



# WEEKLY NOTEBOOK

## 2022 BASEBALL

Jared Pine  
jaredpine@thepacwest.com

Sports Communications Director  
February 28, 2022

### Point Loma Makes It A Perfect 10 To Start The Season

#### PACWEST BASEBALL STANDINGS

No.	Team	Conf.	GB	Overall	Streak
1.	Hawai'i Pacific	2-0	--	8-5	Lost 2
2.	Point Loma (5)	3-1	--	13-1	Won 3
3.	Concordia (23)	3-1	--	9-4-1	Won 3
4.	Holy Names	2-2	1.0	9-8	Won 2
5.	Biola	2-2	1.0	5-7	Lost 2
6.	Azusa Pacific	1-3	2.0	6-10	Lost 3
7.	Academy of Art	1-3	2.0	5-10	Lost 3
8.	Fresno Pacific	0-0	1.0	7-3	Won 3
9.	Hawai'i Hilo	0-2	2.0	11-4	Won 2

**IRVINE, Calif.** -- Point Loma took its first loss of the season against Azusa Pacific last week but bounced back quickly with three wins in a row against the three-time defending conference champions to get a 3-1 start to PacWest play for the No. 1 team in the USBWA West Region poll.

Azusa Pacific won the series opener with **AJ Woodall** allowing just one run over seven innings to earn the win before **Declan Kearney** threw two innings in relief for the save in the 3-2 win. Point Loma then beat the Cougars by the exact same score after **Otto Kemp** hit a solo home run in the sixth inning to tie the game. When the series moved to Azusa, the scores remained tight with Point Loma picking up another one-run win following their 5-3 win in Game 3 of the series.

Concordia is now 3-1 in PacWest play after dropping the first game against Academy of Art and then winning three in a row. **Riley O'Sullivan** threw 7.2 innings in the second game of the series and struck out nine batters to earn his second win of the season. **Noah McBride** entered in relief with a 4-1 lead in the eighth and struck out all four batters he faced to earn the save in the 7-1 win.

Holy Names and Biola split their four-game series last week with the Hawks winning the second pair of games, each by one run. In the third game, a pair of bases-loaded walks sent the tying and game-winning run across home plate in the seventh inning before **Matt Freeman** threw three shutout innings with just one hit allowed to earn his first win. Holy Names is now 9-8 on the season and will travel to Hawai'i this week for a pair of series against the Sharks and then Vulcans.

#### PLAYER OF THE WEEK



**Michael Dixon, Concordia OF, Jr., 6-1 -- Oakland, Calif.**

Dixon helped Concordia win each of its last three games against Academy of Art to start conference play 3-1. He had a pair of multi-hit games for the Eagles, who were ranked No. 23 in the nation going into the series. In the first game, he went 1 for 4 with a triple and run scored. In the nightcap, he added some insurance runs for Concordia by hitting a 2-RBI double to left-center field in the seventh inning. Then in the ninth inning, he hit a 3-run home run to left field as he finished the game 2 for 5 with 5 RBIs. Dixon hit his second home run of the series the following day as he went 3 for 4 with a walk, four runs and two RBIs. He finished the week with four extra-base hits and totals of seven RBIs and six runs scored. He is now batting .327 for the season with two home runs and 11 RBIs. He has recorded a hit in all but one of Concordia's nine wins this season.

#### PITCHER OF THE WEEK



**Collin Carriger, Academy of Art RHP, Sr., 6-0 -- Fair Oaks, Calif.**

Carriger earned his first win of the season in the series-opener against No. 23 Concordia. He pitched a two-run complete game with just three hits and one walk allowed, striking out 16 batters in the 3-2 win. Academy of Art trailed 1-0 through the first five innings, but Carriger kept putting zeroes on the board after initially allowing a run on a sacrifice fly. That allowed the Urban Knights to get back in the game and eventually win on a sacrifice fly of their own in the bottom of the ninth to walk off the first game of the series. In the first four innings, Carriger struck out 10 batters, striking out the side in order in the third inning and fourth inning. He struck out seven batters in a row before getting a second-pitch foulout to end the streak. In the ninth inning, he struck out the first two batters before getting Dixon to fly out. As he walked off the mound for the final time, the score was tied 2-2, and then **Travis Turney** hit a leadoff triple and then scored the game-winning run.

# PACWEST RECORD WATCH

## SINGLE SEASON INDIVIDUAL RECORD TRACKER

Stat	Player	Team	No.	Top 10	Record
Hits	Colton Combs	HNU	26	80	91
Runs	Otto Kemp	PLNU	21	55	67
RBI's	Joseph Gallagher	UHH	18	59	75
Home Runs	Otto Kemp	PLNU	6	17	27
Stolen Bases	Tyler Baca	BU	8	20	33
Wins	Baxter Halligan	PLNU	3	9	11
Strikeouts	Baxter Halligan	PLNU	38	95	109
Inn. Pitched	Collin Carriger	ART U	32.1	93.1	107
Slugging Pct.	Otto Kemp	PLNU	.762	.691	.865
Batting Avg.	Eric Peterson	UHH	.452	.405	.425
On-Base Pct.	Matt McGrady	FPU	.581	.496	.537

## SINGLE SEASON TEAM RECORD TRACKER

Stat	Team	No.	Top 10	Record
Wins	Point Loma	13	38	42
Batting Avg.	Point Loma	.325	.315	.347
Runs	Point Loma	122	373	450
Hits	Point Loma	160	544	603
Doubles	Point Loma	35	101	118
Triples	Hawai'i Pacific	7	15	24
Home Runs	Azusa Pacific	23	55	107
Walks	Fresno Pacific	68	218	280
ERA	Point Loma	2.66	3.43	2.50
Strikeouts	Azusa Pacific	152	408	501
Fielding Pct.	Academy of Art	.978	.971	.977
Double Plays	Academy of Art	11	48	58
Stolen Bases	Blola	29	73	97

## PREVIOUS WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS

Date	Player	Pitcher
February 7	Scott Anderson, PLNU	Justin Fuson, FPU
February 14	Otto Kemp, PLNU	Jack O'Brien
February 21	Charles Morgan, ART U	Baxter Halligan, PLNU

## NCBWA Top 25 Rankings

Week 1 -- February 16

Rk.	Team	W-L	Prev.
1.	Wingate [16]	11-0	1
2.	Tampa [3]	8-1	2
3.	West Texas A&M	10-0	5
4.	Southern Arkansas	6-1	4
5.	<b>Point Loma</b>	<b>10-0</b>	<b>7</b>
6.	Colorado Mesa	7-1	3
7.	Nova Southeastern	9-0	10
8.	Columbus State	9-2	6
9.	Trevecca Nazarene	6-1	8
10.	Henderson State	11-0	18
11.	Southern New Hampshire	0-0	11
12.	Seton Hill	2-1	9
13.	Colorado School of Mines	11-1	17
14.	Newberry	10-1	15
t15.	Chico State	7-2	16
t15.	Montevallo	11-0	24
17.	Angelo State	9-3	12
18.	North Georgia	7-2	19
19.	Mercyhurst	0-0	23
20.	Illinois-Springfield	3-2	RV
21.	Augustana	2-1	RV
22.	Rollins	7-2	-
23.	<b>Concordia</b>	<b>6-3-1</b>	<b>25</b>
24.	Lenoir-Rhyne	12-1	-
25.	Lubbock Christian	9-3	RV

**Receiving Votes:** Molloy, Florida Tech, Davenport, Northwood, Central Missouri, Anderson, West Chester, Franklin Pierce, Texas A&M Kingsville, Western Oregon, Northeastern State, Shorter