lead UC Davis to a 24-6 win over Central Washington in a NCAA Division II playoff game before 4,105 fans at Tomlinson Stadium. . .The Aggies, who lost to CWU 38-14 just two weeks ago, held the Wildcats 34 points below their season scoring average and 15 points below their previous season low of 21 points. . .UC Davis built a 21-6 halftime lead and then got the only second-half score on a 37-yard field goal by Dusty Apocotos with 3:22 left in the third quarter to hand the Wildcats their first loss in 12 games. . .Flanigan completed 16 of 19 passes, including five for 118 yards to wide receiver Michael Oliva. All of Oliva's catches came in the first half. Kevin Freeman had three catches for 100 yards. . .Central's lone touchdown came late in the first quarter on a one-yard run by Willie Johnson. Johnson's TD finished off an 11-play, 78-yard drive. . .Davis scored twice in the first quarter on a 34-yard pass from Billy Zeier to Kevin Freeman and on a five-yard run by O.J. Swanigan. Swanigan then scored the final touchdown of the game on another five-yard run with 17 seconds left in the opening half. . .The Aggies had a 357-319 edge in total offense. Brian Potucek led CWU with 261 all-purpose yards, one short of the GNAC single-game high of 262 by Mike Hinshaw of Western Oregon. Potucek's total included 90 on nine receptions, 87 on five punt returns and 84 on four

kick returns. In two games against UC Davis, Potucek had 502 all-purpose yards. . Quarterback Zak Hill completed 27 of 48 passes for 272 yards, but was picked off twice. . CWU failed to get any points from its kicking game as Matt McDowell missed two short field goals (from 25 and 32 yards) and also had his only extra point attempt blocked. . CWU's kickers made all four of their field goal attempts in their first four games of the season, but made just three of their final 12 attempts. . Jeremy Jacobs led Central's defense with 16 tackles, including eight solos. T. J. Horgan had 2 ½ tackles for losses, including two sacks. . UC Davis had two interceptions and a fumble recovery and did not turn the ball over. **Players-of-the-Game: Central Washington**, Offense, Brian Potucek (6-0, 185, So., Tacoma, WA – Clover Park); Defense, Jeremy Jacobs (DB, 6-2, 195, Sr., Lakewood, WA – Lakes).

<b>UC Davis</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Central Washington</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>0</b>

UCD – Freeman 34 pass from Zeier (Apocotos kick)  
UCD – Swanigan 5 run (Apocotos kick)  
CWU – Johnson 1 run (kick blocked)  
UCD – Swanigan 5 run (Apocotos kick)  
UCD – Apocotos 37 Field Goal

**Sacramento State 42, Humboldt State 35 (at Sacramento):** In a regular-season game, Andrew Bonner scored on a two-yard run with 2:32 left to snap a 35-35 tie and give Sacramento State a 42-35 win over Humboldt State. . HSU, behind career performances by quarterback Chris Dixon and wide receivers Brent Adkins and Dustin Creager, had rallied from a 28-7 deficit to earn the tie on a 19-yard pass from Dixon to Creager and a two-point conversion pass to Creager with 3:50 remaining. . But Fred Amey returned the subsequent kickoff 43 yards and it took the Hornets just four plays to go 48 yards for the winning touchdown. . Humboldt outgained Sacramento State 539-478 in total offense as Dixon completed 39 of 58 passes for a school-record 445 yards and four touchdowns. Dixon's 445 passing yards, 493 total yards and 39 completions are all single-game records in the short two-year history of the GNAC. . Adkins caught 11 passes for 140 yards and Creager had 10 for 100. Chris White had seven receptions for 78 yards and Antoine Smith had 73 yards on three catches, including TD receptions of 28 and 33 yards. . Garrett White and Amey led the Hornets. White rushed for 102 yards and three touchdowns, while Amey caught seven passes for 134 yards and two TDs. Quarterback Ryan Leadingham completed 24 of 36 passes for 324 yards. . Tim White led HSU on defense with 13 tackles, including two for losses of four yards. Jermaine Ervin had 12

tackles, including nine solos. . Humboldt State, which lost its final nine games, finished with a 1-10 record, while Sacramento State finished with a 5-7 record. **Players-of-the-Game: Humboldt State**, Offense, Chris Dixon (QB, 6-0, 195, Jr., El Sobrante, CA – Contra Costa JC); Defense, Tim White (LB, 6-1, 230, Jr., Battle Mountain, NV).

<b>Humboldt State</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Sacramento State</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>42</b>

Sac State – White 4 run (LeVier kick)  
HSU – Smith 28 pass from Dixon (Waltzman kick)  
Sac State – White 1 run (LeVier kick)  
Sac State – Amey 10 pass from Leadingham (LeVier kick)  
Sac State – Amey 58 pass from Leadingham (LeVier kick)  
HSU – Smith 1 run (Waltzman kick)  
HSU – Smith 33 pass from Dixon (Waltzman kick)  
Sac State – White 4 run (LeVier kick)  
HSU – Adkins 49 pass from Dixon (kick blocked)  
HSU – Creager 19 pass from Dixon (Creager pass from Dixon)  
Sac State – Bonner 2 run (LeVier kick)

### WEEK-BY-WEEK GNAC SCORES

**Aug. 30** – Fort Lewis 41 at Central Washington 75. **Aug. 31** – Western Oregon 22 at Mesa State 19. **Sept. 5** – Western Washington 24 at Central Oklahoma 16. **Sept. 7** – Central Washington 43 at North Dakota 7; Humboldt State 17 at Southern Oregon 27. **Sept. 14** – Central Washington 26 at Carroll 8; Western Oregon 20 at Eastern Washington 55; Fort Lewis 14 at Western Washington 52.

**Sept. 21** – St. Mary's 20 at Central Washington 30; Willamette 28 at Humboldt State 42; Western Oregon 20 at Carson-Newman 55. **Sept. 28** – Central Washington 21 at New Haven 13; Southern Oregon 20 at Humboldt State 10; UC Davis 64 at Western Oregon 20; Western Washington 31 at St. Mary's 28. **Oct. 5** – Central Washington 31 at Montana State 16; St. Mary's 36 at Humboldt State 7; Western New Mexico 13 at Western Washington 62.

**Oct. 12** – Central Washington 56 at Western New Mexico 10; Humboldt State 22 at Azusa Pacific 35; Western Oregon 34 at San Diego 3; Western Washington 19 at South Dakota State 23. **Oct. 19** – Western Washington 28 at Central Washington 35 (ot); Humboldt State 14 at UC Davis 49; Western New Mexico 36 at Western Oregon 17. **Oct. 26** – Western Oregon 13 at Central Washington 40; Humboldt State 7 at Western Washington 27.

**Nov. 2** - Central Washington 41 at Humboldt State 14; Western Oregon 34 at Southern Oregon 20; New Haven 47 at Western Washington 21. **Nov. 9** - UC Davis 14 at Central Washington 38; Humboldt State 0 at Cal Poly SLO 30; Western Washington 20 at Western Oregon 17 (3ot). **Nov. 16** - Humboldt State 14 at Western Oregon 41; UC Davis 14 at Western Washington 7. **Nov. 23** - Humboldt State 35 at Sacramento State 42; NCAA Division II Playoffs (UC Davis 24 at Central Washington 6).