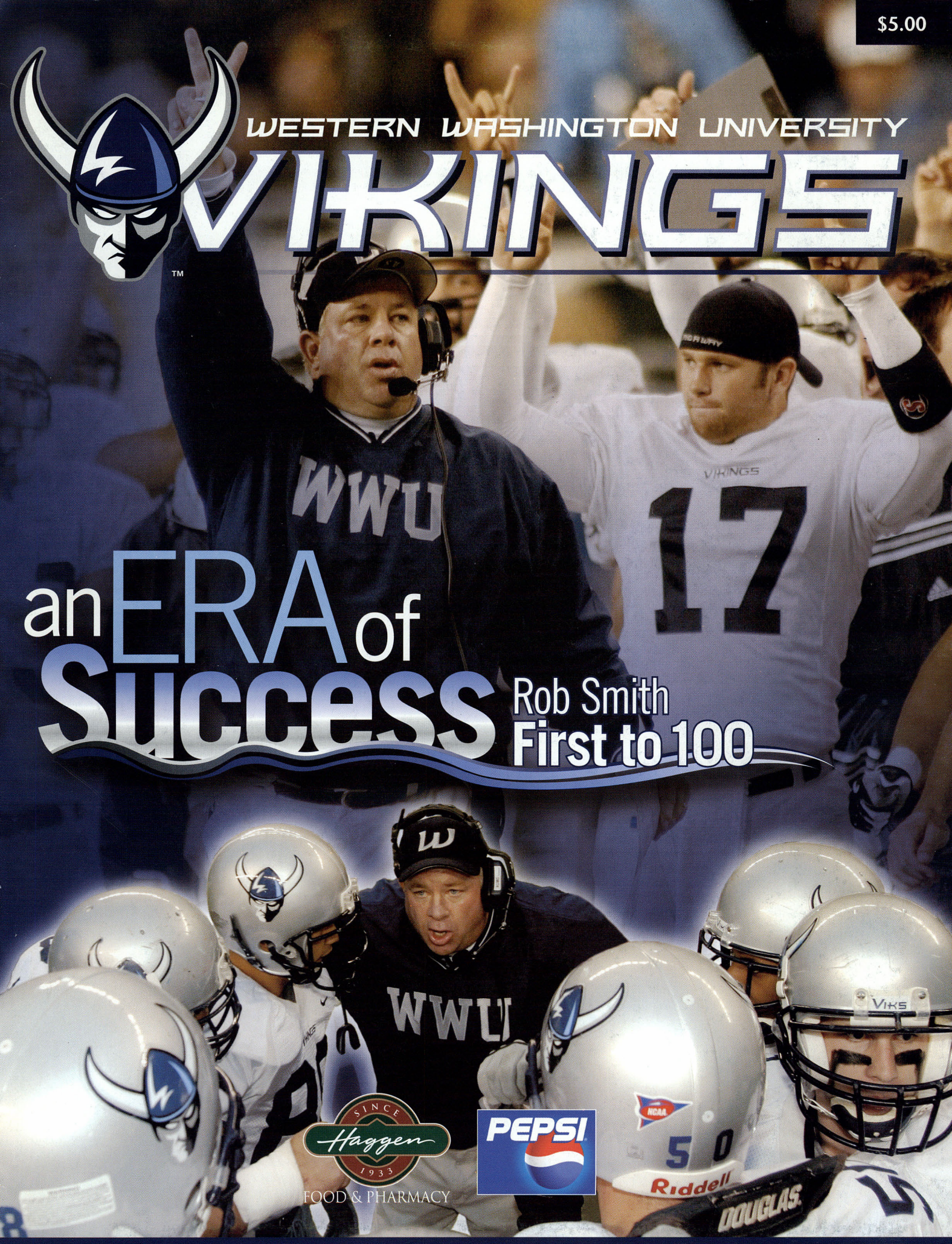
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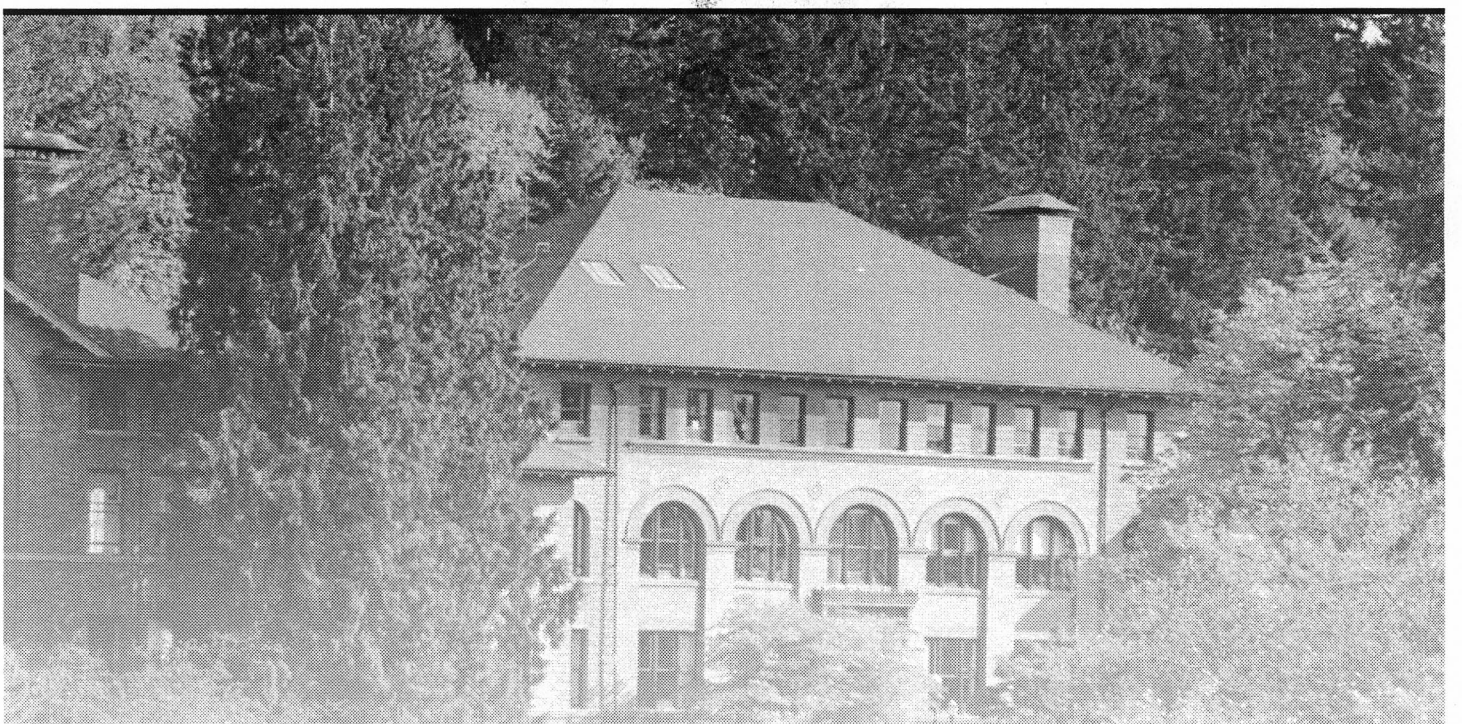
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Nearly 13,000 students call Western home during each academic year, starting in late September and continuing through June. A third of Western's students reside in on-campus residence halls. Western offers something for every student, with more than 100 cultural, academic, recreational, religious, social and political clubs and organizations as well as multiple venues for the performing arts and extensive opportunities for community service.

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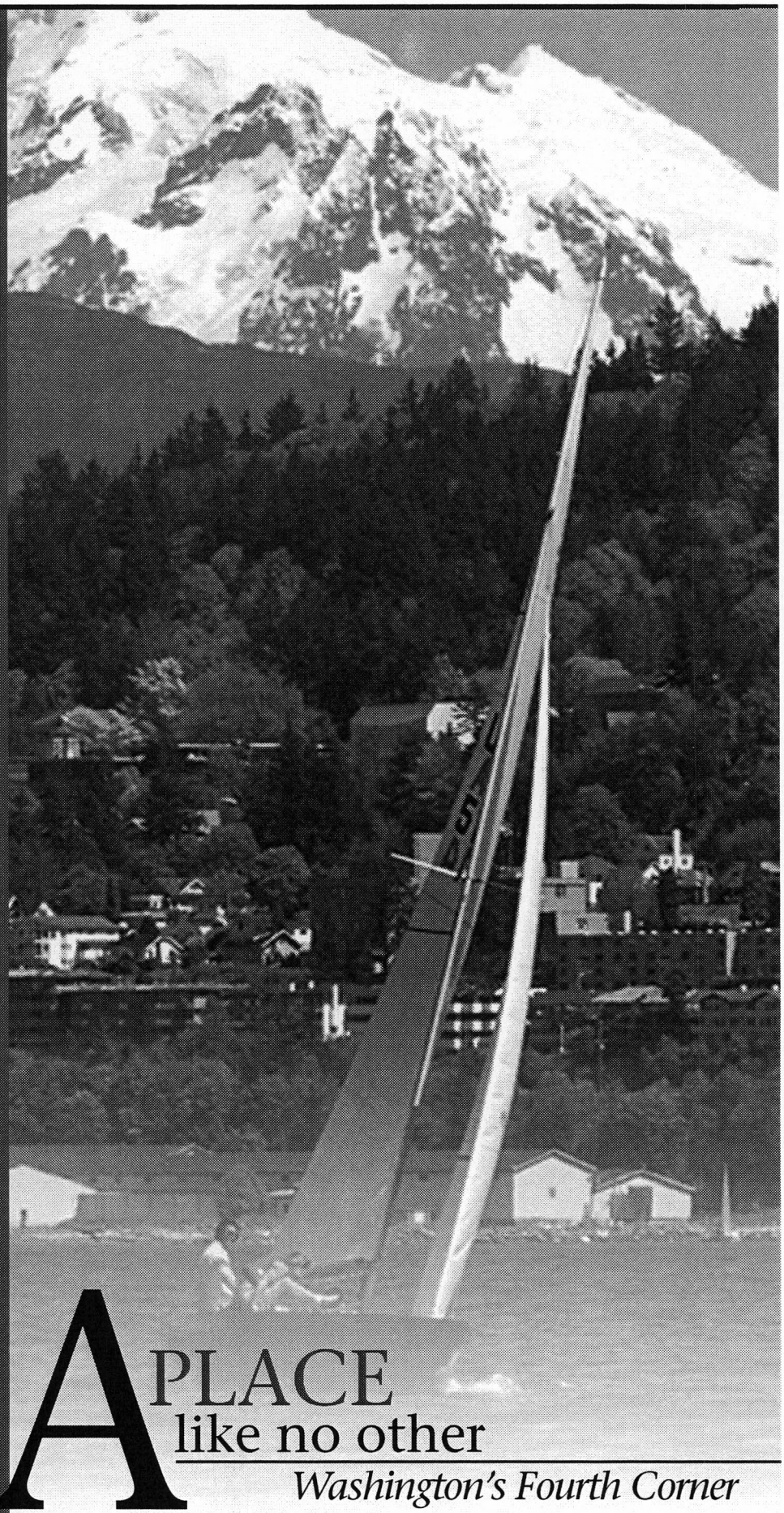
Western is organized into a graduate school and seven undergraduate colleges: the College of Business and Economics, the College of Fine and Performing Arts, Fairhaven College, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Huxley College of the Environment, the College of Sciences and Technology, and Woodring College of Education.

One of Western's greatest assets is its setting. Located in the northwest corner of Washington state, Western is the only campus in the lower 48 states where you can go from tidewater to alpine tundra in less than an hour. The San Juan Islands and Bellingham Bay lie directly to the west; Mount Baker and the North Cascades are less than an hour to the east.

Western's location enhances the academic experience. Students can gain field experience in local communities or by exploring and studying the varied ecosystems of the region. And since Western is located midway between the major urban centers of Seattle and Vancouver, B.C., the university attracts numerous speakers, artists and visiting faculty of national and international caliber.

A city of 70,000, Bellingham has the benefits of small-town life - friendliness, safety, a relaxed pace and access to the outdoors - while also providing many of the resources and opportunities of a larger city. The community is growing, with new shops, restaurants and other businesses opening all the time, many of them spearheaded by Western graduates. A vibrant arts community holds gallery walks and music festivals, and vital community organizations and citizens' groups are known for reaching out to Western students.

Bellingham is just a wonderful place to be a student. Extensive city parks and bike trials, great bookstores and coffeehouses, a thriving all-ages nightlife and other activities help balance the academic rigor of study at Western. Bellingham welcomes and embraces Western students as part of the larger community.



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Western's athletic history dates back nearly a century. Intercollegiate competition began in football and basketball in 1903. Today, the Vikings compete in 17 varsity sports, with nearly 500 athletes representing the school each year.

Having completed six years as a full member of NCAA Division II, Western already has made national appearances in men's and women's basketball, men's cross country, women's crew, football, men's and women's golf, softball and volleyball; placing second in women's crew in 2002 and 2003, and reaching the semifinals in both men's basketball (2001) and women's basketball (2000). Last spring, the Vikings placed third nationally in women's crew, fifth in women's golf and ninth in men's golf. They have won the first three Great Northwest Athletic Conference All-Sports Championships (2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04).

Western has developed an outstanding tradition in a number of sports and won the 1998 NAIA National Championship in softball in just the sixth year of the program. In women's basketball, Western ranks among the top 15 in all-time victories among all four-year schools, and has participated in 14 national tournaments - three in the AIAW, five in the NAIA and six in NCAA II, working on a string of seven straight. In men's golf, the Vikings have won 43 district and conference championships, tying for fourth at the NAIA National Tournament in 1997.

Western reached the NAIA Division II Championship Game in football in 1996 and has won league titles four of the last five years. The Vikings placed third in the 1990 NAIA Volleyball Championships and have gone to the NCAA II nationals each of the last three seasons.

Western has had a number of individual champions in track and field, and the rowing program has long been recognized as perhaps the top non-NCAA I program on the West Coast.

The Vikings had one of the longest winning streaks nationally when it won 38 straight women's soccer games from 1982 to 1984. They have a current league victory string of 54 (2000 to present) in volleyball, already the fourth longest in NCAA II history.

FACILITIES

Athletic facilities on Western's campus include Sam Carver Gymnasium, a softball field, artificial-surfaced Viking Field, a six-lane all-weather rubberized track, and four practice fields.

Carver Gym, completed in 1962, has five basketball courts, including a main gym which seats 2,534 spectators. It also has a swimming pool, handball courts, a strength and fitness center, and convertible facilities for volleyball, which includes a SportCourt.

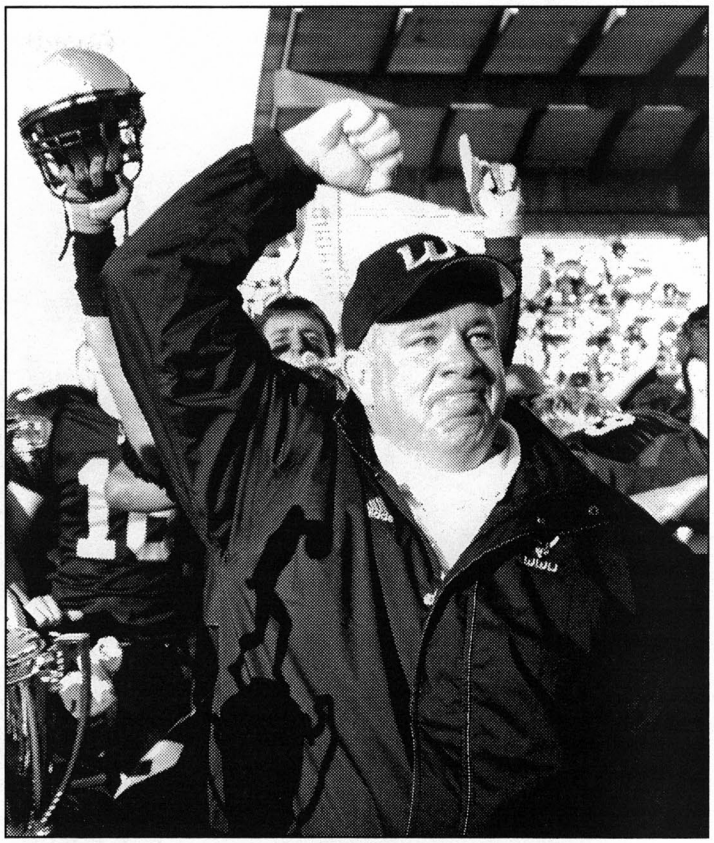
Football and men's and women's soccer games are held at Bellingham's Civic Stadium, as are major track meets. The stadium, built in 1961, with an addition in 1971, has covered seating for 4,400 spectators and lights for night use. A FieldTurf surface was installed in 2000. The track is an eight-lane, 400-meter oval.

Softball contests take place on campus at a facility completed in 1999. There is seating for 500.

Crew events are held on Lake Whatcom, with the boathouse located at Lakewood. Cross country competition is conducted at Lake Padden Park. Golf matches are held at the Bellingham Golf and Country Club.

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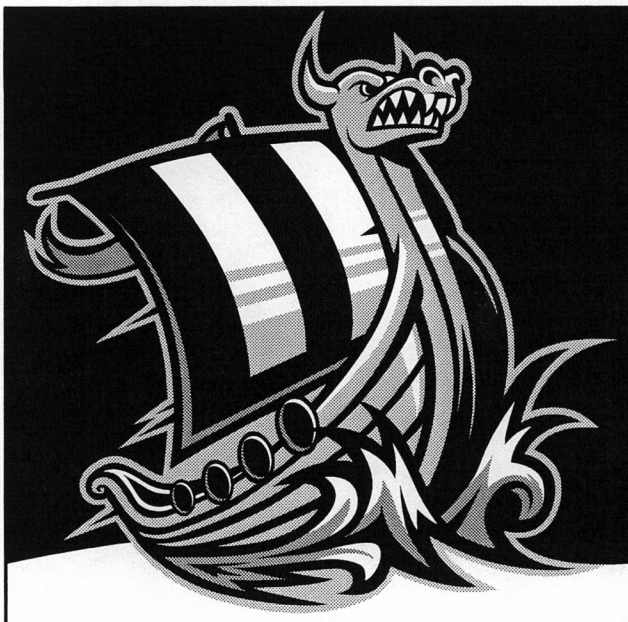
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President	Dr. Karen W. Morse
Vice-President for Student Affairs and Academic Support Services	Dr. Eileen Coughlin
Director of Athletics	Lynda Goodrich
Faculty Athletic Representative	Dr. Ronald Riggins
National Affiliation	NCAA Division II
Conference	Great Northwest Athletic
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Sept. 11 (Sat.)	at St. Cloud State	St. Cloud, Minn.	6 p.m. CT
Sept. 18 (Sat.)	**NEBRASKA-OMAHA**	**BELLINGHAM**	**1 p.m.**
Sept. 25 (Sat.)	vs. Central Washington* ***(Second annual* Battle in Seattle)**	Seattle (Qwest Field, formerly Seahawks Stadium)	6 p.m.
Oct. 2 (Sat.)	at Western Oregon*	Monmouth, Ore.	1 p.m.
Oct. 9 (Sat.)	**ST. JOSEPH'S (Ind.)**	**BELLINGHAM**	**1 p.m.**
Oct. 16 (Sat.)	**HUMBOLDT STATE*** ***(Homecoming/Hall of Fame)***	**BELLINGHAM**	**1 p.m.**
Oct. 23 (Sat.)	**WESTERN OREGON***	**BELLINGHAM**	**1 p.m.**
Oct. 30 (Sat.)	at Central Washington*	Ellensburg	1 p.m.
Nov. 6 (Sat.)	at Humboldt State*	Arcata, Calif.	1 p.m.
Nov. 13 (Sat.)	NCAA II National Playoffs - First Round	Site to be determined	
Nov. 20 (Sat.)	NCAA II National Playoffs - Quarterfinals	Site to be determined	
Nov. 27 (Sat.)	NCAA II National Playoffs - Semifinals	Site to be determined	
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Tickets are available through TicketMaster and at the Qwest Field box office.

The two teams met in the inaugural Battle in Seattle last year, as a crowd of 16,392, the largest ever to see a non-NCAA Division I game in the state of Washington, witnessed Central's 29-20 win over the Vikings.

Tickets are priced at $10, $20, and $25. Only the 100 and 200 sections will be sold, with Western fans on the west side and Central fans on the east side.

New this year is a free pre-game event in the Seahawks Exhibition Center starting at 3 p.m. It will feature live music, no-host food and beverages, family activities, and much more.

The two schools, both members of NCAA Division II, first met in 1922 and have played every year since 1946.

The game is one of three nationally of a similar nature between NCAA II rivals. The Fall Classic at Arrowhead has been played between Pittsburg State, Kans., and Northwest Missouri State the last two years, drawing 26,695 in 2002, and is slated to be played again Nov. 6. Also Nov. 6, Grand Valley State and Michigan Tech will meet in the "Bash at the Big House" at Michigan Stadium in Ann Arbor.

Western was 4-6 last season, but claimed the Great Northwest Athletic Conference championship with a 3-0 mark, including a 17-16 win over Central in the Cascade Cup game, a league counter. The Wildcats were 6-4 last year.



"This event brings the biggest game of our season to Seattle where there are many alumni, parents and friends of both universities within easy driving distance. For the spectators, student-athletes and coaching staff, the opportunity to play in a venue like Qwest Field is one that can't be matched."

Lynda Goodrich, *WWU Director of Athletics*

VIKING FOOTBALL COACH ON BRINK OF 100 VICTORIES
Smith's legacy at Western: records, victories and respect

By Jim Carberry

There is no doubt in Rob Smith's mind that when he began his head football coaching career at Western in 1989, he just happened to be at the right place at the right time.

But history has proven he also was the right person.

"He was our first choice," remembered Western director of athletics Lynda Goodrich. "He had the abilities and passion that we needed."

Sixteen years later and still at the helm, Smith has taken a program that had won just four games, one of those by forfeit, during a four-year stretch in the early '80s, and guided it to unimaginable heights as a national championship contender and routinely one of the top Northwest teams every year.

In the process, Smith stands on the threshold of accomplishing something only two college coaching legends in the state of Washington have ever done: win 100 games. With a school-record 99 victories already secured, Smith will reach the milestone with his first win this season.

Not bad for a coach who came Western as an assistant in 1987 with no head coaching experience.

"When I came in 1987, I believed it was a temporary stop," said Smith. "I never thought I'd be named head coach 18 months later."

But did he have any clue that he would be around 16 years later?

"I never envisioned I'd be here this long," he said. "It never crossed my mind."

Smith's lengthy tenure puts him in distinguished company among Western coaches. Charles Lappenbusch holds the record with 20 seasons and, until Smith came along, the record for victories with 81. Sam Carver and Boyde Long are right behind Smith, having coached 14 and 13 seasons, respectively.

But what sets Smith apart from all other Western coaches and almost every other college football coach in the state's history, is not the quantity of his teams but the quality. Among his teams' achievements:

• A 99-52-1 record, which ranks him behind only former Pacific Lutheran coach Frosty Westering (261) and former Washington coach Don James (153) in wins and gives him the school's highest winning percentage (.655) for any football coach who directed the program more than one year.

• A streak of 12 non-losing seasons, six more than the school's previous record, and eight seasons with seven or more victories, which was only done five times in the school's first 78 seasons.

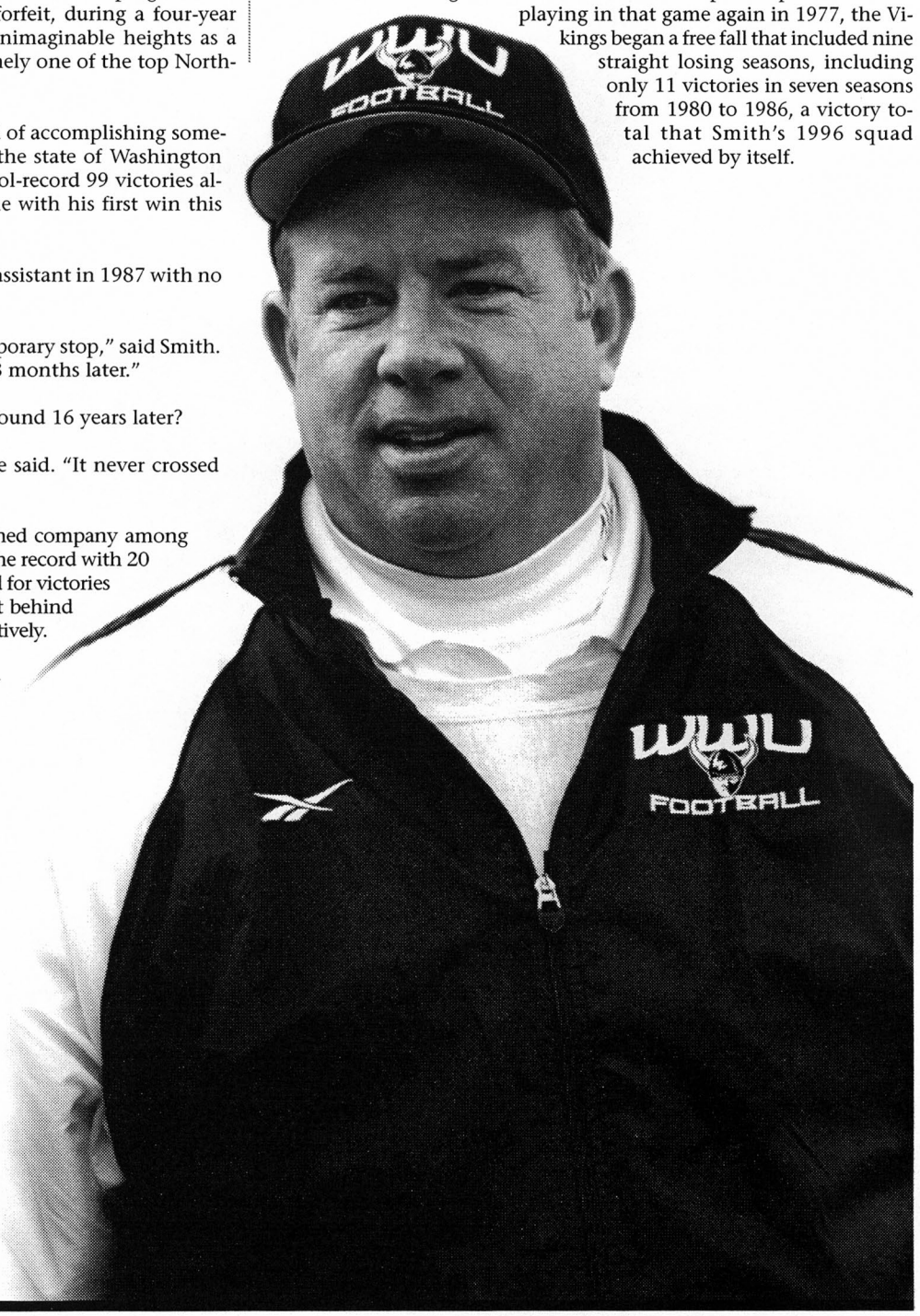
• Five national playoff appearances, including reaching the NAIA Division II championship game in 1996. Prior to Smith's arrival, Western had never reached the national playoffs.

• Six league championships in the past nine seasons, just one less than the 11 coaches managed in nearly eight decades before Smith.

• The records were never part of the plan," said Smith. "But I have a tremendous respect for both Frosty and Coach James. That's a good feeling."

What the program has accomplished under Smith's guidance is nothing short of amazing, especially considering the state it was in before he arrived.

After winning the NAIA District 1 championship in 1976 and playing in that game again in 1977, the Vikings began a free fall that included nine straight losing seasons, including only 11 victories in seven seasons from 1980 to 1986, a victory total that Smith's 1996 squad achieved by itself.



Goodrich became director of athletics in 1986 and one of her early decisions was to upgrade the football program.

That renewed emphasis included hiring for the first time a full-time assistant, who turned out to be Smith. It was the first hire for Goodrich, and remains one of her smartest.

"Football was struggling," said Goodrich. "The program needed more resources and more coaches. The first thing we did was hire Rob full-time. I wanted to take the program the next step up."

If that wasn't astute enough of Goodrich, hiring Smith as the head coach two years later proved to be brilliant. Not that he was an obvious choice at the time. While his playing resume included an illustrious career at Hoquiam High School, three letters under James at Washington and even a Rose Bowl appearance in 1978, his only football coaching experience was as an assistant at Renton High for five years.



1989



Present

"You weigh what your instincts tell you," said Goodrich, who also hired "first-timers" Carmen Dolfo and Diane Flick who have gone on to great coaching careers in women's basketball and volleyball, respectively, at Western. "Somebody has to give them that first opportunity. If you think they're going to be good, why not hire them right now?

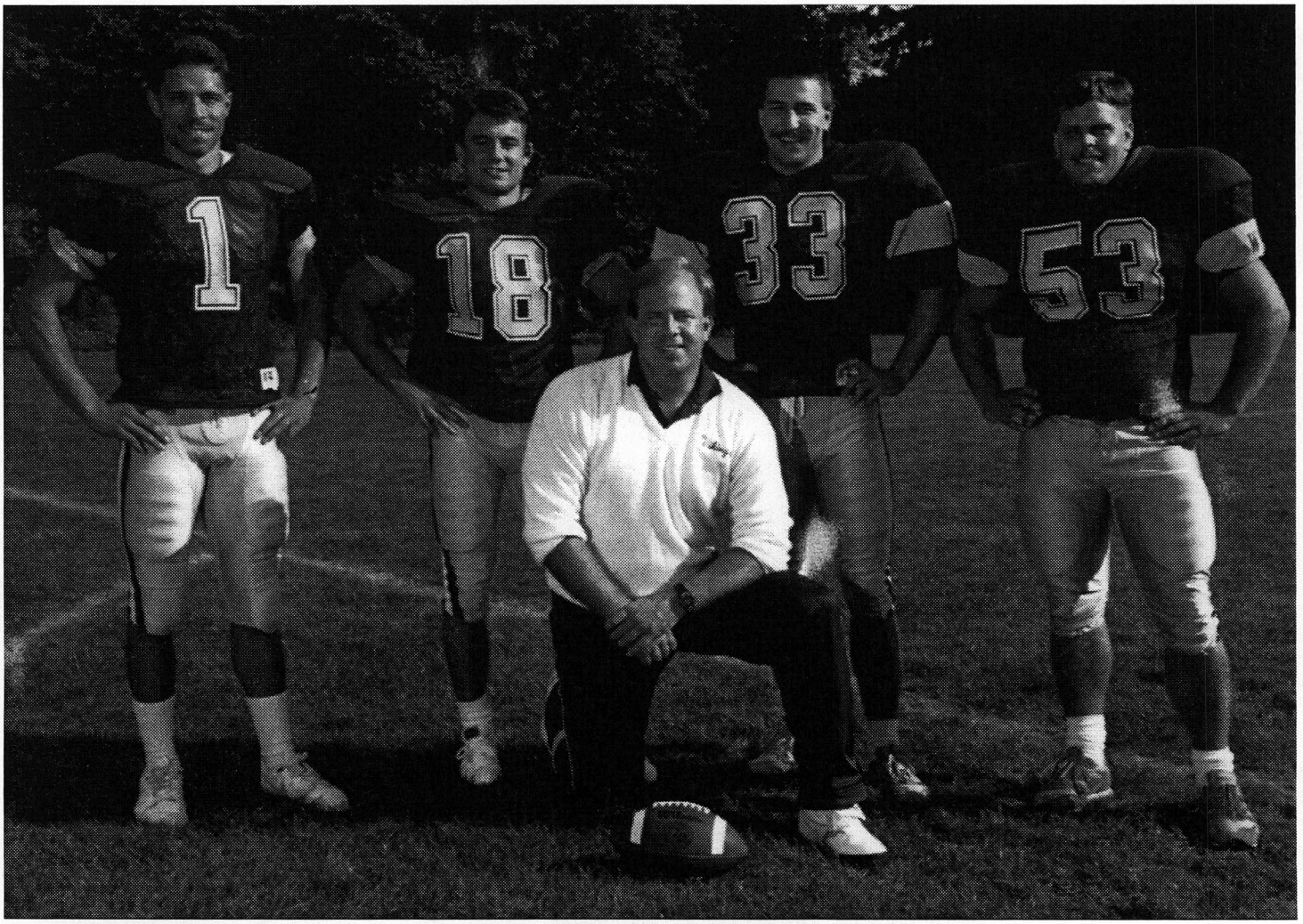
"We advertised and the cream rose to the top. Rob was the first choice."

It didn't take long for Smith to prove his worth. Western soared to new heights in his first season, going 7-2, being nationally ranked for the first time in school history and finishing No.21 in the nation.

The successful seasons kept coming. In 1992 the Vikings made their first NAIA national playoff appearance, in 1994 they defeated top-ranked Linfield for their first-ever national playoff victory, in 1995 they were 9-0 for the school's first undefeated regular season in 57 seasons and a No.1 ranking for five weeks, in 1996 they reached the NAIA national championship game for the first time in school history in any sport, and in 1999 qualified for the NCAA Division II national playoffs for the first time.

The individual teams' successes have brought Smith so much individual recognition that his coach of the year awards would fill a trophy case by themselves. He was honored by the Columbia Football Association in 1989, 1995, 1996, 1999 and 2000, the Great Northwest Athletic Conference in 2001 and 2003, and the American Football Coaches Association College Division Region V in 1995 and 1996.

The individual awards, however, mean little compared to the program's ongoing success, said Smith.



First-year head coach Rob Smith with team co-captians (l-r) Mike Carrington, Scott Lohr, Kelly Susee, Rudy Grandbois

"I'm most proud of the credibility that the program now has," he said. "We have been able to raise Western football to a level of respect. And that means more than any personal accomplishments."

The program's credibility has reached beyond even the Northwest..

"I have a tremendous respect for Western and the program they run under Rob's direction," said UC Davis coach Bob Biggs, whose team recently moved from NCAA II to Division I-AA. "It is first-class. The kids play the game the right way. They play hard and they play to the last whistle, but they're always gentlemen out there and are willing to congratulate opponents after the game."

And give Smith credit for the program's respect, say friend and foe alike.

"It is really difficult to take a program that is not a winner and transform it into a winner," said Goodrich. "But he had a vision for what it could be. He really should take pride in his program; his players graduate, they are good citizens, and he really works at it."

Besides hard work, Smith added a creative touch that Biggs said he envied.

"I've always thought that Rob himself is a very innovative offensive coach," said Biggs. "His teams are always extremely well-prepared. There have been many a time I've actually stolen some ideas that I've seen on the film that they did and used in our program. So, I have the greatest respect for him and it doesn't surprise me that he's going to reach the 100-win milestone early in his career. He's a terrific coach and we'll miss playing him."

For Smith, however, the success has come for the most part because he keeps his priorities straight. One of his top priorities is recruiting solid student athletes who happen to be good football players, and not the other way around.

One of those, co-captain Rob White, points out the simplicity of Smith's philosophy: make sure the right players fit in and then have them do the right things.

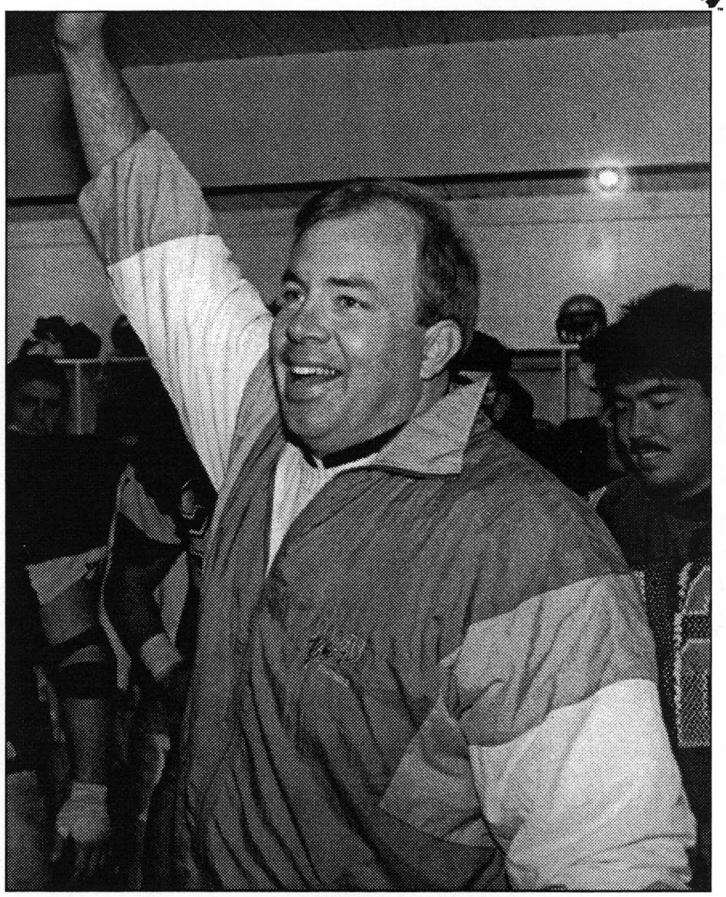
"Coach asks our opinions on what we think of recruits," said the senior safety, who also happens to be the GNAC Male Scholar Athlete for 2003-04. "He really cares about guys who have the right chemistry. What we do isn't that complicated, but if we do the right thing, and do our job, then we will succeed."

Smith may have a winning formula, but he also knows the importance of flexibility.

"When you start, you have a plan, but you don't know if it'll work," he said. "You have to keep changing. There's always a change in players and assistant coaches. I've changed.

"I really don't have any regrets. I'd so some things differently, some calls along the way, but not any regrets."

Not even leaving Western and moving "up" to a Division I coaching position?



Smith laughs. He's been there as a player and knows that there are positives and negatives at the more-publicized level just as there are for smaller colleges.

"Coaching at Division I is not a goal; if it happens it happens," said Smith, who was the first Husky to play for Don James to be named a college head coach.

"But I have the greatest respect for the players at this level. They don't get near the rewards, but the thrills and enjoyment is the same. Sure, there are some real frustrations at this level, but there's a lot of positives. My No.1 goal is to give my players a good experience. And I'm' just as motivated now as I was in 1989."

That's good, because his boss doesn't want him resting on his laurels, as impressive as they may be.

When Goodrich, Smith's longtime friend, was asked what she would say to him when the inevitable 100th victory was reached, she was quick to answer:

"I'd say, 'Congratulations. Now start working on the next 100.'"

STATE'S COACHING GREATS

How Smith stands among top collegiate football coaches while working at four-year schools in state of Washington:

Frosty Westering	Pacific Lutheran	1972-2003	261-63-5*
Don James	Washington	1975-1992	153-57-2*
ROB SMITH	**WESTERN WASHINGTON**	**1989-Present**	**99-52-1**
Jim Owens	Washington	1957-1974	99-82-6*
Tom Parry	Central Washington	1966-82 and 1984-86	95-91-54*
O.E. Hollingbery	Washington State	1926-1942	93-53-14*
John Heinrich	Puget Sound	1948-64	89-46-12*
Dick Zornes	Eastern Washington	1979-1993	89-66-2
Mike Price	Washington State	1989-2002	83-78

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SMITH'S TOP 10 CAREER WINS

NUMBER 10 Third-string QB Monrean directs game-winning drive for Vikings

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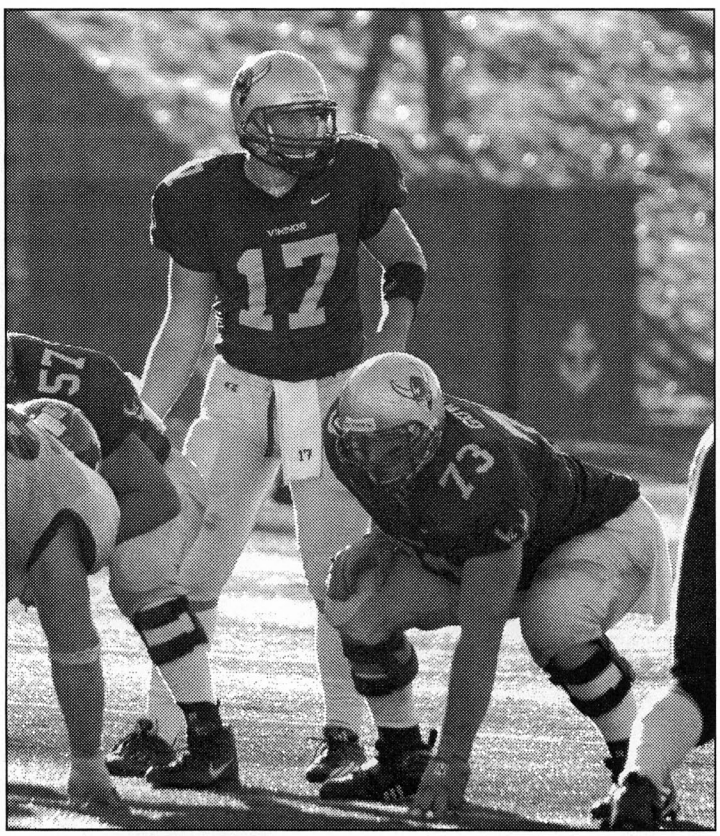
Running back Duncan Sherrard scored on a fourth-and-goal play from the 1-yard line with 43 seconds left and Michael Koenen kicked the decisive extra-point, lifting Western to a stunning 17-16 victory over Central Washington, in the eighth annual Cascade Cup football game before a crowd of 2,889 at Bellingham's Civic Stadium.

Western snapped a three-game losing streak. The contest was the Vikings' Homecoming/Hall of Fame Game and their Great Northwest Athletic Conference opener. Central had defeated Western, 29-20, in the Battle in Seattle on Oct. 4.

Third-string quarterback James Monrean directed the game-winning drive after starter Josh Shimek and backup Steve Nichols both were forced out of the game with shoulder injuries.

The Vikings started the game-winning drive at their 27-yard line with 2:36 to play. Monrean opened the series by scrambling for 14 yards, then on the following play, hit wide receiver Andy Olson on a slant pattern, and Olson made a one-handed grab and sprinted down the right sideline for a 52-yard gain to the Central seven. Three plays put the ball on the one, setting up Sherrard's scoring run up the middle.

Central, which was out of time outs, returned the ensuing kickoff to the Wildcat 15, but on second-and-10, quarterback Zak Hill, who had thrown for one touchdown and run for another, was intercepted by Western free safety Shane Keck with 21 seconds left.



James Monrean (17) during game-winning drive

The Vikings entered the fourth quarter trailing 16-7, but narrowed the margin to 16-10 on a 50-yard field goal by Koenen with 9:30 left. Nichols was injured on the previous play, but still came on to hold for both the field goal and the winning extra-point, and the long snapper for each kick was true freshman Joel Jorgensen, who was seeing his first collegiate action after regular snapper Jeff DeBuigne was injured earlier in the game.

Western had a 319-294 edge in total offense. The Vikings, who entered the contest allowing 460.6 yards a game, held Central to 73 yards of offense and three first downs in the second half.

The Wildcats opened the scoring with 4:22 left in the first quarter as Hill, who completed 12-of-27 passes for 140 yards, found wide receiver Jake Roberts for a 9-yard scoring pass to cap a 10-play, 89-yard drive. They extended the lead to 14-0 early in the second quarter as Hill scrambled in from four yards out.

But the Vikings came back to score midway through the quarter, as a 46-yard run by Sherrard put Western on the Wildcat 21, and Shimek eventually scored on a 1-yard run.

Central extended its lead to 16-7 with five minutes left in the third quarter. Nichols fumbled in the Western end zone, and although Viking tight end Rick Carte recovered the ball, he was unable to get out, giving the Wildcats a safety.

Shimek was 12-of-23 for 112 yards before leaving midway through the third period. Sherrard rushed for 93 yards on 17 carries. For Central, Emilio Iniguez ran for a game-high 112 yards on 20 carries.

Sherrard and linebacker Lann Olson received respective GNAC offensive and defensive Player of the Week honors for their performances.

COACH SMITH:
"A gutty, gutty win by a group of players that had experienced a season full of frustration. We were 1-6, something that none of us had expected, nor experienced before, and Central was a better team. But our kids persevered, never lost hope, and made the plays when it counted. As a result of this win, we were able to turn it around and win another conference championship."

NUMBER 9 Undefeated season becomes reality for Vikings

NOVEMBER 11, 1995, AT BELLINGHAM, WASH.
WESTERN 37, WESTERN OREGON 21

Running back Jon Brunaugh reached the 4,000-mark in career rushing yards and wide receiver Chris Nicholl tied a school record with three touchdown catches as Western defeated Western Oregon, 37-21, in a Columbia Football Association-Mount Rainier League contest at Civic Stadium. The Vikings ended their regular season at 9-0 and won the MRL title with a perfect 5-0 mark.

Brunaugh upped his career rushing total to exactly 4,000 yards and surpassed 1,000 in a season for the third time as he ran for 169 yards (6.3 avg.) and two touchdowns of 11 and 1 yards.

Nicholl, who earned CFA and MRL Offensive Player of the Week honors, caught six passes for 169 yards. His three touchdown grabs of 32, 71 and 5 yards, all in the first half, gave him a school-record nine for the season.

The Viking defense sacked WOSC quarterback Brian Traeger 11 times for minus-67 yards, seven in the first half, and held the Wolves to 36 yards rushing. Cornerback Orlondo Steinauer intercepted his NAIA-leading 10th pass of the season, breaking school and CFA records.

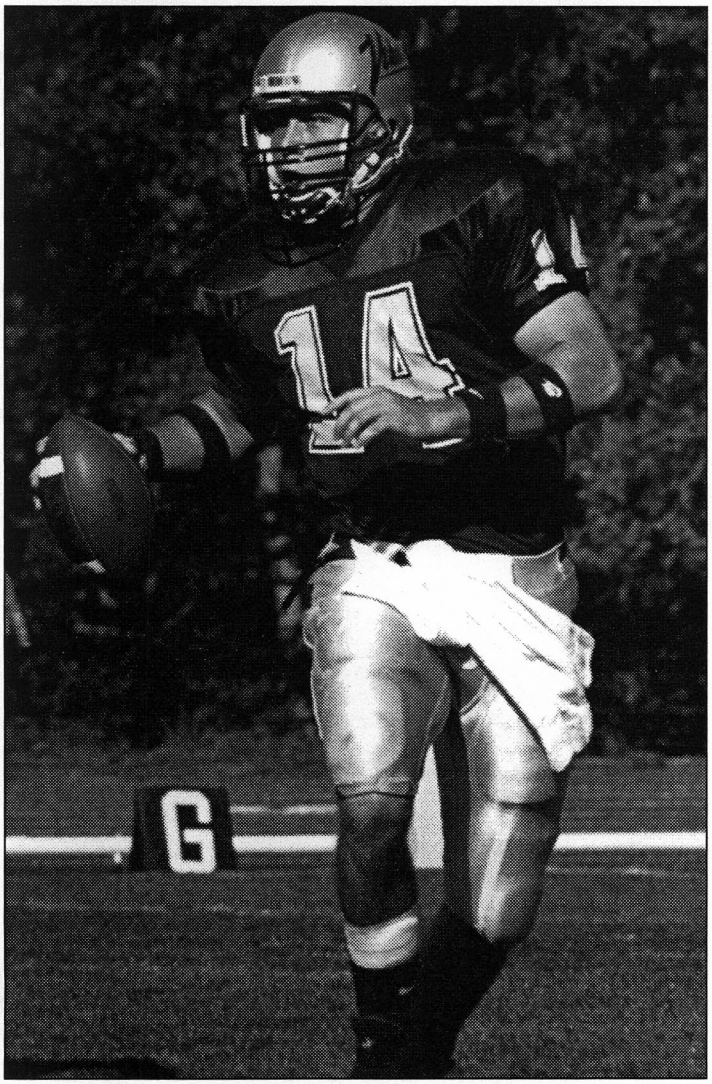
Western held a 28-0 halftime advantage, outgaining the Wolves 311 to 91 in total yards during the first two quarters.

Traeger completed 22 of 34 passes for 317 yards. He scored on an 18-yard run midway through the third quarter to cut the Vikings' lead to 28-14 and later scored on a 1-yard plunge in the fourth quarter.

Western Oregon receiver Jeff Murphy caught a school-record 14 passes for 196 yards. He also returned four kickoffs for 89 yards.

Western quarterback Jason Stiles completed 10 of 20 passes for 214 yards and two touchdowns.

COACH SMITH:
"Undefeated seasons are rare in this business, and this win gave us a perfect 9-0 regular season. A great accomplishment for the players and coaches on that team."



QB Jason Stiles helped Western to undefeated regular season in 1995

NUMBER 8

Vikings post first victory over Lutes since 1976

SEPTEMBER 16, 1995, AT BELLINGHAM, WASH.
WESTERN 30, PACIFIC LUTHERAN 26

Quarterback Jason Stiles completed 22 of 31 passes for 348 yards and two touchdowns, leading Western to its first victory over Pacific Lutheran since 1976 in a CFA inter-league contest between two NAIA Division II Top 10 nationally-ranked teams at Civic Stadium.

The Vikings, rated sixth, snapped an 18-game winless streak against the Lutes with the season-opening victory. PLU was ranked No.5.

Western grabbed a 14-0 lead in the first seven minutes as Stiles hit wide receiver Chris Nicholl for a 7-yard touchdown on the opening series, and running back Jon Brunaugh followed up with a 9-yard score on the Vikings' second drive. Stiles' passing yardage was the fifth highest total in school history.

Brunaugh ran for 121 yards on 31 carries, becoming only the third Western player to reach 3,000 career rushing yards.

Western never relinquished the lead, but PLU did close to within four, 24-20, on Corey Bray's second touchdown of the game, a 7-yard run, with 1:52 left in the third quarter. The extra point attempt failed because of a bad snap.

Nicholl had seven receptions for 138 yards and two touchdowns for Western, and wide receiver Mario Casello had nine catches for 146.

Wade Gebers kicked field goals of 18, 36 and 24 yards for Western and also added three extra points.

Running back Brian Van Valey rushed for 111 yards on 10 carries for the Lutes and added 24 yards on five receptions.

PLU was stopped four times during the game on fourth-down plays in Western territory, including a pair of fourth-and-one plays in the first half.

Western's last victory over PLU was a 48-28 triumph in the 1976 NAIA District 1 Championship game, although the two teams tied, 13-13, in 1987. The Vikings' last regular-season triumph over the Lutes was a 26-13 decision in 1966.

Stiles' performance earned him NAIA, CFA and MRL Player of the Week honors.

COACH SMITH:
"PLU had been a real nemesis of ours. We had them beat in '91, but two critical mistakes late cost us. And in the playoffs in '94 we had two shots at the end zone in the last few seconds and couldn't get it done, so this win was sweet."

NUMBER 7

Vikings open season with win under first-year head coach Rob Smith

SEPTEMBER 16, 1989, AT SPOKANE, WASH.
WESTERN 24, WHITWORTH 9

Dominating the second half, Western defeated Whitworth in its season-opener at the Pine Bowl. It was the first win for first-year head coach Rob Smith.

Trailing 7-6 at halftime, the Vikings had a 270-52 advantage in total yardage over the last two quarters as they outscored the Pirates 18-2.

Tailback Scott Lohr ran for 129 yards on 33 carries, including an 8-yard touchdown run.

Quarterback Kirk Kriskovich passed for 238 yards, hitting wide receiver Mike Carrington and tight end Kirk Schneider with 42-yard and 8-yard touchdown passes, respectively.

Safety Kelly Susee had 11 tackles, six unassisted, and cornerback Steve Glover intercepted two passes to pace a defense that limited Whitworth to 192 yards.

The Pirates' only touchdown was set up on a 39-yard fingertip catch by Shawn Wambach that put the ball on the Western 1. Tailback Mark Linden catapulted over for the score.

Linden had 19 carries for 90 yards, but picked up only 30 in the second half. Whitworth's other points came on a fluke play. On a 2-point conversion attempt Kriskovich fumbled when hit by Brent Busby. Scott Lopez picked up the loose ball and ran 87 yards for a two-point defensive point after touchdown.

Dan Clemensen kicked field goals of 26 and 39 yards for Western, the first coming after linebacker Marty Starkovich intercepted a pass and returned it 30 yards to the Pirate 10-yard line. Viking receiver Jake Bell caught 4 passes for 80 yards.

COACH SMITH:
"First wins are always special, and this was mine."

NUMBER 6

Viking defense makes huge stop in heart-stopping triumph

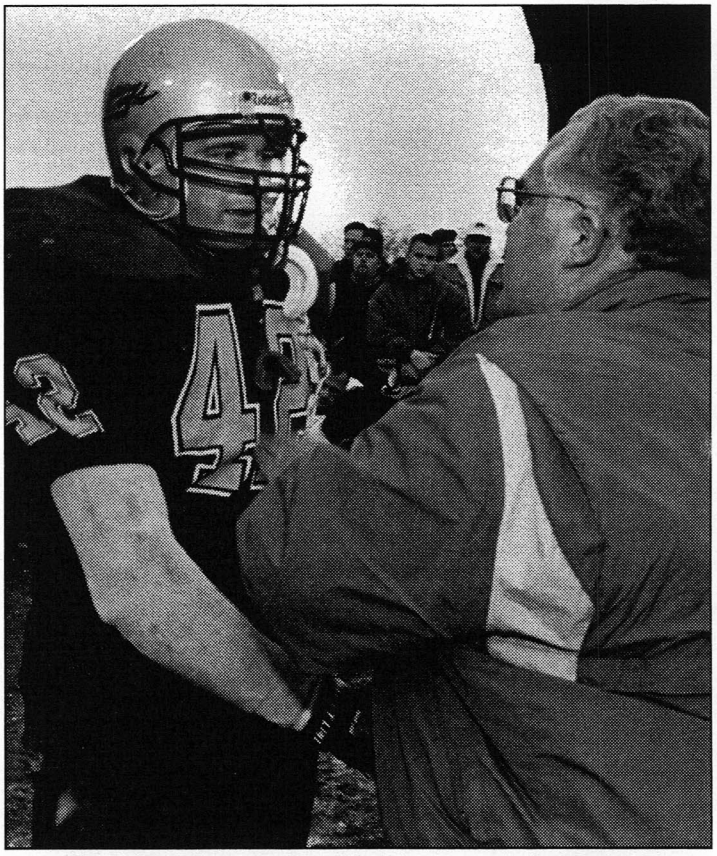
NOVEMBER 23, 1996 AT BELLINGHAM, WASH.
WESTERN 21, PACIFIC LUTHERAN 20 (OVERTIME)

Pacific Lutheran quarterback Dak Jordan was stopped on the 1-yard line on a game-deciding two-point conversion attempt in overtime as Western rallied from a 14-point first-half deficit to defeat the Lutes, 21-20, in an opening-round NAIA Division II national playoff game.

Western linebacker Tim Hanson, who had a team-high 14 tackles and an interception, was named Defensive Player of the Game and PLU running back Peter Finstuen, who ran for 118 yards on 23 carries and had 11 receptions for 90 yards and a touchdown, was the Offensive Player of the Game.

After regulation ended with the score tied, 14-14, the game moved to a tiebreaker, with Western getting the ball first.

The Vikings scored on a 2-yard run by quarterback Darren Erath and Wade Gebers kicked the extra point. In PLU's half of the overtime, Jordan passed to Karl Lerum for a touchdown on fourth-and-goal from the



Tim Hanson (42) receives Defensive Player of the Game honors

12, but the Lutes' two-point attempt failed when Jordan, rolling to his right, was tackled by Western's Jeremy Hader and Michael Johnson.

Western trailed at the half for the first time this season, 14-3, but rallied to tie the game with 10 minutes left. Erath hit tight end Erik Morin for a 12-yard touchdown late in the third quarter, then found Mario Casello on the two-point conversion. Gebers tied the score at 14-all on a 20-yard field goal.

PLU had an opportunity to win the game on the final play of regulation time, but Chris Maciejewski missed a 24-yard field goal attempt.

The Lutes opened the scoring midway through the first quarter as linebacker Travis Hale intercepted a screen pass and returned it 26 yards for a touchdown.

PLU stretched the lead to 14-0 with 2:01 remaining in the half on a 10-yard touchdown pass from Jordan to Finstuen.

Gebers narrowed the gap to 14-3 on a 22-yard field goal with 11 seconds left in the half. Gebers' two field goals gave him 45 for his career, breaking the school and CFA record formerly held by Peter LaBarge.

Erath completed 19 of 37 passes for 256 yards and a touchdown, but was intercepted four times. Jordan was 20 of 34 for 166 yards, with two touchdowns and two interceptions.

COACH SMITH:
"From a fan standpoint, maybe the most exciting game we've had. To come back from being down by 14, and win a playoff game in overtime as we did, was huge. It helped remove some of the sting of losing our first-round playoff game at home the year before."

NUMBER 5 Vikings knock off NCAA I-AA Mustangs

SEPTEMBER 29, 2001, AT SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF.
WESTERN 17, CAL POLY 9

Redshirt freshman Michael Koenen kicked three field goals and helped preserve an eight-point lead by averaging 56 yards on three fourth-quarter punts as Western defeated NCAA Division I-AA Cal Poly, 17-9, in a non-conference game at Mustang Stadium.
Cal Poly had three fourth-quarter drives, but all of them started deep in Mustang territory despite Western not picking up a first down in the period. The Mustangs moved 49 yards in eight plays to reach the Viking 32 with less than seven minutes left, but on fourth-and-1, quarterback Seth Burford was stopped on a sneak.

Western held a 14-9 lead at halftime, and extended the margin to 17-9 on a 45-yard field goal by Koenen with 7:49 left in the third quarter. The Vikings had just 25 yards of offense the rest of the game, but Koenen punts of 63, 58 and 47 yards kept the Mustangs from getting good field position. For the game, Koenen averaged 45.8 yards on five attempts.

Cal Poly scored just 58 seconds into the game as Darrell Jones took a screen pass from Burford and went 74 yards down the right sideline for a touchdown.

Western responded with three consecutive scores, as Koenen connected on field goals of 25 and 31 yards, and quarterback Scott Mitchell hit wide receiver Greg Dykstra for a 15-yard touchdown. The subsequent two-point conversion run by running back Nyle Chambers gave the Vikings a 14-7 lead early in the second quarter. Cal Poly narrowed the gap to 14-9 when Mitchell fumbled while being tackled in the end zone and batted the ball out of play.

Mitchell completed 16-of-24 passes for 174 yards and ran for 53 yards on 11 carries. He had a streak of 164 consecutive passes without an interception snapped in the first quarter, but it wasn't costly, as Cal Poly linebacker Isaac Dixon fumbled, and Western recovered, leading to Koenen's second field goal.

Chambers had a game-high 80 yards on 21 carries for the Vikings, who had 232 of their 302 total yards in the first half.

Burford completed 20-of-31 passes for 274 yards, and ran for 61 yards on 15 carries, accounting for 335 of Cal Poly's 367 yards of offense.

Linebacker Derek Noble led Western's defense with eight tackles, and tackle Steve Bernardy had three stops, all for losses.

COACH SMITH:
"A great team performance in defeating a fully-funded Division I-AA program. Cal Poly had defeated two Big Sky schools earlier in the season and I don't believe it had a great deal of respect for the Vikings. I think they felt differently after the game."

NUMBER 4 Vikings end 22-year Ellensburg victory drought

OCTOBER 16, 1999 AT ELLENSBURG, WASH.
WESTERN 27, CENTRAL WASHINGTON 7

Quarterback Scott Mitchell ran for 106 yards on 15 carries, the first 100-yard rushing performance ever by a Western quarterback, as the Vikings defeated arch-rival Central Washington, 27-7, in a Columbia Football Association game before a crowd of 5,000 at Tomlinson Stadium.

It was Western's first victory over the Wildcats since 1995 and the first at Central, rated No.10 in the NCAA II West Region, since 1977, snapping a streak of 10 losses at Ellensburg.

Mitchell, who scored on a 35-yard run in the third quarter, completed 10-of-15 passes for 121 yards.

Western opened up a 10-0 lead early the second quarter. Josh Bailey hit a 36-yard field goal in the first quarter, then running back Georgio Usai, who rushed for 105 yards on 26 carries, scored on an 11-yard run.

Central responded later in the period as running back Dan Murphy scored on a 5-yard pass from freshman backup quarterback Zak Hill.

The Wildcats had an opportunity to tie the game on the opening series of the third quarter, but Shaun Morris missed a 32-yard field goal. Western then extended its lead to 20-7 by the end of the period on Mitchell's scoring run and a 28-yard field goal by Bailey.

The Vikings put the game completely out of reach two minutes into the fourth period, as defensive tackle Mark Bone recovered a Wildcat fumble in the end zone for a touchdown.

The twin 100-yard rushing performances by Usai and Mitchell marked the first time Western had two 100-yard rushers in a game since 1987, when Scott Lohr (116) and Mike Nelson (104) did it in a 35-18 victory at Lewis and Clark.

Hill completed 17-of-31 passes for 179 yards with two interceptions and a touchdown after replacing starter Pete Kalasountas midway through the first quarter. Kalasountas left the game with a separated shoulder and did not return.

Western had a 328-266 edge in total offense, holding the Wildcats to 83 yards rushing. Defensive end Dan Ball had two sacks for the Vikings and cornerback Mike Perez had two interceptions.

It was the first Western victory over Central in four meetings since the Cascade Cup trophy was introduced to the rivalry in 1996.

Western defensive tackle Matt Alderman was named CFA Defensive Player of the Week. He was credited with five tackles, including one quarterback sack, two quarterback pressures and tipped a pass that was intercepted.

COACH SMITH:
"This was a game we had targeted for some time. The week of the game, we had former players come back and speak to the team about the Western-Central rivalry, and what this rivalry meant to them. I think our players realized that when you play in a rival game like this, you play for much more than just that one game. A great defensive performance by the Vikings."

NUMBER 3 Vikings shock No.1 Linfield in first round of national playoffs

NOVEMBER 19, 1994, AT McMINNVILLE, ORE.
WESTERN 21, LINFIELD 2

Running back Jon Brunaugh ran for 184 yards and two touchdowns and the Viking defense held the CFA's top offense to 122 yards as No.9-ranked Western shocked No.1-rated Linfield in the first round of the NAIA Division II national playoffs.

It was the Vikings' first national playoff victory and snapped an eight-game Linfield winning streak. Western's win avenged a 26-0 loss at Linfield in its only other national playoff appearance in 1992 as well as a 25-12 loss to the Wildcats earlier in the season at Bellingham.

The Vikings had 169 net rushing yards against a Linfield defense that ranked No.1 nationally against the run, allowing just 36.1 yards per game.

Brunaugh, who suffered a severely sprained ankle in the first meeting with Linfield that hampered him for most of the season, scored on a 53-yard run in the third quarter and on an 8-yard run in the fourth quarter. That gave Western a 21-0 lead. Brunaugh was named the Offensive Player of the Game.

Linfield's only points came on a safety with 4:34 left in the game when Western punter Erik Morin intentionally ran out of the end zone.

The Vikings led 7-0 at halftime, quarterback Jason Stiles throwing a 54-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Eric Meek in the second quarter. Stiles passed for 147 yards, completing 15 of 23 attempts. Meek had six catches for 81 yards.

Wade Gebers kicked all three extra points for Western.

Western's defense held the CFA's No.1 offense to 28 yards rushing and 94 yards passing. The Vikings intercepted two passes and had three quarterback sacks. Free safety Greg Malo intercepted a pass for the fourth straight game.

Linebacker Mike Sweat had a team-high 12 tackles for Western, including two for losses. He was named Defensive Player of the Game. Rover Bill Christensen had seven tackles.

COACH SMITH:
"Our first playoff win, against a team that was undefeated, ranked number one, and had completely handled us early in the season. A dominating team performance by us."

NUMBER 2 Vikings end 13-game series losing streak, which dated back to 1978

NOVEMBER 14, 1992, AT BELLINGHAM, WASH.
WESTERN 37, CENTRAL WASHINGTON 7

Wide receiver Mark Watters caught five passes for 143 yards and tied a school record with three touchdown receptions, leading Western to a 37-7 victory over arch-rival Central Washington in a Columbia Football Association-Mount Rainier League game at Civic Stadium.

A Homecoming crowd of 4,100 saw the Vikings snap a 13-game series winning streak for Central, dating back to 1978.

The Vikings jumped to a 15-0 lead in the first quarter as quarterback Jason Stiles threw two touchdown passes in the first 6:16. Stiles aggravated a knee injury later in the first quarter, but backup Matt Ness came on to throw for three more scores.

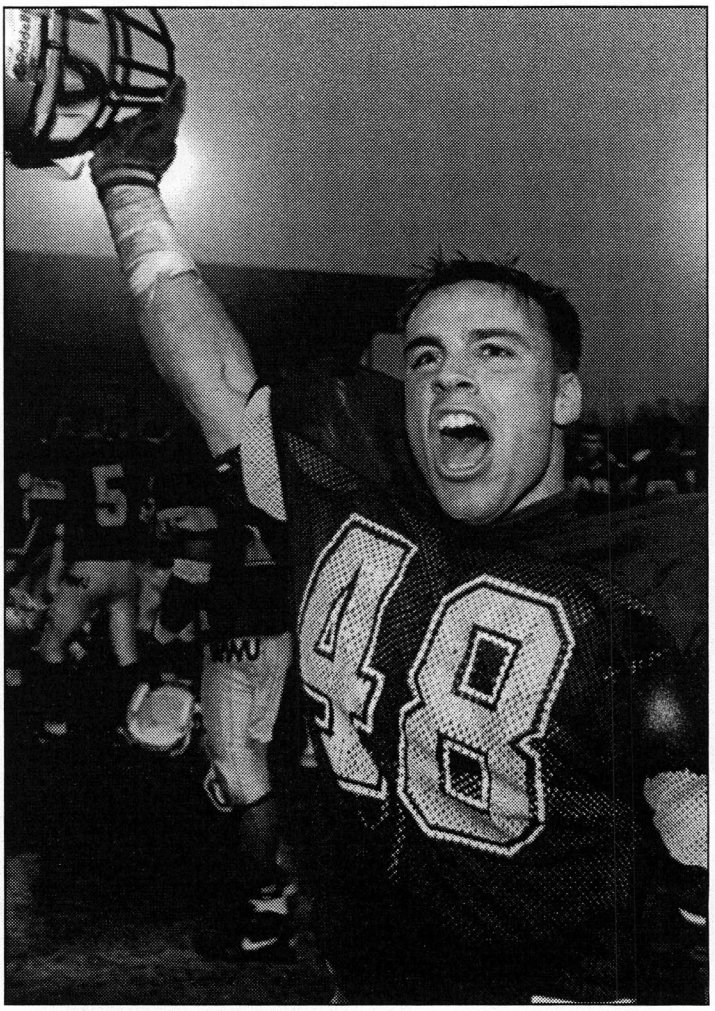
The five touchdown passes were a team record and Ness' three scoring tosses tied a school individual record. Tight end Jerome Johnson and slotback Eric Meek had the other two touchdown grabs.

The 37 points were the most Western has ever scored against the Wildcats.

Western held Central, which entered the game fourth nationally in total offense at 450 yards a game, to 112 yards, including minus-30 rushing. The Vikings forced five turnovers, blocked a punt and had seven quarterback sacks. Cornerback Orlondo Steinauer had two interceptions, while end Mike McLaury recovered two fumbles. Strong safety Shane Volkmann blocked the punt that led to Western's first TD.

Central got its only touchdown on a 2-yard run by running back Joey McCanna late in the first half to cap a 10-play, 62-yard drive.

COACH SMITH:
"Maybe the game that signified our arrival as a program. We dominated Central in every aspect, and this win gave our program its first national playoff berth. A game where just about everything worked ... as a coach you live for days like that."



Shane Volkmann celebrates victory over Central in 1992 that snapped Vikings' 13-game series losing streak to Wildcats

NUMBER 1

Viking offense responds in upset victory

DECEMBER 14, 1996, AT FINDLAY, OHIO
WESTERN 28, FINDLAY 21

Quarterback Darren Erath completed 26 of 35 passes for 242 yards and three first-half touchdowns as the Vikings upset nationally No.1-ranked and defending national co-champion Findlay, 28-21, on the road in a NAIA Division II national semifinal playoff contest.

Findlay trailed 28-13 late in the fourth period, but closed to 28-21 on a 10-yard pass from quarterback Bo Hurley to Walter Jackson and Hurley's two-point conversion pass to Troy Pearson with 2:49 left. Western, however, recovered the onside kick and ran out all but the last five seconds of time.

Erath, the Offensive Player of the Game, threw touchdown passes on Western's first three possessions as the Vikings opened up a 21-7 lead midway through the second quarter. After Findlay fumbled on the opening series of the game, Western moved 64 yards on seven plays, five of them Erath completions, capped by a 17-yard touchdown pass to tight end Erik Morin.

After Findlay tied the game on a 57-yard run by Hurley, Erath hit wide receiver Chris Nicholl for a 2-yard touchdown pass early in the second quarter, capping a 17-play, 99-yard drive. Erath's third scoring pass came later in the period on a 7-yard toss to wide receiver Mario Casello.

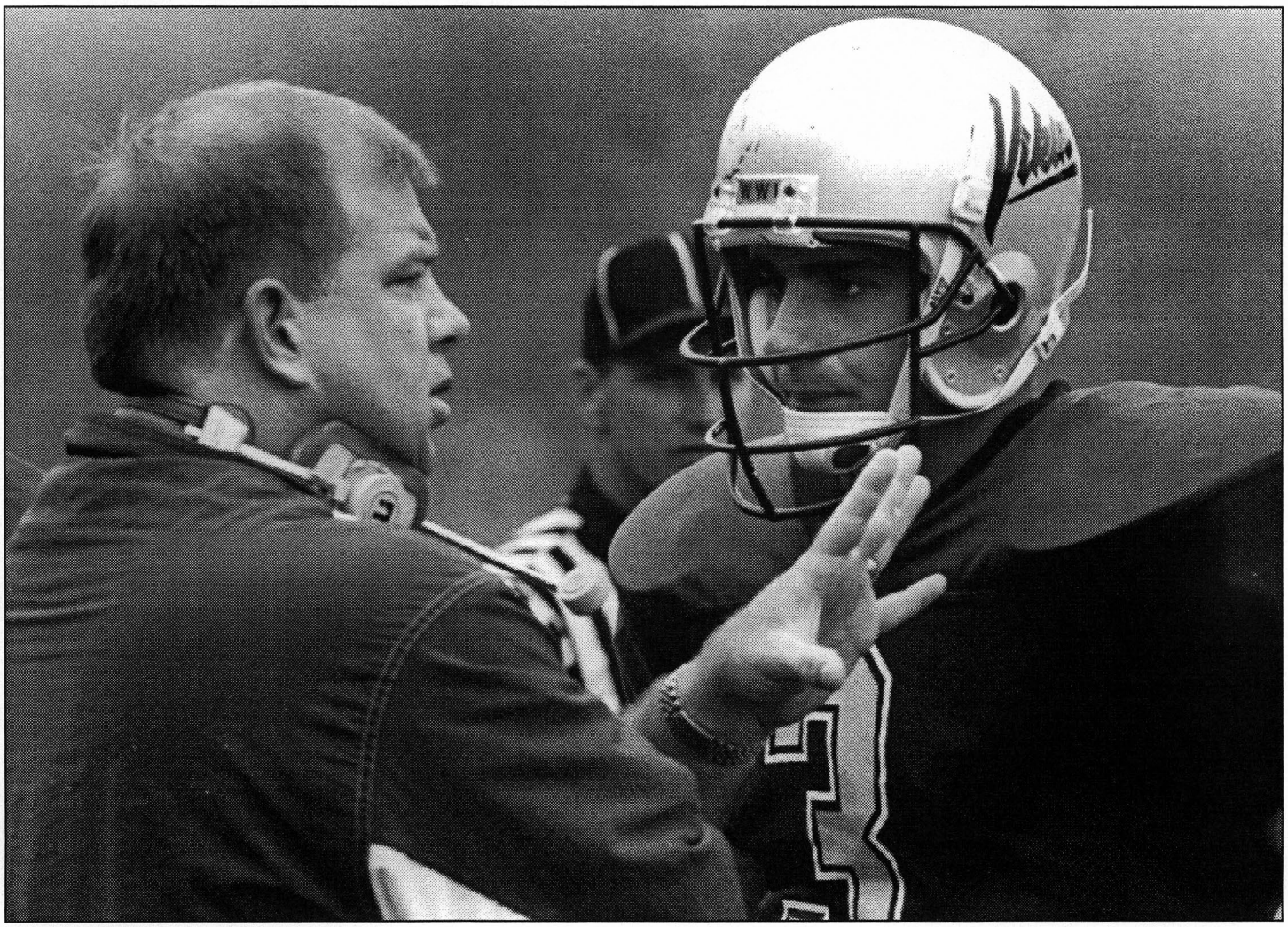
Findlay closed to 21-13 late in the half on an 8-yard run by Hurley. Hurley ran for 107 yards on seven carries in the first half, but was slowed by an ankle injury suffered in the third quarter and finished with 97 yards on 12 attempts. He also completed 18 of 24 passes for 188 yards and a touchdown.

Western running back Ryan Wiggins ran for 140 yards on 37 carries, and scored on a 2-yard run in the third quarter. Nicholl had eight catches for 81 yards and a touchdown, and slotback Matt Williamson added eight receptions for 65 yards.

Western linebacker Mark Spencer, who made 15 tackles, was named Defensive Player of the Game for the second straight week. Rover Jeremy Hader forced Findlay's first-quarter fumble and also blocked an extra-point attempt.

Findlay actually had more yards of offense, 429-386, but the Vikings had a 27-23 edge in first downs and an advantage of more than six minutes in time of possession.

COACH SMITH:
"The win that put us in the national championship game. I watched Findlay play the year before and commented to my coaches afterwards that I didn't think we were capable of beating such a physical team. To not only beat them, but to do so in such an important game, on their field where they hadn't lost in 30 some games, was a great accomplishment for our program."



Smith confers with quarterback Darren Erath

SMITH'S ALL-TIME VIKING TEAM

(does not include current players)

OFFENSE

Quarterback

Jason Stiles *(1992-95)* - Threw for school-record 7,854 yards and 67 touchdowns during four-year career. At one time, held nine school career records. One of just three players in school history to lead team in passing four years. Played two years with Portland in Arena Football League.

Scott Mitchell *(1999-2001)* - Finalist for Harlon Hill Trophy awarded to Division II Player of the Year and Great Northwest Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 2001. Had three-year career totals of 7,139 passing yards and school-record 67 touchdown passes. Finished with .617 passing percentage and 7,877 total yards, both school records. One of just three players in school history to have two 2,000-yard passing seasons.

Running Back

Jon Brunaugh *(1992-95)* - Ran for 279 yards in one game and 4,073 career yards, both school records. Had three 1,000-yard rushing seasons, the only player in school history to have more than one. Four-time first-team Little All-Northwest and Columbia Football Association all-star. Team rushing leader four years.

Scott Lohr *(1986-89)* - Ran for 1,395 yards and scored 120 points in 1989, both school records. Finished with 3,587 career rushing yards and then school-record 266 career points. Led team in rushing four times. Tied school record twice by scoring four touchdowns in one game.

Wide Receiver

Chris Nicholl *(1993-96)* - Caught 82 passes for 1,584 yards in 1996, both school records. Finished career with 170 receptions for 3,268 yards and 30 touchdowns. The yardage total was a Northwest small college and school record. Columbia Football Association Offensive Player of the Year in 1996.

Greg Dykstra *(1999-2002)* - Ended career with 181 catches for 2,720 yards and school-record tying 30 touchdowns. Caught at least one pass in school-record 38 consecutive games. Led team in receiving three straight years.

Ben Clampitt *(1998-99)* - In two years, caught 138 passes for 2,481 yards and 24 touchdowns. Had school-record 295 receiving yards in one game. Columbia Football Association Offensive Player of the Year in 1999.

Tight End

Kirk Schneider *(1988-89)* - Caught 74 passes for 973 yards during two-year career.

Line

Nick Giralmo *(1998-2001)* - West Region all-star in 2001 and two-time second-team All-American. Helped Western fifth nationally in passing offense (303.3) in 1998 and eighth nationally in scoring offense (37.8) in 2000.

Travis Cruse *(1992-95)* - Three-time Little All-Northwest choice and twice honorable mention NAIA All-American. Helped Vikings rank fifth nationally in scoring offense (37.0) and eighth in total offense (453.9) in 1995.

Todd Walcker *(1994-97)* - Second-team NAIA All-American in 1996 and twice honorable mention All-American. Helped Western rank sixth nationally in passing offense (258.5) and 10th in total offense (421.7) in 1996.

Jon Garber *(1992)* - Second-team NAIA All-American. Transfer from Brigham Young University. Went on to play in Arena Football League.

Joaquin Paratore-McNabb *(1999-2002)* - Started all 42 games during his four-year career. Helped Vikings rank 12th nationally in passing offense (274.7) in 2002.

Placekicker

Wade Gebers *(1993-96)* - School's only two-time, first-team football NAIA All-American. Set school career record with 267 points and tied for national kick-scoring lead in 1995 with 93 points. Tied for third among NAIA career leaders in field goals with 47, five short of record. Finished career connecting on 126-of-146 PATs (.863) and 47-of-80 field goals (.588), all school records.

DEFENSE

Line

Matt Alderman *(1996-99)* - First-team Little All-Northwest and Columbia Football Association all-star in 1999 on defensive unit that ranked third nationally in rushing defense (79.1) and 15th in total defense.

Mark Bone *(1996-99)* - First-team Little All-Northwest and unanimous Columbia Football Association all-star in 1999 on defensive unit that ranked No.3 nationally in rushing defense (79.1) and No.15 in total defense (272.0). Finished career with 55 tackles for loss and 30 quarterback sacks.

Steve Bernardy *(1998-2001)* - First-team Little All-Northwest and unanimous Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star in 2001. Credited with 14 tackles for loss.

End

Chad Rohrbaugh *(1994-97)* - Second-team NAIA All-American in 1997. Set school career records for quarterback sacks (45) and tackles for loss (71). Played one year with Edmonton in Canadian Football League.

Coley Beaman *(1992, 1994-96)* - Honorable mention NAIA All-American in 1996. Twice first-team Little All-Northwest and Columbia Football Association all-star. Member of defensive unit that led CFA in every team defensive category in 1996, ranking seventh nationally in rushing defense (99.5) that season and sixth (88.4) in 1995.

Linebacker

Mark Spencer *(1994-97)* - First-team NAIA All-American in 1997 and second-team choice in 1996. Credited with 400 career tackles. Columbia Football Association Defensive Player of the Year in 1997.

Bill Christensen *(1993-94)* - First-team NAIA All-American and Columbia Football Association Defensive Player of the Year in 1994, helping Western lead the nation in scoring defense (12.5 avg.) as well as rank third nationally in rushing defense (76.0) and fifth in total defense (260.3).

Lance Gustafson *(1997-2000)* - First-team Little All-Northwest and Columbia Football Association all-star in 2000 with team-high 71 tackles. Returned two interceptions for touchdowns, tying school record. Team leader in tackles in 1999 with 87, helping Vikings rank No.3 nationally in rushing defense (79.1) and No.15 in total defense.

Lynton Hyde *(1989-92)* - Twice a first-team Columbia Football Association all-star. Led team in tackles in 1992 (87) and 1991 (116), and was runnerup in 1990 (100). Helped Western rank ninth nationally in rushing defense (100.3) in 1991.

Safety

Kelly Susee *(1986-89)* - Second-team NAIA All-American in 1989 and three-time first-team Columbia Football Association all-star. Led team with 92 tackles and four pass interceptions as senior.

Randy Carter *(1993-1996)* - Started every game during four-year career until suffering knee injury in first playoff game and missing post-season run to national championship contest. Little All-Northwest and unanimous Columbia Football Association all-star in 1996, and helped Western rank seventh nationally in scoring defense (13.7) in 1995. Credited with 216 career tackles and intercepted 10 passes.

Erik Totten *(1998-2001)* - Set school career records for yards returned punts (1,242) and kickoffs (1, 346). Two-time consensus All-American and first player in school history to appear in NFL regular-season game.

Shane Volkmann *(1989-92)* - Second-team NAIA All-American in 1992. Set school career record with eight blocked kicks. Set school career record for kickoff return yardage.

Cornerback

Orlondo Steinauer *(1992-95)* - Consensus first-team All-American and Columbia Football Association Defensive Player of the Year in 1995. Led nation in pass interceptions with 10 on defensive unit that ranked seventh nationally in scoring defense (13.7). Currently enjoying standout career in Canadian Football League, three times earning all-star honors and playing in the 1997 and 1998 Grey Cup games.

Anthony Dalton *(2001-02)* - Honorable mention D2Football.com All-American in 2002 and Great Northwest Athletic Conference Newcomer of the Year in 2001. Played in Cactus Bowl Senior All-Star Game.

Punter

Erik Morin *(1994-97)* - Second-team Little All-Northwest and first-team Columbia Football Association all-star in 1997, averaging 39.3 yards to rank ninth nationally. Also standout tight end.

ROAD TO 100 ...

1989

#1	Sept. 16	24	@Whitworth	9
#2	Sept. 23	41	Western Oregon	6
#3	Oct. 7	46	@Simon Fraser	18
#4	Oct. 14	48	Willamette	7
#5	Oct. 21	38	@Eastern Oregon	16
#6	Nov. 4	43	Puget Sound	15
#7	Nov. 11	27	@Linfield	24

1990

#8	Sept. 22	30	@Western Oregon	22
#9	Oct. 6	14	Simon Fraser	7
#10	Oct. 20	42	Eastern Oregon	33

1991

#11	Sept. 21	35	Western Oregon	7
#12	Oct. 5	26	@Simon Fraser	21
#13	Oct. 19	27	Puget Sound	9
#14	Nov. 2	30	@Pacific	10
#15	Nov. 9	17	Whitworth	3

1992

#16	Sept. 19	27	@Western Oregon	10
#17	Sept. 26	31	Eastern Oregon	17
#18	Oct. 17	28	@Puget Sound	0
#19	Oct. 24	34	Lewis & Clark	6
#20	Oct. 31	24	British Columbia	14
#21	Nov. 7	39	@Whitworth	14
#22	Nov. 14	37	Central Washington	7

1993

#23	Sept. 18	30	Western Oregon	13
#24	Sept. 25	37	Willamette	28
#25	Oct. 9	52	@Southern Oregon	26
#26	Oct. 16	43	Whitworth	30
#27	Oct. 23	31	@Puget Sound	13
#28	Oct. 30	13	Simon Fraser	9

1994

#29	Sept. 17	31	@Western Oregon	7
#30	Sept. 24	42	@Willamette	14
#31	Oct. 1	40	Southern Oregon	20
#32	Oct. 15	45	@Whitworth	0
#33	Oct. 22	48	Puget Sound	3
#34	Oct. 29	42	@Simon Fraser	3
#35	Nov. 12	10	Central Washington	3
#36	Nov. 19	21	@Linfield	2

1995

#37	Sept. 16	30	Pacific Lutheran	26
#38	Sept. 23	52	@Puget Sound	7
#39	Sept. 30	36	Whitworth	7
#40	Oct. 7	20	@Linfield	13
#41	Oct. 14	54	Southern Oregon	6
#42	Oct. 21	19	Central Washington	16
#43	Oct. 28	56	@Eastern Oregon	13
#44	Nov. 4	45	Simon Fraser	0
#45	Nov. 11	37	Western Oregon	21

1996

#46	Sept. 21	34	@Pacific Lutheran	17
#47	Sept. 28	40	Puget Sound	0
#48	Oct. 5	56	@Whitworth	13
#49	Oct. 12	32	Linfield	14
#50	Oct. 19	21	@Southern Oregon	14
#51	Nov. 2	25	Eastern Oregon	6
#52	Nov. 9	22	Simon Fraser	0
#53	Nov. 16	28	@Western Oregon	20
#54	Nov. 23	21	Pacific Lutheran	20 OT
#55	Dec. 7	13	Willamette	12
#56	Dec. 14	28	@Findlay OH	21

1997

#57	Sept. 13	35	Chapman CA	0
#58	Sept. 27	28	@Linfield	17
#59	Oct. 11	45	@Humboldt State	7
#60	Oct. 25	31	Simon Fraser	0
#61	Nov. 15	27	Southern Oregon	26

1998

#62	Sept. 12	21	@Chapman	14
#63	Sept. 26	40	Western Montana	10
#64	Oct. 3	36	Humboldt State	17
#65	Oct. 24	44	@Simon Fraser	0
#66	Oct. 31	41	@Western Oregon	36

1999

#67	Sept. 18	45	Wisconsin-Whitewater	14
#68	Sept. 25	20	Saint Mary's CA	7
#69	Oct. 2	49	Western New Mexico	21
#70	Oct. 9	45	@Simon Fraser	0
#71	Oct. 16	27	@Central Washington	7
#72	Oct. 23	26	Chadron State NE	14
#73	Oct. 30	58	@Humboldt State	0
#74	Nov. 6	21	Western Oregon	20

2000

#75	Sept. 9	30	@Saint Mary's CA	20
#76	Sept. 16	41	West Texas A&M	17
#77	Sept. 23	62	Western Montana	3
#78	Sept. 30	35	Central Washington	22
#79	Oct. 7	49	Western New Mexico	7
#80	Oct. 28	55	Simon Fraser	13
#81	Nov. 4	42	Humboldt State	7

2001

#82	Sept. 8	48	@Fort Lewis CO	10
#83	Sept. 15	77	Montana-Western	0
#84	Sept. 29	17	@Cal Poly	9
#85	Oct. 6	45	South Dakota State	28
#86	Oct. 13	36	Central Washington	14
#87	Oct. 20	41	Humboldt State	7
#88	Oct. 27	24	@New Haven CT	21
#89	Nov. 3	46	Western Oregon	14

2002

#90	Sept. 5	24	@Central Oklahoma	16
#91	Sept. 14	52	Fort Lewis CO	14
#92	Sept. 28	31	@Saint Mary's CA	28
#93	Oct. 5	62	Western New Mexico	13
#94	Oct. 26	27	Humboldt State	7
#95	Nov. 9	20	Western Oregon	17 3OT

2003

#96	Sept. 27	42	Saint Mary's CA	35
#97	Oct. 25	17	CENTRAL WA	16
#98	Nov. 1	34	at Humboldt State	20
#99	Nov. 15	17	WESTERN OREGON	13

2004

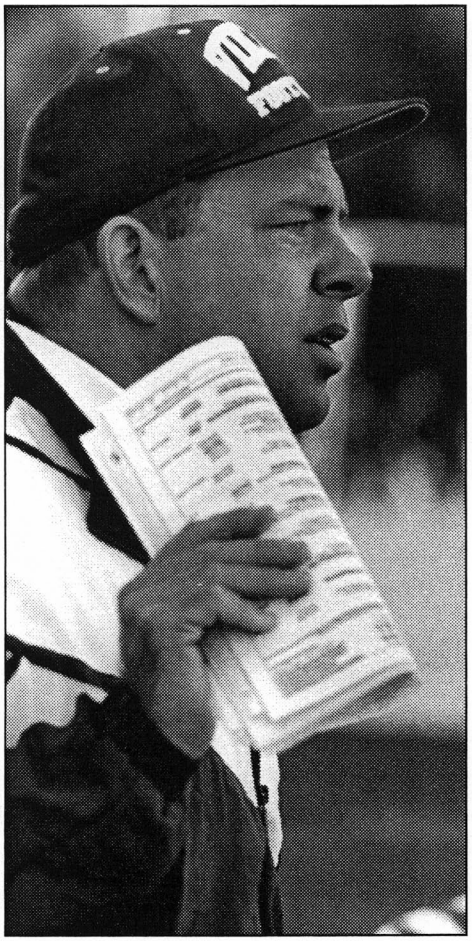
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Smith vs. ...

British Columbia	1	–	0	
Cal Poly	1	–	0	
Central Oklahoma	1	–	1	
Central Washington	7	–	10	
Chapman CA	2	–	0	
Chadron State NE	1	–	0	
Eastern Oregon	5	–	2	
Eastern Washington	0	–	1	
Findlay OH	1	–	0	
Fort Lewis CO	2	–	0	
Humboldt State	7	–	0	
Lewis & Clark OR	1	–	0	*
Linfield OR	5	–	4	
Montana	0	–	1	
Montana State	0	–	1	
Montana-Western	3	–	0	
Nebraska-Omaha	0	–	1	
New Haven CT	1	–	1	
Northeastern State OK	0	–	1	
Northern Colorado	0	–	1	
Pacific OR	1	–	0	
Pacific Lutheran WA	3	–	8	
Portland State OR	0	–	2	
Puget Sound	7	–	1	
St. Cloud State MN	0	–	1	
Saint Mary's CA	4	–	0	
Simon Fraser BC	11	–	1	
Sioux Falls SD	0	–	1	
South Dakota State	1	–	1	
Southern Oregon	5	–	1	
UC Davis	0	–	7	
West Texas A&M	1	–	0	
Western New Mexico	3	–	0	
Western Oregon	13	–	3	
Whitworth WA	7	–	1	
Wisconsin-Whitewater	1	–	0	
Willamette OR	4	–	1	

** includes one tie*

HEAD COACH ROB SMITH



Coach Smith

Entering his 16th year as head coach, the second-longest tenure in school history, Rob Smith already has established himself as the most successful football coach to walk the sidelines for Western and is the dean of college gridiron mentors in the northwest.

His 99 victories are the most in school history and rank third all-time among collegiate head coaches in the state of Washington, and his .655 winning percentage (99-52-1) is also the best. Western has won six league championships in the last nine seasons of Smith's tenure after winning just seven in nearly 90 years of competition prior to his arrival.

Smith came to Western as an assistant in 1987, joining a program that was coming off its ninth consecutive losing season. Two years later, he became head coach, leading the 1989 Vikings to a 7-2 record, their best in 48 years, and the first national ranking in school history. Since then, Western has gone from success to success.

Under Smith, Western enjoyed a string of 12 non-losing seasons. The previous school best was six.

The Vikings had never made a national playoff appearance prior to Smith's arrival, they've made five since, reaching the NAIA Division II Championship game in 1996 and making their first-ever NCAA Division II appearance in 1999 in Western's second season of full NCAA membership.

In 1995, Western posted its first undefeated regular season (9-0) since 1938, and spent the last five weeks of the season as the No.1-ranked team in NAIA II. The Vikings have won at least seven games under Smith eight times. Before that, the feat had been accomplished just five times, the last in 1976.

With success has come recognition. Smith was Columbia Football Association Coach of the Year in 1989, 1995, 1996, 1999 and 2000, and was the Great Northwest Athletic Conference Coach of the Year in 2001 and 2003. He was AFCA College Division Region V Coach of the Year in 1995 and 1996, and shares the honor of Western's Football Coach of the Century with Charles Lappenbusch.

The Smith athletic history is a long one. A graduate of Hoqiuam High School, where he scored a state-leading 20 touchdowns and had 11 interceptions as a senior and won a state hurdles championship, Smith was named a member of the Grizzlies' Roll of Honor, joining his father and grandfather on the list.

Smith then attended the University of Washington, where he earned a bachelor's degree in 1981, lettering three years as a fullback and playing in the 1978 Rose Bowl. He was the first Husky coached by Don James to become a collegiate head coach.

Prior to coming to Western, Smith spent five years as an assistant coach at Renton High School. He also was head track coach there for two years and an assistant in baseball for three seasons.

The 46-year old Smith and his wife Wendy (formerly Larion) have two children, daughter Alison 10 and son Jared 6.

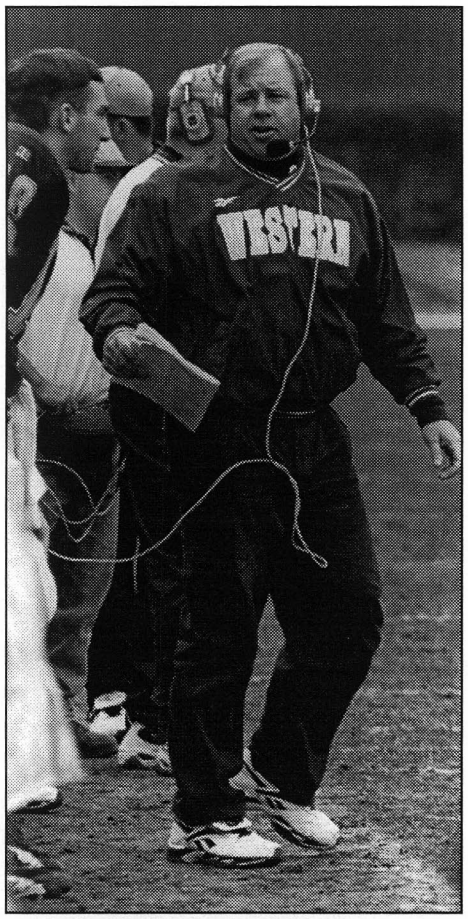
THE SMITH YEARS

1989	7 - 2 - 0	.778	1997	5 - 5 - 0	.500
1990	3 - 6 - 0	.333	1998	5 - 5 - 0	.500
1991	5 - 3 - 1	.625	1999	8 - 3 - 0	.727
1992	7 - 3 - 0	.700	2000	7 - 3 - 0	.700
1993	6 - 3 - 0	.667	2001	8 - 3 - 0	.727
1994	8 - 3 - 0	.727	2002	6 - 4 - 0	.600
1995	9 - 1 - 0	.900	2003	4 - 6 - 0	.400
1996	11 - 2 - 0	.846	**TOTALS**	**99 - 52 - 1**	**.655**

HOME SUCCESS

Western is 57-18 (.760) at home during Smith's first 15 seasons as head coach.

1989	3-1	1997	3-2
1990	2-3	1998	2-2
1991	3-1	1999	5-0
1992	4-1	2000	6-1
1993	4-1	2001	4-1
1994	3-1	2002	3-2
1995	6-1	2003	3-1
1996	6-0		



Smith-Coached Players Reaching the Pros

Jon Garber (OL, 1992)
Sacramento Gold Miners (CFL) 1993

Greg Malo (S, 1994-96)
Barcelona Dragons (NFL Europe) 1997-99
- Played on World Bowl champions (1997)

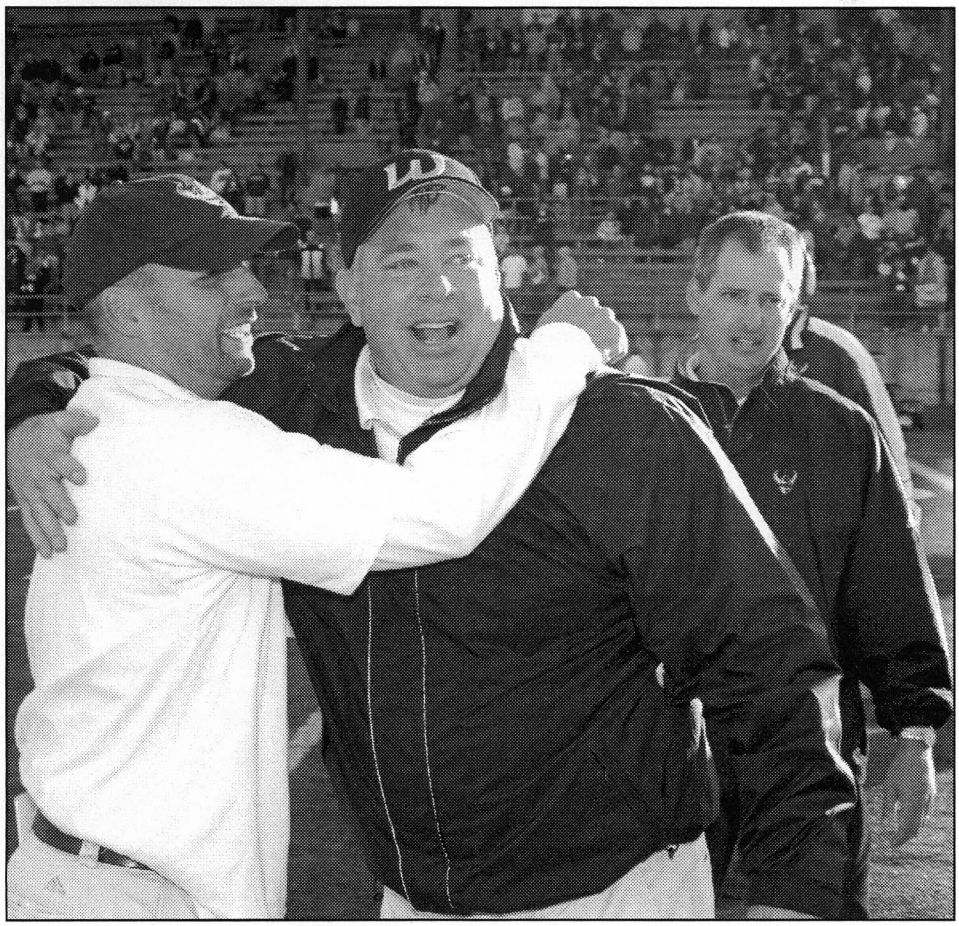
Trevor Misipeka (DT, 2001)
San Diego Riptide (Arena league)

Chad Rorabaugh (DE, 1994-97)
Edmonton Eskimos (CFL) 1998

Orlondo Steinauer (CB, 1992-95)
Ottawa Rough Riders (CFL) 1996
Hamilton Tiger-Cats (CFL) 1997-2000
Toronto Argonauts (CFL) 2001-present
- Tied for league lead in interceptions (1997)
- CFL All-Star (1998, 2003)
- Eastern Division All-Star (1997-98, 2002-03)
- Played on Grey Cup champions (1999)
- Tied for league lead in tackles (2002)

Jason Stiles (QB, 1992-95)
Portland Forest Dragons (Arena League) 1996-97

Erik Totten (SS, 1998-2001)
Pittsburgh Steelers (NFL) 2002
Cologne Centurians (NFL Europe) 2004



WWU Milestones During Smith Coaching Era

1989 - October 16
Western ranked among Top 25 in NAIA Division II National Poll for first time in school history

1992 - November 21
Vikings make first NAIA Division II National Playoff appearance, lose 26-0 at Linfield OR

1994 - November 19
Western wins first national playoff game, defeating No.1-rated Linfield, 21-2

1995 - October 16
Vikings ranked No.1 in regular-season national poll for first time in school history, and remain there for final five weeks.

Western wins its first league title since 1971

Vikings enjoy first undefeated regular season since 1938

1996 - November 14
Western sets school record for season victories (11), winning 28-21 at Findlay OH in national semifinal playoff game

Vikings make first national championship game appearance, losing 47-25 to Sioux Falls SD on Dec. 21 at Savannah, Tenn.

Western wins second straight Columbia Football Association championship - school's first back-to-back titles since 1923-24

1999 - November 20
Western makes first NCAA II national playoff appearance, losing 27-24 in overtime at Northeastern State OK

2001 - Vikings win inaugural Great Northwest Athletic Conference championship and third straight league title

2003 - Western wins GNAC title, its fourth league championship in five years and sixth in nine seasons

Coach Smith gives assistant Eric Tripp congratulatory hug following 2003 Cascade Cup victory

COACHING STAFF

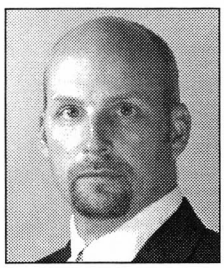
JOHN ELY



Defensive Coordinator/ Defensive Backs

In ninth season on Western staff and sixth year of second stint ... In fifth season as defensive coordinator ... In 2001, Vikings ranked No.20 nationally in takeaways (1.00), No.21 in rushing defense (109.8) and No.30 in passing defense (102.8) ... In 2000, Western ranked No.24 nationally in scoring defense (18.1), and No.14 in rushing defense (94.9) ... Works specifically with defensive backs ... Defensive coordinator at Idaho State University in 1998 ... Coached Bengals' linebackers in 1997, Idaho State leading Big Sky Conference and being sixth nationally among NCAA I-AA schools in turnover margin ... Graduate assistant at San Diego State University for three seasons (1994-96), working with safeties and linebackers ... Spent two years at Washington State University, being video coordinator in 1992 for Cougars' squad that finished 9-3 and won Copper Bowl, and recruiting coordinator in 1993 ... Coached wide receivers and tight ends at Western for three seasons (1989-91) ... Received bachelor's degree at Western in 1988 ... Two-year letter winner for Vikings as tight end ... Special Teams MVP in 1986 and 1987 ... Also played two seasons at Wenatchee Valley CC, helping Knights to 1983 NWAACC title and No.3 national ranking as linebacker ... Graduate of Cascade High School in Everett ... Lettered in four sports for Bruins ... 39 years old.

ERIC TRIPP



Offensive Pass Game Coordinator/ Wide Receivers/ Strength Coach

In 12th year at Western ... Offensive Pass Game Coordinator and Strength Coach ... Works specifically with wide receivers ... Director of Parberry Strength and Fitness Center ... Assistant at Thurston High School in Springfield, Ore., for one year and head coach at Deary (ID) High School for one season, directing Mustangs to state semifinals ... Named Whitepine League Coach of the Year ... Also assisted one year at Deary and two seasons at Ferndale High School, helping Golden Eagles to semifinals of Class AA state playoffs in 1987 ... Received bachelor's degree in education at Western in 1989 ... Did not play for Vikings because of knee injury ... Two-sport athlete at Bellevue's Newport High School ... Captain and quarterback of football team that reached first round of Class AAA state playoffs in 1983 ... Infielder/catcher on baseball team that won state title in 1982 ... 39 years old ... He and wife Erin have two daughters, Chloe, 6, and Rayn 3.

SCOTT HODGKINSON



Offensive Run Game Coordinator/ Offensive Line

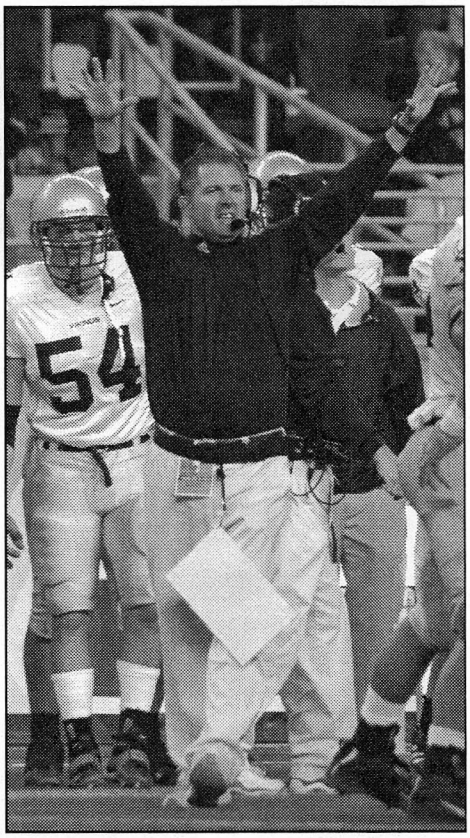
In 13th year on Western staff ... Offensive run game coordinator ... Works specifically with offensive line ... Also academic and summer camp coordinator ... Offensive coordinator at Mendocino College CA in 1991 ... Assistant coach at Chico State University from 1987-90 ... Primary responsibilities for Wildcats were tight ends and offensive tackles ... Obtained bachelor's degree in 1989 and master's degree in 1997, both at Chico State ... First-team Northern California Athletic Conference all-star in 1986 for Wildcats, being named team's most valuable offensive lineman ... Also attended College of San Mateo CA, earning first-team all-league honors in 1984 ... First-team all-league in football and standout track & field athlete at Woodside High School CA ... 39 years old ... He and wife Kerry (formerly Quinn) have three children, daughters Kristine 9 and Kelci 3, and son Kyle 4.

STACY COLLINS

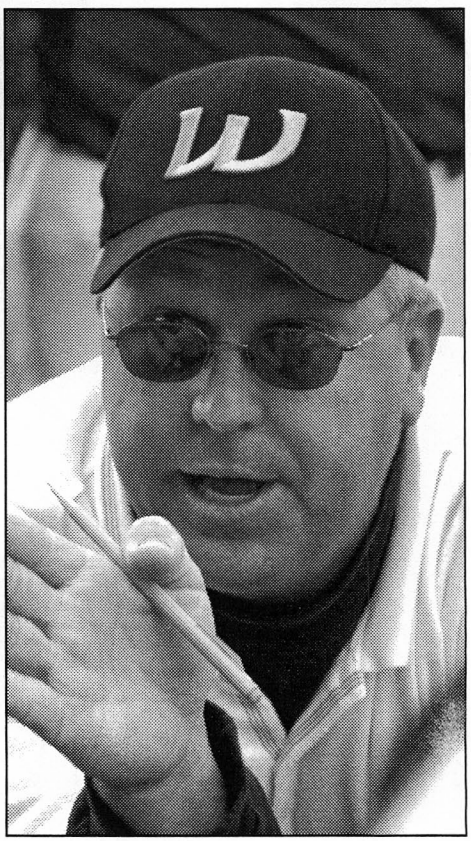


Assistant/ Special Teams Coordinator/ Linebackers

In second year as assistant on Western staff ... Special Teams Coordinator and works specifically with linebackers ... Served as defensive coordinator at South Dakota Tech in 2002 ... Coached linebackers and coordinated special teams at Western Oregon University from 1998 to 2001 ... Earned bachelor's degree in physical education at Western Oregon in 1998, and completed master's degree in education in 2000 ... For three springs, coached and coordinated program with Vikings of Vienna, Austria, a member of the European Federation of American Football ... Helped them win three league titles, and make one appearance in Europe Bowl ...Received Columbia Football Association all-star honorable mention as senior at Western Oregon in 1997 ... Four-year letter winner ... A football and baseball all-star at Sutherlin (Ore.) High School ... 28 years old ... He and wife Mandi have one daughter, Kayla, 1.



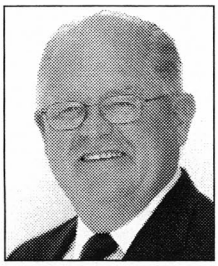
Defensive Coordinator John Ely



Offensive Run Game Coordinator Scott Hodgkinson

TERRY TODD

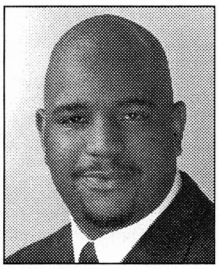
Running backs/ Placekickers/ Punters



In 19th year on Western staff ... Works with running backs, placekickers and punters ... Has coached six All-Americans, including punter/placekicker Peter LaBarge, placekicker Wade Gebers, running back Jon Brunaugh, running back Scott Lohr, punter/placekicker Michael Koenen and running back Ryan Wiggins ... Team inspirational award named after him ... Recipient of "W" blanket award ... Local businessman ... Spent 13 years as assistant coach at Bellingham High School, his alma mater ... Lettered three years in track and two in football for Red Raiders... 67 years old ... He and wife Kitty have three grown sons, Rock, Terry II and Rick, all Western graduates.

RAVEN BATTLE

Defensive Line



In second year as assistant on Western staff ... Works with defensive line ... Assistant coach (tight ends) for two seasons at Idaho State University, receiving bachelor's degree in 2001 ... Standout linebacker for Bengals from 1995-98, leading team in tackles as senior with 73 ... As freshman, returned pass interception 20 yards for touchdown in victory against Southern Utah ... First-team All-County pick at Miami- Killian High School in Miami, Fl. ... 27 years old ... He and wife Nicole have one daughter, Olivia 2.

ZACHARY TINKER

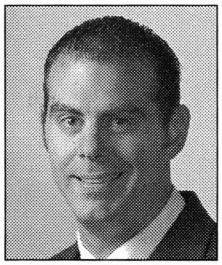
Recruiting Coordinator/ Tight Ends



In second year as assistant on Western staff ... Recruiting coordinator and works specifically with tight ends ... Assisted for four seasons at Meridian High School, working with offensive and defensive line ... Trojans won Class 2A state championship in 1999 and placed second in 2000 ... Currently working on master's degree in secondary education ... Graduated from Western with bachelor's degree in political science in 1998 ... Played football for Vikings from 1995-98 ... Inspirational award winner as senior ... Also attended Washington State University ... Second-team Everett Herald all-Area and first-team all-Western Conference selection as senior at Seattle's Shorewood High School ... Named Thunderbirds' co-Athlete of the Year ... 29 years old ... He and wife Marnie have two children, son Joey 11 and daughter Julianna 3.

ADAM MATHIESON

Quarterbacks



In first year as assistand on Western staff ... Works with quarterbacks ... Head coach at Ferndale High School in 2003, directing Golden Eagles to 9-2 record, Northwest League title and quarterfinal round of Class 3A state playoffs ... Team received John R. Trotto Team Sportsmanship Award ... Named Washington State Football Coaches Association District 1 and Northwest League Coach of the Year ... Assistant coach at FHS previous four years and assisted in track for four seasons ... Also was football assistant one year at Squalicum High School in Bellingham ... Completed master's degree in education (guidance and counseling) from City University in 2004 ... Received bachelor's degree in history from Western in 1999 and obtained teaching certificate in 2000 ... Three-year letter winner at Western, starting as free safety as senior in 1997 ... Credited with 33 tackles and intercepted two passes ... As junior, helped Vikings to 11-2 record and NAIA Division II National Championship game .... Honorable mention all-Greater Spokane League pick as junior at North Central High School in Spokane ... Married to former Jenny Erickson ... 28 years old.

ANDY WOJCIK

Graduate Assistant/Wide Receivers



In third year as assistant on Western staff ... Works with offensive line ... Helped out with wide receivers in 2003 and tight ends in 2002 ... Graduate student ... Received bachelor's degree in history/secondary education last December ... Second-team all-South Puget Sound League selection as senior at Puyallup High School ... Helped Vikings to two Class 4A state playoff appearances in football, reaching semifinals as senior and quarterfinals as junior, and played on @HS baseball team that placed sixth at state as junior ... His brother, Matt, played football at University of Washington ... 23 years old.

FORMER SMITH ASSISTANTS NOW COACHING ELSEWHERE IN COLLEGE AND PROFESSIONAL RANKS:

Bruce Barnum ..... Idaho State
Chris Bishop .. German Football League
Scott Bostwick..... NW Missouri State
Jay Dumas ..... Montana State
Phil Earley ..... Ohio University
Torey Hunter..... Idaho State
Greg Malo ..... Louisiana Tech
Andre Patterson ..... Cleveland Browns
Robin Ross ..... Oregon
Payam Saadat, ... Cal Poly
David Shaw, ... Baltimore Ravens
Ian Shoemaker ..... Kenyon
Brian Schwartze ..... Chicago Rush
Richard Sweeney, ... South Dakota Tech
Jared Terrible..... Fort Scott CC

FORMER SMITH PLAYERS AND ASSISTANTS NOW COACHING IN HIGH SCHOOL:

Tom Bainter ..... Bothell *(head coach)*
John Bergford ..... Bellarmine-Tacoma *(assistant)*
Jeff Chandler..... Eastlake - Bellevue *(head coach)*
Bill Christensen ..... Bothell *(assistant)*
Darren Erath ..... Rogers-Puyallup *(assistant)*
David Fakkema ..... Blaine *(head coach)*
Rudy Grandbois ..... Marysville-Pilchuck *(head coach)*
John Lambert ..... LaCenter *(head coach)*
John Meagher ..... Federal Way *(head coach)*
Mike Miller ..... Roosevelt-Seattle *(assistant)*
Robb Myhre ..... Nooksack Valley *(assistant)*
Monty Peck ..... Willow Canyon - Surprise, AZ *(head coach)*
Kevin Ryan ..... W.F. West - Chehalis *(head coach)*
Kelly Susee ..... Emerald Ridge - Puyallup *(head coach)*

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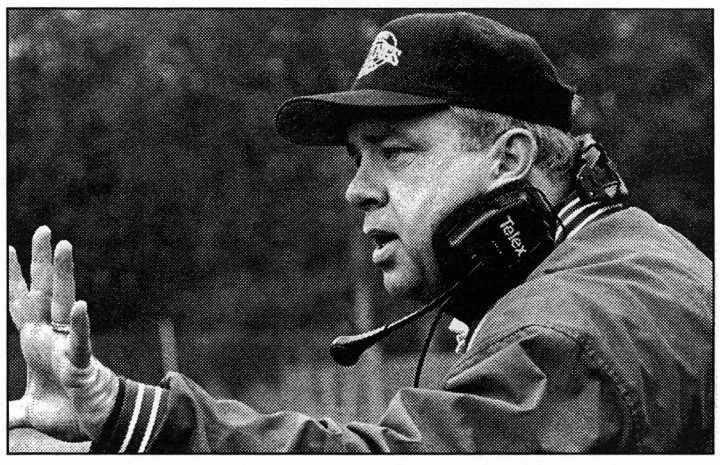
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COACHES RECORDS

SEASON	COACH	WIN/LOSS/TIE	PCT.
1903	R.W. Greene	1-1-0	.500
1904	R.W. Greene	3-1-0	.750
1905	R.W. Greene	0-1-0	.000
1906	No team		
1907	James O'Sullivan	2-3-0	.400
1908	James O'Sullivan	4-3-1	.563
1909	James O'Sullivan	2-2-1	.500
1910	James O'Sullivan	1-5-0	.333
1911	James O'Sullivan	0-1-0	.000
1912	Dr. Turner	4-2-0	.667
1913	Dr. Turner	2-2-1	.500
1914	Sam Carver	2-6-1	.278
1915	Sam Carver	4-3-0	.571
1916	Sam Carver	7-1-0	.857
1917-20	No team-World War I		
1921	Sam Carver	4-1-0	.800
1922	Sam Carver	1-2-1	.375
1923	Sam Carver	3-0-2	.800
1924	Elwood Davis	4-2-0	.667
1925	Sam Carver	5-2-0	.714
1926	Sam Carver	3-2-1	.583
1927	Sam Carver	4-2-0	.667
1928	Sam Carver	1-5-0	.167
1929	Sam Carver	3-4-0	.429
1930	Sam Carver	2-4-1	.357
1931	Sam Carver	2-5-0	.286
1932	Sam Carver	0-4-1	.100
1933	Charles Lappenbusch	1-5-0	.167
1934	Charles Lappenbusch	2-2-3	.500
1935	Charles Lappenbusch	4-3-1	.563
1936	Charles Lappenbusch	4-4-0	.500
1937	Charles Lappenbusch	4-2-1	.667
1938	Charles Lappenbusch	7-0-0	1.000
1939	Charles Lappenbusch	5-2-0	.714
1940	Charles Lappenbusch	3-4-0	.429
1941	Charles Lappenbusch	5-2-1	.688
1942	Charles Lappenbusch	1-4-2	.286
1943-45	No team-World War II		
1946	Charles Lappenbusch	4-4-0	.500
1947	Charles Lappenbusch	5-3-0	.625
1948	Charles Lappenbusch	5-4-0	.556
1949	Charles Lappenbusch	4-4-1	.500
1950	Charles Lappenbusch	7-2-1	.750
1951	Charles Lappenbusch	8-1-0	.889
1952	Charles Lappenbusch	5-2-1	.688
1953	Charles Lappenbusch	3-4-2	.444
1954	Charles Lappenbusch	3-5-0	.375
1955	Charles Lappenbusch	1-7-0	.125
1956	John Kulbitski	2-6-0	.250
1957	John Kulbitski	4-3-0	.571
1958	John Kulbitski	6-2-0	.750
1959	John Kulbitski	3-5-0	.375
1960	Jim Lounsberry	2-7-0	.222
1961	Jim Lounsberry	5-4-0	.556
1962	Jim Lounsberry	4-4-1	.500
1963	Jim Lounsberry	5-4-0	.556
1964	Jim Lounsberry	5-3-1	.611
1965	Jim Lounsberry	4-4-1	.500
1966	Fred Emerson	3-4-2	.444
1967	Fred Emerson	3-6-0	.333
1968	Fred Emerson	3-6-0	.333
1969	Fred Emerson	5-4-0	.556
1970	Boyde Long	5-5-0	.500
1971	Boyde Long	7-3-0	.700
1972	Boyde Long	2-7-0	.222
1973	Boyde Long	1-7-0	.125
1974	Boyde Long	2-6-1	.278
1975	Boyde Long	4-4-0	.500
1976	Boyde Long	7-3-0	.700
1977	Boyde Long	6-4-0	.600
1978	Boyde Long	4-6-0	.400
1979	Boyde Long	4-5-0	.444
1980	Boyde Long	2-8-0	.200
1981	Boyde Long	0-10-0	.000
1982	Boyde Long	1-8-0	.111
1983	Paul Hansen	1-9-0	.100
1984	Paul Hansen	3-6-1	.350
1985	Paul Hansen	2-6-1	.278
1986	Paul Hansen	2-7-0	.222
1987	Paul Hansen	4-3-2	.555
1988	Paul Hansen	5-4-0	.555
1989	Rob Smith	7-2-0	.778
1990	Rob Smith	3-6-0	.333
1991	Rob Smith	5-3-1	.611
1992	Rob Smith	7-3-0	.700
1993	Rob Smith	6-3-0	.667
1994	Rob Smith	8-3-0	.727
1995	Rob Smith	9-1-0	.900
1996	Rob Smith	11-2-0	.846
1997	Rob Smith	5-5-0	.500
1998	Rob Smith	5-5-0	.500
1999	Rob Smith	8-3-0	.727
2000	Rob Smith	7-3-0	.700
2001	Rob Smith	8-3-0	.727
2002	Rob Smith	6-4-0	.600
2003	Rob Smith	4-6-0	.400

COACH	SEASONS	YEARS	WIN/LOSS/TIE	PCT.
R.W. Greene	3	1903-05	4-3-0	.571
James O'Sullivan	5	1907-11	9-14-2	.400
Dr. Turner	2	1912-13	6-4-1	.591
Elwood Davis	1	1924	4-2-0	.667
Sam Carver	14	1914-32	41-41-7	.500
Charles Lappenbusch	20	1933-55	81-64-17	.552
John Kulbitski	4	1956-59	15-16-0	.484
Jim Lounsberry	6	1960-65	25-26-3	.491
Fred Emerson	4	1966-69	14-20-2	.417
Boyde Long	13	1970-82	45-76-1	.373
Paul Hansen	6	1983-88	17-35-4	.339
Rob Smith	15	1989-2003	99-52-1	.655
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Rob Smith

2004 IN-DEPTH SCHEDULE

September 4 – FORT LEWIS

(Civic Stadium - Bellingham) 1 p.m. ... Third meeting ... Western won the first meeting, 48-10, in 2001 at Durango in the school's first trip to Colorado. In 2002, the Vikings were victorious, 52-14, at Bellingham ... Fort Lewis is a member of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference ... Western is 3-0 against RMAC teams, defeating Chadron State, 26-14, in 1999 ... The Vikings are 8-7 in season openers and 11-4 in home openers under Coach Rob Smith.

September 11 at St. Cloud State

(SCSU Stadium - St. Cloud, Minn.) 6 p.m. CT ... Second meeting ... St. Cloud State won the first meeting between the two schools, 44-27, at Bellingham in 2003 ... Member of North Central Conference. Western is 1-2 versus NCC opponents, arguably the toughest league in NCAA Division II, splitting a pair of home-and-home meetings with South Dakota State the last two seasons.

September 18 – NEBRASKA-OMAHA

(Civic Stadium - Bellingham) 1 p.m. ... Second meeting ... Member of North Central Conference ... Only other game against Nebraska school was 26-14 home victory over Chadron State in 1999.

September 25 vs. Central Washington

(Qwest Field, formerly Seahawks Stadium - Seattle) 6 p.m. ... 93rd meeting ...Central leads series, 56-32-4 ... Western split two meetings last year, losing 29-20 at Seahawks Stadium before 16,392 fans, the most to watch a non-Division I game in state of Washington history, then winning the Cascade Cup game, 17-16, at Bellingham ... Prior to 2003, Western had won three straight meetings - 36-14 at Bellingham in 2001, 35-22 at Bellingham in 2000 and 27-7 at Ellensburg in 1999, its longest streak since 1976-78 ... The win at Ellensburg in 1999 was Western's first over Wildcats since 1977 and ended 10-game losing streak there ... The Vikings' longest series winning streak of four was accomplished twice, 1937-40 and 1949-52 ... Series began in 1922 ... Only other series meeting held at neutral site, besides last year's Battle in Seattle, was in 1968 at Yakima, a game Central won 14-7.

October 2 at Western Oregon

(McArthur Field - Monmouth, Ore.) 1 p.m. ... 41st meeting ... Western leads series, 24-16-0 ... Western has won five of the last seven meetings, splitting a pair of games last season - losing 23-20 in overtime at Monmouth and winning 17-13 at Bellingham. The Vikings won 20-17 in overtime at Monmouth in 2002 ... Western Oregon's last win was 20-16 at Monmouth in 2000 ... Western holds 11-9-0 series advantage in games played at Monmouth ... Series began in 1930.

October 9 – ST. JOSEPH'S

(Civic Stadium - Bellingham) 1 p.m. ... First meeting ... First time Western has played a team from Indiana.

October 16 – HUMBOLDT STATE

(Civic Stadium - Bellingham) 1 p.m. ... 11th meeting ... Western leads series, 7-3 ... Western has won last seven meetings, 34-20 at Arcata in 2003, 27-7 at Bellingham in 2002, 41-7 at Arcata in 2001, 42-7 at Bellingham in 2000, 58-0 at Arcata in 1999, 36-17 at Bellingham in 1998, and 45-7 at Arcata in 1997 ... Teams had not met previously since 1962 ... Series began in 1956.

October 23 – WESTERN OREGON

(Civic Stadium - Bellingham) 1 p.m. ... 42nd meeting ... (see first meeting on Oct. 2) ... Western has won last three meetings in Bellingham after losing 8-6 in 1997 ... Western holds 13-7-0 series advantage in games played at Bellingham ... Series began in 1930.

October 30 at Central Washington

(Tomlinson Stadium - Ellensburg) 1 p.m. ... 94th meeting ... 9th annual Cascade Cup game, with Central and Western each winning four times ... Just second time the schools have met twice during the regular season since 1970 ... (see first meeting on Sept. 25) ... Western's 27-7 win at Ellensburg in 1999, ended a 10-game losing streak there that dated back to 1977 ... Western's only meeting since 1999 at Ellensburg was 35-28 overtime loss in 2002 ... Series began in 1922.

November 6 at Humboldt State

(Redwood Stadium - Arcata, Calif.) 1 p.m. ... 12th meeting ... (see first meeting on Oct. 16) ... Western leads series, 7-3, winning last four meetings at Arcata ... Series began in 1956.

2004 OPPONENTS

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE

GAME 1 • SEPTEMBER 4 at BELLINGHAM, WA (CIVIC STADIUM) • 1 PM

SKYHAWKS
FORT LEWIS COLLEGE

GENERAL
Location ..... Durango, Colorado
Founded 1891
Enrollment 4,347
President ..... Dr. Brad Bartel

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
Nickname ..... Skyhawks
School Colors ..... Navy Blue, Light Blue and Gold
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II
Conference ..... Rocky Mountain Athletic
Stadium ..... Ray Dennison Memorial Field (4,000 cap., Grass)
Athletic Director ..... Dave Preszler (Acting)
Athletic Phone 970-247-7571

FOOTBALL
Head Coach ..... Ed Rifilato (California Coast, 1998)
Record at School ..... 0-0 (1st year)
Career Record ..... 7-4 (1 year)
Starters Returning ..... 13 (4 off., 7 def., 2 spec.)
Football Phone 970-247-7095

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

RB	Joe Moore	932 rushing yards (5.5 apc), 7 TDs, 2nd-team all-RMAC
WR	Cory Williams	57 rec. for 669 yards (11.7 apc) and 4 TDs, returned 12 kickoffs for 381 yards (31.8 avg.), including 93-yard return for touch down, h.m. all-RMAC as kickoff returne, Transfer from Oregon State
LB	Nate Swanson	90 tackles, FLC defensive MVP, Transfer from Eastern Arizona CC
DB	Richard Johnson	91 tackles, 5 TFL, 2 Int.

2004 SCHEDULE

Sept. 4	**at Western Washington**	
Sept. 11	at Mesa State*	
Sept. 18	ADAMS STATE*	
Sept. 25	WESTERN STATE*	
Oct. 2	at Chadron State*	
Oct. 9	at Fort Hays State*	
Oct. 16	COLORADO MINES*	
Oct. 23	NEBRASKA-KEARNEY*	
Oct. 30	at Western New Mexico	
Nov. 6	at New Mexico Highlands*	

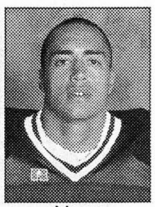
**RMAC contest*

2003 RESULTS (3-8, 2-6 NCC)

CENTRAL WASHINGTON	L	7-24
at Abilene Christian	L	7-46
at Adams State*	L	12-44
at Western State*	L	17-41
CHARDRON STATE*	L	42-45 OT
FORT HAYS STATE*	W	20-13
at Colorado Mines*	L	7-37
at Nebraska Kearney*	L	12-59
WESTERN NEW MEXICO	W	22-15 OT
NEW MEXICO HIGHLANDS*	W	39-29
MESA STATE*	L	35-52

NOTES: Interim head coach Ed Rifilato replaced Todd Throckmorton, who left in June to become an assistant at Missouri Western State College. In his only other season as a collegiate head coach, Rifilato earned RMAC Coach of the Year honors, directing New Mexico Highlands University to the league championship in 1999 ... RB Joe Moore entered the 2004 season with career totals of 2,708 rushing yards and 24 rushing touchdowns, both school records, in 35 career games. He also had 107 receptions for 990 yards and two touchdowns. Moore was the RMAC Freshman of the Year in 2000 and sat out the 2001 season because of a knee injury.


Coach Rifilato


Moore

WWU/FLC SERIES RECORD
All-Time: WWU leads 2-0
WWU leads at Durango 1-0
WWU leads at Bellingham 1-0

2001 WWU 48-10 at Durango
2002 WWU 52-14 at Bellingham

ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

GAME 2 • SEPT. 11 at ST. CLOUD, MN (ST. CLOUD STATE STADIUM) • 6 PM CDT

GENERAL
Location ..... St. Cloud, Minnesota
Founded 1869
Enrollment 16,000
President ..... Dr. Roy H. Saigo

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
Nickname ..... Huskies
School Colors ..... Cardinal Red and Black
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II
Conference ..... North Central
Stadium ..... St. Cloud State Stadium (5,000 cap., Fieldturf)
Athletic Director ..... Dr. Morris Kurtz
Athletic Phone 320-255-3102

FOOTBALL
Head Coach ..... Randy Hedberg (Minot State, 1977)
Record at School ..... 24-30-0 (6th year)
Career Record ..... 69-53-2 (14 years)
Starters Returning ..... 17 (9 off., 6 def., 2 spec.)
Football Phone 320-255-3070

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

RB	Matt Birkel	715 (7.7 apc) and 7 TDs in six games last year, 1st-team all-NCC in 2002
WR	Ryan Koch	46 rec. for 635 yards (13.8 apc) and 12 TDs, 1st-team all-NCC
K	Shawn Braunagel	40-43 PAT, 12-20 FG
P	Scott Dirkes	1st-team all-NCC, 41.2 avg.
LB	Mark Henderson	1st-team all-NCC, 92 tackles
DE	Charlie Cosgrove	1st-team all-NCC, 8 QB sacks, 49 tackles
OL	Jim McCarville	
OL	Dan Henry	
OL	Cory McLouden	

2004 SCHEDULE

Aug. 26	at Wayne State	
Sept. 2	MINNESOTA-CROOKSTON	
Sept. 11	**WESTERN WASHINGTON**	
Sept. 18	at Northern State	
Sept. 25	MINNESOTA STATE-MANKATO*	
Oct. 2	NORTH DAKOTA*	
Oct. 9	at Augustana*	
Oct. 16	at South Dakota*	
Oct. 23	NEBRASKA-OMAHA*	
Oct. 30	Open	
Nov. 6	at Minnesota-Duluth	

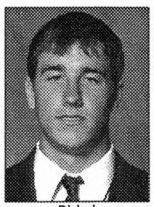
**NCIAC game*

2003 RESULTS (7-4, 4-3 NCC)

at Minnesota-Crookston	W	66-7
at Western Washington	**W**	**44-27**
at Pittsburg State	L	14-46
NORTHERN STATE	W	27-14
at Minnesota State-Mankato*	W	41-6
at North Dakota*	L	28-29
AUGUSTANA*	W	20-17
SOUTH DAKOTA*	W	33-21
at Nebraska-Omaha*	L	36-39
at South Dakota State*	L	24-27
NORTH DAKOTA STATE*	W	33-30 OT

NOTES: The Huskies are playing in a new stadium this fall, which offers a scenic overlook of the Mississippi River. It seats 4,999 and has state-of-the-art synthetic turf plus lights for night games. The stadium replaces Selke Field, which was the home of SCSU football since 1937 ... Coach Randy Hedberg was drafted by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the NFL in 1977 and started in five regular season games as a rookie, one of just 12 quarterbacks in the history of the NFL to start in their rookie season. He was with Tampa Bay through 1978, before playing with the Oakland Raiders in 1979 and the Green Bay Packers in 1980 ... A major loss from 2003 is quarterback Keith Heckendorf, who finished second in the Harlon Hill Trophy voting.


Coach Hedberg


Birkel

WWU/SCSU SERIES RECORD
All-Time: SCSU leads 1-0
2003 SCSU 44-27 at St. Cloud, Minn.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-OMAHA

GAME 3 • SEPTEMBER 18 at BELLINGHAM, WA (CIVIC STADIUM) • 1 PM

GENERAL

Location	Omaha, Neb.
Founded	1908
Enrollment	14,000
Chancellor	Nancy Belckl

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Nickname	Mavericks
School Colors	Crimson and Black
Affiliation	NCAA Division II
Conference	North Central
Stadium	Al F. Caniglia Field (9,500 cap., FieldTurf)
Athletic Director	Bob Danenhauer
Athletic Phone	402-554-2305

FOOTBALL

Head Coach	Pat Behrns (Dakota State, 1972)
Record at School	71-43-0 (11th year)
Career Record	107-70-0 (15 years)
Starters Returning	13 (3 off., 8 def., 2 spec.)
Football Phone	402-554-3394

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

QB	Brian Masek	2,336 yards passing, 268-160-8, 24 TDs, 309 yards rushing, 11 TDs), h.m. all-NCC
WR	Chris Denney	45 rec., 806 yards, 8 TDs, 2nd-team all-NCC
LB	Taiwo Onatolu	97 tackles, 5 QB sacks, 1st-team all-NCC
LB	Kenny Onatolu	96 tackles, 5 QB sacks, 1st-team all-NCC
K	Andy Severson	42-46 PAT, 7-14 FG

2004 SCHEDULE:

Aug. 28	NEBRASKA-KEARNEY	
Sept. 4	INDIANA PA	
Sept. 11	MINNESOTA-CROOKSTON	
Sept. 18	**at Western Washington**	
Sept. 25	SOUTH DAKOTA*	
Oct. 2	at Tiffin	
Oct. 16	at Augustana*	
Oct. 23	at St. Cloud State*	
Oct. 30	NORTH DAKOTA*	
Nov. 6	at Minnesota State*	

**NCC game*

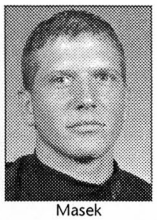
2003 RESULTS (8-3, 5-2, 2nd place)

at Nebraska-Kearney	W	32-24
at Indiana PA	L	26-28
MINNESOTA-MOORHEAD	W	62-21
WESTERN WASHINGTON	**W**	**52-28**
at South Dakota*	W	34-0
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE*	W	34-17
at North Dakota State*	L	7-34
at Augustana*	W	28-14
ST. CLOUD STATE*	W	39-36
at North Dakota*	L	35-38
MINNESOTA STATE*	W	42-25

NOTES: UNO has had eight straight winning seasons, more than any other member of the North Central Conference, arguably the toughest in NCAA Division II ... The Mavericks have had 13 alumni see action in NFL regular-season games ... QB Brian Masek broke the school's 36-year-old total offense record last season ... The Onatolus are twin brothers ... Two key losses from 2003 are All-America RB Justin Kammrad, who led the nation in rushing with 1,866 yards and placed third in the Harlon Hill Trophy balloting which goes to the NCAA II National Player of the Year, and WR Ryan Krause, who made 67 receptions for 1,066 yards and 11 touchdowns and played in the Blue-Gray Classic.



Coach Behrns



Masek

WWU/UNO SERIES RECORD
All-Time: UNO leads 1-0
2003 UNO 52-28 at Omaha, Neb.

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GAME 4 • SEPTEMBER 25 at SEATTLE, WA (QWEST FIELD) • 6 PM
GAME 9 • OCTOBER 30 at ELLENSBURG, WA (TOMLINSON STADIUM) • 1 PM

GENERAL
Location ..... Ellensburg, Wash.
Founded 1891
Enrollment 9,016
President ..... Dr. Jerilyn S. McIntyre

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
Nickname ..... Wildcats
School Colors ..... Crimson and Black
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II
Conference ..... Great Northwest Athletic
Stadium ..... Tomlinson (4,000 cap., Grass)
Athletic Director ..... Jack Bishop
Athletic Phone 509-963-1945

FOOTBALL
Head Coach ..... John Zamberlin (Pacific Lutheran, 1979)
Record at School ..... 42-30 (8th year)
Career Record ..... Same
Starters Returning ..... 10 (2 off., 7 def., 1 spec.)
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PLAYERS TO WATCH

RB	Emilio Iniguez	1,040 rushing yards, Unanimous all-GNAC
OT	Evan Picton	1st-team all-GNAC
LB	Blake Walker	81 tackles, 1st-team all-GNAC
DE	Jacob Galloway	6 QB sacks, 10 TFL, Unanimous all-GNAC
DT	Dustin Hawkins	2nd-team all-GNAC
S	Ryan Andrews	GNAC Freshman of the Year

2004 SCHEDULE:

Aug. 28	at Carroll	
Sept. 3	MONTANA-WESTERN	
Sept. 11	at North Dakota	
Sept. 18	at Eastern Washington	
Sept. 25	**vs. Western Washington***	
Oct. 2	HUMBOLDT STATE*	
Oct. 9	EASTERN OREGON	
Oct. 16	WESTERN OREGON*	
Oct. 23	at Humboldt State*	
Oct. 30	**WESTERN WASHINGTON***	
Nov. 6	at Western Oregon*	

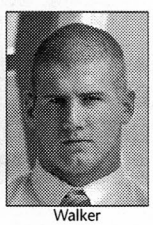
**GNAC game*

2003 RESULTS (6-4, 2-1 GNAC)

CARROLL	L	28-38
at Fort Lewis	W	24-7
at Eastern Washington	L	29-48
WESTERN NEW MEXICO	W	41-3
vs. Western Washington	W	29-20
HUMBOLDT STATE*	W	21-16
at Western Washington*	**L**	**16-17**
at Western Oregon*	W	55-44
NEW HAVEN	W	39-6
at UC Davis	L	7-41

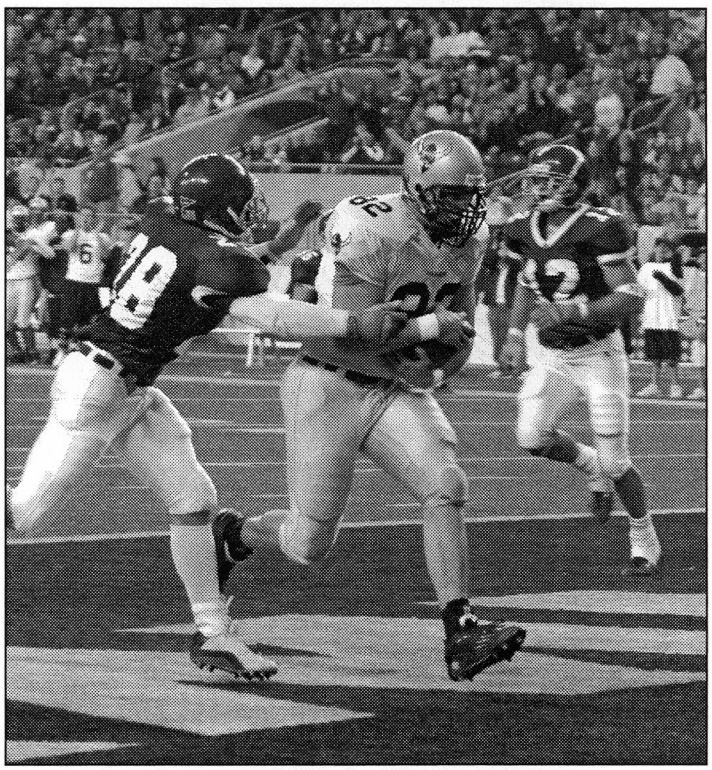
NOTES: The Wildcats have won 11 of their last 12 meetings with Western at Ellensburg, the Vikings' lone victory coming in 1999 ... Central reached the 400 mark in all-time victories last season with its victory over Western in the first Battle in Seattle ... In 2002, Central finished 11-1, won the GNAC title, and reached the first round of the NCAA II playoffs in 2002, the Wildcats' first post-season appearance since joining the NCAA in 1998 ... Central won the first three Cascade Cup games, but has lost four of the last five.


Coach Zamberlin


Walker

WWU/CWU SERIES RECORD
All-Time: WWU trails 56-32-4
CWU leads at Bellingham 25-21-1
CWU leads at Ellensburg 29-11-3
CWU leads at Yakima 1-0-0
CWU leads at Seattle 1-0-0

SERIES:
1922: CWU 19-0 at Ellensburg
1923: WWU 20-3 at Bellingham
1924: WWU 24-0 at Ellensburg
1925: WWU 33-6 at Bellingham
1926: CWU 13-9 at Ellensburg
1927: CWU 12-6 at Bellingham
1928: CWU 12-0 at Ellensburg
1929: CWU 6-0 at Bellingham
1930: CWU 26-0 at Ellensburg
1931: CWU 7-0 at Bellingham
1932: CWU 26-0 at Ellensburg
1933: CWU 6-0 at Bellingham
1934: Tied 0-0 at Ellensburg
1935: WWU 8-0 at Bellingham
1936: CWU 7-6 at Ellensburg
1937: WWU 9-0 at Bellingham
1938: WWU 13-6 at Ellensburg
1939: WWU 12-0 at Bellingham
1940: WWU 13-12 at Bellingham
CWU 7-0 at Ellensburg
1941: WWU 19-13 at Ellensburg
WWU 19-7 at Bellingham
1942: CWU 33-0 at Ellensburg
Tied 0-0 at Bellingham
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2000: WWU 35-22 at Bellingham
2001: WWU 36-14 at Bellingham
2002: CWU 35-28 OT at Ellensburg
2003: CWU 29-20 at Seattle
WWU 17-16 at Bellingham



Tight End Rick Carte scores Western's first touchdown at 2003 Battle in Seattle

WESTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY

GAME 5 • OCTOBER 2 at MONMOUTH, OR (McARTHUR FIELD) • 1 PM
GAME 8 • OCTOBER 23 at BELLINGHAM, WA (CIVIC STADIUM) • 1 PM

Western Oregon

GENERAL
Location ..... Monmouth, Ore.
Founded 1856
Enrollment 5,030
President ..... Dr. Philip W. Conn

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
Nickname ..... Wolves
School Colors ..... Crimson Red and White
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II
Conference ..... Great Northwest Athletic
Stadium ..... McArthur Field (2,500 cap., Grass)
Athletic Director ..... Jon Carey
Athletic Phone 503-838-8252

FOOTBALL
Head Coach ..... Duke Iverson (Whitman, 1962)
Record at School ..... 33-24-0 (7th year, 4th of second stint)
Career Record ..... 125-76-3 (20 years)
Starters Returning ..... 13 (5 off., 7 def., 1 spec.)
Football Phone 503-838-8255

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

QB	Denny Bies	injured in 2003, 2,088 yards passing and 15 TDs in 2002 2nd-team all-GNAC
QB	Ryan Thorson	1,560 yards passing and 9 TDs
RB	Michael Ramirez	556 yards rushing and 5 TDs, 2nd-team all-GNAC
DE	Jeff Charleston	69 tackles, 4.5 QB sacks, 1st-team all-GNAC, 2nd-team West Reg.
DB	Chad Boyd	77 tackles, 3 Int., 2nd-team all-GNAC, 2nd-team West Region
OL	Peter Bukea	2nd-team all-GNAC
DT	Ronnie Kelly	27 tackles, 8 TFL, 2nd-team all-GNAC
K	Andrew Keippela	7-17 FG, 44 long, 23-25 PAT

2004 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 4 at Willamette
Sept. 11 at Linfield
Sept. 18 at South Dakota State
Sept. 25 at Humboldt State*
Oct. 2 WESTERN WASHINGTON
Oct. 9 UC DAVIS
Oct. 16 at Central Washington*
Oct. 23 at Western Washington*
Oct. 30 HUMBOLDT STATE*
Nov. 6 CENTRAL WASHINGTON*
*GNAC game

2003 RESULTS (4-6, 1-2 GNAC)

at Humboldt State	W	23-22 2OT
WESTERN WASHINGTON	**W**	**23-20 OT**
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE	L	10-37
MESA STATE	L	21-29
at Southern Utah	L	10-17
at UC Davis	L	7-27
at Western New Mexico	W	37-17
CENTRAL WASHINGTON*	L	44-55
HUMBOLDT STATE*	W	24-20
at Western Washington*	**L**	**13-17**

NOTES: Duke Iverson is in the fourth year of his second stint as head coach at Western Oregon. He also was head mentor from 1985-87, directing Wolves to a 20-8 mark. In between, Iverson coached 12 years at Western State CO, compiling a 79-48 record. His all-time collegiate record is 125-76-3, which ranks No.13 among NCAA II coaches. He has a Ph.D. in biological science and his bachelor's is in chemistry. His dissertation was titled "Epidemiology and Etiology of White Trunk Rot of Aspen Incited by Fomes igniarius var. populinus."


Coach Iverson

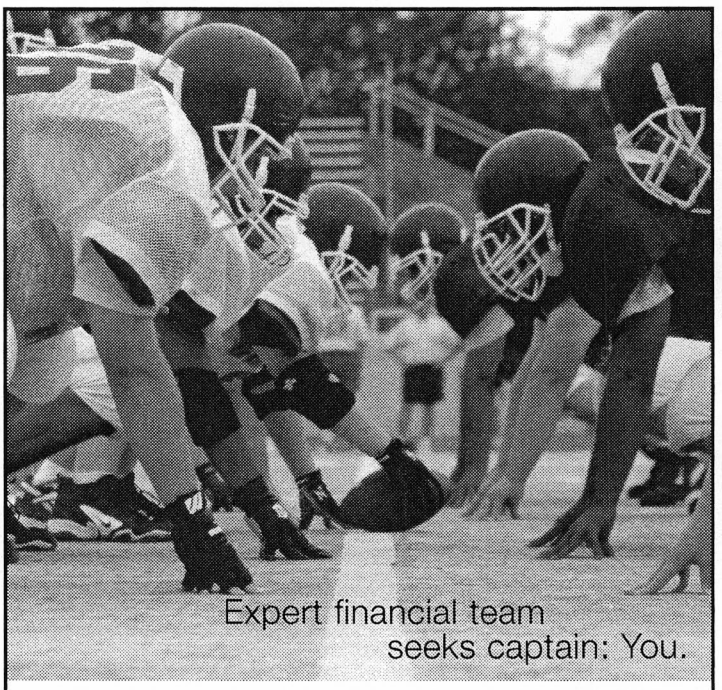

Bies


Boyd

WWU/WOU SERIES RECORD
All-Time:
WWU leads 24-16-0
WWU leads at Bellingham 13-7-0
WWU leads at Monmouth, Ore. 11-9-0

WWU/WOU SERIES RECORD:
All-Time: WWU leads 24-16-0
WWU leads at Bellingham 13-7-0
WWU leads at Monmouth, Ore. 11-9-0

1930: WOU 26-0 at Monmouth
1935: WWU 25-7 at Bellingham
1936: WWU 28-6 at Monmouth
1938: WWU 13-0 at Monmouth
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1970: WWU 21-0 at Monmouth
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1972: WOU 17-0 at Bellingham
1973: WWU 19-14 at Monmouth
1974: WOU 40-6 at Bellingham
1975: WOU 28-13 at Monmouth
1976: WOU 28-27 at Bellingham
1977: WOU 47-36 at Monmouth
1978: WOU 20-19 at Bellingham
1979: WOU 47-31 at Monmouth
1980: WOU 35-6 at Bellingham
1981: WOU 47-35 at Monmouth
1982: WOU 43-3 at Bellingham
1983: WOU 42-7 at Monmouth
1984: WOU 36-9 at Bellingham
1987: WWU 16-14 at Bellingham
1988: WWU 22-17 at Monmouth
1989: WWU 41-6 at Bellingham
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1997: WOU 8-6 at Bellingham
1998: WWU 41-36 at Monmouth
1999: WWU 21-20 at Bellingham
2000: WOU 20-16 at Monmouth
2001: WWU 46-14 at Bellingham
2002: WWU 20-17 OT at Monmouth
2003: WOU 23-20 OT at Monmouth
WWU 17-13 at Bellingham



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GENERAL
Location ..... Rensselaer, Ind.
Founded 1891
Enrollment 1,000
President ..... Dr. Ernest R. Mills III

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
Nickname ..... Pumas
School Colors ..... Cardinal and Purple
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II
Conference ..... Independent
Stadium ..... Alumni Stadium (4,000 cap., Grass)
Athletic Director ..... Bill Massoels
Athletic Phone 219-866-6386

FOOTBALL
Head Coach ..... Tim Lester (Western Michigan, 2000)
Record at School ..... 0-0 (1st year)
Career Record ..... Same
Starters Returning ..... 16 (4 off., 10 def., 2 spec.)
Football Phone 219-866-6222

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

WR	Nate Durant	Was starting QB in 2003, 141-71-4, 1,056 passing yds., 3 TDs, . 631 rushing yds., 7 TDs
LB	Matt Abel	95 tackles, 58 solos, 9 TFL, 1 Int., returned 1 kickoff for TD
WR	Lewis Scott	Sat out last season after being starting QB in 2002
DE	Kevin Rees	65 tackles, 11TFL, 4 QB sacks

2004 SCHEDULE:

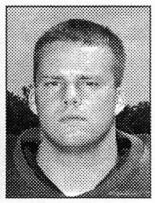
Aug. 30	at Ashland	
Sept. 4	SAINT FRANCIS IL	
Sept 11	NORTHWOOD	
Sept. 18	WEST VIRGINIA TECH	
Oct. 2	at Upper Iowa	
Oct. 9	**at Western Washington**	
Oct. 16	at Tiffin	
Oct. 23	AUSTIN PEAY	
Oct. 30	at Indianapolis	
Nov. 13	at Butler	
Nov. 20	at Lincoln	

2003 RESULTS (2-9)

at Dayton	L	20-76
INDIANAPOLIS	L	7-44
at St. Francis	W	34-20
at Southern Illinois	L	0-75
KENTUCKY WESLEYAN	W	57-21
NEW HAVEN	L	24-44
LINCOLN	L	7-23
at Tiffin	L	9-24
at Austin Peay	L	0-17
at Gannon	L	14-53
at Butler	L	13-17

NOTES: First-year head coach Tim Lester graduated from Western Michigan No.4 in NCAA Division I history in passing yards (11,299, just ahead of Peyton Manning) and sixth in touchdown passes (89, just ahead of Jim McMahon) ... The Pumas last winning season was in 1998, when SJC went 7-4.


Coach Lester


Abel

WWU/SJC SERIES RECORD
First meeting

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

GAME 7 • OCTOBER 16 at BELLINGHAM, WA (CIVIC STADIUM) • 1 PM
GAME 10 • NOVEMBER 6 at ARCATA, CA (REDWOOD BOWL) • 1 PM

GENERAL
Location ..... Arcata, Calif.
Founded 1913
Enrollment 7,393
President ..... Dr. Rollin C. Richmond

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
Nickname ..... Lumberjacks
School Colors ..... Green and Gold
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II
Conference ..... Great Northwest Athletic
Stadium ..... Redwood Bowl (7,000 cap., Grass)
Athletic Director ..... Dan Collen
Athletic Phone 707-826-3666

FOOTBALL
Head Coach ..... Doug Adkins (Central Washington, 1970)
Record at School ..... 12-31 (5th year)
Career Record ..... Same
Starters Returning ..... 12 (6 off., 6 def., 0 spec.)
Football Phone 707-826-5947

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PLAYERS TO WATCH

WR	Dustin Creager	64 rec., 880 yards, 6 TDs, 2nd team all-GNAC
OL	Jason Root	2nd-team all-GNAC
DB	Duval Seamster	5 Int., GNAC Newcomer of the Year

2004 SCHEDULE:

Aug. 28	MENLO	
Sept. 4	at Cal Poly	
Sept. 11	SOUTHERN OREGON	
Sept. 18	at Azusa Pacific	
Sept. 25	WESTERN OREGON*	
Oct. 2	at Central Washington*	
Oct. 9	BYE	
Oct. 16	**at Western Washington***	
Oct. 23	CENTRAL WASHINGTON*	
Oct. 30	at Western Oregon*	
Nov. 6	**WESTERN WASHINGTON***	

2003 RESULTS (3-7, 0-3)

WESTERN OREGON	L	22-23 OT
at Saint Mary's	W	20-6
SOUTHERN OREGON	W	31-10
AZUSA PACIFC	W	21-7
at Central Washington*	L	16-21
at Southern Oregon	L	21-40
WESTERN WASHINGTON*	**L**	**20-34**
at Western Oregon*	L	20-24
at South Dakota State	L	6-47
at Cal Poly	L	21-56

NOTES: Humboldt State has had seven straight losing seasons since winning back-to-back Northern Collegiate Athletic Conference championships in 1995 and 1996 under coach Fred Whitmire ... The Lumberjacks have twice received post-season playoff berths, competing in the Holiday Bowl in 1960, losing 15-14 to Lenior Rhyne, and the Camellia Bowl in 1968, winning 29-14 over Fresno State.


Coach Adkins


Creager

WWU/HSU SERIES RECORD
All-Time: WWU leads 7-3
WWU leads at Arcata, Calif. 4-2
WWU leads at Bellingham 3-1

1956: HSU 20-13 at Bellingham
1959: HSU 7-3 at Arcata
1962: HSU 32-0 at Arcata
1997: WWU 45-7 at Arcata
1998: WWU 36-17 at Bellingham
1999: WWU 58-0 at Arcata
2000: WWU 42-7 at Bellingham
2001: WWU 41-7 at Arcata
2002: WWU 27-7 at Bellingham
2003: WWU 34-20 at Arcata

2004 VIKINGS LOOK TO BUILD ON FAST FINISH IN 2003
Experienced offense, strong special teams highlight Western strengths

By Butch Kamena

After a strong finish to the 2003 campaign, the Western football team will look to an experienced offensive unit to lead the way in 2004.

The Vikings return seven offensive starters from a year ago, when Western was 4-6, its first non-winning season in 13 years, but closed with three consecutive victories to win the Great Northwest Athletic Conference, its sixth league title in nine seasons.

On the other side of the ball, just three defensive starters are back. In fact, the entire roster has just seven seniors, leading Western coach Rob Smith (15th year) to label the 2004 squad "arguably the youngest team I've ever coached."

"On paper at least, based on the experience we have, our offense needs to carry us early on, because our defense is young," said Smith, who will become the first coach in school history to win 100 games with his first triumph of the season. "If any offense can do it, this one can. We have a lot of pieces back, and there really isn't an inexperienced position."

Leading the returnees are junior wide receiver Andy Olson, a second-team all-West Region selection by Don Hansen's Football Gazette and an honorable mention All-America pick by D2football.com; senior kicker Michael Koenen, a consensus All-America punter in 2002; and senior strong safety Rob White, a two-time CoSIDA District VIII College Division academic all-star and 2003-04 GNAC Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

"I'm very optimistic," Smith said. "This team has done everything we've asked of them from Day 1, and we've seen as much improvement as any team I've coached - in the weight room, in overall commitment, and in spring practice. This is a team that is going to get better every week."

The road to the post season has changed a bit for the Vikings this season. The field has increased from 16 to 24 teams, with six teams from each of four regions earning berths. The regions have also been realigned, shifting Western and the other GNAC schools from the West to the Northwest. Also included in the new 35-member region are the North Central Conference, the Northern Sun Conference and Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The schedule reflects the changes in regional format. In addition to two conference games with each of the three other GNAC schools, Western plays two games with NCC schools, visiting St. Cloud State, Minn., on Sept. 11, and hosting Nebraska-Omaha on Sept. 18. The two remaining games also count as regional contests.

"It is a very fair schedule, all the games are Division II games and all of them are considered in-region games, which along with strength of schedule is very important to determining playoff berths," Smith said. "We also have seven games in the state of Washington, so there aren't any big travel issues."

A highlight of the season will be the second annual Battle in Seattle on Sept. 25, when the Vikings face archrival Central Washington at Qwest Field (formerly Seahawks Stadium). The contest drew 16,392 in its inaugural edition last year.

Here's a position-by-position look at the Vikings:

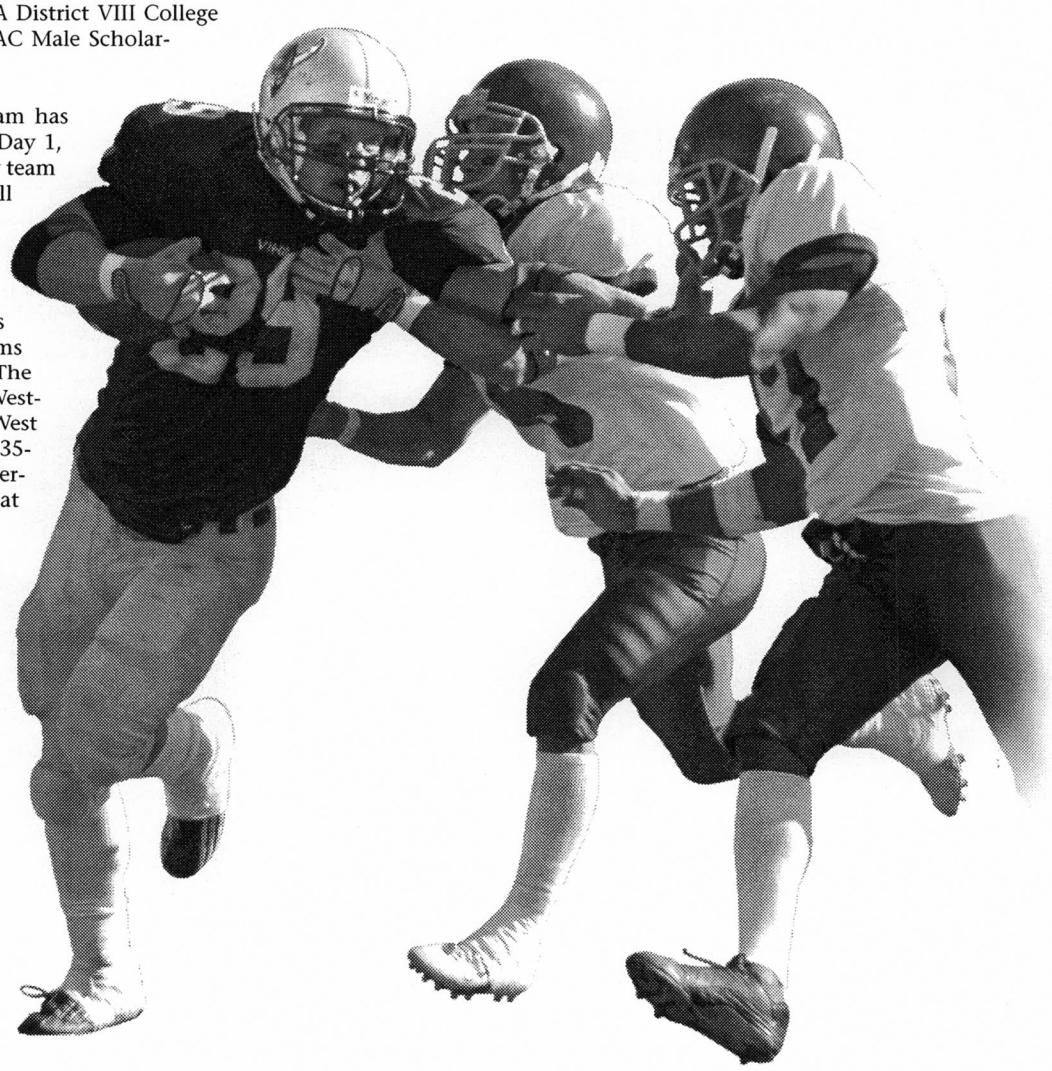
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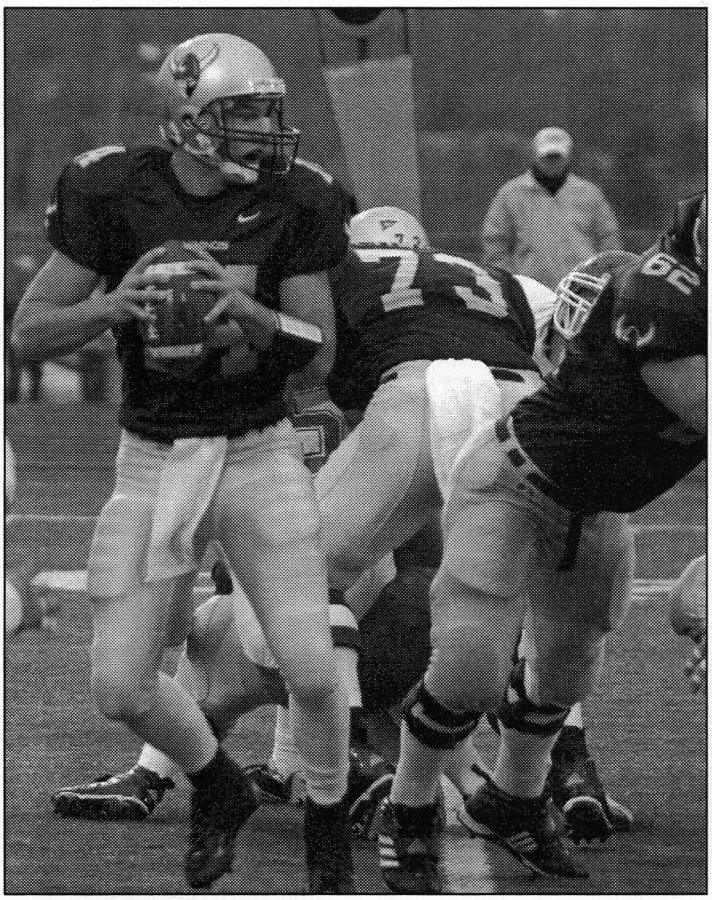
The Vikings averaged 389.8 yards a game last year, ranking 26th nationally in passing offense at 260.7 yards a contest, and many of the elements that contributed to that success return.

LINE: Out of the 50 man-games started on the offensive line last season, 38 return, led by junior center Loren Winter, a two-year starter who made eight starts a year ago.

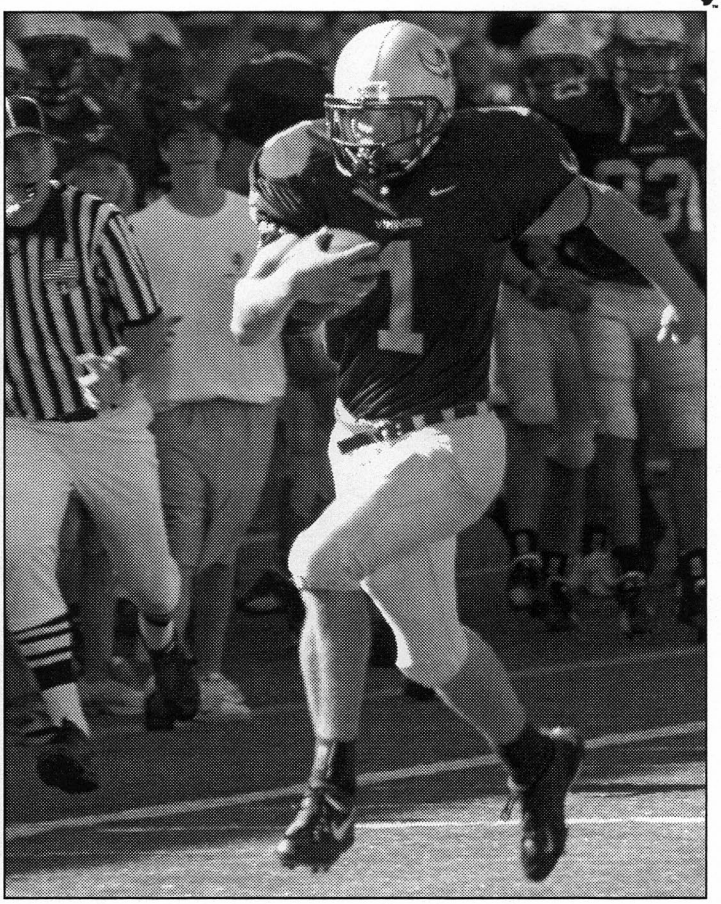
"We bring the line back almost intact, and a year ago we were very good," said Smith.

Running Back Duncan Sherrard (29)





Quarterback Steve Nichols



Wide Receiver Andy Olson

Junior Justin Simpson returns at tackle after starting nine games last season, and at the other tackle, sophomore Brandon Torrey, who made three starts, enters fall camp slightly ahead of junior Geoff Hise, who started eight times.

Senior Todd Gowing, who started six games a year ago, returns at guard. Another possibility at guard is junior Will Freitag, who started two years at NCAA II Minnesota-Crookston, earning honorable mention all-league honors as a sophomore.

Further depth is provided by sophomores Peter Van Datta, who made four starts last year, sophomore Tyler Sleeman, and perhaps true freshman Phil Hayes, a first-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 3A all-state pick.

QUARTERBACK: Senior Steve Nichols has made 11 starts over the last two years, including seven last season when he threw for 1,484 yards, completing 112-of-216 passes with 16 touchdowns and five interceptions. Now firmly settled as the starter, he ranks 10th in school history with 2,836 passing yards, having a good shot at finishing in the top five, and has an impressive career touchdown-to-interception ratio of 25-to-10.

"Steve had a tremendous spring," Smith said. "He realized the job is in his hands and it is amazing the impact that can have. He's showing great confidence."

Sophomore James Monrean will see time as the backup. Monrean played in three games last year, completing 11-of-25 passes for 175 yards with one touchdown and one interception, and directed the game-winning drive in a 17-16 Cascade Cup victory over Central Washington.

WIDE RECEIVER: In Olson, the Vikings have a truly dominating force to be reckoned with. A first-team all-GNAC pick, he had 64 receptions for 1,063 yards and nine touchdowns, ranking ninth nationally in yards per game (106.3) and 17th in receptions per game (6.1). He already ranks sixth in school career touchdown catches with 15, and has a shot at holding nearly every school receiving record by the time he is done.

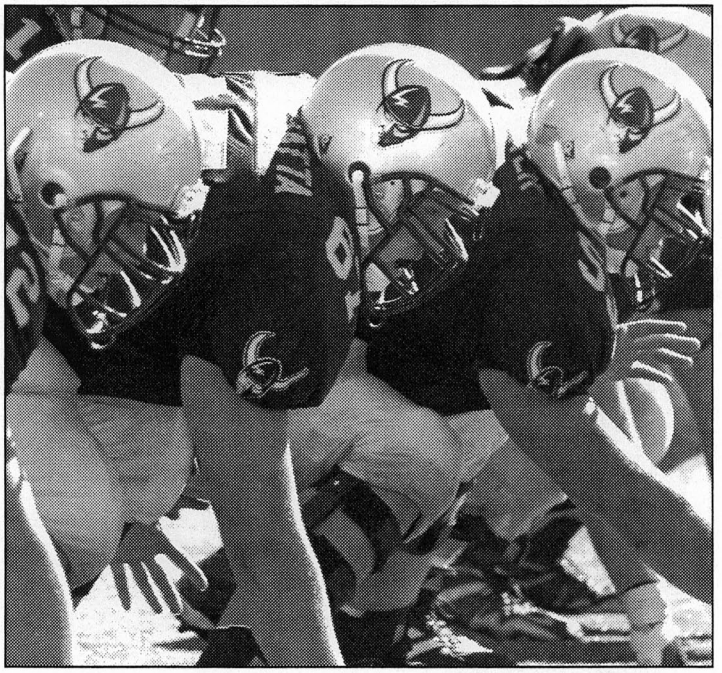
"He's a talented player, and he combines that with incredible competitiveness," Smith said of Olson. "He's as competitive a player as I've ever coached."

Three players are battling for the other wide receiver spot. Senior James Laurence made three starts last year, and had 10 receptions for 100 yards. Sophomore Brett Upchurch had five catches for 69 yards and a touchdown in just three games of action, and redshirt freshman Chris Robinson was the Scout Team Offensive Player of the Year.

The slotback position is open after sophomore Matt Wilson suffered a season-ending knee injury in the spring. Junior Jarrod Karuza, who returns after missing last season with an injury, enters fall camp as the starter. He'll battle for the job with his high school quarterback, redshirt freshman Jeff Bennum , who returned to football last spring; and redshirt freshman Jason Morris, who was at Eastern Washington last year.

RUNNING BACK: The Vikings have two all-league caliber backs in juniors Duncan Sherrard and Jake Carlyle. Sherrard started all 10 games last year, earning first-team all-GNAC honors as he rushed for 760 yards and three touchdowns on 176 carries. He added 16 receptions for 193 yards and three scores. Sherrard already ranks seventh in school history in career rushing with 1,447 yards.

Carlyle ran for 418 yards and five touchdowns on 97 carries last year, and added eight receptions for 95 yards.



Offensive Linemen: Geoff Hise (72), Peter Van Datta (67), Loren Winter (53)

"They're two lunch-pail guys who show up ready to go to work," Smith said. "I know both would like to be 'the guy,' but we have the luxury to have that depth. Both will get their share of carries."

TIGHT END: This is another area where Western has a 1-2 punch, and the Vikings will use more two tight-end sets to take advantage of that. Senior Rick Carte had 17 receptions for 158 yards and five touchdowns last year, earning unanimous first-team all-GNAC recognition. Junior Nick Yoney had 11 catches for 174 yards and one score.

"We need to do a better job of getting Rick Carte the ball," Smith said. "He's a weapon as a receiver, and his blocking has improved a great deal. Nick Yoney has also improved. He's a converted wide receiver, and he's put on the weight to be a tight end and also learned the blocking aspect of the position."

Smith is also excited about the potential of true freshman Logan Cullen, an honorable mention Class 3A all-state pick who could see immediate action.

DEFENSE

The stop unit struggled in the first half of 2003, but can build off the momentum it created in the final three games, when it held opponents to just 16.3 points a contest in three Viking victories.

LINE: The key returnee is junior end Joey Joshua, a second-team all-GNAC pick last year. Joshua had 43 tackles last season, including 9.5 for loss. He'll be the anchor of experience in an area loaded with newcomers.

"Joey is ready to make a name for himself regionally and possibly nationally," Smith said. "We need him to be an outstanding player now, to be the leader of our defensive front."

There are two returning letter winners at the other end, both of whom have moved from other positions. Junior Aaron Dahl, a former linebacker, is a two-year letter winner, and Nicholas Buck saw time at tackle, starting three games, making 13 tackles and also recovering a fumble and intercepting a pass. The only other returning letter winner is tackle Parker Follis, who had six stops and blocked a kick.

Junior transfer tackle Ryan Davidson was a two-year starter at Diablo Valley JC, and his juco teammate, junior Noel Tafoya, could be a factor at end, as might redshirt freshman Ryan Conwell.

LINEBACKERS: The linebacking corps is almost entirely new. Four letter winners return, but they saw most of their action on special teams. Even so, Smith believes this group lacks only experience and could do well.

"We lack experience, but we don't lack talent," Smith said. "It's going to be a fun battle to watch in the fall, because there's six or seven guys battling for three spots."

Juniors Adam Klingenberg and Joe Allen are the most experienced members of the group. Klingenberg, the lone two-year letter winner, figures to start at one of the outside spots, and Allen enters the fall as the starter in the middle.

At the other outside position, redshirt freshman Tieba Bropleh had an outstanding spring and enters the fall as the starter, but sophomore Jeff Parks, who had eight tackles last year, will also be a factor.

Others who could make an impact are redshirt freshman Brandon Elliott, who was last year's Defensive Scout Team Player of the Year; sophomore Pat Mutzel, who lettered last year; and sophomore Jed Dern.

SECONDARY: In White, the Vikings have a strong safety who has started every game the last two years and played in all but one contest over three seasons. A unanimous first-team all-GNAC selection last year after being a second-team pick as a sophomore, White led the Vikings in tackles for the second straight year, notching 90 and ranking 14th nationally in solo tackles (6.1 avg.). He also had two interceptions, a fumble recovery and seven passes defensed.

"Rob White is a two-year starter," said Smith. "He has to provide leadership and be a solid player, and we know he'll do that."

White, the lone senior on defense to be a returning starter, will be backed up by redshirt freshman James Day. At free safety, junior Jason Barton has the inside track after moving over from receiver in the spring. Also there is junior Brett Snyder-Ferguson, who started the opener last season and had nine tackles prior to missing the rest of the campaign for disciplinary reasons.

At the corner, junior Brett Hall, a two-year letter winner, started nine games last year, having 28 tackles and five passes defensed. Sophomore Sly Whitfield returns after starting five games and showing steady improvement over the course of his freshman season, notching two interceptions and seven passes defensed. Also in the hunt for starting jobs are redshirt freshman Ocie Moore, who was slated to start but suffered a season-ending injury two days before the opening game, and Sean O'Hara, who made six starts for NCAA I-AA St. Mary's last year.

SPECIAL TEAMS

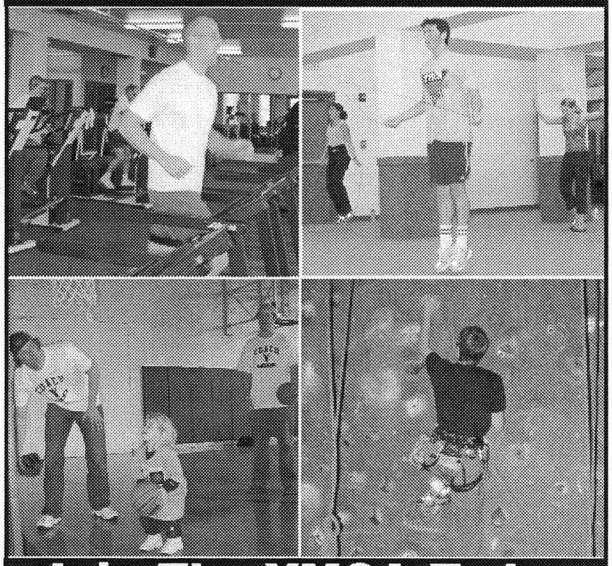
In Koenen, Western has probably the best two-way punting-placekicking specialist in all of NCAA II. He was a unanimous first-team all-GNAC placekicker last season, connecting on 9-of-20 field goals and 26-of-28 extra points. He ranks sixth in school history in scoring with 196 points, having connected on 31-of-57 field goals, making 14 of those from 40 yards or more, including a school-record 54-yarder in his first collegiate game, and 103-of-109 extra points. He has 54 career kickoffs for touchbacks.

As a punter, Koenen was a second-team all-GNAC pick last year, ranking fourth nationally in NCAA II at 43.4 yards an attempt. He led the nation in punting as a sophomore with a school-record 44.9 average, and his career average is 43.0 on 154 attempts.

"I expect a big year from Mike," Smith said. "He certainly has all the tools to be as good as we've ever had here."

There's also strength in the returns. Carlyle was a first-team all-conference selection as a kickoff returner, averaging 22.5 yards an attempt. Olson averaged 10.2 on punt returns, gaining second-team all-GNAC honors.

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VIKING FOOTBALL REALIGNS WITH NCAA'S NORTHWEST REGION

Division II alters post-season alignment, qualification process

A change in the post-season qualification process for NCAA Division II football has led to Western being placed in a new region for the 2004 season.

Beginning this fall, the NCAA II playoffs will expand from 16 teams to 24. Each of four regions will now have six teams qualify for the post-season, meaning that the regular season will conclude one week earlier and there will be one additional week of playoffs to lead up to the national championship game. This year's title game will be played Dec. 11 at Florence, Ala.

While the number of teams qualifying for post-season play changes, the NCAA is also changing its regional alignment. Western, along with the other three football-playing members of the Great Northwest Athletic Conference, had been a member of the West Region in recent history. In addition, teams from the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) and Lone Star Conference (LSC) were aligned in the West. However, the change implemented by the NCAA will provide a whole new geographic look to regular season schedules and the playoff process.

Western and the remainder of the GNAC is now part of a 35-member Northwest Region, while former regional foes from the RMAC and LSC are now in the Southwest Region. Moving to the Northwest Region this year are teams from the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC), North Central Conference (NCC), and the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC). The GLIAC has produced the last two national champions - Grand Valley State in 2002 and 2003 - while NCC member North Dakota won the 2001 national title.

For 2004, in-region contests for Division II football schools will be calculated differently from past years as well. In addition to games versus teams from one of the regional conferences or Northwest Region independents Saint Joseph's (Ind.) and Tiffin (Ohio), there are several additional criteria that make a Division II game an in-region contest. The NCAA's criteria warranting an in-region game are as follows: (1) game versus opponents in the defined region; (2) game versus opponents in your state that is not in your defined region; (3) game versus opponents in states contiguous to your defined region; (4) California, Oregon, and Washington schools are to be considered contiguous to all Southwest Region states.

All 10 of Western's 2004 regular-season games are considered in-region.

The NCAA also has adopted an "earned access concept" which guarantees leagues with a team ranked in the top 10 regionally one of the six playoff berths. This is similar to an automatic berth, except the berth does not automatically go to the league champion.

The "earned access concept" does not affect GNAC schools because they are considered independents since the league has just four football-playing institutions.

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1	Andy Olson**	WR	6-2	210	21	Jr.	Chehalis, WA (W.F. West)
2	Jason Barton**	FS	5-9	180	21	Jr.	Gig Harbor, WA (Gig Harbor)
3	Ocie Moore	CB	5-9	170	21	R-Fr.	Seattle, WA (Kent-Meridian)
4	Sly Whitfield, Jr.*	CB	5-8	160	20	So.	Seattle, WA (Garfield)
5	James Laurence*	WR	6-4	230	23	Sr.	Kent, WA (Kent-Meridian/Antelope Valley JC)
6	Jarrod Karuza	WR	6-0	195	22	Jr.	Bellingham, WA (Meridian/Eastern Oregon)
7	Adam Perry	QB	6-1	180	18	Fr.	Longview, WA (R.A. Long)
8	Chris Robinson	WR	5-10	190	19	R-Fr.	Lakewood, WA (Clover Park)
9	Sean O'Hara	CB	5-8	170	22	Sr.	Pleasant Hill, CA (De La Salle/St. Mary's CA)
10	Darrius Tuggle	RB	5-10	195	20	So.	Spanaway, WA (Spanaway Lake)
11	Tony Gardiner	QB	5-11	185	18	Fr.	Bothell, WA (Bothell)
12	Danny Hill	SS	5-11	200	19	R-Fr.	Elma, WA (Elma)
13	Nick Yoney*	TE	6-4	245	21	Jr.	Arlington, WA (Arlington)
14	Steve Nichols***	QB	6-2	210	23	Sr.	Stevenson, WA (Stevenson)
15	A.J. Porter	QB	6-1	205	20	R-Fr.	SeaTac, WA (Kennedy)
16	Jeff Bennum	WR	5-10	175	22	Fr.	Bellingham, WA (Meridian/Yakima Valley CC)
17	James Monrean	QB	6-1	225	20	So.	Bellingham, WA (Sehome)
18	Ben Huebschman	QB	6-2	225	19	R-Fr.	Vancouver, WA (Mountain View/Washington)
19	Michael Koenen***	K-P	5-11	195	22	Sr.	Ferndale, WA (Ferndale)
20	Tyler Mattair	RB	5-7	185	19	Fr.	Kennewick, WA (Southridge)
21	RETIRED						
22	Todd McClellan*	FS	5-10	200	22	So.	Lacey, WA (Timberline)
23	Jon Williams	RB	5-10	165	19	R-Fr.	Redmond, WA (Redmond)
24	RETIRED						
25	Mike Schmit	CB	5-10	165	18	R-Fr.	Vancouver, WA (Columbia River)
26	Justin Balunsat	SS	5-7	175	20	R-Fr.	Lake Stevens, WA (Lake Stevens)
27	Jake Carlyle**	RB	5-7	200	21	Jr.	Olympia, WA (Capital)
28	Anthony Rosso	CB	6-0	180	18	Fr.	Walla Walla, WA (Walla Walla)
29	Duncan Sherrard**	RB	5-10	200	21	Jr.	Seattle, WA (Roosevelt)
30	Jason Morris	WR	5-10	170	19	R-Fr.	Mill Creek, WA (Jackson/Eastern Washington)
31	Brett Snyder-Ferguson*	FS	6-1	190	21	Jr.	Colville, WA (Colville)
32	Craig Keenan	OLB	6-1	220	20	Jr.	Salem, MA (Hamilton-Wenham/Ohio Wesleyan/Palomar JC)
33	Steve Davis	FS	5-10	200	18	Fr.	Kennewick, WA (Kamiakin)
34	James Day*	SS	5-10	195	19	R-Fr.	Vancouver, WA (Mountain View)
35	Jacque Henry	CB	5-9	165	22	So.	Kelso, WA (Kelso)
36	Maurice Jones	CB	5-9	175	18	Fr.	Tacoma, WA (Spanaway Lake)
37	Pat Mutzel*	OLB	6-1	215	20	So.	Bellevue, WA (Bellevue)
38	Jed Dern	OLB	5-10	210	21	So.	Duvall, WA (Cedarcrest)
39	Jordyn Jackson	RB	5-9	175	18	Fr.	Vancouver, WA (Columbia River)
40	Rob White***	SS	6-1	215	22	Sr.	Woodinville, WA (Inglemoor)
41	Jake Darling	OLB	5-11	205	20	Fr.	Snohomish, WA (Snohomish/Washington)
42	Brett Hall**	CB	5-7	175	21	Jr.	Kennewick, WA (Kennewick/Columbia Basin CC)
43	Jeff Parks*	OLB	6-3	215	21	So.	Graham, WA(Bethel/Boise State)
44	RETIRED						
45	Justin Terry	FS	5-11	190	18	Fr.	Puyallup, WA (Puyallup)
46	Adam Klingenberg**	MLB	5-11	215	21	Jr.	Walla Walla, WA (Walla Walla)
47	Tieba Bropleh	OLB	5-10	205	19	R-Fr.	Bremerton, WA (Bremerton)
48	Joe Allen*	MLB	6-1	215	21	Jr.	Graham, WA (Bethel)
49	Brandon Elliott	MLB	6-2	230	19	R-Fr.	Auburn, WA (Fife)
50	Mike Braund	MLB	6-0	210	19	So.	Bellevue, WA (Bellevue/St. Mary's CA)
51	Noel Tafoya	DE	6-2	245	21	Jr.	Pittsburg, CA (Pittsburg/Diablo Valley JC)
52	Mike Lisenby	FB	5-10	205	19	R-Fr.	Bothell, WA (Bothell)
53	Loren Winter**	OC	6-1	260	21	Jr.	Bothell, WA (Juanita)
54	Aaron Dahl**	DE	6-1	230	21	Jr.	Gig Harbor, WA (Gig Harbor)
55	Cole Linich	DT	6-2	240	28	Jr.	Elma, WA (Elma/Centralia CC)
56	Will Freitag	OG	6-3	260	21	Jr.	Maple Valley, WA (Eastside Catholic/Minnesota-Crookston)
57	Erik Olson	DE	6-5	235	18	Fr.	Bellevue, WA (Newport)
58	Joe Pennell	MLB	6-1	240	18	Fr.	Everett, WA (Cascade)
59	Dale Moore	OT	6-2	255	18	Fr.	Vancouver, WA (Evergreen)

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61	Taylor Wade	OLB	6-0	210	19	Fr.	Mukilteo, WA (Kamiak)
62	Sean Gallacher	ROV	5-10	200	19	R-Fr.	Bothell, WA (Bothell)
63	Gavin Kvangnes	OG	6-2	280	18	Fr.	Marysville, WA (Marysville-Pilchuck)
64	Tyler Sleeman*	OG	6-1	300	21	So.	Black Diamond, WA (Tahoma/Eastern Washington)
65	Jason Day**	OT	6-5	235	22	Sr.	Tonasket, WA (Tonasket)
66	Dan Trask	OC	6-4	245	18	Fr.	Aberdeen, WA (Aberdeen)
67	Peter Van Datta*	OG	6-2	265	20	So.	Bremerton, WA (Central Kitsap)
68	Chris Corey	OC	6-5	250	18	Fr.	Federal Way, WA (Decatur)
69	Adam Bossard	OC	6-0	265	20	Jr.	Radcliffe, IA (Hubbard-Radcliffe/Ellsworth CC)
70	Brandon Torrey*	OT	6-3	285	20	So.	Graham, WA (Bethel)
71	Junior Aumavae	DT	6-2	260	18	Fr.	Palmer, AK (Palmer)
72	Geoff Hise**	OT	6-2	260	21	Jr.	Snoqualimie, WA (Mount Si)
73	Todd Gowing***	OG	6-2	280	23	Sr.	Kirkland, WA (Inglemoor)
74	Evan Noteboom	OT	6-4	315	19	R-Fr.	Lynden, WA (Lynden)
75	Ryan Lucas	DT	6-6	270	19	So.	Vancouver, BC (North Delta/Simon Fraser)
76	Scott Allanson	OT	6-4	240	18	Fr.	Everett, WA (Jackson)
77	Jon McCrae-Lauba	DT	5-11	270	20	So.	Bellevue, WA (Sammamish)
78	Phil Hayes	OG	6-5	295	18	Fr.	Renton, WA (O'Dea)
79	Justin Simpson*	OT	6-4	305	21	Jr.	Kennewick, WA (Kamiakin)
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81	Casey Dell	WR	5-11	185	19	R-Fr.	Moxee, WA (East Valley
82	Rick Carte***	TE	6-4	245	22	Sr.	Juneau, AK (Juneau-Douglas)
83	Taylor Argens	TE	6-4	210	18	Fr.	Seattle, WA (Roosevelt)
84	Ben Shelton	TE	6-4	225	20	R-Fr.	Tacoma, WA (Lincoln)
85	Joey Joshua**	DE	6-4	225	21	Jr.	Ferndale, WA (Ferndale)
86	Logan Cullen	TE	6-4	230	18	Fr.	Anacortes, WA (Anacortes)
87	Zach Russell	WR	6-2	185	21	So.	Bothell, WA(Lake Washington)
88	Travis McKee	WR	6-5	205	19	Fr.	Bothell, WA (Bothell)
89	Joe Briggs	TE	6-3	215	19	R-Fr.	Kennewick, WA (Kamiakin)
90	Joe Samuels	DT	6-3	285	23	Fr.	Palmer, AK (Palmer/Lane CC)
91	Ryan Davidson	DT	6-3	260	20	Jr.	Pleasant Hill, CA (San Ramon Valley/Diablo Valley JC)
92	Nick Warren	OLB	5-10	195	19	R-Fr.	Bellevue, WA (Bellevue)
93	Conor Ball	DT	6-1	245	21	So.	Olympia, WA (Olympia/Central Washington)
94	Dan Sandana	RB	5-9	215	19	R-Fr.	Puyallup, WA (Puyallup)
95	Jace Perry	OLB	5-11	200	18	Fr.	Camas, WA (Camas)
96	Parker Follis*	DT	6-3	260	19	So.	Bellingham, WA (Squalicum)
97	Nicholas Buck*	DE	6-2	235	20	So.	Kent,WA(Seattle Christian/Kentridge)
98	Tony Duncan	DE	6-2	230	19	R-Fr.	Snohomish, WA (Archbishop Murphy)
99	Ryan Conwell	DE	6-5	215	20	R-Fr.	Kent, WA (Kentwood)
	Trevor Hamilton	TE	6-2	220	18	Fr.	Bellevue, WA (Newport)
	Mark Holleman	K-P	5-11	185	20	Fr.	Lynden, WA (Lynden Christian/Azusa Pacific)
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	Matt Leonard	DE	6-2	235	18	Fr.	Lake Stevens, WA (Lake Stevens)
	Steen Raisl	TE	6-6	225	18	Fr.	Tacoma, WA (Stadium)
	Brett Upchurch*	WR	6-0	165	20	So.	Sammamish, WA (Eastlake)
	Matt Wilson*	WR	5-11	185	20	So.	Auburn, WA (Auburn)
	Jason Yell	SS	5-11	195	18	Fr.	Leavenworth, WA (Cascade)

Head Coach – Rob Smith
Assistants – John Ely, Scott Hodgkinson, Eric Tripp, Terry Todd, Stacy Collins, Raven Battle, Adam Mathieson, Zach Tinker
Graduate Assistant – Andy Wojcik
Team Co-captains – Rick Carte, Steve Nichols, Andy Olson, Rob White

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45	Justin Terry	FS	5-11	190	18	Fr.	Puyallup, WA (Puyallup)
70	Brandon Torrey*	OT	6-3	285	20	So.	Graham, WA (Bethel)
66	Dan Trask	OC	6-4	245	18	Fr.	Aberdeen, WA (Aberdeen)
10	Darrius Tuggle	RB	5-10	195	20	So.	Spanaway, WA (Spanaway Lake)
	Brett Upchurch*	WR	6-0	165	20	So.	Sammamish, WA (Eastlake)
67	Peter Van Datta*	OG	6-2	265	20	So.	Bremerton, WA (Central Kitsap)
61	Taylor Wade	OLB	6-0	210	19	Fr.	Mukilteo, WA (Kamiak)
92	Nick Warren	OLB	5-10	195	19	R-Fr.	Bellevue, WA (Bellevue)
40	Rob White***	SS	6-1	215	22	Sr.	Woodinville, WA (Inglemoor)
4	Sly Whitfield, Jr.*	CB	5-8	160	20	So.	Seattle, WA (Garfield)
23	Jon Williams	RB	5-10	165	19	R-Fr.	Redmond, WA (Redmond)
	Matt Wilson*	WR	5-11	185	20	So.	Auburn, WA (Auburn)
53	Loren Winter**	OC	6-1	260	21	Jr.	Bothell, WA (Juanita)
	Jason Yell	SS	5-11	195	18	Fr.	Leavenworth, WA (Cascade)
13	Nick Yoney*	TE	6-4	245	21	Jr.	Arlington, WA (Arlington)

Head Coach – Rob Smith
Assistants – John Ely, Scott Hodgkinson, Eric Tripp, Terry Todd, Stacy Collins, Raven Battle, Adam Mathieson, Zach Tinker
Graduate Assistant – Andy Wojcik
Team Co-captains – Rick Carte, Steve Nichols, Andy Olson, Rob White

DEPTH CHART

WESTERN OFFENSE

LT

70-BRANDON TORREY
72-GEOFF HISE
65-JASON DAY
76-Scott Allanson

LG

73-TODD GOWING
67-PETER VAN DATTA
63-Gavin Kvangnes

C

53-LOREN WINTER
69-Adam Bossard
66-Dan Trask
68-Chris Corey

RG

56-Will Freitag
64-TYLER SLEEMAN
78-Phil Hayes

RT

79-JUSTIN SIMPSON
74-Evan Noteboom
59-Dale Moore

TE

82-RICK CARTE
13-NICK YONEY
84-Ben Shelton
89-Joe Briggs
86-Logan Cullen
83-Taylor Argens
-Trevor Hamilton
-Steen Raisl

SB

6-Jarrod Karuza
16-Jeff Bennum
30-Jason Morris
MATT WILSON (I)

QB

14-STEVE NICHOLS
17-James Monrean
18-Ben Huebschman
15-A.J. Porter
7-Adam Perry
11-Tony Gardiner
-Casey Waddell

WR

1-ANDY OLSON
81-Casey Dell
87-Zach Russell
-Keegan Kenfield
88-Travis McKee
-Matt Hoss
-BRETT UPCHURCH (I)

WR

8-Chris Robinson
5-JAMES LAURENCE
-Pierce Johnson
80-Jeff Schwab

RB

29-DUNCAN SHERRARD
27-JAKE CARLYLE
10-Darrius Tuggle
94-Dan Sandana
23-Jon Williams
39-Jordyn Jackson
20-Tyler Mattair

VIKING DEFENSE

E

85-JOEY JOSHUA
99-Ryan Conwell
93-Conor Ball
57-Erik Olson
60-Richard McCrae-Lauba

N

91-Ryan Davidson
77-Jon McCrae-Lauba
90-Joe Samuels
71-Junior Aumavae

T

96-PARKER FOLLIS
55-Cole Linich
75-Ryan Lucas

E

97-NICHOLAS BUCK
51-Noel Tafoya
98-Tony Duncan
-Matt Leonard
54-AARON DAHL (I)

OLB

47-Tieba Bropleh
43-JEFF PARKS
92-Nick Warren
62-Sean Gallcher
95-Jace Perry
52-Mike Lisenby

MLB

48-JOE ALLEN
49-Brandon Elliott
50-Mike Braund
58-Joe Pennell

OLB

46-ADAM KLINGENBERG
38-Jed Dern
37-PAT MUTZEL
61-Taylor Wade
32-Craig Keenan
41-Jake Darling

LCB

42-BRETT HALL
4-SLY WHITFIELD, JR.
35-Jacque Henry
36-Maurice Jones

FS

2-JASON BARTON
31-BRETT SNYDER-FERGUSON
22-TODD McCLELLEN
33-Steve Davis
45-Justin Terry
-Mark Holleman

SS

40-ROB WHITE
34-JAMES DAY
26-Justin Balunsat
12-Danny Hill
-Jason Yell

RCB

3-Ocie Moore
9-Sean O'Hara
25-Mike Schmidt
28-Anthony Rosso

(All Caps) returning letter winner (I) denotes injured status

SPECIAL TEAMS

PLACEKICKER	19-MICHAEL KOENEN 37-PAT MUTZEL
HOLDER	14-STEVE NICHOLS
LONG SNAPPER	13-NICK YONEY 73-TODD GOWING 12-Danny Hill 99-Ryan Conwell
PAT & FG SNAPPER	73-TODD GOWING 99-Ryan Conwell
PUNTER	19-MICHAEL KOENEN
PUNT RETURNS	1-ANDY OLSON 2-JASON BARTON 25-Mike Schmidt
KICKOFF RETURNS	26-JAKE CARLYLE 29-DUNCAN SHERRARD 22-TODD McCLELLAN 33-Steve Davis
KICKOFF	19-MICHAEL KOENEN 37-PAT MUTZEL

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Junior Aumavae ..... *AH-ma-vi*

Adam Bossard ..... *bah-surd*

Tieba Bropleh ..... *TEE-bah, Bro as in grow-play*

Parker Follis ..... *Fall-is*

Sean Gallacher ..... *Gal-ah-sure*

Ben Huebschman ..... *HIPSCH-mon*

Mike Lisenby ..... *LIZ-n-bee*

Ocie Moore ..... *OH-see*

Pat Mutzel ..... *MUTT-sel*

Noel Tafoya ..... *tah-FOI-ah*

Peter Van Datta ..... *Van Dat-ah*

Nick Yoney ..... *YAW-knee*



Coach Smith delivers pre-game message

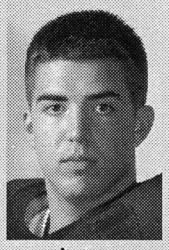
PLAYER SKETCHES



Allanson



Allen



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Ball

SCOTT ALLANSON (76)

Offensive Tackle
Freshman, 6-4, 240, 18, 2/12/86
Everett, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention *WashingtonPreps.com* Class 4A all-State pick as senior at Jackson High School ... First-team *Everett Herald* all-Area and all-Western Conference choice ... Helped Timberwolves to 10-2 record, Wesco South Division title and first round of state playoffs ... Started and lettered three years.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business ... His father, Tom, played football at Golden West (Calif.) JC and University of Washington.

JOE ALLEN (48)

Middle Linebacker
Junior, 6-1, 215, 21, 10/15/82
Graham, WA

COLLEGE: Participated in nine games, mostly on special teams, last season ... Credited with 8 tackles, 1 for loss of 3 yards ... Played in seven contests in 2002, missing last three because of ankle injury ... Credited with 2 tackles, 1 a quarterback sack for minus-4 yards ... Redshirt in 2001 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area and all-South Puget Sound League South Division selection as senior at Bethel High School ... Team co-captain ... Had 8 quarterback sacks and 2 pass interceptions, helping Braves to 10-3 record, league co-championship and title game at Class 4A state playoffs ... Second-team all-league as junior on squad that finished 12-1, won league title and reached state semifinals ... Started two years and lettered three.

PERSONAL: Major is marketing.

TAYLOR ARGENS (83)

Tight End,
Freshman, 6-4, 210, 18, 11/22/85
Seattle, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Preps.com* all-State and all-Kingco League choice as senior at Roosevelt High School ... Caught 16 passes for 211 yards and 2 touchdowns ... Led Roughriders in receiving as junior and senior ... Honorable mention all-league as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in basketball ... Team captain.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business administration.

JUNIOR AUMAVAE (71)

Pronounced *AH-ma-vi*

Defensive Tackle
Freshman, 6-2, 260, 18, 4/29/86
Palmer, AK

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Coaches all-State and all-Northern Rail-Belt Conference choice both ways as junior and senior at Palmer High School ... Named state Lineman of the Year as senior, helping Moose to league title and first round of large school state playoffs ... Credited with 33 quarterback sacks, 4 fumble recoveries, 3 forced fumbles and 1 blocked kick and team had over 2,000 rushing yards ... Team MVP and inspirational award winner ... As junior, played on team that won conference championship and reached state semifinals ... All-state tournament both ways ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also lettered two years in track.

PERSONAL: Plans for major in physical education or pursue program in pre-law ... Comes from family of 13, with 10 sisters and two brothers.

CONOR BALL (93)

Defensive Tackle
Sophomore, 6-1, 245, 21, 4/15/83
Olympia, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season to fulfill requirements following transfer from Central Washington University ... Redshirt for Wildcats in 2002 ... Also attended South Puget Sound CC.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Tacoma News Tribune* and *Daily Olympian* all-Area selection on defense and all-Narrows League choice both ways as senior Olympia High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Credited with 50 tackles, including 5 quarterback sacks, and 2 fumble recoveries ... Best blocker award winner on offense ... First-team all-league on defense as junior ... Second-team all-Black Hills League pick as sophomore ... Helped Bears tie for league title and reach first round of Class 3A state playoffs ... Started and lettered three years in football ... Also lettered three years in track as shot putter.

PERSONAL: Major is general studies ... His brother, Nick, played football at Western.

JUSTIN BALUNSAT (26)

Strong Safety
Freshman, 5-7, 175, 20, 6/17/84
Lake Stevens, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Everett Herald* all-Area and all-Western Conference pick on offense and second-team all-area and all-league on defense as senior at Lake Stevens High School ... Ran for 900 yards and 18 touchdowns, helping Vikings to Wesco North Division title and first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Team captain ... As junior, played on team that won Wesco 3A championship and reached state quarterfinals ... Started one year and lettered three ... Also earned four letters in baseball and three in wrestling ... First-team all-area and all-league as senior in baseball, hitting .389 ... League champion in wrestling as junior and sophomore at 135 pounds.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

JASON BARTON (2)

Free Safety
Junior, 5-9, 180, 21, 10/5/82
Gig Harbor, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season as wide receiver, making three starts ... Caught 5 passes for 36 yards with long of 19 yards ... Also credited with 10 tackles on special teams ... Competed in all 10 games in 2002 ... Credited with 5 tackles as special teams member ... Redshirt in 2001 ...Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Narrows League selection on defense, offense (wide receiver), and special teams (kick returner) as senior at Gig Harbor High School ... Helped Tides reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Team co-captain ... Also first-team all-league as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned one letter in track.

PERSONAL: Major is political science.

JEFF BENNUM (16)

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-10, 170, 22, 8/17/81
Bellingham, WA

COLLEGE: Admitted to Western last winter quarter ... Has been on church mission to Mexico last two years ... Played baseball one year at Yakima Valley CC.

HIGH SCHOOL: Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 2A Player of the Year, *Tacoma News Tribune* all-state quarterback for all classifications and *Washington Prep Report* all-State pick as senior at Meridian High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Played in East-West all-star game, throwing 5-yard touchdown pass in 7-0 West victory ... North Cascades Conference Offensive Player of the Year ... First-team all-league both ways ... Led Trojans to 13-0 record, league title and state championship ... Threw for 3,157 yards and 45 touchdowns, both school records, with 68.0 pass completion percentage (191-of-281) ... Also ran for 400 yards and nine touchdowns, returned punt 70 yards for touchdown and intercepted 10 passes ... In 57-14 win over East Valley in state championship game, completed 28 of 33 passes for 390 yards and five touchdowns ... First-team all-league quarterback and second-team defensive back as junior on 7-2 team ... Played free safety as sophomore on 10-1 squad that reached state quarterfinals ... Lettered four years and started three ... Also lettered four years in baseball and two in basketball ... All-league in baseball as junior on squad that placed fifth at state ... Second-team all-league in basketball as junior.

PERSONAL: Major is physical education ... His brother, Bob, played baseball at Olympic CC and football and baseball at Gavilan College CA.

ADAM BOSSARD (69)

Pronounced *bah-surd*

Offensive Center
Junior, 6-0, 265, 20, 4/11/84
Radcliffe, IA

COLLEGE: Transfer from Ellsworth CC in Iowa Falls, IA ... Started and lettered two years for Panthers ... As sophomore, played on team that went to Graphic Edge Bowl, defeating Hudson Valley NY in triple overtime.

HIGH SCHOOL: Named to two all-State teams, being unanimous choice on one, as senior at Hubbard-Radcliffe High School ... Three-time, first-team *Ames Tribune* all-Area and North Iowa Conference all-star ... Started and lettered three years for Rebels ... Helped team to three state playoff appearances, winning title as junior and reaching semifinals as senior ... Also lettered two years in track.

PERSONAL: Major is biology.



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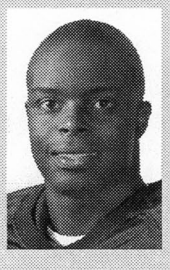
Bossard



Braund



Briggs



Bropleh



Buck



Carlyle

MIKE BRAUND (58)

Pronounced *brond*

Middle Linebacker
Sophomore, 6-0, 210, 19, 2/27/85
Bellevue, WA

COLLEGE: Transfer from St. Mary's CA ... Played in five games for Gaels ... Credited with 1 tackle ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Associated Press Class 3A all-State selection as senior at Bellevue High School ... Also first-team *Seattle Times* and *Eastside Journal* all-Area and all-Kingco League pick ... Credited with 67 tackles and 13 quarterback sacks...Helped Wolverines to two state championships in 2001 (13-0) and 2002 (12-1) ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered four years in track ... Placed fifth at state meet in javelin as junior (personal best of 185-0).

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.

JOE BRIGGS (89)

Tight End
Freshman, 6-3, 215, 19, 11/26/84
Kennewick, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Injured for most of senior season at Kamiakin High School ... Played in just five games as Braves won Big Nine Conference championship and reached first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Second-team all-league as junior on team that reached state quarterfinals ... Had 13 receptions for 104 yards and 1 touchdown ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned four letters in tennis and one in basketball.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major ... Associated Student Body President as senior at Kamiakin ... His father, Van, played baseball at University of Idaho.

TIEBA BROPLEH (47)

Pronounced *TEE-bah, Bro as in grow-play*

Outside Linebacker
Freshman, 5-10, 205, 19, 10/25/84
Bremerton, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: **First**-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 4A all-State selection and Narrows League Defensive Player of the Year as senior at Bremerton High School ... *Bremerton Sun* all-Area co-MVP ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Played in East-West all-star game ... First-team Narrows League (Bridge Division) all-star ... Played in national high school all-star game in Florida ... Team co-captain ... Credited with 174 tackles, 3 forced fumbles, 2 interceptions and 1 fumble recovery ... First-team team all-league as junior ... Credited with 384 career tackles ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in track as long and triple jumper and one in basketball.

PERSONAL: **Major** is business.

NICHOLAS BUCK (97)

Defensive End
Sophomore, 6-2, 245, 20, 2/3/84
Kent, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season, making three starts ... Credited with 13 tackles, including 5 against UC Davis ... Also had 1 forced fumble, 1 interception and 2 pass breakups ... Redshirt in 2002 ... Western's Defensive Scout Team Player of the Year ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: **Graduated** from Seattle Christian, but played football for Kentridge High School ... Second-team all-South Puget Sound League North Division choice as senior at Kentridge ... Helped Chargers to 9-2 record, league co-championship and first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned one letter in basketball as senior at Seattle Christian, playing on Warriors' team that finished 25-2 and reached championship at Class 1A state tournament.

PERSONAL: **Major** is biology.

JAKE CARLYLE (27)

Running Back
Junior, 5-7, 200, 21, 9/18/82
Olympia, WA

COLLEGE: First-team Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star last season as kick returner ... Had 20 kickoff returns for 449 yards with long of 50 ... Western's Special Teams Player of the Year ... Played in all 10 games ... Ran 97 times for 418 yards (4.3 apc) and 5 touchdowns with long of 33 yards ... Also caught 8 passes for 95 yards with long of 31 yards ... Competed in all 10 games in 2002, starting first three ... Ran 61 times for 268 yards (4.4 apc) and 2 touchdowns ... Also caught 10 passes for 93 yards and returned 2 kickoffs for 25 yards ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention all-Narrows League Bay Division pick as senior at Capital High School, playing in just five games because of broken leg ... Team co-captain ... First-team all-league choice on offense and second-team on defense as junior, running for 1,485 yards (9.8 apc) and 20 touchdowns ... Helped Cougars to 9-2 record, league title and semifinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Ran for 310 yards on 17 carries (18.2 apc) and 5 touchdowns in state quarterfinal game ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in basketball and two in track ... Second-team all-league as junior in basketball.

PERSONAL: Major is sociology.

RICK CARTE (82)

Tight End
Senior, 6-4, 245, 22, 1/1/82
Juneau, AK

COLLEGE: Team co-captain ... Unanimous first-team Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star last season ... Started all 10 games ... Caught 17 passes for 158 yards and 5 touchdowns with long of 21 yards ... Tied school record by making 3 touchdown catches against Humboldt State ... Caught 2 touchdown passes versus Central Washington in "Battle in Seattle" ... Played in all 10 games in 2002, making two starts ... GNAC academic all-star ... Caught 5 passes for 70 yards and 1 touchdown ... Played in all 11 games in 2001 ... Caught 10 passes for 138 yards and 3 touchdowns with long of 55 ... Made 2 touchdown catches in Fort Lewis CO game ... Redshirt in 2000 ... Three letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-state and all-Cook Inlet Conference selection as senior at Juneau-Douglas High School ... Defensive Player of the Year ... Listed among top prep players by *USA Today* ... Caught 29 passes for 535 yards and 7 touchdowns (18.5 yards per catch) ... Helped Crimson Bears to 8-3 record, league title and Class 4A state semifinals ... Team captain ... All-conference as junior ... Started and lettered three letters ... Also lettered three years in basketball playing on state championship team.

PERSONAL: Major is business management.

RYAN CONWELL (99)

Defensive End
Freshman, 6-5, 215, 20, 7/16/84
Kent, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association and *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 4A all-State choice as senior at Kentwood High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Second-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area and first-team South Puget Sound League North Division all-star ... Second-team all-league as tight end on offense ... Team co-captain ... Had 78 tackles, 13-1/2 quarterback sacks, 4 blocked kicks, 7 forced fumbles and 5 fumble recoveries as senior, helping Conquerors to 13-1 record and state title ... Second-team all-league as junior on another 13-1 state championship team ... Had 71 tackles, 8 sacks, 3 forced fumbles, and 1 fumble recovery ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned three letters in rugby.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major ... His brother, William, plays football at University of Washington ... His father, Roy, played football at University of Idaho; his uncle, Ernie, is a former Husky and started for NFL St. Louis Rams; his uncle, Ben, played football at Central Washington University; and his aunt, Pauline, competed as shot putter in U.S. Olympic Trials.

CHRIS COREY (68)

Offensive Center
Freshman, 6-5, 250, 18, 8/27/86
Federal Way, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Federal Way Mirror all-City and second-team all-South Puget Sound League selection as senior at Decatur High School ... Helped Gators reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs, school's first appearance in 37 years ... Named team's Best Offensive Lineman for second year ... Honorable mention all-league as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned three letters in wrestling.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business.

LOGAN CULLEN (86)

Tight End
Freshman, 6-4, 230, 18, 6/12/86
Anacortes, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention Associated Press and *WashingtonPreps.com* Class 3A all-state pick as senior at Anacortes High School ... *Skagit Valley Herald* Defensive Player of the Year ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team all-Northwest League both ways ... Named West MVP in East-West all-star game ... Team co-captain and defensive Lineman of the Year ... Helped Seahawks to 8-3 record and first round of state playoffs ... Made 14 reception for 260 yards and 4 touchdowns ... Credited with 83 tackles, including 6 quarterback sacks, and 3 forced fumbles ... Honorable mention all-league as junior and sophomore ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned two letters in basketball and track, and one in baseball.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in sports medicine.

AARON DAHL (54)

Defensive End
Junior, 6-1, 230, 21, 1/16/83
Gig Harbor, WA

COLLEGE: Suffered season-ending pectoral muscle tear while weight-lifting during summer ... Played in eight games last season ... Credited with 2 tackles ... Western's Freshman Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 2002 ... Participated in nine games ... Credited with 2 tackles ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Defensive Scout Team Player of the Year ... Two letters

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Narrows League Bridge Division pick as senior at Gig Harbor High School ... Also league all-academic choice ... Helped Tides to first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Credited with 90 tackles, including 7 quarterback sacks, intercepted 4 passes, forced 5 fumbles and blocked 3 kicks ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned four letters in track.

PERSONAL: Taking program in pre-physical therapy.



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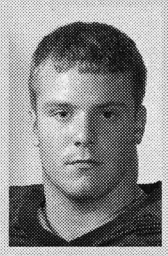
Corey



Cullen



Dahl



Darling



Davidson



Davis



James Day

JAKE DARLING (41)

Outside Linebacker
Freshman, 5-11, 205, 20, 7/25/84
Snohomish, WA

COLLEGE: Transfer from University of Washington where he was redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Seattle Times and Everett Herald all-Area pick and all-Western Conference choice both ways as senior at Snohomish High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Ran for over 1,327 yards and scored 17 touchdowns as running back, and intercepted six passes as cornerback... Helped Panthers tie for league title and reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs, losing to eventual champion Kentwood, 21-14 in overtime ... 2003 Snohomish County Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete award winner ...Rushed for 215 yards in that game ... All-Area and all-league pick both ways as junior ... As sophomore, played on league championship squad that reached first round of playoffs ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned one letter in track, going to state in 4x400 relay.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

RYAN DAVIDSON (91)

Defensive Tackle
Junior, 6-3, 260, 20, 6/17/84
Pleasant Hill, CA

COLLEGE: Transfer from Diablo Valley JC (Calif.) ... Team co-captain and Mid-Empire Conference academic all-star, helping Vikings to East County Bowl ... Started and lettered two years.

HIGH SCHOOL: Helped San Ramon Valley High School to second round of Class 4A state playoffs as junior and senior, the Wolves ... Started and lettered two years.

PERSONAL: Major is physical education.

STEVE DAVIS (33)

Free Safety
Freshman, 5-10, 200, 18, 12/19/85
Kennewick, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 4A all-State selection both ways - linebacker and quarterback - as senior at Kamiakin High School ... Also first-team all-state pick by *WashingtonPreps.com* and *Seattle Times* ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... *Tri-City Herald* and Big 9 Conference Most Valuable Player ... First-team *Tri-City Herald* all-Area and all-Big 9 both ways ... Selected to participate in East-West all-star game ... Twice team MVP and co-captain as senior ... Helped Braves to 11-2 record conference title and state quarterfinals ... Passed for 2,371 yards and 25 touchdowns, both school records, with completion percentage of 63.0 and just 9 interceptions ... His pass efficiency rating of 196.5 was second-highest in league history ... Credited with 85 tackles, 6.5 quarterback sacks and caused 7 turnovers ... Threw for 330 yards and four touchdowns versus Lake City ID ... Graded out 100 percent defensively in two games, first time in school history that had happened once ... First-team all-area and all-conference linebacker as junior on 10-1 team that won league title and reached state quarterfinals ... Started three years and lettered four ... Also earned two letters in track

PERSONAL: Plans to major in industrial technology ... Associated Student Body Vice President in high school ... His brother, Scott, plays football at Washington State University, being projected starter for 2004.

JAMES DAY (34)

Strong Safety
Freshman, 5-10, 195, 19, 9/14/84
Vancouver, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Received honorable mention Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 4A all-State as senior at Mountain View High School ... Played in East-West all-star game, winning Lynn Rosenbach Award of Excellence ... Twice first-team *Vancouver Columbian* all-Area and three times first-team Greater St. Helens League all-star ... Team co-captain and program award winner ... Had jersey No.11 retired ... Helped Thunder to 10-3 record and semifinals of state playoffs ... Scored state-playoff record five touchdowns in one half against Oak Harbor ... Missed three games because of hamstring injury, but still was credited with 110 tackles, 6 forced fumbles, 3 blocked kicks as defensive end and as running back on offense ran for 700 yards and 21 touchdowns ... As junior, played on team that finished 9-3, won league title, and reached state semifinals ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in wrestling and two in baseball ... Led league with .523 batting average, slugging percentage and home runs (9) as junior and was league all-star.

PERSONAL: Major is communications.

JASON DAY (65)

Offensive Tackle
Senior, 6-5, 235, 22, 10/20/81
Tonasket, WA

COLLEGE: Played in two games last season, three in 2002 and four in 2001 after being redshirt in 2000 ... Two letters ... Also competed in track in 2001.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Central Washington Athletic Conference selection as senior at Tonasket High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Defensive Player of the Year for Tigers ... Team captain and inspirational award winner ... First-team all-league on defense and second-team offense as junior ... Lettered four years and started three ... Also lettered four years in track.

PERSONAL: Major is biology.

CASEY DELL (81)

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-11, 185, 19, 12/25/84
Moxee, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season ... Suffered broken collarbone during fall scrimmage session.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 2A all-State pick as senior at East Valley High School ... Central Washington Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Year ... First-team all-league on offense and defense ... Helped Red Devils to 9-3 record and quarterfinals of state playoffs ... Caught 51 passes for 795 yards and 12 touchdowns, all league-leading figures ... Also intercepted 4 passes and returned 2 kickoffs for touchdowns ... Team co-captain and MVP on offense and defense ...Second-team all-league as junior and sophomore, helping team reach state semifinals as sophomore ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered two years in basketball ... First-team all-league as senior ... Team co-captain and MVP.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

JED DERN (38)

Outside Linebacker
Sophomore, 5-10, 200, 21, 12/8/82
Duvall, WA

COLLEGE: Played in five games last season ... Credited with 1 tackle ... Redshirt in 2002 ... Attended Western the previous year, but did not play football.

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention all-Kingco League as senior at Cedarcrest High School ... Led Red Wolves in tackles for three years, being credited with 142 stops as senior ... Team co-captain and defensive MVP that season ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered two years in track.

PERSONAL: Major is exercise science.

TONY DUNCAN (98)

Defensive End
Freshman, 6-2, 230, 19, 8/14/84
Snohomish, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 1A all-State pick as senior at Archbishop Murphy High School ... Also first-team *Everett Herald* all-Area and Northwest A League all-star ... Helped Wildcats to 12-1 record, and league and state championships ... Team captain two years ... First-team all-league as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered three years in track.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

BRANDON ELLIOTT (49)

Middle Linebacker
Freshman, 6-2, 230, 19, 9/10/84
Auburn, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season ... Western's Defensive Scout Team Player of the Year.

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention all-Seamount South Division choice as senior at Fife High School ... Team captain and Offensive Back of the Year ... Passed for 1,000 yards and 12 touchdowns ... Started three years and lettered four ... Also lettered three years in baseball and two in basketball ... First-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area pick as senior in baseball, hitting .422 and helping Trojans reach state tournament ... Played on basketball squad as junior that placed ninth at state tourney.

PERSONAL: Major is business and economics.

PARKER FOLLIS (96)

Pronounced *Fall-is*

Defensive Tackle
Sophomore, 6-3, 260, 20, 6/16/84
Bellingham, WA

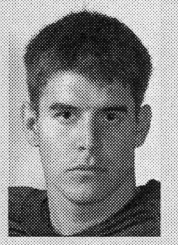
COLLEGE: Played in six games last season ... Credited with 6 tackles and 1 blocked kick ... Redshirt in 2002 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 3A all-State and first-team all-Northwest League choice as senior at Squalicum High School ... Team MVP ... Honorable mention all-league as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered three years in basketball ... Second-team all-league pick as senior.

PERSONAL: Major is political science.



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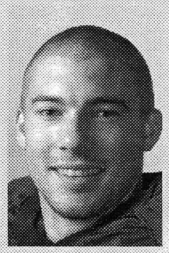
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WILL FREITAG (56)

Offensive Guard
Junior, 6-3, 260, 21, 1/9/83
Maple Valley, WA

COLLEGE: Transfer from University of Minnesota-Crookston ... Started and lettered two years for Golden Eagles ... Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference honorable mention all-league as sophomore.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Metro League choice as senior at Eastside Catholic High School ... Started and lettered two years for Crusaders ... Reached first round of Class 3A state playoffs as junior ... Also lettered one year in track.

PERSONAL: Major is business management.

SEAN GALLACHER (62)

Pronounced *Gal-ah-sure*

Rover Linebacker
Freshman, 5-10, 200, 19, 12/3/84
Bothell, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 4A all-State pick as senior at Bothell High School ... First-team *Seattle Times* all-Area and Kingco League all-star both ways ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Team co-captain and Mr. Offense ... Ran for 1,100 yards and 14 touchdowns ... Helped Cougars to 11-2 record, league championship and quarterfinals of state playoffs ... First-team all-league as junior ... As sophomore, returned opening kickoff 90 yards for touchdown ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned three letters in track.

PERSONAL: Major is exercise science ... His father, Joel, played football at Whitman College ... His cousin, Nick Warren, plays football at Western.

TONY GARDINER (11)

Quarterback
Freshman, 5-11, 185, 18, 10/11/85
Bothell, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Kingco Conference Offensive Player of the Year as senior at Bothell High School ... Helped Cougars to 11-1 record, league title and quarterfinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Team captain ... Had 68.7 completion percentage, passing for 2,100 yards and 21 touchdowns ... Threw for 307 yards and three touchdowns in first half of 41-7 win over Lake Washington ... As junior, played on league championship team that reached state quarterfinals ... Started one year and lettered two ... Also earned three letters in baseball, helping team to first round of state playoffs as senior.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business communications.

TODD GOWING (73)

Offensive Guard
Senior, 6-2, 280, 23, 6/22/81
Kirkland, WA

COLLEGE: Played in seven games last season, making six starts ... Missed three games because of ankle injury ... Participated in 10 games in 2002 and saw action in four games in 2001 ... Redshirt in 2000 ... Three letters ... Also two-year letter winner in track as discus thrower and shot putter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 4A all-State selection as senior at Inglemoor High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team *Seattle Times* all-Area and first-team all-Kingco League pick on offense and second-team on defense ... Helped Vikings to 9-2 record, league title and quarterfinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... First-team all-league on defense as junior ... As sophomore, played on team that reached first round of state playoffs ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered three years in track.

PERSONAL: Major is biology ... His father, Tom, played football at Spokane Falls CC.

BRETT HALL (42)

Cornerback
Junior, 5-7, 175, 21, 11/5/82
Kennewick, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season, starting first nine ... Credited with 28 tackles, including season-high 7 in first Western Oregon game, and 5 passes defensed ... Participated in five games in 2002 ... Credited with 1 tackle and 1 fumble recovery ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters ... Also attended Columbia Basin CC.

HIGH SCHOOL: Coaches award winner as senior at Kennewick High School ... Played in just seven games because of broken hand ... Defensive MVP for Lions, intercepting 4 passes ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned four letters in track.

PERSONAL: Major is computer-science ... His mother, Pat, played softball, rugby and track at University of Colorado ... His brother, Luke, played football at Walla Walla CC.

TREVOR HAMILTON

Tight End
Freshman, 6-2, 220, 18, 11/22/85
Bellevue, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team all-Kingco League pick as senior at Newport High School ... Best Blocker award winner for Knights ... Honorable mention all-league as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned one letter in basketball.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in communications ... His father, Doug, played basketball at Florida Institute of Technology.

PHIL HAYES (78)

Offensive Guard
Freshman, 6-5, 295, 18, 12/3/85
Renton, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association and second-team *Seattle Times* and *WashingtonPreps.com* Class 3A all-State choice as senior at O'Dea High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team *Seattle Times* and *Seattle P-I* all-Area and all-Metro League pick ... *Seattle P-I* all-Star ... Selected to participate in East-West all-star game.... Team co-captain and Most Valuable Offensive Lineman ... Helped Fighting Irish finish 11-2, win league title and reach championship game of state playoffs ... First-team all-league as junior on squad that won league title and reached state semifinals ... Started and lettered two years ... Also lettered four years in wrestling ... Placed seventh in state as junior in heavyweight division.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business.

JACQUE HENRY (35)

Cornerback
Sophomore, 5-9, 165, 22, 8/29/82
Kelso, WA

COLLEGE: Played in one game against Saint Cloud State MN last season ... Redshirt in 2002 ... Attended Western previous year, but did not play football.

HIGH SCHOOL: Received all-Greater St. Helens League honorable mention as junior and senior at Kelso High School ... Helped Highlanders to league championship and first round of Class 4A state playoffs as junior ... Team co-captain as senior ... Two-year starter and three-year letter winner ... Also lettered three years in track and one year in wrestling ... Reached state track meet in 300 hurdles as senior and 4x400 relay as sophomore ... Team captain and inspirational award winner.

PERSONAL: Major is biology ... His father, Butch, played football at Boise State University ... His brother, Kiever, competes on Western cross country team.

DANNY HILL (12)

Strong Safety
Freshman, 5-11, 200, 19, 11/23/84
Elma, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association and *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 2A all-State pick as quarterback on offense and safety on defense, and Evergreen League MVP as senior at Elma High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team *Daily Olympian* all-Area as safety ... Led Elma to 11-2 record and title game of Class 2A state playoffs ... Passed for 2,095 yards and 26 touchdowns ... Had 61 tackles, 5 pass interceptions and 2 fumble recoveries ... First-team WPFR all-state on defense and league Offensive MVP as junior, leading Eagles to 12-1 record and state title ... All-league quarterback as sophomore on 8-3 team that reached first round of state playoffs ... Helped Eagles to three league championships ... Started and lettered four years ... Also earned four letters in baseball and three in basketball ... Second-team all-league in basketball as junior ... All-state outfielder as junior and all-league as sophomore (outfielder) and junior (pitcher) in baseball ... Pitched no-hitter as junior, striking out 16 ... Left handed.

PERSONAL: Taking program in pre-physical therapy ... His father, Jim, is head football coach at Elma High and played football at Central Washington University.

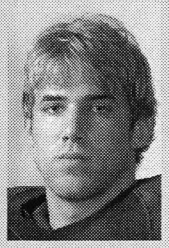
GEOFF HISE (72)

Offensive Tackle
Senior, 6-2, 260, 21, 2/19/83
Snoqualmie, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season, making eight starts ... Participated in three games in 2002 ... Redshirt in 2001 ...Two letters ... Originally signed with Boise State University, but did not attend school there.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Bellevue Eastside-Journal* all-Area and all-Kingco League both ways as senior at Mount Si High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... As sophomore, member of Wildcats' team that reached first round of Class 3A state playoffs ... Started two years and lettered three.

PERSONAL: Major is general studies.



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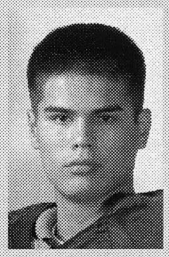
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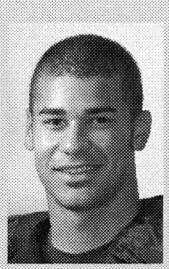
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MARK HOLLEMAN

Free Safety
Freshman, 5-10, 185, 19, 10/25/84
Lynden, WA

COLLEGE: Transfer from Azusa Pacific University ... Did not play football for Cougars.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 2A all-state pick on defense and second-team choice on offense (quarterback) as senior at Lynden Christian High School ... Also first-team Northwest League all-star and played in East-West all-star game ... Directed Lyncs to 11-2 record, league championship and title game of state playoffs ... Team co-captain and MVP ... Passed for 2,"00 yards and 28 touchdowns ... Also intercepted five passes ... Against Steilacoom in state quarterfinals, threw for two touchdowns, ran for one, returned interception for TD and made tackle for safety ... Second-team all-state on defense and first-team all-league both ways as junior ... Helped LCHS to 11-1 record, league title and state semifinals ... As sophomore, played on team that finished 11-2 and reached state quarterfinals ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned four letters in baseball and two in basketball ... Co-captain in both sports ... Team ... First-team all-league pitcher two years in baseball ... Had 8-2 won-lost record as senior and 9-1 mark as junior, setting school season records for earned run average (1.15) and strike outs (105) ... Helped Lyncs win district title and place third at state as sophomore ... Second-team all-league in basketball as senior, averaging 13.0 points per game ... Set school season record with 62 3-pointers ... Helped LCHS finish third in state as junior and fifth as senior.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major ... His father, Rick, played basketball at Shoreline CC ... His cousin, Kerry Ligtenberg, is relief pitcher for Toronto Blue Jays.

MATT HOSS

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-10, 170, 18, 5/28/86
Vancouver, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association all-State, Vancouver Columbian all-Area and all-Greater St. Helens League selection as senior at Mountain View High School ... Made 72 receptions for 1,238 yards and 19 touchdowns, helping Thunder reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Caught four touchdown passes in 35-0 win over Fort Vancouver and had school-record 12 receptions versus Capital ... Team co-captain and Mr. Offense award winner ... First-team all-league as junior on team that reached state semifinals ... Had school-record 212 receiving yards against Heritage ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned three letters in soccer, being team captain as senior.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business.

BEN HUEBSCHMAN (18)

Pronounced *HIPSCH-mon*

Quarterback
Freshman, 6-2, 225, 20, 5/4/84
Vancouver, WA

COLLEGE: Transfer from University of Washington where he was redshirt last season ...

HIGH SCHOOL: Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 4A State Player of the Year as senior at Mountain View High School ... First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association, *Tacoma News Tribune, Seattle Times* and *Washington Prep Football Report* all-State selection ... *Vancouver Columbian* Area Offensive Player of the Year and Greater St. Helens League co-Player of the Year ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Passed for state record 3,405 yards and 36 touchdowns ... Completed 23-of-27 passes for 272 yards and five touchdowns in 40-14 state quarterfinals win over Kentridge, and passed for 396 yards against Hudson's Bay ... Helped Thunder to 10-3 record and state semifinals ... Team captain ... First-team all-area and second-team all-league as junior ... GSHL Player of the Year on 10-3 squad that won league title and reached state semifinals ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in basketball and two in baseball ... Honorable mention all-league in basketball as senior.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.

JORDYN JACKSON (39)

Running Back
Freshman, 5-9, 175, 18, 6/8/86
Vancouver, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association and *WashingtonPreps.com* Class 3A all-State choice as senior at Columbia River ... *Vancouver Columbian* Player of the Year ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team *Vancouver Columbian* all-Area and all-Greater St. Helens League ... Selected to play in East-West all-star game ... Co-captain, Most Valuable Back, and Big Play Person ... Ran for school-record 2,259 yards, averaging 9.7 yards per carry, and 26 touchdowns ... Helped Chieftains to 9-2 record, league title and quarterfinals of Class 3A state playoffs ... Had 281 rushing yards versus Elma ... First-team all-area and all-league as junior ... Ran for then school-best 1,700 yards and 23 touchdowns on 11-1 team that won league championship and reached state semifinals ... Played sophomore year at Skyview High School ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in track ... Placed fourth at state in 300 hurdles as junior.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business ... His father, Fabian, played football at Oregon State University ... His uncle, Keith Jackson, was fullback for NFL San Diego Chargers, and another uncle, Donnie Lovell, played for Cleveland Indians.

PIERCE JOHNSON

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-11, 170, 19, 8/22/84
Walla Walla, WA

COLLEGE: Attended Western last year, participating in spring practice.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Big Nine Conference both ways as senior at Walla Walla High School ... Helped Blue Devils to semifinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Caught 12 touchdown passes ... Team co-captain ... Team MVP ... Second-team all-league as junior on squad that reached state quarterfinals ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in basketball and two in track.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.

MAURICE JONES (36)

Cornerback
Freshman, 5-9, 175, 18, 10/28/85
Tacoma, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area choice as senior at Spanaway Lake High School ... First-team all-South Puget Sound League pick as defensive back, second-team as running back and honorable mention special teams ... Ran for 1,078 yards and 12 touchdowns ... Credited with 30 tackles, 2 fumble recoveries, returning one for touchdowns, two forced fumbles and one pass interception ... Team co-captain and MVP for Sentinels ... Played sophomore year at Vista High School (Calif.) on regional championship team ... Started three and lettered three years ... Also earned two letters in track and two in soccer.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in journalism.

JOEY JOSHUA (85)

Defensive End
Junior, 6-4, 225, 21, 3/5/83
Ferndale, WA

COLLEGE: Second-team Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star last season ... Played in all 10 games, making eight starts ... Credited with 43 tackles, including 9.5 for losses of 23 yards and 1 quarterback sack for minus-6 yards ... Also defensed 4 passes and forced 1 fumble ... GNAC Defensive Player of the Week ... Played in eight games in 2002 ... Credited with 12 tackles, including 2.0 quarterback sacks for minus-13 yards; 1 pass defensed and 1 safety ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association 3A all-State selection as senior at Ferndale High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (red chip) state high school seniors ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Also first team all-Northwest League pick ... Helped Golden Eagles to 10-1 record, league title, and quarterfinals of Class 3A state playoffs ... Team co-captain ... Inspirational award winner and Lineman of the Year ... As junior, earned first-team all-league honors on team that placed third at state ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned four letters in track and three in basketball.

PERSONAL: Major is psychology ... His father, Joey III, ran track at Lewis and Clark College (Ore.).

JARROD KARUZA (6)

Wide Receiver
Junior, 6-0, 195, 22, 7/6/82
Bellingham, WA

COLLEGE: Did not play last season after suffering torn ACL and MCL in right knee in second fall scrimmage ... Played in three games in 2002 ... Made 1 catch for 15 yards ... Saw action in one game in 2001 ... Made 1 catch for 11 yards ... Also attended Eastern Oregon University ... Redshirt in 2000 for Mountaineers.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-North Cascades League choice on defense (outside linebacker) and offense (tight end) as senior at Meridian High School ... Selected to play in East-West all-star game ... Helped Trojans to 13-0 record and Class 2A state championship ... Caught 37 passes for 650 yards and 15 touchdowns, and intercepted 6 passes ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned four letters in wrestling and three in track ... Placed eighth at state in wrestling as senior, and got to state in track as junior in 110-meter hurdles.

PERSONAL: Major is business management ... His cousin, John Karuza, earned All-America honors in football at Whitworth College.

CRAIG KEENAN (32)

Outside Linebacker
Junior, 6-1, 220, 20, 12/14/83
Salem, MA

COLLEGE: Transfer from Palomar (Calif.) Junior College ... First-team all-Mission Conference pick as sophomore ... Credited with 56 tackles, 35 unassisted ... Helped Comets to 8-3 record and first round of Southern California CC playoffs, losing to nationally No.1-ranked College of the Canyons, 24-14, in the Western State Bowl ... Attended Ohio Wesleyan University as freshman, starting at strong safety.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Bridgton Academy Prep, helping Wolverines to 8-2 record in 2001 against Ivy League junior varsity teams ... Graduate of Hamilton-Wenham High School in South Hamilton, Mass. ... First-team all-Cape Ann Conference choice as senior for Generals ... Team co-captain and MVP ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned two letters in baseball, helping squad to state quarterfinals as junior, and one year in lacrosse, being MVP on team that reached first round of state playoffs as senior.

PERSONAL: Major is economics.



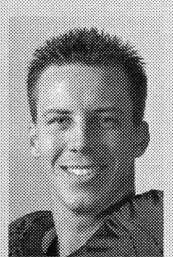
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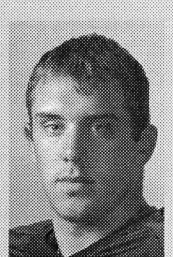
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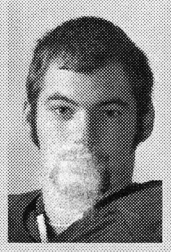
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KEEGAN KENFIELD

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-11, 180, 19, 5/24/85
Kalispell, MT

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team Class 2A (highest classification) all-state and first-team all-conference pick both ways as senior at Flathead High School ... Helped Braves reached state semifinals as senior ... Team captain and inspirational award winner ... Caught 49 passes for 860 yards and 10 touchdowns ... Credited with 67 tackles, 40 unassisted, with five for losses ... Intercepted 2 passes and had 6 pass breakups ... 1,350 total yards ... Had 490 return yards, being second-team all-conference choice as punt and kickoff returner ... Made 9 receptions for 175 yards and 1 touchdown against Great Falls ... Second-team all-state and first-team all-conference both ways as junior on team that reached state semifinals ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned two letters in basketball ...Team captain as senior ... As junior, played on squad that placed second in state.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business.

ADAM KLINGENBERG (46)

Middle Linebacker
Junior, 5-11, 215, 21, 5/27/83
Walla Walla, WA

COLLEGE: Played in eight games last season ... Credited with 3 tackles ... Played in all 10 games in 2002 ... Credited with 8 tackles ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Big 9 Conference pick as running back on offense and linebacker on defense as senior at Walla Walla High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Team co-captain and offensive MVP ... Ran for over 1,000 yards, helping Blue Devils to second round at Class 4A state playoffs ... Also first-team all-league as junior ... Started and lettered two years ... Also lettered one year in baseball, earning all-league honors as junior.

PERSONAL: Major is sociology.

MICHAEL KOENEN (19)

Pronounced *KAY-nen*

Punter/Placekicker
Senior, 5-11, 195, 22, 7/13/82
Ferndale, WA

COLLEGE: Don Hansen's Football Gazette Preseason All-American ... Enters campaign ranked No.6 among school's career scoring leaders with 196 points (record is 267) ... Has career totals of 31-of-57 field goals (7-of-8 from 20-29 yards, 10-of-16 from 30-39 yards, 10-of-19 from 40-49 yards and 4-of-14 from 50-plus yards) and 103-of-109 PATs ... Averaging 43.0 yards punting with 154 for 6620 yards ... Already ranks sixth all-time among northwest small college leaders in kick scoring and second in punting ... First-team Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star as placekicker and second-team as punter in 2003 ... Named to Street & Smith, Lindy's Football Annuals and *Don Hansen's Football Gazette* preseason All-America teams as punter ... Played in all 10 games ... Ranked No.4 nationally in punting average at 43.4 (52 for 2,256) with long of 61 yards ... Second on team in scoring with 53 points, converting 9-of-20 field goals and 26-of-28 PATs ... Played in all 10 games in 2002 ... First-team Daktronics, D2Football.com and Football Gazette All-American and second-team Associated Press Little All-America selection as punter ... Football Gazette Specialist of the Year ... First-team Daktronics and D2Football.com West Region all-star as punter ... First-team GNAC all-star as punter and placekicker ... Western's Special Teams Player of the Year ... Set school records for consecutive field goals (8) and PAT conversions (40) ... Led nation in punting with school-record 44.9 average, one a school-record 73 yards at Saint Mary's CA, and ranked 31st in field goals per game (0.90) ... Led team in scoring with 61 points, connecting on 9 of 17 field goals and 34 of 35 extra points ... Also tied his own school record with 19 kickoffs for touchbacks ... Named d2football.com NCAA II national Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance against Saint Mary's CA, averaging 48.2 yards on five punts, kicking a field goal and converting 4 extra points; and d2football.com West Region Special Teams Player of the Week against South Dakota State, averaging 47.4 yards on five punts, four inside the 20-yard line ... Kicked game-winning 32-yard field goal in third overtime of 20-17 win at Western Oregon ... First-team preseason d2football.com All-American and West Region all-star as placekicker and second-team all-region as punter ... First-team d2football.com West Region all-star as placekicker in 2001 ... First-team Little All-Northwest as placekicker and second-team as punter, and first-team GNAC all-star as placekicker and second-team as punter ... Western Special Teams Player of the Year ... Played in all 11 games ... Led team in scoring with 82 points ... Set school record for longest field goal of 54 yards versus Central Oklahoma ... Kicked game-winning 40-yard field goal with 0:02 remaining in 24-21 win at New Haven CT ... Made 13 of 20 field goals, a 1.20 per game average that ranked No.7 nationally ... Converted school-record 43-of-46 PATs ... Averaged 40.8 yards (2,163 yards), which ranked No.16 nationally, on 53 punts ... Also had 19 kickoffs for touchbacks ... Made 9-of-10 PATs, both school game marks, against Montana-Western ... Twice Football Gazette National Special Teams Player of the Week ... Twice GNAC Player of the Week, earning defensive honors versus Montana and offensive honors against Western Oregon ... Redshirt in 2000 ... Three letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 3A all-State and all-Northwest League selection as senior at Ferndale High School ... Helped Golden Eagles to 12-1 record, league title and semifinals of Class 3A state playoffs ... Connected on 29-of-31 PATs and 3-of-5 field goals ... Kicked school record 47-yard field goal in 17-14 win over Anacortes High ... First-team all-league kicker and second-team punter as junior ... Second-team all-league as sophomore ... Lettered three years ... Also started and lettered three years each in basketball and soccer ... Twice second-team all-league choice in basketball ... Second-team all-league pick and team MVP as senior in soccer.

PERSONAL: Major is general studies.

(See feature on pages 65-67)

GAVIN KVANGNES (63)

Pronounced *Qualm-ness*

Offensive Guard
Freshman, 6-2, 280, 18, 6/9/86
Marysville, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team all-Western Conference North Division both ways as senior at Marysville-Pilchuck High School ... Honorable mention *Everett Herald* all-Area ... Honorable mention all-league as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned three letters in track

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business.

JAMES LAURENCE (5)

Wide Receiver
Senior, 6-4, 230, 23, 5/23/80
Kent, WA

COLLEGE: Played in 10 games last season, making three starts ... Caught 10 passes for 100 yards with long of 24 yards ... Caught 6 passes for 67 yards against UC Davis ... One letter ... Also member of Western men's basketball team ... Transfer from Antelope Valley College (Lancaster, Calif.) ... Second-team Foothill Conference all-star ... Received school's Rae Yoshida Award for highest grade point average ... Started and lettered two years for Marauders ... As a sophomore, caught 55 passes for 791 yards and 3 touchdowns ... Had 12 catches for 189 yards and 2 touchdowns against Reedley College ... Honorable mention all-league as freshman ... Had 28 receptions for 410 yards and 1 touchdown on squad that reached Shrine Potato Bowl ... Also lettered one year track ... Conference champion in both 110 high hurdles and triple jump.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-South Puget Sound League North Division choice as senior at Kent-Meridian High School in 1997 ... Averaged 16.5 yards per catch for Royals and caught 9 touchdown passes ... Started one year and lettered two ... Also earned four letters in basketball and track ... Second-team all-league in basketball as senior ... Reached Class 4A state championships two years in track, placing fourth in triple jump and eighth in long jump as junior.

PERSONAL: Major is business ... He and wife Jamie (formerly McBroom) have son James Laurence II, 2.

MATT LEONARD

Defensive End
Freshman, 6-2, 235, 18, 11/22/85
Lake Stevens, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Western Conference North Division choice as senior at Lake Stevens High School ... Set school career record with 19 quarterback sacks ... Team captain ... Credited with 107 tackles, 10 sacks, four forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries ... First-team all-league as junior, helping Vikings win league title and reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Credited with 99 tackles ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned four letters in track and three in wrestling ... Placed second at state wrestling tournament (215 pounds) as senior, and fourth as junior ... Two-time district and league champion ... Team captain ... Had personal bests of 50-0 in shot put and 154-0 in discus in track.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in physical education.

COLE LINICH (55)

Defensive Tackle
Junior, 6-2, 240, 28, 4/12/76
Elma, WA

COLLEGE: Attended Western last year, participating in spring practice ... Transfer from Centralia CC.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered three years at Elma High School ... Also earned two letters in baseball for Eagles.

PERSONAL: Major is business management ... His brother, Quinn, played baseball at Centralia CC and later played in Philadelphia Phillies farm system ... Another brother Clay, also played baseball at Centralia CC.



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McClellan



J. McCrae-Lauba



R. McCrae-Lauba

MIKE LISENBY (52)

Pronounced *LIZ-n-bee*

Outside Linebacker
Freshman, 5-10, 205, 19, 2/25/85
Bothell, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Seattle P-I* all-Area, *South County Journal* all-Area and all-Kingco League pick as senior at Bothell High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Team co-captain and Lineman of the Year ... Helped Cougars to 11-1 record, league title and semifinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Second-team all-league both ways as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered three years each in wrestling and track.

PERSONAL: Major is sociology.

RYAN LUCAS (75)

Defensive Tackle
Sophomore, 6-6, 270, 19, 10/23/84
Vancouver, B.C.

COLLEGE: Transfer from Simon Fraser University ... Played in all eight games for Clan in 2002, making two starts ... Credited with 11 tackles ... Named one of Top 10 strongest Clansmen.

HIGH SCHOOL: Provincial defensive MVP of British Columbia High School 3A Division as senior at North Delta Senior Secondary School ... Played in provincial senior all-star game, being named Most Valuable Defensive Lineman ... Helped Huskies to provincial quarterfinals ... League's third-leading tackler ... Team captain, most outstanding defensive lineman and inspirational award winner ... Top rookie award winner as junior ... Started and lettered two years.

PERSONAL: Major is physical education ... His father, Duane, played football at Southern Illinois University.

TODD MCCLELLAN (22)

Free Safety
Sophomore, 5-10, 200, 22, 7/13/82
Lacey, WA

COLLEGE: Returns from two-year church mission trip... Started all 11 games in 2001 ... Credited with 8.0 tackles, 1 pass defensed, 1 fumble recovery and 1 forced fumble ... Redshirt in 2000 .... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: Most Valuable Player of Pacific-9 League as senior at Timberline High School ... First-team Washington Prep Football Report Class 3A all-State and Daily Olympian all-Area selection ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Helped Blazers tie for league title and reach first round of state playoffs ... Had 7 pass interceptions and returned punt 60 yards for touchdown ... Team co-captain ... First-team all-Area and all-league as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered three years in soccer and two years in basketball ... First-team all-league in soccer.

PERSONAL: Major is business ... His father, Mike, played football at Utah State University.

JON McCRAE-LAUBA (77)

Defensive Tackle
Sophomore, 5-11, 270, 20, 8/9/84
Bellevue, WA

COLLEGE: Did not play last season and redshirt in 2002.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team all-Kingco League choice as senior at Sammamish High School ... Best Blocker award winner ... Credited with 39 tackles ... Honorable mention all-league as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned one letter in track.

PERSONAL: Major is business ... His stepfather, Alan Lauba, was professional ski racer and member of U.S. Ski Team.

RICHARD McCRAE-LAUBA (60)

Defensive End
Freshman, 5-11, 225, 18, 2/11/86
Bellevue, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team all-Kingco League both ways as senior at Sammamish High School ... Team co-captain and Offensive Lineman of the Year for Totems ... Honorable all-league both ways as junior, earning squad's Defensive Lineman of the Year award ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned one letter in track

PERSONAL: Plans to major in computer-science ... His brother, Jon, plays football at Western.

TRAVIS McKEE (88)

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 6-5, 205, 19, 6/30/85
Bothell, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *WashingtonPreps.com* Class 4A all-state selection as senior at Bothell High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... *Seattle P-I* all-Star ... First-team *Seattle P-I* and *Everett Herald* all-Area and all-Kingco League choice ... Caught 53 passes for 843 yards and 13 touchdowns ... Helped Cougars win league title and reach state quarterfinals, both for second straight year ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Started and lettered two years ... Also lettered two years in basketball.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business ... His father, Bill, played football at Spokane CC.

TYLER MATTAIR (20)

Running Back
Freshman, 5-7, 185, 19, 9/4/85
Kennewick, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team Washington State Sportswriters Association all-State selection as senior at Southridge High School ... Big Nine Conference co-Offensive Player of the Year for second straight year ... First-team Tri-City Herald all-Area and Big Nine Conference pick ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Team co-captain and MVP ... Ran for 1,600 yards and scored 22 touchdowns ... Helped Suns to 11-3 record and first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Ran for 278 yards and three touchdowns against Eisenhower ... First-team all-area and all-conference as both running back and kick returner as junior ... Second-team all-league as sophomore ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned two letters in wrestling, one in baseball, one in track, and one in soccer ... Competed in 4x100 relay at state track meet as senior ... Second-team all-league in baseball as sophomore and honorable mention all-league in soccer as junior.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in political science.

JAMES MONREAN (17)

Quarterback
Sophomore, 6-1, 225, 20, 3/24/84
Bellingham, WA

COLLEGE: Played in three games last season ... Completed 11-of-25 passes for 175 yards with 1 touchdown and 1 interception ... Also ran 15 times for 42 yards ... Directed game-winning 6-play, 73-yard touchdown drive in final three minutes of 17-16 Cascade Cup game win over Central Washington ... Ran 14 yards on first play and completed 52-yard pass on second play ... Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team all-Northwest League selection as senior at Sehome High School ... Passed for 1,503 yards and 12 touchdowns, completing 95 of 177 attempts ... Team MVP and Phil Mallard Award winner ... Started and lettered two years ... Also lettered three years in baseball and one in basketball ... Second-team all-league in baseball (first baseman) as junior.

PERSONAL: Major is general studies.

DALE MOORE (59)

Offensive Tackle
Freshman, 6-2, 255, 18, 11/27/85
Vancouver, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable *WashingtonPreps.com* all-state selection and first-team *Vancouver Columbian* all-Area and all-Greater St. Helens League pick as offensive tackle as senior at Evergreen High School ... Best Lineman and Captain award winner ... Helped Plainsmen finish 12-1, win league title and reach semifinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... First-team all-area and all-league choice on 9-2 team that won league championship and reached state quarterfinals ... Started two years and lettered three.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in secondary education.

OCIE MOORE (3)

Pronounced *OH-see*

Cornerback
Freshman, 5-9, 170, 21, 12/6/82
Seattle, WA

COLLEGE: Missed entire season with knee injury suffered during final week of preseason camp ... Redshirt in 2002.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-South Puget Sound League North Division choice for second straight year as senior at Kent-Meridian High School ... Team co-captain ... Intercepted 5 passes as senior and 3 as junior ... Started two years and lettered three.

PERSONAL: Major is communications.

JASON MORRIS (30)

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-10, 170, 19, 3/7/85
Mill Creek, WA

COLLEGE: Transfer from Eastern Washington University ... Redshirt last year for Eagles.

HIGH SCHOOL: Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors as senior at Jackson High School ... Second-team *Everett Herald* all-Area and first-team Western Conference South Division selection as quarterback ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Completed 87 of 148 passes (59 percent) for 1,507 yards and 19 touchdowns, finishing with career totals of 3,900 yards passing and 1,300 yards rushing, and accounting for 54 touchdowns ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered two years in baseball and one in track ... All-area and all-league pick in baseball.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.



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Noteboom



O'Hara



A. Olson

PAT MUTZEL (37)

Pronounced *Mutt-sel*

Outside Linebacker
Sophomore, 6-1, 215, 20, 10/14/83
Bellevue, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season ... Credited with 3 tackles ... Redshirt in 2002 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association, *Washington Prep Football Report, Seattle Times* and *Tacoma Morning News Tribune* Class 3A all-State pick as senior at Bellevue High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ...Also first-team *Seattle Times* all-Area, *Bellevue Eastside-Journal* all-Area and all-Kingco League selection ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Team co-captain ... Helped Wolverines to undefeated season and Class 3A state championship ... Led league in sacks with 13 and forced 6 fumbles, returning two for touchdowns ... Credited with 23 tackles for loss ... First-team all-Area and all-league as junior ... Set league record with 14 quarterback sacks ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned one letter in track.

PERSONAL: Major is business marketing.

STEVE NICHOLS (14)

Quarterback
Senior, 6-2, 210, 23, 12/17/80
Stevenson, WA

COLLEGE: Team co-captain ... Enters season ranked No.10 among school career passing leaders with 2,836 yards ... Played in all 10 games last year, making seven starts ... Passed for 1,484 yards (long of 82) and 16 touchdowns, completing 112 of 216 attempts with 5 interceptions ... Also ran 53 times for 43 yards ... Threw for 349 yards and 2 touchdowns against Saint Cloud State MN ... Suffered torn MCL in final game of 2002 against UC Davis ... Played in eight games (10 as holder for placekicker), starting last four ... Passed for 1,177 yards (long of 65) and 8 touchdowns, completing 92 of 163 attempts with 4 interceptions ... Also ran 26 times for minus-13 yards and 2 touchdowns ... Threw fob 386 yards (29-of-57) against New Haven CT and 310 yards versus Humboldt State, earning Great Northwest Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Week honors ... Saw action in six games in 2001 and 10 as holder for placekicker ... Completed 13 of 28 passes (46.4 percent) for 175 yards and 1 touchdown with 1 interception ... Also ran 9 times for 11 yards and 1 touchdown ... Directed game-winning drive that culminated with field goal in final two minutes of 24-21 win at New Haven CT ... Redshirt in 2000 ... Did not play in 1999 because of knee injury ... Three letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 2A all-State selection, member of *Vancouver Columbian* Dream Team and Tri-County League co-Offensive Player of the Year as senior at Stevenson High School ... Team co-captain and MVP ... Passed for 2,066 yards and 16 touchdowns, and ran for 490 yards and 10 touchdowns ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered three years in basketball and four in baseball ... First-team all-league two years as shortstop in baseball.

PERSONAL: Major is business management.

EVAN NOTEBOOM (74)

Offensive Tackle
Freshman, 6-4, 315, 19, 7/9/85
Lynden, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association and second-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 3A all-State pick as senior at Lynden High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team Northwest League all-star ... Helped Lions to 10-3 record, league championship and state title game ... Second-team all-league as junior on 10-3 team that also reached state championship game ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned one letter in basketball and two in track.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major ... His cousin, Scott Noteboom, played football at Western.

SEAN O'HARA (9)

Cornerback
Senior, 5-8, 170, 22, 5/29/82
Pleasant Hill, CA

COLLEGE: Transfer from St. Mary's College CA ... Played in six games as junior before injury ended season, and saw action in six games as sophomore ... Two-year letter winner for Gaels.

HIGH SCHOOL: As senior, was member of De La Salle High School team that won national and Class 4A state titles, and had perfect 12-0 record ... One-year letter winner.

PERSONAL: Major is business administration.

ANDY OLSON (1)

Wide Receiver
Junior, 6-2, 210, 21, 9/17/82
Chehalis, WA

COLLEGE: Don Hansen's Football Gazette Preseason All-American ... Team co-captain, being first junior named since All-America cornerback Orlondo Steinauer in 1995 ... Enters season ranked No.6 among school career leaders in touchdown catches (12), No.15 in receptions (82) and No.16 in receiving yards (1,405) ... Honorable mention D2football.com All-American and second-team *Don Hansen's Football Gazette* West Region all-star last year ... First-team Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star as wide receiver and second-team as punt returner ... Western's Offensive Player of the Year ... Started all 10 games ... Had 64 catches for 1,063 yards and 9 touchdowns, 106.3 yards per game and 16.6 yards per reception, and 56 points, all team bests, with long of 58 yards ... Ranked No.9 nationally in receiving yards per game (106.3) and No.17 in receptions per game (6.1) ... Had four of top 20 games by receiver in school history, led by 199-yard effort on 11 receptions, both career highs, against Saint Mary's CA ... His 52-yard catch led to game-winning touchdown in 17-16 Cascade Cup victory over Central Washington ... Also completed only pass for 31 yards and returned 17 punts for 174 yards (10.2 avg.) with long of 30 yards ... Twice named GNAC Offensive Player of the Week ... Tied school record with touchdown catches in seven straight games ... Played in all 10 games in 2002, making five starts ... Averaged team-

high 19.0 yards per catch, making 18 grabs for 342 yards and 3 touchdowns ... Had 6 catches for 102 yards against New Haven ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 3A, *Washington Prep Football Report* and *Tacoma News Tribune* all-State selection as senior at W.F. West High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Also first-team *Centralia Chronicle* and *Daily Olympian* all-Area and all-Pacific 9 League all-star ... Caught 66 passes for 1,213 yards and 10 touchdowns, all school records for Bearcats ... Had third-best receiving game in state history with 330 yards on 15 catches, one covering 86 yards, and 3 touchdowns, all four figures being school marks ... Team co-captain, team MVP, and Mr. Football award winner ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Had 28 catches for 545 yards and 3 touchdowns ... Set school record by kicking 46-yard field goal ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters each in wrestling and soccer ... As junior, placed sixth at state wrestling meet (189 pounds) and earned first-team all-league honors in soccer.

PERSONAL: Major is exercise science ... His brother, Lann, was all-star linebacker on Western football team ... His sister, Karen, was 1998 Washington State Dairy Princess.

ERIK OLSON (57)

Defensive End
Freshman, 6-5, 235, 18, 11/7/85
Bellevue, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Kingco League choice on defense and honorable mention on offense as senior at Newport High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Team captain and inspirational award winner for Knights ... Credited with 44 tackles, 4 quarterback sacks and 1 blocked kick ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered two years in track ... National Scholar-Athlete.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business ... His father, Ed, played football at University of Washington and was head football coach at Hazen High School.

JEFF PARKS (43)

Outside Linebacker
Sophomore, 6-3, 215, 21, 8/11/82
Graham, WA

COLLEGE: Played in nine games last season ... Credited with eight tackles, including season-high 5 against Saint Mary's CA ... One letter ... Transfer from Boise State University ... Did not play in 2002 after being redshirt in 2001.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association, *Seattle Times* and *Tacoma News Tribune* Class 4A all-State choice as senior at Bethel High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (red chip) state high school seniors ... South Puget Sound League Defensive Player of the Year ... Credited with 156 tackles, including 28 for loss and led state in quarterback sacks with 17 ... Also received first-team all-area and all-league recognition ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Named defensive MVP of state title game in 21-3 loss to Pasco, being credited with 11 tackles ... First-team all-area and all-league as junior ... Team defensive MVP as junior and senior ... Started and lettered two years.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

JOE PENNELL (58)

Inside Linebacker
Freshman, 6-1, 240, 18, 10/30/85
Everett, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Everett Herald* all-Area selection as senior at Cascade High School ... First-team all-Western Conference choice as linebacker and second-team as offensive lineman ... Team co-captain ... Best Blocker and Defensive Player of the Year award winner for Bruins ... Credited with 87 tackles ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned two letters in baseball.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in technology.

ADAM PERRY (7)

Quarterback
Freshman, 6-1, 180, 18, 2/18/86
Longview, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *WashingtonPreps.com* and *Seattle Times* and honorable mention Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 3A all-State choice as senior at R.A. Long High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Greater St. Helens League and *Longview Daily News* Offensive MVP ... First-team all-area and all-league ... Team co-captain and MVP ... Had school career passing records of 5,519 yards and 50 touchdowns ... As senior, broke own school season records, completing 168 passes for 2,390 yards and 24 touchdowns with just 5 interceptions ... Also ran for 589 yards ... Helped Lumberjacks to 7-3 record ... Passed for 315 yards and 5 touchdowns against Washougal ... All-area offensive MVP and second-team all-league as junior ... Passed for 2,190 yards and 19 touchdowns with just 10 interceptions ... As sophomore, threw for 939 yards and 7 touchdowns, playing just half the season ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned four letters in basketball and three in baseball ... League MVP in basketball as senior, averaging 25.0 points ... Honorable mention all-state and league Player of the Year as junior, averaging 19.5 points and helping school to first state appearance since 1977.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business ... His father, Richard, played basketball at Lower Columbia CC.

JACE PERRY (95)

Outside Linebacker
Freshman, 5-11, 200, 18, 6/2/85
Camas, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention *Washington Preps.com* Class 3A all-State pick as senior at Camas High School ... First-team *Vancouver Columbian* all-Area and second-team all-Greater St. Helens League choice ... Team co-captain and defensive Player of the Year ... Helped Papermakers to first playoff appearance in school history, reaching first round of Class 3A state playoffs ... Led league with 9 quarterback sacks ... Also blocked 2 punts, intercepted 2 passes, returning one for touchdown, and recovered 2 fumbles ... Second-team all-league running back as junior ... Had school-record 17 career sacks, and ran for 1,305 yards (9.6 apc) and 17 touchdowns ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned three letters in track.

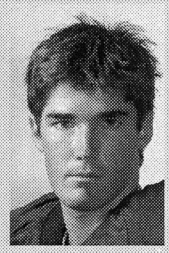
PERSONAL: Plans to major in graphic design ... His father, Dennis, played football at Mount Hood CC.



E. Olson



Parks



A. Perry



Porter



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Robinson



Rosso



Russell

A.J. PORTER (15)

Quarterback
Freshman, 6-1, 205, 20, 5/20/84
SeaTac, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Selected by *Seattle Times* as one of area's top three three-sport athletes for 2002-03 ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Played in East-West all-star game, being named Offensive MVP ... Completed 10-of-12 passes for 140 yards and 3 touchdowns in helping West to 42-6 victory ... First-team all-Seamount League pick as senior at Kennedy High School ... Helped Lancers to 10-1 record, league title and first round of Class 3A state playoffs (lost to eventual state champion Bellevue) ... Team co-captain ... Passed for 777 yards and 11 touchdowns ... First-team all-league both ways (safety on defense) as junior ... Passed for 1,290 yards and 9 touchdowns ... Started two years and lettered four ... Also earned four letters each in basketball and baseball ... First-team all-league as senior in basketball and baseball.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

STEEN RAISL

Tight End
Freshman, 6-6, 225, 18, 5/6/86
Tacoma, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Tacoma News Tribune all-Area and all-Narrows League pick as senior at Stadium High School ... Team co-captain two years ... Second-team all-league as junior and squad's MVP ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned four letters in track and two in basketball ... Placed 10th in javelin at state championships as junior and 11th as senior with personal best of 171-0.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business ... His father, Ed, played football and his mother, Lynn, competed in tennis, both at University of Puget Sound.

CHRIS ROBINSON (8)

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 5-10, 190, 19, 2/8/85
Lakewood, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season ... Western's Offensive Scout Team Player of the Year.

HIGH SCHOOL: Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Second-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area and first-team Seamount League Pierce Division all-star as senior at Clover Park High School ... Led league with 40 catches for 739 yards and 10 touchdowns ...Offensive Player of the Year on Warrior team that got to first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Played in just three games as junior because of injury ... Started and lettered three years.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.

ANTHONY ROSSO (28)

Cornerback
Freshman, 6-0, 180, 18, 12/17/85
Walla Walla, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention all-Big 9 League choice as senior at Walla Walla High School ... Listed among Seattle Times Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Team Offensive Player of the Year ... WashingtonPrep.com and Seattle Times pre-season all-state pick ... Team co-captain .... Made school-record 3 pass interceptions against Kennewick ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Helped Blue Devils to 10-3 record and semifinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... As sophomore, played on squad that reached state quarterfinals ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in track, being team co-captain as senior.

PERSONAL: Plans to pursue program in pre-law ... His father, Gary, was head wrestling coach at Wayne State University NE and competed in football and wrestling at University of Nebraska-Omaha.

ZACH RUSSELL (87)

Wide Receiver
Sophomore, 6-2, 185, 21, 1/14/83
Bothell, WA

COLLEGE: Sat out last season because of back injury ... Played in two games in 2002 ... Redshirt in 2001.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team all-Kingco League choice as senior at Lake Washington High School ... Caught 21 passes for 316 yards and 3 touchdowns ... Named team's Academic Player of the Year for 7-3 Kangaroos ... As junior, played on 8-2 team that reached first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Started one year and lettered two ... Also earned three letters in track ... Member of state championship team, competing on 4x400 meter relay that placed third.

PERSONAL: Major is business marketing ... His father, Barry, played basketball at University of New Brunswick.

JOE SAMUELS (90)

Defensive Tackle
Freshman, 6-3, 285, 23, 6/6/80
Palmer, AK

COLLEGE: Has been out of school last two years ... Attended Lane (Ore.) Community College ... Earned two letters in track, winning NWAACC title in discus as freshman and placing third in both discus and shot put as sophomore, and one in basketball, playing on team that placed second at NWAACC tournament ... Personal bests are 150-0 in discus and 49-0 in shot put.

HIGH SCHOOL: Named state's Defensive Player of the Year (large schools) as senior at Palmer High School ... First-team all-State and all-conference both ways, helping Moose to first round of state playoffs ... Team co-captain ... First-team all-state as junior on team that reached state title contest ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned three letters in track and two in basketball ... State champion discus thrower in track as senior, and second-team all-state and first-team all-league pick in basketball, helping PHS reach second round at state tournament ... Also attended Wasilla High School.

PERSONAL: Major is business management ... His brother, Chris, was decathlete in track at Lane CC and attended University of Oregon.

DAN SANDANA (94)

Running Back
Freshman, 5-9, 215, 19, 7/9/81
Puyallup, WA

COLLEGE: Attended Western last two years, participating in spring practice in 2004.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area and first-team all-South Puget Sound League choice as senior at Puyallup High School ... Tacoma Athletic Commission Athlete of the Month ... Set school season record with 1,523 yards, which ranks third all-time in SPSL, and scored 10 touchdowns ... Also set school records for rushing yards in game (315) and longest running play (99) in 14-13 win over Decatur ... Team MVP and Coaches' Award winner ... Started one year and lettered two ... Also earned two letters in track and one in wrestling ...

PERSONAL: Major is health and human services.

MIKE SCHMIT (25)

Cornerback
Freshman, 5-10, 165, 18, 2/12/85
Vancouver, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 3A all-State choice as defensive back as senior at Columbia River High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... First-team *Vancouver Columbian* all-Area and Greater St. Helens League all-star as quarterback on offense ... League co-MVP ... Team co-captain ... Passed for 1,760 yards and 22 touchdowns, completing 114 of 204 attempts ... Helped Chieftains to 11-1 record, league title and semifinals of state playoffs ... Honorable mention all-league as junior on team that reached first round of state playoffs ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned four letters in track and one in basketball ... Placed third in state as junior in 4x100 relay.

PERSONAL: Major is business ... His father, Joel, played football at University of Washington.

JEFF SCHWAB (80)

Wide Receiver
Freshman, 6-1, 175, 18, 12/28/85
Puyallup, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *Tacoma News Tribune* all-Area and first-team all-South Puget Sound League pick as wide receiver and second-team all-league as defensive back as senior at Rogers High School ... Helped Rams reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Team co-captain and Outstanding Offensive Back ... Made 41 receptions for 802 yards and 7 touchdowns ... Also scored three special teams touchdowns, returning kickoff and punt for scores and recovering fumble in end zone ... Intercepted 3 passes ... Honorable mention all-league as sophomore ... Started and lettered three years ... Also lettered two years in basketball.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in business administration.

BEN SHELTON (84)

Tight End
Freshman, 6-4, 225, 20, 5/1/84
Tacoma, WA

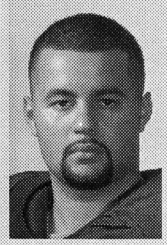
COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: Tacoma Athletic Commission Male Athlete of the Year ... First-team Narrows League Bay Division choice as senior at Lincoln High School ... Team captain, helping Abes to 7-2 record, school's best in 26 years ... Second-team all-league as sophomore and junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned four letters in basketball and one in baseball ... First-team all-league as senior in basketball, helping Abes reach quarterfinals of Class 4A state tournament ... Team MVP and captain ... Averaged 13.7 points and 6.0 rebounds ... Second-team state all-tournament as junior ... Played on teams that won league, district and state titles as sophomore and junior ... Also lettered one year baseball ... Second-team all-league as designated hitter in baseball.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major ... His father, Alan, ran track at Seattle Pacific University ... His brother, Aubrey, plays basketball at University of Puget Sound.



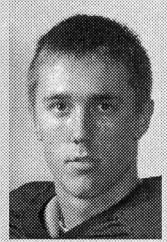
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DUNCAN SHERRARD (29)

Running Back
Junior, 5-10, 200, 21, 8/20/82
Seattle, WA

COLLEGE: Enters season ranked No.7 among school career rushing leaders with 1,447 yards ... First-team Great Northwest Athletic Conference all-star last season ... Started all 10 games ... Led team in rushing for second straight year with 760 yards (4.3 apc) on 176 careers with 3 touchdowns ... Also caught 16 passes for 193 yards and 3 touchdowns, scored 36 points, and returned 1 kickoff for 28 yards ... Ran for 131 yards against Humboldt State and 122 in first Western Oregon game ... GNAC Offensive Player of the Week ... GNAC Co-Freshman of the Year and first-team all-star in 2002 ... Ran 139 times for team-leading 687 yards (4.9 apc) and 7 touchdowns ... First freshman to lead Western in rushing since 1992 ... Also caught 14 passes for 110 yards and 1 touchdown, and returned 4 kickoffs for 76 yards ... Ran for 151 yards and 3 touchdowns (112 yards and 2 touchdowns in third quarter alone) against Western New Mexico to earn honorable mention d2football.com national and GNAC Offensive Player of the Week honors ... Had 99 rushing yards versus Saint Mary's CA, 97 versus Western Oregon and 94 versus Central Washington ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association Class 4A all-State pick as kick returner as senior at Roosevelt High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (red chip) state high school seniors ... Also named to *Seattle Times* all-State and all-Area teams and all-Kingco League pick both ways (RB) ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Totaled 1,787 all-purpose yards, including 740 return yards ... Had 118 carries for 832 yards and 7 touchdowns, and caught 7 passes for 199 yards and 2 touchdowns ... Credited with 95 tackles, including 5 quarterback sacks, 4 fumble recoveries, 4 forced fumbles and 1 pass interception ... Team co-captain and MVP for Roughriders ... Started three years both ways and lettered four ... Also earned three letters in track and one in wrestling.

PERSONAL: Major is business finance.

JUSTIN SIMPSON (79)

Offensive Tackle
Junior, 6-4, 305, 21, 3/1/83
Kennewick, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season, making nine starts ... Played in five games in 2002 after being redshirt in 2001 ... Offensive Scout Team Player of the Year ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Tri-City Herald* all-Area and all-Big 9 Conference selection as senior at Kamiakin High School ... Team co-captain ... Helped Braves to 9-2 record and quarterfinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Starter on squads that reached state playoffs as sophomore and junior ... Started and lettered three years.

PERSONAL: Major is general studies.

TYLER SLEEMAN (64)

Offensive Guard
Sophomore, 6-1, 300, 21, 3/25/83
Black Diamond, WA

COLLEGE: Played in nine games last season ... One letter ... Transfer from Eastern Washington University ... Redshirt for Eagles in 2002.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-South Puget Sound League North Division pick on offense and honorable mention on defense (nose tackle) as senior at Tahoma High School ... Helped Bears to 12-2 record, league title and quarterfinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... SPSL Scholar-Athlete award winner ...Team co-captain and MVP ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in baseball.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

BRETT SNYDER-FERGUSON (31)

Free Safety
Junior, 6-1, 190, 21, 3/5/83
Colville, WA

COLLEGE: Started first game in 2003 before being suspended for remainder of season ... Credited with 9 tackles and 2 passes defensed ... Played in all 10 games in 2002 ... Credited with 24 tackles, 1 fumble recovery and 1 pass interception (returned 13 yards) ... Had 7 tackles and 1 interception against UC Davis ... One letter ... Redshirt in 2001.

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention Border League all-star as junior and senior at Colville High School ... Team captain for Indians.

PERSONAL: Major is political science.

NOEL TAFOYA (51)

Pronounced *tah-FOI-ah*

Defensive End
Junior, 6-2, 245, 21, 4/30/83
Pittsburg, CA

COLLEGE: Transfer from Diablo Valley Junior College in Pleasant Hill, Calif. ... Honorable mention Golden Gate Conference pick as sophomore ... Credited with 53 tackles, 11.5 quarterback sacks and four forced fumbles on squad that played in East County Bowl ... Twice Mid-Empire Conference academic all-star ... Started and lettered two years.

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention all-Bay Area Valley League as senior at Pittsburg High School ... Helped Pirates reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Most Improved award winner ... Did not play as junior ... Also earned two letters in baseball and one in wrestling.

PERSONAL: Major is physical therapy ... His brother, Simon, played baseball at Fresno State University, being member of 1996 U.S. Olympic Team, and reached Class AAA level in Tampa Bay Devil Rays farm system; and another brother, Eugene, earned all-conference honors in football at Fresno City CC ... His cousin, Joe Tafoya, earned all-PAC 10 honors two years in football at University of Arizona and currently plays for the NFL Chicago Bears, and another cousin, Shaunard Harts, played football at Boise State University and currently for the Kansas City Chiefs.

JUSTIN TERRY (45)

Free Safety
Freshman, 5-11, 190, 18, 9/3/85
Puyallup, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team South Puget Sound League South Division choice as defensive back and honorable mention as wide receiver at Puyallup High School ... Team co-captain and inspirational award winner ... Intercepted 8 passes, returning four for touchdowns, as Vikings finished 8-2 ... Credited with 68 tackles, 2 forced fumbles, 3 fumble recoveries, and 1 blocked PAT ... Also had 25 receptions for 225 yards and 4 touchdowns ... Honorable mention all-league as junior on team that reached first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in basketball ... Honorable mention all-league as junior and member of team that reached state tournament as sophomore.

PERSONAL: Plans to take program in pre-medicine ... His father, John, played football at Tarkio College (Missouri) and his brother, Adrian, played football at University of New Mexico.

BRANDON TORREY (70)

Offensive Tackle
Sophomore, 6-3, 285, 20, 2/10/84
Graham, WA

COLLEGE: Played in six games last season, making three starts ... Redshirt in 2002 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-South Puget Sound League South Division selection as senior at Bethel High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Helped Braves to 11-1 record, SPSL divisional title and semifinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... As junior, played on team that reached state title game ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned two letters in baseball.

PERSONAL: Major is physical education.

DAN TRASK (66)

Defensive Tackle
Freshman, 6-4, 245, 18, 9/11/85
Aberdeen, WA

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team all-Pac Nine League choice as senior at Aberdeen High School ... Team co-captain, inspirational and outstanding lineman award winner for Bobcats ... Long snapper ... Missed junior season with knee injury ... Started and lettered two years ... Also lettered three years in basketball and track ... Coaches award winner two years in basketball and team co-captain in track.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in physical education.

DARRIUS TUGGLE (10)

Running Back
Sophomore, 5-10, 195, 20, 2/14/84
Spanaway, WA

COLLEGE: Did not play last season after being redshirt in 2002.

HIGH SCHOOL: Played in just two games as senior at Spanaway Lake High School because of broken leg ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Team captain ... As junior, played on Sentinels' team that reached quarterfinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned two letters in track.

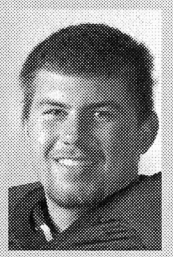
PERSONAL: Major is exercise science.



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BRETT UPCHURCH

Wide Receiver
Sophomore, 6-0, 165, 20, 1/10/84
Sammamish, WA

COLLEGE: Will miss this season with thumb injury ... Played in three games in 2003 ... Caught 5 passes for 69 yards and 1 touchdown with long of 29 yards ... Redshirt last season ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 4A all-State, *Bellevue Eastside-Journal* all-Area and all-Kingco League selection as senior at Eastlake High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Caught 42 passes for 863 yards and 11 touchdowns ... Helped Wolves win league title and reach first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Offensive MVP ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned two letters in baseball.

PERSONAL: Major is business.

PETER VAN DATTA (67)

Pronounced *Van Dat-ah*

Offensive Tackle
Sophomore, 6-2, 265, 20, 5/5/84
Bremerton, WA

COLLEGE: Played in eight games last season, making four starts ... Redshirt in 2002 ... Western's Offensive Scout Team Player of the Year ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Narrows League Bridge Division pick as senior at Central Kitsap High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Team MVP and Captain's award winner ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned one letter in baseball and one in track.

PERSONAL: Major is physical education.

TAYLOR WADE (61)

Outside Linebacker
Freshman, 6-0, 210, 19, 10/22/84
Mukilteo, WA

COLLEGE: Attended Western last year, participating in spring practice.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team Western Conference both ways as senior at Kamiak High School ... Team co-captain ... Helped Knights to league title ... Snohomish County Hall of Fame recipient for outstanding academics, leadership and citizenship ... Honorable mention all-league as junior on team that won league championship and reached first round of Class 4A state playoffs ... Started and lettered two years.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.

NICK WARREN (92)

Outside Linebacker
Freshman, 5-10, 195, 19, 1/3/85
Bellevue, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Kingco League choice as senior at Bellevue High School ... Team co-captain ... Helped Wolverines to 12-1 record, league co-championship and Class 3A state title ... Had 4 interceptions, 5 forced recovers, and 3 fumble recoveries ... Also ran for 602 yards and 10 touchdowns ... As junior, played tight end on 13-0 team that won league and state championships ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned two letters in track and one in basketball.

PERSONAL: Major is exercise science ... His cousin, Sean Gallacher, plays football at Western.

ROB WHITE (40)

Strong Safety
Senior, 6-1, 215, 22, 7/7/82
Woodinville, WA

COLLEGE: 2003-04 Great Northwest Athletic Conference and WWU Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year ... Team co-captain ... Unanimous first-team GNAC all-star, CoSIDA District VIII College Division and GNAC academic all-star last season ... Started all 10 games ... Led team in tackles for second straight year, being credited with 90 ... Ranked No.14 nationally in solo tackles per game (6.1 avg.) ... Had 4 tackles for losses of 16 yards, including 1 quarterback sack for minus-9 yards ... Intercepted 2 passes, recovered 1 fumble and defensed 7 passes ... Started all 10 games in 2002 ... Second-team GNAC all-star, and Verizon District VIII College Division and GNAC academic all-star ... Credited with team-high 99 tackles ... Also had 3 pass interceptions, 4 forced fumbles, 1 fumble recovery and 1 pass defensed ... Set school record with 4 forced fumbles against Fort Lewis CO, being named d2football.com West Region and GNAC Defensive Player of the Week ... Ranked No.11 nationally in forced fumbles and No.18 in solo tackles (5.8) ... Played in 10 games in 2001 ... Credited with 4 tackles ... Western freshman Scholar-Athlete ... Redshirt in 2000 ... Three letters ... Also lettered last spring in track as shot putter and discus thrower.

HIGH SCHOOL: Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... First-team *Seattle Times* and *Bellevue Eastside-Journal* all-Area and first-team all-Kingco League both ways as senior at Inglemoor High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Helped Vikings to 9-2 record, league title and quarterfinals of Class 4A state playoffs ... Led team in tackles and intercepted 2 passes ... Lettered three years and started two ... Also lettered three years in track and two years in wrestling ... Member of 4x100 relay that finished fifth at state meet as junior, placing 10th in discus ... Qualified for state wrestling meet as junior.

PERSONAL: Major is biology/anthropology ... His grandfather, Ralph White, played basketball at Western in mid-30s ... Student body president as senior in high school.

(See White feature, pages 68-69)

SLY WHITFIELD, JR. (4)

Cornerback
Sophomore, 5-8, 160, 20, 4/28/84
Seattle, WA

COLLEGE: Played in eight games last season, making five starts ... Credited with 21 tackles ... Intercepted 2 passes, returning them 36 yards, and defensed 7 passes ... Had season-high 6 tackles against Northern Colorado ... Redshirt in 2002 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team all-Kingco League pick as senior at Garfield High School ... Intercepted 3 passes, recovered 3 fumbles, caused 1 fumble and had 4 quarterback sacks ... As running back on offense had 530 yards rushing and 7 touchdowns, and caught 25 passes for 325 yards and 1 touchdown ... Second-team all-league as junior ... Started and lettered two years ... Also lettered one year in track.

PERSONAL: Major is general studies.

JON WILLIAMS (23)

Running Back
Freshman, 5-10, 165, 19, 10/22/84
Redmond, WA

COLLEGE: Redshirt last season.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *Washington Prep Football Report* Class 4A and *Seattle Times* all-State choice as senior at Redmond High School ... Listed among *Seattle Times* Top 100 (white chip) state high school seniors ... Played in East-West all-star game ... First-team *Seattle Times* all-Area and Kingco League all-star both ways ... Team co-captain and MVP ... Led league in rushing and scoring ... Ran for 1,605 yards and 26 touchdowns ... Also intercepted 3 passes and returned 2 kickoffs for touchdowns ... In one game against Woodinville, carried 43 times for 253 yards and 4 touchdowns ... All-league both ways as junior ... Started two years and lettered three ... Also earned two letters in basketball and one in track.

PERSONAL: Undeclared major.

MATT WILSON

Wide Receiver
Sophomore, 5-11, 185, 20, 7/12/84
Auburn, WA

COLLEGE: Suffered season-ending ACL tear in first scrimmage last spring ... Played in nine games last season (injured in last game), making one start ... Caught 8 passes for 75 yards and 1 touchdown with long of 18 yards ... Returned 19 kickoffs for 396 yards (20.8 avg.) with long of 50 ... Ran 1 time for 5 yards ... Also credited with 4 tackles .. Redshirt in 2002 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team *South County Journal* all-Area and all-South Puget Sound League North Division selection as senior at Auburn High School ... Caught 23 passes for 435 yards and 6 touchdowns ... Team co-captain ... Lettered three years and started two ... Also earned four letters in track ... Member of 4x100 relay that placed first at Class 4A state championship and 4x400 relay that finished second ... Academic all-state pick.

PERSONAL: Major is business management.

LOREN WINTER (53)

Offensive Center
Junior, 6-1, 260, 21, 2/18/83
Bothell, WA

COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season, making eight starts ... Started all nine games played in 2002 ... Redshirt in 2001 ... Two letters.

HIGH SCHOOL: Honorable mention all-Kingco League pick as senior at Juanita High School ... Team co-captain ... Started and lettered two years ... Also earned three letters in track.

PERSONAL: Major is business finance ... His father, Michael, played football at Cal State Northridge.

JASON YELL

Strong Safety
Freshman, 5-11, 195, 18, 4/11/86
Leavenworth, WA

COLLEGE: Suffered season-ending shoulder injury in fall practice.

HIGH SCHOOL: First-team Washington State Sportswriters Association and second-team *WashingtonPreps.com* Class 2A all-State selection as punt returner and defensive back as senior at Cascade High School ... First-team *Wenatchee World* all-Area and all-Central Washington Athletic Conference choice as running back, defensive back and kick returner ... Selected to play in East-West all-star game ... Ran for 1,020 on 81 carries (12.6 apc) and 14 touchdowns ... Also returned two punts (93) and two kickoffs (95) for touchdowns ... Helped Kodiaks to 7-3 record and first round of state playoffs ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned three letters in baseball and one in track.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in exercise science.

NICK YONEY (13)

Pronounced *YAW-knee*

Tight End
Junior, 6-4, 245, 21, 10/7/82
Arlington, WA

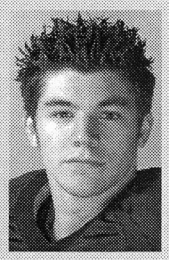
COLLEGE: Played in all 10 games last season, making three starts ... Caught 11 passes for 174 yards and 1 touchdown with long of 54 yards ... Played in three games in 2002 ... Redshirt in 2001 ... One letter.

HIGH SCHOOL: Second-team *Everett Herald* all-Area and first-team all-Western 3A Conference selection as senior at Arlington High School ... Played in East-West all-star game ... Caught 31 passes for 587 yards and 6 touchdowns, helping Eagles to first round of Class 3A state playoffs ... Had 8 catches for 204 yards and 3 touchdowns in win over Jackson ... Returned kickoff 99 yards for touchdown against Stanwood ... Team captain award winner and team MVP ... Also first-team all-league as junior on squad that won league title ... First-team all-league as cornerback on defense and second team on offense as sophomore ... Started and lettered three years ... Also earned four letters in baseball and three in basketball ... First-team all-league two years in basketball and three times in baseball ... Team captain two years in baseball.

PERSONAL: Major is exercise science.


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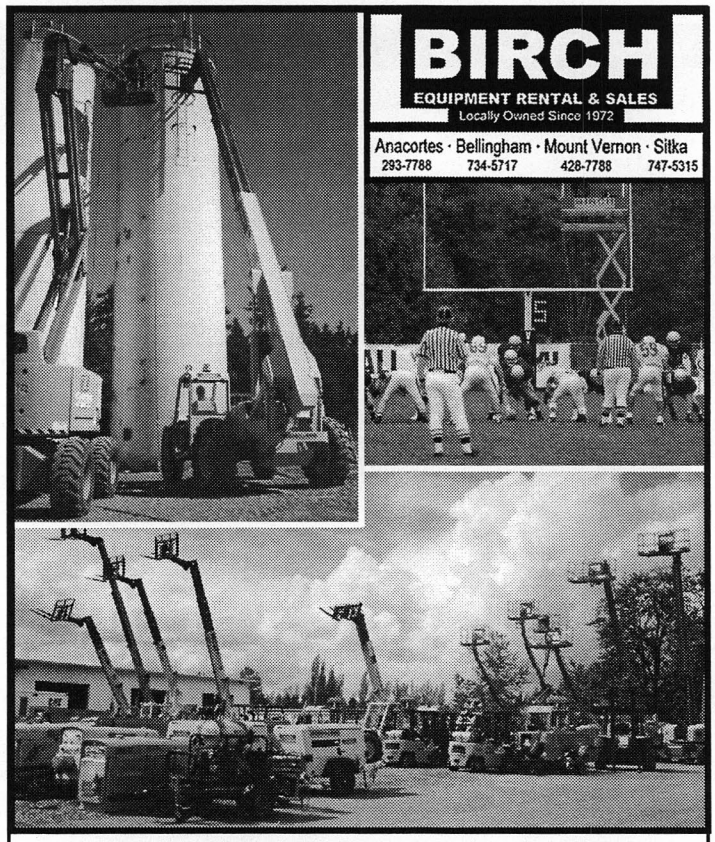
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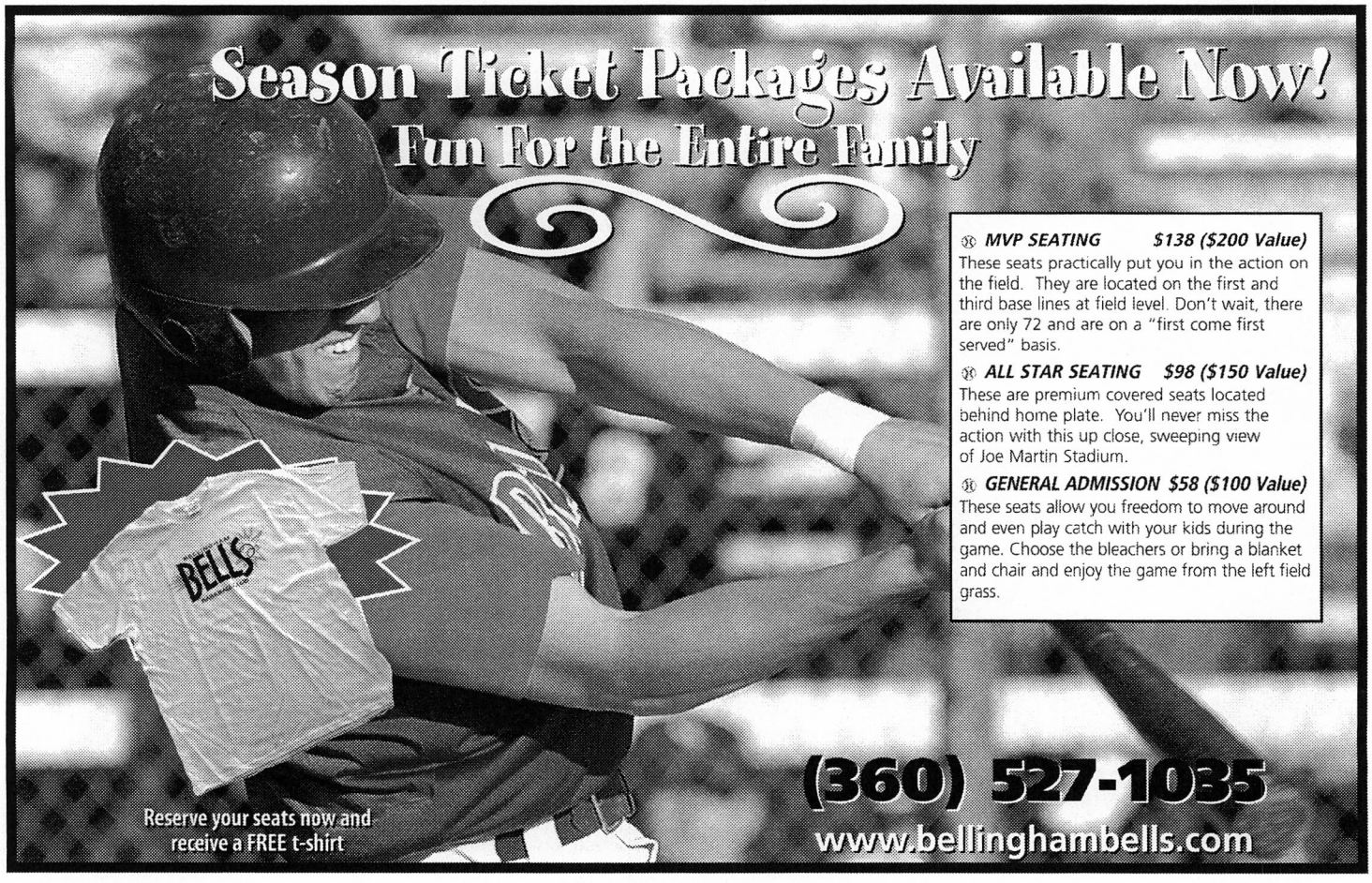
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KOENEN LATEST IN LINE OF WESTERN'S GREAT KICKERS
Versatile Viking gets kicks out of being one of best

By Jim Carberry

When it comes to Western's long line of outstanding placekickers, Michael Koenen is right at the front.

He also is right at the front of Western's line of outstanding punters.

And if it were up to him, he'd be at the front of the quarterback line, the wide receiver line and the running back line.

"I like to think of myself as a good football player, not just a good kicker," said Koenen. "The coaches joke around about moving me to receiver. But I can throw the ball, too. And if I need to run the ball, I feel I can juke 'em."

Western football coach Rob Smith just grins.

"He'd love to run the ball or throw the ball," Smith said of his record-breaking kicker. "He is a good athlete, maybe the most athletic kicker we've had."

To be even mentioned among the best placekickers at Western should be compliment enough. The Vikings' all-time list includes the school's career scoring leader and only two-time football All-American, Wade Gebers; football and soccer All-American Peter LaBarge; as well as all-stars Josh Bailey, Dan Clemensen, Jon Christie and Lance Wilson.

Yet the senior from Ferndale has chiseled out his own place among Western's greats.

He ranks sixth among the school's career scoring leaders with 196 points, just 71 behind Gebers, and is a three-time first-team Great Northwest Athletic conference all-star. He also holds the school record for longest field goal (54 yards), most consecutive field goals (eight) and points after touchdown (40), and most PATs made and attempted in a game (9 of 10).

And that's on offense. As a punter, Koenen is mentioned in the same breath as LaBarge, who was named first-team All-American after leading the nation in punting in 1988. That's because Koenen accomplished the same feat as a sophomore in 2002 when he broke LaBarge's school record with a 44.9 average, earning first-team Daktronics, D2Football.com and Football Gazette All-America honors and being named a second-team Associated Press Little All-American. Koenen also holds the school record for longest punt (73 yards).

"We've had a pretty good tradition," said Smith of Western's kickers. "I would certainly put him right up there with the best of them."

So what makes Koenen so good? Don't ask Smith.

"Kickers are a different animal," he said. "I have no idea what makes him good."

Well, you can start with his confidence. If there is one story that epitomizes Koenen it's what happened in his very first game as a Viking.

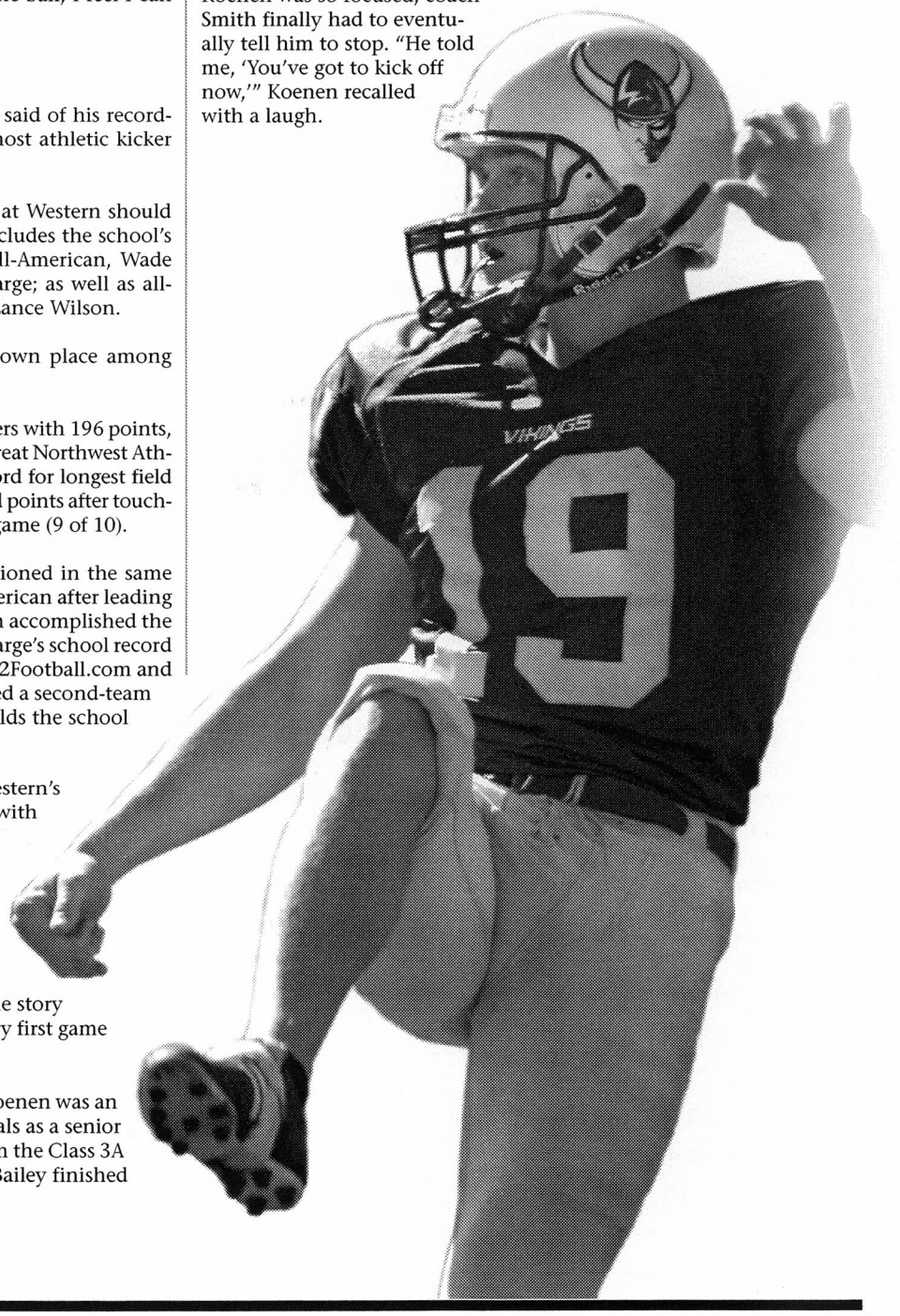
Coming into the game against Central Oklahoma, Koenen was an untested freshman. He had only made three field goals as a senior at Ferndale (which was still good enough to make him the Class 3A all-state kicker) and was red-shirted his first year as Bailey finished his four-year career.

So what is he called upon to do in his very first college game? Attempt a school record 57-yard field goal, which was 10 yards longer than he'd ever made in a real game. He missed it.

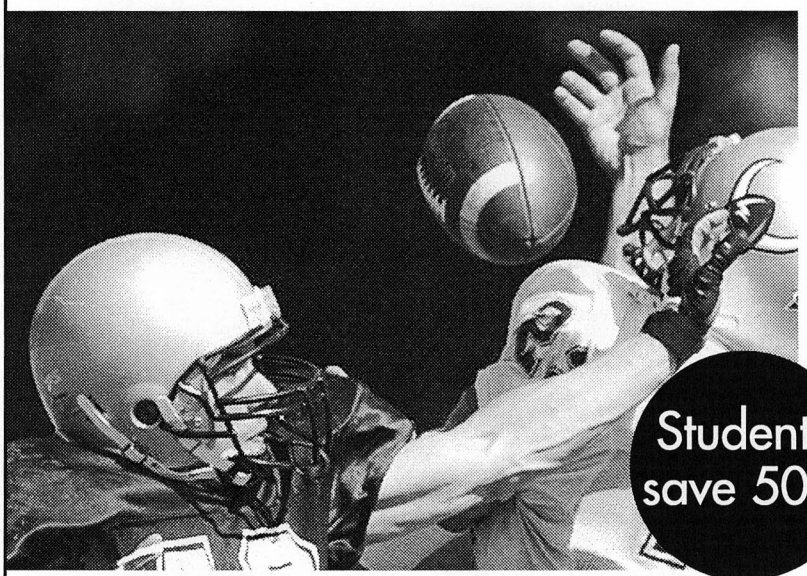
So how does the young freshman handle it? Is he worried what the coach will say? Is he nervous about trying another one? No. He's mad.

"I was so mad I went out at halftime and practiced kicking," said Koenen. "I probably should have gotten into trouble."

Koenen was so focused, coach Smith finally had to eventually tell him to stop. "He told me, 'You've got to kick off now,'" Koenen recalled with a laugh.



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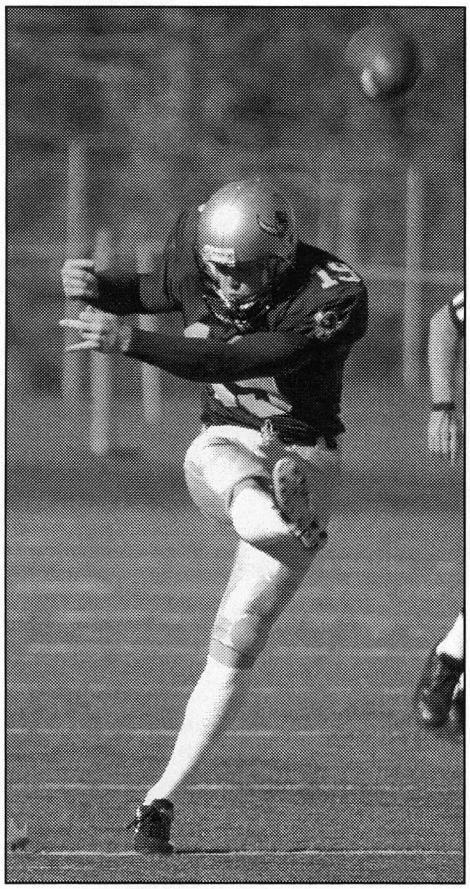
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Sure enough, in the second half, Koenen gets a second chance, and Smith has enough confidence in his freshman kicker to have him try again. And - boom! - Koenen kicks a 54-yard field goal, a school record that still stands.

"I knew I could be successful at this level," Koenen said. "They told me that once Josh was gone (graduated), I was the No.1 kicker. I said I wanted to break all those records. It's just my competitiveness."

If Koenen's competitiveness is what drives him, it is his physical talent that sets him apart. At Ferndale, the 5-foot-11, 185-pounder was an all-league pick in both basketball and soccer.

Friend Rob White, Western's leading tackler at safety and himself a pretty good athlete, has seen enough of Koenen's ability, thank you.

"I don't even like to play basketball against him," said White. "I just say, 'Go ahead and score,' because he will anyway. Mike can play football. It's a shame he only kicks."

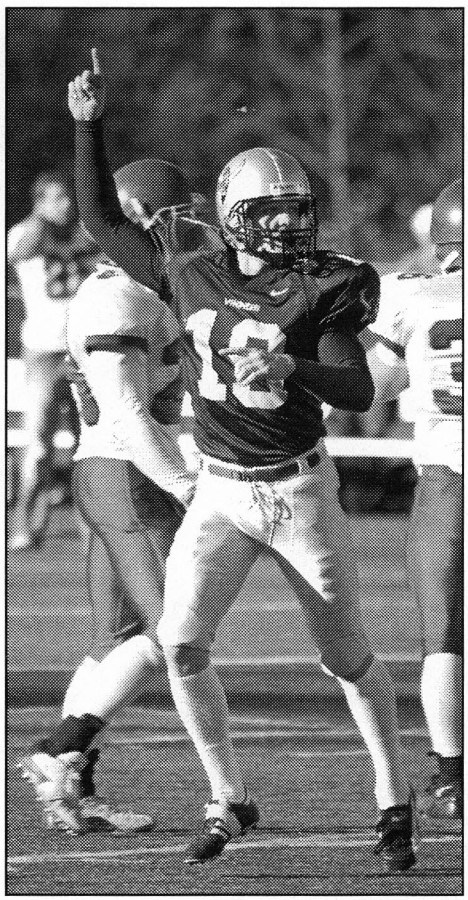
Of course, Koenen wouldn't "only kick," if it were up to him.

He has showed his versatility on the football field, where he played quarterback as a freshman and sophomore for the Golden Eagles. He even played linebacker in middle school.

And Koenen has even had his opportunities as a Viking. He has a 15-yard run for a first down to his credit, and he even attempted a pass last season. Unfortunately, he overthrew the receiver, something that still bothers him but has Smith thinking.

"You can be creative with someone like him," said Smith.

Koenen's journey to Western and then to football stardom has not been without bumps in the road.



Koenen's first love was always soccer, and his mother discouraged him from playing football until the eighth grade. But the pigskin peer pressure took its toll, and he switched to football in eighth grade "because my friends gave me a hard time."

Then, even when he had had success in football, helping the Golden Eagles to three straight state playoffs, Koenen never really gave Western a thought.

"I never really followed Western," he confessed. "I was always playing sports. I just wasn't a spectator. I still have a hard time sitting and watching."

He planned to go to Eastern Washington as a walk-on, but then he met Western assistant coach Terry Todd, who happened to be the father of Koenen's pastor, Rick Todd.

"He was a great guy," said Koenen. "I just felt that the Western coaches wanted me to come here more."

He hasn't regretted the decision. In fact, the only regrets he has on the football field - besides not playing another position - are the injuries and overwork that took a toll on his body, especially last season when he had what he considers a sub-par year.

Now, as a senior, he is setting the bar at its highest - above LaBarge, above Gebers, perhaps above even the realistic.

"My goal is to push myself, to set new expectations," he said. "For field goals, nothing is acceptable but perfection. And in punting, I want to be in the 45-yard range, to be more consistent."

And if that should happen, if Koenen should reach heights that even Western's fabled kickers have failed to reach, then what? Could he possibly be the first Viking kicker to play professionally?

"If it comes up, I'd definitely take it," he said. "Things have fallen into place for me here. I have faith it'll all fall into place."

And if the Seahawks were to call?

"I'd answer the phone," he said with a smile.

Where Koenen ranks among Northwest small college leaders entering 2004 season

KICK SCORING

1. Wade Gebers
   Western Washington (1993-96) 267
2. John Freeman
   Western Oregon (1997-2000) 261
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   Western Washington (1997-2000) 225
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   Central Washington (2001-03) 43.2
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   Linfield (2001-) 41.4
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   Whitworth (1989-92) 41.4

WHITE SHOWS SMARTS ON AND OFF FIELD
Senior safety leads Vikings on field and in classroom

By Jim Carberry

Rob White has always been smart on the football field. But it took the most difficult episode in his life to make him realize that it was more important to be smart in the classroom.

The Western strong safety learned his lesson well. Coming into his senior year, the biology major carried a 3.78 grade point average. For his efforts last year, he was named not only the WWU Male Scholar Athlete of the Year, but earned the same honor for the Great Northwest Athletic Conference.

Pretty impressive for someone who admits to being a "troubled kid" in middle and high school. "I just didn't care (about academics)," said White of his early years at Bothell's Inglemoor High School.

But then his life was changed. His mother, Diana Skiles, was diagnosed with cancer and in his junior year at Inglemoor, she passed away.

"She was my driving force," White remembered. "She wanted me to excel."

So before she died, she made a bet with him - that he couldn't top her high school grade point average. With his mother's memory spurring him on, the kid who couldn't care ended up graduating with a 3.85 to win the bet.

"I'm not that smart of a person," said White, "but I work hard. I'm happy when I get a good grade because I earned it."

Western football coach Rob Smith would disagree with White's assessment of his intelligence but agree with just about every other decision White makes.

"He is very smart," said Smith. "And that's important for a safety. He's not flashy, but he's always at the right spot, and that's what you want."

White knew right away that the right spot for him was at Western, but it took a while for Smith to figure out where the right spot for White was on the field.

After leading Inglemoor to the Class 4A state quarterfinals, White was recruited by Central, Eastern and Idaho as well as Western. But one trip to Bellingham was all he needed.

"I went to the other schools, and the atmosphere wasn't right," he said. "I came here and met the players and coaches, and it just clicked. I felt it was more like family.

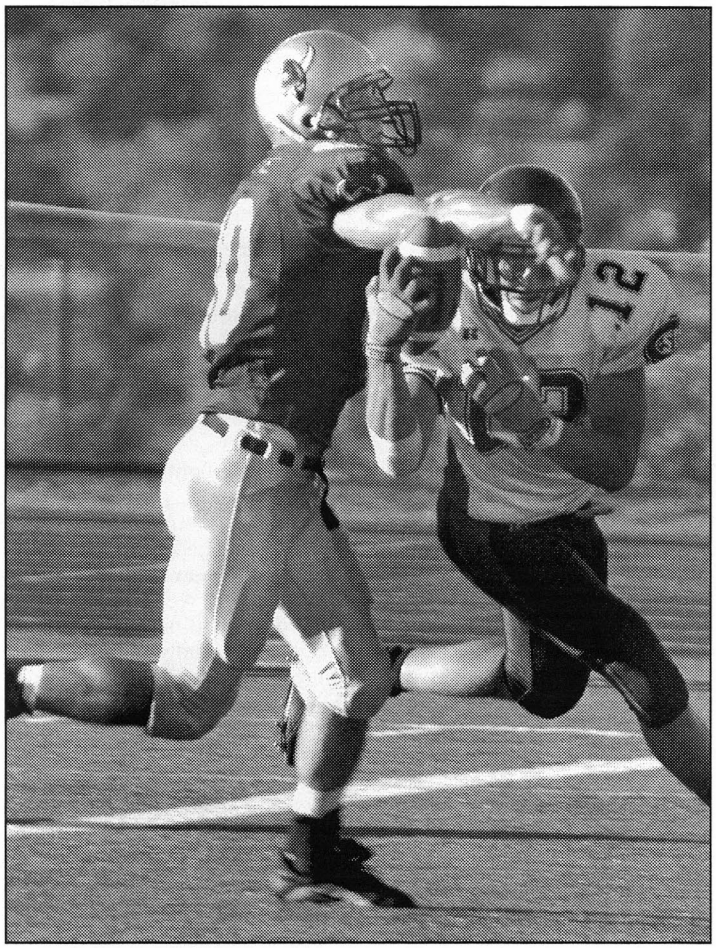
"I hate the stereotypical football image - and they weren't like that," White said of the Vikings. "They were smart and had a lot of class."

White showed immediately that he would be a standout in the classroom, but it took a little while for the 6-foot-1, 215-pounder to show how good he could be on the field. First, it took a while for him to find his place - Smith tried him first at linebacker and then at fullback his freshman year. But once he settled in at safety, White became a key of the Vikings' defense.

He led the team in tackles his sophomore year and earned second-team all-GNAC honors. His junior season, he again led the team in tackles ranking No.14 nationally in solo tackles per game (6.1 average), intercepting two passes and recovering a fumble. This time he was a unanimous first-team all-GNAC choice.

Both White and Smith attribute much of White's physical stardom to his mental brightness. Perhaps more than any other defensive position, the safety must make important decisions. On each play, he must be able to cover two distinctly different offensive players doing two distinctly different actions - a fast running back carrying the ball at the line of scrimmage or a big tight end catching the ball downfield. An incorrect decision can quickly result in an opponent's score.

"Being smart on the field helps at safety," said White. "The safety is the quarterback of the defense. I can watch the entire play unfold in front of me."



Of course, with the offense trying to disguise its plays, it is not as easy as it sounds. White watches hours of film to determine team's tendencies or spot a telltale sign that a player might be giving away the play.

White also attributed his success to his coaches and teammates, particularly former all-star safeties Erik Totten and Andy Linscott, who as seniors mentored White his sophomore season as he learned the position.

"The coach would try to explain something, but Eric would show me and Andy would answer all my questions," said White. "I was lucky to come in behind them. Eric and Andy gave me someone to be like."

And now White is giving the younger players someone to be like.

He has been named one of the team's co-captains for his senior season, and he takes the appointment seriously.

"I thought it was an honor," said White, who along with Andy Olson, Steve Nichols and Rick Carte was chosen by his teammates. "I always picked guys that I looked up to."

White's leadership will be even more important this season. He is the only returning senior starter on defense, and Smith said, "We'll depend on him a lot."

Yet White not only accepts the responsibility, but said he was excited about his senior season, which he hopes will bring him his first college playoff experience.

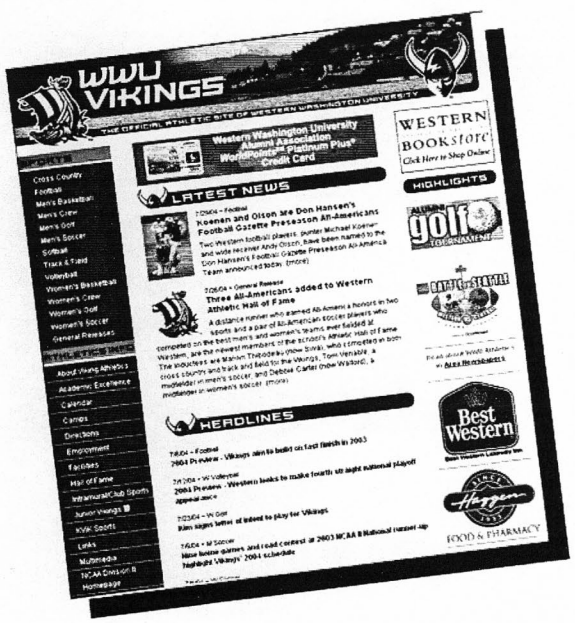
"I want to get to the playoffs," he said with only a hint of frustration. "We're tired of this 'haven't been.' We'll be a young team, but we'll be hungry, and we will be working hard."

And when it comes to working hard, the young Vikings won't have far to look to see a good role model.

If they are smart that is.

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IN THE MIDST OF STRUGGLES, VIKINGS CLOSE STRONG TO WIN GNAC TITLE

By Butch Kamena

The 2003 season may not have been the best of years for the Western football team. After all, the Vikings suffered their first losing record since 1990. But the successes achieved in the final three games, and the manner in which they were achieved, softens the pain and provides bright hopes for the future.

The Vikings had lost six of their first seven games and had been beaten handily in the previous two weeks. When the players arrived for their usual Sunday night lecture hall meeting, they were told to go to Carver Gym instead.

With the team gathered, Coach Rob Smith pointed out the championship banners on the wall. He told them, "I promise that if you stick together, we'll be able to celebrate with a banner up there."

And with that, the Vikings went out and won their final three games, all Great Northwest Athletic Conference matchups, to finish 4-6 overall and claim a league championship for the fourth time in five years with a 3-0 mark in the GNAC.

"Everyone was frustrated and disappointed at that point," said Smith, who earned GNAC Coach of the Year accolades. "It was very important to have something to focus on. We couldn't do anything about what had taken place until then, but it was a real testament to our kids to pick themselves up, go out and get the job done."

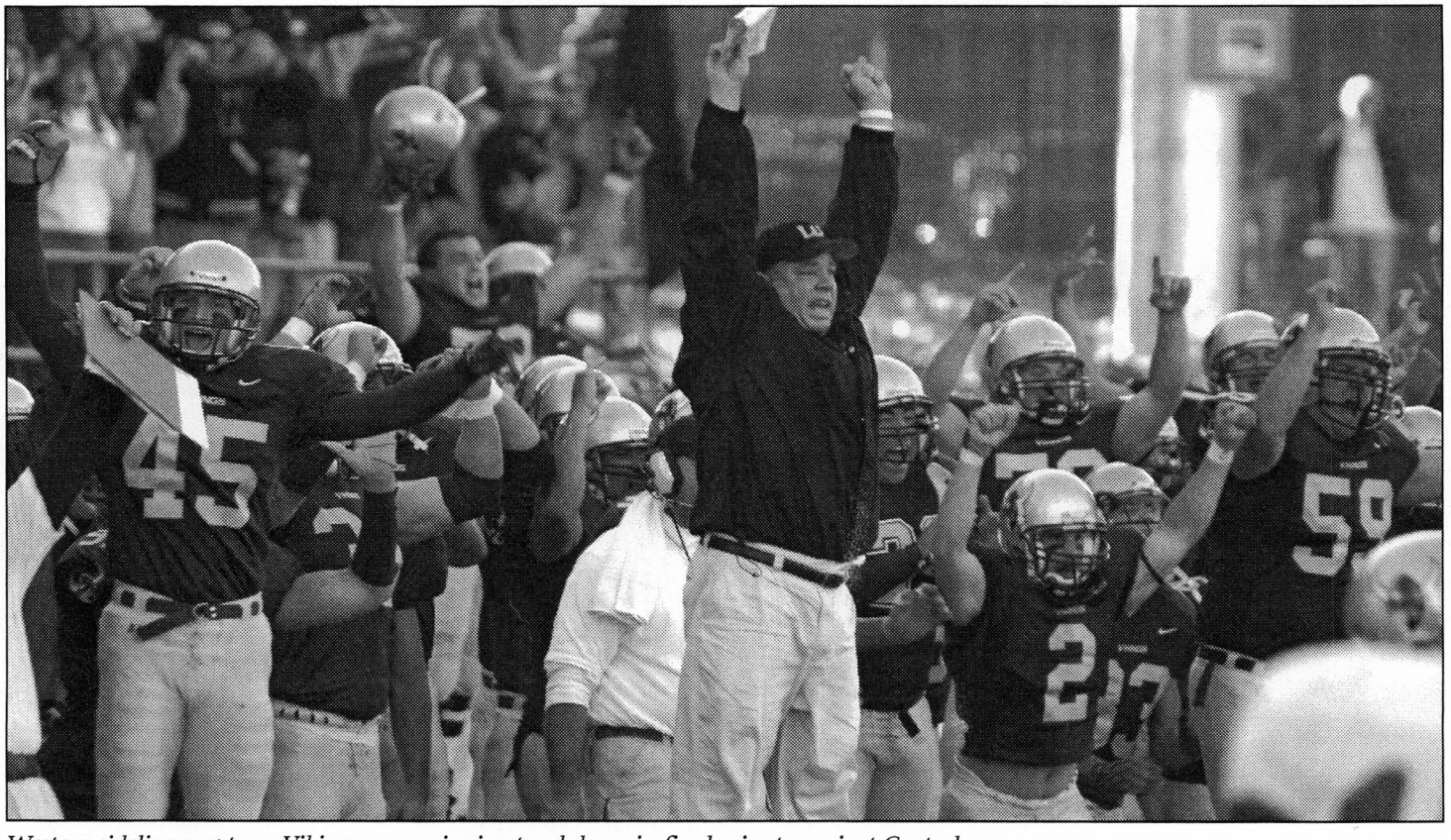
The Vikings, who had been off to their worst start in 18 years, began the recovery with a dramatic 17-16 Cascade Cup victory over Central Washington, as third-string quarterback James Monrean, a redshirt freshman pressed into service because of injuries, directed a game-winning drive in the final minute, helped by a phenomenal one-handed catch and run of 52 yards by sophomore wide receiver Andy Olson. Western then claimed a 34-20 triumph at Humboldt State, and closed the season with a 17-13 triumph over Western Oregon, stopping the Wolves within 10 yards of the goal line on two drives in the final five minutes.

"We've won other championships, but we did so with championship-caliber teams," Smith said. "This wasn't the most talented team in our conference, so to find a way to get it done was something special."

Offensively, the Vikings had some bright moments. Western was ranked second nationally in passing offense through the first five games, and ended up 26th overall at 260.7 yards a game. But it was the running game that found its stride to provide late-season success, as the Viking averaged 179.7 yards rushing in the last three contests, compared to 123.1 for the full campaign.

Olson was the brightest light in Western's offense, establishing himself as a go-to receiver in the tradition of Chris Nicholl, Ben Clampitt and Greg Dykstra. Olson had 64 receptions for 1,063 yards and nine touchdowns, notching the third-best single-season reception mark in school history and the fifth-best yardage total, and ranking ninth nationally in NCAA II in receiving yardage (106.3 avg) and 17th in receptions (6.4).

Olson, who was a second-team Don Hansen's Football Gazette West Region all-star, first-team all-GNAC choice and D2football All-America honorable mention, had four 100-yard receiving games, and had three of the top 16 efforts in school history in consecutive games, with



Western sideline erupts as Vikings score winning touchdown in final minute against Central

the best being an 11-reception, 199-yard performance in an overtime victory over Saint Mary's.

He already ranks seventh in school history in career receiving yards with 1,405 and sixth in touchdown receptions with 12.

"It was not surprising he had that kind of year" Smith said of Olson. "When you combine good ability with great competitiveness, that's what you get. Make no mistake, he's our go-to guy and he wants to be that guy."

Senior Ryan Van Diest started the first five games at wide receiver, making 16 grabs for 252 yards before suffering a season-ending knee injury. Senior slotback Nate Kuhns added 26 catches for 216 yards and a touchdown, as the Vikings had eight players with 10 or more receptions. The receiving corps was aided by a strong set of tight ends, led by junior Rick Carte, a unanimous first-team GNAC all-star who had 17 receptions for 158 yards and five scores. Carte tied a school single-game record with three touchdown receptions at Humboldt State.

At quarterback, senior Josh Shimek and junior Steve Nichols shared time for the second consecutive season. Nichols made seven starts, completing 112-of-216 passes for 1,484 yards with 16 touchdowns and five interceptions. Shimek, who missed two games with a shoulder injury, completed 75-of-141 attempts for 917 yards with five touchdowns and seven interceptions. Third-stringer Monrean saw action under center in three games, throwing for 175 yards with one touchdown and one interception.

At running back, sophomore Duncan Sherrard was a first-team all-GNAC pick as well as a CoSIDA District VIII Academic all-star, rushing for 760 yards and three touchdowns on three carries and adding 193 yards and three scores on 16 receptions. He already ranks seventh in school history in career rushing with 1,447 yards. Sophomore Jake Carlyle also saw extensive time, adding 418 yards and five touchdowns on 97 attempts. They became the first duo to each have 100 yards rushing in a game for Western since 1987, as Carlyle had 143 yards and Sherrard 131 in the triumph at Humboldt State.

The improvement of the rushing game near the end of the season was a product of improved offensive line play. Anchoring the line was senior guard Jon Pagan, who earned first-team all-GNAC honors and was the only offensive lineman to start all 10 games.

"We were able to re-establish the run as an important part of our attack in the last three games," Smith said. "Sherrard and Carlyle are as good as any backs in our league. Our success offensively revolves around our ability to run the ball. It takes pressure off our quarterbacks and forces teams not to double-team Andy Olson."

The defense faced an enormous task, going up against three of the top 12 teams in total offense in NCAA II in the first six games of the season. Overall, Western gave up 424.8 yards and 32.8 points a game. But again, those were numbers that changed in the last three contests, as the Vikings gave up averages of just 341.3 yards and 16.3 points a contest.

"At the end of the year, we played the type of defense we've played in the past," Smith said. "That's how we're going to win games here - we need to win 17-13, 17-16 type games."

Anchoring the defense were two first-team all-GNAC selections - senior middle linebacker Lann Olson and junior strong safety Rob White.

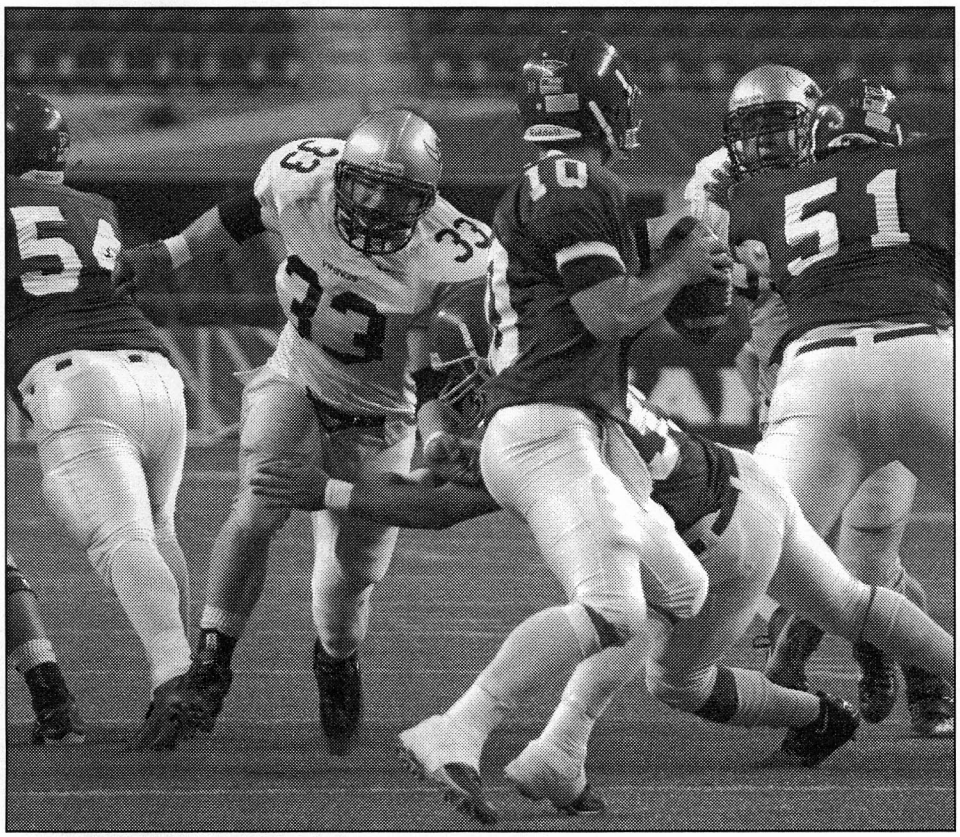
Olson, Andy's older brother, was named an honorable mention All-American by Dopke.com. He had 83 tackles, including team highs of 11 for loss and four sacks. Olson led an all-senior linebacker trio that started all 10 games. Jesse Looker was third on the team in stops with 58, including 9.5 for loss, and Brett Thompson, a CoSIDA District VIII Academic all-star, had 51 and added a team-high two fumble recoveries.

White, a CoSIDA District VIII Academic all-star, was often the only returning letter winner on the field in the secondary. He led Western in tackles for the second straight year with 90, ranking 14th nationally in solo tackles (6.1), and shared the team lead in interceptions with two and passes defensed with seven.

Redshirt freshman Sly Whitfield, Jr. started five games at cornerback, making 21 tackles and having two interceptions. Cornerback Bryan Jarrett and free safety Justin Coronado became the first true freshmen to see action for Western since Kuhns did so in 2000. Jarrett made four starts, notching 30 tackles and leading the Vikings in passes broken up with seven. Coronado had 27 tackles and one interception, leading Western in tackles in two games late in the season.

Tackles Brad Mann and Nick Ball and end JeVarian Gamble, all seniors, made significant contributions along the defensive line, with Ball making 32 stops, 8.5 of them for loss, to earn second-team all-GNAC honors. Sophomore end Joey Joshua was also a second-team all-league pick, making 43 tackles, including 9.5 for loss, and batting down four passes.

Junior Michael Koenen handled all placekicking and punting duties for the third consecutive year, and while his numbers were down slightly from 2002, they were still impressive. Koenen, who led NCAA II in punting as a sophomore, was fourth nationally at 43.2 yards a punt, earning second-team all-GNAC status and honorable mention All-America recognition from D2football.com. A first-team all-league placekicker, he was 26-of-28 on extra points, having a school-record streak of 44 successful conversions snapped early in the year, and 9-of-20 on field goals, a mark held down by 10 of his attempts coming from 45 yards or more. Koenen also sent 16 kickoffs for touchbacks.



All-American linebacker Lann Olson (33) pressures quarterback

"Mike had a good year, but for him it was a disappointing one," Smith said. "A lot of teams would be happy with his numbers, but our expectations, and his, are above what he did. He had a lot of misses from outside 45 yards, which shows the confidence we have in his talent."

Olson averaged 10.2 yards on 13 punt returns to earn second-team all-league recognition, and Carlyle and redshirt freshman Matt Wilson shared kickoff return duties. Carlyle averaged 22.5 yards on 20 returns to get first-team GNAC all-star honors, Wilson 20.8 on 19. Smith also said he was pleased with the coverage units, in particular the performance on kickoff coverage late in the season.

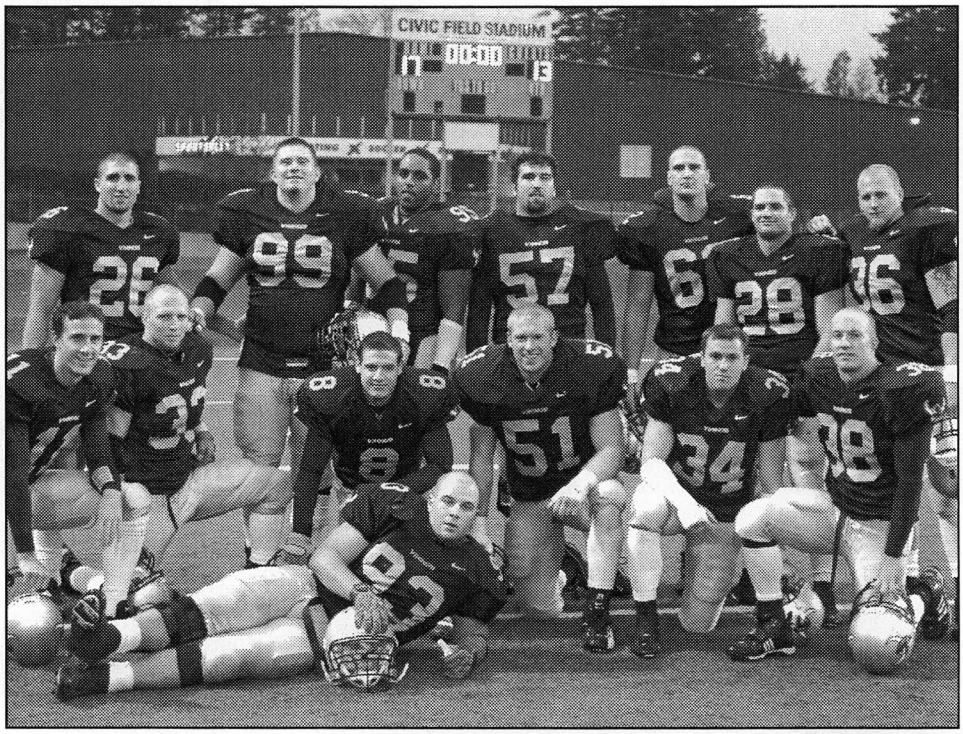
A major highlight of the campaign came on Oct. 4, when Western met arch-rival Central Washington in the first Battle in Seattle, which drew 16,392 at Seahawks Stadium, a record for a non-Division I football game in the state of Washington.

One big problem Western had through the first part of the season was turnovers. The Vikings ended up minus-8, the first time since 1990 (not coincidentally, their last losing season) they had more turnovers than takeaways. But as with much about the 2003 campaign, it turned around the last few games. Western was minus-17 through the first six games, but plus-9 over the last four.

That change in direction clearly played a part in Western's late-season success. It also serves as a symbol of the winning football the Vikings played at the end of the year.

"We found a way to turn things around," said Smith. "We finished with three straight wins, two of which were hard-fought nailbiters. It gives us great momentum going into the off-season. We could have been talking about a 2-8 season, but instead, we're conference champions, we have the Cascade Cup, and have three straight wins, all with a very young football team."

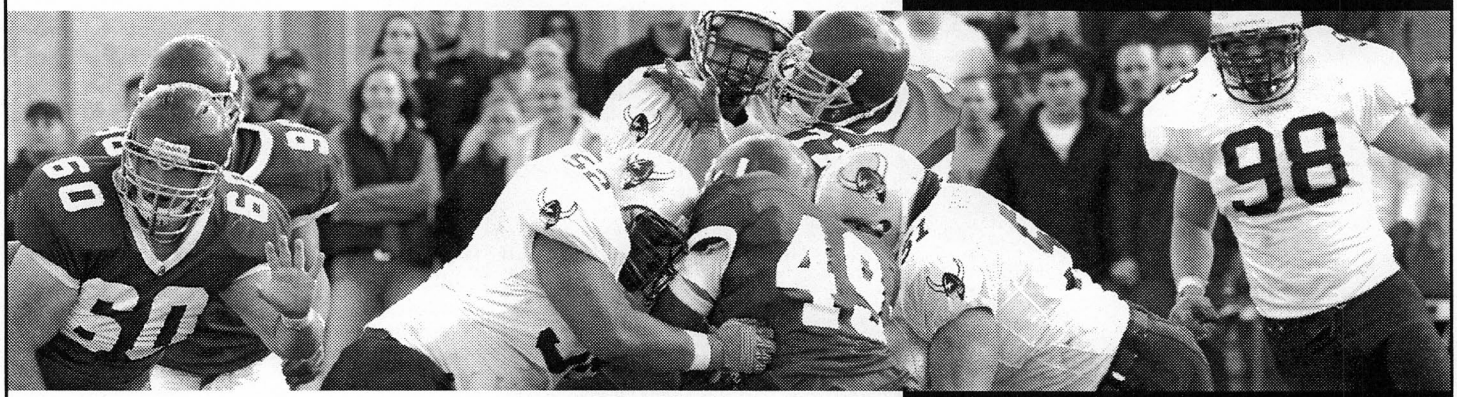
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Vikings fall in season opener as SCSU's Birkel rushes for 213 yards

Running back Matt Birkel rushed for 213 yards and three touchdowns, including scoring runs of 56 and 33 yards, leading NCAA Division II nationally ranked St. Cloud State to a 44-27 victory over Western in a night contest at Civic Stadium.

The game was the season opener for the Vikings. SCSU, ranked No.8 in the American Football Coaches Association NCAA II national poll, improved to 2-0.

The game featured 1,112 yards of offense, with SCSU holding a 589-523 advantage. Husky quarterback Keith Heckendorf, who finished in the top three in the voting for the 2002 Harlon Hill Trophy awarded to the NCAA II Player of the Year, completed 23-of-34 passes for 303 yards and three touchdowns, directing the Huskies to eight scores in a stretch of 10 drives after they punted on the first two possessions of the game.

Western quarterback Steve Nichols completed 24-of-39 passes for 349 yards and two touchdowns, but the Vikings never got closer than 10 points after SCSU took a 30-20 lead midway through the third quarter on a 42-yard pass from Heckendorf to Ed DeShazer.

A blocked punt by Taylor Hutton gave the Vikings the ball at the Husky 46 late in the third period, but SCSU defensive end Ryan Walker stripped the ball from Nichols on the following play, and the Huskies recovered, moving 54 yards in eight plays, capped by a four-yard run by Birkel 2:16 into the fourth quarter, to take a 37-20 lead and effectively put the game out of reach.

Birkel, who averaged 8.9 yards a carry on 24 attempts, had opened the second-half scoring with a 33-yard touchdown run on a fourth-and-one play that gave SCSU a 23-13 lead.

Western wide receiver Andy Olson had seven receptions for 154 yards and two touchdowns, and Ryan Van Diest added seven catches for 123 yards.

The 71 combined points came despite a tightly played first quarter that ended with the score tied, 3-3. Western had a second-and-goal from the Husky one early in the second quarter, but losses on consecutive plays led to a 30-yard field goal missed wide right by Michael Koenen, who also connected on attempts of 47 and 45 yards.

SCSU responded by marching 80 yards in 11 plays, capped by a 10-yard touchdown pass from Heckendorf to Ryan Koch, but the Vikings came back less than three minutes later to tie the score, 10-10, on a 42-yard pass from Nichols to Olson.

On the first play of the following series, Heckendorf bobbled the snap and Western appeared to recover the ball, but the play was blown dead by an inadvertent whistle. Three plays later, Birkel burst 56 yards down the right sideline, giving SCSU a 16-10 lead as the extra point failed, and the Huskies led the rest of the way.

SCORING SUMMARY

St. Cloud State	3	13	14	14	— 44
Western Washington	3	10	7	7	— 27

WWU	FG Koenen 47
SCSU	FG Braunagle 29
SCSU	Koch 10 pass from Heckendorf (Braunagel kick)
WWU	Olson 42 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
SCSU	Birkel 56 run (kick failed)
WWU	FG Koenen 45
SCSU	Birkel 33 run (Braunagel kick)
WWU	Olson 32 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
SCSU	DeShazer 42 pass from Heckendorf (Braunagel kick)
SCSU	Birkel 4 run (Braunagel kick)
WWU	Sherrard 3 run (Koenen kick)
SCSU	Greene 23 pass from Heckendorf (Braunagel kick)

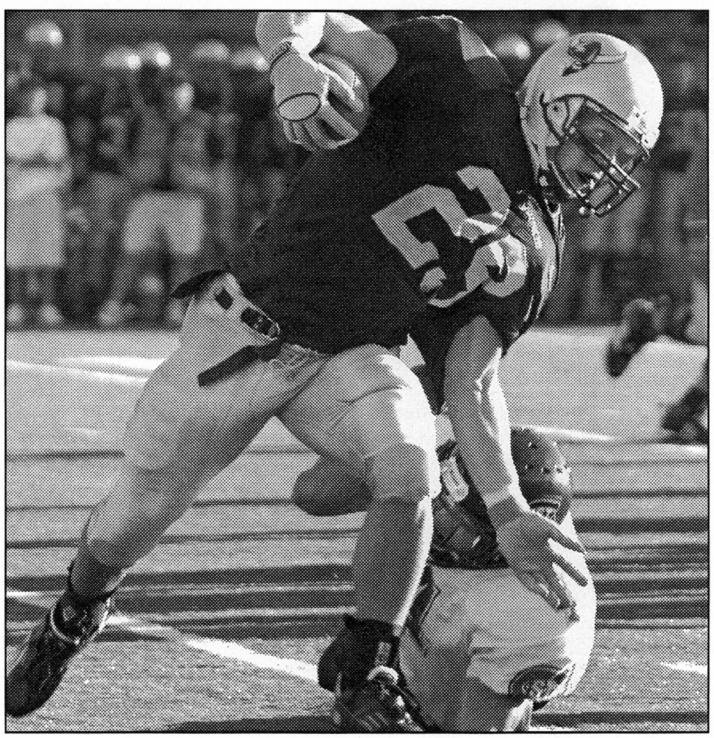
Attendance: 2,565

	SCSU	WWU
First downs	26	26
Rushes-yards	37-286	37-102
Passing yards	303	421
Sacks by-yards lost	2-14	1-6
Total Offense	589	523
Return yards	3-56	8-95
Passes	34-23-1	45-28-0
Punts	4-36.0	3-41.7
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	6-44	6-44
Time of possession	29:46	30:14

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 19-69, Carlyle 7-31, Nichols 8-12, Shimek 3—10; SCSU-Birkel 24-213, Williams 8-60, Ploeckelm 1-10, Heckendorf 3-4, Team 1-1

Passing: WWU-Nichols 39-24-0-349, Shimek 5-4-0-72, Team 1-0-0; SCSU-Heckendorf 34-23-1-303

Receiving: WWU-Olson 7-154-2, Van Diest 7-123, Kuhns 5-47, Chambers 3-66, Sherrard 3-13, Carte 2-17, Carlyle 1-1; SCSU-Koch 6-51, Bisping 5-52, DeShazer 4-75, Greene 3-86, Ploeckelm 2-16, Birkel 2-16, Johnson 1-7



Duncan Sherrard (29)

Game 2

Western Oregon 23, Western 20 (OT)

SEPTEMBER 13 at MONMOUTH, ORE.

Six turnovers send Vikings to first 0-2 start in 15 years

Hampered by six turnovers, Western suffered its second consecutive defeat, falling to Western Oregon University, 23-20, in overtime at McArthur Field.

The Wolves' Andrew Keippela kicked the decisive points on a 37-yard field goal after Michael Koenen had missed from 43 yards in the Vikings' overtime possession. It was the second straight year the teams had gone to overtime, with Western grabbing a 20-17 triumph in three overtimes last year.

The loss dropped the Vikings to 0-2 for the first time since 1988. The Wolves, who lost starting quarterback Denny Bies to an ankle injury midway through the second quarter, improved to 2-0, with both victories coming in overtime.

Western Oregon nearly won the game in regulation. Western's Duncan Sherrard, who rushed for a game-high 122 yards, fumbled, giving the Wolves the ball on the Viking 39 with 4:21 left. The Wolves ran 11 plays, setting up a 22-yard field goal attempt by Keippela in the dying seconds. But true freshman Bryan Jarrett broke through to block the kick, forcing overtime, one of three kicks blocked in the game by Western.

The Vikings had tied the game at 20-20 with 7:30 left, as quarterback Steve Nichols found Olson for a 26-yard touchdown on a pass tipped by two Western Oregon defenders.

Nichols completed 12-of-25 passes for 173 yards and two touchdowns, but was intercepted three times.

Western Oregon opened the scoring less than two minutes into the game. An interception by Chad Boyd on the game's first play from scrimmage gave the Wolves the ball at the Western Washington 15, and Michael Ramirez capped the four-play drive with a 6-yard run.

The Vikings responded immediately, going 66 yards in only four plays, Nichols hitting tight end Nick Yoney for a 15-yard touchdown.

The Wolves took the lead for good early in the second quarter on a 3-yard run by Tom Martin. The Vikings narrowed the score to 14-13 with 5:18 left in the half on a 27-yard run by Jake Carlyle, but Koenen missed the extra point.

After a scoreless third quarter, Western Oregon extended its lead to 20-13 as wide receiver Brad Satrin caught an 11-yard pass from backup quarterback Ryan Thorson early in the fourth quarter. The conversion failed. Thorson, a redshirt freshman seeing his first collegiate action, was 11-of-28 for 107 yards. Satrin had 11 receptions for the second straight game, totaling 111 yards.

The Vikings had a 323-286 edge in total offense, but because of the 6-1 difference in turnovers, Western Oregon had advantage of more than seven minutes in time of possession and ran 87 plays to 65 by the Vikings.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	7	6	0	7	0	— 20
Western Oregon	7	7	0	6	3	— 23

WOU	Ramirez 6 run (Keippela kick)
WWU	Yoney 15 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
WOU	Martin 3 run (Keippela kick)
WWU	Carlyle 27 run (kick failed)
WOU	Satran 14 pass from Thorson (kick failed)
WWU	Olson 26 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
WOU	FG Keippela 37

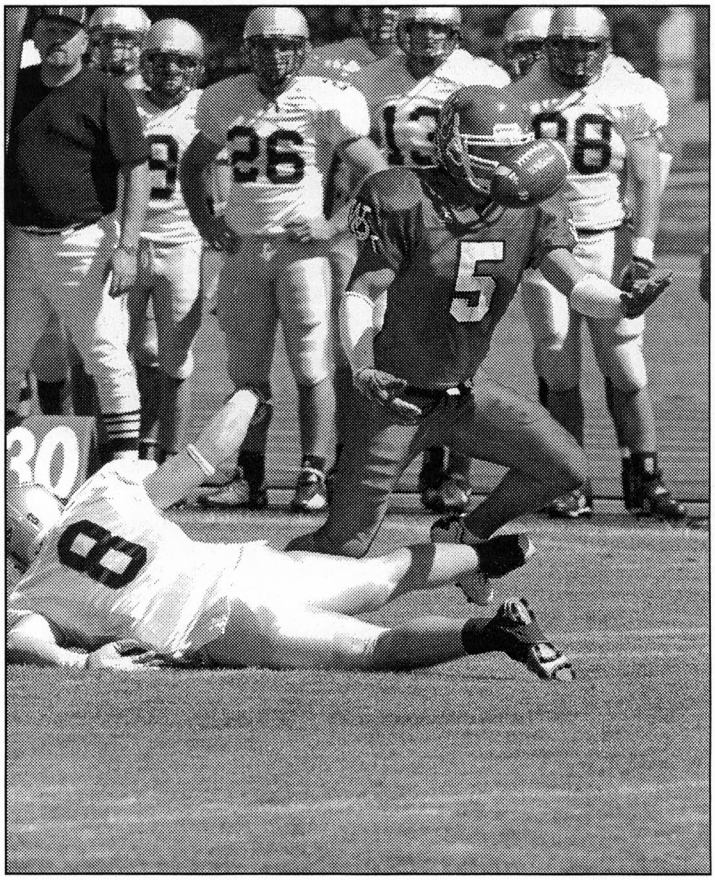
Attendance: 2,500

	WWU	WOU
First downs	20	17
Rushes-yards	32-134	47-98
Passing yards	189	188
Sacks by-yards lost	1-9	3-25
Total Offense	323	286
Return yards	3-72	10-130
Passes	33-16-4	40-20-0
Punts	6-41.2	10-42.8
Fumbles-lost	2-2	3-1
Penalties-yards	10-99	8-67
Time of possession	26:19	33:41

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 23-122, Carlyle 3-27, Chambers 1-0, Shimek 1-4, Nichols 4—11; WOU-Ramirez 28-82, McCrae 9-27, Martin 5-5, Dreiling 1-3, Thorson 2-2, Bies 1-9, Taroli 1—12

Passing: WWU-Nichols 25-12-3-173, Shimek 8-4-1-16; WOU-Thorson 28-11-0-107, Bies 12-9-0-81

Receiving: WWU-Kuhns 5-39, Olson 4-92-1, Van Diest 3-36, Wilson 2-14, Yoney 1-15-1, Sherrard 1—7; WOU-Satran 11-111, Hinshaw 3-27, McCrae 2-7, Lulay 1-17, Smith 1-17, Boss 1-14, Ramirez 1-5



Western Oregon's Chad Boyd intercepts pass on game's opening play

Game 3

Nebraska-Omaha 52, Western 28

SEPTEMBER 20 at OMAHA, NEB.

Fumbles prove decisive after game tied at halftime

Quarterback Brian Masek completed 21-of-30 passes for 321 yards and three touchdowns and added two rushing touchdowns as nationally-ranked Nebraska-Omaha defeated Western, 52-28, at Al F. Caniglia Field.

The loss dropped the Vikings to 0-3, their worst start since 1988. UNO, ranked No.19 in the AFCA NCAA Division II top 25, improved to 3-1.

The score was tied, 28-28, at halftime, but Masek hit Chris Denney for scoring passes of 45 and 56 yards on the first two possessions of the third quarter to give the Mavericks a 42-28 lead. The Vikings then fumbled the ball away on their next three possessions, two of the fumbles coming after Western had reached the UNO 22.

Andy Severson hit a 35-yard field goal to extend the UNO lead to 45-28, then after Western's third fumble, Masek, who rushed for 89 yards on 14 carries, got outside and went 55 yards early in the fourth quarter for the final points of the game.

The two teams combined for 1,097 yards, with UNO holding a 606-491 edge in total offense. The big difference was in rushing, with the Mavericks getting 285 yards on the ground, led by Justin Kammrad's 181 yards and two touchdowns on 22 carries.

Western quarterback Josh Shimek completed 20-of-37 passes for 267 yards and one touchdown. Shimek alternated with starter Steve Nichols, who completed 6-of-12 passes for 145 yards and two scores, in the first half, but Nichols did not return after limping off the field with a knee injury late in the second quarter.

Western scored on the opening possession of the game. Jake Carlyle returned the opening kickoff 50 yards, setting up a nine-play, 47-yard drive capped when running back Duncan Sherrard took a screen pass from Nichols and scored from 10 yards out. But UNO responded immediately as Kammrad ran 66 yards for a touchdown on the Mavericks' first play from scrimmage to tie the game, 7-7.

UNO took a 14-7 lead on its next series as Masek scored from 1 yard out to cap a nine-play, 50-yard drive. That was just a prelude to a flurry of scoring, as the two teams combined for 35 points in the second quarter to leave the game tied, 28-28 at halftime.

Western's Michael Koenen opened the second-quarter scoring with field goals of 49 and 43 yards. The Vikings later got touchdown catches of 58 and 39 yards from Andy Olson, both in the last 2:17 of the half. Olson also caught a 2-point conversion pass on the first touchdown. The Mavericks scored on a 15-yard run by Kammrad and an 11-yard pass from Masek to Ryan Krause, who had set up the score with a 41-yard catch on the previous play.

Krause had seven receptions for 100 yards, and Denney had five catches for 136 yards. For Western, Olson had seven receptions for 187 yards, matching the seventh-best single game receiving yardage total in school history, but had just one 19-yard reception in the second half.

Olson was named GNAC co-Offensive Player of the Week for his performance and punter Michael Koenen received D2Football.com special teams POW honorable mention.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	7	21	0	0	— 28
Nebraska-Omaha	14	14	17	7	— 52

WWU	Sherrard 10 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
UNO	Kammrad 66 run (Severson run)
UNO	Masek 1 run (Severson kick)
WWU	FG Koenen 49
WWU	FG Koenen 43
UNO	Kammrad 15 run (Severson kick)
WWU	Olson 58 pass from Nichols (Olson pass from Nichols)
UNO	Krause 11 pass from Masek (Severson kick)
WWU	Olson 38 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
UNO	Denney 45 pass from Masek (Severson kick)
UNO	Denney 56 pass from Masek (Severson kick)
UNO	FG Severson 35
UNO	Masek 55 run (Severson kick)

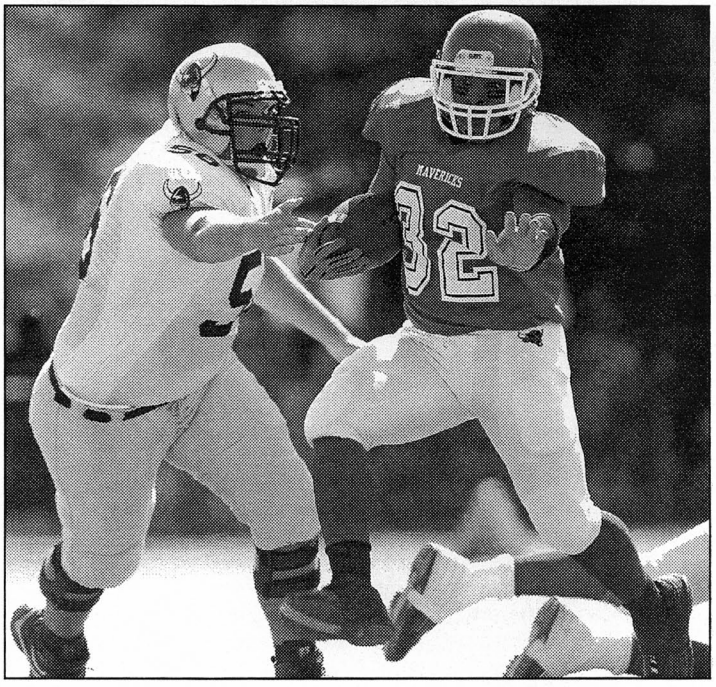
Attendance: 5,300

	WWU	UNO
First downs	27	26
Rushes-yards	34-79	43-285
Passing yards	412	321
Sacks by-yards lost	3-16	3-18
Total Offense	491	606
Return yards	7-222	5-100
Passes	49-26-0	30-21-0
Punts	4-43.0	3-49.0
Fumbles-lost	3-3	0-0
Penalties-yards	6-30	5-51
Time of possession	28:56	31:04

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 15-64, Carlyle 9-24, Nichols 4-15, Shimek 6-24; UNO-Kammrad 22-181, Masek 14-89, Donahoo 2-11, Ostlund 1-4, Irions 2-2, Team 2-2.

Passing: WWU-Shimek 37-20-0-267, Nichols 12-6-0-145; UNO-Masek 30-21-0-321.

Receiving: WWU-Olson 7-187-2, Barton 4-30, Van Diest 6-66, Yoney 3-47, Chambers 3-27, Carlyle 2-28, Sherrard 2-15-1, Laurence 2-12; UNO-Krause 7-100-1, Denney 5-136-2, Recek 4-45, Donahoo 1-15, Hopkins 1-13, Kammrad 1-12, S. Anderson 1-0, J. Anderson 1-0.



Nebraska-Omaha's Jeremy Anderson returns punt for 24 yards

Game 4

Western 42, Saint Mary's (Calif.) 35 (OT)

SEPTEMBER 27 at BELLINGHAM, WASH.

Vikings rally from 21-point deficit to grab first win of season

Quarterback Josh Shimek threw a 10-yard touchdown pass in overtime to slotback Nate Kuhns, lifting Western to a 42-35 victory over Saint Mary's CA in a matchup of two previously winless teams at Civic Stadium.

The triumph improves Western to 1-3 on the season and snaps a four-game losing streak, the longest since 1986, as well as a four-game home losing streak, the longest since 1986-87. Saint Mary's fell to 0-4.

The Gaels, who led 28-7 late in the second quarter, had a chance to win in regulation, but Joe Lucia missed a 39-yard field goal wide left as time expired.

In overtime, Shimek, who was 21-of-35 for 307 yards with three touchdowns and an interception, completed an 18-yard pass to wide receiver Andy Olson on third-and-19, then ran a sneak on fourth-and-1 for the first down. Two plays later, Shimek connected with Kuhns for the go-ahead points.

On the Saint Mary's series, the Gaels faced a fourth-and-5 from the 20. An attempted lateral was overthrown, and Western defensive end Joey Joshua, who had a team-leading 14 stops, 11 of them unassisted, tackled Walter Brock for an 8-yard loss to end the game.

Saint Mary's led 28-21 at halftime and extended that lead to 35-21 on its opening drive of the third quarter, as quarterback Cordel Webb, who started as the signal caller after playing wide receiver the first three games of the season, ran for a 12-yard touchdown set up by a 40-yard gain on a shovel pass from Winston Borba to Stevelan Harper off a fake punt.

But Western rallied behind two 4-yard touchdown runs by reserve running back Jake Carlyle, the last with 2:58 gone in the fourth quarter, to tie the score at 35-35.

The Vikings had a 420-318 edge in total offense. Olson was Western's main weapon, grabbing 11 receptions for 199 yards and a touchdown. The 199 yards are the fourth-best single game total in school history, and he also added 75 yards on four punt returns.

Western scored on its opening drive of the game for the second straight week, going 73 yards in five plays, capped when Olson took a hitch pass from Shimek and sprinted 40 yards for a touchdown, but the Gaels came back with four consecutive touchdowns, each of them coming after Western miscues.

First, a bad punt snap gave Saint Mary's the ball at the Western 16, and on fourth-and-2 from the eight, Webb ran eight yards up the middle for a touchdown. The next score was set up on an interception early in the second quarter by Borba that led to a four-play, 37-yard drive capped by a six-yard run by Chris Harrell.

Borba then scored the next touchdown himself, stripping Western tight end Nick Yoney of the ball and running 64 yards to the end zone, and the four-touchdown charge concluded as a punt hit a Western player in the back and was recovered on the Viking 2, from which Clint Wilson scored on the next play.

But the Vikings rallied in the final 2:15 of the second quarter, running back Duncan Sherrard scoring from 36 yards out on a screen pass from Shimek, then scoring again on a 2-yard run with 50 seconds left in the half. The latter score was set up by Olson, who returned a punt 17 yards then put the ball on the two with a 39-yard reception in which he eluded three tacklers at the Gaels 25.

Saint Mary's, which had a bye last week, revamped their offense for Saturday's game, turning their spread set into a run-oriented system. Webb was just 4-of-8 for 32 yards, but ran 22 times for 58 yards and two scores, and eight different Gaels had rushing attempts. Parker Magnum, who had started the first three games at quarterback, took just four snaps Saturday, but did come off the bench twice in the final drive of regulation to complete passes for first downs on third and long to set up Lucia's field-goal attempt.

Joshua, who was credited with 14 tackles, was named GNAC Defensive Player of the Week for his performance. Joshua, Shimek and Olson also received D2Football.com Player of the Week honorable mention.

SCORING SUMMARY

Saint Mary's	7	21	7	0	0	— 35
Western Washington	7	14	7	7	7	— 42

WWU	Olson 40 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)
SMC	Webb 8 run (Lucia kick)
SMC	Harrell 6 run (Lucia kick)
SMC	Borba 64 fumble return (Lucia kick)
SMC	Wilson 2 run (Lucia kick)
WWU	Sherrard 36 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)
WWU	Sherrard 2 run (Koenen kick)
SMC	Webb 12 run (Lucia kick)
WWU	Carlyle 4 run (Koenen kick)
WWU	Carlyle 4 run (Koenen kick)
WWU	Kuhns 10 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)

Attendance: 2,107

	SMC	WWU
First downs	14	21
Rushes-yards	60-214	34-71
Passing yards	104	349
Sacks by-yards lost	4-30	1-4
Total Offense	318	420
Return yards	9-171	12-147
Passes	11-7-1	43-26-1
Punts	7-34.7	5-35.8
Fumbles-lost	2-1	3-2
Penalties-yards	8-36	6-45
Time of possession	33:23	26:37

Rushing: WWU-Carlyle 11-66, Sherrard 12-32, Nichols 1-7, Team 1—15, Shimek 9—19; SMC-Wilson 18-67, Webb 22-58, Coleman 9-56, Steiner 1-24, Harrell 5-10, Ratliff 3-8, Coogler 1—1, Mangum 1—8.

Passing: WWU-Shimek 35-21-1-307, Nichols 8-5-0-42; SMC-Webb 8-4-1-32, Mangum 2-2-0-32, Borba 1-1-0-40.

Receiving: WWU- Olson 11-199-1, Yoney 3-35, Van Diest 3-27, Kuhns 3-25-1; Chambers 3-12, Sherrard 2-51-1, Carte 1-0; SMC-Ratliff 3-31, Harper 1-40, Soinila 1-16, Coogler 1-14, Steiner 1-3.



Jake Carlyle (27)

Game 5

Central Washington 29, Western 20

OCTOBER 4 at SEATTLE, WASH.

Vikings play before record crowd of 16,392 at Seahawks Stadium

A third-quarter safety put Central Washington in front to stay, and the Wildcats went on to defeat Western, 29-20, in the Battle in Seattle played before a crowd of 16,392 at Seahawks Stadium.

The attendance figure was a record for a non-NCAA Division I game in the state of Washington.

After a high punt snap through the end zone gave the Wildcats a 16-14 lead, they took the ensuing free kick and moved 57 yards in four plays, capped by a 4-yard run by Emilio Iniguez, who rushed for a game-high 140 yards on 32 carries. The extra point was blocked, leaving Central a 22-14 lead with 5:48 left in the third quarter.

The Vikings closed to 22-20 later in the period on a 21-yard pass from Steve Nichols to tight end Rick Carte, who had two touchdown catches, but Nichols was sacked trying to tie the game on a two-point conversion.

Central defensive back Nick Omatsu then provided the final margin, returning an interception 40 yards for a touchdown three minutes into the fourth quarter. The Wildcats, who entered the game with just one interception this season, had four in the game.

The four turnovers and bad snap by Western helped Central overcome the Vikings' 366-311 edge in total offense.

Western wide receiver Andy Olson had nine receptions for 160 yards, his fourth 100-yard receiving game of the season and his third consecutive 100-yard receiving performance. He has 27 catches for 546 yards and four touchdowns in the last three games.

The Wildcats scored on the opening possession of the game, with Zak Hill throwing 4 yards to Nate Brookreson to cap a 10-play, 62-yard drive. Western countered later in the period with an 18-yard touchdown pass from Josh Shimek to Carte, and took a 14-7 lead with just under six minutes left in the half with a 13-yard scoring toss from Nichols to Olson. The Wildcats tied the score at 14-14 just 27 seconds before halftime, with Hill connecting on a 33-yard scoring pass to Moses Lewis.

Hill completed 13-of-27 passes for 134 yards and two touchdowns. For Western, Nichols was 11-of-22 for 154 yards and two scores, and Shimek was 12-of-25 for 129 yards and a touchdown, but was intercepted four times.

Olson was named GNAC co-Offensive Player of the Week for his performance.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	7	7	6	0	— 20
Central Washington	7	7	8	7	— 29

CWU	Brookreson 4 pass from Hill (Sadler kick)
WWU	Carte 18 pass from Shimek (Koenen kick)
WWU	Olson 13 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
CWU	Lewis 33 pass from Hill (Sadler kick)
CWU	Safety, ball snapped through end zone
CWU	Iniguez 4 run (kick failed)
WWU	Carte 21 pass from Nichols (run failed)
CWU	Omatsu 40 interception return (Sadler kick)

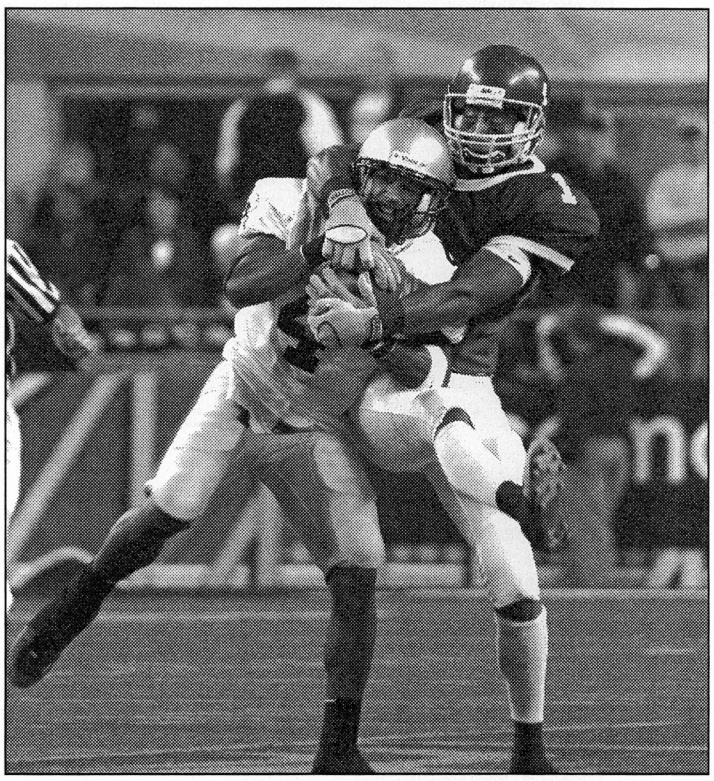
Attendance: 16,392

	WWU	CWU
First downs	22	18
Rushes-yards	29-83	41-77
Passing yards	283	134
Sacks by-yards lost	0-0	1-4
Total Offense	366	311
Return yards	6-98	11-187
Passes	47-23-4	27-13-0
Punts	3-48.0	6-49.2
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-yards	11-102	12-120
Time of possession	27:28	32:32

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 12-31, Carlyle 9-22, Shimek 2-20, Nichols 4-18, Team 2—8; CWU-Iniguez 32-140, Hill 3-24, Johnson 2-19, Team 4—6.

Passing: WWU-Shimek 25-12-4-129, Nichols 22-11-0-154; CWU-Hill 27-13-0-134.

Receiving: WWU- Olson 9-160-1, Kuhns 6-53, Carte 3-48-2, Sherrard 2-14, Wilson 1-9, Carlyle 1-2, Chambers 1—3; CWU-Lewis 4-67-1, Brookreson 4-44-1, Hineline 2-21, Roberts 1-5, Lopez 1-0, Johnson 1—3.



Sly Whitfield, Jr. (4) breaks up pass against Central Washington at Battle in Seattle

Game 6

Northern Colorado 48, Western 17

OCTOBER 11 at GREELEY, COLO.

Vikings fall behind early

Running back Adam Matthews and wide receiver Vincent Jackson each contributed over 200 all-purpose yards, helping Northern Colorado defeat Western, 48-17, at Nottingham Field.

UNC, in its first year of a four-year transition from NCAA Division II to I-AA and an NCAA II semifinalist last season, improved to 5-1 with its 13th consecutive home victory.

Matthews ran for 158 yards and two touchdowns on 20 carries, his sixth consecutive 100-yard rushing game, and added a 51-yard touchdown catch. Jackson had seven receptions for 205 yards and two scores, giving him a school-record 13 touchdown receptions on the season.

The Bears scored on their first three possessions. Jackson opened the scoring, taking a short pass over the middle from quarterback Tony Christensen and going 72 yards for a touchdown After a 33-yard field goal from Justin Zaitz, Matthews took a screen pass from Christensen and went 51 yards to make the score 17-0 at the end of the first quarter.

Early in the second quarter, a Western fumble gave UNC the ball on the Viking 14, and Matthews carried three straight times, finally scoring from 2 yards.

Western then put together its only scoring drive of the first half, moving 36 yards in 10 plays after a 41-yard kickoff return by Matt Wilson to set up a 40-yard field goal by Michael Koenen, but UNC responded by going 80 yards in just two plays, a 46-yard pass to Jackson and a 34-yard touchdown run by Matthews, giving the Bears a 31-3 lead at halftime.

UNC, which entered the game averaging 39.6 points and 446.0 yards a contest, reached its scoring average early in the third quarter, as Jackson caught a 26-yard pass from Christensen and Zaitz added a 42-yard field goal on the following series to make the score 41-3.

Christensen was 14-of-23 passing for 341 yards and three touchdowns as the Bears held a 536-300 edge in total offense.

The Vikings did score on consecutive possessions in the second half, as quarterback Steve Nichols threw scoring passes of 15 yards to Kevin Cooley late in the third quarter and 8 yards to Andy Olson four minutes into the fourth period.

Nichols completed 17-of-37 passes for 188 yards. Olson had six catches for 73 yards.

UNC closed the scoring midway through the fourth quarter, as defensive end Tommy Cook picked up a bobbled snap and ran 41 yards for a touchdown.

Western committed four turnovers, three of them in the fourth quarter. The Vikings have 21 turnovers in last five games, having at least 3 in each contest, and have a minus-17 turnover ratio on the season.

Koenen's field goal and two extra points give him 173 career points, moving him into eighth in Western history. He also averaged 47.6 yards on five punts, and sent two kickoffs for touchbacks.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	0	3	7	7	— 17
Northern Colorado	17	14	10	7	— 48

UNC	Jackson 72 pass from Christensen (Zaitz kick)
UNC	FG Zaitz 33
UNC	Matthews 51 pass from Christensen (Zaitz kick)
UNC	Matthews 2 run (Zaitz kick)
WWU	FG Koenen 40
UNC	Matthews 34 run (Zaitz kick)
UNC	Jackson 26 pass from Christensen (Zaitz kick)
UNC	FG Zaitz 41
WWU	Cooley 14 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
WWU	Olson 8 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
UNC	Cook 41 fumble return (Zaitz kick)

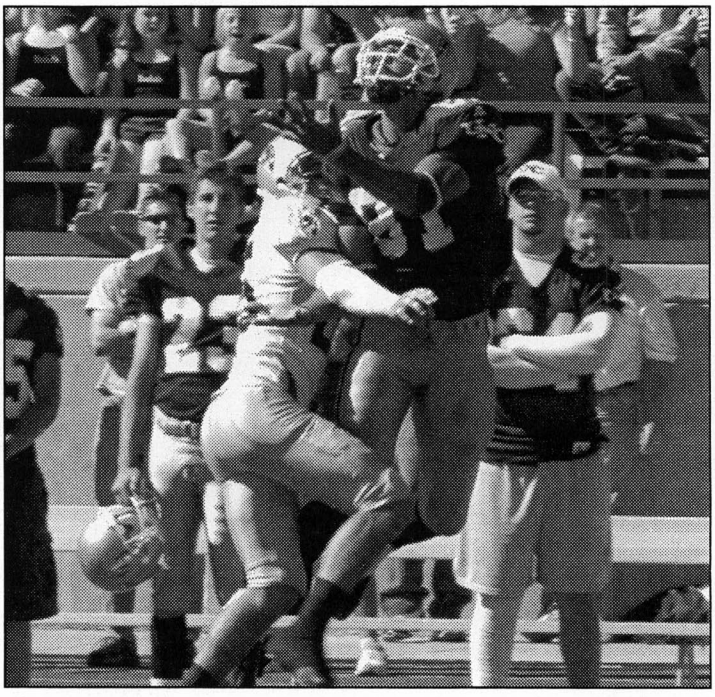
Attendance: 6,301

	WWU	UNC
First downs	16	23
Rushes-yards	41-112	35-195
Passing yards	188	341
Sacks by-yards lost	2-19	3-14
Total Offense	300	536
Return yards	9-153	7-97
Passes	40-17-1	27-14-0
Punts	5-47.6	4-33.5
Fumbles-lost	5-3	0-0
Penalties-yards	5-35	6-50
Time of possession	33:02	26:58

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 17-65, Nichols 11-29, Monrean 1-9, Carlyle 8-8, K. Williams 3-7, Shimek 1—6; UNC-Matthews 20-158, Wilson 6-46, Scott 2-12, Thompson 3-0, Nevarez 1-0, Farbes 1—2, Christensen 2—19.

Passing: WWU-Nichols 37-17-0-188, Monrean 3-0-1; UNC-Christensen 23-14-0-341, Stewart 4-0-0-0.

Receiving: Receiving: WWU- Olson 6-73-1, Carte 4-31, Yoney 2-9, Upchurch 2-43, Cooley 1-14-1, Laurence 1-12, Barton 1-6; UNC-Jackson 7-205-2, Dudley 2-30, Farbes 2-29, Matthews 1-51-1, Scott 1-24, Sweitzer 1-2.



Northern Colorado wide receiver Vincent Jackson makes leaping catch

Game 7

UC Davis 48, Western 19

OCTOBER 16 at DAVIS, CALIF.

Vikings unable to stop balanced Aggie attack

UC Davis scored 10 points in the final two minutes of the first half and added two touchdowns in a 1:09 span of the third quarter to break the game open as the Aggies defeated Western, 48-19, before a Homecoming crowd of 7,628 at Toomey Field.

The Aggies, in the first of a four-year transition from NCAA Division II to NCAA I-AA, improved to 4-2 with their third consecutive victory.

Western trailed just 17-12 after a 14-yard pass from quarterback Steve Nichols to wide receiver Matt Wilson. But UC Davis quarterback Jon Barragan, who also threw for three touchdowns, ran for a 4-yard score with 1:50 left in the first half, and Dusty Apocotos added a 32-yard field goal with seven seconds left in the period to give the Aggies a 27-12 edge at halftime.

UC Davis then put the game away midway through the third period. Barragan threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to tight end Nolan deGraaff, and on Western's next series, Nichols was intercepted by Jashaun McCowan, who returned the pick 24 yards, making the score 41-12.

The Aggies had a 578-362 edge in total offense. Barragan completed 19-of-28 passes for 325 yards and also ran for 41 yards. Running back Antar Mahasin added 91 yards on 17 rushing attempts and 64 more on four receptions.

Western's defense forced four turnovers, with two interceptions and two fumble recoveries, matching their totals of the first six games, but was unable to take advantage of the UC miscues, getting just three points off them, and only one first down on the four subsequent possessions.

Running back Duncan Sherrard rushed for a game-high 96 yards on 17 carries for the Vikings. Nichols was 11-of-23 for 131 yards with one touchdown and one interception. James Monrean replaced Nichols midway through the third period and was 9-of-18 for 120 yards with one touchdown, a 17-yard connection with Brett Upchurch on the final play of the game. The Vikings were 1-of-14 on third down.

Western scored on the opening series of the game, going 52 yards in nine plays to set up a 32-yard field goal by Michael Koenen.

The Aggies came right back, moving 80 yards in 10 plays, capped by an 8-yard touchdown pass from Barragan to Billy Zeier, then extended the margin to 10-7 on the following series, as Barragan completed passes of 34 yards to Daniel Fells and 33 yards to Kevin Freeman to set up a 32-yard field goal by Dusty Apocotos.

Two Aggie turnovers gave the Vikings opportunities in the second quarter. Free safety Justin Coronado, who was making his first start, intercepted Barragan and returned it 35 yards to the Aggie 25, but Western failed to move the ball and Koenen's field-goal attempt was blocked. On the following series, defensive tackle Nick Ball recovered a Barragan fumble, leading to a 51-yard field goal by Koenen. That made the score 10-6 early in the second quarter, but Western got no closer.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	3	9	0	7	— 19
UC Davis	10	17	14	7	— 48

WWU	FG Koenen 32
UCD	Zeier 8 pass from Barragan (Apocotos kick)
UCD	FG Apocotos 35
WWU	FG Koenen 51
UCD	Barragan 4 run (Apocotos kick)
WWU	Wilson 14 pass from Nichols (pass failed)
UCD	deGraaff 19 pass from Barragan (Apocotos kick)
UCD	FG Apocotos 24
UCD	Doris 26 pass from Barragan (Apocotos kick)
UCD	McCowan 24 interception return (Apocotos kick)
UCD	Smith 30 pass from Grant (Apocotos kick)
WWU	Upchurch 17 pass from Monrean (Koenen kick)

Attendance: 7,628

	WWU	UCD
First downs	18	31
Rushes-yards	32-111	46-204
Passing yards	251	374
Sacks by-yards lost	4-27	0-0
Total offense	73-362	80-578
Return yards	181	99
Passes	41-20-1	34-22-2
Punts-average	7-46.4	3-50.7
Fumbles-lost	3-0	3-2
Penalties-yards	9-63	4-30
Time of possession	29:26	30:34

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 17-96, Monrean 7-24, Carlyle 3-7, Chambers 1—1, Nichols 4—15; UCD-Mahasin 17-91, Doris 6-46, Barragan 9-41, Harrison 9-27, Kays 1-9, Zeier 1-9, Freeman 1—1; Grant 2—18.

Passing: WWU-Nichols 23-11-1-131, Monrean 18-9-0-120; UCD-Barragan 28-19-2-325, Grant 3-3-0-49, Zelinski 2-0-0-0, Team 1-0-0-0.

Receiving: WWU-Laurence 6-67, Olson 5-64, Wilson 3-26, Upchurch 3-26-1, Cooley 2-58, Sherrard 1-10; UCD-Mahasin4-64, Fells 3-73, Zeier 3-30, Kays 2-42, Freeman 2-40, deGraaff 2-27, Smith 1-30, Doris 1-26, Yaklich 1-14, Ramey 1-12, Oliva 1-9, Mortazavi 1-7.



UC Davis quarterback Jon Barragan on the run

Game 8

Western 17, Central Washington 16

OCTOBER 25 at BELLINGHAM, WASH.

Third-string QB Monrean directs game-winning drive for Vikings

Running back Duncan Sherrard scored on a fourth-and-goal play from the 1-yard line with 43 seconds left and Michael Koenen kicked the decisive extra-point, lifting Western to a stunning 17-16 victory over Central Washington, in the eighth annual Cascade Cup football game before a crowd of 2,889 at Bellingham's Civic Stadium.

Western improved to 2-6 with the triumph and snapped a three-game losing streak. The contest was the Vikings' Homecoming/Hall of Fame Game and their Great Northwest Athletic Conference opener.

Central, which defeated Western, 29-20, in the Battle in Seattle on Oct. 4, fell to 4-3 overall and 1-1 in the GNAC.

Third-string quarterback James Monrean directed the game-winning drive after starter Josh Shimek and backup Steve Nichols both were forced out of the game with shoulder injuries.

The Vikings started the game-winning drive at their 27-yard line with 2:36 to play. Monrean opened the series by scrambling for 14 yards, then on the following play, hit wide receiver Andy Olson on a slant pattern, and Olson made a one-handed grab and sprinted down the right sideline for a 52-yard gain to the Central seven. Three plays put the ball on the one, setting up Sherrard's scoring run up the middle.

Central, which was out of time outs, returned the ensuing kickoff to the Wildcat 15, but on second-and-10, quarterback Zak Hill, who had thrown for one touchdown and run for another, was intercepted by Western free safety Shane Keck with 21 seconds left.

The Vikings entered the fourth quarter trailing 16-7, but narrowed the margin to 16-10 on a 50-yard field goal by Koenen with 9:30 left. Nichols was injured on the previous play, but still came on to hold for both the field goal and the winning extra-point, and the long snapper for each kick was true freshman Joel Jorgensen, who was seeing his first collegiate action after regular snapper Jeff DeBuigne was injured earlier in the game.

Western had a 319-294 edge in total offense. The Vikings, who entered the contest allowing 460.6 yards a game, held Central to 73 yards of offense and three first downs in the second half.

The Wildcats opened the scoring with 4:22 left in the first quarter as Hill, who completed 12-of-27 passes for 140 yards, found wide receiver Jake Roberts for a 9-yard scoring pass to cap a 10-play, 89-yard drive. They extended the lead to 14-0 early in the second quarter as Hill scrambled in from four yards out.

But the Vikings came back to score midway through the quarter, as a 46-yard run by Sherrard put Western on the Wildcat 21, and Shimek eventually scored on a 1-yard run.

Central extended its lead to 16-7 with five minutes left in the third quarter. Nichols fumbled in the Western end zone, and although Viking tight end Rick Carte recovered the ball, he was unable to get out, giving the Wildcats a safety.

Shimek was 12-of-23 for 112 yards before leaving midway through the third period. Sherrard rushed for 93 yards on 17 carries. For Central, Emilio Iniguez ran for a game-high 112 yards on 20 carries.

Sherrard and linebacker Lann Olson received respective GNAC offensive and defensive Player of the Week honors for their performances.

SCORING SUMMARY

Central Washington	7	7	2	0	— 16
Western Washington	0	7	0	10	— 17

CWU	Jake Roberts 9 pass from Zak Hill (Nate Thorburn kick)
CWU	Hill 4 run (Thorburn kick)
WWU	Josh Shimek 1 run (Michael Koenen kick)
CWU	Safety, Rick Carte tackled in end zone
WWU	FG Koenen 50
WWU	Duncan Sherrard 1 run (Koenen kick)

Attendance: 2,889

	CWU	WWU
First downs	15	22
Rushes-yards	31-154	47-102
Passing yards	140	217
Sacks by-yards lost	6-23	0-0
Total offense	58-294	78-319
Return yards	68	39
Passes	27-12-1	31-17-0
Punts-average	7-37.4	4-44.0
Fumbles-lost	1-0	7-1
Penalties-yards	9-91	6-55
Time of possession	27:20	32:40

Rushing: WWU-Sherrard 17-93, Carlyle 6-22, Shimek 6-14, Monrean 7-9, Wilson 1-5, Team 3—18, Nichols 7—23; CWU-Iniquez 20-112, Hall 6-20, Hill 4-12, Hineline 1-10.

Passing: WWU-Kuhns 5-38, Olson 4-69, Carlyle 2-33, Carte 2-28, Wilson 1-18, Yoney 1-14, Laurence 1-9, Sherrard 1-8; CWU-Roberts 5-68-1, Lopez 3-38, Lewis 3-26, Hineline 1-8.

Receiving: WWU-Shimek 23-12-0-112, Monrean 4-2-0-55, Nichols 4-3-0-50; CWU-Hill 27-12-1-140.



Cascade Cup

Game 9

Western 34, Humboldt State 20

NOVEMBER 1 at ARCATA, CALIF.

Carte ties school record with three touchdown catches as Vikings snap five-game road losing streak

Tight end Rick Carte tied a school record with three touchdown catches and two Viking backs each rushed for more than 100 yards as Western defeated Humboldt State, 34-20, in a GNAC game at the Redwood Bowl.

The Vikings' triumph clinched at least a share of the GNAC title, their fourth conference championship in the last five years. Humboldt State fell to 3-4 overall and 0-2 in the GNAC with its third straight loss.

Carte had just four catches, but they included scoring receptions of four, 10 and 10 yards, with the final one giving Western the lead for good at 27-20 late in the third quarter. Running back Jake Carlyle added an insurance touchdown on a 15-yard run 90 seconds into the fourth period.

Carlyle rushed for 143 yards and a touchdown on 23 carries, and starter Duncan Sherrard had 131 yards on 29 attempts. Western had not had a back rush for 100 yards in a game this season, and hadn't had two backs accomplish the feat in the same contest since Scott Lohr (116) and Mike Nelson (101) did so in a 35-18 victory over Lewis & Clark in 1987.

Humboldt State had rallied from a 20-10 halftime deficit with two scores in a 24-second span. The comeback began as a Western punt snap went through the end zone for a safety. After the free kick went out-of-bounds, giving the Lumberjacks the ball at the 50, Adrian Waddy ran for 17 yards, then Chris Dixon hit Chris White for a 33-yard touchdown. Dixon then connected with White on a two-point conversion pass to tie the score at 20-20 with 4:17 left in the third quarter.

Dixon completed 28-of-45 passes for 331 yards and two touchdowns, but was intercepted three times. Dustin Creager had 10 receptions for 128 yards and a score, and White added eight catches for 101 yards and a touchdown.

Western had a 398-363 edge in total offense and an advantage of more than 13 minutes in time of possession. The Vikings rushed for 256 yards, and quarterback Steve Nichols completed 16-of-27 passes for 142 yards with four touchdowns and an interception.

Western controlled the ball for nearly 11 minutes of the first quarter. The Vikings ran 12 plays on the opening series of the game before punting, then got the ball back and went 91 yards in 15 plays, capped by a 3-yard pass from Nichols to Olson.

Less than two minutes after Olson's touchdown, Humboldt State quarterback Chris Dixon was intercepted by Western defensive tackle Nicholas Buck, who returned the ball to the Lumberjack five. Two plays later, Nichols rolled right and found Carte for a 4-yard score 39 seconds into the second quarter.

Humboldt State responded with a 36-yard field goal by Francisco Castellon, and reached the Western 24 on its following drive, but on third-and-six, Dixon was intercepted by John Shields at the 3-yard line.

That led to another long drive, as the Vikings went 97 yards in nine plays, Nichols this time rolling left to find Carte for a 10-yard score. The key play in the drive was a 54-yard reception by tight end Nick Yoney.

But the Lumberjacks scored 17 straight points to tie the game. Creager caught a 17-yard touchdown pass from Dixon with 34 seconds left in the second quarter to narrow the margin to 20-10 at halftime, setting up the third-quarter rally.

Olson, who entered the game No.3 nationally in NCAA Division II in receiving yards at 124.8 yards a contest, had six catches for 58 yards for Western. He now has 59 receptions for 1,056 yards and nine touchdowns, marking just the fifth time in school history a player has had 1,000 receiving yards in a season.

Western placekicker Michael Koenen was successful on 4-of-5 extra points, moving him into sixth place in school history in career scoring with 191 points.

It was Western's first road win of the season, ending a five-game road losing streak, as the Vikings defeated the Lumberjacks for the seventh straight time.

Shields, who also recovered a fumble that led to Western's clinching touchdown was named GNAC Defensive Player of the Week for his performance.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	13	10	7	7	— 34
Humboldt State	0	10	10	10	— 20

WWU	Andy Olson 3 pass from Steve Nichols (Michael Koenen kick)
WWU	Rick Carte 4 pass from Nichols (kick failed)
HSU	FG Francisco Castellon 36
WWU	Carte 10 pass from Nichols (Nichols kick)
HSU	Dustin Creager 17 pass from Chris Dixon (Francisco Castellon kick)
HSU	Safety, ball snapped through end zone
HSU	Chris White 33 pass from Dixon (White pass from Dixon)
WWU	Carte 10 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
WWU	Jake Carlyle 15 run (Koenen kick)

Attendance: 2,813

	WWU	HSU
First downs	24	22
Rushes-yards	58-256	22-32
Passing yards	142	331
Sacks by-yards lost	3-19	1-9
Total offense	85-398	67-363
Return yards	43	72
Passes	27-16-1	45-28-3
Punts-average	5-41.0	5-46.0
Fumbles-lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties-yards	6-60	4-40
Time of possession	36:48	23:12

Rushing: WWU-Carlyle 23-143, Sherrard 29-131, Nichols 4—1, Team 2—17; HSU-Pierson 9-41, Waddy 2-17, Dixon 11—26.

Passing: WWU-Nichols 27-16-1-142; HSU-Dixon 45-28-3-331.

Receiving: WWU-Olson 8-58-1, Carte 4-27-3, Yoney 1-54, Wilson 1-8, Carlyle 1-0, Sherrard 1—5; HSU-Creager 10-128-1, White 8-101-1, Adkins 7-76, Wetsel 1-26, Bloomquist 1-2, Pierson 1—2 .

Game 10

Western 17, Western Oregon 13

NOVEMBER 15 at BELLINGHAM, WASH.

Defense makes key stands late as Vikings go undefeated in GNAC play

Jake Carlyle scored on a 7-yard run with 10:55 left in the fourth quarter and the Western defense held firm on two stands inside the 10-yard line in the final five minutes as the Vikings defeated Western Oregon, 17-13, in a Great Northwest Athletic Conference contest Saturday at Civic Stadium.

The triumph was the third straight for the Vikings, who finish 4-6 overall after a 1-6 start. It also gave the GNAC championship outright at 3-0, the Vikings' fourth league title in the last five years and their sixth in the last nine seasons.

Western Oregon finished the season 4-6, 1-2 in the GNAC.

The Wolves had taken a 13-10 lead on a 42-yard field goal by Andrew Keippela late in the third quarter. Early in the fourth period, Western Washington safety Rob White intercepted a halfback pass by Ivan McCrae and lateraled to cornerback Bryan Jarrett, who returned the ball 20 yards to midfield.

On the following play, Western wide receiver Andy Olson threw a 31-yard completion to Carlyle. Carlyle rushed 12 yards the play after that, then scored on a sweep from 7 yards out to give the Vikings a 17-13 lead.

Western Oregon had two opportunities to go in front after that. First, a 42-yard run by Ivan McCrae and a 27-yard completion from Lucas Taroli to Brad Satran on a fake punt helped put the ball at the Western 5 with three minutes left, but on third down, Mike Hinshaw dropped a pass standing on the goal line, and on fourth down, quarterback Ryan Thorson's pass went off the outstretched hands of lunging tight end Chad Steen in the end zone.

The Wolves then got the ball back at the Western 40 with 1:29 to go, and three completions by Thorson put the ball on the Viking 6 with 29 seconds left. Thorson, who was 17-of-46 for 224 yards, threw three incomplete passes, then on fourth down threw over the middle to Satran, who had the ball squirm out as he made a sliding effort for the catch.

Western Oregon had a 367-336 edge in total offense, with McCrae rushing for 103 yards on 16 carries and Satran making eight catches for 109 yards and becoming the school's all-time leader in career receptions with 161.

Carlyle rushed for 68 yards on 18 carries for the Vikings. Running back Duncan Sherrard added 57 yards on 15 attempts and 94 yards on three receptions, including an 82-yard touchdown catch, before leaving with an ankle injury late in the first half.

Western Oregon took a 3-0 lead early in the second quarter on a 46-yard field goal by Keippela that was set up when the Vikings failed to convert on fourth-and-inches from their own 40.

The Vikings came back midway through the period with their longest scoring play of the season to take a 7-3 lead. Sherrard leaked out of the backfield, took a swing pass from quarterback Steve Nichols and sprinted down the left sideline, getting a crushing block from Nick Yoney at the Western Oregon 45 to rumble for an 82-yard touchdown.

Western Oregon regained the lead on the following series, going 59 yards in four plays, capped by a 7-yard pass from Thorson to fullback Mark Dreiling with 6:12 left in the first half that put the Wolves up, 10-7.

Western evened the score at 10-10 four minutes later on a 26-yard field goal by Koenen.

The Viking triumph avenged a 23-20 overtime loss at Western Oregon on Sept. 13. Western, which committed six turnovers in that loss, had just one turnover to three for the Wolves, and was plus-9 in turnover ratio in the last four games after being minus-17 in its first six contests.

It was the final collegiate game for 15 Viking seniors, seven of whom were four-year letter winners, and marked the 99th career victory for Western coach Rob Smith.

Western linebacker Jesse Looker received GNAC Defensive Player of the Week honors for his performance.

SCORING SUMMARY

Western Washington	0	10	0	7	— 17
Western Oregon	0	10	3	0	— 13

WOU	FG Keippela 46
WWU	Sherrard 82 pass from Nichols (Koenen kick)
WOU	Dreiling 7 pass from Thorson (Keippela kick)
WWU	FG Koenen 26
WOU	FG Keippela 42
WWU	Carlyle 7 run (Koenen kick)

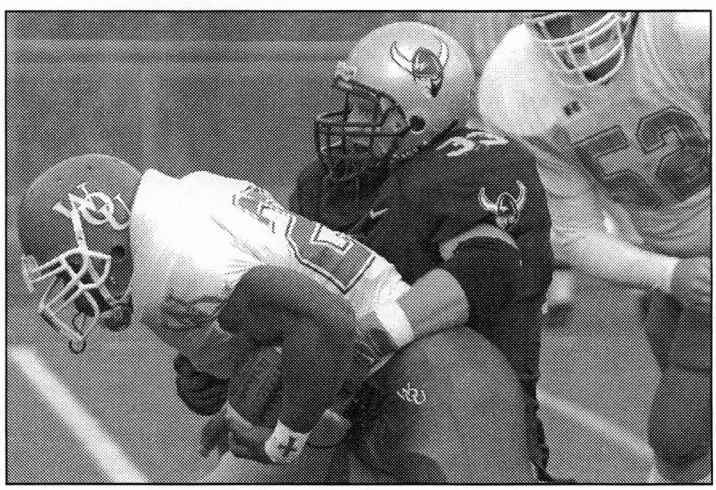
Attendance: 2,771

	WOU	WWU
First downs	17	15
Rushes-yards	32-116	45-181
Passing yards	251	155
Sacks by-yards lost	3-21	2-10
Total offense	82-367	74-336
Return yards	185	130
Passes	50-18-2	29-10-1
Punts-average	9-45.3	11-43.5
Fumbles-lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-yards	7-60	6-60
Time of possession	29:26	30:34

Rushing: WWU-Carlyle 18-68, Sherrard 15-57, Chambers 2-23, Olson 1-23, Nichols 6-12, Shimek 1-0, Team 2—2; WOU-McCrae 16-103, Ramirez 10-36, Dreiling 2-1, Smith 1-1, Thorson 3—25.

Passing: WWU-Nichols 21-7-0-110, Shimek 6-2-1-14, Olson 1-1-0-31, Koenen 1-0-0-0; WOU-Thorson 46-17-0-224, McCrae 1-0-1-0, Taroli 1-1-0-27, Satran 1-0-1-0, TM 1-0-0-0.

Receiving: WWU-Sherrard 3-94-1, Olson 3-7, Kuhns 2-16, Carlyle 1-31, Carte 1-7; WOU-Satran 8-109, Steen 4-88, Dreiling 2-18-1, McCrae 2-5, Hinshaw 1-24, Grassman 1-7.



Lann Olson (33) makes stop

2003 STATISTICS & RESULTS

TEAM

	WESTERN	OPPONENT
SCORING	241	328
Points Per Game	24.1	32.8
FIRST DOWNS	211	209
Rushing	82	83
Passing	111	112
Penalty	18	14
RUSHING YARDAGE	1231	1761
Yards gained rushing	1568	2020
Yards lost rushing	337	259
Rushing Attempts	389	394
Average Per Rush	3.2	4.5
Average Per Game	123.1	176.1
TDs Rushing	9	18
PASSING YARDAGE	2607	2487
Att-Comp-Int	385-199-13	325-178-10
Average Per Pass	6.8	7.7
Average Per Catch	13.1	14.0
Average Per Game	260.7	248.7
TDs Passing	22	20
TOTAL OFFENSE	3838	4248
Total Plays	774	719
Average Per Play	5.0	5.9
Average Per Game	383.8	424.8
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	41-875	28-523
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	23-205	31-323
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	10-100	13-174
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	21.3	18.7
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	8.9	10.4
NT RETURN AVERAGE	10.0	13.4
FUMBLES-LOST	25-12	15-7
PENALTIES-YARDS	71-593	69-589
Average Per Game	59.3	58.9
PUNTS-YARDS	53-2290	58-2443
Average Per Punt	43.2	42.1
Net punt average	37.1	38.6
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	30:12	31:18
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	62/167	46/145
3rd-Down Pct	37%	32%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	10/23	7/14
4th-Down Pct	43%	50%
SACKS BY-YARDS	17-110	26-158
MISC YARDS	0	145
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	31	42
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	9-20	10-18
PAT-ATTEMPTS	26-28	38-41
ATTENDANCE	10332	24542
Games/Avg Per Game	4/2583	5/4908

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Western	47	94	34	59	7	241
Opponents	72	120	85	48	3	328

RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	Conf.	Time	Attend
9/4/03	ST. CLOUD STATE MN	L	27-44	0-1-0	0-0-0	3:15	2565
9/13/03	at Western Oregon	L	20-23/OT	0-2-0	0-0-0	3:20	2500
9/20/03	at Nebraska-Omaha	L	28-52	0-3-0	0-0-0	3:07	5300
9/27/03	SAINT MARY'S CA	W	42-35/OT	1-3-0	0-0-0	3:11	2107
10/4/03	vs Central Washington	L	20-29	1-4-0	0-0-0	3:23	16392
10/11/03	at Northern Colorado	L	17-48	1-5-0	0-0-0	3:09	6301
10/18/03	at UC Davis	L	19-48	1-6-0	0-0-0	3:25	7628
*10/25/03	CENTRAL WASHINGTON	W	17-16	2-6-0	1-0-0	3:16	2889
* 11/01/03	at Humboldt State CA	W	34-20	3-6-0	2-0-0	3:00	2813
* 11/15/03	WESTERN OREGON	W	17-13	4-6-0	3-0-0	3:13	2771

* indicates conference game

INDIVIDUAL

RUSHING	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Sherrard, Duncan	10	176	784	24	760	4.3	3	46	76.0
Carlyle, Jake	10	97	438	20	418	4.3	5	33	41.8
Nichols, Steve	10	53	176	133	43	0.8	0	20	4.3
Monrean, James	3	15	58	16	42	2.8	0	14	14.0
Olson, Andy	10	1	23	0	23	23.0	0	23	2.3
Chambers, Nyle	10	4	23	1	22	5.5	0	17	2.2
Williams, Kenny	1	3	7	0	7	2.3	0	3	7.0
Wilson, Matt	9	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.6
Shimek, Josh	8	29	54	83	-29	-1.0	1	15	-3.6
Team	8	10	0	60	-60	-6.0	0	0	-7.5
Total	10	389	1568	337	1231	3.2	9	46	123.1
Opponents	10	394	2020	259	1761	4.5	18	66	176.1

PASSING	G	Efficiency	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Nichols, Steve	10	129.38	216-112-5	51.9	1484	16	82	148.4
Shimek , Josh	8	109.59	141-75-7	53.2	917	5	40	114.6
Monrean, James	3	108.00	25-11-1	44.0	175	1	52	58.3
Olson, Andy	10	360.40	1-1-0	100.0	31	0	31	3.1
Team	8	0.00	1-0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Koenen, Michael	10	0.00	1-0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	10	120.67	385-199-13	51.7	2607	22	82	260.7
Opponents	10	133.20	325-178-10	54.8	2487	20	72	248.7

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Olson, Andy	10	64	1063	16.6	9	58	106.3
Kuhns, Nate	7	26	218	8.4	1	19	31.1
Carte, Rick	10	17	158	9.3	5	21	15.8
Van Diest, Ryan	5	16	252	15.8	0	38	50.4
Sherrard, Duncan	10	16	193	12.1	3	82	19.3
Yoney, Nick	10	11	174	15.8	1	54	17.4
Chambers, Nyle	10	10	102	10.2	0	44	10.2
Laurence, James	10	10	100	10.0	0	24	10.0
Carlyle, Jake	10	8	95	11.9	0	31	9.5
Wilson, Matt	9	8	75	9.4	1	18	8.3
Upchurch, Brett	3	5	69	13.8	1	29	23.0
Barton, Jason	10	5	36	7.2	0	19	3.6
Cooley, Kevin	2	3	72	24.0	1	44	36.0
Total	10	199	2607	13.1	22	82	260.7
Opponents	10	178	2487	14.0	20	72	248.7

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Olson, Andy	17	174	10.2	0	30
Shields, John	4	30	7.5	0	12
Hutton, Taylor	1	4	4.0	0	0
Hall, Brett	1	-3	-3.0	0	0
Total	23	205	8.9	0	30
Opponents	31	323	10.4	0	49

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
White, Rob	2	0	0.0	0	0
Keck, Shane	2	3	1.5	0	3
Whitfield Jr., Sly	2	36	18.0	0	21
Shields, John	1	0	0.0	0	0
Looker, Jesse	1	3	3.0	0	3
Buck, Nicholas	1	3	3.0	0	3
Coronado, Justin	1	35	35.0	0	35
Total	10	100	10.0	0	35
Opponents	13	174	13.4	2	40

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Carlyle,Jake	20	449	22.5	0	50
Wilson,Matt	19	396	20.8	0	50
Klingenberg, Adam	1	2	2.0	0	2
Sherrard, Duncan	1	28	28.0	0	28
Total	41	875	21.3	0	50
Opponents	28	523	18.7	0	38

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	4	145	36.2	2	64

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	/— PATs —/ Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
Olson, Andy	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	56
Koenen, Michael	0	9-20	26-28	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	53
Sherrard, Duncan	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
Carlyle, Jake	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Carte, Rick	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Wilson, Matt	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Upchurch, Brett	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Yoney, Nick	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Shimek, Josh	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Cooley, Kevin	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Kuhns, Nate	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Nichols, Steve	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1-2	0	0	0
Total	31	9-20	26-28	0-1	1	1-2	0	0	241
Opponents	42	10-18	38-41	0-0	1	1-1	0	3	328

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Nichols, Steve	10	269	43	1484	1527	152.7
Shimek, Josh	8	170	-29	917	888	111.0
Sherrard, Duncan	10	176	760	0	760	76.0
Carlyle, Jake	10	97	418	0	418	41.8
Monrean, James	3	40	42	175	217	72.3
Olson, Andy	10	2	23	31	54	5.4
Chambers, Nyle	10	4	22	0	22	2.2
Williams, Kenny	1	3	7	0	7	7.0
Wilson, Matt	9	1	5	0	5	0.6
Team	8	11	-60	0	-60	-7.5
Total	10	774	1231	2607	3838	383.8
Opponents	10	719	1761	2487	4248	424.8

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Koenen, Michael	52	2256	43.4	61	9	4	11	1
Team	1	34	34.0	34	0	0	0	0
Total	53	2290	43.2	61	9	4	11	1
Opponents	58	2443	42.1	60	13	0	16	1

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
Koenen ,Michael	9-20	45.0	0-0	1-2	1-4	5-9	2-5	51	2

FG SEQUENCE	Western	OPPONENTS
St. Cloud State MN	(47),30,(45)	(29)
Western Oregon	47,43	22,(37)
Nebraska-Omaha	(49),(43)	50,(35)
Saint Mary's CA	-	39
Central Washington	45,41	36
Northern Colorado	52,(40)	(33),38,43,(41)
UC Davis	(32),33,(51),37	(35),(24)
Central Washington	52,53,(50)	32
Humboldt State CA	27	(36)
Western Oregon	(26)	32,(46),(42)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Olson, Andy	10	23	1063	174	0	0	1260	126.0
Sherrard, Duncan	10	760	193	0	28	0	981	98.1
Carlyle, Jake	10	418	95	0	449	0	962	96.2
Wilson, Matt	9	5	75	0	396	0	476	52.9
Van Diest, Ryan	5	0	252	0	0	0	252	50.4
Kuhns, Nate	7	0	218	0	0	0	218	31.1
Yoney, Nick	10	0	174	0	0	0	174	17.4
Carte, Rick	10	0	158	0	0	0	158	15.8
Chambers, Nyle	10	22	102	0	0	0	124	12.4
Laurence,James	10	0	100	0	0	0	100	10.0
Cooley, Kevin	2	0	72	0	0	0	72	36.0
Upchurch, Brett	3	0	69	0	0	0	69	23.0
Nichols, Steve	10	43	0	0	0	0	43	4.3
Monrean, James	3	42	0	0	0	0	42	14.0
Whitfield Jr., Sly	8	0	0	0	0	36	36	4.5
Barton, Jason	10	0	36	0	0	0	36	3.6
Coronado, Justin	7	0	0	0	0	35	35	5.0
Shields, John	10	0	0	30	0	0	30	3.0
Jarrett, Bryan	9	0	0	0	0	20	20	2.2
Williams, Kenny	1	7	0	0	0	0	7	7.0
Hutton, Taylor	10	0	0	4	0	0	4	0.4
Looker, Jesse	10	0	0	0	0	3	3	0.3
Buck, Nicholas	10	0	0	0	0	3	3	0.3
Keck, Shane	10	0	0	0	0	3	3	0.3
Klingenberg, Adam	8	0	0	0	2	0	2	0.2
Hall, Brett	10	0	0	-3	0	0	-3	-0.3
Shimek, Josh	8	-29	0	0	0	0	-29	-3.6
Team	8	-60	0	0	0	0	-60	-7.5
Total.	10	1231	2607	205	875	100	5018	501.8
Opponents	10	1761	2487	323	523	174	5268	526.8

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	/——Tackles——/ GP	UT	AT	Total	/-Sacks-/ For Loss	No-Yards	/-Pass Def-/ Int-Yds	PD	/-Fumbles-/ Rcv-Yds	Blkd FF	Kick	Safety
40 White, R.	10	61	29	90	3.0-16	1.0-9	2-0	5	1-0	.	.	.
33 Olson, L.	10	47	36	83	11.0-50	4.0-34	.	.	1-0	1	.	.
28 Looker, J.	10	33	25	58	9.0-38	3.5-24	1-3	1	1-0	1	.	.
51 Thompson, B.	10	24	27	51	2.5-8	.	.	.	2-0	.	1	.
85 Joshua, J.	10	23	20	43	9.5-23	1.0-6	.	4	.	1	.	.
93 Ball, N.	9	18	14	32	8.5-21	2.5-11	.	.	.	.	.	.
34 Keck, S.	10	16	15	31	3.0-5	.	2-3	3	.	1	.	.
25 Jarrett, B.	9	24	6	30	2.0-8	1.0-7	0-20	7	.	1	1	.
42 Hall, B.	10	18	10	28	1.0-2	.	.	5	.	.	.	.
89 Coronado, J.	7	19	8	27	2.0-5	.	1-35	1	.	.	.	.
99 Mann, B.	8	12	12	24	4.0-10	1.5-5	.	1	.	.	1	.
4 Whitfield, S.	8	17	4	21	.	.	2-36	5	.	.	.	.
95 Gamble, J.	10	7	12	19	2.5-3	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.
15 Shields, J.	10	11	5	16	.	.	1-0	.	.	1-0	.	.
71 Thompson, A.	8	7	7	14	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
97 Buck, N.	10	10	3	13	1.0-1	.	1-3	1	.	1	.	.
2 Barton, J.	10	4	6	10	0.5-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38 Hutton, T.	10	4	6	10	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
23 Williams,John A	10	8	1	9	3.0-13	1.0-8	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
31 Snyder-Ferguson	1	4	5	9	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
43 Parks, J.	9	3	5	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8 Allen, J.	9	3	5	8	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55 Follis, P.	6	1	5	6	0.5-5	0.5-5	.	.	.	.	1	.
36 Noble, D.	5	3	2	5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
26 Chambers, N.	10	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9 Wilson, M.	9	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46 Klingenberg, A.	8	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27 Carlyle, J.	10	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19 Koenen, M.	10	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30 Kelley, D.	4	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37 Mutzel, P.	10	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98 Casillas, J.	10	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52 Jorgensen, J.	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29 Sherrard, D.	10	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54 Dahl, A.	8	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total	10	405	280	685	65-219	17-110	10-100	37	1 7-0	6	6	.
Opponents	10	421	294	715	68.0-261	26-158	13-174	37	2 12-145	10	3	3

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

1903 Football team formed ... Lost first game, 6-5, to New Whatcom High School ... First victory was over Everett High School, 12-0

1916 Finished 6-1 and outscored opponents, 348-42

1923 Won Tri-Normal League title (3-0-2) ... Waldo Field, located on campus, dedicated on Nov. 16

1924 Won Tri-Normal League title (4-2)

1933 NAIA Hall-of-Famer Charles Lappenbush begins coaching career

1936 Chet Ullin becomes first 4-year letter winner

1938 Posted 7-0-0 record - only undefeated, untied team in school's history ... Won Washington Intercollegiate Conference championship

1949 FB Norm Hash named h.m. Little All-American

1950 Finished 7-2-1 ... LB Everett Tiland named second-team Little All-American and FB Norm Hash received honorable mention

1951 Tied for Evergreen Conference title (8-1) ... Ranked ninth nationally in total defense (165.0 avg.) ... FB Norm Hash named h.m. Little All-American

1957 Halfback Fred Emerson named h.m. Little All-American, leading Evergreen Conference in total yards (1,172) and scoring (71)

1958 Tied for Evergreen Conference title (6-2) ... Guard Ed Melbourne named h.m. Little All-American

1962 Began playing home games at Bellingham's Civic Stadium

1965 DE Gary Axtell named h.m. NAIA All-American

1966 HB Steve Richardson named first-team NAIA All-American and honorable mention AP Little All-American ... Richardson became first player selected all-Evergreen Conference on offense and defense three straight years

1967 DE Dave Weedman named second-team NAIA All-American ... Weedman became the first and only WWU player selected in NFL draft, being 12th round pick of Washington Redskins

1968 DT Butts Giraud named h.m. NAIA All-American

1969 Tied for Evergreen Conference title (4-2), defeating Eastern Washington, 19-16, in "Fog Bowl" ... DT Butts Giraud named honorable mention NAIA All-American

1970 FS Vic Randall named h.m. NAIA All-American

1971 Won first outright Evergreen Conference title (6-0) - 7-3 overall ... Named h.m. NAIA All-Americans were FB Tom Wigg, OG Jeff Michaelson, OG Marv Nelson, DE Ken Knuckey, LB Dan Grimshaw, LB Mark Venn, CB Kevin Halliburton, SE Steve Jasmer and PK Lance Wilson ... Wigg led league in rushing (1,176) and scoring (60) ... Western ranked 11th nationally in passing offense (180.6 avg.) and 13th in total offense (375.0 avg.) ... Boyde Long named conference and district Coach of the Year

1973 FB Tom Wigg became first player to be a four-time all-Evergreen Conference selection

1975 OC Andy Harlin and DT Dann DeBellis named h.m. NAIA All-Americans

1976 Played in NAIA District 1 championship game at Tacoma, defeating Pacific Lutheran, 48-28 ... Finished 7-3 ... HB Pat Locker named h.m. NAIA and AP Little All-American ... Locker set Evergreen Conference rushing record with 1,340 yards ... Boyde Long named district Coach of the Year

1977 Played in NAIA District 1 championship game at Kingdome, losing 24-0, to Pacific Lutheran ... HB Pat Locker and OG Scott Stokes named honorable mention NAIA All-Americans

1978 HB Pat Locker and SE Hoyt Gier named h.m. NAIA All-Americans ... LB Bruce Ebergson named NAIA National Defensive Player of the Week ... Defeated Western Oregon, 20-19, snapping Wolves' 22-game Evergreen Conference winning streak.

1979 HB Pat Locker becomes first player in northwest collegiate history to reach 4,000 yards in career rushing (finished with 4,049) ... Locker accomplished feat with 9-yard run against Eastern Oregon on Nov. 3 ... Locker named second-team NAIA All-American and honorable mention AP Little All-American ... Locker named Little All-Northwest for fourth straight year ... LB Frank Hammer named h.m. NAIA All-American ... Locker named Washington State Player of the Year

1980 DT Lance Massey named h.m. NAIA All-American

1981 WR Bill Handy named h.m. NAIA All-American

1983 QB Dave Peterson named NAIA National Offensive Player of the Week ... Peterson ranked sixth nationally in total offense (223.3 avg.)

1984 QB Dave Peterson named h.m. NAIA All-American and Evergreen Conference Offensive Player of the Year ... Peterson ranked fourth nationally in both passing (248.0 avg.) and total offense (242.9 avg.)

1985 LB Wayne Lewis and TE Ken Sager named h.m. NAIA All-Americans ... Peter LaBarge ranked sixth nationally in kick scoring (6.1 avg.)

1987 LB Wayne Lewis named h.m. AP Little All-American ... Lewis named NAIA National Defensive Player of the Week

1988 Peter LaBarge led NAIA National Division II in punting (42.5 avg) and named first-team NAIA All-American ... LaBarge ranked fourth nationally in kick scoring (7.7 avg.) ... LaBarge named h.m. AP Little All-American

1989 Finished 7-2 record and ranked No.21 in final NAIA National Poll ... TB Scott Lohr set WWU season records for rushing yards (1,395) and scoring (120 points, 20 TDs) ... FS Kelly Susee named second-team NAIA All-American ... DE Cory Heins named NAIA National Defensive Player of the Week ... Western ranked nationally for first time on Oct. 16 (No.23) ... The Vikings rated ninth nationally in total offense (447.3 avg.) ... First-year coach Rob Smith named CFA-Mount Rainier League Coach of the Year

1990 DE Cory Heins named honorable mention NAIA All-American

1991 Ranked No.26 in final NAIA National Poll ... SS Shane Volkmann ranked third nationally in kickoff returns (30.5 avg.) and WR Ken Corbin ranked fifth nationally in punt returns (14.3 avg.) as did PK Dan Clemensen in kick scoring (6.5 avg.) ... Western ranked ninth nationally in rushing defense (100.3 avg.)

1992 Made first appearance in NAIA National playoffs, losing, 26-0, to Linfield in first round ... Finished 7-3 and ranked No.15 in final NAIA Division II National Poll ... OG Jon Garber, LB Lynton Hyde and SS Shane Volkmann named second-team NAIA All-Americans ... RB Jon Brunaugh received NAIA National Division II and Sports Illustrated small college Player of the Week honors, running for school-record 279 yards against British Columbia ... WR Chris Moore received ESPN college football Play of the Year award for his bounce it off every part of your body catch versus Puget Sound ... Brunaugh led CFA in rushing, averaging 118.2 yards per game ... Western ranked ninth nationally in scoring defense (17.0 avg.).

1993 Finished 6-3 and ranked No.19 in final NAIA Division II National Poll ... Ranked nationally all season long, being rated as high as No.7 after seventh game ... RB Jon Brunaugh became first Western player to have two 1,000-yard rushing seasons

1994 Reached quarterfinal round of NAIA Division II National Playoffs ... Finished 8-3, tying school's all-time season high in victories ... Ranked No.5 nationally during regular season and No.9 in final poll, both school bests ... Defeated No.1-ranked Linfield, 21-2, in first round of playoffs ... Rover Bill Christensen named first-team NAIA All-American and MRL Defensive Player of the Year ... Led NAIA in scoring defense (12.5 avg.), the first time Western topped nation in any team statistical category ... The Vikings ranked third nationally in rushing defense (76.0) and fifth in total defense (260.3)

1995 Reached first round of NAIA Division II National playoffs and won CFA-Mount Rainier League championship ... Finished 9-1, setting school record for victories in season ... Had 9-0 record during regular season, tying school record for consecutive wins ... First unbeaten and untied regular season since 1938 ... Ranked No. 1 nationally for first time ... Rob Smith named American Football Coaches Association College Division Region V and MRL Coach of the Year ... Receiving MRL Defensive Player of the Year honors was CB Orlondo Steinauer ... Steinauer and PK Wade Gebers named first-team NAIA All-Americans ... Steinauer led nation in pass interceptions (10) and ranked ninth in punt returns (11.6), Gebers tied for first in kick scoring (7.0) ... Steinauer also named first-team AFCA College Division and second-team AP Little All-American ... Brunaugh earned first-team Little All-Northwest honors for fourth year ... Brunaugh finished career with 4,073 rushing yards, the second highest total in northwest small college history ... Western ranked fifth nationally in scoring offense (37.0), sixth in rushing defense (88.4), seventh in passing offense (277.7) and scoring defense (13.7, and eighth in total offense (453.9).

1996 Reached NAIA Division II National Championship game, first time in school history in any sport, losing to Sioux Falls SD, 47-25 ... Finished 11-2, the victory total being school record ... Got to title contest with 28-21 semifinal victory at No.1-ranked and defending national co-champion Findlay OH ... Won Columbia Football Association title (4-1) for second straight year, first back-to-back titles since 1923-24 ... Rob Smith named American Football Coaches Association College Division Region V and CFA Coach of the Year ... Receiving CFA Offensive Player of the Year honors was WR Chris Nicholl ... Nicholl and PK Wade Gebers named first-team NAIA All-Americans. LB Mark Spencer and OG Todd Walcker received second-team honors ... Nicholl established CFA record with 1,584 receiving yards and set Northwest small college career mark of 3,268 yards ... Gebers ranked third nationally in kick scoring (7.2) and Erath was seventh in both passing (242.9) and total offense (250.3) ... Western ranked sixth nationally in passing offense (258.5), seventh in rushing defense (99.5), and 10th in total offense (421.7)

1997 Led Columbia Football Association in scoring defense (18.7 avg.) ... LB Mark Spencer named first-team NAIA All-American and CFA Defensive Player of the Year ... DE Chad Rorabaugh received second-team All-America honors ... Rorabaugh led CFA in sacks (13) and total tackles for losses (26). He set CFA and school career records for sacks (45), total tackles for losses (71) and yards lost on tackles (minus-412). Rorabaugh also set CFA and school records for game and season by returning two interceptions for touchdowns against Chapman CA ... Morin ranked ninth nationally in punting with 39.3 average ... QB Darren Erath had school and CFA record streak of 198 passes without an interception that began in 1996 and ended in 1997 ... Western returned school-record four interceptions for touchdowns.

1998 In first year as NCAA Division II affiliate, ranked third nationally in passing offense (303.3) and tied for 16th in takeway-turnover ratio (plus-10). ... Led Columbia Football Association in those two categories and tied for lead in scoring defense (24.9) ... WR Ben Clampitt, a first-team West Region all-star, ranked third nationally in pass-receiving yardage (128.8 avg.) and seventh in catches (7.1 avg.) ... QB Sam Hanson ranked ninth in total offense (268.3) and 19th in pass efficiency (137.3) ... Hanson passed for 2,766 yards and 28 touchdowns, completing 232 of 394 attempts. The touchdown, completion and attempt totals were all school records, and the yardage total was second best in school history. Clampitt had 71 catches for 1,288 yards and 10 touchdowns ... Hanson set school game records for total yards (482), yards passing (480) and touchdown passes (5, twice); and Clampitt for receptions (12) and yards receiving (295) ... Hanson had string of 150 passes without an interception.

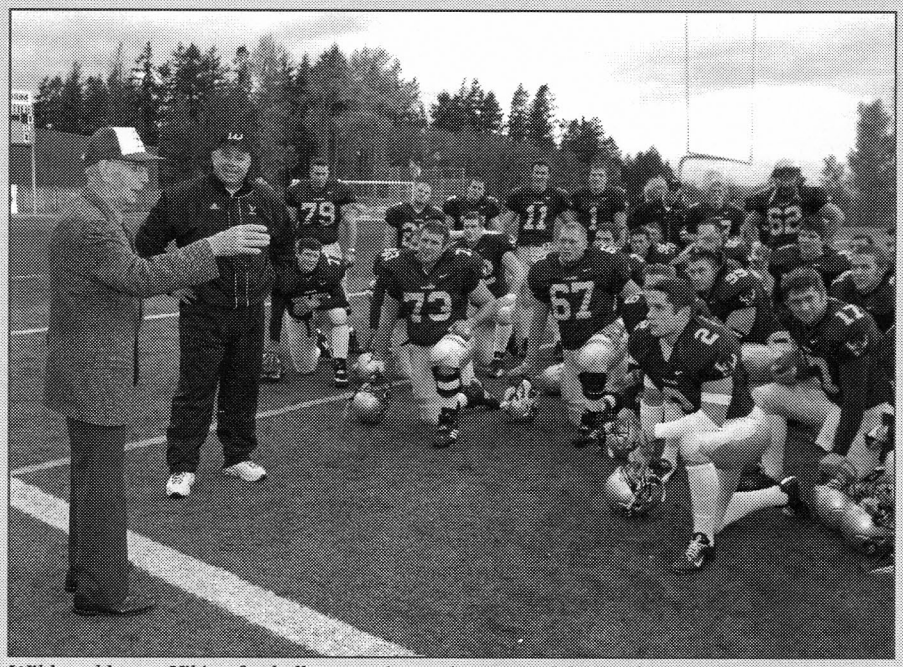
1999 Reached first round of NCAA II national playoffs, losing to Northeastern State OK, 27-24 in overtime ... Ranked 11th in final national poll ... Won Columbia Football Association title (4-0)... Had eight-game winning streak ... Ranked third nationally in rushing defense (79.1), 15th in total defense (272.0), 20th in scoring offense (33.4) and 23rd in passing offense (256.1) ... WR Ben Clampitt named first-team USA Football and second-team Football Gazette All-American, CFA Offensive Player of the Year and first-team all-region ... Clampitt one of 23 nominees for Harlon Hill Trophy ... Clampitt ranked ninth nationally in receiving yardage (108.5 avg.) and 24th in receptions per contest (6.1) ... QB Scott Mitchell ranked 11th in passing efficiency (150.6) and 27th in total offense (233.9) ... Rob Smith named CFA Coach of the Year.

2000 Ranked No.24 in final national poll ... Tied for Columbia Football Association title (3-1) ... Ran home-game winning streak to school-record 11 before losing ... Scored school-record 378 points ... Ranked first nationally in kickoff returns (27.1), eighth in scoring offense (37.8), 12th in punt returns (15.4), 14th in rushing defense (94.9), 21st in turnover margin (.90), 23rd in scoring defense (18.1) and passing offense (248.4), 25th in total offense (409.6) and 43rd in total defense (319.6) ... SS Erik Totten named first-team American Football Coaches Association and D2football.com All-American, and second-team Associated Press, Daktronics, Inc., and Football Gazette All-American ... Totten named first-team Verizon Academic All-American ... Totten and DE Dan Ball named first-team all-West Region, and CB Martez Johnson named second team ... QB Scott Mitchell named CFA Offensive Player of the Year ... Totten set school record with 612 punt return yards ... Mitchell ranked eighth nationally in passing offense (197.5) and 27th in total offense (223.5), Johnson seventh in kickoff returns (29.6), Totten 14th in punt returns (15.7) and 16th in kickoff returns (27.3).

2001 Ranked 23rd in final national poll ... Won Great Northwest Athletic Conference championship (3-0) ... Scored school-record 390 points ... Ranked 18th nationally in total offense (424.2), 20th in passing offense (272.4) 22nd in scoring offense (35.5), 23rd in rushing defense (109.8), 24th in scoring defense (18.3), and 30th in both takeaways (1.00) and in net punting (34.8) ... QB Scott Mitchell one of nine finalists for Harlon Hill Award (NCAA DII Player of the Year) ... Mitchell named GNAC Offensive Player of the Year and CB Anthony Dalton named Newcomer of the Year ... Mitchell ranked eighth nationally in passing (154.2) and 12th in total offense (279.0), and Michael Koenen sixth in field goals (1.20) and 16th in punting (40.8).

2002 Ranked No.12 nationally in passing offense (274.7) ... RB Duncan Sherrard named GNAC co-Freshman of the Year ... P Michael Koenen named first-team D2football.com West Region all-star ... Koenen led NCAA II nationally in punting with school-record 44.9 average ... Koenen also was No.31 in field goals (0.90), QB Josh Shimek No.17 in passing (139.5), WR Greg Dykstra No.23 in receptions (5.9), SS Rob White No. 11 in forced fumbles (0.40) and No.18 in solo tackles (5.8), and Olson No.31 in forced fumbles (0.30) ... Dykstra set career marks for receptions (181) and consecutive games with catch (38), and tied mark of touchdown catches (30).

2003 Won Great Northwest Athletic Conference championship (3-0) ... Ranked No.5 in NCAA II in punting (37.1), No.26 in rushing defense (260.7), No.34 in kickoff returns (21.3) and No.50 in total offense (383.8) ... WR Andy Olson and P Michael Koenen named honorable mention D2football com All-Americans ... LB Lann Olson named honorable mention Dopke.com All-American ... Koenon ranked No.4 nationally in punting (43.4), A.Olson No.9 in receiving yards (106.3), White No.14 in solo tackles (6.1), A.Olson No.17 in receptions (6.4), Koenen No.41 in field goals (0.9), A.Olson No.42 in punt returns (10.2), A.Olson No.50 in all-purpose yardage (126.0), Carlyle No.55 in kickoff returns (22.5), Steve Nichols No.56 in pass efficiency (129.4), White No.69 in tackles (9.0) and Sherrard No.73 in rushing (76.0)



Wilder addresses Viking football team prior to victory over Western Oregon on Nov. 15, 2003

OLDEST VIKING HONORED

Howard Wilder, 100, played on league championship team in 1923

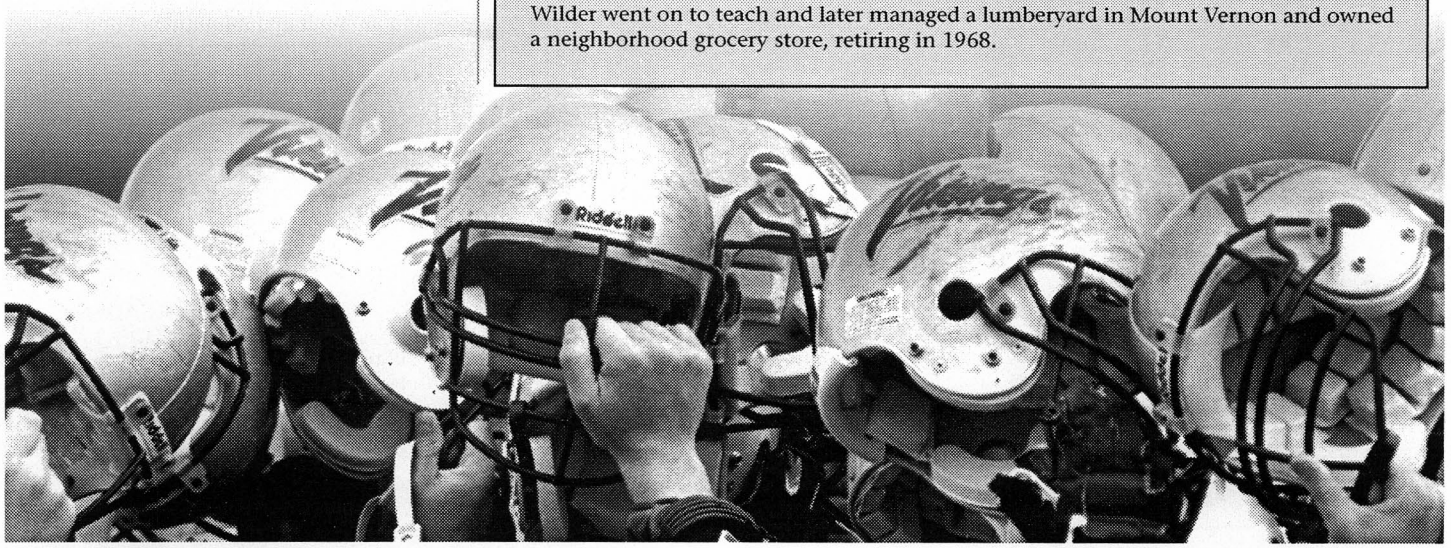
Howard Wilder, the oldest known living Western football player, was honored on Nov. 15, 2003, when the Vikings played Western Oregon at Civic Stadium.

Wilder, who turned 100 on Dec. 6, 2003, played for what was then Bellingham State Normal School in 1923, a historic year in the athletic history of the school. The Viking nickname was adopted that year, and the newly-named team won its first conference championship.

Wilder attended Western from 1923 to 1925, earning a two-year teaching certificate, then returned in 1930-31 to complete his three-year certificate. A fullback, Wilder was a key member of the 1923 squad that went undefeated at 3-0-2 and won the Tri-Normal League title, as he scored two touchdowns in a victory over Ellensburg Normal and three in a triumph over Cheney Normal.

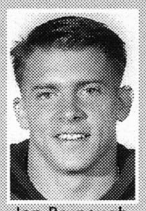
The 1923 team played its games at newly opened Waldo Field, at the present location of Red Square, and was coached by Sam Carver, for whom the current gymnasium is named.

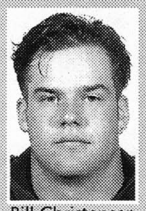
Wilder went on to teach and later managed a lumberyard in Mount Vernon and owned a neighborhood grocery store, retiring in 1968.



ALL-STARS


Willis Ball


Jon Brunaugh


Bill Christensen


Travis Cruse


Greg Dykstra


Jon Garber


Wade Gebers

ASSOCIATED PRESS LITTLE ALL-AMERICAN

Second Team

1950	Everett Tiland	LB
1995	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
2000	Erik Totten	RS
2001	Erik Totten	SS
2002	Michael Koenen	P

Honorable Mention

1949	Norm Hash	FB
1950	Norm Hash	FB
1951	Norm Hash	FB
1955	Willis Ball	DT
1957	Fred Emerson	HB
1958	Ed Melbourne	G
1966	Steve Richardson	HB
1967	Dave Weedman	DE
1976	Pat Locker	RB
1979	Pat Locker	RB
1987	Wayne Lewis	LB
1988	Peter LaBarge	P

DAKTRONICS, INC. DIVISION II ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

2002	Michael Koenen	P

Second Team

2000	Erik Totten	APR

AMERICAN FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

1995	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
2000	Erik Totten	RS

KODAK COLLEGE DIVISION ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

1979	Pat Locker	RB

Honorable Mention

1968	Butts Giraud	DT

D2Football.com ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

2000	Erik Totten	SS
2002	Michael Koenen	P

Second Team

2001	Erik Totten	SS

Honorable Mention

2002	Anthony Dalton	CB
2003	Andy Olson	WR
	Michael Koenen	P

DON HANSEN'S WEEKLY GAZETTE NAIA ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

1989	Kelly Susee	S
1995	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
	Todd Walcker	OG
1996	Chris Nicholl	WR
	Wade Gebers	K
1997	Mark Spencer	LB

Second Team

1989	Scott Lohr	RB
1995	Chris Nicholl	WR
1996	Mark Spencer	LB
	Todd Walcker	OG
1997	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
2001	Joaquin Paratore-Mcnabb	OT
	Cory Gunnerson	DE

Third Team

1989	Kevin Beason	OC
1995	Jon Brunaugh	RB
1996	Matt Cross	OC

Honorable Mention

1997	Erik Morin	TE
	Todd Walcker	OT

DON HANSEN'S WEEKLY GAZETTE NCAA II ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

2002	Michael Koenen	P

Second Team

1999	Ben Clampitt	WR
2000	Erik Totten	KR

Third Team

2001	Erik Totten	SS

Honorable Mention

1998	Ben Clampitt	WR
2001	Scott Mitchell	QB
2002	Adam Snel	TE
	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT

USA football.com NCAA II ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

1999	Ben Clampitt	WR

Second Team

1999	Mike Perez	CB
2000	Nick Giralmo	OC

Honorable Mention

1999	Matt Alderman	DT
	Mark Bone	DT
	Lance Gustafson	CB

DOPKE.com ALL-AMERICAN

Honorable Mention

2003	Lann Olson	LB

NAIA ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

1966	Steve Richardson	HB
1988	Peter LaBarge	P
1994	Bill Christensen	ROV
1995	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
	Wade Gebers	K
1996	Chris Nicholl	WR
	Wade Gebers	K
1997	Mark Spencer	LB

Second Team

1967	Dave Weedman	DE
1979	Pat Locker	RB
1989	Kelly Susee	S
1992	Jon Garber	OG
	Lynton Hyde	LB
	Shane Volkmann	S
1996	Mark Spencer	LB
	Todd Walcker	OG
1997	Chad Rorabaugh	DE

Honorable Mention

1965	Gary Axtell	DE
1968	Butts Giraud	DT
1969	Butts Giraud	DT
1970	Vic Randall	S
1971	Tom Wigg	FB
	Jeff Michaelson	OG
	Marv Nelson	OG
	Ken Knuckey	DE
	Mike Knutsen	OT
	Dan Grimshaw	LB
	Mark Venn	LB
	Kevin Halliburton	CB
	Steve Jasmer	SE
	Lance Wilson	PK
1975	Andy Harlin	C
	Dann DeBellis	DT
1976	Pat Locker	RB
1977	Pat Locker	RB
	Scott Stokes	OG
1978	Pat Locker	RB
	Hoyt Gier	SE
1979	Frank Hammer	LB
1980	Lance Massey	DT
1981	Bill Handy	WR
1984	Dave Peterson	QB
1985	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Ken Sager	TE
1989	Scott Lohr	RB
1990	Cory Heins	DE
1993	Orlondo Steinauer	DB
1994	Travis Cruse	OT
	Scott Easley	DT
	Mike Sweat	LB
1995	Chris Nicholl	WR
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Todd Walcker	OG
	Jason Stiles	QB
	Jon Brunaugh	RB
1996	Coley Beaman	DE
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Matt Cross	OC
	Ryan Wiggins	RB
1997	Erik Morin	TE
	Todd Walcker	OG

CoSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

2000	Erik Totten	SS

Second Team

2001	Erik Totten	SS

DAKTRONICS, Inc. NCAA DIVISION II ALL-WEST REGION

First Team

1998	Ben Clampitt	WR
1999	Ben Clampitt	WR
2000	Erik Totten	RS
	Dan Ball	DE
2001	Erik Totten	SS

Second Team

1999	Nick Giralmo	OC
2000	Martez Johnson	CB
2001	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT
	Corey Gunnerson	DE

SPORTS ILLUSTRATED SMALL COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

1992	Jon Brunaugh	RB

SUCCESSFUL FARM MAGAZINE ALL-AMERICAN

First Team

1996	Tim Hanson	LB

Honorable Mention

1998	Scott Noteboom	RB

DON HANSEN'S WEEKLY GAZETTE ALL-WEST REGION

First Team

2002	Michael Koenen	P
	Adam Snel	TE
	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT

Second Team

2003	Andy Olson	WR

Third Team

2002	Anthony Dalton	CB

D2Football.com ALL-WEST REGION

First Team

2001	Nick Giralmo	C
	Michael Koenen	K
	Erik Totten	SS
2002	Michael Koenen	P

Second Team

2001	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT
	Corey Gunnerson	DE
2002	Greg Dykstra	PR
	Lann Olson	LB
	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT

NAIA NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

1978	Bruce Ebergson	LB
1983	Dave Peterson	QB
1987	Wayne Lewis	LB
1989	Cory Heins	DE
1992	Jon Brunaugh	RB
1995	Jason Stiles	QB
1995	Isaac Blum	FS
1995	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
1997	John Bergford	DT

NAIA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE

1985	Tony Kovscek	OC
	J.D. Phillips	WR
1987	John Dickinson	WR
1989	Cory Heins	DE
	Kirk Schneider	TE

CoSIDA ACADEMIC DISTRICT VIII COLLEGE DIVISION

1994	Eric Meek	WR
1997	Matt Alderman	DT
1998	Mike Williams	FS
1999	Matt Alderman	DT
	Marty Juergens	SS

2000	Josh Bailey	K
	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Marty Juergens	LB
	Erik Totten	SS
2001	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Erik Totten	SS
2002	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Brett Thompson	LB
	Rob White	SS
2003	Duncan Sherrard	RB
	Brett Thompson	LB
	Rob White	SS

NAIA NATIONAL PLAYOFFS PLAYER OF THE GAME

Offensive

1994 Jon Brunaugh
vs. Linfield

1996 Chris Nicholl
vs. Willamette
Darren Erath
vs. Findlay OH

Defensive

1994 Mike Sweat vs. Linfield

1996 Tim Hanson
vs. Pacific Lutheran
Mark Spencer
vs. Willamette
Mark Spencer
vs. Findlay OH

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL ALL-COAST

First Team

1951	Norm Hash	FB
1964	Bob Gidner	FB
	Bruce Delbridge	DB

Second Team

1953	Ralph Squillace	OG
1967	Dave Weedman	DE
1971	Tom Wigg	FB
	Kevin Halliburton	CB
	Jeff Michaelson	OG

Honorable Mention

1948	Art Svidren	HB
1949	Norm Hash	FB
1950	Norm Hash	FB
1951	Roy Richardson	HB
	Pete Muir	E
	Art Larsson	OG
	Dick Pangello	LB/OG
1953	Willis Ball	G
1957	Fred Emerson	HB
1979	Pat Locker	RB

SENIOR ALL-STAR GAME SELECTIONS

1997	Chris Nicholl	WR
2000	Ben Clampitt	WR (Inj)
2002	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Erik Totten	SS
2003	Anthony Dalton	CB

LITTLE ALL-NORTHWEST

First Team

1966	Steve Richardson	HB
	Dave Weedman	DE
1967	Dave Weedman	DE
1969	Vic Randall	S
1970	Vic Randall	S
1971	Tom Wigg	FB
1976	Pat Locker	RB
	Andy Harlin	OC
1977	Pat Locker	RB
	Mick Rehn	CB
	Rick Faupel	DT
1978	Pat Locker	RB
	Frank Hammer	LB
	Doug Groves	DE
1979	Pat Locker	RB
	Doug Groves	DT
1984	Dave Peterson	QB
	Tim Richard	S
1985	Ken Sager	TE
1987	Kelly Susee	S
	Peter LaBarge	P
1988	Peter LaBarge	P-K
	Mike Minnehan	CB
1989	Kevin Beason	OC
	Scott Lohr	RB
	Cory Heins	DE
	Kelly Susee	S
1990	Cory Heins	DE
1992	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Lynton Hyde	LB
	Shane Volkmann	SS
1993	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
1994	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Joe DeShaw	OT
	Scott Easley	DT
	Bill Christensen	ROV
	Greg Malo	FS
1995	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Joe DeShaw	OT
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Wade Gebers	K
	Coley Beaman	DE
	Orlondo Steinauer	CB/PR
1996	Todd Walcker	OG
	Chris Nicholl	WR
	Wade Gebers	K
	Coley Beaman	DE
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Mark Spencer	LB
	Randy Carter	SS
1997	Todd Walcker	OT
	Mark Spencer	LB
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Erik Morin	TE
1998	Sam Hanson	QB
	Ben Clampitt	WR
	Ben Fairbanks	TE
1999	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Ben Fairbanks	TE
	Ben Clampitt	WR
	Mark Bone	DT
	Matt Alderman	DT
	Mike Perez	CB
2000	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Giorgio Usai	RB
	Erik Totten	PR/KR
	Dan Ball	DE
	Lance Gustafson	LB
2001	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Raymond Gombiski	OG
	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Michael Koenen	K
	Steve Bernardy	DT
	Corey Gunnerson	DE
	Erik Totten	SS

Second Team

1982	Bill Handy	WR
1984	Laau Seui	OC
	Ken Sager	TE
1985	Wayne Lewis	LB
1986	Kim Nix	DT
	Peter LaBarge	P
1987	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Peter LaBarge	K
1988	Kelly Susee	S
1989	Kirk Schneider	TE
	Dan Clemensen	K
	Mike Minnehan	DB
1990	Kevin Beason	C
	Charlie Hampton	CB
1991	Shane Volkmann	S
1992	Shane Volkmann	S
	Jon Garber	OG
	Vince Mazzarella	OT
	Jarrod Rosentreter	DE
1993	Orlondo Steinauer	PR
1994	John Frazier	RB
	Mike Sweat	LB
	Orlondo Steinauer	PR
1995	Todd Walcker	OG
	Kevin Palmore S	B
	Jason Stiles	QB
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Mark Spencer	LB
1996	Matt Cross	OC
	Ryan Wiggins	RB
	Michael Johnson	CB
1997	Erik Morin	P
	Matt Cross	OC
	Ryan Wiggins	RB
1998	Scott Noteboom	KR
	Jeff Bergford	DT
1999	Nick McClain	OT
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Giorgio Usai	RB
	Lance Gustafson	LB
2000	Raymond Gombiski	OG
	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Scott Mitchell	QB
2001	Michael Koenen	P

NAIA DISTRICT 1 ALL-STAR

1966	Steve Richardson	HB
	Dave Weedman	DE
	Al Divina	OG
1967	Dave Weedman	DE
	Butts Giraud	DT
	Jack Dolan	DT
	Monty Montgomery	LB
	Al Anderson	HB
1968	Butts Giraud	DT
	Vic Randall	S
	Bob Penny	OT
1969	Vic Randall	S
	Butts Giraud	DT
	Rocky Hughes	LB
	Rob Lonborg	HB
1970	Vic Randall	S
	Mark Venn	LB
	Jeff Michaelson	OG
	Mike Knutson	OT
1971	Tom Wigg	FB
	Jeff Michaelson	OG
	Ken Knuckey	DE
	Dan Grimshaw	LB
	Kevin Halliburton	CB
	Mark Venn	LB
	Marv Nelson	OG
	Steve Jasmer	SE
	Lance Wilson	PK
1972	Tom Wigg	FB
	Kevin Halliburton	CB
	Jack Dolan	DT
	Jeff Michaelson	OT
1973	Tom Wigg	FB
1974	Andy Harlin	OC
1975	Andy Harlin	OC
	Dann DeBellis	DT
1976	Pat Locker	RB
	Andy Harlin	OC
	Scott Stokes	OG
	Bill Mendelson	QB
1977	Pat Locker	RB
	Scott Stokes	OG
	Jim Sterk	LB
	Hoyt Gier	SE
1978	Pat Locker	RB
	Hoyt Gier	SE
	Rick Brudwick	OG
	Frank Hammer	LB
1979	Pat Locker	HB
	Jon Christie	K
	Ron Blumberg	LB
	Frank Hammer	LB
	Doug Groves	DT
	Dan Hannafious	S
1980	Bill Handy	WR
	Roy Remington	OG
	Ron Blumberg	LB
	Lance Massey	DT
	Doug Groves	DT
1981	Bill Handy	WR
1982	Chris Ladines	DE
1983	Dan Quillen	OC
1984	Dave Peterson	QB
	Ken Sager	TE
	Laau Seui	OC
1985	Joe Cleary	DT
	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Ken Sager	TE
1986	Kim Nix	DT
	Peter LaBarge	P
1987	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Kelly Susee	S
	Peter LaBarge	P
1988	Peter LaBarge	P/K
	Nick Ericksen	LB
	Kelly Susee	S
	Mike Minnehan	CB
1989	Kevin Beason	OC
	Dan Clemensen	K
	Scott Lohr	RB
	Cory Heins	DE
	Kelly Susee	S
	Mike Minnehan	CB
1990	Kevin Beason	OC
	Charlie Hampton	CB
	Cory Heins	DE
1991	Ken Corbin	PR
	Lynton Hyde	LB
	Steve Glover	CB
	Shane Volkmann	KR
1992	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Jon Garber	OG
	Shane Volkmann	SS/KR
	Jarrod Rosentreter	DE
	Lynton Hyde	LB


Hoyt Gier


Butts Giraud


Andy Harlin


Norm Hash


Michael Koenen


Peter LaBarge


Pat Locker


Scott Mitchell


Chris Nicholl


Vic Randall


Steve Richardson


Chad Rorabaugh


Ken Sager


Mark Spencer


Kelly Susee

ALL-CONFERENCE

Tri-Normal

1931	Roy Abbott	E
1932	Walt Sinko	HB
	Ray Sulkosky	OG
1934	John Miller	
	Art Bagley	HB
	G.B. Tomco	
1937	Russ Davis	OG

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1938	Fred Baldwin	LB
	Russ Davis	OG
1939	Vaughn Weber	T
	Howard Jones	QB
	Russ Davis	OG
1941	Stan Targus	HB
	Jack Bromley	T
1946	Del Peterson	G
1947	Slats Salsgiver	G
	Art Svidren	HB
	Walt Clayton	K

Evergreen

1948	Bill Currier	G
	Jack Frazier	C
1949	George Yonlick	DT
	Everett Tiland	LB
1950	Everett Tiland	LB
	Norm Hash	FB
	Carl Richart	T
	Al Cornett	DT
	Art Larsson	DG
1951	Norm Hash	FB
1952	Don Walley	QB
1953	Willis Ball	G
1957	Fred Emerson	HB
1958	Ed Melbourne	G
	Dennis Sheppard	HB
1959	Ron Ladines	HB
	Jack Sim	C
	Sam Martin	DB
1960	Harry Leons	T
	Jerry Beringer	DE
	Gordon Martin	LB
	Ron Ladines	DB
1961	Gary Moore	E
	Harry Leons	T
	Ron Ladines	FB
	Ken Fry	HB
	Matt Kjelstad	DG
	Gary Fumano	LB
	Doug Ringenbach	S
1962	Ken Fry	HB
	Doug Ringenbach	S
	Bob Plotts	E
	John Fullerton	T
	Dave Alfred	G
	Gary Fumano	LB
1963	Dick Nicholl	HB
1964	Bob Gidner	FB
	Bruce Delbridge	DB
	Steve Richardson	HB
	Les Huntsinger	T
	Myles Phipps	DE
	Gene Fry	C
1965	Les Huntsinger	OT
	Steve Richardson	HB
	Basil Tomberlin	G
	Dave Weedman	DE
	Bob Eaton	T
1966	Steve Richardson	HB
	Dave Weedman	DE
	Al Divina	G
	Bob Schwarz	DT
	Jack Dolan	OT
1967	Butts Giraud	DT
	Jack Dolan	T
	Monty Montgomery	LB
	Al Anderson	HB
	Al Divina	DE
1968	Butts Giraud	DT
	Vic Randall	S
	Bob Penny	OT
	Fred Sundquist	OG
	Steve Gregorich	LB
1969	Vic Randall	S
	Butts Giraud	DT
	Rocky Hughes	LB
	Marv Nelson	OG
	Steve Gregorich	DE
	Jerry Kelly	LB
1970	Vic Randall	S
	Jeff Michaelson	OG
	Tom Wigg	FB
	Dan Grimshaw	LB
	John Martin	C
1971	Tom Wigg	FB
	Jeff Michaelson	OG
	Kevin Halliburton	CB
	Dan Grimshaw	LB
	Mark Venn	LB
	Ken Knuckey	DE
1972	Tom Wigg	FB
	Jeff Michaelson	OT
	Kevin Halliburton	CB
	Ken Knuckey	DT
	Chris Johnson	LB
	Aaron Culley	DE
1973	Tom Wigg	FB
1974	Andy Harlin	C
	Gary Gilmore	LB
1975	Andy Harlin	C
1976	Andy Harlin	C
	Pat Locker	RB
	Scott Stokes	OG
	Bill Mendelson	QB
	Jeff Potter	FL
	Hoyt Gier	SE
1977	Pat Locker	RB
	Scott Stokes	OG
	Jim Sterk	LB
	Hoyt Gier	SE
	Mick Rehn	CB
	Tom Harmon	CB
1978	Pat Locker	RB
1979	Pat Locker	RB
	Frank Hammer	LB
	Stan Tate	DB
1980	Roy Remington	OG
	Jon Christie	WR/PK
	Lance Massey	DT
	Carr Lanham	S
1981	Bill Handy	WR
1982	Chris Ladines	DE
1983	Dave Peterson	QB
	Roy Rodland	DT
1984	Dave Peterson	QB
	Ken Sager	TE

COLUMBIA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

Offense

1996	Chris Nicholl	WR
1997	Ben Clampitt	WR
2000	Scott Mitchell	QB

Defense

1994	Bill Christensen	ROV
1995	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
1997	Mark Spencer	LB

First Team

1985	Joe Cleary	DT
	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Ken Sager	TE
1986	Kim Nix	DT
	Peter LaBarge	P
1987	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Kelly Susee	S
	Peter LaBarge	P
1988	Peter LaBarge	P/K
	Mike Minnehan	CB
	Kelly Susee	S
	Nick Ericksen	LB
1989	Kevin Beason	C
	Dan Clemensen	K
	Scott Lohr	RB
	Cory Heins	DE
	Kelly Susee	S
	Mike Minnehan	CB
1990	Kevin Beason	C
	Charlie Hampton	CB
	Cory Heins	DE
1991	Ken Corbin	PR
	Steve Glover	CB
	Lynton Hyde	LB
	Shane Volkmann	KR
1992	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Jon Garber	OG
	Shane Volkmann	SS/KR
	Jarrod Rosentreter	DE
	Lynton Hyde	LB
1993	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Mike McLaury	DE
	Orlondo Steinauer	CB/PR
1994	Bill Christensen	R
	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Orlondo Steinauer	PR
	Scott Easley	DT
	Joe DeShaw	OT
	John Frazier	RB
	Greg Malo	FS
	Mike Sweat	LB
1995	Jason Stiles	QB
	Jon Brunaugh	RB
	Chris Nicholl	WR
	Todd Walcker	OG
	Travis Cruse	OT
	Joe DeShaw	OT
	Coley Beaman	DE
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Mark Spencer	LB
	Orlondo Steinauer	CB/PR
1996	Chris Nicholl	WR
	Todd Walcker	OG
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Coley Beaman	DE
	Mark Spencer	LB
	Randy Carter	SS
	Ryan Wiggins	RB
	Matt Cross	C
	Wade Gebers	K
1997	Mark Spencer	LB
	Chad Rorabaugh	DE
	Todd Walcker	OT
	Matt Cross	C
	Erik Morin	TE
1998	Sam Hanson	QB
	Ben Clampitt	WR
	Ben Fairbanks	TE
	Scott Noteboom	KR
1999	Ben Clamitt	WR
	Mark Bone	DT
	Nick Giralmo	C
	Lance Gustafson	LB
	Ben Fairbanks	TE
	Nick McClain	OT
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Giorgio Usai	RB
	Matt Alderman	DT
	Mike Perez	CB
2000	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Erik Totten	SS/PR
	Giorgio Usai	RB
	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Dan Ball	DE
	Lance Gustafson	LB
	Nick Giralmo	C
	Martez Johnson	KR

Second Team

1985	Kim Nix	DT
	Darren Smith	OT
	Jason Carnahan	S
1986	Darin Lindahl	TE
	Jesse Steele	DE
	Wayne Lewis	LB
	Kelly Susee	S
1987	Peter LaBarge	K
	Jeff Gulliford	CB
1988	Scott Lohr	TB
	John Dickinson	SE
	Kirk Schneider	TE
	Rudy Grandbois	DE
1989	Mike Carrington	WR
	Kirk Kriskovich	QB
	Kirk Schneider	TE
	Greg Enell	LB
	Charlie Hampton	CB
1990	Ken Corbin	WR
	Greg Enell	LB
	Steve Gatterman	OG
1991	Dan Clemensen	PK
	Ken Corbin	WR
	Greg Enell	LB
	Charles Herbst	DE
	Matt Sayre	QB
	Mike Wagner	TB
	Tom Walters	DT
	Shane Volkmann	FS
1992	Eric Meek	WR
	Vince Mazzarella	OT
	Jimm Coumbs	C
	Dan Clemensen	K
	Mike McLaury	DE
	Orlondo Steinauer	CB/PR
	Torrance Mayberry	CB
1993	Stacy Avila	KR
	Randy Carter	SS
	Joe DeShaw	OG
	Scott Easley	DT
	Christian Evans	TE
	Eric Meek	WR
	Paul Selle	DT
	Jason Stiles	QB
1994	Stacy Avila	KR
	Randy Carter	SS
	Wade Gebers	PK
	Michael Johnson	CB
	Eric Meek	SB
	Mark Spencer	DE
	Jason Stiles	QB
1995	John Frazier	RB
	Kevin Palmore	SB
	Matt Cross	C
	Wade Gebers	PK
	Tim Hanson	LB
	Isaac Blum	FS
	Erik Morin	P
1996	Erik Morin	TE
	Mario Casello	WR
	Doug Mirkovich	OT

	Darren Erath	QB
	Tim Hanson	LB
	Michael Johnson	CB
1997	Darren Erath	QB
	Adam Foster	WR
	John Frazier	SB
	Scott Noteboom	KR
	Mike Perez	CB
	Ryan Wiggins	RB
	Erik Morin	P
1998	Scott Noteboom	RB
	Nick McClain	OT
	John Bergford	DT
	Andy Harris	LB
	Marty Juergens	SS
1999	Josh Bailey	K
	Dan Ball	DE
	Sean Jones	CB
	David Josker	LB
	Ryan Riden	LB
	Roy Shick	TE
2000	Josh Bailey	K
	Raymond Gombiski	OG
	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT
	Erik Totten	KR
	Steve Bernardy	DT

COLUMBIA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION ACADEMIC ALL-STARS

1989	Cory Heins	DE
	Kirk Schneider	TE
1992	Chris Keeffe	LB
1993	Chad Johanson	OC
	Joe Nance	OT
	John Meagher	DT
	1995 Jason Stiles	QB
	Christian Evans	TE
	Tim Hanson	LB
	Orlondo Steinauer	CB
	Isaac Blum	FS
1996	Ryan Lahmann	TE
	Todd Walcker	OG
	Matt Alderman	DT
	Randy Carter	SS
	Mike Williams	FS
1997	Tony Carr	LB
	Matt Alderman	DT
1998	Sam Hanson	QB
	Ben Fairbanks	TE
	Josh Bailey	K
	Josh Graham	DE
	Matt Alderman	DT
	John Bergford	DT
	Dan Ball	LB
	Marty Juergens	SS
	Mike Williams	FS
1999	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Marty Juergens	SS
	Erik Totten	CB
	Matt Alderman	DT
	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Sean O'Brien	WR
	Josh Bailey	K
	Dan Ball	DE
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Giorgio Usai	RB
	Josh Wright	OT
2000	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Kyle Johnson	LB
	Josh Bailey	K
	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Marty Juergens	LB
	Erik Totten	SS
	Dan Ball	DE
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Giorgio Usai	RB
	Sam Allard	P
	Michael Ames	OG
	Nick McClain	TE
	Brett Thompson	LB

GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Offense

2001 Scott Mitchell QB

NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

2001 Anthony Dalton CB

FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

2002 Duncan Sherrard RB

First Team

2001	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT
	Raymond Gombiski	OG
	Michael Koenen	K
	Steve Bernardy	DT
	Corey Gunnerson	DE
	Wayne Parker	LB
	Erik Totten	SS/PR
2002	Duncan Sherrard	RB
	Greg Dykstra	WR/PR
	Adam Snel	TE
	Joaquin Paratore-McNabb	OT
	Michael Koenen	P/PK
	Lann Olson	LB
	Anthony Dalton	CB
2003	Jake Carlyle	KR
	Rick Carte	TE
	Michael Koenen	K
	Duncan Sherrard	RB
	Andy Olson	WR
	Lann Olson	LB
	Jon Pagan	OG
	Rob White	SS

Second Team

2001	Michael Koenen	P
	Nyle Chambers	RB
	Brad Hendrickson	OG
	Derek Noble	LB
	Martez Johnson	CB
	Anthony Dalton	CB
	Andy Linscott	FS
2002	Mike Westbrook	WR
	Brad Hendrickson	C
	Anthony Dalton	KR
	Corey Gunnerson	DE
	Martez Johnson	CB
	Rob White	SS
2003	Andy Olson	PR
	Michael Koenen	P
	Nick Ball	DT
	Joey Joshua	DE
	Brett Thompson	LB

GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE ACADEMIC ALL-STARS

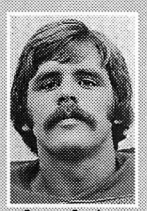
2001	Kyle Johnson	LB
	Brian Hoelzle	DE
	Erik Totten	SS
	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Nick Giralmo	OC
	Brett Thompson	LB
	Scott Mitchell	QB
	Josh Shimek	QB
2002	Greg Dykstra	WR
	Rob White	SS
	Brett Thompson	LB
	Rick Carte	TE
2003	Joe Casillas	TE
	Aaron Dahl	DE
	Brett Hall	CB
	Duncan Sherrard	RB
	Brett Thompson	LB
	Rob White	SS

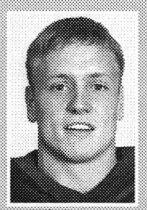
NCAA DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

1973	Louisiana Tech
1974	Central Michigan
1975	Northern Michigan
1976	Montana State
1977	Lehigh
1978	Eastern Illinois
1979	Deleware
1980	Cal Poly
1981	Southwest Texas State
1982	Southwest Texas State
1983	North Dakota State
1984	Troy State
1985	North Dakota State
1986	North Dakota State
1987	Troy State
1988	North Dakota State
1989	Mississippi College
1990	North Dakota State
1991	Pittsburg State
1992	Jacksonville State
1993	North Alabama
1994	North Alabama
1995	North Alabama
1996	Northern Colorado
1997	Northern Colorado
1998	Northwest Missouri State
1999	Northwest Missouri State
2000	Delta State
2001	North Dakota
2002	Grand Valley State
2003	Grand Valley State


Orlondo Steinauer


Jason Stiles


Scott Stokes


Erik Totten


Shane Volkmann


Todd Walcker


Dave Weedman

CHAMPIONSHIPS

WESTERN TITLES

1923	Tri-Normal Conference
1924	Tri-Normal Conference
1938	Washington Intercollegiate Conference (Winco)
1951	Evergreen Conference (Evco) - Tie
1958	Evergreen Conference (Evco) - Tie
1969	Evergreen Conference (Evco) - Tie
1971	Evergreen Conference (Evco)
1976	NAIA District 1
1995	Columbia Football Association - Mount Rainier League
1996	Columbia Football Association
1999	Columbia Football Association
2000	Columbia Football Association - Tie
2001	Great Northwest Athletic Conference
2003	Great Northwest Athletic Conference

1923 & 1924 - BACK TO BACK TRI-NORMAL TITLES

In the early years of Western football, the Vikings claimed a pair of Tri-Normal League titles.

The 1923 season was a watershed one for the then-named Bellingham State Normal School, as the school opened an on-campus facility, Waldo Field, adopted the Viking nickname and posted a 3-0-2 record for coach Sam Carver.

With interim coach Elwood Davis at the helm in 1924, Bellingham Normal went 4-2, with the only losses being to the University of Washington Frosh and Super-Varsity.

Bellingham was in the Tri-Normal Conference with the other state normal schools at Ellensburg and Cheney, the forerunners to Central Washington and Eastern Washington.

1938 - LAPPY'S BOYS GO UNDEFEATED

Western has had only one undefeated, untied football team in its history. That was in 1938, when the Vikings of coach Charles "Lappy" Lappenbusch posted a 7-0 record.

The toughest game of that season was the last, a 7-0 victory over Eastern Washington. It had been 11 years since the Vikings had beaten the Savages, but two long passes by Link Sarles got Western a second-quarter touchdown that stood up. The Vikings preserved the victory by stopping Eastern on four plays inside the two-yard line in the third quarter.

It was appropriate that the Vikings scored through the air. They threw 15 to 20 times a game in an era when most teams used the pass as only a desperation device.

Lappenbusch coached 20 years at Western, posting an 81-62-15 record. He was nationally-recognized for his Straight Line Philosophy, the centerpiece of which was, "If you don't know what you're doing, get out of the way!"

1951 - VETS LEAD VIKS TO TIE FOR CROWN

In the post-war years, Western had some powerful football teams. One of the best was the 1951 squad, which posted an 8-1 record and finished in a three-way tie for the Evergreen Conference title.

The only blemish on the Vikings' record that season was a 14-0 loss to Pacific Lutheran. Otherwise, Western was almost unstoppable. The defense had three shutouts and the offense scored over 50 points three times.

The leader of coach Charles Lappenbusch's troops was World War II veteran Norm Hash. Hash, a bruising fullback, earned honorable mention Associated Press Little All-America status. He scored 11 touchdowns, and with kicking duties added in, had 86 points.

The defensive captain was Art Larsson, a 250-pound lineman from Anacortes, another veteran. Larsson and Hash each earned honorable mention United Press International all-Coast honors, as did halfback Roy Richardson, end Pete Muir and defensive lineman Dick Pangello.

1958 - VIKINGS OVERCOME INJURIES FOR TITLE DEADLOCK

In 1958, Western went 6-2 and tied for the Evergreen Conference title despite playing most of the season without its top player, halfback Fred Emerson.

Emerson, an honorable mention Little All-American the year before, suffered a knee injury in the second game and saw limited action the rest of the season.

He did, however, play a big role in a 19-18 victory over Central Washington, coming off the bench to key a 96-yard drive in the last four minutes for the winning touchdown.

Coach John Kulbitski's Vikings needed a win or a tie in their last game to win the conference championship outright, but lost to Puget Sound, 14-0.

Guard Ed Melbourne earned honorable mention Little All-America honors. Melbourne and halfback Dennis Sheppard were all-conference selections.

1969 - FOG AND DEFENSE A WINNING COMBO

In 1969, Western posted a 5-4 record and tied for the Evergreen Conference championship with a 4-2 mark. The Vikings did it with a stifling aggressive defense and an opportunistic offense.

In a 19-16 triumph over Eastern Washington, a thick fog that had shrouded Civic Stadium nearly the entire game lifted for Western's final drive. The Vikings scored the winning touchdown on a 13-yard pass from quarterback Glenn Hadland to split end Gary Aagaard on a fourth-and-ten situation with 1:14 left.

At Spokane against Whitworth, Western pulled out a 28-21 victory when outside linebacker Jerry Kelly intercepted a pass and returned it 54 yards for the winning touchdown with 11 seconds left. The Pirates had led 21-19 with 2:18 remaining when defensive end Mike Tasker blocked a punt, the ball bouncing through the end zone for an automatic safety to tie the game at 21-all.

Against Central Washington, the Vikings won 15-12 as linebacker Rocky Hughes picked off a pass on the Western 20 with 25 seconds remaining. Moments before the Vikings had stopped Central on downs at their own 15.

Leading the stop squad was Little all-Northwest safety Vic Randall, who had eight of his school-record 26 pass interceptions during the campaign, and honorable mention NAIA All-America tackle Butts Giraud.

1971 - FIRST AND ONLY OUTRIGHT EVCO TITLE

Western played 37 years of football in the Evergreen Conference. During that time, the Vikings won only one outright conference championship, that coming in 1971.

The 1971 squad posted a 7-3 record and was 6-0 in the Evco. Leading the way were running back Tom Wigg and quarterback Glenn Hadland. Wigg rushed for a then-school record 1,176 yards and Hadland passed for a then-record 1,475 yards.

The defense was also tough, allowing only 12.1 points a game and recovering 27 fumbles.

Wigg was a second-team United Press International all-Coast selection, as were defensive back Kevin Halliburton and offensive lineman Jeff Michaelson.

1976 - NEVER SAY DIE

Six games into the season, the 1976 Vikings could have folded the tents. With a 3-3 record, Western seemed headed for a mediocre year. Instead, comebacks were the order of the day.

The Vikings won their last three regular-season games, coming from behind to win with touchdowns in the last two minutes on all three occasions, including a 28-21 victory at Southern Oregon in the season finale. In that game, halfback Pat Locker ran for 225 yards and three touchdowns, including the game-winner from 11 yards out with 28 seconds left.

Western then faced Pacific Lutheran in the first-ever NAIA District 1 championship game and crushed the Lutes, 48-28, as quarterback Bill Mendelson passed for three touchdowns and Locker ran for 158 yards and threw a 40-yard touchdown to Jeff Potter on a halfback option play.

Mendelson, a senior, and Locker, a freshman, were the stars of a high-powered Viking offense that season. Mendelson passed for 1,773 yards and 16 touchdowns. Locker rushed for 1,340 yards, then a school record, and was named an honorable mention NAIA Division I All-American. Six players from the offense - Mendelson, Locker, center Andy Harlin, guard Scott Stokes and wide receivers Jeff Potter and Hoyt Gier - were named to the all-Evergreen Conference team.

1995 - WESTERN EARNS NO.1 RANKING

Western was undefeated in the regular season for just the second time in school history, winning the Columbia Football Association-Mount Rainier League title and being ranked No.1 nationally in NAIA Division II for the final five weeks of the poll. But the Vikings finished 9-1, falling to eventual national co-champion Central Washington, 28-21, in the opening round of the national playoffs.

Cornerback Orlondo Steinauer, the lone senior starter on a defense that ranked sixth nationally against the rush (88.4) and seventh in scoring defense (13.7), was a first-team NAIA All-American and the CFA-MRL Player of the Year. Steinauer led the NAIA with a school-record 10 interceptions and ranked ninth nationally in punt returns. Placekicker Wade Gebers was also a first-team All-American and tied for the national lead in kick scoring (7.0).

The offense ranked in the top eight nationally in three categories, setting school records for scoring offense (37.0), passing yardage (277.0) and total yardage (453.9). Quarterback Jason Stiles threw for 2,297 yards and 17 touchdowns, completing a school-record 61.0 of his passes. Wide receiver Chris Nicholl had 52 receptions for 1,064 yards and 11 touchdowns, becoming the first 1,000-yard receiver in school history, and running back Jon Brunaugh rushed for 1,127 yards and 13 scores, reaching 100 yards in seven games.

Brunaugh, Nicholl, Stiles and offensive linemen Travis Cruse and Todd Walcker all were honorable mention All-Americans.

1996 - A TRIP TO THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Despite injuries that knocked nine first stringers out for three games or more, Western went 11-2 and reached a national championship game for the first time, falling to Sioux Falls SD, 47-25, in the NAIA Division II title game at Savannah, Tenn.

The Vikings won the Columbia Football Association championship, the first back-to-back league crowns in 72 years, and were ranked No.6 in the final national poll. They won three playoff games, including a 28-21 semifinal victory at Findlay OH, the No.1-ranked defending national champion.

Eight players earned NAIA All-America honors, with wide receiver Chris Nicholl and placekicker Wade Gebers being first-team picks and offensive guard Todd Walcker and linebacker Mark Spencer being second-team selections. Nicholls was the CFA Offensive Player of the Year, setting school records with 82 receptions for 1,584 yards and 12 touchdowns, and 10 100-yard receiving games. Gebers, the first Viking to be a first-team All-American twice, ranked seventh nationally in kick scoring (7.2).

Spencer led a defense that posted two shutouts for the first time in 27 years and led the CFA in every statistical category, ranking seventh nationally in rush defense (99.5). The offense ranked 10th nationally in total yardage (421.7) and sixth in passing offense (258.5). Quarterback Darren Erath ranked seventh nationally in passing (242.9) and total offense (250.3), and set five school records, throwing for 3,254 yards and 22 touchdowns. Running back Ryan Wiggins rushed for 1,361 yards and became the first Viking to have a pair of 200-yard rushing games.

1999 - WESTERN EARNS FIRST NCAA II PLAYOFF BERTH

Western reached the NCAA Division II playoffs in just its second year of NCAA competition, going 8-3 and winning the Columbia Football Association championship with a 4-0 record.

In the post-season, the Vikings lost in overtime at Northeastern State OK, 27-24. Western reached the playoffs in part because of an eight-game winning streak during the regular season that included victories over NCAA I-AA Saint Mary's CA, 20-7 and NCAA II No.15 Chadron State, 26-14; as well as a 27-7 triumph at Central Washington the first Viking victory at Ellensburg in 27 years.

Wide receiver Ben Clampett, a Harlon Hill Trophy nominee, was a first-team all-West Region pick and was an All-American in two publications. He had 67 receptions for 1,193 yards and 12 touchdowns, ranking ninth nationally in receiving yardage (108.5). Quarterback Scott Mitchell threw for 2,386 yards with 21 touchdowns and just six interceptions, completing 60.5 percent of his passes and ranking 11th nationally in passing efficiency (150.6) as the Viking offense ranked 20th nationally in scoring (33.4) and 23rd in passing offense (256.1). Second-team all-West Region center Nick Giralmo anchored the offensive line.

On defense, no Viking earned all-region honors, but Western notched two shutouts for the third time in four years, ranking third nationally in rushing defense (79.1) and 15th in total defense (272.0). Tackle Mark Bone had 20 tackles for loss and rover Lance Gustafson had 87 tackles, with 15 for loss, along with three interceptions. Cornerback Mike Perez had five interceptions and also blocked four kicks.

The Vikings were ranked in the NCAA II national poll for the first time, being 11th in the final ranking. Western was the No.2 team in the West Region, which would have provided a home berth in the playoffs save for unplayable field conditions at Civic Stadium.

2000 - FINAL CFA CHAMPIONSHIP

In the final year of the Columbia Football Association, Western claimed its fourth league title in six years, going 7-3 overall and 3-1 in the CFA. The Vikings narrowly missed an NCAA Division II playoff berth, being ranked No.5 in the final West Region ranking.

Two of the three losses came to national powers, as Western opened the season with a 37-20 loss at Portland State, which reached the NCAA I-AA playoffs; and ended it with a 35-28 loss to UC Davis, which reached the NCAA II semifinals.

Strong safety Erik Totten earned six All-America honors, being a first-team pick as a defensive back by D2football.com and an all-purpose player by the American Football Coaches Association, and was also a Verizon Academic All-American. Totten became the first Viking player to have over 1,000 total return yards with 1,165, returning both a kickoff and punt for a touchdown. He ranked 14th nationally in punt return average (15.7) and 16th in kickoff returns (27.3). Cornerback Martez Johnson, a second-team all-West Region pick, was seventh nationally in kickoff returns (29.5). Defensive end Dan Ball was a first-team all-region pick as the defense ranked 14th nationally against the rush (94.9).

On offense, Western ranked eighth nationally in scoring offense, averaging a school-record 37.9 points a game and scoring touchdowns on 35 of 46 trips inside the 20-yard line. Quarterback Scott Mitchell, the CFA Offensive Player of the Year, threw for 1,975 yards and had 21 touchdowns and just four interceptions. He ranked eighth nationally in pass efficiency (148.5) and also ran for 260 yards, the most ever by a Western quarterback, and eight touchdowns. He worked behind an offensive line that had the same starting five for all 10 games and was led by center Nick Giralmo, who was named a second-team All-American by D2football.com.

Coach Rob Smith became the winningest coach in Western history, claiming his 81st victory with the final triumph of the season.

2001 - VIKINGS WIN INAUGURAL GNAC CROWN

Western won a third consecutive league championship for the first time, claiming the inaugural Great Northwest Athletic Conference title as part of an 8-3 season dampened only by narrowly missing the NCAA Division II playoffs.

After a season-opening 28-24 home loss to Central Oklahoma, Western ran off eight wins in its next nine games, the lone blemish in that string a 30-0 loss at eventual NCAA Division I-AA champion Montana. Along the way, the Vikings swept through the GNAC and claimed some big non-league victories, knocking off NCAA I-AA Cal Poly, 17-9, traveling across the country to beat New Haven CT, 24-21, and toppling South Dakota State, 45-28. But a season-ending 40-32 loss at UC Davis knocked Western out of the final post-season berth from the West Region.

Western's offense ranked ranked No.18 nationally in NCAA II in total yards, averaging 424.2 a game, and No.19 in scoring offense at 35.5 points a contest. The Vikings forced more turnovers than they committed for the 10th straight season, with their plus-11 ratio (1.00 avg.) ranking 20th nationally.

Senior quarterback Scott Mitchell, the GNAC Offensive Player of the Year, an honorable mention Don Hansen's Football Gazette All-American and a finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy awarded to the top player in NCAA Division II, directed the Viking offense to a school-record 390 points. Mitchell threw for 2,778 yards and 25 touchdowns while completing a school record 61.5 percent of his 330 attempts and throwing just five interceptions to rank ninth nationally in pass efficiency (154.2) and 12th in total offense (279.0). He also ran for 291 yards, breaking his own school quarterback rushing mark, and five touchdowns.

Mitchell was one of seven players chosen as a first-team Little All-Northwest picks. The others were senior strong safety Erik Totten, senior defensive tackle Steve Bernardy, junior defensive end Corey Gunnerson, senior center Nick Giralmo, junior wide receiver Greg Dykstra and redshirt freshman kicker Michael Koenen.

Totten led the team in tackles with 53, and also had seven passes defensed and three interceptions, anchoring a defense that ranked No.21 nationally in rushing defense (109.8). He was named to four All-America teams, being a second-team Associated Press, D2football.com and Verizon Academic choice, and a third-team Football Gazette pick.

Bernardy, who also saw time at end, had 23.5 tackles, including 11.5 for loss, and recovered two fumbles. Gunnerson had 26 tackles, with a team-high 13 for loss, including seven sacks, also a team best.

Another major contributor on defense was junior cornerback Anthony Dalton, who led the team in interceptions (4) and fumbles forced (3), and was named GNAC Newcomer of the Year.

Giralmo led an experienced offensive line that also included junior tackle Joaquin Paratore-McNabb. Koenen connected on 43-of-46 extra points, tying the school record for successful conversions, and hit 13-of-30 field goals, with school records for longest field goal (54 yards against Central Oklahoma) and consecutive makes (seven). He kicked a game-winning 40-yard field goal against New Haven with two seconds left. As a punter, Koenen averaged 40.8 yards an attempt, including a school-record 67-yard boot against Montana.

Dykstra had a team-high 57 receptions for 919 yards and 10 touchdowns. He had four 100-yard receiving games, and tied a school record with 14 receptions against UC Davis. Five other players had 21 or more catches, with sophomore wide receiver Ryan Van Diest getting 31grabs for 539 yards and five scores. Junior Devin Martin led the rushing attack with 583 yards and four touchdowns.

Western coach Rob Smith was named GNAC Coach of the Year and became the winningest coach in school history with a 48-10 victory at Fort Lewis CO in the second week of the season. In three GNAC games, the Vikings outscored their opponents 113-35.

2003 - VIKINGS CLOSE STRONG TO WIN GNAC TITLE

Recovering from a poor start, the Vikings rallied, closing the season with three consecutive victories to win the GNAC championship.

Western was 4-6 overall, its first losing season since 1990. But after a 1-6 start, the Vikings entered conference play and swept to three consecutive victories to grab their fourth league title in five years.

The Vikings, who had been off to their worst start in 18 years, began the recovery with a dramatic 17-16 Cascade Cup victory over Central Washington, as third-string quarterback James Monrean, a redshirt freshman pressed into service because of injuries, directed a game-winning drive in the final minute, helped by a phenomenal one-handed catch and run of 52 yards by sophomore wide receiver Andy Olson. Western then claimed a 34-20 triumph at Humboldt State, and closed the season with a 17-13 triumph over Western Oregon, stopping the Wolves within 10 yards of the goal line on two drives in the final five minutes.

Offensively, the Vikings had some bright moments. Western was ranked second nationally in passing offense through the first five games, and ended up 26th overall at 260.7 yards a game. But it was the running game that found its stride to provide late-season success, as the Viking averaged 179.7 yards rushing in the last three contests, compared to 123.1 for the full campaign.

Olson was the brightest light in Western's offense, establishing himself as a go-to receiver in the tradition of Chris Nicholl, Ben Clampitt and Greg Dykstra. Olson had 64 receptions for 1,063 yards and nine touchdowns, notching the third-best single-season reception mark in school history and the fifth-best yardage total, and ranking ninth nationally in NCAA II in receiving yardage (106.3 avg) and 17th in receptions (6.4).

Olson, who was a second-team Don Hansen's Football Gazette West Region all-star, first-team all-GNAC choice and D2football All-America honorable mention, had four 100-yard receiving games, and had three of the top 16 efforts in school history in consecutive games, with the best being an 11-reception, 199-yard performance in an overtime victory over Saint Mary's.

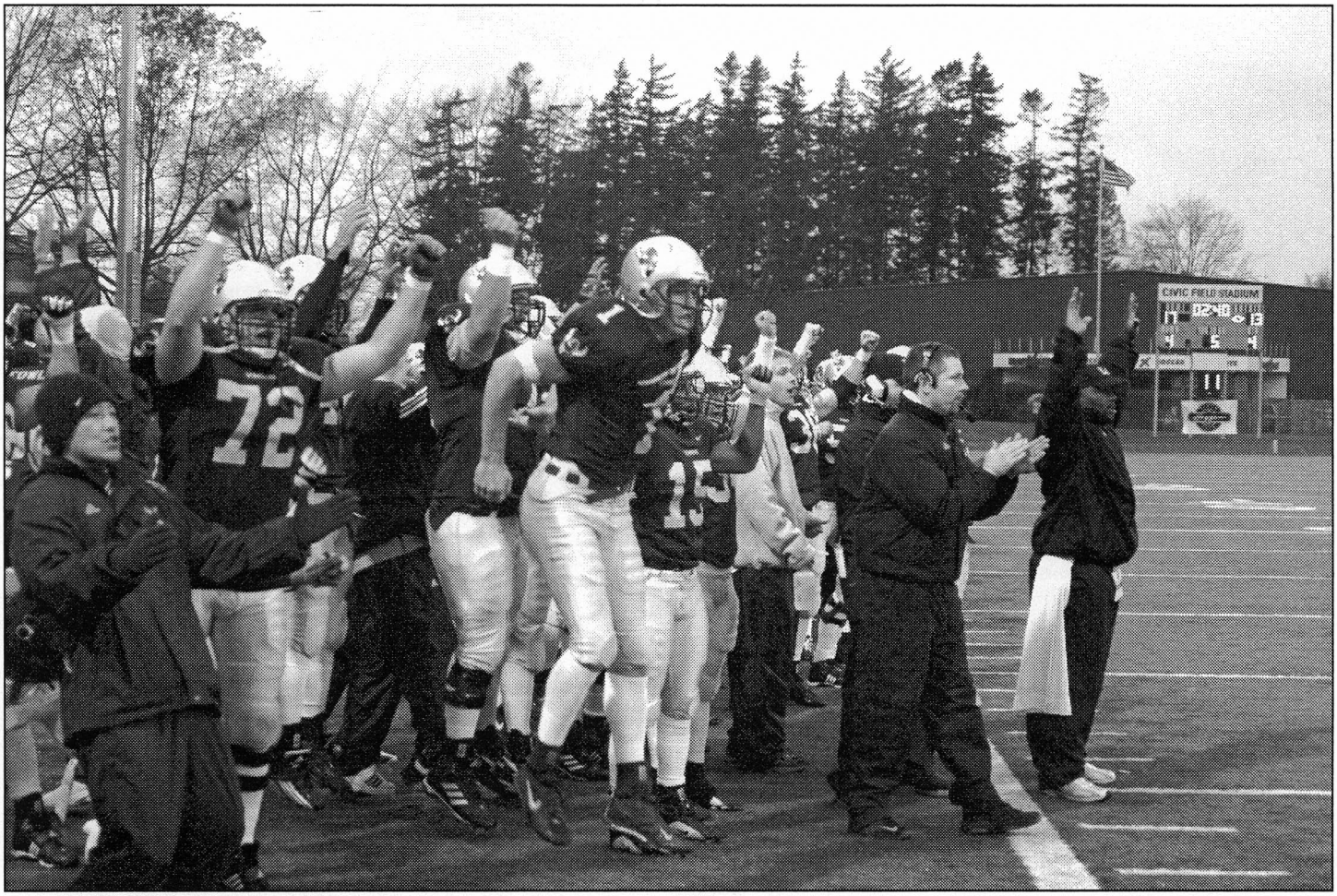
Senior Ryan Van Diest started the first five games at wide receiver, making 16 grabs for 252 yards before suffering a season-ending knee injury and senior slotback Nate Kuhns added 26 catches for 216 yards and a touchdown. Junior tight end Rick Carte, a unanimous first-team GNAC all-star, had 17 receptions for 158 yards and five scores, and tied a school single-game record with three touchdown receptions at Humboldt State.

At quarterback, senior Josh Shimek and junior Steve Nichols shared time for the second consecutive season. Nichols made seven starts, completing 112-of-216 passes for 1,484 yards with 16 touchdowns and five interceptions. Shimek, who missed two games with a shoulder injury, completed 75-of-141 attempts for 917 yards with five touchdowns and seven interceptions.

At running back, sophomore Duncan Sherrard was a first-team all-GNAC pick as well as a CoSIDA District VIII Academic all-star, rushing for 760 yards and three touchdowns on three carries and adding 193 yards and three scores on 16 receptions. He already ranks seventh in school history in career rushing with 1,447 yards. Sophomore Jake Carlyle added 418 yards and five touchdowns on 97 attempts. They became the first duo to each have 100 yards rushing in a game for Western since 1987, as Carlyle had 143 yards and Sherrard 131 in the triumph at Humboldt State.

The improvement of the rushing game near the end of the season was a product of improved offensive line play. Senior guard Jon Pagan, who earned first-team all-GNAC honors, was the only offensive lineman to start all 10 games.

Anchoring the defense, which allowed just 16.3 points a game in the three conference victories, were two first-team all-GNAC selections - senior middle linebacker Lann Olson and junior strong safety Rob White.



Viking sideline leaps for joy after successful goal line stand in GNAC title-clinching win over Western Oregon

Olson, Andy's older brother, was named an honorable mention All-American by Dopke.com. He had 83 tackles, including team highs of 11 for loss and four sacks. Olson led an all-senior linebacker trio that started all 10 games. Jesse Looker was third on the team in stops with 58, including 9.5 for loss, and Brett Thompson, a CoSIDA District VIII Academic all-star, had 51 and added a team-high two fumble recoveries.

White, a CoSIDA District VIII Academic all-star, was often the only returning letter winner on the field in the secondary. He led Western in tackles for the second straight year with 90, ranking 14th nationally in solo tackles (6.1), and shared the team lead in interceptions with two and passes defensed with seven.

Redshirt freshman Sly Whitfield, Jr. started five games at cornerback, making 21 tackles and having two interceptions. Cornerback Bryan Jarrett and free safety Justin Coronado became the first true freshmen to see action for Western since 2000. Jarrett made four starts, notching 30 tackles and leading the Vikings in passes broken up with seven. Coronado had 27 tackles and one interception, leading Western in tackles in two games late in the season.

Tackles Brad Mann and Nick Ball and end JeVarian Gamble, all seniors, made significant contributions along the defensive line, with Ball making 32 stops, 8.5 of them for loss, to earn second-team all-GNAC honors. Sophomore end Joey Joshua was also a second-team all-league pick, making 43 tackles, including 9.5 for loss, and batting down four passes.

Junior Michael Koenen handled all placekicking and punting duties for the third consecutive year. Koenen was fourth nationally at 43.2 yards a punt, earning second-team all-GNAC status and honorable mention All-America recognition from D2football.com. A first-team all-league placekicker, he was 26-of-28 on extra points, having a school-record streak of 44 successful conversions snapped early in the year, and 9-of-20 on field goals, a mark held down by 10 of his attempts coming from 45 yards or more. Koenen also sent 16 kickoffs for touchbacks.

Olson averaged 10.2 yards on 13 punt returns to earn second-team all-league recognition, and Carlyle and redshirt freshman Matt Wilson shared kickoff return duties. Carlyle averaged 22.5 yards on 20 returns to get first-team GNAC all-star honors, Wilson 20.8 on 19. Smith also said he was pleased with the coverage units, in particular the performance on kickoff coverage late in the season.

A major highlight of the campaign came on Oct. 4, when Western met arch-rival Central Washington in the first Battle in Seattle, which drew 16,392 at Seahawks Stadium, a record for a non-Division I football game in the state of Washington.

Rob Smith was named GNAC Coach of the Year and extended his career win total to 99.

GAME BY GAME RESULTS

1903		(1-1-0)
5	New Whatcom HS	6
12	Everett HS	0

1904		(3-1-0)
	Mount Vernon HS	
0	Whatcom HS	5
	Anacortes HS	

1905		(0-1-0)
0	Whatcom HS	11

1906	No team

1907		(2-3-0)
0	Mount Vernon HS	17
0	Anacortes HS	18
0	Bellingham HS	27
28	Blaine HS	0
24	Puget Sound	0

1908		(4-3-1)
0	Mount Vernon HS	0
5	Bellingham HS	0
20	@ Sedro Woolley HS	0
23	Sedro Woolley HS	6
0	@ Seattle	30
0	Bellingham HS	6
0	Everett HS	19
6	@ Anacortes	5

1909		(2-2-1)
15	Puget Sound	6
6	Sedro Woolley HS	7
17	@ Puget Sound	0
0	Bellingham HS	6
0	Bellingham HS	16

1910		(1-5-0)
0	Broadway	29
0	@ Queen Anne	20
0	Bellingham HS	11
0	@ Bellingham HS	5
12	@ Lynden	0
6	@ Puget Sound	11

1911		(0-1-0)
10	Bellingham	19

1912		(4-2-0)
6	Everett HS	30
6	Puget Sound	39
19	Bellingham HS	0
	Ferndale HS	
	Burlington HS	

1913		(2-2-1)
13	Ferndale HS	0
14	@ Mount Vernon HS	7
0	@ Everett HS	46
	Ferndale HS	
0	Bellingham HS	0

1914		(2-6-1)
0	@ Ferndale	6
0	@ Mount Vernon	42
2	Ferndale	0
0	Everett	97
0	Mount Vernon	0
7	Anacortes	13
6	@ Ferndale	0
0	Bellingham	6
7	@ Anacortes	20

1915		(4-3-0)
7	@ Everett HS	26
0	Washington Soph.	13
26	Ferndale HS	0
14	Anacortes HS	0
0	@ Mount Vernon HS	13
6	Bellingham	0
22	@ Bremerton	0

1916		(7-1-0)
80	Ferndale HS	0
61	@ Anacortes HS	0
25	Everett HS	7
7	@ Mount Vernon HS	21
46	@ Puget Sound	0
6	Anacortes HS	0
78	Puget Sound	14

1917	No team - World War I

1918	No team - World War I

1919	No team - World War I

1920	No team - World War I

1921		(4-1-0)
14	@ Sedro Woolley	0
28	Torpedo Station	0
17	Puget Sound	6
0	Washington Frosh	14
6	Saint Martin's	0

1922		(1-2-1)
14	@ Puget Sound	7
0	Washington Frosh	9
7	Saint Martin's	7
0	@ Ellensburg	19
20	Ellensburg	13

1923		(3-0-2)
7	Puget Sound	7
19	@ Washington Frosh	6
3	Saint Martin's	3
20	Ellensburg	3
27	Cheney	13
0	@ Ellensburg	19

1924		(4-2-0)
0	Washington Frosh	10
0	Washington	13
24	@ Ellensburg	0
13	Cheney	0
51	@ Seattle	0
20	Saint Martin's	0

1925		(5-2-0)
39	Seattle	2
9	Saint Martin's	0
3	@ Cheney	41
0	Washington	3
13	@ Washington Frosh	6
46	British Columbia	6
36	Ellensburg	6

1926		(3-2-1)
13	Saint Martin's	14
27	@ Seattle	0
9	@ Ellensburg	13
9	Cheney	3
16	Washington	0

1927		(4-2-0)
31	West Seattle	0
6	@ Cheney	0
7	@ Washington Frosh	13
20	Saint Martin's	7
7	Ellensburg	13
7	Washington	6

1928		(1-5-0)
7	West Seattle	13
0	@ Ellensburg	13
0	Cheney	6
7	Saint Martin's	0
0	@ Washington	6
0	Washington Frosh	13

1929		(3-4-0)
76	U.S. Coast Guard	0
13	West Seattle	19
0	@ Cheney	7
19	Saint Martin's	0
20	Washington Frosh	6
0	@ Washington	19
0	Ellensburg	6

1930		(2-4-1)
14	U.S. Coast Guard	6
0	@ Oregon Normal	26
0	Cheney	19
20	Centralia	7
0	@ Puget Sound	0
0	@ Ellensburg	26
2	Saint Martin's	13

1931		(2-5-0)
6	@ U.S. Coast Guard	0
7	@ Pacific Lutheran	27
0	@ Cheney	40
0	Ellensburg	7
6	Puget Sound	20
0	Saint Martin's	26

1932		(0-4-1)
0	Saint Martin's	0
0	@ Ellensburg	26
0	Pacific Lutheran	7
0	@ Puget Sound	30
6	Cheney	7

1933		(1-5-0)
0	Puget Sound	4
14	Pacific Lutheran	0
0	Ellensburg	6
0	@ Cheney	33
0	@ Saint Martin's	13
0	@ Washington Frosh	22

1934		(2-2-3)
44	@ British Columbia	0
3	@ Pacific Lutheran	5
0	Washington Frosh	0
6	U.S.S. Maryland	6
0	@ Ellensburg	0
14	@ Puget Sound	0
6	Cheney	12

1935		(4-3-1)
0	@ Cheney	21
7	Puget Sound	13
25	Monmouth	7
0	Pacific Lutheran	6
6	@ Washington Frosh	6
0	Ellensburg	0
	Fort Lewis	
	British Columbia	

1936		(4-4-0)
32	Seattle Academy	6
19	Gonzaga Frosh	7
9	Saint Martin's	13
6	Washington Frosh	0
0	Cheney	6
28	@ Monmouth	6
6	@ Ellensburg	7
0	@ Pacific Lutheran	13

1937		(4-2-1)
13	Pacific Lutheran	0
0	Saint Martin's	0
0	Washington Frosh	6
12	Wash. State Frosh	0
7	@ Cheney	13
9	Ellensburg	0
13	Linfield	0

1938		(7-0-0)
6	Saint Martin's	3
13	Monmouth	0
6	Washington Frosh	0
20	@ Fort Lewis	7
13	@ Ellensburg	6
33	@ Pacific Lutheran	14
7	Cheney	0

1939		(5-2-0)
13	Pacific Lutheran	14
19	Pacific	0
26	@ Monmouth	0
12	@ Washington Frosh	0
12	@ Saint Martin's	0
0	@ Cheney	13
12	Ellensburg	0

1940		(3-4-0)
0	Puget Sound	12
13	Central Washington	12
13	Saint Martin's	7
7	@ Pacific Lutheran	26
0	@ Central Washington	7
12	@ Pacific	0
6	Eastern Washington	7

1941		(5-2-1)
13	Linfield	0
7	@ Puget Sound	0
19	@ Central Washington	13
6	Portland	6
7	Pacific Lutheran	23
6	@ Eastern Washington	14
19	@ Saint Martin's	13
19	Central Washington	7

1942		(1-4-2)
0	Eastern Washington	6
0	@ Portland	26
6	Saint Martin's	9
0	@ Eastern Washington	33
0	Central Washington	0
7	@ Pacific Lutheran	7
13	Puget Sound	0

1943	No team - World War II

1944	No team - World War II

1945	No team - World War II

1946		(4-4-0)
25	@ British Columbia	0
26	Central Washington	31
0	@ Eastern Washington	20
7	Puget Sound	6
6	@ North Idaho	26
6	@ Saint Martin's	12
13	Whitworth	0
9	Pacific Lutheran	0

1947		(5-3-0)
35	Saint Martin's	6
4	@ Central Washington	0
32	British Columbia	0
0	@ Pacific Lutheran	6
30	North Idaho	0
41	@ Whitworth	0
0	@ Puget Sound	6
7	Eastern Washington	10

1948		(5-4-0)
37	Linfield	6
40	@ British Columbia	0
7	Eastern Washington	31
6	Central Washington	7
6	@ Whitworth	12
3	@ Pacific Lutheran	32
14	Puget Sound	12
12	@ Saint Martin's	0
28	British Columbia	13

1949		(4-4-1)
0	Lewis & Clark	13
13	@ Pacific	35
6	@ Eastern Washington	13
13	Pacific Lutheran	13
21	British Columbia	6
20	Whitworth	7
40	Saint Martin's	7
20	@ Central Washington	8
0	@ Puget Sound	12

1950		(7-2-1)
6	@ Pacific	12
19	Linfield	7
37	@ Whitworth	6
13	Puget Sound	13
47	@ British Columbia	7
47	@ Pacific Lutheran	0
26	Central Washington	0
0	Eastern Washington	6
41	@ Saint Martin's	7
25	British Columbia	9

1951		(8-1-0)
8	Pacific	0
40	British Columbia	6
59	Eastern Washington	0
0	Pacific Lutheran	14
52	@ British Columbia	6
19	@ Puget Sound	0
20	@ Eastern Washington	12
51	Whitworth	12
33	@ Central Washington	7

1952		(5-2-1)
7	Pacific	9
13	Puget Sound	6
7	@ Pacific Lutheran	7
50	British Columbia	0
14	@ Whitworth	20
34	Central Washington	0
19	Eastern Washington	0
51	@ British Columbia	0

1953		(3-4-2)
12	@ Pacific	12
26	Willamette	13
8	Pacific Lutheran	7
19	@ Eastern Washington	35
6	Lewis & Clark	6
12	Whitworth	28
0	@ Puget Sound	33
27	British Columbia	13
12	@ Central Washington	23

1954		(3-5-0)
19	Pacific	25
0	@ Whitworth	33
0	Puget Sound	33
7	@ British Columbia	0
6	@ Lewis & Clark	27
6	@ Pacific Lutheran	7
27	Eastern Washington	0
12	Central Washington	0

1955		(1-7-0)
0	Eastern Washington	6
0	Whitworth	13
0	@ Puget Sound	20
0	British Columbia	6
19	Southern Oregon	6
7	Pacific Lutheran	14
6	@ Eastern Washington	32
0	@ Central Washington	32

1956 (2-6-0)

7	Lewis & Clark	34
0	@ Whitworth	35
7	Puget Sound	35
7	@ British Columbia	0
13	@ Humboldt State	20
14	Eastern Washington	13
7	Central Washington	13
20	@ Pacific Lutheran	31

1957 (4-3-0)

9	@ Oregon College	13
20	Whitworth	13
7	@ Puget Sound	13
39	British Columbia	7
20	Pacific Lutheran	13
27	@ Eastern Washington	6
6	@ Central Washington	27

1958 (6-2-0)

33	Oregon College	12
21	@ Whitworth	6
6	Eastern Washington	0
14	@ Linfield	37
12	@ Pacific Lutheran	7
20	British Columbia	19
19	@ Central Washington	18
0	Puget Sound	14

1959 (3-5-0)

7	@ Willamette	27
7	Whitworth	13
14	@ Eastern Washington	16
3	@ Humboldt State	7
10	Pacific Lutheran	7
20	@ British Columbia	3
27	Central Washington	13
14	@ Puget Sound	21

1960 (2-7-0)

0	British Columbia	8
0	Willamette	15
3	Central Washington	19
13	@ Whitworth	35
26	@ Pacific Lutheran	6
0	Puget Sound	12
13	Eastern Washington	7
0	@ Central Washington	33
0	Whitworth	30

1961 (5-4-0)

13	British Columbia	6
13	Pacific Lutheran	7
13	@ Puget Sound	0
7	@ Eastern Washington	0
13	Central Washington	19
0	@ Whitworth	53
21	@ Pacific Lutheran	14
6	Puget Sound	14
7	@ Portland State	13

1962 (4-4-1)

26	@ British Columbia	6
14	@ Eastern Washington	7
6	Central Washington	6
7	Whitworth	16
13	Pacific Lutheran	7
7	@ Puget Sound	13
13	Eastern Washington	6
14	@ Central Washington	21
0	@ Humboldt State	32

1963 (5-4-0)

10	British Columbia	6
0	@ Whitworth	41
34	@ Pacific Lutheran	7
12	Puget Sound	7
0	@ Linfield	16
13	Eastern Washington	7
0	@ Central Washington	19
7	Whitworth	33
32	Pacific Lutheran	7

1964 (5-3-1)

25	British Columbia	7
6	@ Puget Sound	0
20	@ Eastern Washington	14
0	Central Washington	7
14	Linfield	14
7	@ Whitworth	34
0	@ Pacific Lutheran	7
12	Puget Sound	0
12	Eastern Washington	10

1965 (4-4-1)

12	British Columbia	0
6	Central Washington	19
14	Whitworth	0
14	@ Pacific Lutheran	27
13	Portland State	2
13	Puget Sound	13
7	Eastern Washington	34
23	@ Central Washington	14
13	@ Whitworth	28

1966 (3-4-2)

0	@ British Columbia	0
0	@ Eastern Washington	24
6	@ Central Washington	6
26	Pacific Lutheran	13
13	@ Portland State	40
28	@ Whitworth	7
2	Puget Sound	28
21	Eastern Washington	45
37	Central Washington	28

1967 (3-6-0)

0	Central Washington	31
26	Whitworth	7
17	@ Simon Fraser	7
14	Eastern Washington	33
16	Portland State	21
14	@ Central Washington	20
10	@ Whitworth	0
0	Puget Sound	20
21	@ Eastern Washington	26

1968 (3-6-0)

7	@ Central Washington (at Yakima)	14
13	@ Eastern Washington	30
7	Simon Fraser	6
0	@ Whitworth	19
3	Central Washington	7
20	@ Portland State	27
21	Eastern Washington	20
17	@ Puget Sound	42
33	Whitworth	0

1969 (5-4-0)

0	@ Cal Poly-SLO	44
7	@ Eastern Washington	14
15	Central Washington	12
28	@ Whitworth	21
34	British Columbia	13
19	Eastern Washington	16
11	@ Central Washington	23
28	Whitworth	13
7	@ Simon Fraser	18

1970 (5-5-0)

21	@ Oregon College	0
14	Pacific Lutheran	29
30	@ Southern Oregon	0
0	Simon Fraser	7
14	Puget Sound	34
14	@ Central Washington	35
28	@ Whitworth	21
28	@ Eastern Washington	6
7	Central Washington	24
20	Oregon Tech	0

1971 (7-3-0)

20	Oregon College	7
7	@ Pacific Lutheran	15
23	@ Central Washington	15
33	Southern Oregon	3
3	@ Puget Sound	21
50	Eastern Washington	7
21	Eastern Oregon	8
42	@ Oregon Tech	2
41	@ Whitworth	21
0	@ Simon Fraser	21

1972 (2-7-0)

13	@ Pacific	28
14	Central Washington	28
13	@ Eastern Oregon	15
7	Portland State	10
14	Oregon Tech	7
25	@ Southern Oregon	18
0	Oregon College	17
13	@ Eastern Washington	28
0	@ Simon Fraser	47

1973 (1-7-0)

0	Simon Fraser	30
6	Eastern Washington	34
19	@ Oregon College	14
14	@ Oregon Tech	19
12	@ Portland State	28
7	Eastern Oregon	14
10	Southern Oregon	14
7	@ Central Washington	17

1974 (2-6-1)

0	Pacific Lutheran	48
3	Lewis & Clark	3
1	@ Eastern Oregon *forfeit (14-34)	0*
9	Central Washington	13
0	@ Eastern Washington	64
6	Oregon College	40
20	Oregon Tech	22
5	Portland State	9
14	@ Southern Oregon	10

1975 (4-4-0)

6	@ Pacific Lutheran	42
1	@ Lewis & Clark *forfeit (20-21)	0*
12	Eastern Oregon	14
14	@ Central Washington	20
31	Eastern Washington	6
13	@ Oregon College	28
24	@ Oregon Tech	21
28	Southern Oregon	27

1976 (7-3-0)

22	Lewis & Clark	28
26	Montana Tech	12
26	British Columbia	24
42	Oregon Tech	21
27	Oregon College	28
20	@ Eastern Washington	21
21	Central Washington	15
24	@ Eastern Oregon	21
28	@ Southern Oregon	21
48	@ Pacific Lutheran	28#

1977 (6-4-0)

0	@ Whitworth	12
13	@ Pacific	17
24	Montana Tech	6
38	@ Oregon Tech	21
36	@ Oregon College	47
21	Eastern Washington	14
21	@ Central Washington	10
35	Eastern Oregon	19
18	Southern Oregon	7
0	Pacific Lutheran (KingDome-Seattle)	24#

1978 (4-6-0)

3	Pacific Lutheran	45
16	Pacific	17
17	@ Southern Oregon	27
0	@ Nevada-Reno	66
26	Oregon Tech	17
20	Oregon College	19
16	@ Eastern Washington	26
23	Central Washington	7
20	@ Lewis & Clark	14
21	@ Eastern Oregon	24

1979 (4-5-0)

0	@ Simon Fraser	29
17	Lewis & Clark	21
14	Whitworth	7
17	@ Pacific	7
10	Southern Oregon	9
31	@ Oregon College	47
9	@ Central Washington	17
27	Eastern Oregon	24
6	@ Oregon Tech	52

1980 (2-8-0)

0	@ Pacific Lutheran	30
14	@ Lewis & Clark	23
1	@ Whitworth *forfeit (12-17)	0*
28	Pacific	6
12	@ Southern Oregon	14
6	Oregon College	35
3	Central Washington	26
20	@ Eastern Oregon	55
16	Oregon Tech	17
14	Simon Fraser	21

1981 (0-10-0)

0	@ Pacific Lutheran	23
7	Linfield	36
14	@ Willamette	30
25	Whitworth	28
16	@ Oregon Tech	36
6	Southern Oregon	21
35	@ Western Oregon	47
7	@ Central Washington	44
0	Eastern Oregon	20
0	@ Portland State	49

1982 (1-8-0)

7	Pacific Lutheran	39
21	@ Linfield	41
28	Willamette	27
14	@ Whitworth	51
3	Oregon Tech	41
6	@ Southern Oregon	37
3	Western Oregon	43
0	Central Washington	21
20	@ Eastern Oregon	23

1983 (1-9-0)

10	@ Oregon Tech	30
7	Pacific Lutheran	49
16	@ Pacific	33
10	Whitworth	35
7	@ Western Oregon	42
31	Eastern Oregon	10
27	Simon Fraser	28
0	@ Puget Sound	51
14	@ Central Washington	49
7	Southern Oregon	22

1984 (3-6-1)

10	@ Whitworth	13
18	Oregon Tech	3
13	@ Pacific Lutheran	24
29	Pacific	37
9	Western Oregon	36
24	@ Eastern Oregon	12
7	@ Simon Fraser	17
7	Puget Sound	7
6	Central Washington	28
1	@ Southern Oregon *forfeit (13-24)	0*

1985 (2-6-1)

27	@ Lewis & Clark	28
25	Eastern Oregon	25
23	Whitworth	29
14	@ Central Washington	17
24	@ Willamette	28
14	Oregon Tech	10
17	@ Simon Fraser	20
36	Puget Sound	22
21	Pacific Lutheran	52

1986 (2-7-0)

19	Lewis & Clark	7
37	@ Eastern Oregon	17
27	@ Whitworth	31
13	Central Washington	28
23	Willamette	29
14	@ Oregon Tech	35
12	Simon Fraser	41
14	@ Puget Sound	41
0	@ Pacific Lutheran	49

1987 (4-3-2)

28	@ Willamette	13
17	@ Puget Sound	27
14	Central Washington	34
14	@ Simon Fraser	19
16	Western Oregon	14
13	@ Pacific	13
35	@ Lewis & Clark	18
41	Whitworth	7
13	Pacific Lutheran	13

1988 (5-4-0)

27	Willamette	28
10	Puget Sound	28
20	@ Central Washington	37
23	Simon Fraser	9
22	@ Western Oregon	17
34	Pacific	14
32	Lewis & Clark	0
30	@ Whitworth	12
23	@ Pacific Lutheran	41

1989 (7-2-0)

24	@ Whitworth	9
41	Western Oregon	6
15	Central Washington	21
46	@ Simon Fraser	18
48	Willamette	7
38	@ Eastern Oregon	16
31	@ Pacific Lutheran	59
43	Puget Sound	15
27	@ Linfield	24

1990 (3-6-0)

19	Whitworth	22
30	@ Western Oregon	22
16	@ Central Washington	28
14	Simon Fraser	7
17	@ Willamette	23
42	Eastern Oregon	33
0	Pacific Lutheran	21
13	@ Puget Sound	22
21	Linfield	28

1991 (5-3-1)

35	Western Oregon	7
31	@ Eastern Oregon	41
26	@ Simon Fraser	21
21	Pacific Lutheran	22
27	Puget Sound	9
19	@ Lewis & Clark	19
30	@ Pacific	10
17	Whitworth	3
13	@ Central Washington	22

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1992		(7-3-0)
27	@ Western Oregon	10
31	Eastern Oregon	17
17	Simon Fraser	27
16	@ Pacific Lutheran	49
28	@ Puget Sound	0
34	Lewis & Clark	6
24	British Columbia	14
39	@ Whitworth	14
37	Central Washington	7
0	**@ Linfield**	**26**

1993		(6-3-0)
30	Western Oregon	13
37	Willamette	28
7	@ Linfield	19
52	@ Southern Oregon	26
43	Whitworth	30
31	@ Puget Sound	13
13	Simon Fraser	9
29	Pacific Lutheran	37
28	@ Central Washington	42

1994		(8-3-0)
31	@ Western Oregon	7
42	@ Willamette	14
12	Linfield	25
40	Southern Oregon	20
45	@ Whitworth	0
48	Puget Sound	3
42	@ Simon Fraser	3
15	@ Pacific Lutheran	35
10	Central Washington	3
21	**@ Linfield**	**2**
20	**@ Pacific Lutheran**	**25**

1995		(9-1-0)
30	Pacific Lutheran	26
52	@ Puget Sound	7
36	Whitworth	7
20	@ Linfield	13
54	Southern Oregon	6
19	Central Washington	16
56	@ Eastern Oregon	13
45	Simon Fraser	0
37	Western Oregon	21
21	**Central Washington**	**28**

1996		(11-2-0)
34	@ Pacific Lutheran	17
40	Puget Sound	0
56	@ Whitworth	13
32	Linfield	14
21	@ Southern Oregon	14
20	@ Central Washington	34
25	Eastern Oregon	6
22	Simon Fraser	0
28	@ Western Oregon	20
21	**Pacific Lutheran (OT)**	**20**
13	**Willamette**	**12**
28	**@ Findlay OH**	**21**
25	**Sioux Falls SD** (Savannah, TN)	**47**

1997		(5-5-0)
35	Chapman CA	0
44	@ Pacific Lutheran	46 (3 OT)
28	@ Linfield	17
6	Western Oregon	8
45	@ Humboldt State CA	7
7	@ UC Davis	16
31	Simon Fraser	0
28	Eastern Oregon (OT)	31
22	@ Central Washington	36
27	Southern Oregon	26

1998		(5-5-0)
21	@ Chapman	14
12	@ Montana State	41
40	Western Montana	10
36	Humboldt State	17
19	@ Eastern Washington	42
24	UC Davis	28
44	@ Simon Fraser	0
41	@ Western Oregon	36
26	Central Washington	33
21	@ Southern Oregon	28

1999		(8-3-0)
28	@ Portland State	48
45	Wisconsin-Whitewater	14
20	Saint Mary's	7
49	Western New Mexico	21
45	@ Simon Fraser	0
27	@ Central Washington	7
26	Chadron State	14
58	@ Humboldt State CA	0
21	Western Oregon	20
24	@ UC Davis	55
24	**@ Northeastern (OT) State OK**	**27**

2000		(7-3-0)
20	@ Portland State	37
30	@ Saint Mary's CA	20
41	West Texas A&M	17
62	Western Montana	3
35	Central Washington	22
49	Western New Mexico	7
16	@ Western Oregon	20
55	Simon Fraser	13
42	Humboldt State	7
28	UC Davis	35

2001		(8-3-0)
24	Central Oklahoma	28
48	@ Fort Lewis CO	10
77	Montana Western	0
0	@ Montana	30
17	@ Cal Poly	9
45	South Dakota State	28
36	Central Washington	14
41	@ Humboldt State	7
24	@ New Haven CT	21
46	Western Oregon	14
32	@ UC Davis	40

2002		(6-4-0)
24	@Central Oklahoma	16
52	Fort Lewis CO	14
31	@Saint Mary's CA	28
62	Western New Mexico	13
19	@South Dakota State	23
28	@Central Wash. (OT)	35
27	Humboldt State CA	7
21	New Haven CT	47
20	@ Western Oregon (3OT)	17
7	UC Davis	14

2003		(4-6-0)
27	St. Cloud State MN	44
20	@ West. Oregon (OT)	23
28	@ Nebraska-Omaha	52
42	Saint Mary's CA (OT)	35
20	vs.Central Washington (Seattle)	29
17	@ Northern Colorado	48
19	@ UC Davis	48
17	Central Washington	16
34	@ Humboldt State CA	20
17	WESTERN OREGON	13

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Shut Out Opponent ..... **77-0 vs. Montana-Western**, 9/15/01
Scored 50 Points ..... **62-13 vs. Western New Mexico**, 10/15/02
Rushed for 300 Yards ..... **300 vs. Western-Montana**, 9/23/00
Passed for 400 Yards ..... **440 at Fort Lewis CO**, 9/8/01
Gained 500 Yards Total Offense: ..... **521 vs. Humboldt State CA**, 10/26/02
Failed to Rush for 50 Yards ..... **16 vs. Western Oregon**, 11/6/99
Failed to Pass for 50 Yards ..... **36 at Linfield OR**, 11/21/92
Failed to Gain 100 Yards Total Offense ..... **92 at Linfield OR**, 11/21/92
Held Opponent Under 100 Yards Total Offense ..... **78 vs. Montana-Western**, 9/15/01
Held Opponent Under 50 Yards Rushing Offense ..... **30 vs. New Haven CT**, 10/27/01
Held Opponent Under 100 Yards Passing Offense ..... **90 at Saint Mary's CA**, 9/28/02
Player Rushed for 200 Yards ..... **207 (40 carries), Ryan Wiggins at Southern Oregon**, 10/19/96
Player Rushed 30 Times ..... **40 (207 yards), Ryan Wiggins at Southern Oregon**, 10/19/96
Player Passed for 300 Yards ..... **386 (29-57), Steve Nichols vs. New Haven CT**, 11/2/02
Player Completed 25 Passes ..... **29 (57 att.), Steve Nichols vs. New Haven CT**, 11/2/02
Player Caught 10 Passes ..... **11 (199 Yds), Andy Olson vs. Saint Mary's CA**, 9/27/03
Player Caught 3 Touchdown Passes ..... **3, Rick Carte, Humboldt State CA**, 11/1/03
Player Gained 150 Yards Receiving ..... **160 (9 rec.), Andy Olson vs. Central Washington**, 10/4/03
Player Scored 4 Touchdowns ..... **4, Greg Dykstra at Fort Lewis CO**, 9/14/02
Player Returned Kickoff for Touchdown ..... **87, Erik Totten at Saint Mary's CA**, 9/9/00
Player Returned Punt for Touchdown ..... **58, Greg Dykstra at Fort Lewis CO**, 9/14/02
Player Returned Interception for Touchdown ..... **15, Erik Totten vs. Western Oregon**, 11/3/01
Player Returned Blocked Punt for Touchdown ..... **0, Jeff Gulliford at Puget Sound WA** 11/8/86
Player Blocked Punt ..... **Taylor Hutton vs. Saint Cloud State MN**, 9/4/03
Player Blocked Field Goal ..... **Brett Thompson at Northern Colorado**, 10/11/03
Player Blocked PAT ..... **Parker Follis at Western Oregon**, 9/13/03
Player Recovered Fumble for Touchdown ..... **40, Anthony Dalton vs. Western Oregon**, 11/3/01

RECORDS

CAREER - INDIVIDUAL

Yards Rushing 4073
Jon Brunaugh, 1992-95

Yards Passing 7854
Jason Stiles, 1992-95

Yards Pass-Receiving 3268
Chris Nicholl, 1993-96

All-Purpose Running Yards 5085
Pat Locker, 1976-79

Total Plays 1221
Scott Mitchell, 1999-2001

Total Yards 7877
Scott Mitchell, 1999-2001

Pass Receptions 181
Greg Dykstra, 1999-2002

Rushing Attempts 848
Pat Locker, 1976-79

Passes Attempted 1052
Jason Stiles, 1992-95

Passes Completed 585
Jason Stiles, 1992-95

Passing Pct (min 400 att.) 607 (549-905)
Scott Mitchell, 1999-2001

Touchdown Passes 67
Jason Stiles, 1992-95
Scott Mitchell, 1999-2001

Points Scored 267
Wade Gebers, 1993-96

Points Scored Kicking 267
Wade Gebers, 1993-96

Touchdowns Scored 44
Scott Lohr, 1986-89

Touchdown Passes Caught 30
Chris Nicholl, 1993-96 ,
Greg Dykstra, 1999-2002

Yards Returned Kickoffs 1347
Erik Totten, 1998-2001

Kickoff Returns 60
Erik Totten, 1998-2001

Yards Returned Punts 1242
Erik Totten, 1998-2001

Punt Returns 104
Erik Totten, 1998-2001

Consecutive Games With Pass Reception. 38
Greg Dykstra, 2000-2002

Consecutive Games Rushing
for 100 yards 7
Pat Locker, 1976-77
Scott Lohr, 1989

Consecutive Games Scoring Touchdown 9
Scott Lohr, 1989

Consecutive Games Throwing
Touchdown Pass 18
Jason Stiles, 1994-95
Andy Olson, 2002-03

Consecutive Games Making
Touchdown Pass Reception 7
Ben Clampitt, 1998-99
Andy Olson, 2002-03

Consecutive Games Pass-Rec
for 100 yards 11
Chris Nicholl, 1995-96

Consecutive Games Making
Pass Interception 5
Orlondo Steinauer, 1995

Consecutive Games Rushing for 100 yards 21
Pat Locker, 1976-79

Consecutive Games Passing for 200 yards 22
Jason Stiles, 1992-95

Field Goals Made 47
Wade Gebers, 1993-96

Field Goals Attempted 80
Wade Gebers, 1993-96

PAT kicks Made 135
Josh Bailey, 1997-00

PAT kicks Attempted 151
Josh Bailey, 1997-00

Times Punted 242
Jon Christie, 1977-80

Yards Punted 8042
Jon Christie, 1977-80

Punting Average 39.8
Peter LaBarge, 1985-88

Pass Interceptions 26
Vic Randall, 1967-70

Fumbles Recovered 14
Chuck Houser, 1973-76

Tackles 431
Wayne Lewis, 1984-87

Quarterback Sacks 45
Chad Rorabaugh, 1994-97

Total Tackles for Losses 71
Chad Rorabaugh, 1994-97

Yards Lost on Tackles 412
Chad Rorabaugh, 1994-97

Blocked Kicks 8
Shane Volkmann, 1989-92

SEASON - INDIVIDUAL

Yards Rushing 1395
Scott Lohr, 1989

Rushing Attempts 302
Ryan Wiggins, 1996

Yards Per Carry Average 8.3
Fred Emerson, 1957

All-Purpose Running Yards 1788
Pat Locker, 1976

Yards Pass-Receiving 1584
Chris Nicholl, 1996

Pass Receptions 82
Chris Nicholl, 1996

Touchdown Passes Caught 14
Ben Clampitt, 1999

Yards Per Reception 20.5
Chris Nicholl, 1995

Yards Passing 3157
Darren Erath, 1996

Passes Attempted 394
Sam Hanson, 1998

Passes Completed 232
Sam Hanson, 1998

Touchdown Passes 28
Sam Hanson, 1998

Passing Percentage (min 100 att.) ..... .617
Scott Mitchell, 2001 (203-330),
Josh Shimek, 2002 (129-209)

Passes Attempted Without Interception. 198
Darren Erath, 1996-97

Total Yards 3254
Darren Erath, 1996

Total Plays 485
Darren Erath, 1996

Points Scored 120
Scott Lohr, 1989

Touchdowns 20
Scott Lohr, 1989

Kick Scoring 93
Wade Gebers, 1996

Consecutive PAT kicks 40
Michael Koenen, 2001-02

Field Goals Made 19
Wade Gebers, 1996

Field Goals Attempted 29
Wade Gebers, 1996

Consecutive Field Goals 8
Michael Koenen, 2001-02

PAT Kicks Made 43
Josh Bailey, 2000
Michael Koenen, 2001

PAT Kicks Attempted 48
Michael Keonen, 2001

Passes Intercepted 10
Orlondo Steinauer, 1995

Yards Returned Intercepted Passes 223
Warren Schmidt, 1960

Intercepted Passes Returned for Touchdowns 2
Chad Rorabaugh, 1997
Lance Gustafson, 2000

Yards Returned Kickoffs 508
Mark Moran, 1983

Yards Returned Punts 612
Erik Totten, 2000

Punt Returns 39
Erik Totten, 2000

Yards Punted 2583
Dave Peterson, 1984

Times Punted 74
Jon Christie, 1980

Punting Average 44.9
Michael Koenen, 2002

Tackles 164
Jim Sterk, 1977

Fumbles Recovered 6
Ray Kelley, 1971
Chuck Houser, 1976
Wayne Lewis, 1987

Forced Fumbles 4
Rob White, 2002

Blocked Punts 3
Rick Faupel, 1977

Quarterback Sacks 18
Chad Rorabaugh, 1996

Games Passing for 200 yards 11
Darren Erath, 1996

Games Rushing for 100 yards 7
Jon Brunaugh, 1995
Ryan Wiggins, 1996

Games Pass-Receiving for 100 yards 10
Chris Nicholl, 1996

Games Making Pass Interception 8
Orlondo Steinauer, 1995

SEASON - TEAM

Wins 11, 1996

Winning Pct. 1.000, 7-0, 1938

Winning Pct (regular season) 1,000, 9-0, 1995

Losses 10, 1981

Winning Streak 9, 1937-38, 1995

Losing Streak 18, 1980-82

Regular-Season Winning Streak 15, 1995-96

Road Winning Streak 6, 1995-96

Home Winning Streak 11, 1999-2000

Points Scored 390, 2001

Avg. Points 37.8, 2000

Total Yards 5482, 1996

Yards Rushing 2122, 1996

Rushing Attempts 557, 1996

Yards Passing 3360, 1996

Avg. Yards Passing 303.3, 1998

Passes Attempted 430, 1998

Passes Completed 248, 1998

Passing Percentage ..... .613, 1995 (196-320)

Total Plays 976, 1996

Fumbles Recovered ..... 25, 1971 & 1987

Pass Interceptions ..... 27, 1977 & 1984

Pass Interceptions Returned
for Touchdowns 4, 1997

Takeaways 46, 1977

Blocked Punts 6, 1951

BEST PLAYS

Rushing Play ..... 91 yards
Jon Brunaugh, 1993 (Whitworth)

Passing Play ..... 98 yards
Dan Brigham from Dave Peterson, 1984 (Simon Fraser)

Field Goal ..... 54 yards
Michael Koenen, 2001 (Central Oklahoma)

Pass Interception Return ..... 102 yards
Al Cornett, 1952 (British Columbia)

Punt ..... 73 yards
Michael Keonen, 2002 (Saint Mary's)

Fumble Recovery Return ..... 92 yards
Ron Storaasli, 1958 (Eastern Washington)

Punt Return ..... 90 yards
John Huntley, 1975 (Eastern Oregon)

Kickoff Return ..... 99 yards
Mark Moran, 1983 (Simon Fraser)

GAME - TEAM

Points 77
vs Montana-Western, 2001

Total Yards 666
vs Whitworth, 1996

Yards Rushing 415
vs Whitworth, 1966

Yards Passing 480
vs Humboldt State, 1998

Touchdown Passes 6
vs Fort Lewis CO, 2002

Total Plays 97
vs Lewis & Clark, 1988
vs UC Davis, 2001

Rushing Plays 70
vs Lewis & Clark, 1988

Passes Attempted 65
vs UC Davis, 2001

Passes Completed 35
vs Pacific, 1984

First Downs 31
vs Puget Sound, 1996
vs Montana-Western, 2001

Penalties 18
vs Eastern Oregon, 1980
vs Chapman, 1997

Yards Penalized 160
vs Whitworth, 1995

Pass Interceptions 7
vs Oregon Tech, 1986

Yards Returned Interceptions 127
vs Oregon Tech, 1984

Punts 14
vs Southern Oregon, 1981
vs Whitworth, 1984

Yards Punted 566
vs Whitworth, 1984

Punting Average 49.3
vs South Dakota State, 2001

Least Yards Allowed Passing ..... -5
vs Central Washington, 1989

Least Yards Allowed Rushing ..... -52
vs Whitworth, 1991

Least Yards Allowed Total Offense 48
vs Pacific Lutheran, 1950

GAME - INDIVIDUAL

Yards Rushing 279
Jon Brunaugh, 1992 (British Columbia)

Yards Pass-Receiving 295
Ben Clampitt, 1998 (Humboldt State)

Yards Passing 480
Sam Hanson, 1998 (Humboldt State)

Total Yards 482
Sam Hanson, 1998 (Humboldt State)

Yards Returned Punts 138
Erik Totten, 2000 (Western New Mexico)

Yards Returned Kickoffs 169
Charlie Hampton, 1990 (Willamette)

Completed Passes 35
Dave Peterson, 1984 (Pacific)

Attempted Passes 64
Scott Mitchell, 2001 (UC Davis)

Total Plays 75
Scott Mitchell, 2001 (UC Davis)

Touchdown Passes 5
Sam Hanson, 1998 (Humboldt State & Western Oregon)
Scott Mitchell, 2000 (West Texas A&M)

Rushing Attempts 40
Ryan Wiggins, 1996 (Southern Oregon)

Passes Caught 14
Ben Clampitt, 1999 (UC Davis)
Greg Dykstra, 2001 (UC Davis)

Touchdown Passes Caught 3
Jeff Potter, 1976 (Oregon Tech)
Bill Handy, 1982 (Linfield)
Mark Watters, 1992 (Central Washington)
Eric Meek, 1994 (Whitworth)
Chris Nicholl, 1995 (Western Oregon) & 1996 (Pacific Lutheran)
Scott Noteboom, 1998 (Humboldt State)
Ben Clampitt, 1999 (Portland State)
Greg Dykstra, 2000 (West Texas A&M)
2002 (Fort Lewis CO, Saint Mary's CA)
Rick Carte, 2003 (Humboldt State CA)

Touchdowns Scored 4
Steve Richardson, 1966 (Whitworth)
Fred Emerson, 1957 (British Columbia)
Scott Lohr, 1988 (Whitworth) & 1989 (Willamette, Puget Sound)
Mike Wagner, 1990 (Western Oregon)
Giorgio Usai, 2000 (Western Montana)
Greg Dykstra, 2002 (Fort Lewis, CO)

Points Scored 27
Fred Emerson, 1957 (British Columbia)

Tackles 34
Gary Fumano, 1961 (Portland State)

Fumbles Recovered 3
Chuck Houser, 1975 (Western Oregon)
Wayne Lewis, 1987 (Puget Sound)
Chris Keeffe, 1993 (Central Washington)

Forced Fumbles 4
Rob White, 2002 (Fort Lewis CO)

Pass Interceptions 4
Tim Richard, 1984 (Pacific Lutheran)

Pass Interceptions Returned for Touchdowns 2
Chad Rorabaugh, 1997 (Chapman)

Blocked Punts 2
Ty Murphy, 1980 (Eastern Oregon)
Dominic Martinez, 2000 (Western Montana)

Blocked PATs 2
Brian Humphrey, 1983 (Pacific)

PATs Made 9
Michael Koenen, 2001 (Montana-Western)

PATs Attempted 10
Michael Koenen, 2001 (Montana-Western)

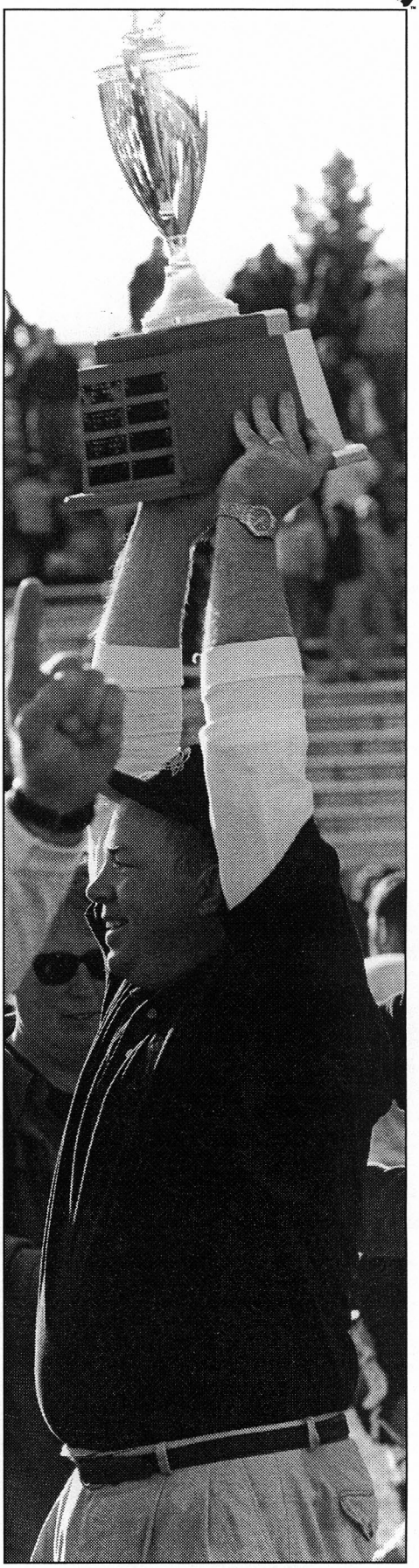
Field Goals Made 5
Peter LaBarge, 1985 (Puget Sound)

Field Goals Attempted 8
Peter LaBarge, 1988 (Lewis & Clark)

Field Goals Made In One Quarter 4
Wade Gebers, 1996 (Eastern Oregon)

Punts 14
Jeff Gardner, 1981 (Southern Oregon)
Dave Peterson, 1984 (Whitworth)

Yards Punting 566
Dave Peterson, 1984 (Whitworth)



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SEASON & CAREER LEADERS

SEASON

RUSHING	YEAR	YDS.
Scott Lohr	1989	1395
Ryan Wiggins	1996	1361
Pat Locker	1976	1340
Tom Wigg	1971	1176
Jon Brunaugh	1995	1127
Jon Brunaugh	1992	1064
Jon Brunaugh	1993	1036
Pat Locker	1978	980
Giorgio Usai	1999	864
Scott Lohr	1988	951
Pat Locker	1979	887
Ryan Wiggins	1997	862
Jon Brunaugh	1994	846
Pat Locker	1977	842
Scott Lohr	1987	783
Tom Wigg	1970	769
John Dickinson	1985	766
Duncan Sherrard	2003	760
Carlos Warren	1973	748
Bob Gidner	1964	746
Steve Richardson	1966	732

PASSING	YEAR	YDS.
Darren Erath	1996	3157
Scott Mitchell	2001	2778
Sam Hanson	1998	2766
Dave Peterson	1984	2480
Scott Mitchell	1999	2386
Jason Stiles	1995	2297
Jason Stiles	1993	2248
Kirk Kriskovich	1989	2229
Darren Erath	1997	2004
Scott Mitchell	2000	1975
Jason Stiles	1994	1964
Kirk Kriskovich	1985	1887
Bill Mendelson	1976	1773
Dave Peterson	1983	1657
Josh Shimek	2002	1544
Matt Sayre	1991	1490
Steve Nichols	2003	1484
Glenn Hadland	1971	1475
Matt Beck	1981	1426
Dave Blue	1977	1414
Kirk Kriskovich	1986	1387
Dave Blue	1980	1349
Jason Stiles	1992	1345

RECEIVING	YEAR	REC.	YDS.
Chris Nicholl	1996	82	(1584)
Ben Clampitt	1998	71	(1288)
Ben Clampitt	1999	76	(1193)
Andy Olson	2003	64	(1063)
Greg Dykstra	2002	59	(825)
Greg Dykstra	2001	57	(919)
Ken Sager	1985	53	(465)
Chris Nicholl	1995	52	(1064)
Scott Ashmore	1983	50	(550)
Ben Fairbanks	1998	49	(531)
Mike Westbrook	2002	48	(510)
Hoyt Gier	1976	47	(743)
Mario Casello	1996	47	(643)
Eric Meek	1994	47	(550)
Bill Handy	1981	43	(720)
Kevin Palmore	1994	43	(491)
Greg Dykstra	2000	42	(717)
Mike Carrington	1989	42	(589)
Adam Foster	1997	41	(690)
Erik Morin	1997	41	(548)
J.D. Phillips	1985	40	(460)

SCORING	YEAR	PTS.
Scott Lohr	1989	120
Wade Gebers	1996	93
Norm Hash	1951	86
Ben Clampitt	1999	84
Michael Koenen	2001	82
Jon Brunaugh	1995	80
Scott Lohr	1988	80
Chris Nicholl	1996	78
Al Schireman	1950	78
Fred Emerson	1957	71
Giorgio Usai	1999	71
Wade Gebers	1995	70
Peter LaBarge	1988	69
Chris Nicholl	1995	66
Greg Dykstra	2001	62
Ben Clampitt	1988	62
Jon Christie	1980	61
Josh Bailey	2000	61
Michael Koenen	2002	61
Pat Locker	1976	60
Tom Wigg	1971	60
Mike Wagner	1990	60
Jon Brunaugh	1993	60
Jon Brunaugh	1994	60
Ryan Wiggins	1996	60
Giorgio Usai	2000	60
Greg Dykstra	2002	60

CAREER

RUSHING	YEARS	YDS.
Jon Brunaugh	1992-95	4073
Pat Locker	1976-79	4049
Scott Lohr	1986-89	3587
Tom Wigg	1970-73	2638
Ryan Wiggins	1994-97	2223
John Frazier	1993-97	1491
Duncan Sherrard	**2002-03**	**1447**
Giorgio Usai	1999-2000	1375
Mike Locker	1975-78	1269
Mike Wagner	1990-92	1248
Ron Roe	1961-64	1234
Bob Gidner	1964-65	1204
Nyle Chambers	2000-03	1160

PASSING	YEARS	YDS.
Jason Stiles	1992-95	7854
Scott Mitchell	1999-2001	7139
Darren Erath	1994-97	5861
Kirk Kriskovich	1985-86, 1989	5503
Dave Blue	1977-80	4696
Glenn Hadland	1968-71	4298
Dave Peterson	1983-84	4137
Bill Mendelson	1973-76	3765
Sam Hanson	1996-98	3271
Steve Nichols	**2001-03**	**2836**
Josh Shimek	**2002-03**	**2549**
Matt Sayre	1990-91	2421
John Barger	1986-88	2147
Pat Brewin	1965-67	2098
Eric Ummel	1980-83	2048

SCORING	YEARS	PTS.
Wade Gebers	1993-96	267
Scott Lohr	1986-89	266
Jon Brunaugh	1992-95	254
Josh Bailey	1997-2000	225
Peter LaBarge	1985-88	204
Michael Koenen	**2001-03**	**196**
Greg Dykstra	1999-2002	188
Chris Nicholl	1993-96	186
Jon Christie	1977-80	172
Dan Clemensen	1989-92	171
Pat Locker	1976-79	162
Ben Clampitt	1998-99	146
Tom Wigg	1970-73	126
Ryan Wiggins	1993-97	126
Giorgio Usai	1999-2000	116
John Dickinson	1985-88	112
Norm Hash	1949, 1951	104
Scott Mitchell	1999-2001	104

RECEIVING	YEARS	REC.	(YARDS)
Greg Dykstra	1999-2002	181	(2720)
Chris Nicholl	1993-96	170	(3268)
Hoyt Gier	1975-78	148	(2321)
Ben Clampitt	1998-99	138	(2481)
Eric Meek	1991-94	122	(1619)
John Dickinson	1985-88	120	(1256)
Mario Casello	1993-96	111	(1356)
Kevin Palmore	1991, 93-95	106	(1264)
Bill Handy	1979-82	101	(1785)
Ken Sager	1982-85	92	(899)
Sean Marshall	1998-01	89	(916)
Ben Fairbanks	1996-99	87	(1032)
J.D. Phillips	1984-86	86	(1041)
Scott Lohr	1986-89	84	(845)
Erik Morin	1994-97	82	(1047)
Andy Olson	**2002-03**	**82**	**(1405)**
Mike Carrington	1987-89	81	(1137)
Jeff Potter	1974-77	79	(1657)
Kirk Schneider	1988-89	74	(973)

TOUCHDOWN CATCHES	YEARS	NUMBER
Chris Nicholl	1993-96	30
Greg Dykstra	1999-2002	30
Ben Clampitt	1998-99	24
Hoyt Gier	1975-78	16
Eric Meek	1991-94	16
Jeff Potter	1974-77	14
Andy Olson	**2002-03**	**12**

TOP GAMES

PASSING

480 Sam Hanson vs. Humboldt State CA, Oct. 3, 1998
430 Dave Peterson vs. Pacific OR, Oct. 6, 1984
408 Scott Mitchell at Fort Lewis CO, Sept. 8, 2001
398 Dave Peterson at Central Washington, Nov. 12, 1983
386 Steve Nichols vs. New Haven CT, Nov. 2, 2002
380 Scott Mitchell at Humboldt State CA, Oct. 20, 2001
361 Scott Mitchell at UC Davis, Nov. 10, 2001
354 John Barger vs. Willamette OR, Sept. 17, 1988
352 Jason Stiles at Central Washington, Nov. 13, 1993
351 Scott Mitchell vs. Chadron State NE, Oct. 23, 1999
350 Sam Hanson vs. Western Montana, Sept. 26, 1998
350 Darren Erath vs. Sioux Falls SD, Dec. 21, 1996
349 Steve Nichols vs. St. Cloud State MN, Sept. 4, 2003
348 Jason Stiles vs. Pacific Lutheran WA, Sept. 16, 1995
332 Kirk Kriskovich vs. Central Washington, Oct. 11, 1986
331 Sam Hanson at Western Oregon, Oct. 31, 1998
330 Dave Peterson at Simon Fraser BC, Oct. 27, 1984
328 Scott Mitchell vs. South Dakota State, Oct. 6, 2001
326 Kirk Kriskovich vs. Eastern Oregon, Sept. 28, 1985
325 Josh Shimek at Central Oklahoma, Sept. 5, 2002
324 Jason Stiles vs. Pacific Lutheran WA, Nov. 6, 1993
322 Darren Erath at Linfield OR, Sept. 27, 1997
314 Darren Erath at Pacific Lutheran WA, Sept. 21, 1996
313 Dave Blue vs. Oregon Tech, Nov. 15, 1980
313 Scott Mitchell vs. Central Washington, Oct. 13, 2001
306 Jason Stiles vs. Southern Oregon, Oct. 8, 1994
302 John Barger vs. Puget Sound WA, Sept. 24, 1988

RECEIVING

295 Ben Clampitt vs. Humboldt State, Oct. 3, 1998 (10 rec.)
205 Ben Clampitt at Portland State, Sept. 11, 1999 (7 rec.)
203 Chris Nicholl vs. Willamette, Dec. 7, 1996 (8 rec.)
199 Andy Olson vs. Saint Mary's CA, Sept. 27, 2003 (11 rec.)
194 Ben Clampitt vs. Western Montana, Sept. 26, 1998 (7 rec.)
191 Chris Nicholl at Pacific Lutheran, Sept. 21, 1996 (3 rec.)
188 Ben Clampitt at Simon Fraser, Oct. 7, 1999 (7 rec.)
187 Hoyt Gier at Eastern Oregon, Nov. 18, 1978 (11 rec.)
182 Andy Olson at Nebraska-Omaha, Sept. 20, 2003 (7 rec.)
177 Ben Clampitt at UC-Davis, Nov. 13, 1999 (14 rec.)
169 Chris Nicholl vs. Western Oregon, Nov. 11, 1995 (6 rec.)
169 Ben Clampitt vs. Chadron State NE, Oct. 23, 1999 (6 rec.)
167 Mario Casello vs. Sioux Falls SD, Dec. 21, 1996 (8 rec.)
164 Greg Dykstra vs. Humboldt State CA, Oct. 26, 2002 (10 rec.)
160 Andy Olson vs. Central Washington, Seahawks Stadium, Oct. 4, 2003, (9 rec.)
156 Hoyt Gier vs. Eastern Washington, Oct. 18, 1975 (5 rec.)
155 Chris Nicholl vs. Puget Sound, Sept. 28, 1996 (6 rec.)
155 J.D. Phillips vs. Eastern Oregon, Sept. 28, 1985 (11 rec.)
155 Jeff Potter at Pacific Lutheran, Nov. 20, 1976 (5 rec.)
154 Steve Jasmer vs. Eastern Washington, Oct. 23, 1971 (4 rec.)
154 Andy Olson vs. St. Cloud State MN, Sept 3, 2003 (7 rec.)
153 Mark Robertson vs. Western Oregon, Oct. 31, 1981, 7 rec.)
151 Adam Foster at Central Washington, Nov. 8, 1997 (5 rec.)

RUSHING

279 Jon Brunaugh vs. British Columbia, Oct. 31, 1992 (37 att.)
243 Scott Lohr vs. Puget Sound, Nov. 4, 1989 (37 att.)
240 Scott Lohr vs. Willamette, Oct. 14, 1989 (39 att.)
225 Pat Locker vs. Southern Oregon, Nov. 13, 1976 (39 att.)
220 Jon Brunaugh vs. Whitworth, Oct. 16, 1993 (30 att.)
217 Steve Richardson at Whitworth, Oct. 22, 1966 (26 att.)
207 Ryan Wiggins at Southern Oregon, Oct. 19, 1996 (40 att.)
205 Tom Wigg vs. Eastern Washington, Oct. 23, 1971 (25 att.)
200 Ryan Wiggins vs. Linfield, Oct. 12, 1996 (34 att.)
196 Pat Locker vs. Pacific, Sept. 23, 1978 (23 att.)
192 Pat Locker at Lewis & Clark, Nov. 11, 1978 (28 att.)
189 Scott Lohr vs. Lewis & Clark, Oct. 29, 1988 (37 att.)
187 Pat Locker vs. Lewis & Clark, Sept. 18, 1976 (27 att.)
184 Jon Brunaugh at Linfield, Nov. 19, 1994 (31 att.)

YEAR BY YEAR LEADERS

RUSHING

YEAR		YARDS
1949	Norm Hash	444
1951	Norm Hash	590
1953	Skip Kays	110
1956	Bill Karwacki	216
1957	Fred Emerson	638
1958	Dennis Sheppard	368
1959	Ron Ladines	493
1960	Ron Ladines	420
1961	Ken Fry	524
1962	Ron Roe	501
1963	Dick Nicholl	565
1964	Bob Gidner	746
1965	Bob Gidner	458
1966	Steve Richardson	732
1967	Al Anderson	640
1968	Rob Lonborg	185
1969	Rob Lonborg	347
1970	Tom Wigg	769
1971	Tom Wigg	1176
1972	Tom Wigg	693
1973	Carlos Warren	748
1974	Rick Vanderyacht	355
1975	Bob Fenton	466
1976	Pat Locker	1340
1977	Pat Locker	842
1978	Pat Locker	980
1979	Pat Locker	887
1980	Karl Johnson	171
1981	Chris Ladines	594
1982	John Locker	307
1983	Tim Richard	250
1984	Steve Curry	214
1985	John Dickinson	766
1986	Scott Lohr	458
1987	Scott Lohr	783
1988	Scott Lohr	951
1989	Scott Lohr	1395
1990	Mike Wagner	573
1991	Mike Wagner	640
1992	Jon Brunaugh	1064
1993	Jon Brunaugh	1036
1994	Jon Brunaugh	846
1995	Jon Brunaugh	1127
1996	Ryan Wiggins	1361
1997	Ryan Wiggins	862
1998	Scott Noteboom	466
1999	Giorgio Usai	864
2000	Giorgio Usai	551
2001	Devin Martin	583
2002	Duncan Sherrard	687
2003	Duncan Sherrard	760

PASSING

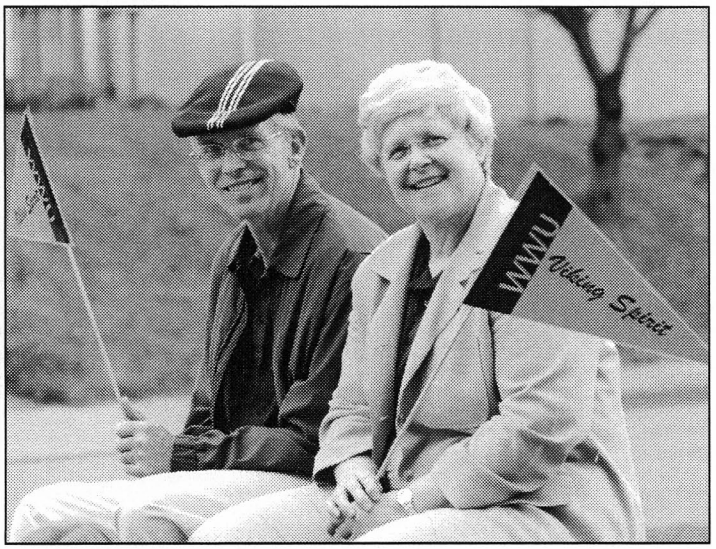
YEAR		YARDS
1949	Tom Taylor	469
1951	Don Walley	899
1953	Skip Kays	312
1956	Bruce Randall	447
1957	Fred Emerson	499
1958	Fred Emerson	205
1959	Steve Hansen	415
1960	Steve Hansen	488
1961	Doug Ringenbach	524
1962	Terry Parker	732
1963	Terry Parker	543
1964	Ralph Burba	437
1965	Pat Brewin	698
1966	Pat Brewin	802
1967	Pat Brewin	598
1968	Glenn Hadland	879
1969	Glenn Hadland	783
1970	Glenn Hadland	1161
1971	Glenn Hadland	1475
1972	Marshall Torre	606
1973	Tom Luehmann	573
1974	Bill Mendelson	835
1975	Bill Mendelson	1145
1976	Bill Mendelson	1773
1977	Dave Blue	1414
1978	Dave Blue	1141
1979	Dave Blue	792
1980	Dave Blue	1349
1981	Matt Beck	1426
1982	Eric Ummel	1004
1983	Dave Peterson	1657
1984	Dave Peterson	2480
1985	Kirk Kriskovich	1887
1986	Kirk Kriskovich	1387
1987	John Barger	1203
1988	Matt Mikesell	1015
1989	Kirk Kriskovich	2229
1990	Matt Sayre	931
1991	Matt Sayre	1490
1992	Jason Stiles	1345
1993	Jason Stiles	2248
1994	Jason Stiles	1964
1995	Jason Stiles	2297
1996	Darren Erath	3157
1997	Darren Erath	2004
1998	Sam Hanson	2766
1999	Scott Mitchell	2386
2000	Scott Mitchell	1975
2001	Scott Mitchell	2778
2002	Josh Shimek	1544
2003	Steve Nichols	1484

SCORING

YEAR		POINTS
1947	Walt Clayton	23
1949	Hal Partlow	36
1950	Al Schireman	78
1951	Norm Hash	86
1953	Ken Lapp	24
1957	Fred Emerson	71
1958	Tom Emerson	44
1959	Ron Ladines	48
1960	Leroy Fuller	18
1961	Ken Fry	24
1962	Ron Roe	34
1963	Terry Parker	24
1964	Ron Roe	24
1965	Bob Gidner	30
1966	Steve Richardson	48
1967	Russ Lee	24
	Al Anderson	24
1968	Glenn Hadland	26
1969	Tom Frank	36
1970	Tom Wigg	36
1971	Tom Wigg	60
1972	Steve Skogmo	30
1973	Bruce Phillips	15
1974	Rick Vanderyacht	30
1975	Bob Fenton	30
1976	Pat Locker	60
1977	Pat Locker	42
1978	Jon Christie	42
1979	Jon Christie	35
1980	Jon Christie	61
1981	Bill Handy	42
1982	Bill Handy	24
1983	Dave Blackham	24
1984	Jeff Gulliford	42
1985	Peter LaBarge	55
1986	John Dickinson	50
1987	Peter LaBarge	49
1988	Scott Lohr	80
1989	Scott Lohr	120
1990	Mike Wagner	60
1991	Dan Clemensen	58
1992	Jon Brunaugh	54
1993	Jon Brunaugh	60
1994	Jon Brunaugh	60
1995	Jon Brunaugh	80
1996	Wade Gebers	93
1997	Ryan Wiggins	48
1998	Ben Clampitt	62
1999	Ben Clampitt	84
2000	Josh Bailey	62
2001	Michael Koenen	82
2002	Michael Koenen	61
2003	Andy Olson	56

RECEIVING

YEAR		REC. (YARDS)
1949	Hal Partlow	18 (322)
1951	Roy Richardson	18 (440)
1953	Ken Lapp	13 (137)
1957	Sam Martin	8 (203)
1958	Tom Emerson	7 (155)
1959	Bob Plotts	10 (120)
1960	Bob Plotts	22 (228)
1961	Bob Plotts	16 (248)
1962	Bob Plotts	19 (311)
1963	Rod Campbell	17 (267)
1964	Steve Richardson	12 (197)
1965	Steve Richardson	31 (357)
1966	Tom Guglomo	18 (361)
	George Anderson	18 (228)
1967	Vic Randall	25 (302)
1968	Rob Lonborg	28 (254)
1969	Gary Aagaard	24 (323)
1970	Steve Jasmer	24 (451)
1971	Steve Jasmer	22 (609)
1972	Steve Jasmer	15 (402)
1973	Barney Thompson	15 (201)
1974	Don Renner	23 (259)
1975	Hoyt Gier	32 (468)
1976	Hoyt Gier	47 (743)
1977	Hoyt Gier	33 (599)
1978	Hoyt Gier	36 (511)
1979	Pat Locker	23 (105)
1980	Steve Kizer	37 (409)
1981	Bill Handy	43 (720)
1982	Trey Cummings	20 (169)
1983	Scott Ashmore	50 (550)
1984	Ken Sager	39 (434)
1985	Ken Sager	53 (465)
1986	John Dickinson	33 (274)
1987	John Dickinson	26 (377)
1988	Kirk Schneider	36 (501)
1989	Mike Carrington	42 (589)
1990	Dimitri Ancira	30 (372)
1991	Ken Corbin	30 (461)
	Jeff Starr	30 (446)
1992	Eric Meek	25 (455)
1993	Eric Meek	26 (293)
1994	Eric Meek	47 (550)
1995	Chris Nicholl	52 (1064)
1996	Chris Nicholl	82 (1584)
1997	Adam Foster	41 (690)
	Erik Morin	41 (548)
1998	Ben Clampitt	71 (1288)
1999	Ben Clampitt	67 (1193)
2000	Greg Dykstra	42 (717)
2001	Greg Dykstra	57 (919)
2002	Greg Dykstra	59 (825)
2003	Andy Olson	64 (1063)



WWU President Karen Morse and husband Joe display their Viking spirit

"THE CATCH" BY WESTERN'S MOORE EARNS ESPN 1992 COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAY OF THE YEAR AWARD

"The Catch," an amazing reception by Western wide receiver Chris Moore was picked as the 1992 College Football Play of the Year at "The ESPYs", ESPN's First American Sports Awards Show.

Moore's behind-the-back, off-the-foot, through-the-legs catch came during the Vikings' 28-0 victory over Puget Sound on Oct. 17 at Tacoma. It was captured on videotape by Western student Rick Medved, who was shooting sideline footage.

Moore's catch quickly gained national attention, being shown on television stations throughout the country. It also made ESPN's "Plays of the Week" and "Plays of the Year", "George Michael's Sports Machine," and "Roggin's Heroes."

The other finalists for the college football ESPY were a touchdown run by Notre Dame's Reggie Brooks and a game-winning pass interception return by Alabama's Antonio Langham.

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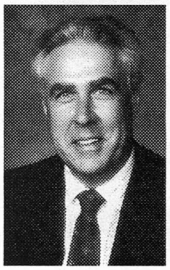
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GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE



Richard Hannan,
GNAC Commissioner

The Great Northwest Athletic Conference is in its third season of athletic competition. The conference features 10 NCAA Division II schools.

The member schools are located in five different states, including five in the state of Washington (Central Washington University, Saint Martin's College, Seattle University, Seattle Pacific University and Western).

The GNAC, which officially was founded on July 1, 2001, also includes University of Alaska Anchorage, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Northwest Nazarene University (Id.), Western Oregon University and Humboldt State University (Calif.).

Of the 10, three - Alaska Anchorage, Alaska Fairbanks and Seattle Pacific - were charter members of the Pacific West Conference, which was created in May, 1992, with the merger of the Great Northwest Conference and the Continental Divide Conference.

Five GNAC members - Central Washington, Humboldt State, Saint Martin's, Western Oregon and Western - joined the PacWest prior to the 1998-99 season.

Central Washington, Saint Martin's and Western were previously members of the Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference, while Western Oregon was a member of the Cascade Conference. Humboldt State was a member of the Northern California Athletic Conference.

Seattle and Northwest Nazarene, from the Northwest and Cascade conferences, joined the PacWest prior to the 1999-2000 season.

Richard Hannan, who served terms as the athletic director at Southwest Texas State University, Weber State University and Lewis-Clark State College, is the GNAC's commissioner. He also previously coached basketball at Lewis-Clark State.

The GNAC sponsors championships in seven men's and seven women's sports, including football, volleyball, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball and men's and women's indoor and outdoor track and field.



2003-04 GNAC Team Champions

Cross Country (men)	**Western Washington**
Cross Country (women)	Seattle Pacific
Football	**Western Washington**
Soccer (men)	Seattle
Soccer (women)	Seattle Pacific
Volleyball	**Western Washington**
Basketball (Men)	Humboldt State
Basketball (Women)	Seattle Pacific
Indoor Track (Men)	Western Oregon
Indoor Track (Women)	Seattle Pacific
Baseball	Western Oregon
Softball	Humboldt State
Outdoor Track (Men)	Western Oregon
Outdoor Track (Women)	Western Oregon

2004-05 SPIRIT SQUAD

Brett Jordan is the only returning letter winner on the 14-member Western spirit squad for the 2004-05 sports season.

The 13 newcomers are Matt Burns, Michell Chamberlin, Melissa Gamido, Olivia Ho, Stefanie Machida, Christine Nordgren, Tai Norman, Tara Patricelli, Dustin Jensen-Reiber, Carrie Sharkey, Cherisse Swann, Tiana Townsell, and Jennifer Valenzuala.

In her sixth year as spirit squad advisor is former Viking cheerleader Tonja Gilbert. Assisting her are Bryana Gamido and Nicole Kelle



Tonja Gilbert
Spirit Squad Advisor

NAME	*YR.*	*HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL)*
Matt Burns	So.	Brier, WA (Inglemoor)
Michell Chamberlin	So.	Orting, WA (Orting)
Melissah Gamido	Fr.	Bellevue, WA (Interlake)
Brett Jordan*	So.	Bellingham, WA (Squalicum)
Olivia Ho	Fr.	Bothell, WA (Inglemoor)
Stefanie Machida	So.	Vancouver, WA (Evergreen/Clark CC)
Christine Nordgren	Fr.	Bothell, WA (Cedar Park Christian)
Tai Norman	So.	Bellevue, WA (Interlake)
Tara Patricelli	So.	Renton, WA (Lindbergh)
Dustin Jensen-Reiber	So.	Kirkland, WA (Juanita)
Carrie Sharkey	Fr.	Bremerton, WA (Olympic)
Cherisse Swann	Fr.	Redmond, WA (Sammamish)
Tiana Townsell	Jr.	Covington, WA (Elk Grove)
Jennifer Valenzuela	So.	Sammamish, WA (Eastlake)

**letters won*

Advisor: Tonja Gilbert (6th year)
Student Coaches: Bryana Gamido, Nicole Kelle

WESTERN IS GNAC ALL-SPORTS CHAMPION FOR THIRD STRAIGHT YEAR

Vikings nip Western Oregon for men's title, edged by Seattle Pacific for women's crown

Western was the Great Northwest Athletic Conference All-Sports Champion for the third straight year, winning the 2003-04 overall title by outpointing runner-up Western Oregon, 160-142.

Western also edged the Wolves 76-72 to win its third consecutive men's title. Seattle Pacific took the women's title, finishing eight points ahead of the two-time defending champion Vikings. The Falcons finished with 92 points.

Points are awarded based on the final conference finishes in each of the conference's 14 sports – football, volleyball, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's indoor track and field, men's and women's outdoor track and field, baseball and softball.

Five of the conference's 10 schools won at least one conference team title, led by Seattle Pacific and Western Oregon with four each. The Falcons won titles in women's cross country, women's soccer, women's basketball and women's indoor track and field. The Wolves won titles in men's and women's outdoor track and field, baseball and men's indoor track and field.

Western won championships in volleyball, football an d men's cross country. Humboldt State claimed titles in softball and men's basketball, and Seattle University was the men's soccer titlist.

2003-04 GNAC ALL-SPORTS STANDINGS

COMBINED

1.	**Western Washington**	**160**
2.	Western Oregon	142
3.	Central Washington and Seattle Pacific *(tie)*	130
5.	Seattle University	95
6.	Alaska Anchorage	83
7.	Northwest Nazarene	82
8.	Humboldt State	79
9.	Saint Martin's	62
10.	Alaska Fairbanks	51

MEN

1.	**Western Washington**	**76**
2.	Western Oregon	72
3.	Central Washington	50
4.	Humboldt State	42
5.	Seattle Pacific	38
6.	Alaska Anchorage	36
7.	Saint Martin's	34
8.	Northwest Nazarene	31
9.	Seattle University	27
10.	Alaska Fairbanks	20

WOMEN

1.	Seattle Pacific	92
2.	**Western Washington**	**84**
3.	Central Washington	80
4.	Western Oregon	70
5.	Seattle University	68
6.	Northwest Nazarene	51
7.	Alaska Anchorage	47
8.	Humboldt State	37
9.	Alaska Fairbanks	31
10.	Saint Martin's	28

HALL OF FAME

NATIONAL HALL OF FAME

Six Western coaches and athletes are members of the NAIA National Hall of Fame.

SAM CARVER

Known as the "Father of Western Athletics," Sam Carver was a standout student-athlete at the school in 1912 and 1913. Shortly after, he became coach of nearly every Western sport.

Carver coached six sports at Western, including baseball for 10 years, basketball for 19 years, football for 14 years, golf for 22 years, tennis for 18 years and track & field for 22 years. He also was director of athletics for 18 years.

The current home of Viking basketball is named for Carver, who was inducted in 1957.

HERBERT HEARSEY

Western's faculty athletic representative for 25 years, Herb Hearsey was instrumental in developing the bulk of the eligibility rules used by the NAIA.

Hearsey helped write the constitution and bylaws of the Evergreen Conference which was formed in 1948. He also was secretary of the NAIA National Eligibility Committee.

A professor of library science and associate director of Wilson Library during his 34 years at Western, Hearsey was inducted in 1975.

LYNDA GOODRICH

One of just three women's basketball coaches in the NAIA to reach 400 career victories, Lynda Goodrich continues to leave her mark on athletics as an administrator.

A 1966 graduate of Western, Goodrich returned to the school to coach basketball in 1971. Over the next 19 seasons, she compiled a 411-125 record, guiding the Vikings to five national tournaments.

Currently Western's director of athletics, Goodrich was inducted in 1986.

CHARLES LAPPENBUSCH

The developer of the "straight-line philosophy," Charles Lappenbusch was a member of Western's physical education department for 42 years.

Lappenbusch was athletic director for 30 years and coached five sports. His most notable coaching achievements came in football, where he guided the 1938 squad to a 7-0-0 record, the only undefeated, untied season in the team's history.

Lappenbusch, who had an overall record of 81-64-17 in football, was inducted in 1961.

JO METZGER

A forward on the women's basketball team from 1977-81, Jo Metzger is the only Western athlete in the NAIA Hall of Fame, being inducted in 1992.

Metzger was one of only 30 finalists for the Wade Trophy, which goes to the nation's top female collegiate basketball player, in both 1980 and 1981. She also received first-team AIAW Division II All-America honors in 1981.

Metzger was a four-time league and region all-star. She held 15 school records at the end of her career, including the career scoring mark of 1,990 points.

Metzger is the only Western player to lead the team in scoring four times and is the only Viking ranked among the school's Top 10 career leaders in points, rebounds, assists, steals and blocked shots.

CHUCK RANDALL

As the Western men's coach for 18 seasons, Chuck Randall compiled an impressive 275-186 record.

Randall's teams had winning records in his first 11 seasons, but the best campaign was 1971-72, when the Vikings went 26-4 and reached the quarterfinals of the NAIA National Tournament. He also coached the baseball team to two national appearances.

Randall invented the first breakaway rim and founded the first basketball camp in the western United States.

Called the "Coaches' Coach" because so many of his players became coaches themselves, Randall was inducted in 1985.

WWU ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Jim Adams	Basketball	Fil Leanderson	Coach
Joanie Armstrong	Crew	Claudia Lindor	Golf
Lee Andersen	Wrestling	Pat Locker	Football
Nola Ayres	Alumnus	Scott Lohr	Football
Willis Ball	Football	Boyde Long	Coach/Administrator
Norm Bright	Track	Jim Lounsberry	Coach
Dick Bruland	Football	C.W. "Bill" McDonald	Administrator
Debbie Carter	Soccer	Jo Metzger	Basketball
Dick Carver	Basketball	Joe Moses	Basketball
Sam Carver	Coach/Administrator	Larry Nielson	Track/Cross Country
Hank Chamberlin	Basketball	Jack Nighbert	Baseball
Jim Chapman	Wrestling	Charmon Odle	Basketball
Frank Chorvat	Football	Dick Pangallo	Football
Al Cornett	Football	Stan Peterson	Basketball
Ron Crowe	Basketball	Genevie Pfueller	Cross Country/Track
Mike Dahl	Basketball	Lorrie Post	Volleyball
Norm Dahl	Track	Anna Rabel	Basketball
Lorne Davies	Alumnus	Bruce Randall	Baseball
Kristy Dees	Track	Chuck Randall	Coach
Rollie DeKoster	Alumnus	Vic Randall	Football
Bob Diehl	Coach	Roger Repoz	Baseball
Annette Duvall	Soccer	Steve Richardson	Football
Dave Emery	Swimming	Paul Rudis	Golf
Fred Emerson	Football	Walt Schilaty	Track
Chuck Erickson	Track	Carl Schuler	Administrator
Mike Franza	Basketball	John Skov	Baseball
Jack Frazier	Football	Boyd Staggs	Baseball
Dan Gagnon	Track	Scott Stokes	Football
Les Galley	Baseball	Ken Swalwell	Track
Dominic Garguile	Coach	Gerry Swan	Track
Hoyt Gier	Football	Shirley Swanson	Track
Butts Giraud	Football	Wendy Taylor	Track
Ken Graham	Alumnus	Marilyn Thibodeau	Track/Cross Country
Hope Grimm	Soccer	Everett "Tye" Tiland	Football
Lynda Goodrich	Coach/Administrator	Robert Tisdale	Football
Cindy Gordon	Soccer	William Tomaras	Administrator
Norm Hash	Football	Don Trethewey	Cross Country/Track
Wendy Hawley	Basketball	Chet Ullin	Football
Herb Hearsey	Administrator	Dave VanderGriend	Track
Kathy Hemion	Basketball	Tom Venable	Soccer
Hester Hill	Badminton	Ralph Vernacchia	Coach
Jack Hubbard	Coach	Mike Vorce	Track
John Hunt	Track	Judy Vose	Badminton
Allen James	Track	Darrell Vreugdenhil	Crew
James Johnson	Basketball	Hollie Watson	Track
Howard Jones	Football	Dave Weedman	Football
Scarlett Kanistanaux	Field Hockey	Gary White	Basketball
Manny Kimmie	Basketball	Tom Wigg	Football
Mike Kirk	Basketball	Joan Williamson	Track
Kim Kolody	Volleyball	Bill Wright	Golf
Charles Lappenbusch	Coach/Administrator	Frank "Moose" Zurline	Football
Peter LaBarge	Soccer/Football		

DIVISION II AT A GLANCE
Striking a balance for the student-athlete

Almost every serious sports fan is familiar with the three NCAA membership classifications: Divisions I, II and III. The public may be less familiar with what the classifications mean, especially in the case of Division II.

In brief, Division I members are required to sponsor the most sports and provide the most athletically related financial aid for student-athletes. Division III members, on the other hand, are prohibited from providing athletically related financial assistance.

So, what does it mean to be an NCAA Division II member? More than anything, it is a commitment to balance.

First, members are required to sponsor at least 10 varsity sports (at least five women's sports) and offer at least a limited amount of athletically related financial aid, although the requirement is far less than Division I's. Those are the principal nuts-and-bolts standards that separate Division II from Divisions I and III.

But other, less tangible, considerations characterize Division II membership. Student-athletes generally come from the area in which their institution is located. They are integrated with the student body. Many coaches and administrators perform other jobs or functions at their institutions, including teaching. Most Division II student-athletes pay for school through a combination of scholarship money, grants, student loans and employment earnings. The division's philosophy emphasizes participation, and its financial aid requirement helps ensure quality competition.

National championship opportunities in Division II are comparable to those in Divisions I and III. For 2003-04 and 2004-05, Division II national-championship competition will be offered in the following sports:

Men	Women
Baseball	Basketball
Basketball	Cross country
Cross country	Field hockey
Football	Golf
Golf	Lacrosse
Lacrosse	Rowing
Soccer	Soccer
Swimming & diving	Softball
Tennis	Swimming & diving
Indoor track	Tennis
Outdoor track	Indoor track
Wrestling	Outdoor track
	Volleyball

In addition, Division II institutions and student-athletes are eligible to compete in National Collegiate (all division) Championships in women's bowling, men's gymnastics, women's gymnastics, men's volleyball, men's water polo and women's water polo. Coed national championships also are conducted for all divisions in fencing, rifle and skiing.

Division II — By the Numbers

Total members.....282
44 percent private, 56 percent public

NCAA-sponsored championships for Division II
Men.....12
Women.....13

Average number of men's and women's sports sponsored per Division II institution
Men.....6.5
Women.....7.0

Average athletics expenses per institution
Division II, with football.....$2.3 million
Division II, no football.....$1.55 million

Average undergraduate enrollment.....3,726

Undergraduate enrollment

Enrollment	Div. II schools	Percent
15,000+	7	2.5
7,500-14,999	28	9.9
2,500-7,499	114	40.4
2,499 and below	133	47.2

Average number of student-athletes per Division II institution

	with football	no football
Average men	211	95
Average women	117	80
Average total	328	175
Smallest	126	46
Largest	782	598



DIVISION II PROGRAMS
Continuing to strive for the best for the student-athlete

NCAA Division II continues to evaluate and strengthen its academic standards to help ensure that the student-athlete experience remains focused on education.

At the 2004 NCAA Convention, the Division II membership voted to require that transferring and enrolled student-athletes must have completed at least six credit hours from the previous semester to be eligible to compete. In 2003, the membership voted to enhance the standard for initial academic eligibility by increasing the minimum number of required high-school core courses from 13 to 14. At the same Convention, the membership also voted to strengthen the progress-toward-degree standard by increasing the grade-point average required after the first and second seasons of competition.

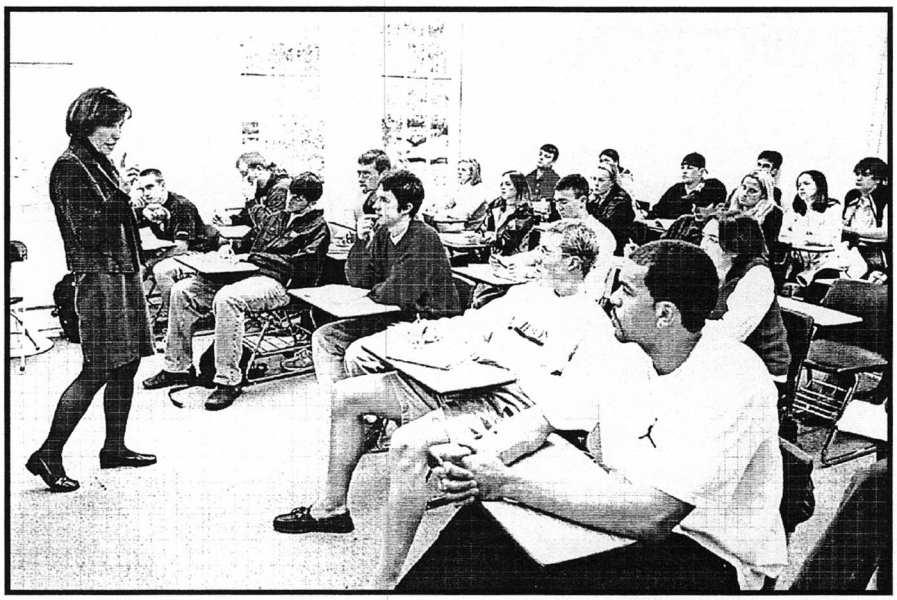


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A Division II degree-completion program — funded at $241,000 for the 2003-04 academic year and $361,000 for 2004-05 — provides grants to assist student-athletes who did not complete their degree before their eligibility expired. A $1 million Academic Support Program to improve Division II's academic environment for student-athletes also was initiated in 2003-04. The Academic Support Program helps provide additional staff, such as academic counselors or advisors; tutoring programs; the ability to grant scholarships (such as a conference degree completion scholarship program); or underwrite computer labs.

Meanwhile, Division II will vote in January 2005 on a "graduation-success" report that will provide an improved measure of academic outcomes for Division II student-athletes. The new method will better account for transfer student-athletes and student-athletes who do not receive athletically related financial aid.

Student-Athlete Programs Abound

Division II is reaching out to its student-athletes through a series of Leadership Action Academies. The events are designed to teach participants about leadership through traditional instruction and through a series of interactive exercises.

In addition, the participants have been asked to help frame a stronger Division II identity. In citing what sets Division II apart from other segments of intercollegiate athletics, they focused on the attributes of "reality," "family" and "balance."

"I love that the volleyball team is my family," said one volleyball student-athlete. "I know the players on the football and basketball teams. I know the people we're playing, and I know the people in my classes."

Another participant said he valued the fact that his president knew his name, his hometown and what position he plays.

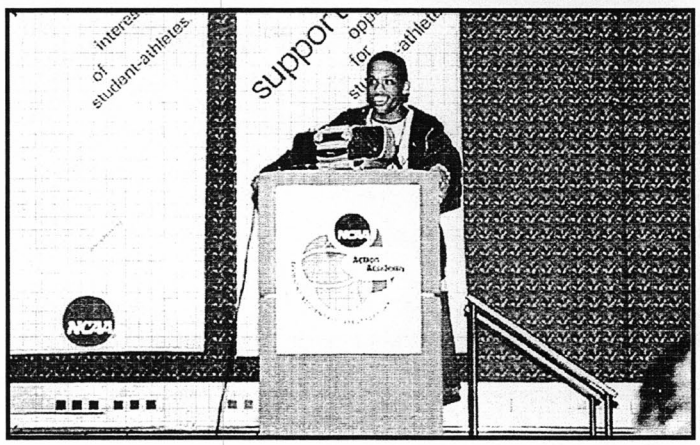


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Leadership Action Academies have been conducted in February 2003 in Indianapolis, September 2003 in Atlanta and February 2004 in La Jolla, California. Another one is scheduled for September 2004 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Other Division II programs that directly benefit student-athletes:

• Health and safety grants ($250,000 in 2003-04). These grants help institutions address issues such as hazing, misuse of alcohol and substance abuse education.

• Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee grants ($250,000). The grants enhance the effectiveness of conference student-athlete advisory committees.

DIVISION II ALUMNI
Former student-athletes have gone on to greatness

Many Division II student-athletes have gone on to outstanding careers, both inside and outside athletics. The following is just a partial list of some of the greats:

Athlete	Professional Accomplishment	Alma mater
Dana Altman	Creighton basketball coach	Eastern New Mexico basketball
Bob Barker	Game-show host	Drury basketball
Ed Bradley	CBS News journalist	Cheyney football, tennis
Marlin Briscoe	NFL's first black starting quarterback	Nebraska-Omaha football, basketball
Maurice Cheeks	Portland Trail Blazers coach	West Texas A&M basketball
Ben Coates	Baltimore Ravens football player	Livingstone football
Denise Curry	Two-time Olympic basketball player	Cal State Dominguez Hills basketball
Dennis Franchione	Texas A&M football coach	Pittsburg State baseball
Orande Gadsden	Miami Dolphins football player	Winston-Salem State football
Sylvia Hatchell	North Carolina women's basketball coach	Carson-Newman basketball
Mickisha Hurley	Olympic volleyball player	Barry volleyball
Henry Iba	Hall of Fame basketball coach	Northwest Missouri State basketball
Tom Izzo	Michigan State basketball coach	Northern Michigan basketball
Phil Jackson	Los Angeles Lakers coach	North Dakota basketball, baseball
Lee Janzen	Two-time U.S. Open golf champion	Florida Southern golf
Billie Jean King	Hall of Fame tennis player	Cal State Los Angeles tennis
Jon Kitna	Cincinnati Bengals football player	Central Washington football
Jason LaRue	Cincinnati Reds baseball player	Dallas Baptist baseball
Dan Lauri	Actor ("The Wonder Years")	Southern Connecticut football
Patrick Leahy	U.S. senator from Vermont	St. Michael's rifle
Steve Mariucci	Detroit Lions football coach	Northern Michigan football
Tino Martinez	St. Louis Cardinal baseball player	Tampa baseball
Johnny Mathis	Entertainer	San Francisco State track
Earl Monroe	NBA Hall of Fame player	Winston-Salem State basketball
Tyrone Poole	New England Patriots football player	Fort Valley State football
Louise Ritter	Olympic high-jump champion	Texas Woman's track
Tim Salmon	Anaheim Angels baseball player	Grand Canyon baseball
Kelvin Sampson	Oklahoma basketball coach	North Carolina-Pembroke basketball
Dacia Schileru	First female NCAA championship participant (1973)	Wayne State (Michigan) diver
Jeanne Shaheen	Former governor of New Hampshire	Shippensburg basketball
Rod Smith	Denver Bronco football player	Missouri Southern State football
Linda Somers	Top-ranked U.S. marathoner	Cal Davis track and field
James Thrash	Philadelphia Eagles football player	Missouri Southern State football
Mike Tranghese	Big East Conference commissioner	St. Michael's golf
Gene Upshaw	NFL Players Association executive director	Texas A&M-Kingsville football
Adam Vinatieri	New England Patriot football player	South Dakota State football
Jackie White	First female Harlem Globetrotter	Cal Poly Pomona basketball
Jamel White	Cleveland Browns football player	South Dakota football



Phil Jackson, North Dakota



Billie Jean King, Cal State Los Angeles



Louise Ritter, Texas Woman's



Rod Smith, Missouri Southern State

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DRESSING ROOMS: Western dresses at Sam Carver Gymnasium on the WWU campus, and the opponent suits up at Bellingham's Civic Stadium. The Vikings are bused back to Carver Gym following the game.

POST-GAME INTERVIEWS: Media who wish to interview Western coaches and players after the game should do so before they depart for campus.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS: Interviews can be set up by contacting the sports information office (360-650-3108).

COACH INTERVIEWS: Head coach Rob Smith is available in his office on weekday mornings for interviews. Appointments can be made by calling Smith (360-650-6622) or the sports information office (360-650-3108).

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RADIO

KBAI-KGMI-KPUG Bellingham, WA 98226	Doug Lange, *Sports Director*
KWPZ Lynden, WA 98264	Jim Bouma, *Sports Director*
KARI Blaine, WA 98230	Dennis Rimmer, *Sports Director*
KAPS Mount Vernon, WA 98273	Kirk Tollefson, *Sports Director*
KLKI Anacortes, WA 98221	Bill O'Mara, *Sports Director*
KNTR Ferndale, WA 98248	Jim Moore, *News Director*
KUGS WWU, Bellingham, WA 98225	

TELEVISION

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KING-TV Seattle, WA 98209	Paul Silvi, *Sports Director*
KOMO-TV Seattle, WA 98101	Eric Johnson, *Sports Director*
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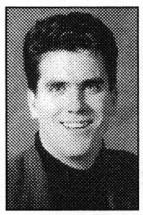
WIRE SERVICE

Associated Press Seattle, WA 98101	Tim Corte, *Sports Editor*

RADIO

Western football games are being carried live this fall on **KBAI Radio (930 AM).**

In his ninth season as Voice of the Vikings is Doug Lange, sports director for the Cascade Radio Group. Handling the color commentary is former Western quarterback Jason Stiles. Providing on-field commentary for home contests and hosting the tailgate show is Mark Scholten.



DOUG LANGE

Voice of Western Football

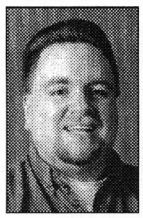
In ninth year as Voice of Viking Football and eighth year as sports director at KGMI Radio ... In sixth year as program director at KPUG and sports director for Cascade Radio Group ... Winner of 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999 Associated Press Sports Broadcast of the Year award for State of Washington ... Sports coordinator at KPUG-KAFE Radio for two years, handling play-by-play for collegiate and high school athletic contests ... Also worked two years at KBFW Radio, providing color commentary for Bellingham Ice Hawks hockey broadcasts ... Attended Western Washington University and University of Puget Sound ... Assistant news director and sports director at KUGS Radio, Western's student station ... Graduate of Edmonds High School ... 37 years old.



JASON STILES

Color Commentator

In seventh year as member of Viking Football radio crew . . . Received bachelor's degree in broadcast communications at Western in 1995 . . . Played two years as quarterback for Portland Forest Dragons of Arena Football League, passing for 406 yards and seven touchdowns and making two starts in 1996, and throwing for 220 yards and three touchdowns in 1997 . . . Also was player-assistant coach for Wolfsburg of the German third division in 1996, leading team to 8-2 record . . . Four-year starter (1992-95) as Vikings' signal caller, being named to school's all-century team ... Set numerous school records, including career passing yardage (7,854), touchdown passes (67), games passing for 200 or more yards (22) . . . Honorable mention NAIA All-American in 1995, throwing for 2,297 yards and 17 touchdowns and having school-record 61.0 passing percentage in leading Western to its first undefeated regular season in 57 years and No.1-ranking in NAIA Division II National Poll . . . One of just three players in school history to lead team in passing four years ... Missed just one game during career, leading Vikings to 30-9 record in his 39 games, all starts . . . 31 years old ... Married to former Andrea Engelland.



MARK SCHOLTEN

Sideline commentator and pre-game show host

In ninth year on Viking football broadcasts ... Serves as sideline reporter for home contests and hosts pre-game show ... In 13th year at KGMI Radio ... Handled baseball play-by-play three years for Class A Bellingham Mariners and Bellingham Giants ... Also has done play-by-play for high school basketball and football the last 11 years ... Received bachelor's degree in journalism at Western Washington University in 1995 ... Graduate of Bellingham High School ... 35 years old.

2004 GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE WEEK-BY-WEEK SCHEDULE

August 28
Central Washington at Carroll ..... 1 p.m.
Menlo at Humboldt State ..... 6 p.m.

September 3
Western Montana at Central Washington ..... noon

September 4
Humboldt State at Cal Poly SLO ..... 6 p.m.
Western Oregon at Willamette ..... 7 p.m.
Fort Lewis at Western Washington ..... 1 p.m.

September 11
Central Washington at North Dakota ..... 1 p.m.
Southern Oregon at Humboldt State ..... 6 p.m.
Western Oregon at Linfield ..... 1:30 p.m.
Western Washington at St. Cloud State ..... 6 p.m.

September 18
Central Washington at Eastern Washington ..... 6:05 p.m.
Humboldt State at Azusa Pacific ..... 6 p.m.
Western Oregon at South Dakota State ..... 7 p.m.
Nebraska Omaha at Western Washington ..... 1 p.m.

September 25
Western Washington vs. Central Washington (at Seattle) ..... 6 p.m.
Western Oregon at Humboldt State ..... 2 p.m.

October 2
Humboldt State at Central Washington ..... 1 p.m.
Western Washington at Western Oregon ..... 1 p.m.

October 9
Eastern Oregon at Central Washington ..... 1 p.m.
UC Davis at Western Oregon ..... 1 p.m.
St. Joseph, Ind. at Western Washington ..... 1 p.m.

October 16
Western Oregon at Central Washington ..... 1 p.m.
Humboldt State at Western Washington ..... 1 p.m.

October 23
Central Washington at Humboldt State ..... 1 p.m.
Western Oregon at Western Washington ..... 1 p.m.

October 30
Western Washington at Central Washington ..... 1 p.m.
Humboldt State at Western Oregon ..... 2 p.m.

November 6
Central Washington at Western Oregon ..... 1 p.m.
Western Washington at Humboldt State ..... 1 p.m.



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ON THE INTERNET
www.wwuvikings.com

ADMINISTRATION



DR. KAREN W. MORSE, *President*

In 12th year as president at Western ... Served four-year term on NCAA Division II Presidents Council and academic affairs committee ... Chaired Policy and Purposes Committee of Association of State Colleges and Universities and currently serves as Washington state representative ... Served on board of directors of Council for Higher Education Accreditation ... Named University's 12th president on May, 28, 1993 ... In 1997, received Francis P. Garvan-John M. Olin Award, one of the American Chemical Society's highest honors ... Provost at Utah State University for four years ... Taught chemistry at Utah State for 25 years, serving as head of chemistry and biochemistry department and dean of the College of Science before being named provost ... Has published extensively and holds three patents ... Served as consultant with National Science Foundation and is National Advisory Council member in chemistry at University of Michigan ... Served as chair of Athletic Council at Utah State ... Member of several honorary societies and in 1986 was named American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow ... Earned doctorate at Michigan in 1967 ... Obtained master's degree at Michigan in 1964 and bachelor's degree at Denison University (Ohio) in 1962 ... In 1990, received honorary doctor of science degree from Denison ... 64 years old ... She and husband, Joseph, a full professor in Western's chemistry department, have two grown sons, Robert and Geoffrey.



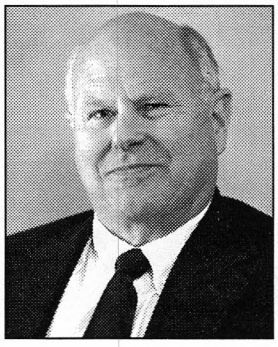
LYNDA GOODRICH
Director of Athletics

In 17th year as athletic director ... Member of NCAA Division II Championships Committee ... Named Western's Sports Impact Person of the Century (1900-99) and inducted into Western's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1999 ... Inducted into Northwest Women's Hall of Fame in 2000 and Lake Stevens High School Hall of Fame in 2004 ... Selected NAIA Pacific Northwest Region Women's Administrator of the Year in 1996-97, Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference Female Administrator of the Year in 1994-95 and NAIA District 1 Female Administrator of the Year in 1991-92 ... Finalist for Whatcom County Business Woman of the Year in 1992 ... Instrumental in rebuilding and reshaping Western's sports program ... Under her direction, the Vikings have earned reputation as leaders both regionally and nationally ... Accomplishments include school's first national championship, raising funds for strength and fitness center, introducing highly successful annual fund drive, auction, and golf tournament to raise scholarship monies, adding fastpitch and golf as varsity sports for women, and implementing a strong marketing program that helped set attendance records in all sports ... Previously was associate athletic director for two years and headed the women's sports program for seven years ... Received Distinguished Alumnus Award from Western's Alumni Association in 1988 and was named Whatcom County Sports Person of the Year in 1987 ... Inducted into NAIA National Hall of Fame in 1986 as coach in women's basketball ... Named Vikings' Female Coach of the Century (1900-99) ... Became only third NAIA women's hoop coach to reach the 400 milestone in career victories ... Had 411-125 record in 19 seasons at Western ... Directed Vikings to three District 1 championships and two Bi-District I crowns, both times reaching quarterfinals at NAIA National Tournament; and three regional titles and subsequent trips to now defunct AIAW Nationals ... Finalist for National Division II Coach of the Year honors in 1981 and 1982 ... Never had losing season, while having 13 20-win campaigns and reaching post-season play 18 times ... Assistant coach for East team that won silver medal at 1985 National Sports Festival ... Also coached and taught five years at West Seattle High School ... Obtained bachelor's degree in 1966 and master's degree in 1973, both at Western ... Graduate of Lake Stevens High School ... Also coached golf, tennis, track, and volleyball at Western ... 59 years old.



DR. EILEEN COUGHLIN
Vice President for Student Affairs and Academic Support Services

In 11th year as vice president for student affairs and academic support services at Western ... Served four years as associate vice-president for student services at Northern Arizona University ... Also was assistant professor at NAU, teaching educational psychology ... Is licensed psychologist ... Spent 12 years at NAU, also serving as assistant vice-president for student services and director of residence life ... Earned doctorate degree at NAU in 1988 ... Received master's (1977) and bachelor's (1973) degrees at Central Michigan University ... Has directed several state and nationally funded projects on drug evaluation and services to at-risk students ... Active in American College Personnel Association and National Association of Student Personnel Administrators ... 53 years old ... Has daughter Veronica 9.



DR. RONALD RIGGINS
Faculty Athletic Representative

In 28th year at Western and ninth as faculty athletic representative ... Named dean of Fairhaven College in spring of 2002 after serving one year on interim basis ... Also was Fairhaven's interim dean during 1993-94 academic year and served as interim dean of College of Fine and Performing Arts in 1994-95 ... Professor of physical education, health and recreation (PEHR) ... Received Western's highest recognition of teaching, the Excellence in Teaching Award, in 1990 ... Served as PEHR chair and coordinator of department's recreation curriculum ... Active in community affairs, serving on Bellingham Parks and Recreation Board and coaching youth soccer in city, county and public school programs ... Has taught at all levels, from elementary school to university ... Received master's (1966) and doctorate degree (1976) in recreation with emphases in outdoor recreation and outdoor education at Indiana University ... At IU, served seven years as Director of Bradford Woods, a 2,300-acre outdoor center, and as instructor in Department of Recreation and Park Administration ... Obtained bachelor's degree in sociology from La Verne College (Calif.) in 1964 ... Graduate of Porterville High School (Calif.) ... 62 years old ... He and wife, Sandra have three grown children: Stacey, Scott and Suzi.

ATHLETICS ADMINISTRATION/COACHES

HEAD COACHES

FALL

Football
Rob Smith

Men's & Women's Soccer
Travis Connell

Volleyball
Diane Flick

Men's & Women's Cross Country
Pee Wee Halsell

WINTER

Men's Basketball
Brad Jackson

Women's Basketball
Carmen Dolfo

Men's & Women's Indoor Track & Field
Pee Wee Halsell

SPRING

Softball
Lonnie Hicks

Men's Golf
Steve Card

Women's Golf
Dean Russell

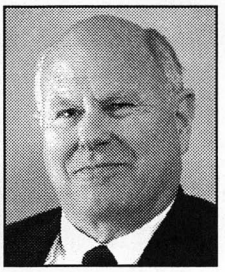
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John Fuchs

Men's Crew
Marty Sauvage

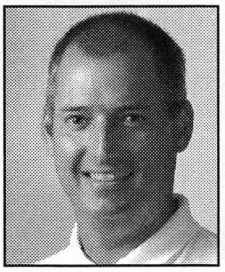
Men's & Women's Outdoor Track & Field
Pee Wee Halsell



Lynda Goodrich
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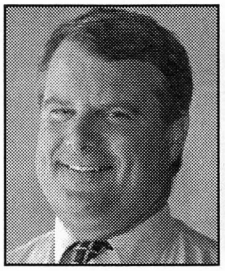
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Men's Golf



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Carmen Dolfo
Senior Women's Administrator
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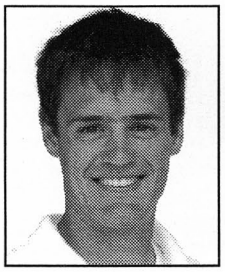
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Travis Connell
Men's & Women's Soccer



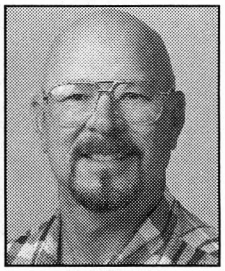
Diane Flick
Volleyball



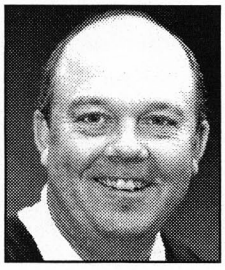
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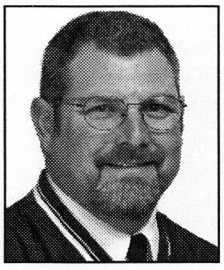
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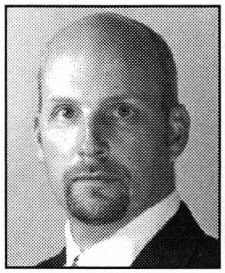
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Staff Athletic Trainer



Julie Weisgerber
Staff Athletic Trainer



Dorothy Goldsmith
Administrative Assistant/Eligibility



Eric Tripp
Director of Strength & Fitness Center



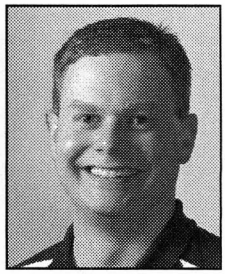
Kevin Fenwick
Athletic Equipment Coordinator



Tonja Gilbert
Spirit Squad Advisor



Leah Eberle
Ticket Manager
Viking Night



Jeff Hoffman
Website
Assistant SID

ATHLETICS STAFF DIRECTORY

Area Code 360

Director of Athletics - Lynda Goodrich 650-3109
Associate AD for Business and Financial Affairs - Steve Card 650-3489
Associate AD for Community Relations - Brad Jackson 650-3024
Associate AD for Support Services - Rob Smith 650-6622
Director of Development for Intercollegiate Athletics - Greg Bistline 650-2334
Senior Women's Administrator - Carmen Dolfo 650-7374
Director of Marketing - Steve Brummel 650-7758
Compliance Officer/Academic Advisor - Dr. T.H. "Butch" Kamena 650-6655
Ticket Manager - Leah Eberle 650-2583
Director of Strength and Fitness Center - Eric Tripp 650-7303
Administrative Assistant/Eligibility - Dorothy Goldsmith 650-6525
Football Coach - Rob Smith 650-6622
  Assistant - John Ely 650-2799
  Assistant - Scott Hodgkinson 650-6399
  Assistant - Eric Tripp 650-7303
  Assistant - Stacy Collins 650-3211
  Assistant - Terry Todd 650-3211
  Assistant - Raven Battle 650-3211
  Assistant - Zachary Tinker 650-3211
  Assistant - Adam Mathieson 650-3211
  Graduate Assistant - Andy Wojcik 650-3211
Volleyball Coach - Diane Flick 650-2849
Men's and Women's Cross Country Coach - Kelven "Pee Wee" Halsell 650-3103
Men's and Women's Soccer Coach - Travis Connell 650-3493
Men's Basketball Coach - Brad Jackson 650-3024
Women's Basketball Coach - Carmen Dolfo 650-7374
Men's and Women's Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field Coach - Kelven "Pee Wee" Halsell 650-3103
Men's Golf Coach - Steve Card 650-3489
Women's Golf Coach - Dean Russell 650-3109
Rowing Coordinator and Women's Crew Coach - John Fuchs 650-7736
Men's Crew Coach - Marty Sauvage 650-7336
Softball Coach - Lonnie Hicks 650-7783
Sports Information Director - Paul Madison 650-3108
Assistant SID - Butch Kamena 650-6655
Assistant SID - Jeff Hoffman 650-3688
Team Physician - Dr. Warren Howe 650-3144
  Head Athletic Trainer - Lonnie Lyon 650-3144
  Staff Athletic Trainer - Julie Weisgerber 650-3144
  Staff Athletic Trainer - Masa Migita 650-3144
Rehabilitation Athletic Trainer - Lori deKubber 650-3144
Team Orthopedic Physician - Dr. Michael Thorpe
Athletic Equipment Coordinator - Kevin Fenwick 650-7399
FAX Machine 650-3495
Tickets 650-BLUE (2583)

ATHLETICS STAFF

GREG BISTLINE
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

In second year as director of development for intercollegiate athletics ... Has extensive background in athletics fund-raising and administration ... As assistant director of athletics for development at Oregon State University, was member of senior athletic management staff that coordinated the department's $80 million football stadium expansion and renovation and supervised department's annual development membership drive that secured highest level of athletic annual contributions in school history (exceeding $5.1 million and 8,400 donors) ... Spent eight years (1993-2001) at UC Irvine, the first seven as associate AD for development and marketing and one as associate AD for major gift development and special projects .... There coordinated solicitation efforts for $22 million worth of athletic capital projects and initiated first-ever capital projects funding solicitations for numerous athletics only facilities ... Was acting director of athletics at Cal State Dominguez Hills following four years as associate AD ... Also worked in development for athletics departments at Cal State Fullerton and Loyola College (Maryland) ... Athletic academic counselor at University of Texas and assistant football coach/athletic academic counselor at University of New Mexico and Indiana State University ... Earned two bachelor's degrees and master's degree at University of Missouri ... 49 years old.

STEVE BRUMMEL
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC MARKETING

In 12th year as director of athletic marketing ... Played instrumental role in Western adopting new group of marks in 2000 ... In charge of Western Wave program, corporate sponsorships, game management, trademarks and licensing, advertising and promotions... Serves as Great Northwest Athletic Conference representative to the National Association of Collegiate Marketing Administrators...Also serves as sport marketing instructor in Western's College of Business and Economics...Received bachelor's degree in business administration from Western in 1993 and master's degree in 1999 ... Assistant football coach for three seasons at Bellingham High School ... Three-year letter winner as running back at Western ... Ran for 748 yards and scored seven touchdowns during his career ... Graduate of Sehome High School ... Lettered in baseball and football for Mariners ... 36 years old ... He and wife Emily have one child, son Coleman 3.

STEVE CARD
ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

In 15th year at Western ... In charge of business and financial affairs ... In 12th year as head men's golf coach, directing Western to school-record six straight national appearances from 1995 to 2000, including school-best fourth place finish in 1997, and eight overall ... Named Western Men's Golf Coach of the Century (1900-99)...Chairs West Region Selection Committee in golf and is member of NCAA Division II West Region Football Committee ... Also member of Golf Coaches of America Association All-America Selection Committee ... Director of Viking Golf Classic, a major fund-raiser for WWU Athletics ... Spent two years as Finance and Administrative Officer for Division of Student Affairs Office at Washington State University ... Also was staff analyst for WSU Student Services ... Received bachelor's degree in business administration and finance from WSU in 1987 ... Lettered four years in golf for Cougars, being team captain in 1986 and 1987 ... Attended Harry Ainlay Composite High School in Edmonton, Alberta ... 38 years old ... He and wife, Sunday, have two children, daughter Avery 13 and son Nathaniel 11.

CARMEN DOLFO
SENIOR WOMEN'S ADMINISTRATOR

In ninth year as senior women's administrator at Western ... Has 278-105 (.726) record in 13 seasons as head women's basketball coach at Western (took one-year leave of absence in 2003-04), directing Vikings to school-record six straight national appearances ... Her 1999-2000 team posted 27-4 record and reached final four at NCAA II National Championships, the school's best national finish ... Only person to represent Western at nationals as player, assistant coach and head coach ... Has directed Vikings to seven national appearances, 13 postseason playoff berths and 11 20-win seasons ... Selected to Western's all-time basketball team for school's first 100 years ... Great Northwest Athletic Conference Coach of the Year in 2001 ... Named Little All-Northwest Coach of the Year in 2000 and Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference Coach of the Year in 1995 and 1996 ... Received bachelor's degree in physical education in 1986 and master's degree in student personnel administration in 1999, both from Western ... Named to three All-American teams for Vikings in 1985-86 as well as earning NAIA National all-tournament (second-team) and District 1 co-Player of the Year honors ... Scored 1,757 points and grabbed 896 rebounds during four-year career, playing first two seasons at Biola University CA ... All-Province selection as prep, leading Penticton High School to British Columbia championship ... 39 years old ... She and husband John Garrison have three children: two daughters, Kennedy 3 and Aspen 1, and a son, John Grey, born July 10, 2004.

LEAH EBERLE
TICKET MANAGER

In second year as ticket manager ... Also in fourth year as assistant softball coach and ninth year in coaching overall ... Assisted at Edmonds CC for two seasons ... Also head varsity coach at Aloha (Ore.) High School for two years and coached American Softball Association team two summers ... Earned bachelor's degree in physical education at Pacific University (Forest Grove, Ore.) in 1992 ... NAIA All-American outfielder in softball for Boxers ... NAIA District 2 and Pacific University Female Athlete of the Year for 1991-92 ... Married to Tom Eberle ... 35 years old.

KEVIN FENWICK
ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR

In 11th year at Western ... Received certification from Athletic Equipment Managers Association in 1999 ... Obtained bachelor's degree in recreation at Western in 1993 ... Served as student manager for basketball and football ... Graduate of Centralia High School ... Also attended Centralia CC ... 40 years old ... He and wife Lisa have one child, daughter Hannah 2.

TONJA GILBERT
SPIRIT SQUAD ADVISOR

In sixth year as spirit squad advisor ... Received bachelor's degree in communications at Western in 1995 ... Four-year letter winner for Vikings as cheerleader from 1987-91 ... Graduate of Roosevelt High School in Seattle ... Varsity cheerleader for Roughriders as senior ... 36 years old.

DOROTHY GOLDSMITH
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/ ELIGIBILITY

In 18th year at Western and 16th in Viking athletic department ... Administrative Assistant to director of athletics and in charge of athletic eligibility ... Graduate of Everett/Providence School of Nursing and Bellingham High School ... 55 years old ... She and husband Chris, retired director of the Western Alumni Association, have two grown children, daughter Heidi and son Jeff.

JEFF HOFFMAN
SPORTS INFORMATION ASSISTANT

In second year as assistant in sports information office at Western after serving five years as student assistant ... Oversees athletics webpage and game-day statistics ... Obtained bachelor's degree in journalism at Western in 2003 ... Graduate of Hazen High School ... Worked three years as statistician and announcer for Highlanders with volleyball, men's and women's basketball and softball teams ... 25 years old.

DR. WARREN HOWE
TEAM PHYSICIAN

In 13th year at Western ... Also physician at Western's Student Health Service ... Previously was partner in clinic at Oak Harbor for 21 years ... Head physician at Class AAA state high school wrestling championships from 1978-88 ... Medical director at Washington State High School Wrestling Championships from 1989 to present ... Named to Washington State Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame as contributor in 1991 and inducted into National Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2003 ... Attending physician at NAIA National Wrestling Championships in 1976 and Seattle Goodwill Games (wrestling and track) in 1990 ... Received Doctor of Medicine degree from Washington University School of Medicine (St. Louis, MO) in 1965 ... Interned at Philadelphia (Penn.) General Hospital and completed residency training at University of Rochester (New York) & Highland Hospital Family Medicine Program ... Served in U.S. Navy ... Earned bachelor's degree at Rochester in 1962 ... Graduate of Walt Whitman High School (Huntington Station, New York) ... 63 years old ... He and wife Hedy have two grown daughters, Elizabeth and Sarah.

BRAD JACKSON
ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

In 20th year at Western ... In charge of community relations and advisor to Student-Athlete Advisory Committee ... Has 353-210 record in 19 seasons as head men's basketball coach, directing Vikings to school-best 27-4 record and NCAA Division II final four in 2000-01, and taking teams to NAIA National Tournament in 1988 and 1994 ... Assistant coach for West team at 1991 U.S. Olympic Sports Festival ... Named National Association of Basketball Coaches/NCAA II West Region and Pacific West Conference Coach of the Year in 2001, NAIA Pacific Northwest Region 1 Coach of the Year in 1994, District 1 Coach of the Year three times (1988-90) and Little All-Northwest Coach of the Year in 1988 and 2001... Directed Western to four straight 20-win seasons from 1986-90, a school record ... Prior to tenure at WWU was successful coach at Eastside Catholic (Bellevue) and Olympia High Schools ... Also assistant coach for five years at Seattle Pacific University ... Obtained master's degree in athletic administration at SPU in 1977 ... Received bachelor's degree at Washington State University, earning three letters in basketball ... Standout athlete in three sports at Hudson's Bay High School (Vancouver, WA) ... 52 years old ... He and wife Debbie, a four-time NCAA All-American gymnast and member of Athletic Hall of Fame at Seattle Pacific, have two grown children, daughter Lynsey and son Kyle.

DR. T.H. "BUTCH" KAMENA
COMPLIANCE OFFICER/ACADEMICS ADVISOR/ASSISTANT SPORTS INFORMATION

In third year as compliance officer and academic advisor ... Also assists in sports information, duties he has performed for 17 years ... Also in ninth year as adjunct instructor in Western's department of political science ... Earned doctorate in political science from University of Calgary in 2001, master's degree in political science from Western in 1993 and bachelor's degree in political science and journalism from Western in 1989 ... Publicity director for NAIA District 1 women's basketball for three years (1990-93) ... Inaugural winner of Murray S. Fraser Award for outstanding volunteer efforts for University of Calgary athletic department in 1996 ... Head boys basketball coach at Evergreen Christian High School for two seasons ... Graduate of Sehome High School ... 37 years old ... He and wife Christie have two sons, Trevor 8 and Derek 4.

LONNIE LYON
HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER

In seventh year as athletic trainer at Western ... Previously was athletic trainer for six years at Ripon College WI and one year at William Penn College IA ... Student athletic trainer for three years at Portland State University ... Obtained master's degree in exercise science and sports studies at PSU in 1991 ... Received bachelor's degree in psychology at Cal State Northridge ... Certified member of National Athletic Trainers Association ... Graduate of Canoga Park (Calif.) High School ... 49 years old ... He and wife Jeannine have two children, daughters Calial 13 and Alexandria 11.

PAUL MADISON
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

In 37th year as director of sports information at Western, the last 29 being full-time, following two on part-time basis and five as student ... Past chair of Great Northwest Athletic Conference Sports Information Directors Committee ... Served one-year (2000-01) as College Division Representative (West Region) on College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Board of Directors ... 1993 recipient of Ike Pearson Award, given annually by NAIA-Sports Information Directors Association to honor outstanding contributions to profession ... Has received 42 CoSIDA and NAIA publications awards; including eight Best in the Nation ... Served two terms as Area I Representative on Executive Committee of the NAIA-SIDA ... Past member of the gambling awareness and job attrition committees of CoSIDA... Also served as publicity director for Evergreen Conference (five years), Northwest Women's Basketball League (three years), and Washington Intercollegiate Basketball Association (one year) ... Director of Public Relations at Holiday Hills Recreation Center in Spokane in 1972 ... Obtained bachelor's degree in journalism at Western in 1971 ... In 1969, received Rodstrom Scholarship from Puget Sound Sportswriters and Broadcasters Association ... Graduate of Ferndale High School ... 56 years old ... He and wife Geri have one child, son Aaron 5.

MASA MIGITA
STAFF ATHLETIC TRAINER

In second year as staff athletic trainer at Western ... Previously was head athletic trainer at West Albany High School (Albany, Ore.) for seven years as part of outreach program from Albany General Hospital ... Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer, Head Student Athletic Trainer and Student Athletic Trainer, each for one year, at Oregon State University ... Working on master's degree in health and human performance at Oregon State ... Received bachelor's degree in education at Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan, in 1987 and post baccalaureate degree in exercise and sports science at Oregon State in 1994 ... Assistant Athletic Trainer at Oregon State Athletic Association 4A and 3A track and field championships in 2002 and 2003, and at NCAA Division I Track and Field Championship in 1996 ... Certified member of National Athletic Trainers Association and member of National Strength and Conditioning Association ... 40 years old ... He and wife Miho have two children, son Tiger 5 and daughter Haruka 2.

ROB SMITH
ASSOCIATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

In 18th year at Western ... In charge of support services ... In 16th year as head football coach after being an assistant for two seasons ... Named Western Football Coach of the Century (1900-99) ... Has most career wins in school history with 99 ... Has directed Vikings to their only five national playoff appearances in 1992, 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1999; with near misses in 1989, 1991, 1993, 2000 and 2001 ... Guided Western to national championship game in 1996 and directed Vikings to No.1 national final poll rating in 1995 ... Named American Football Coaches Association College Division Region V Coach of the Year both seasons ... Great Northwest Athletic Conference Coach of the Year in 2001 and 2003, and Columbia Football Association Coach of the Year in 1989, 1995, 1996, 1999 and 2000 ... Came to Western after spending five years as top assistant coach at Renton High School ... Lettered three years in football at University of Washington, playing in 1978 Rose Bowl ... Received bachelor's degree from UW in 1981 ... Graduate of Hoquiam High School ... 47 years old ... He and wife Wendy have two children, daughter Alison 10 and son Jared 6.

JULIE WEISGERBER
STAFF ATHLETIC TRAINER

In third year as staff athletic trainer at Western ... Previously was assistant athletic trainer at Northern Michigan University for three years after being graduate assistant athletic trainer at Southern Illinois University for two years ... Obtained master's of science degree in education at Southern Illinois in 2000 and received bachelor's degree in physical education at San Diego State University in 1997 ... Student athletic trainer at San Diego State for two years ... Certified member of National Athletic Trainers Association and member of National Strength and Conditioning Association ... Graduate of Rosemead (Calif.) High School, earning first-team all-league honors in softball all four years ... 36 years old.

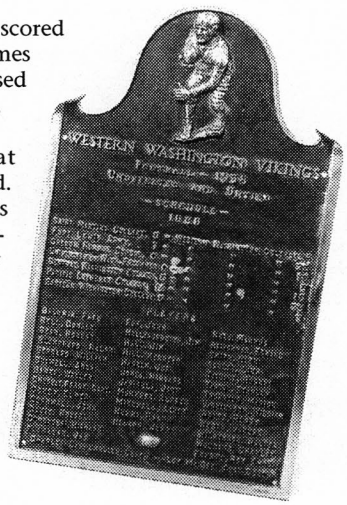
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Western has had only one undefeated, untied football team in its history. That was in 1938, when the Vikings, coached by Charles "Lappy" Lappenbusch, posted a 7-0-0 record.

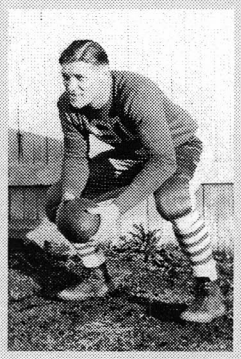
The toughest game of that season was the last, a 7-0 victory over Eastern Washington. It had been 11 years since the Vikings had beaten the Savages, but two long passes by Link Sarles got Western a second-quarter touchdown that stood up. The Vikings preserved the victory by stopping Eastern on four plays inside the 2-yard line in the third quarter.

It was appropriate that the Vikings scored through the air. They threw 15 to 20 times a game in an era when most teams used the pass as only a desperation device.

Lappenbusch coached 20 years at Western, posting an 81-62-15 record. He was nationally recognized for his Straight Line Philosophy, the centerpiece of which was, "If you don't know what you're doing, get out of the way!"



1938 VIKINGS

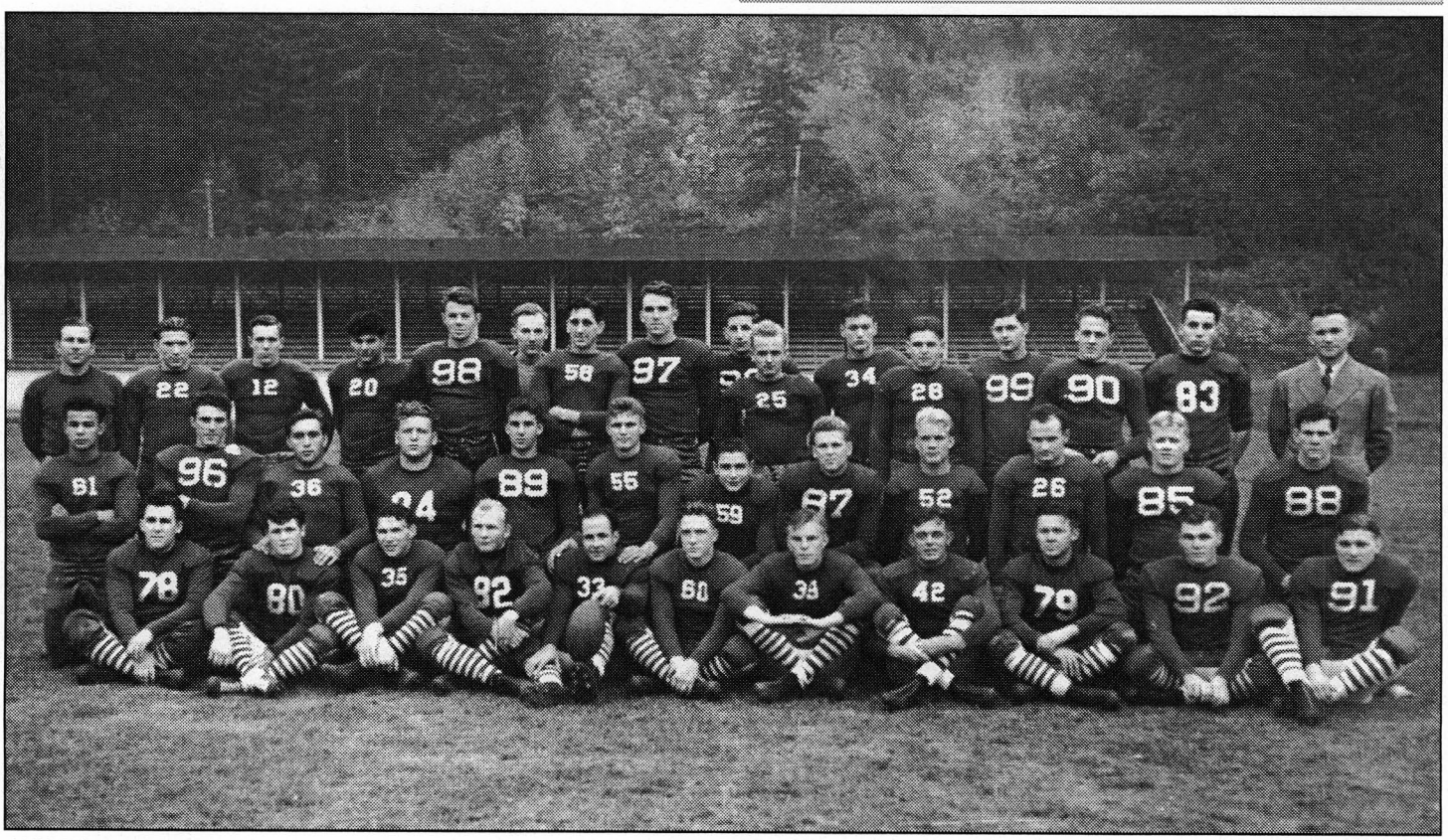


Captain Frank Chorvat

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Assistant: Loy McGee
Manager: Roy Franko

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Robert Bean
Ralph Blanchard
William Bernard
Anor Boswell
Wesley Baker
Frank Chorvat *(Captain)*
Elmer Coney
John Cornwall
Russell Davis
Richard Dombroski
Jay Flanagan
John Fox
Jim Hollingsworth
Jim Hall
Kenneth Hill
Joe Hansen
Howard Jones
Jack Janikula
Alfred Munkres
Alick Mitchell
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1938 Vikings at Waldo Field

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