



NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

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**THIS WEEK AT
NOTRE DAME
(HOME GAMES)**

Saturday October 10

**Boys JV/VAR Soccer
vs. Imlay City/DC
8:30/10:00**

**VAR Volleyball
Marshall, Bronson,
Garber Quad 10:00**

Thursday October 15

**F/JV/VAR Volleyball
vs. Clio 4:30/5:30/7:00**

**JV Football
vs. Pinckney 5:30**



**The Notre Dame Boys
Varsity Tennis team
celebrates after claiming its
first MHSAA District title
in school history**

BOYS TENNIS TAKES FIRST DISTRICT TITLE

The Notre Dame Boys Tennis team earned its first MHSAA District championship in school history. Working within a new MHSAA playoff format for this season based on head-to-head competition rather than total team points, the Irish opened up district play with an 8-0 win over Imlay City to advance to the final. In the championship, Notre Dame then defeated the Frankel Jewish Academy 5-3 to win the district title. Kadin Kinloch (first singles) and Cole Bennett (second singles) picked up singles wins for the Irish against the Jewish Academy while the doubles teams of David Mohr and Frank Roth (first), Alex Housey and Aida Mehta (second), and Max Thornton and Ben Valade (third) also earned victories. Notre Dame will now advance to the MHSAA Division Four State Finals next weekend.

EQUESTRIAN PLACES THIRD AT REGIONALS

After winning the District championship, the Notre Dame Equestrian team traveled to the Washtenaw County Fairgrounds to compete against eight teams for a chance at one of the two slots to advance to the State Finals. At the conclusion of day one, 13 of 17 events were complete and the Irish were only four points out of first place and held a 23 point lead over the third place team. Unfortunately, the team had a rough day two and finished

up in third place for the second year in a row, narrowly missing the opportunity to advance. Grace Parker led the way for the Irish with 90 points, earning multiple first, second and third place finishes. Kendall Lance scored in seven different events contributing 71 points. Cara DeFelice chipped in 35 points highlighted by a first and second place finish in the always difficult Saddle Seat Bareback class. Also scoring for Notre Dame was Ava Holman (25), Colette Bockrath (19), Madison Fraser (15), Carmen Thomas (six) and Lilly Urban (three). The team will say goodbye to three senior captains in Lance, DeFelice, and Bockrath as they look to reload for next season.

GIRLS GOLF TAKES FIFTH AT REGIONALS

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Golf team placed fifth at the MHSAA Regional tournament held at Heather Hills Golf Course, finishing with a team score of 404. Senior Julia Fitzgerald shot a 90 to lead the Irish, placing ninth overall individually and earning a spot in the State Finals as an individual qualifier. Emma Roth, Rachel Rook, and Amanda Roth rounded out the scoring effort for Notre Dame.

VOLLEYBALL GRABS WIN OVER DIVINE CHILD

The Notre Dame Varsity Volleyball team improved to 16-1 on the season with a straight set win over Divine Child with scores of 25-18,

25-13, 25-21. The Irish played stellar defense led by Libero Livy Kowalkowski, who finished with nine digs, nine points, two aces, and 18 serve receptions. Defensive Specialist Ally Berent had four kills, two blocks 14 serve receptions, and seven digs while Elyssa Wallace had five digs and three serve receptions. Offensively, Notre Dame was led by Abby Nellis with 11 kills and two blocks and Sara Nouhan with nine kills and a pair of blocks. Josie Bloom dished out 17 assists, scored 12 points with two on aces, and added three kills and Hanna Rutila was strong from the service line with 11 points, two aces, and four kills.

IRISH GO 1-2 AT QUAD

The Notre Dame Varsity Volleyball team (17-3) went 1-2 at a competitive quad. The Irish fell to Goodrich (23-25, 25-27), defeated Flushing (25-17, 29-31, 25-18), and dropped the final match to Birch Run (21-25, 25-16, 23-25). Liv Kowalkowski led the defensive effort with 90 serve receptions and 72 digs to go with 16 service points and three aces. Ally Berent contributed 23 service points, four aces, nine kills, 31 serve receptions and 36 digs while Hanna Rutila responded to her expanded role with 22 points, six aces, nine kills, 19 serve receptions and 29 digs. The Irish offense was led by Sara Nouhan with 26 kills and Abby Nellis with 14 kills. Josie Bloom dished out 40 assists to go with nine points, five aces, 13 kills and 35 digs.



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GIRLS SWIM SPLITS WITH CLARKSTON, ROYAL OAK; YELLOW JACKETS BEST IRISH IN TOP-10 MATCHUP

Saturday October 10

**5/6 Football
vs. Holy Family 12:00**

**7/8 Football
vs. St. Joan of Arc 2:00**

Monday October 12

**7/8 Green Volleyball
vs. OL Refuge 6:00**

**5/6 Volleyball
vs. OL Refuge 6:00**

**7/8 Gold Volleyball
vs. OL Refuge 7:00**

**4/5 Volleyball
vs. OL Refuge 7:00**

Thursday October 15

**MA Soccer
vs. St. Patrick 7:30**

BOYS TENNIS GETS WIN OVER ARMADA

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Tennis team earned a 5-3 win over Armada in a match that held seeding implications for the MHSAA postseason tournament. Kadin Kinloch (first singles) and Cole Bennett (second singles) picked up individual victories for the Irish, who also received wins in doubles from David Mohr and Frank Roth (first), Max Thornton and Ben Valade (third), and Anthony Ghaith and Trevor Rowe (fourth).

IRISH FALL TO DRAGONS

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Tennis team closed regular season play with a 6-2 loss to Lake Orion. The Irish received wins at first singles from Kadin Kinloch and at first doubles from the pairing of David Mohr and Frank Roth.

DCDS BESTS IRISH IN DEFENSIVE SHOWDOWN

The Notre Dame Varsity Football team dropped a 10-0 decision to Detroit Country Day. The Yellow Jackets scored on a three yard touchdown run in the opening quarter and added a field goal in the second quarter to provide the offense for the game. The Irish received strong defensive performances from Evan McGhee with eight solo tackles and Andrew Phillipart, who finished with seven. Evan Noga had two sacks for Notre Dame while Alex Scherle had one. Chris Galle,

Billy Newman, and Clayton Bone had interceptions for the Notre Dame defense, with Bone also leading the way offensively with five catches for 37 yards.

FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL FALLS TO LHN

The Notre Dame Freshman Volleyball team fought a hard battle against Lutheran North. The Irish came out strong in the first set to gain a quick 3-0 lead on the Mustangs behind the serving of Ava Curkowski. The Mustangs answered back tying the Irish at nine all. The Irish had strong defense in the back row led by Elise Glotkowski and Sophia Bahu, but ultimately it was a serving run by Abby Hannan which led the Irish to a comeback victory in the first set with a score of 26-24. Notre Dame started off strong again in the second set with big front row attacks and blocks from both Madison Pawlowski and Natalia Green. The Irish found themselves down with Grace Simon headed back to the service line. Simon went on a serving run to bring the Irish back in the game, now leading the Mustangs 13-11. Unfortunately, the rally fell short and Notre Dame dropped the second set. The Irish reset themselves going into the third set. With a great connection from Annie Wachowiak to Ellie Peters, the Irish started the set strong. The Irish had great back row efforts from Mariam Toma, and Grace Trulik but ultimately fell to the Mustangs by a score of 10-15 to drop the match.

IRISH SPLIT DOUBLE-DUAL

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Swim team traveled to Royal Oak for a double-dual meeting against Royal Oak and Clarkston. Once again the Irish had to fight an uphill battle as both rivals marched out a total of 11 divers to none for Notre Dame, leaving a 13-0 deficit to overcome in the swimming portion of the meet. The Irish were up for the challenge, performing well against both teams. Sophomore Grace Linenfelser got her 500 Freestyle Oakland County cut, dropping four seconds from her best performance of the year. Freshman Tessa Boehme dropped nearly six seconds in her 200 IM while freshman Chanel Issa shaved four seconds of her best 100 Freestyle. The excitement culminated with junior Alina Stanczak chasing down the final swimmer in the 400 Freestyle relay. Stanczak jumped in the water nearly five seconds behind the leader but scorched the pool and swam her down, beating the competition by nearly two seconds. The Irish ended up splitting the night by defeating Clarkston 122-61 and dropping a close match to Royal Oak 92.5-82.5. Coach McGreevy was very pleased with the girls efforts, "We can't worry about the 13 points we give up to diving, we can only control our swimming. In both cases, we beat the competition in that portion of the evening." Notre Dame heads to the Oakland County Championship this weekend having qualified 10 swimmers.



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7/8 GOLD VOLLEYBALL TOPS ST. HUGO, ST. JOSEPH; 5/6 AND 4/5 VOLLEYBALL TEAMS GET WINS

DCDS HANDS JV FOOTBALL FIRST LOSS

The Notre Dame JV Football team dropped its first game of the season 42-21 to Detroit Country Day. DCDS took a 14-0 lead on a pair of touchdown runs. The Irish fought back, completing an eight play drive on a Braden Prater three yard touchdown run with 1:04 left in the half. Unfortunately the Yellowjackets struck quickly to take a 20-7 lead at halftime. Notre Dame started the third quarter with a six minute drive but could not punch the ball in despite a first and goal from the five yard line. Country Day scored on a 98 yard run and a 93 yard touchdown pass to close the third quarter with a 34-7 lead. The Irish drove down the field to start the fourth with Zach Conroy scoring on a touchdown pass from Jacob Tuttle. The Yellowjackets then scored on a 51 yard run. The next Irish offensive drive resulted in a 39 yard touchdown pass from Tuttle to Luke Mylenek. Matthew Sadecki and Landon Hehl led Notre Dame team in tackles. Sadecki and Jeremy Gale also had interceptions on extra point attempts. Five different receivers caught passes led by Gale with five receptions for 91 yards. Prater led the team with 63 yards rushing on 21 carries and Tuttle went 13-20 passing, resulting in 191 yards and another 61 yards of rushing. The Irish look to bounce back this week against Milford.

5/6 VOLLEYBALL TOPS ST. JOSEPH

The Notre Dame 5/6 Grade Volleyball team earned a win over St. Joseph by a score of 25-15, 25-10, 15-4. Lily Stolzenfeld had a strong game from the service line to help lead the Irish.

4/5 VOLLEYBALL BESTS MAVERICKS

The Notre Dame 4/5 Grade Volleyball team dropped a match to Everest 25-14, 25-13, 15-13 before rebounding with a 25-10, 25-9, 15-9 win over St. Joseph. Saniya Tucker led the Irish from the serving line in the win.

MIDDLE SCHOOL XC WINS TWO MEETS

The Notre Dame Middle School Cross Country team picked up wins over Oakview Middle School and St. Patrick. The Irish defeated Oakview in a meet that featured several sprints to the finish line. Alec Wernis, Felipe Sanchez-Montalvo, Lucas DiGrande, Chris Hunter, and Tyler Leung all scored for Notre Dame in the meet. The following day the Irish edged St. Patrick 25-30. Sanchez-Montalvo (second), Wernis (third), DiGrande (fourth), Hunter (seventh), and Adri Lorenz (ninth) all scored for the Irish while Annabella Kilanowski, John Hunter, Siddarth Mohindra, Sullivan Dooley, Nick Kavanaugh, and Lilly Hamilton all placed in the top-20.

7/8 GOLD VOLLEYBALL GETS TWO WINS

The Notre Dame 7/8 Gold Volleyball team had a packed schedule of matches over the last week but rose to the occasion, winning two out of the three matches played. The Irish took on St. Hugo in a back-and-forth match over the weekend, with the Irish winning the first set (25-19) and St. Hugo taking the second (20-25). Notre Dame pulled together and eked out a win in the third (15-11) to seal the victory. Key serving from Kolby Marks and Ellie Whalen provided the edge the Irish needed to take the match. Notre Dame then took on a strong Everest team. The Irish put up a good fight, but ultimately fell (15-25, 6-25, 13-15). The high point of the match for the Irish was Alyssa Sadowski's nine straight service points. The Irish rebounded nicely against St. Joseph, easily taking the first two sets (25-10, 25-16, 13-15) to secure the win. Addie Barton had 11 service points, Ruby Ignasiak had seven, and Madeline Bingham had five. Strong team play was the key to this win, with Jenna Robin providing good defensive play. Whalen had several key plays at the net, while Meredith Wilson recorded her first kill of the season.



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