



NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

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THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME (HOME GAMES)

Friday October 7

VAR Football vs. Gladwin 7:00

Saturday October 8

VAR Volleyball Quad 10:00

Monday October 10

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

Tuesday October 11

Girls VAR Swim vs. Powers 6:30

Wednesday October 12

Boys VAR Soccer vs. Armada 7:00

Thursday October 13

F/JV/VAR Volleyball vs. DC 5:00/6:30

JV Football vs. DC 5:30



Jacob Samuels carried 12 times for 84 yards and a touchdown against Detroit Lincoln King

TWO GOLFERS QUALIFY FOR MHSAA FINALS; VOLLEYBALL GETS HOME WIN OVER UTICA FORD

IRISH QUALIFY TWO FOR MHSAA GOLF FINALS

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Golf team placed fourth at the MHSAA Regional tournament at Flint Elks Golf Club with a score of 386. While the Irish did not qualify for the state finals as a team, as only the top three teams advance, two individual golfers did make the cut. Emily Szalach finished with an 87 to place ninth individually and Brooklyn Haddad shot a 91 to take 15th as both earned a spot at the MHSAA State Finals next weekend at Michigan State University's Forest Akers course. Ashley Larimer (104), Emma Roth (104) and Amanda Roth (105) also scored for Notre Dame in the Regional tournament.

NOTRE DAME GETS HOME WIN OVER UTICA FORD

The Notre Dame Varsity Volleyball team improved to 32-7-2 with a 25-17, 25-11, 23-25, 25-14 win over Utica Ford. Grace Wenaas led all attackers with 22 kills and also added an ace. Mya Kattula had double-double with 11 kills, 21 assists and an ace and Madison Pawlowski and Delaney Zielke each chipped in seven kills. Aly Berent scored 22 points, including five aces, collected 19 serve receptions, and added four assists and 10 digs. Margo Sudzina finished with 24 assists and 10 service points in the victory for the Irish.

BOYS, GIRLS XC TEAMS TAKE SECOND AT HANSON'S INVITE

The Notre Dame Varsity Cross Country teams competed at the Hanson's Invitational at Freedom Hill County Park in a unique format that grouped runners by speed, allowing for athletes at all levels to "run in a pack". The race was chip-timed and the athletes were sorted by division for team scoring. A flat course and cooler temperatures contributed to a day where 30 athletes set season bests or personal records. Such improvement in times is usually rare, but this is the second week in a row that the team accomplished this task. The boys team was led by Ben Kinkade who ran a 17:33, breaking 18:00 for the first time in his career. Kinkade was second overall in a division that included all divisions two through four teams. Isaak Brook also broke 18:00 for the first time with a 17:58. Ryan Wojichowski 18:33, Chris Hunter 19:00, Nick Mardelli 19:44, John Milback 20:06, and Christian Estrellas 20:23 rounded out the varsity team, with Wojichowski, Hunter, Mardelli and Estrellas all setting personal records. The team won their first plaque of the year by finishing second overall. Kinkade, Brook and Wojichowski all earned medals by finishing in the top-20. The girls team also finished runner-up in the division with one of their strongest performances of the year. Maria Nunning 20:11, Skylar Vanhecke 21:07, Zoe Hoke 21:26, Mary Larocca 21:38, Sydney Schulte 22:37, Addison Mikel 22:40 and Addie Bellows 23:26 all set season bests or personal records.

Next up is the 63rd annual Oakland County Championship at Kensington where the boys will defend their 2021 division two title and the girls will attempt to win back their title from 2020.



Both the Notre Dame Boys and Girls Varsity Cross Country placed second at the Hanson's Invitational



IRISH CRUISE TO WIN OVER DETROIT LINCOLN KING

The Notre Dame Varsity Football team defeated Detroit Lincoln King 52-8. Zach Mylenek scored on all three of his carries, finishing the evening with 91 rushing yards. Mylenek also added a 37 yard field goal and converted all seven PATs. Jacob Tuttle threw two touchdowns in the win, one each to Jeremy Gale (27 yards) and Evan Hoke (16 yards). Jacob Samuels carried 12 times for 84 yards and a touchdown and Roman Cherfoli added 35 yards and a touchdown on three carries. Defensively, Joey DeCasas came up with two interceptions while Hoke and Nolan Cueny each had one. Bradon Prater added a pair of sacks and Jake Gartin recovered a fumble.



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Saturday October 8

MA 7/8 Football vs. UD Jesuit 10:00

Wednesday October 12

MA Soccer vs. St. Mary MC 5:30



Emma Ciesla earned a sixth place finish in the 100 Butterfly at the Oakland County Championship



Diver Allison Voto finished with a season best 179.55 score in Notre Dame's victory over Holly

SWIMMERS HAVE STRONG OAKLAND COUNTY MEET

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Swim team competed at the Oakland County Championship meet held at Lake Orion High School. The Irish were represented by only five qualifying swimmers, but times were dropped, top sixteen places were had and state cuts were made. The meet started off with the 200 Medley Relay with Olivia Powell, Tori Devine, Emma Ciesla, and Rita Hajjar swimming to a fifteenth place with a 4.59 second drop and a new state cut. The time ranks Notre Dame eighth in the state for division three. Grace Linenfesler followed with a personal best in the 200 free with a 4.61 second drop, good for fifteenth place in the county. Linenfesler already had a state cut, however, this bumped her up to a current rank of sixth place in the state. Hajjar also dropped another .25 seconds off her state cut time, placed fourteenth in the county and has a current rank of seventeenth place in the state. Ciesla continued to be consistent with a drop of 1.9 seconds in the 100 Butterfly, giving her a sixth place finish at the County meet and a second place rank in the state. Ciesla, Powell, Devine, and Hajjar went on to a 15th place finish in the 200 Free Relay with a new state cut and a 15th place ranking in the state. In the final event of the day, another state cut, this time in the 400 Free Relay, was earned by Powell, Hajjar, Linenfesler and Ciesla. The 7.25 second drop helped put the relay team in a fifth place ranking in the state.

IRISH, EAGLETS PLAY TO SCORELESS DRAW

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Soccer team battled Orchard Lake St. Marys to a 0-0 tie. While there was a lot of offense in the game and changes for both sides, defense prevailed as the teams finished in a scoreless draw after 80 minutes. Senior Owen Thieme led the Irish to another shutout, shutting down the Eaglets with double-digit saves on the night.

IRISH TAKE SEVENTH AT ORANGE/BLUE/BLACK INVITE

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Golf team placed seventh at the Orange/Blue/Black Tournament at Huron Meadows Metropark with a score of 414. Alex Triantos (101), Emily Szalach (102), Brooklyn Haddad (104) and Morgan Bissett (107) all posted top scores for the Irish.

IRISH PICK UP WIN OVER HOLLY

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Swim team picked up a 116-67 win over Holly. The 200 Medley Relay earned points with a second place finish from Aria Kim, Lauren Chojnacki, Mariana Spada, and Edie Byrd. In the 200 Free, point earners were Emma Ciesla and Cat Zaleski in first and third place with Mia Carles also finishing in sixth place. Mia Skandalaris and Lexi Hunter finished first and third in the 200 IM, followed by first, second, sixth, and seventh place by Spada, Kim, Byrd, and Brooke Beaudoin. Divers Allison Voto and Kiersten Alexander took first and third place, with Voto

earning a season best total of 179.55 points. In the 100 Butterfly the Irish took first, second and fourth place by Spada, Alex Williams, and Rita Hajjar. Skandalaris and Zaleski took a first and second in the 100 Free with Carles taking sixth and Ellie Kim swimming exhibition. The 500 Free saw another one, two win from Linenfesler and Aria Kim, and a sixth place finish by first time 500 swimmer Byrd. Notre Dame took another first,-second place win the 200 Free Relay with Ciesla, Kim, Zaleski, and Williams in first, and Chojnacki, Hunter, Spada and Kim in second place. The last two individual events were also a point makers for Notre Dame. In the 100 Backstroke, Ciesla, Linenfesler and Chojnacki went one, two and four. The 100 Breaststroke saw Williams at first, Hunter in third and Beaudoin in sixth. The evening ended with the Irish going first and third in the 400 Free Relay. Coming in first were Byrd, Zaleski, Chojnacki, and Hajjar. Third place went to Ellie Kim, Beaudoin, Linenfesler and Ciesla.

IRISH GET SHUTOUT WIN OVER DRAGONS

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Soccer team picked up a 3-0 road win at Lake Orion. After a scoreless opening half, Felipe Sanchez-Montalvo got the Irish on the board five minutes into the second half, scoring on a half volley from outside the box. Just two minutes later, Robbie Strimpel added a second goal following a corner kick. Matthew Marshesh, with an assist going to Elvis Chukwu, added an insurance marker in the final minute.





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JV FOOTBALL BATTLES BACK TO TIE SEAHOLM; MIDDLE SCHOOL XC GETS WIN OVER OL LAKES

IRISH RALLY TO TIE MAPLES

The Notre Dame JV Football team rallied from a 14-point deficit to tie Birmingham Seaholm 21-21. After trading possessions to start the game, Seaholm took a 7-0 lead in the first quarter. The Maples then recovered the ensuing onside kickoff but their drive was stopped by a defensive stand by Lucas Kattula and Nick Creek, including a fourth down stop by Creek. Notre Dame then got on the scoreboard in dramatic fashion with an 80-yard strike from Drake Roa to Brodie Sink to even the score. Unfortunately, the Maples returned the Notre Dame kickoff 75 yards to go in front 14-7. After a slow second half start by the Irish, Seaholm mounted a touchdown drive to take a 21-7 lead. The Irish were down but not out. During the next series, Notre Dame moved down the field thanks to a hookup from Roa to Nick Kobylecki for a first down. After a pass interference call moved the ball into the redzone and a key run by Lucas Bigelow, Jake Rose broke a run into the end zone to cut the deficit to 21-14. Seaholm was forced to punt after a stop by Kattula, and Notre Dame then drove to tie the score. Key plays on the game-tying drive were a first down run by Roa, and a spectacular one-handed grab by Sink. Roa then tossed the touchdown pass to Colin Whalen just before crossing the line of scrimmage for the tying score. Owen Fulsher converted all of his PAT attempts, none bigger than his final kick to knot the score at 21. Notre Dame moves to 4-1-1 on the season and hosts Divine Child next week.

5TH/6TH VOLLEYBALL BATTLES ST. HUGO

The Notre Dame 5th/6th Volleyball team took on a strong St. Hugo team, characterized by great volleying by both teams. The Irish dropped the first two sets 23-25, and 24-26 but rallied to take the third set 15-9. Notre Dame was led by Paige Schepper's six aces, two assists, and three kills. Olivia Kobylecki added five aces and three kills, with Sophia Schoenleber added four aces and a kill.

4TH/5TH VOLLEYBALL DROPS CLOSE MATCH TO ST. PAUL

The Notre Dame 4th/5th Volleyball team played a competitive match against St. Paul. The Irish dropped the first two sets 16-25, 20-25, but won the third set on strong volleying 15-10. Thea Robbins led the way with four aces and two kills. Eleanor Kator added two aces and an assist, Emilia Lukosavich had three aces and a kill, and Annabelle Jostock added two assists and two kills.

CROSS COUNTRY GETS WIN OVER OL LAKES

The Notre Dame Marist Cross Country team competed in a dual meet against Holy Family and Our Lady of the Lakes. The Irish lost to Holy Family in both Varsity and JV, but beat Our Lady of the Lakes in both Varsity and JV. Thomas Binkowski and Cara Sadowski had PR's in the varsity race and Pranya Beri and Mason Stoffer had PR's in the JV race. William Platt (11th), Andrew Nunning (12th), and Calvin

Koch (13th) led Varsity while Seth Silver (20th) and Thomas Binkowski(37th) also scored points for Notre Dame. Natalie Esseily (5th) and Graden Gretch (7th) led the JV while David Shorter (15th), Pranya Beri (18th) and Mason Stoffer (21st) also scored points for the Irish.

IRISH GET SHUTOUT VICTORY OVER EAGLETS

The Notre Dame Boys JV Soccer team defeated Orchard Lake St. Marys by a score of 1-0. The game remained scoreless until late in the second half, when Ethan Janssen scored a goal with approximately seven minutes left in the game. The defense then took over to lock down the Eaglets and secure the victory. Notre Dame recorded its 10th shutout of the season in the victory.

GIRLS JV GOLF TAKES DUAL MATCH OVER MERCY

The Notre Dame Girls JV Golf team defeated Mercy 194-205. Audrey Thurman (43) and Lucia Brewer (51) both shot personal best rounds while Megan Fitzpatrick had two pars for the Irish in the victory.

IRISH CLOSE SEASON WITH WIN OVER MARIAN

The Notre Dame Girls JV Golf team finished its 2022 season with a 198-210 win over Marian. Elaina Kalabat set a personal best with a 44, including her first birdie of the season while Lucia Brewer also added a par in her round to help lead the Irish.

