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NAU'S KEMPER NAMED BIG SKY CONFERENCE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

OGDEN, Utah (October 7, 2013) - Northern Arizona's Sydney Kemper has been named the Big Sky Conference Volleyball Player of the Week for the matches played the week of September 30 through October 6.

Kemper was outstanding in multiple facets of the game this week, leading the NAU charge to a perfect 3-0 homestand with three clean sweeps of Southern Utah, Portland State and Eastern Washington. She averaged 3.44 kills, 3.00 digs and 1.11 blocks per set while hitting a sizzling .474 for the week.

The junior from Albuquerque, N.M. began the week with an eight kills, eight digs performance against Southern Utah. She recorded her eight kills on just 14 swings as she did not register an error en route to hitting a match-high .571.

Kemper followed that up with a double-double performance against preseason Big Sky favorite Portland State as she notched her second double-double of the season with a match-best 14 kills and a career-high 11 digs. She had another highly-efficient performance as she hit .393 in addition to tallying seven blocks on the night.

She finished the week with nine kills, which led all players, and eight digs in NAU's win over Southern Utah. She hit .533, her second match of the week with a hitting percentage upwards of .500.

Overall, she recorded her top-two hitting percentages of the season this week and Kemper led the team with 37.5 points, 19.0 of which came in NAU's three-set win over Portland State.

Others Nominated: Marissa Todd, Idaho State; Brooke Bray, Montana; Anna Sykora, Montana State; Anna Pioske, North Dakota; Ashley Guthrie, Northern Colorado; Aubrey Mitchell, Portland State and Chelcy Motes, Sacramento State

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