

WEEKLY NOTEBOOK

2022 SOFTBALL

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Biola Stops Concordia's 37-Game PacWest Win Streak

	PACWEST SOFTBALL STANDINGS					
No.	Team	Conf.	GB	Overall	<u>Streak</u>	
1.	Concordia (9)	28-2		42-7	Lost 2	
2.	Azusa Pacific	24-6	4.0	34-14	Won 8	
3.	Biola	15-11	11.0	22-17	Won 2	
4.	Hawai`i Pacific	15-15	13.0	21-25	Won 5	
5.	Hawai`i Hilo	12-12	13.0	16-17	Won 2	
6.	Chaminade	11-19	17.0	15-24	Lost 2	
7.	Dominican	11-19	17.0	17-31	Lost 4	
8.	Academy of Art	6-20	20.0	9-40	Won 1	
9.	Holy Names	6-24	22.0	10-36	Lost 1	

IRVINE, Calif. -- After being ranked No. 10 in the first NCAA West Region rankings, Biola picked up two wins over No. 2 Concordia, becoming the first PacWest team to have defeated this year's PacWest Champions all season after **Raylene Roybal** and **Paige Austin** both pitched shutouts.

Austin struck out 11 batters in the first game and was perfect through 4.2 innings as she snapped Concordia's 37-game winning streak in PacWest games. She moved up to eighth in PacWest history in single-season strikeouts with 175, surpassing 2016 PacWest Pitcher of the Year Grayson Harvey.

Azusa Pacific earned four-game sweep against Dominican last week to improve to 34-14 on the season, making the Cougars tied for the third-most wins in the West Region this season.

The Cougars had two shutout victories in the series and **Katie Korstrom** earned her 13th win of the season, which is the second-most in the PacWest this year.

The first NCAA West Region rankings were released on Wednesday. Concordia led the conference as the No. 2 team in the West Region. The top-2 teams in the region will get to host the opening rounds of the NCAA postseason.

Azusa Pacific is inside the playoff picture with one week left in the regular season, holding the No. 7 spot. Biola is also in the top-10 with its 22-17 record. The two wins over Concordia could move Biola up in the rankings, but earning a spot in the top-8 will be a challenge since the GNAC tournament champion will receive an automatic bid. Azusa Pacific and Concordia will face each other in a doubleheader on Saturday.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK



Lauryn Henderson, Academy of Art C, Sr., 5-9 -- Gilbert, Ariz.

Henderson had four multi-hit games last week and belted six extra-base hits to help the Urban Knights earn two conference wins. Henderson wrapped up the trip to Hawai`i by go-

ing 6 for 12 with five runs in the first three games against Chaminade. In the second game of the series, she went 2 for 4 with a home run and a double, scoring twice with two RBIs. After the Urban Knights returned to San Francisco, they earned a split against Holy Names to remain in eighth place in the PacWest standings. Henderson went 1 for 2 in the first game with her first triple of the season and a walk. Then she went 3 for 4 with two doubles and three runs in Academy of Art's second win of the week. She now has a .336 batting average with 20 extra-base hits and 21 RBIs this season.

PITCHER OF THE WEEK



Paige Austin, Biola RHP, Sr., 5-5 -- Los Alamitos, Calif.

Austin earned her 12th win of the season by throwing an 11-strikeout shutout to defeat No. 9 Concordia in the first game of a doubleheader sweep. Austin allowed just three hits and no

walks. This is the ninth time that Austin has pitched in a shutout for Biola and the sixth time that she has pitched all seven innings. The win for Austin gave Concordia its first conference loss of the season after starting the year with a 28-0 record in PacWest games. Austin got the first three batters of the game to go down swinging and she struck out four of the first five that she faced. Austin retired the first 11 batters she faced before a two-out single broke up the perfect game in the fourth inning. She struck out the next two batters and then got a double play in the fifth inning to keep the shutout going. In the sixth inning, she struck out the side for the second time and then retired the side in order in the seventh inning. She now has a 12-5 record with a 0.84 ERA and 175 strike-outs in 125 innings pitched.

PACWEST RECORD WATCH

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<u>Stat</u>	Player	Team	No.	Top 10	Record
Hits	Megan Massa	CUI	65	80	91
Runs	Olivia Smith	APU	40	60	78
RBIs	Sydney Sprinkle	CUI	47	55	77
Home Runs	Rylie Rohr	CUI	11	14	19
Total Bases	Rylie Rohr	CUI	92	129	153
Batting Avg.	Megan Massa	CUI	.414	.446	.504
On-Base Pct.	Megan Massa	CUI	.489	.526	.585
Stolen Bases	Olivia Smith	APU	28	35	52
Strikeouts	Paige Austin	BU	175	150	302
Inn. Pitched	Shelby Keltner	DUC	171.0	190.1	237.1
ERA	Cortney Koelmans	CUI	0.82	1.33	0.74

SINGLE SEASON TEAM RECORD TRACKER

Stat	Team	No.	Top 10	Record
Wins	Concordia	42	42	52
Batting Avg.	Azusa Pacific	.306	.337	.371
Hits	Azusa Pacific	422	498	630
Runs	Concordia	256	340	425
Home Runs	Concordia	32	47	67
Triples	Azusa Pacific	14	16	24
Walks	Azusa Pacific	112	177	228
ERA	Concordia	1.14	1.82	1.13
Strikeouts	Concordia	269	268	456
Fielding Pct.	Biola	.969	.968	.975
Double Plays	Azusa Pacific	25	26	33
Saves	Concordia	9	5	11
Stolen Bases	Azusa Pacific	72	86	140

PACWEST TEAM EARNED RUN AVERAGE LEADERS

No.	Team	Year	ERA
1.	Hawai`i Pacific	2010	1.13
2.	Concordia	2022	1.14
3.	Hawai`i Pacific	2008	1.20
4.	Hawai`i Pacific	2009	1.45
5.	California Baptist	2018	1.55
6.	California Baptist	2012	1.58
7.	Concordia	2016	1.63

PREVIOUS WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS

Date	Player	Pitcher
February 7	Missy Nemeth, CUI	Paige Austin, BU
February 14	Sydney Sprinkle, CUI	Erika Morris, CUI
February 21	Noel Saunders, HPU	Sydnie Sahhar, APU
February 28	Megan Massa, CUI	Katlin Entrup, CUI
March 7	Caitlin DeCanio, APU	Shelby Keltner, DUC
March 14	Taryn Fujioka, CUH	Katlin Entrup, CUI & Alexis Lacy, UHH
March 21	Alicia Garcia, DUC	Shelby Keltner, DUC
March 28	Olivia Smith, APU	Paige Austin, BU
April 4	Aly Montesino, APU	Paige Austin, BU
April 11	Lauren Lapinid, HPU	Malia Torres, HPU
April 18	Sydney Sprinkle, CUI	Malia Torres, HPU

NCA/	West Region Rankin	gs		
Week	1 - April 20			
Rank	School	DII	West	
1	Cal State San Marcos	34-6	34-6	
2	Concordia	42-5	42-5	
3	Chico State	30-11	30-11	
4 5	Cal State Dom. Hills	33-15	32-15	
	Sonoma State	30-14	30-14	
6	Cal State Mont. Bay	29-15	29-15	
7	Azusa Pacific	30-14	30-14	
8	Northwest Nazarene	23-15	23-15	
9	Cal State East Bay	20-20	20-20	
10	Biola	18-17	18-17	
NFCA Division II Top 25 Coaches Poll				
Week	10 - April 19			
Rank	School F	Record	<u>Prev</u>	
1	UT Tyler (16)	34-4	1	

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1	UT Tyler (16)	34-4	1
2	Auburn Montgomery	32-7	6
3	Indianapolis	37-5	5
4	Central Oklahoma	38-6	10
5	Texas A&M-Kingsville	37-8	3
6 7	Cal State San Marcos	34-6	4
	Valdosta State	28-7	3
8	Rogers State	36-6	2
9	Concordia	42-5	7
10	Angelo State	32-8	11
11	Tampa	27-10	ç
12	Augustana (S.D.)	32-7	13
13	Anderson (S.C.)	35-5	20
14	Lubbock Christian	33-7	14
15	Oklahoma Christian	34-8	16
16	North Georgia	35-13	12
17	Southern Indiana	32-10	17
18	Minnesota State	32-10	21
19	Texas A&M-Commerc	ce33-11	19
20	West Florida	26-11	22
21	Embry-Riddle (FL)	22-11	18
22	West Texas A&M	25-12	23
23	Lenoir-Rhyne	34-11	NF
24	Grand Valley State	28-5	24
25	Kutztown	27-11	NF

Receiving Votes: Lincoln Memorial, Adelphi, Chico State, East Stroudsburg, Nova Southeastern, Colorado Christian, Washburn, Rollins, Northwest Nazarene