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2007-08 MEN'S GOLF

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2007-08 Notre Dame Men's Golf Schedule/Results

DATE	TOURNAMENT	RESULT (SCORE)
S15-16	Gopher Invitational Spring Hill Golf Club (Wayzata, Minn.)	T-4th of 12 (891)
S30-02	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic Warren Golf Course (Notre Dame, Ind.)	T-8th of 12 (882)
O7-8	Coca-Cola Duke Golf Classic Duke University Golf Club (Durham, N.C.)	3rd of 15 (857)
O21-23	Mason Rudolph Intercollegiate Vanderbilt Legends Club of Tennessee (Franklin, Tenn.)	T-8th of 18 (292)
O29-30	UNCG Bridgestone Coll. Champ. Forest Oaks Country Club (Greensboro, N.C.)	9th of 15 (878)
F17-19	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational Sawgrass Country Club (Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.)	15th of 15 (903)
M3-4	USC Collegiate Invitational North Ranch Country Club (Westlake Village, Calif.)	
M14-16	Schenkel E-Z-GO Invitational Forest Heights Country Club (Statesboro, Ga.)	
M23-25	National Invitation Tournament Arizona National Golf Club (Tucson, Ariz.)	
A5	Irish Spring Invitational Warren Golf Course (Notre Dame, Ind.)	
A20-22	BIG EAST Championship Traditions Golf Club (Hebron, Ky.)	
M15-17	NCAA Regionals (Chattanooga, Tenn./Columbus, Ohio/Bremerton, Wash.)	
M28-31	NCAA Championship Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex/Kampen (W. Lafayette, Ind.)	

Irish Men's Golf Quick Facts

Head Coach Jim Kubinski (Springfield College '93)
Assistant Coach Steve Colnitis (Notre Dame '05)
2007 Postseason Finish BIG EAST Runner-Up
Nickname/Colors Fighting Irish/Gold and Blue
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USC Collegiate Invitational

Monday-Tuesday, March 3-4, 2008
 7:30 a.m. (PT) both days
 North Ranch Country Club
 Westlake Village, Calif.
 Par 72/6,881 yards (*unofficial*)

Irish Head West For Spring Break Tourney In Los Angeles

Anxious to move beyond a rough outing in its spring opener, Notre Dame gets back in the swing March 3-4 when it tees off in the USC Collegiate Invitational, to be held at North Ranch Country Club in Westlake Village, Calif. The Irish will be playing in the 30-year-old tournament for the first time since 2004, but are no strangers to playing in California, with this marking the sixth consecutive year Notre Dame has played at least once in the Golden State.

The Irish own a 293.94 stroke average that ranks among the best in school history, with their biggest contributions coming from their underclassmen. Sophomore **Doug Fortner** (73.13) and junior **Josh Sandman** (74.13) both have three top-20 finishes to their credit this year, while freshman **Tyler Hock** (74.15) also has made solid contributions during his rookie campaign, including a tie for 11th place at the Coca-Cola Duke Golf Classic back in October.

Quoting Coach Kubinski ...

"This event at North Ranch is an exciting one for us. It's a chance to get back in the saddle and get our spring season rolling. While it was tough to come up empty at Sawgrass, we did get better each round and actually moved up in Golfstat's NCAA rankings, which is very important come NCAA selection time. Our underclassmen, **Doug (Fortner)**, **Tyler (Hock)** and **Connor (Alan-Lee)**, did a nice job there considering we're not yet playing at home. They gained valuable experience and posted some solid rounds.

"We'll face another good test in Los Angeles, with several ranked teams in the field. Having a tournament — just some golf — under our belts is important. Given where we are in the season, I would like to see us contend within the top half of this field, with an eye on earning a top-five finish."

NOTRE DAME LINEUP FOR THE USC COLLEGIATE INVITATIONAL

Pos.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown	Stroke Avg.
No. 1	Josh Sandman	Jr.	6-1/185	Greensboro, N.C.	74.13
No. 2	Doug Fortner	So.	6-0/170	Tustin, Calif.	73.13
No. 3	Greg Rodgers	Sr.	6-1/190	Phoenix, Md.	74.88
No. 4	Tyler Hock	Fr.	5-10/185	Ocala, Fla.	74.15
No. 5	Connor Alan-Lee	Fr.	6-0/165	Solana Beach, Calif.	76.44

Six-Time BIG EAST Conference Champions (1995, 1996, 1997, 2004, 2005, 2006)

Golf World/Nike Golf Division I Coaches Poll (Feb. 21)

Rank	School (First-Place Votes)	Points	Last
1.	Georgia (13)	560	1
2.	Charlotte (8)	541	2
3.	Alabama (2)	530	3
4.	UCLA	505	4
5.	Oklahoma State	465	6
6.	Stanford	456	8
7.	USC	428	7
8.	Georgia Tech	426	5
9.	Florida	382	10
10.	Florida State	337	11
11.	Tennessee	332	T-23
12.	Duke	303	9
13.	Clemson	299	12
14.	Auburn	256	13
15.	Michigan State	193	16
16.	Chattanooga	173	14
17.	South Carolina	171	15
18.	Texas Tech	150	19
19.	Wake Forest	129	17
20.	Indiana	124	22
21.	UNLV	91	—
22.	Penn State	77	20
23.	Lamar	70	21
24.	East Tennessee State	69	—
25.	North Carolina	68	25

Others receiving votes: Arizona State 52, **Pepperdine 41**, UCF 32, Virginia Tech 32, Louisville 28, Texas A&M 20, Mississippi State 18, UAB 15, Arizona 14, San Diego State 12, Mississippi 11, Wichita State 10, Kent State 9, **Oregon State 9**, Texas 9, Georgia State 8, Coastal Carolina 6, Minnesota 6, South Alabama 3, Illinois 2, Eastern Kentucky 1, Kentucky 1, TCU 1.

Teams in **bold** competing at the USC Collegiate Invitational.

Did You Know?

Notre Dame has ties to two of the most famous players in golf history.

Billy Casper won 51 PGA Tour titles, including three majors (1959 & 1966 U.S. Open; 1970 Masters) and was sixth on that tour's all-time victories list upon retirement. He also logged nine wins on the Senior PGA Tour (now the Champions Tour), was an eight-time member of the U.S. Ryder Cup Team and was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1978. However, before turning pro, Casper attended Notre Dame in 1950 and won the Western Junior National Championship, which was contested at the old Notre Dame Golf Course. His Irish career was cut short when he was called away to military service in the Korean War.

Walter Hagen, Jr., was a three-year monogram winner at Notre Dame from 1938-40, helping the Irish to three consecutive NCAA Championship berths, including a sixth-place finish in 1938. If the name sounds familiar, it should be — his father, Walter Hagen, Sr., won 40 PGA titles, including 11 major championships (five PGA Championships, four British Opens and two U.S. Opens) in his storied career, ranking third behind Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods. The elder Hagen also was a six-time U.S. Ryder Cup captain, and five years after his death in 1969, he was part of the inaugural induction class for the World Golf Hall of Fame.

Dates and Times

Teams will play the first two rounds (36 holes) on Monday, beginning at 7:30 a.m. PT (10:30 a.m. ET in South Bend) with a shotgun start and going continuously through the day. The final round will be played Tuesday, beginning at 7:30 a.m. PT, with a split-tee start from the first and 10th holes (tee times to be based upon 36-hole standings).

Following The Irish

Live scoring for the USC Collegiate Invitational will be provided through the Golfstat web site (www.golfstat.com). In addition, complete results will be posted on the official Notre Dame athletics web site (UND.com). The latest information from the tournament, including results, scheduling updates and weather delays, also will be available on the Notre Dame Sports Hotline (574-631-3000).

Furthermore, results will be available via the Irish ALERT text-message system, which provides fans with regular updates on Notre Dame's progress at the USC Collegiate Invitational through text messages sent to their cell phone. For more information or to sign up, visit the men's golf page of the official Notre Dame athletics web site (UND.com).

The Tournament Format

A total of 14 five-man teams (70 participants, plus a handful of additional golfers competing on an individual basis, including Notre Dame sophomore **Kyle Willis**) will be taking part in the USC Collegiate Invitational. Conventional collegiate golf team scoring rules will apply, with the lowest four scores in the five-man lineup for each round counting toward the team total. Scores by golfers competing on an individual basis do not count to the team score.

The Teams

Besides Notre Dame and tournament host USC, the remaining teams in the 14-team field for the USC Collegiate Invitational are: BYU, California, Fresno State, Loyola Marymount, Oklahoma, Oregon, Oregon State, Pepperdine, Stanford, Tennessee, UCLA (B Team) and Washington.

According to the Feb. 21 edition of the *Golf World/Nike Golf Top 25 coaches' poll*, three ranked teams (No. 6 Stanford, No. 7 USC and No. 11 Tennessee) will be competing in this week's tournament. Two other participating teams are garnering votes in the latest coaches poll — Pepperdine (41 points; 27th place) and Oregon State (nine points; tie-38th place).

Meanwhile, the Feb. 24 ratings in the *Golfweek/Sagarin Performance Index* show that six of the top 50 teams will be on hand for the USC Collegiate Invitational. Leading the way is No. 7 USC, No. 8 Stanford and No. 9 Tennessee. Next up are 28th-ranked Pepperdine and No. 40 Oregon State, with Oregon (47th) also appearing on the first page of the rankings.

In addition, the Feb. 27 Golfstat rankings indicate six of this week's participants are appearing in that service's Top 50. No. 7 Stanford sets the bar, with No. 8 USC and No. 10 Tennessee also on the top half of the leaderboard. Three other squads — No. 33 Pepperdine, No. 36 Oregon State and No. 45 Oregon — aren't far off the pace.

Head-To-Head

With the vast majority of this week's field coming from the West Coast, it's no surprise that Notre Dame has not faced much of its opposition in the USC Collegiate Invitational. In fact, the Irish have only seen Pepperdine (0-1) before, and that came in their first spring tournament (John Hayt Collegiate Invitational on Feb. 17-19 in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.). In that same event, Notre

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Dame competed against UCLA's varsity (Blue) squad. For the season, the Irish are 34-41-4 (.456) against Division I varsity opponents, with a 5-29-2 (.167) record against Top 50 clubs (1-19-1 vs. the Top 25).

The Course

The North Ranch Country Club is located in Westlake Village, Calif., nestled in the hills northwest of Los Angeles. Anchored by a spacious 50,000-square foot main clubhouse, the club's championship golf course was designed by **Ted Robinson** and created in 1976, and is renowned for its immaculate condition and challenging holes. Situated in the midst of countless oak trees are three uniquely separate nines; The Valley Course, with its challenging seventh hole, The Oaks' world class fourth hole, and the breathtaking panoramas of The Lakes with beautiful second and eighth holes.

As of press time, tournament organizers were still determining the exact 18-hole layout, as well as the par and yardage for this week's USC Collegiate Invitational.

Noting The USC Collegiate Invitational

- ◆ This week will mark the 30th anniversary of the USC Collegiate Invitational, which began in 1978 as the Southwestern Collegiate.
- ◆ Notre Dame is participating in USC's spring tournament for the first time since 2004, when the Irish finished 17th at the then-named Cleveland Golf Collegiate Classic (918, +66). **Scott Gustafson** was the top Notre Dame finisher at the event, tying for 14th place at three-over par 216.
- ◆ Two of the five Irish golfers in the lineup this week are California natives. Sophomore **Doug Fortner** hails from Tustin and is a 2006 graduate of Foothill High School, where he was a four-time first-team all-SeaView League selection and four-time individual qualifier for the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Championship. Meanwhile, freshman **Connor Alan-Lee** is a resident of Solana Beach, Calif., and graduated last spring from La Jolla Country Day School.
- ◆ Notre Dame will be led this week by assistant coach **Steve Colnitis**, while head coach **Jim Kubinski** travels with the Irish "B" team to the Charleston Southern Spring Invitational (March 3-4 at the Coosaw Creek Country Club in Charleston, S.C.).

Last Time Out: John Hayt Collegiate Invitational

Junior **Josh Sandman** and sophomore **Doug Fortner** shared team-high scoring honors with a tie for 29th place at 224 (+8), as Notre Dame closed out play at the John Hayt Collegiate Invitational on Feb. 19 at Sawgrass Country Club in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. The Irish finished the tournament in 15th place at 39-over par 903 (306-301-296), 30 strokes behind repeat champion Alabama.

Sandman (73-76-75) and Fortner (74-73-77) wound up 15 shots behind tournament medalist **Joel Sjoholm** of Georgia State, who led wire-to-wire. The John Hayt Collegiate Invitational is considered one of the nation's top college tournaments, with 10 of the top 50 teams (according to *Golfweek*), including four of the top 10 squads, were in attendance.

Playing as an individual participant, native Floridian and Irish sophomore **Carl Santos-Ocampo** tied for 38th place at 10-over par 226 (76-76-74). Freshman **Tyler Hock** also wrapped up his homecoming on a high note with the best score of the tournament by an Irish golfer, shooting a final-round 70 (-2) and finishing tied for 65th place at 16-over par 232 (88-74-70).

Classmate **Connor Alan-Lee** was three shots further back in a 69th-place tie at 19-over par 235 (78-78-79). Senior tri-captain **Greg Rodgers** closed out the Irish lineup in a 78th-place tie at 25-over par 241 (81-86-74).

NOTRE DAME RECORD BOOK UPDATES

TEAM RECORDS

Top Season Stroke Averages (since 1980)

✓292.97	2005-06
✓ 293.94	2007-08
✓295.71	2006-07
298.29	1999-2000
298.33	1997-98
298.75	2000-01
299.15	1998-99
✓299.89	2004-05

Top 54-Hole Tournament Scores (since 1966)

✓842 (-22)	BIG EAST Championship (par 72), 2006
✓853 (+13)	The Maxwell (par 70), 2006
854 (+26)	Nelson Invitational (par 69), 2004
✓856 (-8)	BIG EAST Championship (par 72), 2007
✓ 857 (-7)	Coca-Cola Duke Classic (par 72), 2007
✓863 (+11)	Triumph at Pauma Valley (par 71), 2007
863 (+11)	Nelson Invitational (par 71), 2003

Top Rounds (since 1966)

✓272 (-16)	BIG EAST Championship (3rd rd), 2006
275 (-13)	Air Force Invitational (1st rd), 1999
✓278 (-10)	BIG EAST Championship (3rd rd), 2007
279 (+3)	Nelson Invitational (1st rd), 2004
✓281 (+1)	The Maxwell (3rd rd), 2006
✓281 (-7)	BIG EAST Championship (1st rd), 2006

Tournament Titles (Kubinski era)

1st of 14*	NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational, 2005
1st of 6	BIG EAST Championship, 2005
1st of 12*	BIG EAST Championship, 2006

* - won on first hole of sudden death playoff

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Top Season Stroke Averages (since 1954; min. 13.5 rds)

✓72.71	Cole Isban, 2006-07
✓72.97	Cole Isban, 2005-06
73.03	Steve Ratay, 2001-02
73.13	Joe Grace, 1955-56
✓73.17	Mark Baldwin, 2005-06
✓73.40	◆Josh Sandman, 2005-06

Top Career Stroke Averages (since 1954; min. 35 rds)

✓73.76	Cole Isban, 2003-07
✓ 73.85	◆ Josh Sandman, 2005-present
74.43	Charles Thurn, 1956-58
74.46	Steve Ratay, 1999-2002
74.55	Willie Kent, 1998-99
74.56	Joe Grace, 1956-58
74.67	Tom Grace, 1960-62
74.93	Alex Kent, 1999-2001
74.99	Bob Wilson, 1967-70
✓75.01	Scott Gustafson, 2002-06

✓ - achieved during tenure of current head coach Jim Kubinski

◆ - player in lineup for the USC Collegiate Invitational

Six-Time BIG EAST Conference Champions (1995, 1996, 1997, 2004, 2005, 2006)

Irish Among Nation's Elite Programs In *Golf Digest* Rankings

The Notre Dame men's golf program has been rated ninth in the nation, according to the latest in-depth *Golf Digest* rankings released in the August 2007 issue of the magazine. The Irish were cited for their impressive combination of athletic and academic success, as well as the quality of the program's new facilities and the accomplishments of its coaching staff.

Notre Dame was ranked among the top 35 in all three categories evaluated in the *Golf Digest* study. In the "golf-first" rating, which heavily weights a program's performance on the course through both adjusted scoring average and player growth during the past four seasons (2003-04 through 2006-07), the Irish checked in at No. 35. Under the "academics-first" classification, which depends largely on the school's standing in the latest *U.S. News & World Report* rankings and the golf program's graduation rates, Notre Dame was 14th in the nation. However, when combining those two rankings and factoring in facilities, coaching and climate (location) — the components of the "balanced" *Golf Digest* ranking — the Irish made their biggest impression, placing ninth in the country, second among all programs north of the Mason-Dixon Line, and tops in the BIG EAST Conference.

"We are understandably thrilled with the 2007-08 *Golf Digest* program rankings," Notre Dame head coach **Jim Kubinski** said. "We think this only confirms what we've believed for quite a while — that we have the pieces in places to compete as one of the elite programs in the country, both on the course and the classroom. The greatest days for Fighting Irish golf are still to come and we couldn't be more excited about what lies ahead."

In addition, Notre Dame's facilities were singled out as the third-best college golf footprint in the nation with a 98 rating — only Stanford and Duke had higher totals. The Irish have made tremendous strides in their physical plant during the past decade, beginning with the 2000 debut of the on-campus Warren Golf Course, designed by Bill Coore and PGA Tour great Ben Crenshaw and rated among the nation's top college and public layouts. The course already has hosted five BIG EAST Championships, the 2005 NCAA Central Regional, a 2004 U.S. Amateur Championship qualifier, and three Western Amateur Championship qualifiers in its eight-year existence.

Notre Dame's latest facility addition opened in September 2006, with the completion of the \$2.1 million, 10,333-square foot Robert and Marilyn Rolfs Family All-Season Varsity Golf Facility, located on the grounds of the Warren Golf Course. The Rolfs Facility features a 5,000-square foot indoor short game area, six covered tee stations that include state-of-the-art video equipment for instant coaching feedback, office space for the Irish men's and women's coaching staffs, and a fully-furnished lounge area with separate locker room areas for both teams.

The complete 2007-08 *Golf Digest* rankings in all three categories, as well as a full explanation of how the ratings were determined, can be found by going on-line at <http://www.golfdigest.com/rankings/college/2007/09/collegegolfrankings>.

Young Guns

Notre Dame has gotten a significant boost from its underclassmen, with its two lowest scorers (and four of the top five) being either freshmen or sophomores. Sophomore **Doug Fortner** is setting the pace for the Irish so far this season with a 73.13 average and three top-20 finishes, followed by freshman **Jeff Chen**, who has seen action in one "B" event and once as an individual, amassing a 73.33 average. Rookie **Tyler Hock** has a 74.15 stroke rate that is good for fourth on the squad, while sophomore **Kyle Willis** rounds out the five best stroke averages for Notre Dame with a 74.20 mark.

Captains Courageous

Notre Dame's three seniors have been selected as team captains for the 2007-08 season. **Mike King**, **Eddie Peckels** and **Greg Rodgers** all are serving in that capacity for the first time in their careers.

The .500 Rule

According to a new rule passed by the NCAA Division I Men's Golf Committee, teams must finish with a winning head-to-head record (i.e. better than .500) against Division I varsity opposition to be considered for a berth in postseason play. Notre Dame currently has a 34-41-4 (.456) record this season.

Things You Should Know About The Irish

- ◆ Notre Dame has won six BIG EAST Conference titles in its 12-year league affiliation, stringing together three consecutive crowns from 1995-97 and again from 2004-06. The Irish also have made 33 NCAA postseason appearances in their history (most recently in 2006 with a trip to the NCAA East Regional), winning the 1944 national title and finishing second in 1937.
- ◆ Notre Dame has taken its play to new levels in recent years, posting three of the top seven single-season stroke averages in school history since head coach **Jim Kubinski** took over as head coach in January 2005. The Irish also have carded nine of the top 12 tournament scores (54 holes) in program history during the Kubinski era, including a school-record 842 (-22) at the 2006 BIG EAST Championship.
- ◆ Notre Dame's impressive resurgence of late has been augmented by its play against nationally-ranked opponents. In fact, since Kubinski arrived under the Golden Dome, the Irish have defeated 14 Top 25 teams (according to *Golfweek*) and posted 14 top-five tournament finishes, including three event titles (most recently the '06 BIG EAST Championship).
- ◆ Kubinski himself was nominated for a place on the 2007 *GOLF Magazine* Top 100 Teachers List, after being placed into consideration by the Indiana Section of the PGA. Approximately 400-500 people are chosen annually from the 30,000 PGA professionals nationwide for a few select places on the *GOLF Magazine* list, whose membership includes such notables as Hank Haney, Butch Harmon, David Leadbetter and Rick Smith.

Next Up: Schenkel E-Z-GO Invitational (March 14-16)

Notre Dame will be back on the links March 14-16 when the Irish make their inaugural appearance in the Schenkel E-Z-GO Invitational, hosted by Georgia Southern at the Forest Heights Country Club in Statesboro, Ga. Some of the more notable teams scheduled to compete in the tournament include: No. 9 Tennessee, No. 12 Auburn and No. 21 South Carolina.



JIM KUBINSKI

Head Coach • Fourth Year at Notre Dame Springfield College (1993)

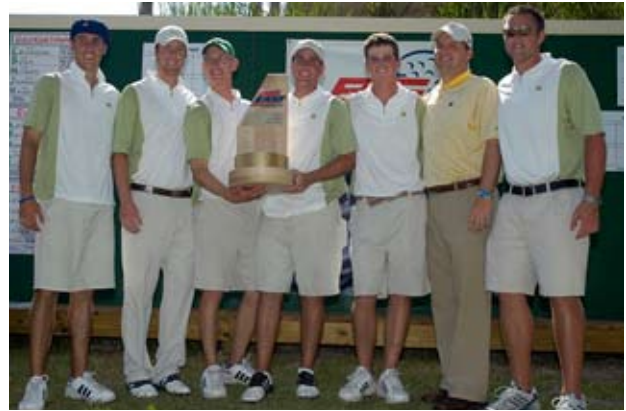
One of the nation's top young golf teachers, Jim Kubinski is in his fourth season as the head coach at Notre Dame. Having assumed the post on Jan. 28, 2005, Kubinski is just the sixth head coach in the 78-year history of the Irish men's golf program, inheriting a storied tradition that includes the 1944 national championship, 19 top-10 NCAA Championship finishes and 33 NCAA postseason appearances.

"We feel Jim is one of the rising stars in the golf coaching community and someone who can continue to develop our program into a perennial national contender," Notre Dame director of athletics Kevin White said.

It hasn't taken long for Kubinski to make his mark at Notre Dame and reward White's confidence in his abilities. In his first tournament at the helm of the Irish, just one month after setting foot on campus, Kubinski helped guide Notre Dame to the championship of the 2005 NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational, winning the title on the first hole of a sudden death playoff against UNC Wilmington. It was the first of two tournament crowns in the 2004-05 season for Notre Dame and made Kubinski the first Irish men's golf coach since 1961 to win the opening event of his career. That season, Rev. Clarence Durbin, C.S.C., led the Irish to a 23.5-6.5 dual-match win over Western Michigan.

That was the start of what has been a strong four-year run for the Notre Dame skipper, who piloted the Irish to consecutive BIG EAST Conference titles in 2005 and 2006, and back-to-back NCAA regional appearances both years. He also has an overall record of 259-247-14 (.512) record and 14 wins over teams ranked in the *Golfweek* Top 25. What's more, Notre Dame has regularly collected votes in the *Golf World*/Nike Golf Top 25 poll and has risen as high as No. 12 in the *Golfweek* rankings (Oct. 2, 2005).

Under Kubinski's guidance, Notre Dame has registered 14 top-five finishes, including three tourney titles (two coming in sudden-death playoffs). The Irish also have carded three of the top seven single-season stroke averages in school history, following a 299.89 mark in 2004-05 (seventh all-time) with a school-record pace of 292.97 in '05-06 and a 295.71 mark last season (second all-time). In addition, Notre Dame has fired nine of the top 12 single-round scores in school history since Kubinski arrived on campus, including impressive final-round postseason efforts at the 2005 NCAA Central Regional (282, +2) and the 2006 BIG EAST Championship (school-record 272, -16). The latter score highlighted a 12-stroke comeback victory over Louisville, the second-best rally in the storied history of the Irish men's golf program, and led the Notre Dame's selection as the *Golfweek* National Team of the Week (May 1, 2006) for the first time in program history.



Individually, Kubinski has produced impressive results with several Irish players in a short span of time. Cole Isban became the first three-time PING All-Midwest Region selection (2005-07) in program history under Kubinski's tutelage, and graduated in May 2007 as the school record holder for single-season stroke average (72.71 in 2006-07), and career stroke average (73.76). Josh Sandman got a late start to his college career in '05-06 due to an injury, but since he hit the links, he has been superb, posting a 73.85 career stroke average in 65 rounds (23 tournaments) that puts him on pace to threaten Isban's school record. Thus, it's no wonder Kubinski was nominated for the 2007 *GOLF Magazine* Top 100 Teachers List, honoring the nation's pre-eminent golf instructors.



"As a lifelong Notre Dame fan, I couldn't ask for a greater opportunity than to be the head coach of the Fighting Irish," Kubinski said. "It's certainly a special time to play for Notre Dame and be a part of this great university. I'm looking forward to an exciting time ahead and feel that we're building something here that will be a great source of pride for our players and our university in the years to come.

"Notre Dame exemplifies the best of everything in a college environment, both academically and athletically," Kubinski continued. "It's my goal to ensure that we are a perennial top-10 program on the course and in the classroom, consistent with the best traditions of Notre Dame, and I truly believe we can achieve that goal."

Kubinski was a three-year golf letterman and two-year team captain at Springfield (Mass.) College before graduating in 1993. A two-time all-Northeast 10 Conference selection in 1991 and 1992, he also received the Springfield College Maroon Club Award for academic and athletic achievement in 1992. His playing experience continued on the North Atlantic Tour where he tied for sixth place at the '95 Boston Open, and he also competed in the Carolinas Section PGA.

Born May 4, 1970 in Springfield, Mass., Kubinski and his wife, Sarah, now live in South Bend. The couple celebrated the birth of their first child, daughter Kelly, in September 2007.

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2007-08 NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF CUMULATIVE STATISTICS

2007-08 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Tournament	Location	Finish	Score	Top Scoring Individual
Sept. 14-15	<i>Rutgers Invitational</i>	<i>Piscataway, N.J.</i>	<i>2nd/18</i>	<i>870 (+18)</i>	<i>T-8th, Chen/Zhang, 219 (+6)</i>
Sept. 15-16	Gopher Invitational	Wayzata, Minn.	T-4th/12	891 (+27)	T-7th, Rodgers, 219 (+3)
S30-O2	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic	Notre Dame, Ind.	T-8th/12	882 (+42)	T-2nd, Fortner, 210 (E)
Oct. 7-8	Coca-Cola Duke Golf Classic	Durham, N.C.	3rd/15	857 (-7)	T-11th, Hock/Sandman, 213 (-3)
Oct. 21-23	Mason Rudolph Intercollegiate*	Franklin, Tenn.	T-8th/18	292 (+8)	T-13th, Hock, 71 (E)
Oct. 29-30	UNCG Bridgestone Collegiate Championship	Greensboro, N.C.	9th/15	878 (+14)	T-15th, Sandman, 217 (+1)
Feb. 17-19	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational	Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.	15th/15	903 (+39)	T-29th, Fortner/Sandman, 224 (+8)
March 3-4	USC Collegiate Invitational	Westlake Village, Calif.			
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April 5	Irish Spring Invitational (36 holes)	Notre Dame, Ind.			
April 20-22	BIG EAST Championship	Hebron, Ky.			
May 15-17	NCAA Regionals	TBA**			
May 28-31	NCAA Championship	West Lafayette, Ind.			

* - Final two rounds cancelled by rain

** - East Regional at Chattanooga, Tenn.; Central Regional at Columbus, Ohio; West Regional at Bremerton, Wash.

Home tournaments listed in **boldface** and played at Warren Golf Course (par 70/7,023 yards)

Tournaments listed in *italics* are "B" team events, and team results do not count toward Notre Dame's national rankings

2008 SPRING SEASON STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

Name	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	vs. Par	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
Doug Fortner	1	3	224	+8	74.67	73	224	0	0	T-29th (John Hayt Collegiate)
Josh Sandman	1	3	224	+8	74.67	73	224	0	0	T-29th (John Hayt Collegiate)
Carl Santos-Ocampo	1	3	226	+10	75.33	74	226	0	0	T-36th (John Hayt Collegiate)
Tyler Hock	1	3	232	+16	77.33	70	232	0	0	T-65th (John Hayt Collegiate)
Connor Alan-Lee	1	3	235	+19	78.33	78	235	0	0	T-69th (John Hayt Collegiate)
Greg Rodgers	1	3	241	+25	80.33	74	241	0	0	T-78th (John Hayt Collegiate)
"A" Team Totals	1	3	903	+39	301.00	296	903	0	0	15th (John Hayt Collegiate)

2007-08 CUMULATIVE STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

Name	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	vs. Par	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
Doug Fortner	6	16	1,170	+25	73.13	68	210	1	1	T-2nd (FIGGC)
Jeff Chen	2	6	440	+17	73.33	71	219	0	1	T-8th (Rutgers Invitational)
Josh Sandman	6	16	1,186	+31	74.13	68	213	0	0	T-11th (Coca-Cola Duke Classic)
Tyler Hock	5	13	964	+35	74.15	68	213	0	0	T-11th (Coca-Cola Duke Classic)
Kyle Willis	4	10	742	+32	74.20	71	218	0	0	T-18th (FIGGC)
Greg Rodgers	6	16	1,198	+53	74.88	69	214	0	1	T-7th (Gopher Invitational)
Olavo Batista	2	6	451	+28	75.17	70	220	0	0	T-11th (Rutgers Invitational)
Connor Alan-Lee	3	9	688	+46	76.44	70	225	0	0	T-26th (Gopher Invitational)
Carl Santos-Ocampo	3	9	688	+49	76.44	71	222	0	0	T-18th (Rutgers Invitational)
Eddie Peckels	3	9	693	+51	77.00	74	229	0	0	T-37th (Gopher Invitational)
Dustin Zhang	2	6	463	+40	77.17	69	219	0	1	T-8th (Rutgers Invitational)
Mike King	2	4	311	+30	77.75	75	231	0	0	T-56th (FIGGC)
"A" Team Totals	6	16	4,703	+123	293.94	284	857	2	5	3rd (Coca-Cola Duke Classic)
"B" Team Totals	1	3	870	+18	290.00	285	870	1	1	2nd (Rutgers Invitational)

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2007-08 MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

PERCENTAGE OF ROUNDS COUNTED ("A" team only)

Name	Count/Total	Pct.
Doug Fortner	16/16	1.000
Kyle Willis	4/4	1.000
Greg Rodgers	14/16	.875
Josh Sandman	14/16	.875
Tyler Hock	7/10	.700
Connor Alan-Lee	4/6	.667
Eddie Peckels	5/9	.556
Carl Santos-Ocampo	0/3	.000

AVERAGE STROKES BEHIND MEDALIST

Name	Str. Off Lead/Tourn.	Avg.
Doug Fortner	64/6	10.67
Josh Sandman	70/6	11.67
Jeff Chen	26/2	13.00
Kyle Willis	55/4	13.75
Tyler Hock	73/5	14.60
Greg Rodgers	92/6	15.33
Olavo Batista	37/2	18.50
Mike King	39/2	19.50
Connor Alan-Lee	59/3	19.67
Carl Santos-Ocampo	65/3	21.67
Eddie Peckels	69/3	23.00
Dustin Zhang	49/2	24.50

STROKE AVERAGE BY ROUND

Name	1	2	3
Connor Alan-Lee	77.00	74.33	78.00
Olavo Batista	73.00	77.00	75.50
Jeff Chen	74.00	73.00	73.00
Doug Fortner	72.67	72.80	74.00
Tyler Hock	77.00	73.25	71.50
Mike King	80.00	75.00	76.00
Eddie Peckels	76.00	77.67	77.33
Greg Rodgers	74.50	76.60	73.60
Josh Sandman	72.50	73.40	74.80
Carl Santos-Ocampo	76.33	78.00	75.00
Kyle Willis	75.00	74.00	73.33
Dustin Zhang	74.50	80.00	77.00
"A" TEAM AVERAGES	293.33	293.60	295.00
"B" TEAM AVERAGES	285.00	294.00	291.00

EVEN & UNDER PAR ROUNDS

Name	Under	Even	Total
Tyler Hock	3 (2)	2	5
Doug Fortner	3 (1)	1	4
Greg Rodgers	3 (1)	1	4
Josh Sandman	3 (2)	1	4
Connor Alan-Lee	1	0	1
Olavo Batista	1	0	1
Dustin Zhang	1 (1)	0	1
Jeff Chen	0	1	1
Carl Santos-Ocampo	0	1	1
"A" TEAM SCORES	3	0	3
"B" TEAM SCORES	0	0	0

(figure in parentheses indicates rounds in 60s)

UPDATED CAREER STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

Name	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
Jeff Chen	2	6	440	73.33	71	219	0	1	T-8th ('07 Rutgers Invitational)
Josh Sandman	23	65	4,800	73.85	66	213	1	3	T-2nd ('06 Boilermaker Invitational)
Tyler Hock	5	13	964	74.15	68	213	0	0	T-11th ('07 Coca-Cola Duke Classic)
Kyle Willis	6	16	1,202	75.13	71	218	0	0	T-14th ('06 Fighting Irish Gridiron)
Doug Fortner	16	44	3,317	75.39	68	210	2	2	T-2nd ('07 Fighting Irish Gridiron)
Carl Santos-Ocampo	7	20	1,518	75.90	70	222	0	1	T-10th ('06 Tillinghast)
Eddie Peckels	18	52	3,948	75.92	69	215	0	1	T-7th ('04 Yestingsmeier Invitational)
Greg Rodgers	28	79	6,020	76.20	69	214	0	1	T-7th ('07 Gopher Invitational)
Connor Alan-Lee	3	9	688	76.44	70	225	0	0	T-26th ('07 Gopher Invitational)
Mike King	22	59	4,513	76.49	68	214	1	4	T-4th ('06 Tillinghast)
Dustin Zhang	2	6	463	77.17	69	219	0	1	T-8th ('07 Rutgers Invitational)
Olavo Batista	5	14	1,128	80.57	70	220	0	0	T-11th ('07 Rutgers Invitational)

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Rutgers Invitational

Sept. 14-15, 2007
Piscataway, N.J.
Rutgers Golf Course
(par 71/6,337 yards)

Final Team Standings

1. USC Upstate	280	284	291	855 (+3)
2. NOTRE DAME "B"	285	294	291	870 (+18)
3. Longwood	289	293	301	883 (+31)
4. Delaware	294	304	293	893 (+41)
5. Mount St. Mary's	297	303	294	894 (+42)
6. Villanova	295	293	307	895 (+43)
Seton Hall	296	297	302	895 (+43)
8. Monmouth	295	300	303	898 (+46)
9. Central Conn. St.	298	298	304	900 (+48)
10. Rutgers	304	306	294	904 (+52)
11. Bryant	298	305	303	906 (+54)
12. Fairleigh Dickinson	316	301	302	919 (+67)
13. Dowling	310	310	301	921 (+69)
14. Thomas More	307	306	310	923 (+71)
15. LIU-Brooklyn	314	303	312	929 (+77)
16. Quinnipiac	313	312	305	930 (+78)
17. Wagner	327	316	328	971 (+119)
18. Manhattan	330	325	330	985 (+133)

Top 10 Individuals (of 93)

1. Michael Lawrence, USCU	69	68	72	209 (-4)
2. Josh Gallman, USCU	69	69	74	212 (-1)
3. Brett Bergman, VU	72	70	74	216 (+3)
4. Kyle Morris, SHU	73	72	72	217 (+4)
Ian O'Connor, QU	74	75	68	217 (+4)
6. Jed Rasnick, LU	73	71	74	218 (+5)
Tyler Tucker, USCU	73	70	75	218 (+5)
8. Jeff Chen, ND	74	71	74	219 (+6)
Dustin Zhang, ND	69	77	73	219 (+6)
Michael Young, LU	71	72	76	219 (+6)

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2. NOTRE DAME "B"	285	294	291	870 (+18)
8. (tie) Jeff Chen	74	71	74	219 (+6)
(tie) Dustin Zhang	69	77	73	219 (+6)
11. (tie) Olavo Batista	70	74	76	220 (+7)
18. (tie) C. Santos-Ocampo	72	79	71	222 (+9)
32. (tie) Kyle Willis	80	72	73	225 (+12)

Tournament Notes: This was the first "B" team tournament Notre Dame played in 2007-08, with no "B" team scores counting on the national rankings lists (Golfstat/Golfweek), although individual scores are accepted ... this was the first time an Irish squad had ever competed at the Rutgers Golf Course ... freshmen Jeff Chen and Dustin Zhang were making their collegiate debuts ... sophomore Olavo Batista set personal 18- and 54-hole scoring records during the event, while posting his best-ever tournament finish ... sophomore Carl Santos-Ocampo matched his best 54-hole scoring mark, previously set last year at the John Dallyo Memorial (another "B" team event) and the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic ... sophomore Kyle Willis tied his career-low single-round score, most recently set in the final two rounds of last year's Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic.

Gopher Invitational

Sept. 15-16, 2007
Wayzata, Minn.
Spring Hill Golf Club
(par 72/7,020 yards)

Final Team Standings

1. Lamar	290	286	292	868 (+4)
2. Arkansas	298	295	297	890 (+26)
Wisconsin	293	289	308	890 (+26)
4. NOTRE DAME	294	291	306	891 (+27)
Indiana	297	295	299	891 (+27)
6. SMU	304	299	295	898 (+34)
7. Michigan State	306	283	314	903 (+39)
8. Minnesota	308	304	297	909 (+45)
9. San Diego	304	298	309	911 (+47)
10. Illinois	303	295	315	913 (+49)
11. Georgia Southern	312	309	314	935 (+71)
12. Princeton	316	324	319	959 (+95)

Top 10 Individuals (of 66)

1. Casey Clendenon, LU	73	72	70	215 (-1)
Danny Zimmerman, UW	66	70	79	215 (-1)
3. Victor Almstrom, UM	71	74	71	216 (E)
4. Clayton Rask, UM	74	71	72	217 (+1)
Hugues Joannes, LU	69	74	74	217 (+1)
6. Dan Woltman, UW	73	68	77	218 (+2)
7. Greg Rodgers, ND	69	74	76	219 (+3)
*Andy Paulson, UM	76	70	73	219 (+3)
9. Andrew Landry, UA	69	73	78	220 (+4)
Justin Harding, LU	80	69	71	220 (+4)

* - competed as individual

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4. (tie) NOTRE DAME	294	291	306	891 (+27)
7. (tie) Greg Rodgers	69	74	76	219 (+3)
20. Doug Fortner	76	74	74	224 (+8)
26. (tie) Connor Alan-Lee	74	70	84	228 (+12)
37. (tie) Eddie Peckels	75	80	76	231 (+15)
39. (tie) Josh Sandman	79	73	80	232 (+16)

Tournament Notes: Notre Dame has participated in all three years the Gopher Invitational has been in existence, posting two top-five finishes (fifth in 2005) ... the Irish three-round total of 891 was two shots better than its previous low score at the Gopher Invitational (893, +29 in 2005) ... senior tri-captain Greg Rodgers picked up where he left off at last year's BIG EAST Championship (tie-11th), collecting his first career top-10 finish with his highest individual showing ever (the '07 BIG EAST placement had been his best) ... Rodgers' opening-round 69 matched his lowest 18-hole mark, previously carded twice (last in the final round at the '07 BIG EAST Championship) ... sophomore Doug Fortner notched his second career top-20 finish and first since a fourth-place outing in the 2007 Triumph at Pauma Valley ... freshman Connor Alan-Lee was making his collegiate debut ... Irish assistant coach Steve Colnitis piloted the team at the tournament while head coach Jim Kubinski was home for the birth of his first child, daughter Kelly.

Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic

Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2007
Notre Dame, Ind.
Warren Golf Course
(par 70/7,023 yards)

Final Team Standings

1. Michigan State	285	274	288	847 (+7)
2. Arkansas	300	277	284	861 (+21)
Lamar	296	282	283	861 (+21)
4. Virginia	293	295	280	868 (+28)
5. Baylor	288	285	297	870 (+30)
6. North Florida	294	286	295	875 (+35)
7. Colorado State	301	287	291	879 (+39)
8. NOTRE DAME	289	295	298	882 (+42)
San Diego	307	298	277	882 (+42)
10. Iowa	299	297	290	886 (+46)
11. Coll. of Charleston	307	298	288	893 (+53)
12. Georgetown	307	300	291	898 (+58)

Top 10 Individuals (of 75)

1. Ryan Brehm, MSU	72	64	69	205 (-5)
2. Doug Fortner, ND	68	72	70	210 (E)
Greg Carlin, UVa	71	72	67	210 (E)
4. Jack Newman, MSU	71	69	71	211 (+1)
Vincenzo Salina, GU	71	69	71	211 (+1)
6. Bryce Hanstad, CSU	74	73	66	213 (+3)
Colton Williams, BU	69	74	70	213 (+3)
8. Vince India, Iowa	74	69	72	215 (+5)
Chris Kennedy, UNF	72	71	72	215 (+5)
Andrew Landry, UA	73	68	74	215 (+5)

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8. (tie) NOTRE DAME	289	295	298	882 (+42)
2. (tie) Doug Fortner	68	72	70	210 (E)
16. (tie) Josh Sandman	71	73	73	217 (+7)
18. (tie) *Kyle Willis	71	74	73	218 (+8)
29. (tie) *Tyler Hock	74	71	75	220 (+10)
36. (tie) *Jeff Chen	74	75	72	221 (+11)
48. (tie) *Connor Alan-Lee	79	75	71	225 (+15)
50. (tie) Greg Rodgers	74	76	76	226 (+16)
52. (tie) Eddie Peckels	76	74	79	229 (+19)
56. (tie) *Mike King	80	75	76	231 (+21)
(tie) *Olavo Batista	76	80	75	231 (+21)
68. Carl Santos-Ocampo	81	79	80	240 (+30)
69. *Dustin Zhang	80	83	81	244 (+34)

* - competed as individual

Tournament Notes: This was the second year for the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic ... for the second consecutive year, a Notre Dame golfer tied for second place (Cole Isban - 2006) ... sophomore Doug Fortner's finish, single-round and tournament scores all were personal bests (previous: 69 and 212 to finish fourth in 2007 Triumph at Pauma Valley) ... sophomore Kyle Willis carded the best 18- and 54-hole scores of his career (had shot 72 three times before, while best tourney score had been 224 at last year's Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic) ... senior Mike King and freshman Tyler Hock made their season debuts ... MSU's Ryan Brehm shot a second-round 64, which would be one stroke off the course record but the round was played under "lift, clean and place" rules due to wet conditions.

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Coca-Cola Duke Golf Classic Oct. 7-8, 2007 Durham, N.C. Duke Golf Club (par 72/7,063 yards)

Final Team Standings

1. Chattanooga	280	282	280	842 (-22)
Duke	287	273	282	842 (-22)
3. NOTRE DAME	287	286	284	857 (-7)
4. Ohio State	285	281	292	858 (-6)
Virginia Tech	277	290	291	858 (-6)
6. Old Dominion	282	287	290	859 (-5)
7. East Carolina	285	289	296	870 (+6)
8. Maryland	297	282	295	874 (+10)
9. VCU	299	280	296	875 (+11)
10. UNC Wilmington	293	281	302	876 (+12)
11. Houston	296	296	285	877 (+13)
12. Iowa	292	294	296	882 (+18)
13. Florida Southern	297	290	300	887 (+23)
14. UNC Greensboro	296	295	297	888 (+24)
15. Winthrop	299	303	304	906 (+42)

Top 10 Individuals (of 84)

1. Jonathan Hodge, Chatt	67	70	67	204 (-12)
2. Eric Onesi, ODU	69	71	67	207 (-9)
3. Adam Long, Duke	70	68	70	208 (-8)
4. Michael Schacher, Duke	71	66	72	209 (-7)
Patrick Simard, OSU	66	72	71	209 (-7)
6. Jude Eustaquio, FSC	69	71	70	210 (-6)
7. Marshall Bailey, VT	69	72	70	211 (-5)
Fredrik Qvicker, Chatt	70	71	70	211 (-5)
9. Drew Weaver, VT	72	69	71	212 (-4)
Lanto Griffin, VCU	72	67	73	212 (-4)

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3. NOTRE DAME	287	286	284	857 (-7)
11. (tie) Tyler Hock	76	68	69	213 (-3)
(tie) Josh Sandman	71	73	69	213 (-3)
15. (tie) Greg Rodgers	70	74	70	214 (-2)
20. (tie) Doug Fortner	70	71	76	217 (+1)
80. (tie) Eddie Peckels	77	79	77	233 (+17)

Tournament Notes: The Irish post their best team finish since last year's BIG EAST Championship, when they were the tournament runner-up ... the team score of 857 (-7) is the fifth-lowest in school history and best since that same '07 BIG EAST Championship, when Notre Dame shot 856 (-8) ... it was the first time this season the Irish have broken par in a single round, doing so in all three rounds at Duke ... freshman Tyler Hock made the most of his debut with the Notre Dame travel squad, sharing team-low scoring honors ... junior Josh Sandman tied his career-low 54-hole score, previously set in the 2006 Prestige at PGA WEST ... senior Greg Rodgers lowered his personal-best tournament mark, which had been 216, which he carded at the '04 Nelson Invitational on the par-69 Stanford Golf Course (under renovation) ... sophomore Doug Fortner picked up his third top-20 finish in as many starts this season.

Mason Rudolph Intercollegiate Oct. 21-23, 2007 Franklin, Tenn. Vanderbilt Legends Club of Tennessee/ Roper's Knob Course (par 71/7,100 yards)

Final Team Standings (final 2 rounds rained out)

1. Mississippi	283	283 (-1)
2. Mississippi State	284	284 (E)
3. South Alabama	286	286 (+2)
4. Vanderbilt	287	287 (+3)
Louisville	287	287 (+3)
6. Western Kentucky	290	290 (+6)
7. Chattanooga	291	291 (+7)
8. NOTRE DAME	292	292 (+8)
Augusta State	292	292 (+8)
North Florida	292	292 (+8)
11. Middle Tennessee	293	293 (+9)
12. Iowa State	294	294 (+10)
Mercer	294	294 (+10)
14. Vanderbilt B	295	295 (+11)
15. Belmont	297	297 (+13)
16. Toledo	299	299 (+15)
17. Southeastern Louisiana	305	305 (+21)
UNC Greensboro	305	305 (+21)

Top 12 Individuals (of 93)

1. Jake Amos, ASU	67	67 (-4)
2. Jack Hiluta, USA	68	68 (-3)
3. Chris Baker, ISU	69	69 (-2)
Derek Fathauer, UL	69	69 (-2)
Jonathan Randolph, UM	69	69 (-2)
Brett Lange, VU	69	69 (-2)
Jesse Speirs, UM	69	69 (-2)
Noah Goldman, MSU	69	69 (-2)
9. Bill Jones III, MU	70	70 (-1)
Johnny Caldwell, USA	70	70 (-1)
Fredrik Qvicker, Chatt	70	70 (-1)
Matt Fast, MSU	70	70 (-1)

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8. (tie) NOTRE DAME	292	292 (+8)
13. (tie) Tyler Hock	71	71 (E)
32. (tie) Josh Sandman	73	73 (+2)
41. (tie) Doug Fortner	74	74 (+3)
(tie) Kyle Willis	74	74 (+3)
77. (tie) Greg Rodgers	78	78 (+7)
87. *Mike King	80	80 (+9)

* - competed as individual

Tournament Notes: Notre Dame's first appearance in the tournament was cut short when the final two rounds were washed out by thunderstorms ... it also was the first time the Irish had ever played in the metro Nashville area ... freshman Tyler Hock took team-best scoring honors for the second consecutive event ... sophomore Kyle Willis made his first start as a member of the Notre Dame travel squad ... junior Josh Sandman now has carded 73 or lower in eight of 10 rounds this season ... for the first time in 10 rounds this year, senior Greg Rodgers didn't have his score count to the team total.

UNCG Bridgestone Collegiate Championship Oct. 29-30, 2007 Greensboro, N.C. Forest Oaks Country Club (par 72/7,197 yards)

Final Team Standings

1. Louisville	300	291	279	860 (-4)
2. Mississippi State	300	286	277	863 (-1)
3. Central Florida	294	293	279	866 (+2)
4. North Carolina	294	286	290	870 (+6)
5. Kent State	293	288	292	873 (+9)
6. Indiana	298	291	285	874 (+10)
LSU	302	288	284	874 (+10)
8. Wake Forest	294	297	286	877 (+13)
9. NOTRE DAME	292	295	291	878 (+14)
10. Memphis	293	290	298	881 (+17)
11. Coll. of Charleston	292	299	296	887 (+23)
12. Arkansas	304	288	296	888 (+24)
13. UNC Greensboro	296	300	294	890 (+26)
14. Maryland	308	296	288	892 (+28)
15. Toledo	308	293	303	904 (+40)

Top 10 Individuals (of 79)

1. Derek Fathauer, UL	71	67	68	206 (-10)
2. Brett Cairns, KSU	72	68	71	211 (-5)
3. Greg Forest, UCF	75	71	66	212 (-4)
4. David Holzworth, UNC	73	69	71	213 (-3)
Adam Hadwin, UL	79	65	69	213 (-3)
Barden Berry, UNC	72	70	71	213 (-3)
7. Nathan Starney, UNCG	68	74	72	214 (-2)
Matt Fast, MSU	75	71	68	214 (-2)
9. David Markle, KSU	73	70	72	215 (-1)
Andrew Landry, UA	72	72	71	215 (-1)

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9. NOTRE DAME	292	295	291	878 (+14)
15. (tie) Josh Sandman	68	72	77	217 (+1)
25. (tie) Greg Rodgers	75	73	72	220 (+4)
29. (tie) Doug Fortner	74	74	73	221 (+5)
48. (tie) Kyle Willis	75	76	74	225 (+9)
63. (tie) Tyler Hock	76	80	72	228 (+12)

Tournament Notes: Notre Dame earned another victory over a *Golfweek*-ranked team, finishing 10 strokes clear of No. 22 Arkansas ... the Irish held a share of the first-round lead with the College of Charleston and were in front as late as the midpoint of the second round ... junior Josh Sandman, a native of Greensboro, was in position to win medalist honors in his hometown (and playing on his home course), trailing by only two shots entering the final round ... Sandman finished 16th or better in three of five tournaments this fall, and carded rounds of 73 or lower in 10 of 13 rounds ... senior tri-captain Greg Rodgers notched his second top-25 finish of the fall season.

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John Hayt
Collegiate Invitational
Feb. 17-19, 2008
Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.
Sawgrass Golf Club
(par 72/6,895 yards)

Final Team Standings

1. Alabama	290	293	290	873 (+9)
2. UCLA	295	293	289	877 (+13)
3. North Florida	296	289	301	886 (+22)
Tennessee	291	300	295	886 (+22)
5. Charlotte	295	296	298	889 (+25)
Florida	296	305	288	889 (+25)
7. UAB	301	295	297	893 (+29)
Coastal Carolina	306	298	289	893 (+29)
9. Pepperdine	294	298	302	894 (+30)
Georgia State	296	296	302	894 (+30)
11. South Carolina	300	294	301	895 (+31)
12. Indiana	302	301	297	900 (+36)
13. UCF	306	300	295	901 (+37)
Vanderbilt	302	302	297	901 (+37)
15. NOTRE DAME	306	301	296	903 (+39)

Top 11 Individuals (of 81)

1. Joel Sjolholm, GSU	69	70	70	209 (-7)
2. Jason Kang, UCLA	70	76	68	214 (-2)
Michael O'Neal, UNF	70	72	72	214 (-2)
*Will Strickler, UF	71	72	71	214 (-2)
5. Mark Harrell, UA	72	71	72	215 (-1)
Michael Thompson, UA	72	71	72	215 (-1)
7. Tyler Brown, UF	71	75	70	216 (E)
8. Jesse Barnsley, Pepp	72	72	73	217 (+1)
9. Mark Anderson, USC	72	71	75	218 (+2)
David Johnson, UCF	75	72	71	218 (+2)
Trevor Murphy, Char	72	72	74	218 (+2)

* - competed as individual

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15. NOTRE DAME	306	301	296	903 (+39)
29. (tie) Doug Fortner	74	73	77	224 (+8)
(tie) Josh Sandman	73	76	75	224 (+8)
38. (tie) *Carl Santos-Ocampo	76	76	74	226 (+10)
65. (tie) Tyler Hock	88	74	70	232 (+16)
69. (tie) Connor Alan-Lee	78	78	79	235 (+19)
78. (tie) Greg Rodgers	81	86	74	241 (+25)

* - competed as individual

Tournament Notes: Notre Dame played in the North Florida tournament for the second consecutive year ... the tournament featured 10 of the nation's top 50 teams, including four consensus top-10 squads ... freshman Connor Alan-Lee made his second appearance on the travel squad this season, following his berth in the lineup at the Gopher Invitational to open the fall campaign ... for the fourth consecutive tournament, the core group of Fortner, Sandman, Hock and Rodgers made the travel squad ... Ocala, Fla., native Hock continues to close strong this season with a final-round 70 (-2); he now has carded par or better to close out three of four full-length tournaments ... another Florida resident, Naples sophomore Carl Santos-Ocampo, made his third appearance of the season, and first as an individual participant.

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2007-08 INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Connor Alan-Lee (Fr., Solana Beach, Calif.)

Gopher Invitational	74-70-84=228	+12	T-26th
*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	79-75-71=225	+15	T-48th
John Hayt Collegiate Inv.	78-78-79=235	+19	T-69th

Olavo Batista (So., Sao Paulo, Brazil)

<i>Rutgers Invitational</i>	70-74-76=220	+7	T-11th
*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	76-80-75=231	+21	T-56th

Jeff Chen (Fr., Walnut, Calif.)

<i>Rutgers Invitational</i>	74-71-74=219	+6	T-8th
*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	74-75-72=221	+11	T-36th

Doug Fortner (So., Tustin, Calif.)

Gopher Invitational	76-74-74=224	+8	20th
Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	68-72-70=210	E	T-2nd
Coca-Cola Duke Classic	70-71-76=217	+1	T-20th
Mason Rudolph Intercoll.	74	+3	T-41st
UNCG Bridgestone Coll. Champ.	74-74-73=221	+5	T-29th
John Hayt Collegiate Inv.	74-73-77=224	+8	T-29th

Tyler Hock (Fr., Ocala, Fla.)

*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	74-71-75=220	+10	T-29th
Coca-Cola Duke Classic	76-68-69=213	-3	T-11th
Mason Rudolph Intercoll.	71	E	T-13th
UNCG Bridgestone Coll. Champ.	76-80-72=228	+12	T-63rd
John Hayt Collegiate Inv.	88-74-70=232	+16	T-65th

Mike King (Sr., Sidney, Ohio)

*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	80-75-76=231	+21	T-56th
*Mason Rudolph Intercoll.	80	+9	87th

Eddie Peckels (Sr., Pinehurst, N.C.)

Gopher Invitational	75-80-76=231	+15	T-37th
Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	76-74-79=229	+19	T-52nd
Coca-Cola Duke Classic	77-79-77=233	+17	T-80th

Greg Rodgers (Sr., Phoenix, Md.)

Gopher Invitational	69-74-76=219	+3	T-7th
Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	74-76-76=226	+16	T-50th
Coca-Cola Duke Classic	70-74-70=214	-2	T-15th
Mason Rudolph Intercoll.	78	+7	T-77th
UNCG Bridgestone Coll. Champ.	75-73-72=220	+4	T-25th
John Hayt Collegiate Inv.	81-86-74=241	+25	T-78th

Josh Sandman (Jr., Greensboro, N.C.)

Gopher Invitational	79-73-80=232	+16	T-39th
Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	71-73-73=217	+7	T-16th
Coca-Cola Duke Classic	71-73-69=213	-3	T-11th
Mason Rudolph Intercoll.	73	+2	T-32nd
UNCG Bridgestone Coll. Champ.	68-72-77=217	+1	T-15th
John Hayt Collegiate Inv.	73-76-75=224	+8	T-29th

Carl Santos-Ocampo (So., Naples, Fla.)

<i>Rutgers Invitational</i>	72-79-71=222	+9	T-18th
Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	81-79-80=240	+30	68th
*John Hayt Collegiate Inv.	76-76-74=226	+10	T-38th

Kyle Willis (So., Lake Forest, Ill.)

<i>Rutgers Invitational</i>	80-72-73=225	+12	T-32nd
*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	71-74-73=218	+8	T-18th
Mason Rudolph Intercoll.	74	+3	T-41st
UNCG Bridgestone Coll. Champ.	75-76-74=225	+9	T-48th

Dustin Zhang (Fr., Calgary, Alberta)

<i>Rutgers Invitational</i>	69-77-73=219	+6	T-8th
*Fighting Irish Grid. Classic	80-83-81=244	+34	69th

* - player competed as an individual

Tournaments listed in *italics* are "B" team events

NOTE: underlined rounds not counted to team total ("A" events only)

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2007-08 vs. OPPONENTS (35-41-4)

(2) Alabama	0-1
(31) Alabama-Birmingham (UAB)	0-1
(43) Arkansas.....	1-2
(46) Augusta State.....	0-0-1
Baylor.....	0-1
Belmont	1-0
Coastal Carolina	0-1
(27) Central Florida (UCF)	0-2
(3) Charlotte.....	0-1
(14) Chattanooga.....	0-2
College of Charleston	2-0
Colorado State.....	0-1
(13) Duke	0-1
East Carolina.....	1-0
(10) Florida.....	0-1
<i>Florida Southern</i>	1-0
Georgetown	1-0
Georgia Southern.....	1-0
Georgia State	0-1
Houston	1-0
(49) Illinois.....	1-0
(25) Indiana.....	0-2-1
Iowa.....	2-0
Iowa State.....	1-0
(39) Kent State	0-1
(18) Lamar	0-2
(45) Louisiana State (LSU)	0-1
(24) Louisville.....	0-2
Maryland	2-0
Memphis.....	1-0
Mercer.....	1-0
(15) Michigan State.....	1-1
Middle Tennessee.....	1-0
(41) Minnesota	1-0
(32) Mississippi	0-1
(20) Mississippi State.....	0-2
(26) North Carolina	0-1
UNC Greensboro.....	3-0
UNC Wilmington.....	1-0
North Florida.....	0-2-1
Ohio State	1-0
Old Dominion	1-0

IRISH IN THE POLLS

TEAM

<i>Golfweek/Sagarin</i> (Feb. 24).....	59th
Golfstat (Feb. 27).....	62nd
<i>Golf World/Nike Coaches Poll</i> (Feb. 21).....	NR

INDIVIDUAL TOP 200 (*Golfweek/Golfstat*)

Doug Fortner	181st/176th
Josh Sandman	NR/200th

(28) Pepperdine.....	0-1
Princeton	1-0
San Diego.....	1-0-1
South Alabama.....	0-1
(21) South Carolina	0-1
Southeastern Louisiana.....	1-0
Southern Methodist (SMU)	1-0
(9) Tennessee.....	0-1
Toledo.....	2-0
(5) UCLA	0-1
Vanderbilt.....	0-2
Virginia	0-1
Virginia Commonwealth (VCU)	1-0
(30) Virginia Tech.....	1-0
(19) Wake Forest.....	0-1
Western Kentucky	0-1
Winthrop.....	1-0
Wisconsin	0-1

OVERALL RECORD.....	35-41-4 (.463)
VS. DIVISION I OPPONENTS	34-41-4 (.456)
VS. CURRENT GOLFWEK TOP 25	1-19-1 (.071)
VS. CURRENT GOLFWEK TOP 50	5-29-2 (.167)

(x) - *Golfweek/Sagarin* Performance Index ranking (Feb. 24)
Teams listed in *italics* are non-Division I opponents