



NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

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THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME (HOME GAMES)

Friday September 10

VAR Football
vs. Loyola 7:00

Monday September 13

Girls JV Golf
vs. Lake Orion 3:30

Boys VAR Soccer
vs. Almont 7:30

Tuesday September 14

VAR Volleyball
Quad 5:00

Girls VAR Swim
vs. DCDS 6:30

Wednesday September 15

Girls JV Golf
vs. Troy Athens 3:30

Boys JV/VAR Soccer
vs. Cesar Chavez 6:00/7:30

Thursday September 16

Girls VAR Golf
vs. LHN 3:30

JV Football
vs. Harper Woods 5:30



Josie Bloom finished with 19 digs and 14 serve receptions in Notre Dame's three set win over Marian

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IRISH SWEEP HOME QUAD TO REMAIN UNBEATEN

The Notre Dame Varsity Volleyball team moved to 21-0 on the season with a sweep of three matches in a home quad. The Irish started the evening with a convincing 25-6, 25-11 win over Flint Powers. Notre Dame dominated from start to finish as all 13 players made contributions to the win. Senior libero and Virginia Tech commit Josie Bloom served up 20 points, including four aces, to go with six digs and five serve receptions. Ole Miss bound Aly Borellis added 10 points, a pair of aces, nine assists and three digs. Bianca Giglio, who is headed to Marshall, terminated seven attack attempts and also added a pair of digs and blocks. The Irish also controlled the second match of the day, a 25-10, 25-12 win over Stoney Creek. Giglio was once again strong at the net, collecting six kills in seven attempts. Junior Margo Sudzina scored eight from the service line, including a couple of aces, to go with five assists and six digs and Junior Ally Berent scored nine points, including three aces. The final match of the evening for Notre Dame pitted the Irish, ranked second in Division Two, against defending Division One State Champion and currently number one ranked Marian. Both teams entered the match undefeated on the year. It was the Irish defense that was able to outlast the Mustang offense as Notre Dame came away with a 25-20, 19-25, 25-15 win. The match featured many long rallies and several exceptional plays by both teams, including three outstanding defensive plays by Senior Elyssa Wallace to close out the third set and secure the win. Bloom stood out on defense, finishing with 19 digs and passing 14 serve receptions. Bloom also continued to serve well, adding six points including two aces. Sophia Sudzina was nearly perfect

attacking with 10 kills and only one error, while Giglio added to her team leading totals with eight more kills. Borellis had her best match from the line, serving 12 points to go with five kills and 11 assists. Grace Wenaas added seven points, three aces, and a pair of kills and blocks in the victory.

IRISH MOVE TO 2-0 WITH WIN OVER HENRY FORD

The Notre Dame Varsity Football team moved to 2-0 on the season with a 49-6 win over Detroit Henry Ford. The Irish built a 14-0 lead in the first quarter on a pair of Evan McGhee touchdown runs (nine and five yards). Notre Dame would expand the lead with three scores in the second quarter. Jacob Tuttle connected with Billy Newman for a 11-yard touchdown, Landon Hehl returned a blocked punt for a touchdown, and Tuttle hit Newman once again for a score, this time for 30 yards. Evan McGhee would add a three yard touchdown in the third quarter and Aaron McGhee scored from four yards out in the final quarter to round out the offense for Notre Dame. The Irish defense was strong once again, only allowing a late touchdown. Alex Scherle added two more sacks while Johnny Dreer, Matthew Sadecki, Evan Noga, and Nick Meli had one each. Evan McGhee finished the night with 76 rushing yards and three scores while Tuttle had 107 yards through the air. Newman led all receivers with 55 yards while Scherle had 42.



Jeremy Gale returns a punt for Notre Dame against Henry Ford

NOTRE DAME RUNNERS HEAD TO OAKLAND INVITATIONAL

The Notre Dame Girls and Boys teams finished fifth and eighth overall respectively at the Oakland Golden Grizzlies Invitational on Friday of Labor Day weekend. The event featured a new 4K course after a one-year hiatus due to COVID-19. Zoe Hoke was the top finisher for the Irish girls (seventh) with a time of 15:43, placing her fourth all-time at that distance for the school behind Jenny Ohlsson (NDP '19), Lexi Case (NDP '18) and Lauren Neiheisel (NDP '17). Freshman Maria Nunning (17:07), senior Anna Hauck (17:09) also turned in strong performances for the Irish. For Nunning, it was her first race of the season and first varsity competition. Adrianna Lorenz, Addison Bellows, Jessica Kennedy, and Erin Connelly rounded out the varsity line-up that featured three freshman, two sophomores and two seniors. The boys were led by Wade Robinson, who laid down another strong performance placing third overall with a time of 13:21. Robinson was sandwiched in between five runners from D1 powerhouse Walled Lake Northern. The varsity line up featured four freshmen, Chris Hunter, Isaac Brook, Ryan Wojichowski and Sam Phillips, in addition to junior Ben Kinkade and senior Joe Benenati. The eighth-place finish put the Irish in the middle of the pack and only 12 points behind Brother Rice, which was a good performance for a young team.



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BOYS SOCCER SHUTS OUT OAKLAND CHRISTIAN; GIRLS GOLF FINISHES EIGHTH AT NORTH STAR INVITE

Saturday September 11

5/6 Football
vs. OLL 9:00

7/8 Green Volleyball
vs. St. Hugo 9:00

5/6 Volleyball
vs. St. Hugo 9:00

7/8 Gold Volleyball
vs. St. Anne 10:00

4/5 Volleyball
vs. St. Hugo 10:00

7/8 Football
vs. OLL 11:00

Monday September 13

MA Soccer
vs. St. Patrick 6:00

7/8 Green Volleyball
vs. St. Patrick 6:00

5/6 Volleyball
vs. St. Patrick 6:00

7/8 Gold Volleyball
vs. St. Patrick 7:00

4/5 Volleyball
vs. St. Patrick 7:00

IRISH GET SHUTOUT WIN OVER OAKLAND CHRISTIAN

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Soccer team earned a 2-0 shutout win over Oakland Christian heading into the Labor Day weekend. After a scoreless opening half, Santino Bidawid game the Irish the lead midway through the second half and Jeronimo Ballesty would add an insurance marker with just over 10 minutes remaining. Josh Reid went the distance in net for Notre Dame to pick up the victory and shutout.

7/8 GOLD OPENS SEASON WITH VICTORY

The Notre Dame 7/8 Gold Volleyball team opened its season with a straight set win over St. Hugo 25-22, 25-8. Tessa Bordogna led the way with 14 service points, followed by Daniela Alonso with 11, including 10 straight service points in the second set. Anna Kafarski and Berkleigh Kennedy both made strong offensive contributions as well in the win.

IRISH DROP DUAL MATCH TO FALCONS

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Golf team dropped a 198-167 match to Divine Child played at Crystal Lake. Emily Szalach and Chloe Montpas led the Irish, each shooting a 48, while Kendall Dober (49), and Brooklyn Haddad (53) also added to the scoring effort.

IRISH TAKE EIGHTH AT NORTH STAR INVITE

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Golf team placed eighth at the North Star Bank Tournament played at Huron Meadows. The Irish shot a team score of 406, the best scoring effort by the team to date. Amanda Roth led the Irish with a 99 and was followed right behind by Brooke Cousins (100). Brooklyn Haddad (103) and Emily Szalach (104) rounded out the balanced Irish scoring effort.

JV GOLF GETS WIN OVER ST. CATHERINE

The Notre Dame Girls JV Golf team earned a 206-217 win over St. Catherine in a match played at Crystal Lake. Megan Mourad shot a personal best of 52 and Alex Triantos had a personal best of 53. Ashley Larimer led the Irish with two pars and a final score of 47.

IRISH BEST ATHENS, FALL TO TROY IN TRI MATCH

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Golf team finished 1-1 at a tri match held at Sylvan Glen Golf Course. The Irish shot a team total of 193, besting Troy Athens (195) while Falling to Troy High School (181). Megan Mourad continued to shave strokes off her score, scoring a personal record of 48. Ashley Larimer led Notre Dame with a 45, followed by Morgan Bissett with a 47. Megan Fitzpatrick added a 53 and Alex Triantos rounded out the scoring for the Irish.

JV GOLF DROPS MATCH TO HIGHLANDERS

The Notre Dame Girls JV Golf team dropped a 175-169 match to Rochester Adams held at the Myth Par Three Course. Morgan Bissett led the Irish with a team low score of 39. Megan Fitzpatrick and Elise Glotkowski each shot a 45, Audrey Thurman had a 46, and Alex Triantos finished with a 47. Each Notre Dame golfer also finished with a par during the match.

IRISH DROP MATCH TO YELLOW JACKETS

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Tennis team dropped a 7-1 decision to Avondale. Matt Kafarski and Aidan Mehta picked up the lone point for the Irish with a victory at third doubles.



Lucas Bigelow carries the ball for the Notre Dame 7/8 Football team against Holy Family. The Irish picked up a 24-8 win over the Wildcats.