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Good afternoon, fans! Welcome to today's game between the Vikings and the Puget Sound Loggers, and a special welcome to all Western alumni returning for Homecoming.

The Vikings enter the contest 2-2 overall, 1-1 in the Mount Rainier League of the Columbia Football Association. The Loggers are 1-2-1 and 0-1-0.

HOMECOMING ...

Homecoming Week festivities don't end with this afternoon's game. The spirit continues with a dance in the Viking Union Lounge from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. ($3).

In attendance at today's game is 87-year old Howard Wilder, who played on the then Bellingham State Normal School football team of 1923, which won the Tri-Normal League championship.

THE SERIES ...

51 games, UPS leads 29-17-5. Their last meeting was in 1990, a game UPS won, 22-13, at Tacoma. Western's last win was 43-15 in 1989 at Bellingham. Between 1965 and 1984, UPS was unbeaten in 11 meetings, winning nine and tying two. Western's last win at Tacoma was 6-0 in 1964.

A LOOK AT THE VIKINGS ...

Western has three of the nation's top special team's players. **Ken Corbin** leads the country in punt returns, averaging 23.8 yards on six attempts. **Shane Volkmann** is seventh in kickoff returns, averaging 28.3 yards on seven tries; and **Dan Clemensen** is sixth in kick scoring with a 6.5 average, making five of seven field goal attempts (long of 44) and all 11 extra point tries. The Viking defense, ranked third in the CFA against the rush (124.0 avg.), already has 32 tackles for losses, including nine quarterback sacks. Linebacker **Lynton Hyde** leads in tackles with 51, including six for losses. Rover **Tab Birdsell** and tackle **Tom Walters** each have five stops behind the line of scrimmage. Tailback **Steve Brummel** is averaging 6.3 yards per carry with a team-leading 340 yards rushing on 54 attempts. **Jeff Starr** tops the receivers with 14 catches for 241 yards and three TDs. Quarterback **Matt Sayre**, who is doubtful for today's game after spraining his left foot against PLU, has completed 52 of 108 passes for 676 yards and six touchdowns. His backup, **Brian Howard**, has thrown for 151 yards and scored two rushing TDs. Corbin ranks 13th on the Western all-time career pass-receiving list with 818 yards on 47 catches (5 TDs).

PUGET SOUND ...

The Loggers are led by running back **Gary McCurty**, who ranks fourth nationally in rushing (133.8 avg.) and seventh in scoring (42 pts., 10.5 avg.).

Midway through his junior season, McCurty has already rushed for 2,633 yards, including 535 this season. The CFA career rushing mark is 3,601 by Puget Sound's **Mike Oliphant** and the Northwest record is 4,049 by Western's **Pat Locker**. McCurty has 31 career touchdowns, seven of them this season, including an 80-yard run against Central Washington last week. He ran for 1,162 yards in 1989, becoming the first freshman in CFA history to rush for 1,000 yards.

A two-time, first-team CFA all-star, McCurty is one of four returning all-league players for the Loggers. Wide receiver **John Batacan**, who leads UPS with 15 receptions for 210 yards and three touchdowns, was an honorable mention pick. Offensive guard **Jon Gass** and defensive nose guard **Chris Schuler** were second-team selections. Quarterback **Jason Olson** has completed 53 of 106 passes for 630 yards and six touchdowns despite missing nearly all of one game with an ankle injury.

Linebacker **Craig Chamberlin** leads the Loggers with 35 tackles, including two sacks. Cornerback **Scott Green** and linebacker **Jim Waldorf** each have two interceptions.

1990 RESULTS ...

Western slipped to 3-6, snapping a string of three winning seasons, including a 7-2 record - the Vikings' best mark since 1951 - and being ranked 21st in the final NAIA Division II National Poll in 1989. The Vikings tied for fifth place (1-5) in the MRL with UPS. The Loggers were 4-5 overall.

COACHES ...

Rob Smith is in his third year as head coach at Western and is 12-10-0. He was named CFA-MRL Coach of the Year in 1989 and placed second in Northwest small college Coach of the Year balloting. Smith was the Vikings' defensive coordinator in 1988 and was in charge of the defensive secondary in 1987 and 1988. Smith graduated from Washington in 1981, playing fullback for the Huskies and competing in the 1978 Rose Bowl. The 34-year-old Smith attended Hoquiam High School where as a senior he was the state's leading scorer in football and a state champion hurdler in track.

Ross Hjelseth (Mayville State-1973) is in his seventh season as head mentor at UPS and is 29-28-1. Before coming to UPS, Hjelseth served four years as offensive coordinator at North Dakota State. During his stint, the Bison were 45-7 and participated in the NCAA Division II finals three of the four seasons, winning the national title in 1983.

TRIVIA QUESTION ...

The Western-Puget Sound series is the oldest in the school's history. What year did it start and who won?

LAST MEETING ...

Western led 7-3 late in the third quarter, but UPS scored 19 consecutive points to pull out a 22-13 CFA-MRL win at Tacoma. Defense kept the Vikings in the game much of the day, the Loggers getting only a 28-yard field goal in the first half. On its seven possessions of the first 30 minutes, Western punted five times, lost a fumble, and had time expire. The defense took matters into its own hands in the third quarter, with end **Cory Heins** forcing a fumble and linebacker **Greg Enell** picking up the loose ball and running 25 yards for a touchdown to put Western up, 7-3. But less than a minute later, UPS tailback **Gary McCurty** broke loose on an 86-yard TD run and the Loggers never looked back. McCurty finished with 241 yards on 41 carries and two touchdowns, also scoring on a 1-yard burst. **Tim Carlson** had five catches for 108 yards for Western. Quarterback **Brian Howard**, who tallied the Vikings' other TD on a 6-yard scamper, completed 15 of 35 passes for 214 yards in his first career start.

NOTES ...

Both teams are coming off losses to the top two ranked schools in NAIA Division II, Western being edged by No.2 rated Pacific Lutheran, 22-21, at Civic Stadium; and UPS going down to No.1 ranked Central Washington, 55-20, at Tacoma ... With 66 yards rushing today, McCurty could move into sixth place on the CFA all-time rushing list. He is currently ninth ... The Loggers already have played three nationally ranked teams among their first four opponents, tying Southern Oregon, 35-35, at home and losing to Linfield, 39-0 ... UPS defeated Oregon Tech, 28-14 ... Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., "Viking Sports Talk" can be seen on TCI Cablevision Channel 10. The show, co-hosted by Western director of marketing and promotions **Kevin Bryant** and associate athletic director **Brad Jackson**, features interviews with Viking coaches and athletes ... Every Tuesday (5:57 p.m.) and Saturday (7 a.m.), listen to "Today with the Blue & White" on KGMI Radio (790 AM).

PARENTS' WEEKEND FESTIVITIES

Sat., Nov. 9, parents of Western students will be special guests of the university for Parent's Open House. The day begins with an official welcome, followed by entertaining and informative faculty presentations and departmental open houses on campus. All events are open to both parents and students. The Vikings meet Whitworth in afternoon football action at Civic Stadium, followed by an after-the-game reception hosted by Western President **Kenneth P. Mortimer**. The reception takes place at the Best Western Lakeway Inn — just down the street from Civic Stadium. For more information, call the Student Life Office at 676-3846.

NEXT WEEK ...

Western is on the road for a CFA inter-league contest with Lewis & Clark College at Portland, Ore. (Griswold Stadium), on Oct. 26 at 1:30 p.m.

RADIO ...

KGMI Radio (790 AM - Bellingham) is broadcasting all Western football games this season with **Gary Johnson** calling the play-by-play and **Bill Mendelson** providing color commentary.

A LOOK BACK ...

The story of how **Mike Oliphant** went from semi-pro football to UPS to the NFL is well-documented. Oliphant is still the CFA's career rushing leader with 3,601 yards, a total he gained on just 419 carries, an 8.6 yard average. He also scored 50 touchdowns, 44 of them rushing.

Oliphant did particularly well against Western. In four games, he gained 682 yards, 602 of them in the last three meetings, and had eight touchdowns. He had scoring runs of 85, 80 and 72 yards, and another run of 74 yards where he was stopped at the 1-yard line.

But Oliphant's records are in danger of being broken by current Logger **Gary McCurty**, who is on pace to become only the second back in the Northwest to ever rush for 4,000 yards. The first was Western's **Pat Locker**, who gained 4,049 yards from 1976-79.

Officials:
Referee - Cappy Anderson
Umpire - Scott Greenwood
Head Linesman - Dan Muscatell
Line Judge - Larry LaBree
Field Judge - Mike Zender
Back Judge - Buddy Horton

SCHEDULE

Sept. 21	35	WESTERN OREGON	7
Sept. 28	31	at Eastern Oregon	41
Oct. 5	26	at Simon Fraser	21
Oct. 12	21	PACIFIC LUTHERAN	22
Oct. 19		PUGET SOUND	1:30
Oct. 26		at Lewis & Clark	1:30
Nov. 2		at Pacific	1:00
Nov. 9		WHITWORTH	1:30
Nov. 16		at Central Washington	1:00

PROBABLE STARTING LINEUPS:

WESTERN WASHINGTON

OFFENSE

TE	**86**	**Sean Hamlin**
ST	74	Todd Harleman
SG	62	Brent McAtee
C	52	Jim Coumbs
QG	66	Brian Fisher
QT	79	John Meagher
SB	1	Eric Meek
WR	88	Jeff Starr
WR	8	Ken Corbin
RB	20	Steve Brummel
QB	10	Brian Howard
PK	23	Dan Clemensen

DEFENSE

SE	92	LaMarco Mitchell
ST	39	Tom Walters
QT	98	George Booker
QE	97	Charles Herbst
LB	40	Greg Enell
LB	58	Lynton Hyde
R	5	Tab Birdsell
CB	26	Steve Glover
CB	12	Chris Witherspoon
SS	19	Torrance Mayberry
FS	48	Shane Volkmann
P	23	Dan Clemensen

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OFFENSE

WR	4	John Batacan
T	60	Jason Boyce
G	63	Jon Gass
C	51	Peter Haliniak
G	64	Michael Briggs
T	75	Dave Reynolds
WR	14	Michael O'Neill
SB	18	Eric Williams
QB	9	Jason Olson
RB	31	Gary McCurty
RB	32	Kearney Hoggan
PK	43	Matt Campbell

DEFENSE

T	99	Chris Schuler
NG	71	Charlie Perry
T	95	Jeff Vaughn
OLB	55	Brad Watson
ILB	37	Jim Waldorf
ILB	47	Craig Chamberlin
OLB	44	Rodney Emmons
CB	36	Scott Green
CB	11	James Ward
SS	28	Tony Hughes
FS	25	Glenn Veil
P	30	Todd Cooley

TRIVIA ANSWER ...

The first game was 1908, which is so long ago there's no recorded score. The first game with a recorded score was in 1916. Puget Sound won, 78-14.

1992 EASTERN OREGON ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Elg. Yr.	Hometown
1	Andrew Aumavae	DB	5-11	170	So.	Centralia, WA
2	Andy Bumgarner	QB	5-8	155	Jr.	Weiser, ID
3	Rod McGee	WR	5-11	160	Fr.	Shelton, WA
4	Ian Carey	DB	6-3	195	Fr.	Shelton, WA
5	Poncho Trevino	DB	5-11	185	So.	Selah, WA
6	DeWayne Hollis	RB	5-7	210	Sr.	Jacksonville, TX
7	Ryan Cyphers	DB	5-8	150	Fr.	The Dalles, OR
8	Chad Mitchell	DB	6-0	190	Fr.	Richland, WA
9	Rob Burkett	WR	6-1	185	Jr.	Vancouver, WA
10	Erik Harbison	P-K	5-9	160	Sr.	La Grande, OR
11	Mike Woodward	WR	6-1	180	Jr.	Battle Ground, WA
12	Scott Helmick	QB	6-3	205	Jr.	Caldwell, ID
13	Steven DeWitt	QB	5-10	150	Fr.	Dugway, UT
14	Blake Vawter	DB	6-2	180	Sr.	Boise, ID
15	Billy Jack Kirk	RB	5-9	180	Fr.	Gig Harbor, WA
16	Greg Turpen	RB	5-10	185	Jr.	Eagle, ID
17	Brad White	DB	5-10	185	So.	Castle Rock, WA
18	John Thomas	DB	5-9	170	Fr.	Dayton, NV
19	Tom Urrestta	K	5-8	170	Fr.	Dayton, NV
20	Pete Hattenhaner	RB	5-8	175	Sr.	The Dalles, OR
21	Chad Ulrich	K	6-2	175	Fr.	Eugene, OR
22	Kevin Posey	WR	5-7	155	Jr.	Kennewick, WA
23	Ken Strickler	DB	5-10	175	Jr.	Lewiston, ID
24	Carlton Hemphill	DB	6-1	205	Jr.	Riverside, CA
25	Orlando Robbins	DB	6-2	180	Sr.	La Palma, CA
26	Derek Calvert	DB	5-8	165	Fr.	Athena, OR
27	Isaac Holbron	DB	6-0	200	So.	Pearl City, HI
28	Chauncey Monden	DB	5-10	185	So.	Kula, HI
29	Bob Butterfield	RB	6-1	205	Sr.	Vancouver, WA
30	Shaun Cook	LB	5-10	210	Jr.	New Plymouth, ID
31	Gary Showers	RB	5-10	175	So.	Jerome, ID
32	Jeff Zaro	DB	5-10	170	Fr.	Pasco, WA
33	Dan Shumway	DB	6-0	180	Fr.	Council, ID
34	Brian Long	RB	5-10	200	So.	Ilwaco, WA
35	Jason Wilson	DB	5-11	205	So.	Jerome, ID
36	Mark Woodall	DB	5-9	175	Fr.	Boise, ID
37	Keoni Gomes	RB	5-8	175	So.	Kahului, HI
38	Matt Strong	DB	6-0	195	Jr.	Caldwell, ID
39	Scott Rosin	LB	6-0	200	Jr.	Soldotna, AK
40	Bob Flowers	DB	5-8	185	Fr.	Boise, ID
41	Hank Scoble	LB	6-1	225	Jr.	Sunnyvale, CA
42	Fred Thompson	LB	6-0	205	Fr.	Bonners Ferry, ID
43	Josh Litterell	DB	5-8	155	Fr.	Bonners Ferry, ID
44	James Yochum	WR	6-1	180	Fr.	Lewiston, ID
45	Del Uehara	RB	5-4	150	Fr.	Mililani, HA
46	Jeff Carlson	TE	6-1	195	Fr.	Kent, WA
47	David Hughes	LB	5-10	220	Sr.	Riverside, CA
48	Gavin Rostron	RB	5-11	195	So.	Victoria, B.C.
49	Scott Minor	DB	5-10	185	Sr.	Culver, OR
50	Greg Nixon	LB	6-0	220	Fr.	Gig Harbor, WA
51	Christopher Bowen	C	6-3	250	Jr.	Palm Springs, CA
52	Darwin Benito	LB	5-9	185	So.	Seattle, WA
53	Jim Cook	C	6-1	200	Fr.	Lewiston, ID
54	Jason Draney	DE	5-10	235	So.	Filer, ID
56	Jon Parsons	OL	6-0	205	Fr.	Prosser, WA
57	Garold Cates	OL	6-1	245	Jr.	Ridgefield, WA
58	Damien Hatch	DB	5-7	170	Fr.	Bend, OR
59	Wade McPhetridge	LB	5-11	190	Fr.	La Grande, OR
61	Jason Deason	OG	6-1	270	Sr.	Riverside, CA
62	Adam Schroeder	OG	6-0	215	Fr.	Boise, ID
63	Jeff Skirvin	DE	6-3	225	Jr.	Clatskanie, OR
64	Rob Kiser	LB	6-0	225	Sr.	Middleton, ID
65	Dan Durfey	DL	6-2	233	Fr.	Condon, OR
66	Tom Simi	OT	6-2	260	Sr.	Vancouver, WA
67	Tim Hart	OG	6-0	210	Fr.	Sweet Home, OR
68	Kevin Manske	OT	6-5	260	Fr.	Portland, OR
69	Robert Vaeao	C	6-3	270	So.	Pago Pago, American Samoa
70	Shea Little	OT	6-7	270	So.	Hillsboro, OR
71	Michael Gekas	OT	6-0	260	Fr.	Auburn, WA
72	Chuck Williams	DL	6-2	325	Jr.	Spokane, WA
73	Scott Reed	OL	5-11	220	Sr.	Tillamook, OR
75	Mike Dumont	LB	6-1	235	Fr.	Victoria, B.C.
76	Kasey Powers	OT	6-2	270	Jr.	Vancouver, WA
77	Dale Bond	DL	5-11	230	So.	Kamloops, B.C.
78	Jeff Church	OG	6-3	270	Sr.	Fruitland, ID
79	Kyle Castle	DE	6-5	200	Fr.	Challis, ID
80	Matthew Masuyama	WR	6-1	170	Fr.	Hilo, HI
81	Travis Gelbrich	TE	6-3	195	Fr.	Albany, OR
82	George Mendoza	WR	6-2	185	Fr.	Prosser, WA
83	Ricky Renaud	WR	5-9	175	Jr.	Kahuku, HI
84	Kale Cockett	TE	6-8	275	Sr.	Kahaluu, HI
85	Chad Beckman	WR	5-10	170	Jr.	Chino, CA
86	Tod Haneberg	WR	5-10	160	Jr.	Sandy, OR
87	Alexander Sousie	WR	6-1	185	Fr.	Yakima, WA
88	Lawrence Murasky	WR	5-6	165	Fr.	San Diego, CA
89	B.J. Harkness	TE	6-5	195	So.	Kennewick, WA
90	Mark Neufeld	DE	6-4	260	So.	Lacey, WA
91	Solomona Tuisamatatele	DL	6-2	260	Jr.	Pago Pago, American Samoa
93	Robert Hanson	TE	6-1	200	Fr.	Salem, OR
94	Jason Earl	DL	6-3	225	Fr.	Lewiston, ID
96	David Lavier	DB	6-0	185	So.	Hillsboro, OR
97	Mark Anderson	TE	6-3	215	Fr.	The Dalles, OR
98	Paul Flaven	LB	6-2	225	Jr.	Whittier, CA
99	Shane Gomes	DL	6-3	270	Sr.	Madras, OR

Head Coach: Orson Christensen
Assistants: Greg Peterson, Rob Cushman, Brian Keller.

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1992 WESTERN WASHINGTON ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Age	Elg. Yr.	Hometown
1	Reed Richardson	RB	5-8	170	20	Fr.	Port Orchard, WA
2	Orlondo Steinauer	CB	5-10	175	19	Fr.	Seattle, WA
3	Greg Root	WR	5-11	185	23	Jr.	Seattle, WA
4	Kevin Palmore	WR	6-0	180	18	So.	Seattle, WA
6	John Lambert*	ROV	5-10	180	21	Jr.	Vancouver, WA
7	Maurice Paige***	TE	6-1	220	24	Sr.	Tacoma, WA
8	Ryan Gowin	QB	5-10	175	19	Fr.	Auburn, WA
9	Paul Blanusa	QB	6-2	180	19	Fr.	Buckley, WA
10	Matt Ness	QB	6-4	185	21	So.	Tacoma, WA
11	Christian Evans	TE	6-4	205	20	Fr.	Bothell, WA
12	Chris Witherspoon**	CB	5-9	175	21	Jr.	Eagle River, AK
13	Denmark Jones	SS	6-1	200	20	So.	Renton, WA
14	Jason Stiles	QB	6-3	205	19	Fr.	Federal Way, WA
15	Greg Malo*	FS	6-0	175	20	So.	Bellevue, WA
16	Brad Meyer	SS	6-2	185	20	Fr.	Lynnwood, WA
17	Mike Miller	SS	5-10	180	20	Fr.	Issaquah, WA
18	Mark Watters	WR	6-3	190	19	So.	Yakima, WA
19	Torrance Mayberry**	CB	6-0	195	24	Sr.	Portland, OR
20	Steve Brummel**	RB	5-9	185	24	Sr.	Bellingham, WA
22	Eric Meek*	WR	5-9	160	20	So.	Bellevue, WA
23	Dan Clemensen***	P-K	5-10	170	22	Sr.	Tacoma, WA
25	Shahid Rahman**	CB	5-11	185	22	Jr.	Kent, WA
26	Jon Brunaugh	RB	5-10	185	19	Fr.	Vancouver, WA
27	Garth Haakenson	FS	6-2	185	19	Fr.	Onalaska, WA
28	Pat Banning*	RB	6-0	195	20	So.	White Salmon, WA
29	Arthur Gouley	CB	5-8	170	19	Fr.	Shelton, WA
30	Eddie Mays	CB	5-6	160	21	So.	Tacoma, WA
31	John Armeni	WR	6-1	180	21	Jr.	Kent, WA
32	Bill Hairston*	FB	5-9	190	20	So.	Bellevue, WA
33	Mike Wagner**	RB	5-7	175	21	Jr.	Los Angeles, CA
34	Chris Keeffe*	LB	5-8	190	21	So.	Tacoma, WA
35	Mike Rillo	RB-WR	5-10	170	18	So.	Lynnwood, WA
36	Bo Kapelke	LB	6-2	220	18	So.	Granite Falls, WA
37	Jason Fry	FB	6-2	205	18	Fr.	Woodinville, WA
38	Mike Boyd	DE	6-3	225	18	Fr.	Port Orchard, WA
39	Ty Davidson	DT	6-2	215	18	Fr.	Shelton, WA
40	Trevor Rose	CB	6-0	175	19	Fr.	Battle Ground, WA
41	Stacy Avila*	FB	6-1	195	19	So.	Snohomish, WA
42	Tim Hanson	LB	6-2	190	19	Fr.	Lynden, WA
43	Klete Langdon*	ROV	5-10	195	20	So.	Castle Rock, WA
45	Mike Fritsch**	SS	6-2	195	22	Sr.	Anchorage, AK
46	Ryan Rosevear	ROV	6-2	200	18	Fr.	Auburn, WA
47	Chris Bishop	LB	6-0	205	19	Fr.	Seattle, WA
48	Shane Volkmann***	FS-K	5-11	190	22	Sr.	Lake Stevens, WA
49	Mike Dunford**	DE	6-3	215	21	Jr.	Culver City, CA
50	Chad Johanson*	C	6-1	245	20	So.	Renton, WA
51	Scott Bell	OT	6-2	235	20	Fr.	Vancouver, WA
52	Jimm Coumbs*	C	6-2	255	23	Sr.	Tacoma, WA
53	Travis Cruse	OT	6-1	230	18	Fr.	Snohomish, WA
54	Mike McLaury	DE-LB	6-2	210	20	Jr.	Lake Stevens, WA
55	Joe Nance	C	6-0	220	19	Fr.	Issaquah, WA
56	Coley Beaman	LB	6-2	225	19	Fr.	Vancouver, WA
57	Jim Phillips*	OT	6-4	245	22	Sr.	Vancouver, WA
58	Lynton Hyde***	LB	6-1	225	21	Sr.	Seattle, WA
59	Kristofer Larson*	DE	6-1	210	22	Sr.	Yakima, WA
60	Doug Van Horn	OG	6-3	235	18	Fr.	Auburn, WA
61	Jeff Shimko	OT	6-4	255	19	Fr.	Puyallup, WA
62	Seth Rhodes	OG	6-3	275	19	So.	Bellingham, WA
63	Vince Mazzarella**	OT	6-2	250	20	Jr.	Canton, OH
64	Jake Hanson	OG	6-3	235	18	Fr.	Manson, WA
65	Eric Thorsen***	DT	5-9	235	23	Sr.	Clinton, WA
66	Brian Fisher*	OG	6-2	290	20	So.	Everett, WA
67	Brian Frost**	DT	6-3	285	23	Sr.	Bellingham, WA
68	Anthony Manns*	LB	6-1	225	21	Jr.	Seattle, WA
69	Jon Garber	OT	6-3	290	24	Sr.	Bellevue, WA
70	Dave Steckler	OG	6-3	235	21	So.	Renton, WA
71	Dave Crass	C	6-0	220	22	Sr.	Montesano, WA
72	Joe DeShaw	OG	6-3	245	21	Fr.	Seattle, WA
73	Paul Selle*	DT	6-1	240	20	So.	Edmonds, WA
74	Doug Mirkovich	OT	6-4	230	19	Fr.	Bainbridge Island, WA
75	Tom Walters**	DT	6-2	275	23	Sr.	Seattle, WA
76	John Slater	OG	6-1	235	19	Fr.	Seattle, WA
77	Heath Miller	C	6-2	250	19	Fr.	Spokane, WA
78	Eric Cahan*	C	6-1	260	19	So.	Olympia, WA
79	John Meagher**	OT	6-3	260	21	Jr.	Redmond, WA
80	Chris Moore*	WR	5-10	180	21	So.	Issaquah, WA
81	Jimmy Gray*	WR	5-9	175	21	Jr.	Port Angeles, WA
82	Gabe Nightingale	TE	6-5	230	20	So.	Port Angeles, WA
83	Eric Studerus	TE	6-6	205	18	Fr.	Auburn, WA
84	Steve Donovan	WR	6-0	175	21	Jr.	Moses Lake, WA
85	Brent Knittel	WR	6-2	180	19	Fr.	Gig Harbor, WA
86	Paul Schneider	LB	6-0	200	23	Fr.	Olympia, WA
87	Aaron Wolfe	TE	6-4	230	21	So.	Walla Walla, WA
88	Jeff Starr*	WR	6-3	205	21	So.	Everett, WA
89	Todd Bomkamp	DE	6-2	200	19	Fr.	Steilacoom, WA
90	Jeff Zane	DE	6-3	210	20	Fr.	Seattle, WA
91	Jarrod Rosentreter	DE	6-3	215	23	Jr.	Wenatchee, WA
92	LaMarco Mitchell**	DE	6-2	235	20	Jr.	Parkland, WA
93	Ryan Lane	LB	6-2	210	19	Fr.	Tacoma, WA
94	Clyde Markey	TE	6-4	235	18	Fr.	Mount Vernon, WA
95	Jason Bowens	DE	6-2	200	18	Fr.	Seattle, WA
96	Tyler Hineman	DE	6-4	255	21	So.	Kirkland, WA
97	Matt Madeoy	DT	5-11	205	19	Fr.	Issaquah, WA
98	George Booker***	DT	6-0	250	24	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA
99	Jerome Johnson*	DE	6-3	240	25	Jr.	Oakland, CA
	Tim Atkins	WR	5-11	185	18	Fr.	Federal Way, WA
	Derek Blood	ROV	5-11	190	19	Fr.	Olympia, WA
	Isaac Blum	QB	6-0	175	18	Fr.	Sedro Woolley, WA
	Matt Cross	OG	6-1	235	19	Fr.	Coupeville, WA
	Eric Johnson	CB	5-5	155	18	Fr.	Gig Harbor, WA
	Tim Johnson	ROV	6-2	185	19	Fr.	Olympia, WA
	Ryan Lahmann	TE	6-3	200	18	Fr.	Washougal, WA
	Jim Peschek	FS	6-2	185	19	Fr.	Gig Harbor, WA
	Dan Purple	FS	6-3	170	19	Fr.	Vancouver, WA
	John Waterstraat	WR	5-10	165	18	Fr.	Port Orchard, WA
	Jason Wojtacha	TE	6-2	190	18	Fr.	Duvall, WA

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Assistants: Scott Bostwick, David Fakkema, Scott Hodgkinson, Artie Holmes, Kirk Kriskovich, Tom Missel, Joe Reitzug, Kevin Ryan, Terry Todd, Al Williams, Tab Birdsell, Tim Carlson.

VIKINGS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT ...

STEVE BRUMMEL, Running back
5-9, 185, 24, Bellingham, WA

Despite playing in only five games because of injury, Steve rushed for 405 yards and two touchdowns in 1991, averaging 6.2 yards a carry. He ran for 119 yards against Eastern Oregon and for 100 versus Pacific Lutheran, including a 62-yard TD against the Lutes. In 1990, Steve ran for 99 yards as a backup after sitting out the two previous seasons. Steve is a graduate of Sehome High School.

GEORGE BOOKER, Defensive tackle
6-0, 250, 24, Los Angeles, CA

George enters his fourth year as a varsity player and has been a starter the last two seasons. Last year, he had 38 tackles, including a sack and six tackles for losses. He had 46 tackles in 1990, including four sacks and also blocked a kick that season. George is a graduate of St. Monica High School, where he was twice an all-league pick. During the winter, he moonlights as the manager of Western's women's basketball team.

FAR FROM HOME VIKINGS BECOME ACCLIMATED

by Kevin Jackson

Sophomore starters Mike Wagner and Chris Witherspoon are probably the most avid readers of the weather report on the Western football team.

But they may not always agree on their preference of playing conditions.

Wagner, a 5-foot-7, 170-pound running back, comes to Western from sunny Southern California, where he starred at St. Monica High School and was named the 1988 South Bay Area player of the year by the Los Angeles Times.

Witherspoon, a 5-foot-10, 175-pound cornerback, comes from the opposite direction and the opposite climate.

An all-state selection as a wide receiver at Chugiak High School, Witherspoon was accustomed to the frigid conditions of Eagle River, Alaska.

The transition to the moderate climate of Bellingham was one that took time for both players.

Wagner said the wet fields of the Pacific Northwest were the most difficult adjustment for him to make initially.

"It was hard at first. The coaches had to teach me how to cut in this weather because your feet slip out from under you on these wet fields," said Wagner.

"I redshirted in 1989 and that gave me a chance to adjust to the conditions. Now, playing here has become second nature for me. But I still have to change my cleats a lot more."

Wagner's cleats weren't the only attire he had to change for the new conditions.

"Weatherwise, it's a lot colder," he said. "So, I've had to wear sweatshirts and spandex under my practice uniform. It gets chilly out there."

Chilly conditions are right up Witherspoon's alley.

During his high school days, Witherspoon said he played games in the snow and extreme cold, even though Alaska begins its high school football season a month earlier than Western usually starts its year.

"At the beginning of the season, it was usually pretty nice," Witherspoon said. "But by the time the year ends it was really cold and in the last few games there was usually snow.

"But because I played in it all through high school, I got used to it."

But Witherspoon did have difficulty getting used to the warm weather of Western's pre-season practices, which begin during the hot temperatures of late August.

"When I first came here, I wasn't used to the heat. With all the running and conditioning, it took awhile, but I got through it," he said.

When the warm weather finally gave way to the chilly conditions of winter, Witherspoon was ready.

"Everybody else wasn't too crazy about the cold weather, but I guess I was a little more used to it," he said.

Both players chose to come to Western because of connections with Viking coaches.

Andre Patterson, who coached Wagner in high school, was Western's defensive coordinator back in 1988 when Wagner was making his college choice.

Two of Wagner's high school teammates, defensive tackle George Booker and defensive end Mike Dunford, had already joined Patterson at Western.

When it came time for Wagner's decision, the running back's close relationship with his former high school coach was the key to his choice of Western over NCAA Division I schools like Colgate and Montana.

"When I visited those other schools, I felt out of place there. But when I came here (to Western), I felt like I belonged. I felt I could really become a part of this place," he said.

Wagner took little time in becoming a part of Western's offense in 1990.

The redshirt freshman led the Vikings in scoring with 10 touchdowns and tallied a school-record tieing four TDs in a game at Western Oregon.

Former Western assistant coach Keith Armstrong knew of Witherspoon's high school accomplishments, but he always viewed them from the opposite side of the field as head coach at Alaska's Palmer High School.

Armstrong was also a friend of Witherspoon's high school coach at Chugiak, Tom Lee Huffer, who arranged for the cornerback to visit Western.

"I was recruited by schools in California and on the east coast, but I wanted to go to a small school where I could concentrate on my studies," Witherspoon said. "I liked the location and Western was the ideal place."

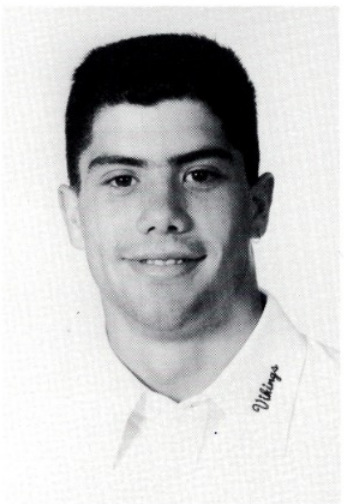
Witherspoon said teammate Mike Fritsch, a sophomore free safety from Anchorage, helped him with the transition to Western.

"It helped having someone else from Alaska and we're now good friends," he said. "The coaches get on us sometimes in practice about being the Alaska guys, but we just laugh it off."

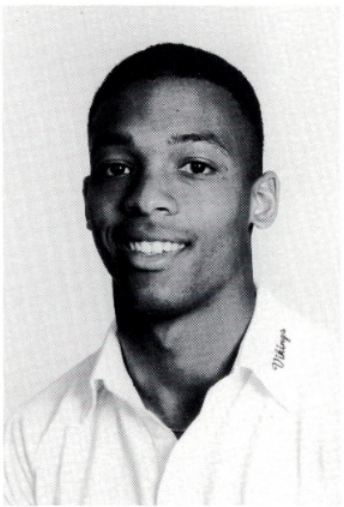
And with the adjustments they've made, both Wagner and Witherspoon have been able to laugh off the change in climate.

"Football is football no matter what the weather is," says Witherspoon. "Now, it's not so bad because I've made the adjustments."

"When you're out there, a lot of times you don't think about how hot or cold it is," adds Wagner. "You get used to it no matter what it is."

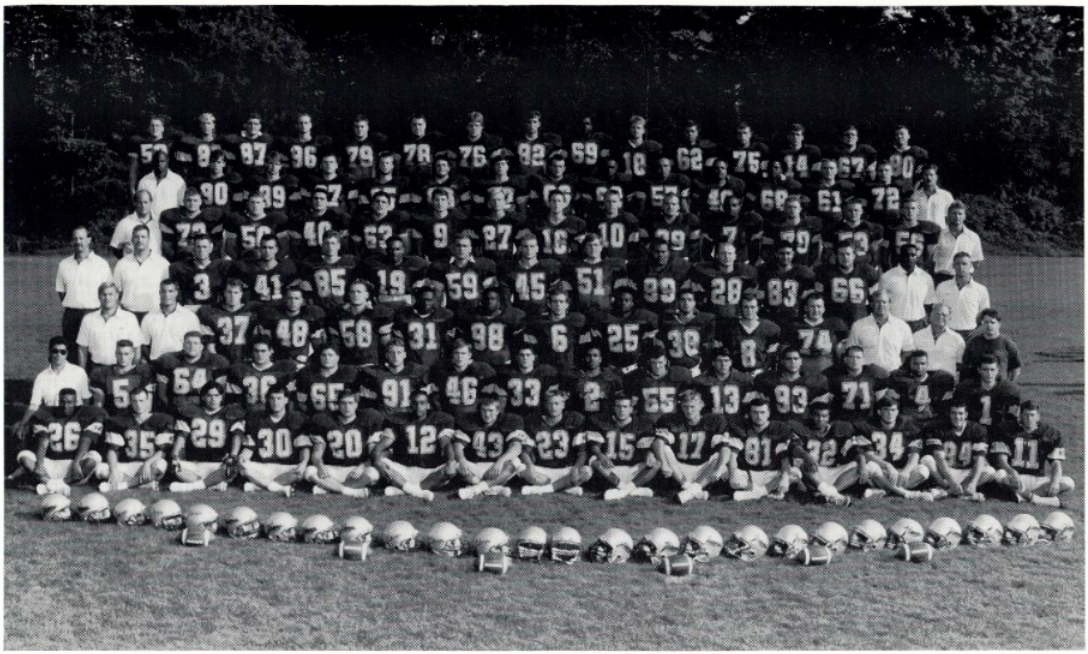


Wagner



Witherspoon

1991 WESTERN FOOTBALL



VIKING RECORDS

CAREER — INDIVIDUAL

Yards Rushing — 4049, Pat Locker, 1976-79
Yards Passing — 5503, Kirk Kriskovich, 1985-86, 1989
Yards Pass-Receiving — 2321, Hoyt Gier, 1975-78
All-Purpose Yards — 5085, Pat Locker, 1976-79
Total Yards — 5385, Kirk Kriskovich, 1985-86, 1989
Pass Receptions — 148, Hoyt Gier, 1975-78
Touchdown Passes — 34, Glenn Hadland, 1968-71
Points Scored — 266, Scott Lohr, 1986-89
Touchdowns Scored — 44, Scott Lohr, 1986-89
Touchdown Passes Caught — 17, Bill Handy, 1979-82
Pass Interceptions — 26, Vic Randall, 1967-70
Fumbles Recovered — 14, Chuck Houser, 1973-76
Tackles — 431, Wayne Lewis, 1984-87
Quarterback Sacks — 34, Doug Groves, 1977-80

BEST PLAYS

Rushing — 89 yards, Al Anderson, 1967 (PSU)
Passing — 98 yards, Dan Brigham from Dave Peterson, 1984 (SFU)
Field Goal — 52 yards, Peter LaBarge, 1986 (L&C) & 1988 (WOSC)
Interception Ret. — 100 yards, Al Cornett, 1952 (UBC)
Punt — 62 yards, Peter LaBarge, 1987 (CWU) & 1988 (CWU)
Fumble Recovery Ret. — 92 yards, Ron Storaasli, 1958 (EWU)
Punt Return — 90 yards, John Huntley, 1975 (EOSC)
Kickoff Ret. — 99 yards, Mark Moran, 1983 (SFU)

SEASON — INDIVIDUAL

Yards Rushing — 1395, Scott Lohr, 1989
All-Purpose Yards — 1788, Pat Locker, 1976
Yards Pass-Receiving — 743, Hoyt Gier, 1976
Pass Receptions — 53, Ken Sager, 1985
Touchdown Passes Caught — 8, Jeff Potter, 1976
Kirk Schneider, 1989
Yards Passing — 2480, Dave Peterson, 1984
Touchdown Passes — 18, Kirk Kriskovich, 1989
Total Yards — 2429, Dave Peterson, 1984
Points Scored — 120, Scott Lohr, 1989
Touchdowns Scored — 20, Scott Lohr, 1989
Passes Intercepted — 9, Vic Randall, 1970
Tackles — 164, Jim Sterk, 1977
Fumbles Recovered — 6, Three players
Quarterback Sacks — 14, Doug Groves, 1978

GAME INDIVIDUAL

Yards Rushing — 243, Scott Lohr, 1989 (UPS)
Yards Pass-Receiving — 187, Hoyt Gier, 1978 (EOSC)
Yards Passing — 430, Dave Peterson, 1984 (PU)
Total Yards — 436, Dave Peterson, 1984 (PU)
Passes Caught — 11, Three players
Touchdown Passes Caught — 3, Two players
Touchdowns Scored — 4, Four players
Points Scored — 27, Fred Emerson, 1957 (UBC)
Tackles — 34, Gary Fumano, 1961 (PSU)
Fumbles Recovered — 3, Two players
Pass Interceptions — 4, Tim Richard, 1984 (PLU)

1971 FOOTBALL:
WESTERN CLAIMS CONFERENCE TITLE WITH PERFECT RECORD

by Sarah Dawson

Twenty years ago, Western competed in the old Evergreen Conference. That season, 1971, the Vikings went undefeated in league play to claim their first and only outright football title in the 37-year history of the Evco.

Nine players from that squad, which won all six of its conference encounters and was 7-3 overall, were named honorable mention NAIA All-Americans. Three of those also earned second-team United Press International All-Coast honors.

Directing that championship team was Boyde Long, then in his second season as head coach after four campaigns as the top assistant.

"I have great memories of that team," Long said. "We had a lot of good people, not only as athletes but as individuals, and every one of them contributed."

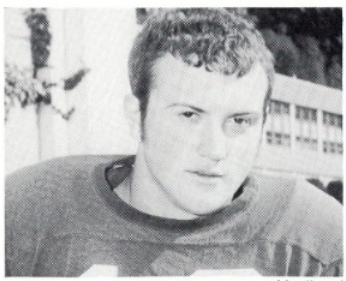
Headlines such as "Vikings rout Eastern, 50-7," or "Viks defeat Central, 23-15," were not just wishful thinking. They were the black-and-white facts of a outstanding season.

The Vikings were definitely a team to contend with. They were stacked on both sides of the ball. Western never scored less than 20 points in a conference game and shut down supposed high-scoring teams, allowing only one league opponent to score more than eight points.

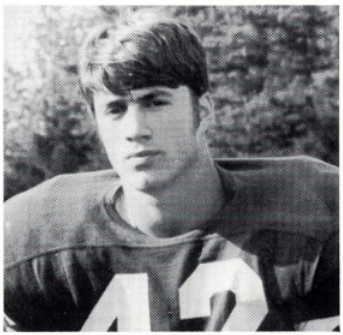
Western's offense was the veer, a two-back option set. It was actually called the Houston veer, where the play was dictated by the opponent's defensive reaction. This kept defenses guessing; they never knew whether to expect the ball to go inside or outside, in the air or on the ground.

The Vikings ranked 13th nationally in the NAIA in total offense, averaging 375.0 yards a game. They were 11th in pass offense at 180.6 yards a game.

Triggering the attack was quarterback Glenn Hadland, who passed for 1,495 yards, then a school record, and ran for 183 more.



Hadland



Venn

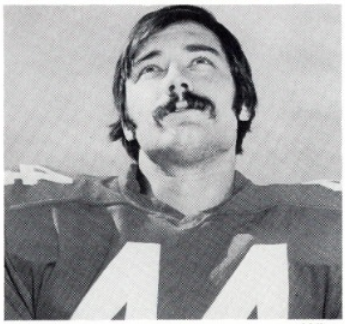
"He was a smart athlete with quick reactions," recalls Mark Venn, a linebacker on the '71 team. "He was really the glue to the offense."



Jasmer

Hadland's favorite receiver was Steve Jasmer. According to Long, Jasmer "was one of the best receivers at Western ever." Despite missing two games with injuries, Jasmer led the team with 22 receptions for 609 yards and seven touchdowns.

In the entire history of the Evco, only three players earned all-league honors four times. Western fullback Tom Wigg was the first. In 1971, Wigg rushed for 1,176 yards, then a school record, ranking 19th nationally with an average of 117.6 yards a game. He led the league in both rushing and scoring with 10 touchdowns.

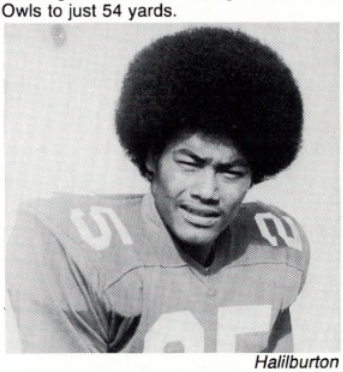


Wigg

"Tom was an outstanding fullback," Long said. "He didn't have great speed, but he was real hard to bring down."

The highlight of Western's season was beating pre-season league favorite Eastern Washington at Civic Stadium. In that game, Wigg rushed for 205 yards and scored three touchdowns even though he sat out most of the second half as the Vikings thrashed the then Savages, 50-7.

Offenses were consistently shut down by Western's defensive unit. Only twice was a conference opponent able to gain 250 total yards, and in a 42-2 trouncing of Oregon Tech, the Vikings limited the Owls to just 54 yards.



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Venn, who played inside linebacker with Dan Grimshaw, led the team with 79 unassisted tackles. Grimshaw had 64 while defensive halfback Kevin Halliburton kept control of the secondary with 51.

As Venn explained, togetherness was an important part of that Viking team.

"Wigg is my cousin, so I like to play him up, but the big thing about that team was that there were no big stars," Venn said. "We stayed together, grew together and worked together. That was the key."

"What a super group to be around," said Long, who was named Evco Coach of the Year. "They're still the same today, still a great group and a lot of fun."

"We still get together once or twice a year," Venn said. "Some real friendships have developed."

Another great thing about the 1971 Vikings is that they still support Western football.

"Heck, I'd like to see them bring the alumni game back," Wigg chuckles, "although I'd probably get pretty beat up."

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