



# NOTRE DAME

## 2006-07 MEN'S GOLF

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### 2006-07 Notre Dame Men's Golf Schedule/Results

DATE	TOURNAMENT	RESULT (SCORE)
S17-18	Gopher Invitational..... Spring Hill Golf Club (Wayzata, Minn.)	9th of 12 (918)
O9-10	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic... Warren Golf Course (Notre Dame, Ind.)	2nd of 12 (889)
O16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST ..... PGA WEST/Norman (La Quinta, Calif.)	7th of 15 (879)
N6-7	CordeValle Collegiate..... CordeValle Golf Club (San Martin, Calif.)	11th of 17 (869)
N22-23	Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational..... Kiahuna Golf Club (Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii)	8th of 9 (874)
F18-20	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational..... Sawgrass Country Club (Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.)	T-13th of 15 (920)
M12-13	Triumph at Pauma Valley ..... Pauma Valley Country Club (Pauma Valley, Calif.)	2nd of 16 (863)
M16-17	Border Olympics..... Laredo Country Club (Laredo, Texas)	6th of 15 (865)
M30-A1	Administaff Augusta St. Invitational ..... Champions Retreat Golf Club (Evans, Ga.)	17th of 18 (883)
A7-8	Boilermaker Invitational..... Birck Boilermaker Complex/Kampen (W. Lafayette, Ind.)	T-8th of 15 (610)
A14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate..... Ohio State Golf Club/Scarlet (Columbus, Ohio)	11th of 16 (628)
<b>A22-24</b>	<b>BIG EAST Championship</b> <b>Cardinal Club (Louisville, Ky.)</b>	
M17-19	NCAA Regionals (Alpharetta, Ga./Sugar Grove, Ill./Tempe, Ariz.)	
M30-J2	NCAA Championship Golden Horseshoe Golf Club/Gold (Williamsburg, Va.)	

### Irish Men's Golf Quick Facts

**Head Coach** .....Jim Kubinski (Springfield College '93)  
**Assistant Coach** .....Steve Colnitis (Notre Dame '05)  
**2006 Postseason Finish** ..... NCAA East Regional (17th)  
**Nickname/Colors** .....Fighting Irish/Gold and Blue  
**Home Course** .....Warren Golf Course (par 70/7,011 yards)  
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### BIG EAST Championship

Sunday-Tuesday, April 22-24, 2007  
 8 a.m. (ET) each day  
 Cardinal Club  
 Louisville, Ky.  
 Par 72/7,036 yards



### Irish Looking To Make History At BIG EAST Championship

Three-time defending BIG EAST champion Notre Dame will aim to do something only one other school has done in the 27-year history of the conference tournament — win a fourth consecutive crown. St. John's pulled off that feat on two occasions (1981-84 and 1986-89), while the Irish have collected a pair of "triple crowns" from 1996-98 and their current string from 2004-06. Notre Dame will get its chance when it hits the links at the Cardinal Club in Louisville, Ky., Sunday-Tuesday for the '07 BIG EAST tourney.

Notre Dame is the second seed for this year's BIG EAST Championship behind tournament host and top-20 team Louisville. The Irish have posted a pair of runner-up finishes this season and have a 296.71 stroke average that is second-lowest in school history. The winner of this week's conference tournament will take the BIG EAST's automatic berth to the NCAA regionals, which will take play May 17-19 at three sites around the country.

### Quoting Coach Kubinski ...

"We're excited to be heading to Louisville this weekend with a chance to win our fourth straight conference title. Of course, the Cardinals are not only hosting the event, but have had an outstanding season to date. We'll need to play our best golf from the outset in order to put ourselves in position for Tuesday afternoon's final stretch of holes.

"We really need our top guys, **Cole (Isban)** and **Josh (Sandman)**, to step up and bring their best game. They're the type of guys who are very, very competitive. They realize what's at stake. If anything, I think they'll feed off the championship environment.

"We've had tremendous contributions from **Adam Gifford** this season. He has really been a stabilizing force not only in the lineup, but in the locker

### NOTRE DAME LINEUP FOR THE BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP

Pos.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown	Stroke Avg.
No. 1	Cole Isban	Sr.	6-3/155	South Bend, Ind.	72.87
No. 2	Adam Gifford	Sr.	6-2/160	Plymouth, Ind.	75.06
No. 3	Greg Rodgers	Jr.	6-1/175	Phoenix, Md.	76.94
No. 4	Doug Fortner	Fr.	6-0/160	Tustin, Calif.	76.92
No. 5	Josh Sandman	So.	6-1/165	Greensboro, N.C.	74.13

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

## Golf World/Nike Division I Coaches Poll (April 4)

Rank	School (First-Place Votes)	Points	Last
1.	Georgia (5)	592	3
2.	Stanford (18)	590	1
3.	Alabama (1)	564	5
4.	Florida	500	2
5.	USC	496	7
6.	Oklahoma State (1)	493	4
7.	Lamar	438	15
8.	UCLA	436	10
9.	UNLV	430	8
10.	Clemson	396	6
11.	Coastal Carolina	374	11
12.	BYU	341	9
13.	East Tennessee State	315	T-13
14.	Texas A&M	287	12
15.	Georgia Tech	268	16
16.	Tennessee	211	17
17.	North Carolina	205	T-13
18.	Arizona State	161	18
<b>19.</b>	<b>Louisville</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>24</b>
20.	Tulsa	118	23
21.	Duke	115	20
22.	Wake Forest	105	19
23.	Texas	100	21
24.	Auburn	88	—
25.	Georgia State	78	—

**Others receiving votes:** Florida State 72, Charlotte 42, Minnesota 38, East Carolina 18, TCU 15, Chattanooga 10, **◆NOTRE DAME 9**, Wisconsin 9, Baylor 8, Indiana 8, Southeastern Louisiana 7, San Diego State 5, UC Irvine 3, Michigan State 1, Middle Tennessee 1, New Mexico 1, Washington 1, Xavier 1.

Teams in **bold** competing in the BIG EAST Championship.

### 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.

room. He provides great leadership on and off the course. To go from being a little-used walk-on a couple of years ago to what he is today is only a testament to his character and work ethic.

"Of course, our other underclassmen have shown flashes of brilliance, if also a bit of inconsistency. I think Mother Nature slowed them for a while, but they're ready to hit their stride at the perfect time. **Greg Rodgers** has been especially impressive. He's getting back to the player that built such a solid record in junior golf.

"All the younger guys — **Doug (Fortner), Eddie (Peckels), Mike (King), Kyle (Willis), Carl (Santos-Ocampo)** and **Olavo (Batista)** have worked so hard this season. They've pushed each other to reach this point. There's something about our team that feels good. We haven't played our best golf yet either. There's something left in the tank. I'm looking for a great effort this weekend. The Irish will be ready when the green light shows!"

### Dates and Times

Teams will play single rounds (18 holes) each day, starting on the No. 1 tee with the Notre Dame quintet slated to begin the first round Sunday at 8:50 a.m. (ET) while paired with golfers from Louisville and Marquette. Pairings and tee times for the second and third rounds will be re-assigned based upon the 18- and 36-hole standings. All times and formats are tentative and subject to change.

### Following The Irish

Live in-progress scoring (every nine holes) from the BIG EAST Championship will be available through the Golfstat web site ([www.golfstat.com](http://www.golfstat.com)). In addition, complete results following each day's action will be posted on the official Notre Dame athletics web site ([www.und.com](http://www.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).

New this year is the Irish ALERT system, which provides fans with regular updates on Notre Dame's progress at the BIG EAST Championship through text messages sent to their cell phone. For more information, visit the official Notre Dame athletics web site ([www.und.com](http://www.und.com)).

### The Tournament Format

A total of 12 five-man teams (60 participants) will be taking part in the BIG EAST Championship. 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. The winning team will not only take home the BIG EAST Championship trophy, but also will earn the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA regionals, which take place May 17-19 at three sites around the country.

### The Teams

Tournament host Louisville is the top seed for this weekend's BIG EAST Championship, while defending conference champion Notre Dame is the No. 2 seed. The remainder of the tournament field (in order of seeding) is as follows: Marquette, South Florida, St. John's, Georgetown, DePaul, Seton Hall, Cincinnati, Villanova, Connecticut and Rutgers.

According to the latest edition of the Golf World/Nike Top 25 coaches poll (released April 4), one ranked team — No. 19 Louisville — will be competing in this weekend's tournament. Notre Dame is the only other participating squad to be receiving votes in the latest coaches' balloting — the Irish garnered nine votes, good for a tie for 32nd place if the poll were extended.

**1944 NCAA Champion • 1937 NCAA Runner-Up • 33 NCAA Postseason Appearances**

Meanwhile, Monday's updated ratings in the *Golfweek/Sagarin* Performance Index has the tournament field ranked as follows: Louisville (18th), Notre Dame (63rd), Marquette (99th), USF (108th), St. John's (123rd), DePaul (159th), Georgetown (165th), Seton Hall (190th), Connecticut (206th), Cincinnati (217th), Villanova (223rd) and Rutgers (248th).

In addition, the most recent Golfstat rankings (unveiled Wednesday) have the BIG EAST Championship field broken down this way: Louisville (15th), Notre Dame (66th), Marquette (94th), South Florida (99th), St. John's (110th), DePaul (158th), Georgetown (168th), Seton Hall (181st), Connecticut (203rd), Cincinnati (207th), Villanova (215th) and Rutgers (245th).

### Head-To-Head

It's not unusual that Notre Dame hasn't seen many of the other BIG EAST Championship teams this season. In fact, the Irish have played alongside only one other league squad this year — Louisville won last week's Kepler Intercollegiate at 591, while Notre Dame was 37 shots back at 628 during the two-round weather-plagued event in Columbus, Ohio.

### The Course

Located not far from the Louisville campus in Simpsonville, Ky., the Cardinal Club (par 72/7,036 yards) is one the country's finer new courses. It was designed by Spencer Holt and is situated on 212 acres of manicured bent grass, and naturally rolling terrain, including heathery grasses and bluegrass rough. A 12,000-square foot clubhouse serves as the foundation for the 18-hole layout.

### Notre Dame At The BIG EAST Championship

Notre Dame has participated in each of the past 11 BIG EAST Championships and finished among the top three 10 times since joining the conference prior to the 1995-96 academic year. To date, the Irish have won six titles (1995, 1996, 1997, 2004, 2005, 2006), which puts them second in league history behind the nine crowns won by St. John's from 1979-89. **George Thomas** served as the head coach for Notre Dame's first three BIG EAST victories, while **John Jasinski** guided the Irish to the 2004 title and current head coach **Jim Kubinski** has been the helm when Notre Dame won the '05 and '06 events.

In addition to their six championships, the Irish have finished as tournament runner-up three times (1998 - tie with St. John's, 2002, 2003) and took third-place honors in 2000.

Notre Dame golfers also have won medalist honors four times, tying Virginia Tech for the third-highest total in conference history behind St. John's (seven) and Providence (six). The most recent Irish individual champion was crowned in 2005 when **Mark Baldwin** won the weather-shortened BIG EAST Championship with a five-over par 75. Other Notre Dame golfers who were medalists at the conference tournament include: **Bill Moore** (1995), **Todd Vernon** (1997) and **Steve Ratay** (2001 - three-way tie with Brian Krusoe of Virginia Tech and Andrew Svoboda of St. John's).

### Potent Notables On The Irish At The BIG EAST Championship

- ◆ Notre Dame joins St. John's as the only schools in the 26-year history of the BIG EAST Championship to win three consecutive titles on more than one occasion. The Irish recorded their first hat trick from 1995-97 and have matched that feat the past three seasons (2004-06), while St. John's actually posted a pair of "four-peats" from 1981-84 and 1986-89. The Red Storm are the only team ever to win four consecutive BIG EAST titles.
- ◆ Notre Dame's 32-stroke win in 1997 is the second-largest margin of victory

## NOTRE DAME RECORD BOOK UPDATES

### TEAM RECORDS

#### Top Season Stroke Averages (since 1980)

✓292.97	2005-06
✓ <b>296.71</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
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
✓ <b>863 (+11)</b>	<b>Triumph at Pauma Valley (par 71), 2007</b>
863 (+11)	Nelson Invitational (par 71), 2003
✓ <b>865 (+1)</b>	<b>Border Olympics (par 72), 2007</b>
✓865 (+1)	Coca-Cola Duke Classic (par 72), 2005

#### Top Rounds (since 1966)

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

#### Tournament Titles (since 2003)

1st of 17	SMU/Stonebridge Invitational, 2003
1st of 6	BIG EAST Championship, 2004
✓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)

✓ <b>72.87</b>	◆ <b>Cole Isban, 2006-07</b>
✓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)

✓ <b>73.82</b>	◆ <b>Cole Isban, 2003-present</b>
✓ <b>73.89</b>	◆ <b>Josh Sandman, 2005-present</b>
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 BIG EAST Championship

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

## Warren Golf Course Named One Of Nation's Top 15 College Courses

The University of Notre Dame's Warren Golf Course was chosen as one of the top 15 college courses in the nation, according to a feature article in the September 2005 issue of *Golf Digest*. The magazine used a variety of criteria in rating the various layouts, including shot values, resistance to scoring, design variety, memorability, aesthetics, conditioning, ambience and bonus walking points. The Warren Golf Course was ranked 15th in the country and was one of the newest courses on the 2005 *Golf Digest* list.

Co-designed by Bill Coore and PGA Tour veteran Ben Crenshaw, the Warren Golf Course opened on May 1, 2000 and has played host to a 2004 U.S. Amateur Championship sectional qualifier, the 2005 NCAA Central Regional, two Western Amateur Championship qualifiers and five BIG EAST Conference Championships. In addition, the par-70, 7,011-yard tree-lined layout has welcomed numerous junior golf tournaments and serves as the home course for the Notre Dame men's and women's golf teams.

"This is a remarkable honor for us when you consider the age of this course," said **John Foster**, General Manager and Head PGA Professional at the Warren Golf Course. "The emergence of our course is due in no small part to the commitment shown by Bill Warren to make this the nation's premier golf facility. We're also extremely fortunate to have a talented and dedicated staff that have helped make this course what it is today, led by our course superintendent, **Matt Cielen**."

"I am very pleased with, and appreciative of, *Golf Digest* for recognizing our Warren Golf Course as one of the top 15 college golf courses in the country," Notre Dame head men's golf coach **Jim Kubinski** said. "To be recognized with other top courses after having opened just a few years ago is a tremendous honor. It's a great test of golf for all players, and I know our team feels the course tests every facet of their games."

## Notre Dame Dedicates New Indoor Training Facility

On Sept. 30, the University of Notre Dame held a dedication ceremony for the new **Robert and Marilyn Rolfs Family All-Season Varsity Golf Facility** at the Warren Golf Course. The recently-completed \$2.1 million building is located adjacent to Warren's No. 2 tee box, with access via the roundabout at Douglas and Twyckenham Roads on the north edge of the Notre Dame campus.

The 10,333-square foot Robert and Marilyn Rolfs Family All-Season Varsity Golf Facility now serves as the home of the Notre Dame men's and women's golf teams, adding a new dimension in the growth of both programs, which have combined to win five BIG EAST Conference titles and make five NCAA regional appearances in the past four seasons alone.

The cornerstone of the Robert and Marilyn Rolfs Family All-Season Varsity Golf Facility is an expansive 4,820-square foot indoor putting green and chipping area, complete with a sand bunker. In addition, six heated indoor/outdoor "tee stations" allow players to use the driving range in all seasons, while the Irish coaches are able to study players' swing techniques through the use of the latest in video equipment and software analysis.

Some of the other highlights of the facility include: separate locker rooms for the Irish men's and women's teams with custom-made wood lockers for each player, a spacious 890-square foot player lounge with state-of-the-art amenities such as wide-screen plasma televisions and computers with high-speed Internet access, offices for each member of the respective coaching staffs, and an on-site equipment room with stations for customized club fitting and repair.

in BIG EAST Championship history. St. John's finished 34 shots ahead of the field to win the 1988 conference title.

- ◆ Conversely, the Irish also won the first sudden death playoff in BIG EAST Championship history last season, defeating Louisville on the first extra hole with an aggregate score of one-under par (birdie, par, par, par), compared to one-over par for the Cardinals (par, par, par, bogey). The 1989 conference title was decided by a scorecard playoff (second-round score of fifth golfer), a tiebreak no longer employed by the BIG EAST.
- ◆ Unlike last year's veteran squad that featured four of five golfers having previously earned all-conference honors, only two members of this year's Irish lineup have even played in the BIG EAST Championship, let alone done enough to garner all-league recognition. Senior co-captain **Cole Isban** took all-BIG EAST plaudits in 2004 and 2005, while sophomore **Josh Sandman** made his first conference tournament appearance last year and sank the title-winning birdie putt in the sudden-death playoff.
- ◆ For the sixth consecutive year, Notre Dame will start a freshman at the BIG EAST Championship when rookie **Doug Fortner** steps to the No. 1 tee on Sunday morning. In three of the previous five years, an Irish freshman has gone on to earn all-conference recognition (**Ryan Marshall** in 2002; **Tommy Balderston**, **Mark Baldwin** and **Scott Gustafson** in 2003; and **Cole Isban** in 2004). Current junior **Mike King** was the new kid on the block for Notre Dame in 2005 and just missed an all-BIG EAST citation of his own with a tie for ninth place at 10-over par 80 (top seven players in the field are awarded all-conference status).
- ◆ The second-round leader at the BIG EAST Championship has not won the conference title since 2002, when Virginia Tech protected its lead on the final day and defeated Notre Dame by 17 shots. In 2003, the Irish had a four-stroke edge on the Hokies going into the third round, but ended up falling by two shots. Then, in 2004, Notre Dame returned the favor, erasing Tech's five-stroke advantage with a final-round charge to win by six. The 2005 tournament was shortened to one round by weather, but the comeback trend continued in 2006 when Louisville led Marquette by seven shots and Notre Dame by 12 shots going into the final round before the Irish shot a school-record 272 (-16) to draw even and eventually win in a playoff.
- ◆ Although it's just seven years old, the Warren Golf Course at Notre Dame already has played host to five BIG EAST Championships, second only to the TPC at Avenel (Potomac, Md.), which was the site of 11 conference tournaments, including 10 in a row from 1987-96. However, Notre Dame will not host the conference tournament until at least the 2009-10 season, with next year's event scheduled for suburban Cincinnati (Traditions Golf Club in Hebron, Ky.) and the '08-09 tournament headed back to Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club in Dade City, Fla. (and hosted by USF).

### Tourney Rewind: 2006 BIG EAST Championship

There are some moments that can only be classified as happening "nowhere but Notre Dame." On a bright and sunny Tuesday afternoon in central Florida, another one of those signature events in Irish athletics history took place, as the Notre Dame men's golf team charged from 12 strokes back in the final round of the 2006 BIG EAST Conference Championship and wound up defeating Louisville on the first hole of a sudden-death team playoff at the Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club/South Course (par 72/7,031 yards) in Dade City, Fla. With the victory, the Irish won their third consecutive BIG EAST title (sixth in their 11 years as a league member) and locked up a third straight berth to NCAA regional play.

Notre Dame's comeback was record setting in several ways, starting with its final-round score of 16-under par 272, which shattered the old school re-

cord for a single round of 275, set at the 1999 Air Force Invitational (played at altitude in Colorado Springs). The Irish also carded the lowest 54-hole score in the program's 77-year history, a 22-under par 842 (281-289-272) that topped the previous standard by 12 shots (854 at the 2004 Nelson Invitational, played on a shortened par-69 course at Stanford). In addition, it established a new conference tournament three-round record, breaking Virginia Tech's mark of 865 set in 2002. Ironically, Tech was the last team to win three consecutive league titles (2001-03), although Notre Dame becomes just the second team to win three in a row on two separate occasions (1995-97, 2004-06), joining St. John's (1981-84, 1986-89) in that elite company.

What made the '06 rally even more special was the fact that all five Irish golfers made tremendous contributions to the victory. During regulation play, the bottom four players in the Notre Dame lineup all shot under par. **Tommy Balderston** was the first to finish up, shooting a four-under par 68 that equaled the best round ever posted by an Irish player in BIG EAST Championship play. That mark lasted all of 10 minutes, before **Scott Gustafson** rolled in with a five-under par 67. Yet, Gustafson's new record didn't stand much longer than Balderston's figure, as **Mark Baldwin** came along in the next group and drained a tricky eight-foot par putt on No. 18 to reset the school standard and match the conference record with a six-under par 66. **Cole Isban** then tacked on a one-under 71 to cap off the historic performance.

However, when it came to the playoff hole (par-4 No. 18), **Josh Sandman** was the hero. The Irish rookie had shot the high round of the day for Notre Dame (76, +4), but playing in the second playoff pairing, he ripped his tee shot to the edge of a fairway bunker around 135 yards from the pin. Despite having a dangerous downhill lie on the front lip of the trap, Sandman confidently pulled out a wedge and stuck his approach shot to within 10 feet. He then strode to the green and sank his birdie putt, highlighting a one-under par showing for the Irish in the playoff (birdie, par, par, par), while Louisville went one-over in the same span (par, par, par, bogey) and was hampered when one of its tee shots found the lake next to the 18th fairway.

Entering the final round, Notre Dame was in third place, 12 shots back of Louisville and seven shots behind Marquette, and the Irish knew everything would have to go right and then some if they hoped to defend their back-to-back league titles. However, when the dust settled, all five Irish golfers finished among the top 20 in the 60-man field. Baldwin led the way with a tie for fifth place at four-under par 212 (69-77-66), setting a school 54-hole record for conference tournament play and also becoming the first Notre Dame player ever to be named all-BIG EAST three times. Gustafson and Isban tied for eighth place at three-under par 213, with Gustafson shooting round of 75-71 and a career-low-tying 67, while Isban carded steady marks of 70, 72 and 71.

Balderston was a late addition to the Irish lineup, having not played in a tournament all year long due to injury. In fact, one of his last events as a member of the Notre Dame travel squad came in February 2005, when he helped the Irish win the NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational at New Orleans on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff. His contributions this week led to another heart stopping win, as he finished tied for 13th place with a one-under par 215 (72-75-68), with his final-round score being one off his career best (67 at the 2004 John Dallio Memorial Invitational).

Despite his regulation struggles, Sandman closed out his first BIG EAST Championship in a 20th-place tie at one-over par 217 (70-71-76). That score was even more amazing when one considers that a month earlier, he had yet to play a college event because of a back injury.

### **Last Time Out: Kepler Intercollegiate**

For the second time in as many weekends, Notre Dame played in a weather-shortened tournament, as the Irish finished 11th in the Robert Kepler Inter-

## **Notre Dame Record Book At The BIG EAST Championship**

### **TEAM RECORDS**

#### **Lowest 18-hole score**

272	2006, third round ( <i>school record</i> )
281	2006, first round
289	2006, second round 2002, second round 1996, first round

#### **Lowest 36-hole score (first two rounds only)**

570	2006
585	2004
586	2002
590	2003
593	1995

#### **Lowest 54-hole score**

842	2006 ( <i>school record</i> )
876	2004
882	2002
891	2003
902	2001

### **INDIVIDUAL RECORDS**

#### **Lowest 18-hole score**

66	Mark Baldwin, third round, 2006
67	Scott Gustafson, third round, 2006
68	Tommy Balderston, third round, 2006 Alex Kent, second round, 2000

#### **Lowest 36-hole score (first two rounds only)**

141	Josh Sandman, 2006 Todd Vernon, 1997
142	Cole Isban, 2006
143	Bill Moore, 1995

#### **Lowest 54-hole score**

212	Mark Baldwin, 2006
213	Scott Gustafson, 2006 Cole Isban, 2006
215	three times (last: Tommy Balderston, 2006)

### **BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALISTS**

2005	Mark Baldwin
2001	Steve Ratay
1997	Todd Vernon
1995	Bill Moore

### **ALL-BIG EAST CONFERENCE TEAM**

2006	Mark Baldwin
2005	Mark Baldwin, Eric Deutsch, Cole Isban
2004	Tommy Balderston, Eric Deutsch, Cole Isban
2003	Tommy Balderston, Mark Baldwin, Scott Gustafson, Brandon Lunke
2002	Ryan Marshall, Steve Ratay
2001	Steve Ratay
2000	Alex Kent
1998	Willie Kent, Kyle Monfort

**NOTE:** All-BIG EAST selections consist of top seven finishers plus ties at conference tournament (team was not chosen prior to 1998).

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

## Notre Dame's Graduation Rates Among Nation's Best

University of Notre Dame athletic programs again rank among the best in the country in graduation rates, based on Graduation Success Rate (GSR) figures released in September 2006 by the NCAA.

Among the 119 NCAA Division I-A football-playing institutions, Notre Dame had the second-highest percentage of its sports with 100 percent scores, with a .772 figure (17 of 22). Only the U.S. Naval Academy had a higher mark, with 84.2 percent (16 of 19) of its sports earning perfect scores. Duke was third at .727 (16-21), while Northwestern is fourth (.722, 13-18).

In football, Notre Dame achieved a 95 GSR rating, with only the U.S. Naval Academy (at 98) and Boston College (96) ranking higher. Here are the institutions with scores of 90 or higher in that category: U.S. Naval Academy (98); Boston College (96); **Notre Dame (95)**; Stanford (94); Wake Forest, Duke and U.S. Air Force Academy (93); Vanderbilt (92); Northwestern (91); and U.S. Military Academy (90).

In men's basketball, Notre Dame achieved a 91 GSR rating, with only the U.S. Naval Academy, Wake Forest and Florida (each at 100) and the U.S. Military Academy (97) ranking higher. Here are the institutions with scores of 90 or higher in that category: U.S. Naval Academy, Wake Forest and Florida (100); U.S. Military Academy (97); **Notre Dame** and Michigan State (91).

In women's basketball, Notre Dame achieved a 100 GSR rating, as one of 16 Division I-A institutions with a perfect score. Here are the institutions with scores of 95 or higher in that category: Arkansas, Florida, Idaho, Kent State, Miami (Fla.), Michigan, Nebraska, Northwestern, Notre Dame, Oregon, Rice, Syracuse, Tennessee, U.S. Naval Academy, Vanderbilt and Wake Forest (100); U.S. Military Academy (99) and Virginia (97).

The national GSR for 2006 for Division I-A is 77 percent. Only team rates were released. The second-year GSR data is based upon the entering classes from 1996 to 1999.

In addition to women's basketball, other Notre Dame programs recording 100 GSR scores were baseball, men's cross country/track, women's cross country/track, men's fencing, women's fencing, women's golf, ice hockey, women's lacrosse, rowing, men's soccer, softball, men's swimming, women's swimming, men's tennis, women's tennis and volleyball. Men's lacrosse received a 97, women's soccer earned a 94 and men's golf received a 92.

collegiate on April 15 at the Scarlet Course of the Ohio State Golf Club (par 71/7,454 yards) in Columbus, Ohio. The Irish posted a two-round total of 60-over par 628 (314-314) in the 16-team tournament, placing ahead of such notable teams as No. 32 SMU (15th place, 641) and No. 33 Wisconsin (13th place, 639) — No. 20 Louisville won the tournament at 591 (+23).

After the second round was suspended by rain, play resumed the next morning, but due to the delay and travel plans of numerous teams in the field, tournament organizers trimmed the event to 36 holes. The conditions weren't much better on day two, with only one of the 16 teams breaking 305 for the second round (Louisville at 299). What's more, only one player managed to reach par for the tournament, as Michigan State's Matt Harmon took medalist honors with an even-par 142.

Senior co-captain **Cole Isban** was Notre Dame's top finisher, tying for 32nd place at 13-over par 155 (79-76), two strokes better than junior **Greg Rodgers** and sophomore **Josh Sandman**, who tied for 40th place at 15-over par 157 after each man carded rounds of 78 and 79. Senior co-captain **Adam Gifford** was tied for 53rd place at 19-over par 161 (81-80), while freshman **Doug Fortner** shared 78th place at 24-over par 166 (79-87). Junior **Mike King** competed as an individual this weekend, tying for 81st place at 25-over par 167 (79-88).

### Three Tournaments, Three Aces For Irish

It would be difficult to script a much better start than Notre Dame freshmen **Doug Fortner** and **Carl Santos-Ocampo** experienced this fall. Between them, the two Irish rookies fired three aces in their first three tournaments, including matching holes-in-one in their respective college debuts 10 days apart.

Fortner was the first to card a "single" on Sept. 16 in the second round of the Gopher Invitational in Wayzata, Minn., pulling out a pitching wedge and sinking his tee shot on the par-3, 139-yard 17th hole at the Spring Hill Golf Club. Not to be outdone, Santos-Ocampo made his mark in the final round of the John Dallio Memorial (a "B" team event for the Irish) in West Chicago, Ill., using a 7-iron to bury his tee shot on the par-3, 175-yard third hole at the Prairie Landing Golf Club.

Santos-Ocampo was at it again on Oct. 10 in the final round of the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic. Playing into a stiff breeze, the diminutive Notre Dame freshman took an 8-iron to the tee of the par-3, fourth hole at the Warren Golf Course and promptly buried his 136-yard tee shot.

Both Fortner and Santos-Ocampo were featured in the Oct. 30 edition of *Sports Illustrated's* "Faces in the Crowd" for their accomplishment, which is believed to be the first of its kind in NCAA Division I history.

### Next Up: NCAA Regionals (May 17-19)

Should Notre Dame win the BIG EAST Championship (and the conference's automatic bid) or be chosen as an at-large squad, the Irish would next tee off May 17-19 at the NCAA regionals. The East Regional will be held in Alpharetta, Ga. (Golf Club of Georgia), the Central Regional is slated for Sugar Grove, Ill. (Rich Harvest Farms), and the West Regional will take place in Tempe, Ariz. (ASU Karsten Golf Course). Notre Dame has made 33 postseason appearances, including trips to the past three NCAA regionals, although the Irish have not advanced to the NCAA Championship final since 1966 (prior to the institution of regional play).



# DOUG FORTNER

Freshman • 6-0 • 160  
Tustin, Calif. (Foothill)

## As A Freshman (2006-07) ...

Has competed in nine tournaments during his rookie season, all as a member of the Notre Dame travel squad, with a 76.92 stroke average ... one of four golfers on team to compete in all six spring tournaments, carding a 76.69 stroke average ... has one top-five finish this season ... made college debut at Gopher Invitational, tying for 43rd place at 20-over par 236 (79-71-86); sank an ace during the second round, holing his tee shot on the par-3, 139-yard 17th hole with a pitching wedge ... one of two Irish freshmen (with Carl Santos-Ocampo) to fire an ace this season, sinking their holes-in-one at consecutive tournaments in September; that feat earned the pair a place in the Oct. 30 issue of *Sports Illustrated's* "Faces In The Crowd," while the back-to-back aces by freshmen in their debut events are believed the first of their kind in NCAA Division I history (pending further research) ... took 27th place in home debut at Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic, shooting an 18-over par 228 (76-74-78) ... closed out fall season with tie for 61st place at The Prestige at PGA WEST with a score of 16-over par 232 (79-79-74) ... returned to lineup in spring opener at John Hayt Collegiate Invitational, tying for 69th place at 21-over par 237 (80-81-76) ... turned in the best performance of his brief college career with fourth-place finish in the Triumph at Pauma Valley, posting season bests for 18 and 54 holes while carding a one-under par 212 (69-72-71); he's the second Irish freshman in as many years to notch a top-five finish (Josh Sandman was second at the '06 Boilermaker Invitational) ... tied for 54th place in Border Olympics at eight-over par 224 (73-80-71) ... shared 82nd place at Administaff Augusta State Invitational with 13-over par 229 (78-77-74) ... tied for 64th place in rain-shortened Boilermaker Invitational with 15-over par 159 (81-78) ... shared 78th place in weather-abbreviated Kepler Intercollegiate 24-over par 166 (79-87).

## Additional Information ...

Was a regular on the junior golf scene during his final two prep seasons, ranking as high as 24th in the nation among players in the Class of 2006 (and 42nd overall) by the National Junior Golf Scoreboard ... in 2006, he logged a 72.85 rating through seven junior events ... qualified for U.S. Open sectional play ... finished among the top 20 in all three AJGA events with a 73.11 stroke average during the 2006 campaign, including a tie for eighth place at the Mission Hills Desert Junior ... in 14 junior golf events during the 2005 season, he posted a 72.52 stroke average, had nine rounds in the 60s, and placed among the top four on 10 occasions, including wins at the International Junior Golf Tour (IJGT)/Arizona State event in January (shot a four-under 140) and the Southern California PGA Metropolitan Tour's Tournament of Champions in August (fired a six-under 136) ... wound up sixth on the 2005 Nike Junior Series Points List, and 12th on the '05 IJGT Merit Points List ... in August 2005, he shot a course-record 65 at the Royal West Norfolk Golf Club in Norfolk, Scotland, despite never having played the course before ... four-time individual qualifier for the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Championship and earned first-team all-SeaView League awards each year, including Most Valuable Player honors as a sophomore in 2003-04 when he led FHS to the league title ... born Jan. 29, 1988, in Santa Ana, Calif. ... son of Elizabeth and Gary Fortner ... seventh California native to play at Notre Dame, and the first since Kit Burton competed for the Irish from 1993-96, helping Notre Dame win the first of its six BIG EAST Conference titles during his senior season ... enrolled in First Year of Studies program at Notre Dame.

## 2006-07 Season Results

Date	Tournament	Score	Finish
Sept. 16-17	Gopher Invitational	79-71-86=236 (+20)	T-43rd
Oct. 9-10	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic	76-74-78=228 (+18)	27th
Oct. 16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST	79-79-74=232 (+16)	T-61st
Feb. 18-20	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational	80-81-76=237 (+21)	T-69th
March 12-13	Triumph at Pauma Valley	69-72-71=212 (-1)	4th
March 16-17	Border Olympics	73-80-71=224 (+8)	T-54th
March 30-April 1	Administaff Augusta State Invitational	78-77-74=229 (+13)	T-82nd
April 7-8	Boilermaker Invitational	81-78=159 (+15)	T-64th
April 14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate	79-87=166 (+24)	T-78th

**NOTE:** underlined rounds not counted to team total

## Career Statistics

Year	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
2006-07	9	25	1,923	76.92	69	212	1	1	4th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)

**Best Round:** 69 (first round, 2007 Triumph at Pauma Valley)

**Best 54-Hole Score:** 212 (-1) (2007 Triumph at Pauma Valley)

## BIG EAST Championship History

Year	Scores	vs. Par	Place
First appearance in 2007			

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



# ADAM GIFFORD

Senior • 6-2 • 160

Plymouth, Ind. (Plymouth)

**As A Senior (2006-07) ...**

**TEAM CO-CAPTAIN** ... Has shown remarkable improvement during his final season at Notre Dame ... one of three Irish golfers to make the travel squad for all 11 tournaments ... ranks third on the team with a 75.06 stroke average this season ... has two top-10 finishes to his credit, including one top-five outing ... has looked even sharper in spring, carding second-best stroke average on team (74.75) ... cracked lineup for season opener at Gopher Invitational (his first start since the '06 Boilermaker Invitational, and only his second since the 2004-05 season) ... placed 59th at the Gopher Invitational with a score of 27-over par 243 (85-80-78) ... tied for 17th place at Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic, shooting a 15-over par 225 (75-74-76) ... logged second consecutive top-25 performance with 25th-place outing at The Prestige at PGA WEST (76-74-70=220, +4); fired (at the time) career-low scores for 18 and 54 holes ... tied for 68th place at the CordeValle Collegiate with an eight-over par 224 (74-78-72) ... shared 23rd place at the Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational (73-74-72=219, +9) ... opened spring with 48th-place tie at John Hayt Collegiate Invitational at 15-over par 231 (77-82-72) ... notched best career finish and new personal bests for 18 and 54 holes in the Triumph at Pauma Valley with fifth-place finish at even-par 213 (73-69-71) ... earned share of 45th place at Border Olympics by shooting six-over par 222 (70-79-73) ... led Irish with eighth-place finish at Administaff Augusta State Invitational at two-under par 214 (71-74-69), tying single-round career-best in final round ... tied for 43rd at rain-shortened Boilermaker Invitational (80-75=155, +11) ... shared 53rd place at weather-truncated Kepler Intercollegiate with a 19-over par 161 (81-80).

**Additional Information ...**

Had played in seven tournaments (20 rounds) during first three seasons at Notre Dame ... had never shot better than 72 in his career, prior to this season ... previous career-best score was six-over par 222 (75-73-74) at 2004 John Dallio Memorial ... shot 72 in second round of dual match with 11th-ranked TCU in April 2005 ... four-year letterwinner at Plymouth (Ind.) High School, earning all-Northern Lakes Conference honors three times ... two-time sectional champion and all-state pick as a senior (when he also won NLC title) ... full name is Adam Coury Gifford ... born Nov. 8, 1983 in South Bend, Ind. ... son of Ronald and Mary Gifford ... enrolled in College of Science as a science-business major.

## 2006-07 Season Results

Date	Tournament	Score	Finish
Sept. 16-17	Gopher Invitational	<u>85-80-78=243</u> (+27)	59th
Oct. 9-10	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic	75-74-76=225 (+15)	T-17th
Oct. 16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST	76-74-70=220 (+4)	25th
Nov. 6-7	CordeValle Collegiate	74- <u>78-72=224</u> (+8)	T-68th
Nov. 22-23	Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational	73-74-72=219 (+9)	T-23rd
Feb. 18-20	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational	77- <u>82-72=231</u> (+15)	T-48th
March 12-13	Triumph at Pauma Valley	73-69-71=213 (E)	5th
March 16-17	Border Olympics	70-79-73=222 (+6)	T-45th
March 30-April 1	Administaff Augusta State Invitational	71-74-69=214 (-2)	T-8th
April 7-8	Boilermaker Invitational	80-75=155 (+11)	T-43rd
April 14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate	<u>81-80=161</u> (+19)	T-53rd

**NOTE:** underlined rounds not counted to team total

## Career Statistics

Year	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
2003-04	2	6	464	77.33	76	230	0	0	T-41st (Fossum/TaylorMade Invitational)
2004-05	4	11	829	75.36	72	222	0	2	T-8th (TCU dual match)
2005-06	1	3	237	79.00	76	237	0	0	T-50th (Boilermaker Invitational)
2006-07	11	31	2,327	75.06	69	213	1	2	5th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)
<b>Career</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>3,857</b>	<b>75.63</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5th ('07 Triumph at Pauma Valley)</b>

**Best Round:** 69, twice (second round, 2007 Triumph at Pauma Valley; third round, 2007 Administaff Augusta State Invitational)

**Best 54-Hole Score:** 213 (E) (2007 Triumph at Pauma Valley)

## BIG EAST Championship History

Year	Scores	vs. Par	Place
First appearance in 2007			

**1944 NCAA Champion • 1937 NCAA Runner-Up • 33 NCAA Postseason Appearances**



# COLE ISBAN

Senior • 6-3 • 155

South Bend, Ind. (Mishawaka Marian)

## As A Senior (2006-07) ...

**TEAM CO-CAPTAIN** ...has been pacesetter for Notre Dame once again this season with 72.87 stroke average that threatens to break his own school record (72.97 in 2005-06) ... currently ranked 65th by *Golfweek* and 55th by *Golfstat* ... has three top-10 finishes, including top-five outings at the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic (tie-2nd, 214) and the Border Olympics (5th, 209) ... tied 54-hole school record with seven-under par 209 (70-68-71) at Border Olympics, matching Jeff Connell's mark at the 1998 Marshall Invitational; also set new school standard for strokes below par (previous record of six-under par held

by several players) ... has team-best 12 rounds at par or better, including 10 below par (four in the 60s) ... has seen 30 of 31 rounds (96.8 percent) count to team score ... carded career-low 66 in second round of CordeValle Collegiate.

## Additional Information ...

Two-time PING All-Midwest Region selection (2005, 2006) and two-time all-BIG EAST Conference honoree (2004, 2005) ... on pace to hold school records in just about every category, including career stroke average (73.82), events played (47), rounds played (137) and total strokes (10,114) ... also has been remarkably consistent, with 125 of his 134 competitive rounds (93.3 percent) counting to team score ... exceptional amateur player who has qualified for each of the past three U.S. Amateur Championships ... reached round-of-16 match play tree at 2005 Western Amateur ... full name is Cole Daniel Isban ... born Oct. 10, 1984 in South Bend, Ind. ... son of Michael and Debra Isban ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business as a marketing major ... two-time BIG EAST Academic All-Star (2005, 2006) ... three-year team representative on Notre Dame Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).

## 2006-07 Season Results

Date	Tournament	Score	Finish
Sept. 16-17	Gopher Invitational	79-72-76=227 (+11)	T-19th
Oct. 9-10	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic	68-73-73=214 (+4)	T-2nd
Oct. 16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST	71-73-71=215 (-1)	14th
Nov. 6-7	CordeValle Collegiate	76-66-71=213 (-3)	T-19th
Nov. 22-23	Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational	69-74-73=216 (+6)	T-17th
Feb. 18-20	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational	76-76-73=225 (+9)	T-22nd
March 12-13	Triumph at Pauma Valley	73-70-73=216 (+3)	T-8th
March 16-17	Border Olympics	70-68-71=209 (-7)	5th
March 30-April 1	Administaff Augusta State Invitational	73-72-74=219 (+3)	T-37th
April 7-8	Boilermaker Invitational	76-74=150 (+6)	T-15th
April 14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate	79-76=155 (+13)	T-32nd

**NOTE:** underlined rounds not counted to team total

## Career Statistics

Year	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
2003-04	11	34	2,558	75.24	69	212	1	3	T-3rd (BIG EAST Championship)
2004-05	13	36	2,670	74.17	68	213	3	5	2nd (The Prestige at PGA WEST)
2005-06	12	36	2,627	72.97	67	210	2	4	T-1st (Shoal Creek Intercollegiate)
2006-07	11	31	2,259	72.87	66	209	2	3	T-2nd (Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic)
<b>Career</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>10,114</b>	<b>73.82</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>T-1st ('05 Shoal Creek Intercollegiate)</b>

**Best Round:** 66 (second round, 2006 CordeValle Collegiate)

**Best 54-Hole Score:** 209 (-7) (2007 Border Olympics) (*tied school record for total strokes/set school record for strokes under par*)

## BIG EAST Championship History

Year	Scores	vs. Par	Place
2004	69-75-74=218	+8	T-3rd of 30 ( <i>all-BIG EAST</i> )
2005	79	+9	T-7th of 30 ( <i>all-BIG EAST</i> )
2006	70-72-71=213	-3	T-8th of 60

**Career Stroke Average in the BIG EAST Championship:** 72.86 (510 strokes for 7 rounds)

**Best Round in the BIG EAST Championship:** 69 (first round, 2004)

**Best 54-Hole Score in the BIG EAST Championship:** 213 (-3) (2006)

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



# GREG RODGERS

Junior • 6-1 • 175

Phoenix, Md. (St. Paul's School)

## As A Junior (2006-07) ...

Got off to slow start this season, but has come on in the past month ... has played in six tournaments this year, four as a member of the travel squad ... has 76.94 season stroke average ... best finish came at Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic, where he tied for 25th place while playing as an individual competitor ... best score came at John Dallio Memorial, a "B" team event for the Irish, where he shot eight-over par 224 (74-76-74) and tied for 26th place ... joined travel squad for pair of October tournaments, but struggled with only two of six rounds counting to team score ... retooled his game and returned to lineup

in early April at Boilermaker Invitational — after tough first-round 82, came back with season-low 72 in second round of rain-shortened event, tying for 36th place ... shared 40th place at weather-abbreviated Kepler Intercollegiate with 15-over par 157 (78-79).

## Additional Information ...

One of three Irish golfers making his first trip to the BIG EAST Championship ... showed good promise as a freshman, making the travel squad for all 10 events and posting a 76.66 stroke average ... had up-and-down sophomore year, playing in five events with a 76.73 stroke average ... best career finish was tie for 14th place at 2005 Irish Spring Invitational ... full name is Greg Cameron Rodgers ... born March 19, 1985 in Trenton, N.J. ... son of James and Catherine Rodgers ... enrolled in College of Arts and Letters as a history major ... two-time selection to BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team.

## 2006-07 Season Results

Date	Tournament	Score	Finish
Sept. 25-26	John Dallio Memorial	74-76-74=224 (+8)	T-26th
Oct. 9-10	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic*	74-79-74=227 (+17)	T-25th
Oct. 16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST	<u>84-78-75</u> =237 (+21)	69th
Nov. 6-7	CordeValle Collegiate	<u>78-76-78</u> =232 (+16)	87th
April 7-8	Boilermaker Invitational	<u>82-72</u> =154 (+10)	T-36th
April 14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate	78-79=157 (+15)	T-40th

**NOTE:** underlined rounds not counted to team total // *italicized events are "B" team tournaments* // \* - competed as individual participant

## Career Statistics

Year	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
2004-05	10	29	2,223	76.66	69	216	0	0	T-14th (Irish Spring Invitational)
2005-06	5	15	1,151	76.73	74	224	0	0	T-45th (Lexus Naples Intercollegiate)
2006-07	6	16	1,231	76.94	72	224	0	0	T-25th (Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic)
<b>Career</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>4,605</b>	<b>76.75</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>T-14th ('05 Irish Spring Invitational)</b>

**Best Round:** 69 (second round, 2004 Windon Memorial Classic)

**Best 54-Hole Score:** 216 (+9) (2004 Nelson Invitational)

## BIG EAST Championship History

Year	Scores	vs. Par	Place
First appearance in 2007			

**1944 NCAA Champion • 1937 NCAA Runner-Up • 33 NCAA Postseason Appearances**



# JOSH SANDMAN

Sophomore • 6-1 • 165

Greensboro, N.C. (Southeast Guilford)

## As A Sophomore (2006-07) ...

One of cornerstones of Notre Dame's lineup this season, appearing in all 11 events (31 rounds) ... second on team with 74.13 stroke average ... also second on squad with nine rounds of par or better, including six below par (three in the 60s) ... has formed solid 1-2 punch with Cole Isban, with both men seeing 30 of 31 rounds (96.8 percent) counting to team score ... got off to strong start with five consecutive top-25 finishes in as many fall tournaments (three in the top 15) ... best efforts came at The Prestige at PGA WEST (tie-10th, season- and career-low 213, -3), the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic (tie-11th,

222) and the Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational (tie-14th, 215) ... carded career-best 66 in opening round of Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational on Thanksgiving Eve despite navigating tricky tradewinds and rain in the Hawaiian Islands ... had rollercoaster spring season, currently standing third on team with 75.38 stroke average ... tied for 21st at Border Olympics with even-par 216 (71-73-72).

## Additional Information ...

Hero of Notre Dame's 2006 BIG EAST Championship victory, sinking birdie putt on first hole of sudden death playoff (after shrugging off final-round 76 that was not counted to team score) ... finished in top 25 eight times in first 10 career events, despite getting late start to college career because of back injury ... best career finish was tie for second at 2006 Boilermaker Invitational on treacherous Pete Dye-layout in West Lafayette, Ind. ... had 73.40 stroke average as a freshman, with that mark standing as sixth-best season total in school history ... presently stands second in Irish record books with 73.89 stroke average, hot on the heels of teammate Cole Isban (73.82) ... qualified for 2006 U.S. Amateur Championship ... full name is Joshua Sandman ... born June 6, 1987 in Greensboro, N.C. ... son of Michael and Dawn Sandman ... enrolled in Mendoza College of Business, but has yet to declare a major.

## 2006-07 Season Results

Date	Tournament	Score	Finish
Sept. 16-17	Gopher Invitational	75-77-75=227 (+11)	T-19th
Oct. 9-10	Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic	73-73-76=222 (+12)	T-11th
Oct. 16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST	76-70-67=213 (-3)	T-10th
Nov. 6-7	CordeValle Collegiate	69-75-71=215 (-1)	T-25th
Nov. 22-23	Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational	66-77-72=215 (+5)	T-14th
Feb. 18-20	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational	80-76-81=237 (+21)	T-69th
March 12-13	Triumph at Pauma Valley	76-75-72=223 (+10)	34th
March 16-17	Border Olympics	71-73-72=216 (E)	T-21st
March 30-April 1	Administaff Augusta State Invitational	72-77-72=221 (+5)	T-49th
April 7-8	Boilermaker Invitational	79-73=152 (+8)	T-24th
April 14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate	78-79=157 (+15)	T-40th

**NOTE:** underlined rounds not counted to team total

## Career Statistics

Year	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
2005-06	5	15	1,101	73.40	69	217	1	1	T-2nd (Boilermaker Invitational)
2006-07	11	31	2,298	74.13	66	213	0	1	T-10th (The Prestige at PGA WEST)
<b>Career</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>3,399</b>	<b>73.89</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>T-2nd ('06 Boilermaker Invitational)</b>

**Best Round:** 66 (first round, 2006 Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational)

**Best 54-Hole Score:** 213 (-3) (2006 Prestige at PGA WEST)

## BIG EAST Championship History

Year	Scores	vs. Par	Place
2006	70-71-76=217	+1	T-20th of 60

**Career Stroke Average in the BIG EAST Championship:** 72.33 (217 strokes for 3 rounds)

**Best Round in the BIG EAST Championship:** 70 (first round, 2006)

**Best 54-Hole Score in the BIG EAST Championship:** 217 (+1) (2006)

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



# JIM KUBINSKI

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

One of the nation's top young golf teachers, **Jim Kubinski** is now in his third 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 77-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 says.

It hasn't take 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 remarkable three-year run for the Notre Dame skipper, who has piloted the Irish to consecutive BIG EAST Conference titles in 2005 and 2006, and back-to-back NCAA regional appearances both years, not to mention a 214-205-10 (.510) record and 13 wins over teams ranked in the *Golfweek* Top 25. What's more, Notre Dame has regularly collected votes in the *Golf World*/Nike Top 25 coaches poll and has risen as high as No. 12 in the *Golfweek* rankings (Oct. 2, 2005).

Under Kubinski's guidance, Notre Dame has registered 11 top-five finishes in 29 tournaments, 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 last year and a current mark of 296.71 this season (second all-time). In addition, Notre Dame has fired six of the top-10 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 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. Senior All-America candidate **Cole Isban** is the school record holder for single-season stroke average (72.97 in 2005-06), and he is the first Notre Dame golfer in 25 years to earn regional or national accolades, garnering a spot on the last two PING All-Midwest Region Teams. Sophomore **Josh Sandman** got a late start to his college career in 2005-06 due to an injury, but since he hit the links, he has been superb, posting a 73.89 stroke average in 46 career rounds (16 tournaments) that puts him in line to threaten the school's career stroke average record (Isban leads at 73.82). 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 this goal."

Kubinski, 36, came to Notre Dame after spending a year and a half as the assistant men's and women's golf coach at Duke. During his playing days, he was a three-year 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, live in South Bend. The couple was married in Durham, N.C., on Oct. 15, 2005.



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## 2006-07 NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF CUMULATIVE STATISTICS

### 2006-07 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Tournament	Location	Finish	Score	Top Scoring Individual
Sept. 16-17	Gopher Invitational	Wayzata, Minn.	9th/12	918 (+54)	T-19th, Isban/Sandman, 227 (+11)
Sept. 25-26	John Dallio Memorial	West Chicago, Ill.	9th/14	898 (+34)	T-12th, Peckels, 219 (+3)
<b>Oct. 9-10</b>	<b>Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic</b>	<b>Notre Dame, Ind.</b>	<b>2nd/12</b>	<b>889 (+49)</b>	<b>T-2nd, Isban, 214 (+4)</b>
Oct. 16-17	The Prestige at PGA WEST	La Quinta, Calif.	7th/15	879 (+15)	T-10th, Sandman, 213 (-3)
Oct. 16-17	The Tillinghast	Scarsdale, N.Y.	2nd/8	598 (+34)	T-4th, King/Sigsbee, 147 (+6)
Nov. 6-7	CordeValle Collegiate	San Martin, Calif.	11th/17	869 (+5)	T-19th, Isban, 213 (-3)
Nov. 22-23	Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational	Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii	8th/9	874 (+34)	T-14th, Sandman, 215 (+5)
Feb. 18-20	John Hayt Collegiate Invitational	Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.	T-13th/15	920 (+56)	T-22nd, Isban, 225 (+9)
March 12-13	Triumph at Pauma Valley	Pauma Valley, Calif.	2nd/16	863 (+11)	4th, Fortner, 212 (-1)
March 16-17	Border Olympics	Laredo, Texas	6th/15	865 (+1)	5th, Isban, 209 (-7)
M30-A1	Administaff ASU Invitational	Evans, Ga.	17th/18	883 (+19)	T-8th, Gifford, 214 (-2)
April 7-8	Boilermaker Invitational <sup>^</sup>	West Lafayette, Ind.	T-8th/15	610 (+34)	T-15th, Isban, 150 (+6)
April 14-15	Kepler Intercollegiate <sup>^</sup>	Columbus, Ohio	11th/16	628 (+60)	T-32nd, Isban, 155 (+13)
April 22-24	BIG EAST Championship	Louisville, Ky.			
May 17-19	NCAA Regionals	TBA*			
M30-J2	NCAA Championship	Williamsburg, Va.			

<sup>^</sup> - One round cancelled due to poor weather

\* - East Regional at Alpharetta, Ga.; Central Regional at Sugar Grove, Ill.; West Regional at Tempe, Ariz.

Home tournament listed in **boldface** and played at Warren Golf Course (par 70/7,011 yards)

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

### 2007 SPRING SEASON STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

Name	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	vs. Par	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
Cole Isban	6	16	1,174	+27	73.38	68	209*	1	2	5th (Border Olympics)
Adam Gifford	6	16	1,196	+49	74.75	69	213	1	2	5th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Josh Sandman	6	16	1,206	+59	75.38	71	216	0	0	T-21st (Border Olympics)
Doug Fortner	6	16	1,227	+80	76.69	69	212	1	1	4th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Eddie Peckels	4	12	926	+65	77.17	72	224	0	0	T-47th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Greg Rodgers	2	4	311	+25	77.75	72	—	0	0	T-36th (Boilermaker Invitational)
Mike King	1	2	167	+25	83.50	79	—	0	0	T-81st (Kepler Intercollegiate)
<b>"A" Team Totals</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4,769</b>	<b>+181</b>	<b>298.06</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2nd (Triumph at Pauma Valley)</b>

\* - tied school record

### 2006-07 CUMULATIVE STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

Name	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	vs. Par	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
Cole Isban	11	31	2,259	+44	72.87	66	209*	2	3	T-2nd (Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic)
Josh Sandman	11	31	2,298	+83	74.13	66	213	0	1	T-10th (Prestige at PGA WEST)
Adam Gifford	11	31	2,327	+112	75.06	69	213	1	2	5th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Carl Santos-Ocampo	4	11	830	+53	75.45	70	222	0	1	T-10th (Tillinghast)
Shane Sigsbee	2	5	379	+18	75.80	72	232	1	1	T-4th (Tillinghast)
Eddie Peckels	9	26	1,980	+126	76.15	69	219	0	0	T-12th (John Dallio Memorial)
Kyle Willis	2	6	460	+34	76.67	72	224	0	0	T-14th (Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic)
Doug Fortner	9	25	1,923	+134	76.92	69	212	1	1	4th (Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Greg Rodgers	6	16	1,231	+87	76.94	72	224	0	0	T-25th (Fighting Irish Gridiron Classic)
Mike King	4	10	785	+76	78.50	71	235	1	1	T-4th (Tillinghast)
Olavo Batista	3	8	677	+110	84.63	77	239	0	0	T-35th (Tillinghast)
<b>"A" Team Totals</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>9,198</b>	<b>+338</b>	<b>296.71</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2nd, twice (FIGGC/Triumph)</b>
<b>"B" Team Totals</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1,496</b>	<b>+68</b>	<b>299.20</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2nd (Tillinghast)</b>

\* - tied school record

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## 2006-07 MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

### PERCENTAGE OF ROUNDS COUNTED

Name	Count/Total	Pct.
Cole Isban	30/31	.968
Josh Sandman	30/31	.968
Adam Gifford	26/31	.839
Doug Fortner	20/25	.800
Eddie Peckels	17/23	.739
Kyle Willis	2/3	.667
Mike King	5/8	.625
Carl Santos-Ocampo	5/8	.625
Greg Rodgers	8/13	.615
Olavo Batista	2/5	.400

### AVERAGE STROKES BEHIND MEDALIST

Name	Str. Off Lead/Tourn.	Avg.
Cole Isban	99/11	9.00
Josh Sandman	138/11	12.55
Shane Sigsbee	27/2	13.50
Carl Santos-Ocampo	61/4	15.25
Adam Gifford	174/11	15.82
Kyle Willis	37/2	18.50
Doug Fortner	172/9	19.11
Greg Rodgers	115/6	19.17
Mike King	77/4	19.25
Eddie Peckels	176/9	19.56
Olavo Batista	115/3	38.33

### STROKE AVERAGE BY ROUND

Name	1	2	3
Olavo Batista	89.00	81.33	83.00
Doug Fortner	77.11	77.67	75.71
Adam Gifford	75.91	76.27	72.56
Cole Isban	73.64	72.18	72.78
Mike King	76.33	76.33	80.00
Eddie Peckels	77.00	76.44	74.88
Greg Rodgers	78.33	76.67	75.25
Josh Sandman	74.09	75.00	73.11
Carl Santos-Ocampo	74.25	77.25	74.67
Shane Sigsbee	75.33	75.00	80.00
Kyle Willis	80.00	74.00	76.00
<b>"A" TEAM AVERAGES</b>	<b>299.27</b>	<b>297.36</b>	<b>292.78</b>
<b>"B" TEAM AVERAGES</b>	<b>299.50</b>	<b>302.50</b>	<b>292.00</b>

### EVEN & UNDER PAR ROUNDS

Name	Under	Even	Total
Cole Isban	10 (4)	2	12
Josh Sandman	6 (3)	3	9
Adam Gifford	5 (2)	3	8
Doug Fortner	3 (1)	1	4
Eddie Peckels	3 (2)	0	3
Carl Santos-Ocampo	2	1	3
Mike King	0	1	1
Greg Rodgers	0	1	1
<b>"A" TEAM SCORES</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>"B" TEAM SCORES</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

(figure in parentheses indicates rounds in 60s)

### NOTRE DAME'S ACES

Doug Fortner                      Sept. 16, 2006                      Wayzata, Minn.  
(Spring Hill Golf Club — No. 17, par-3, 139 yards, pitching wedge)

Carl Santos-Ocampo              Sept. 26, 2006                      West Chicago, Ill.  
(Prairie Landing Golf Club — No. 3, par -3, 175 yards, 7-iron)

Carl Santos-Ocampo              Oct. 10, 2006                      Notre Dame, Ind.  
(Warren Golf Course — No. 4, par-3, 136 yards, 8-iron)

### UPDATED CAREER STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

Name	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	18	54	Top 5	Top 10	Best Finish (Event)
Cole Isban	47	137	10,114	73.82	66	209*	8	15	T-1st ('05 Shoal Creek Intercol.)
Josh Sandman	16	46	3,399	73.89	66	213	1	2	T-2nd ('06 Boilermaker Invitational)
Carl Santos-Ocampo	4	11	830	75.45	70	222	0	1	T-10th ('06 Tillinghast)
Adam Gifford	18	51	3,857	75.63	69	213	1	4	5th ('07 Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Eddie Peckels	15	43	3,255	75.70	69	215	0	1	T-7th ('04 Yestingsmeier Invit.)
Mike King	20	55	4,202	76.40	68	214	1	4	T-4th ('06 Tillinghast)
Kyle Willis	2	6	460	76.67	72	224	0	0	T-14th ('06 Fighting Irish Gridiron)
Greg Rodgers	21	60	4,605	76.75	69	216	0	0	T-14th ('05 Irish Spring Invitational)
Doug Fortner	9	25	1,923	76.92	69	212	1	1	4th ('07 Triumph at Pauma Valley)
Shane Sigsbee	19	47	3,621	77.04	68	212	5	5	T-2nd ('04 Yestingsmeier/'05 Hackler)
Olavo Batista	3	8	677	84.63	77	239	0	0	T-35th ('06 Tillinghast)

\* - tied school record

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## 2006-07 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Gopher Invitational

Sept. 16-17, 2006  
Wayzata, Minn.  
Spring Hill Golf Club  
(par 72/7,020 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Stanford	301	291	297	889 (+25)
2. Minnesota	303	287	304	894 (+30)
3. SMU	298	294	304	896 (+32)
4. Michigan State	306	289	305	900 (+36)
5. Lamar	304	295	303	902 (+38)
6. Indiana	300	295	313	908 (+44)
7. Northwestern	314	300	301	915 (+51)
8. Ohio State	303	307	306	916 (+52)
<b>9. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>918 (+54)</b>
10. Georgia Southern	311	307	306	924 (+60)
11. Denver	318	310	311	939 (+75)
12. Finland	326	315	326	967 (+103)

#### Top 10 Individuals

1. Colt Knost, SMU	71	67	76	214 (-2)
Zack Miller, Stan	71	71	72	214 (-2)
3. Bronson LaCassie, Minn	73	69	73	215 (-1)
4. Matt Harmon, MSU	72	74	71	217 (+1)
5. Jorge Campillo, IU	72	73	75	220 (+4)
Brandon DeStefano, SMU	72	74	74	220 (+4)
7. Jonathan Bowers, NW	77	70	74	221 (+5)
Niall Turner, Minn	74	69	78	221 (+5)
9. *Clayton Rask, Minn	75	71	77	223 (+7)
10. Ryan Brehm, MSU	78	71	75	224 (+8)

\* - competed as individual

#### Notre Dame Results

9. NOTRE DAME	313	295	310	918 (+54)
19. (tie) Cole Isban	79	72	76	227 (+11)
(tie) Josh Sandman	75	77	75	227 (+11)
43. (tie) Doug Fortner	79	71	86	236 (+20)
(tie) Mike King	80	75	81	236 (+20)
59. Adam Gifford	85	80	78	243 (+27)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame now has participated both years the Gopher Invitational has been in existence (fifth-place finish in 2005) ... due to cold, windy conditions throughout the tournament, only one team broke 300 in either the first or third rounds, and the average final-round team score was 307 (+19) ... freshman Doug Fortner made his college debut and already has a highlight to his credit, sinking an ace on the par-3, 139-yard 17th hole with a pitching wedge during the second round ... senior co-captain Adam Gifford made his fourth career start with the Irish varsity five (first since last spring's Boilermaker Invitational), while junior Mike King returned to the Notre Dame lineup for the first time since last year's Administristaff Augusta State Invitational ... the 12th-place squad was comprised of members of the Finnish National Team.

### John Dallio Memorial

Sept. 25-26, 2006  
West Chicago, Ill.  
Prairie Landing Golf Club  
(par 72/6,968 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Northern Iowa	290	292	284	866 (+2)
2. South Dakota St.	289	298	292	879 (+15)
3. DePaul	290	294	297	881 (+17)
Southern Illinois	304	290	287	881 (+17)
5. Eastern Illinois	298	295	290	883 (+19)
6. Detroit Mercy	305	293	289	887 (+23)
7. Wright State	299	294	295	888 (+24)
8. Loyola-Chicago	309	295	289	893 (+29)
<b>9. NOTRE DAME "B"</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>898 (+34)</b>
10. Cincinnati	293	303	304	900 (+36)
11. Evansville	309	296	297	902 (+38)
12. Cleveland State	296	313	300	909 (+45)
13. Wis.-Green Bay	313	298	304	915 (+51)
14. Youngstown St.	301	314	312	927 (+63)

#### Top 11 Individuals

1. *Matthew McMahon, DPU	69	72	69	210 (-6)
Andy Rauscher, SIU	72	69	69	210 (-6)
3. Andrew Gwinup, SIU	74	71	68	213 (-3)
Mark Sommerfeld, UDM	74	69	70	213 (-3)
5. Jordan Weber, UNI	73	73	68	214 (-2)
6. Landon Koss, SDSU	71	71	73	215 (-1)
7. Cory Blenkush, DPU	73	69	74	216 (E)
8. Blake Hibben, UNI	71	76	70	217 (+1)
9. Ty Comerford, EIU	71	73	74	218 (+2)
Anthony Imburgia, EIU	73	72	73	218 (+2)
Brandon Knutson, WSU	74	71	73	218 (+2)

\* - won in playoff

#### Notre Dame "B" Results

9. NOTRE DAME "B"	312	294	292	898 (+34)
12. (tie) Eddie Peckels	79	71	69	219 (+3)
21. (tie) Carl Santos-Ocampo	79	71	72	222 (+6)
26. (tie) Greg Rodgers	74	76	74	224 (+8)
62. (tie) Kyle Willis	80	76	80	236 (+20)
67. (tie) Olavo Batista	84	78	77	239 (+23)

**Tournament Notes:** This was the first of two "B" team tournaments Notre Dame will play in 2006-07, with no "B" team scores counting on the national rankings lists (*Golfstat/Golfweek*), although individual scores are accepted ... the Irish fielded a lineup that included three freshmen (Olavo Batista, Carl Santos-Ocampo, Kyle Willis) making their college debuts ... for the second consecutive tournament, a Notre Dame rookie sank a hole-in-one in his first college tournament, as Santos-Ocampo aced the par-3, 175-yard third hole with a 7-iron in the final round ... junior Eddie Peckels posted his best finish since a seventh-place showing at the 2004 Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational (another "B" team event), when he also recorded his top college score (215, +5) ... Peckels' final-round 69 also was the best of his career, one stroke better than his third-round 70 at the '04 Yestingsmeier ... the tournament was an early homecoming for Willis, who hails from Lake Forest, Ill., and graduated from Lake Forest High School last spring.

### Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic

Oct. 9-10, 2006  
Notre Dame, Ind.  
Warren Golf Course  
(par 70/7,011 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Lamar	283	284	293	860 (+20)
<b>2. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>889 (+49)</b>
3. Baylor	295	305	296	896 (+56)
4. Florida State	295	296	306	897 (+57)
5. Vanderbilt	295	309	302	906 (+66)
6. Augusta State	305	295	308	908 (+68)
7. Virginia	299	305	305	909 (+69)
8. Coll. of Charleston	308	299	304	911 (+71)
9. Western Kentucky	303	311	306	920 (+80)
10. Rice	289	327	310	926 (+86)
11. Illinois State	312	308	311	931 (+91)
La.-Monroe	311	305	315	931 (+91)

#### Top 10 Individuals

1. Justin Harding, LU	67	71	75	213 (+3)
<b>2. Cole Isban, ND</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>214 (+4)</b>
Luke List, VU	67	72	75	214 (+4)
4. Oliver Bekker, LU	69	69	78	216 (+6)
5. Jeremy Alcorn, BU	75	71	71	217 (+7)
Jonas Blixt, FSU	70	72	75	217 (+7)
7. Casey Clendenon, LU	73	71	74	218 (+8)
Dawie Van Der Walt, LU	75	73	70	218 (+8)
9. Jamie Miller, ASU	76	69	75	220 (+10)
Harrison Moore, CoFC	75	72	73	220 (+10)

#### Notre Dame Results

2. NOTRE DAME	292	294	303	889 (+49)
2. (tie) Cole Isban	68	73	73	214 (+4)
11. (tie) Josh Sandman	73	73	76	222 (+12)
17. (tie) Adam Gifford	75	74	76	225 (+15)
27. Doug Fortner	76	74	78	228 (+18)
44. (tie) Mike King	78	78	79	235 (+25)
11. (tie) Carl Santos-Ocampo*	72	76	74	222 (+12)
14. (tie) Kyle Willis*	80	72	72	224 (+14)
25. (tie) Greg Rodgers*	74	79	74	227 (+17)
37. (tie) Shane Sigsbee*	77	75	80	232 (+22)
47. Eddie Peckels*	81	77	78	236 (+26)
67. Olavo Batista*	103	86	89	278 (+68)

\* - competed as individual

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame hosted its first regular-season tournament since the 2004 Notre Dame Invitational/Central Regional Preview ... the second-place finish for the Irish was their best in a regular-season event since another runner-up outing at the 2005 General Jim Hackler Invitational (at the TPC of Myrtle Beach) ... senior Cole Isban posted his seventh career top-five finish on his 22nd birthday and was denied top honors only when Harding chipped in for birdie on the 54th hole ... freshman Carl Santos-Ocampo sank his second ace in as many tournaments, using an 8-iron from 136 yards on the par-3 fourth hole during the final round ... sophomore Josh Sandman has finished in the top 20 at four of his seven career tournaments, including both events he has played in 2006-07.

# NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF

## 2006-07 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### The Prestige at PGA WEST

Oct. 16-17, 2006

La Quinta, Calif.

Greg Norman Course/PGA WEST

(par 72/7, 156 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Stanford	288	281	280	849 (-15)
2. UCLA	294	276	281	851 (-13)
3. UC Irvine	288	286	285	859 (-5)
4. Minnesota	288	292	290	870 (+6)
5. Kansas	301	294	282	877 (+13)
6. USC	294	303	280	877 (+13)
<b>7. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>879 (+15)</b>
8. UC Davis	296	292	292	880 (+16)
9. Colorado	297	298	289	884 (+20)
10. Illinois	304	297	292	893 (+29)
11. California	298	299	298	895 (+31)
12. N. Colorado	293	305	302	900 (+36)
13. Oregon	302	295	295	902 (+38)
14. San Diego	300	299	311	910 (+46)
15. Princeton	317	301	317	935 (+71)

#### Top 12 Individuals

1. Zack Miller, Stan	71	67	69	207 (-9)
2. Jay Choe, UCI	70	67	73	210 (-6)
3. Lucas Lee, UCLA	74	67	69	210 (-6)
4. Tyler Docking, KU	75	69	67	211 (-5)
5. Ben Pisani, Minn	70	70	71	211 (-5)
6. Gary Woodland, KU	69	72	70	211 (-5)
7. Louie Bishop, UCD	71	72	69	212 (-4)
8. Joseph Bramlett, Stan	70	74	68	212 (-4)
9. Kyle Hosick, Ill	74	71	67	212 (-4)
<b>10. Josh Sandman, ND</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>213 (-3)</b>
11. Erik Flores, UCLA	72	71	70	213 (-3)
12. Matt Savage, Stan	74	67	72	213 (-3)

#### Notre Dame Results

7. NOTRE DAME	302	295	282	879 (+15)
10. (tie) Josh Sandman	76	70	67	213 (-3)
14. Cole Isban	71	73	71	215 (-1)
25. Adam Gifford	76	74	70	220 (+4)
61. (tie) Doug Fortner	79	79	74	232 (+16)
69. Greg Rodgers	84	78	75	237 (+21)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame competed in The Prestige at PGA WEST for the third consecutive year, also tying for 10th in 2004 and sharing fifth place in 2005 ... Notre Dame's 54-hole score of 879 was its best in three visits to PGA WEST ... the Irish fired a season-low 282 in the final round, their best 18-hole mark since their dramatic school-record 272 to close out the 2006 BIG EAST Conference Championship (ND won on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff) ... sophomore Josh Sandman carded career lows with his final-round 67 and his three-round score of 213 (-3) ... Sandman and senior Cole Isban both posted their third top-20 finish in as many events this season ... senior Adam Gifford fired a career-low 70 in the third round to cap off a personal-best score of 220 (+4).

### The Tillinghast

Oct. 16-17, 2006

Scarsdale, N.Y.

Willow Ridge Golf Club

(par 71/6, 292 yards)

Fenway Golf Club

(par 70/6, 437 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. South Carolina-Aiken	294	295	589 (+25)
<b>2. NOTRE DAME "B"</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>598 (+34)</b>
3. Quinnipiac	314	292	606 (+42)
4. Iona	305	305	610 (+46)
5. Johnson & Wales	305	310	615 (+51)
6. Rollins	312	303	615 (+51)
7. Rutgers	314	307	621 (+57)
8. St. John's	—	293	WD

#### Top 12 Individuals

1. Keegan Bradley, SJU	69	70	139 (-2)
2. Matt Burroughs, USCA	74	70	144 (+3)
3. Mike Ballo Jr., SJU	71	73	144 (+3)
<b>4. Mike King, ND</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>147 (+6)</b>
<b>Shane Sigsbee, ND</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>147 (+6)</b>
5. Kyle Underwood, Iona	75	72	147 (+6)
6. Shawn Scott, J&W	79	68	147 (+6)
7. Casey Thompson, USCA	70	78	148 (+7)
8. Steve Velardi, QU	79	70	149 (+8)
<b>10. Carl Santos-Ocampo, ND</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>150 (+9)</b>
11. Jeff Golden, ROL	76	74	150 (+9)
12. Tim Kearney, Iona	73	77	150 (+9)

#### Notre Dame "B" Results

2. NOTRE DAME "B"	287	311	598 (+34)
4. (tie) Mike King	71	76	147 (+6)
5. (tie) Shane Sigsbee	72	75	147 (+6)
10. (tie) Carl Santos-Ocampo	70	80	150 (+9)
26. (tie) Eddie Peckels	76	80	156 (+15)
35. (tie) Olavo Batista	80	80	160 (+19)

**Tournament Notes:** This was the second of two "B" team tournaments Notre Dame played in 2006-07, with no "B" team scores counting on the national rankings lists (Golfstat/Golfweek), although individual scores are accepted ... the Irish had played in the tournament in 2003 as an "A" team event, placing second at 592 (+32) ... the two rounds of this year's tournament were played on different courses, due to an event conflict at Fenway Golf Club prior to the opening round ... the second round was played in inclement weather (rain, wind, cold) ... junior Mike King posted the best individual finish of his career (tie-fourth), topping his tie for seventh at the 2004 Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational (another "B" team event) ... senior Shane Sigsbee also competed in The Tillinghast as a freshman in 2003, tying for third place at 146 (+6) ... freshman Carl Santos-Ocampo now has finished in the top 25 in each of his three college events to date, including consecutive top-15 showings in the past two outings.

### CordeValle Collegiate

Nov. 6-7, 2006

San Martin, Calif.

CordeValle Golf Club

(par 72/7, 119 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Stanford	281	273	268	822 (-42)
2. USC	288	279	269	836 (-28)
3. Arizona	281	283	277	841 (-23)
4. Coastal Carolina	284	282	281	847 (-17)
5. Lamar	280	288	281	849 (-15)
6. Northwestern	282	283	284	849 (-15)
7. UCLA	293	286	281	860 (-4)
8. Washington	287	287	286	860 (-4)
9. Augusta State	287	287	291	865 (+1)
10. Pepperdine	291	283	293	867 (+3)
<b>11. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>869 (+5)</b>
12. Santa Clara	295	293	283	871 (+7)
13. Arkansas	285	285	301	871 (+7)
14. California	294	288	290	872 (+8)
15. South Carolina	284	292	296	872 (+8)
16. TCU	294	287	293	874 (+10)
17. Oklahoma	291	296	289	876 (+12)

#### Top 11 Individuals

1. Zack Miller, Stan	72	63	67	202 (-14)
2. Rob Grube, Stan	69	68	65	202 (-14)
3. Jamie Lovemark, USC	69	68	67	204 (-12)
4. Zack Byrd, CCU	67	71	68	206 (-10)
5. Dan Doyle, NW	66	69	71	206 (-10)
6. Casey Clendenon, LU	68	70	69	207 (-9)
7. Dawie Van Der Walt, LU	68	71	69	208 (-8)
8. Travis Esway, Ariz	72	65	72	209 (-7)
9. Ben Fox, Ariz	71	71	67	209 (-7)
10. Dustin Johnson, CCU	69	70	70	209 (-7)
11. Joseph Bramlett, Stan	72	71	67	210 (-6)

#### Notre Dame Results

11. NOTRE DAME	292	286	291	869 (+5)
19. (tie) Cole Isban	76	66	71	213 (-3)
25. (tie) Josh Sandman	69	75	71	215 (-1)
50. (tie) Eddie Peckels	73	69	77	219 (+3)
68. (tie) Adam Gifford	74	78	72	224 (+8)
87. Greg Rodgers	78	76	78	232 (+16)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame shot a season-low 869 in the tournament, its best mark since a school-record 842 at last year's BIG EAST Championship ... the Irish have lowered their team score by at least 10 strokes in each of their four "A" tournaments during the fall 2006 campaign ... Notre Dame picked up its first win over a ranked opponent this season, finishing five shots clear of No. 22 TCU ... senior Cole Isban posted his fourth consecutive top-20 finish (and eighth in the past 12 events), carding 11 birdies and an eagle over his final 36 holes ... Isban also fired a career-low 66 in the second round, one shot better than the 67 he shot in the middle round of the Administristaff Augusta State Invitational on April 1, 2006 ... sophomore Josh Sandman collected his fourth Top 25 finish in a row and seventh in nine career events ... junior Eddie Peckels tied his career-best round with a 69 on his second circuit, matching his final-round mark at the John Dalio Memorial back on Sept. 26.

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### Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational Nov. 22-23, 2006 Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii Kiahuna Golf Club (par 70/6,885 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Texas	279	291	277	847 (+7)
2. Michigan	281	294	278	853 (+13)
3. Purdue	279	288	289	856 (+16)
4. Virginia Tech	284	295	278	857 (+17)
5. Clemson	292	280	287	859 (+19)
6. Pepperdine	288	296	279	863 (+23)
7. Alabama	290	298	283	871 (+31)
<b>8. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>874 (+34)</b>
9. Rice	298	304	296	898 (+58)

#### Top 13 Individuals

1. *Kyle Stanley, Clem	71	67	69	207 (-3)
Drew Weaver, VT	71	68	68	207 (-3)
3. Tim Schaetzel, Mich	68	71	69	208 (-2)
Peter Richardson, Pur	63	71	74	208 (-2)
5. Lance Lopez, Texas	68	72	69	209 (-1)
Farren Keenan, Texas	69	68	72	209 (-1)
7. P.Junhasavasdikul, Pur	73	66	71	210 (E)
8. Kevin Dore, Mich	70	74	68	212 (+2)
9. Michael Randle, Pur	71	73	69	213 (+3)
Billy McKay, Mich	70	74	69	213 (+3)
11. J. vander Vaart, VT	69	77	68	214 (+4)
Kevin Schultz, Texas	71	75	68	214 (+4)
Colin Wilcox, Pepp	71	72	71	214 (+4)

\* - won in playoff

#### Notre Dame Results

8. NOTRE DAME	283	299	292	874 (+34)
14. (tie) Josh Sandman	66	77	72	215 (+5)
17. (tie) Cole Isban	69	74	73	216 (+6)
23. (tie) Adam Gifford	73	74	72	219 (+9)
36. Eddie Peckels	75	74	75	224 (+14)
45. Carl Santos-Ocampo	76	82	78	236 (+26)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame made its first-ever trip to Hawaii for this tournament ... it also marked the first time the Irish have played on Thanksgiving Day ... rain and blustery tradewinds made the second round treacherous, challenging even the PGA Tour greats (including Tiger Woods) who were playing nearby in the PGA Grand Slam of Golf ... junior Josh Sandman finished in the top 25 for the fifth time in as many events this year, and the eighth time in 10 career tournaments ... Sandman's opening-round 66 was a career-low, one shot better than his final-round total in this year's Prestige at PGA WEST ... senior All-America candidate Cole Isban logged his fifth consecutive top-20 outing and 11th in the past two seasons (covering 18 tournaments, including DQ at 2005 CordeValle Collegiate) ... senior co-captain Adam Gifford shot a career-low 219, one stroke better than his previous mark, also established in this season's Prestige at PGA WEST ... freshman Carl Santos-Ocampo made his first appearance as a member of the Irish travel squad.

### John Hayt Collegiate Invitational Feb. 18-20, 2007 Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Sawgrass Golf Club (par 72/6,895 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Alabama	303	291	287	881 (+17)
2. Vanderbilt	304	295	292	891 (+27)
Coastal Carolina	309	289	293	891 (+27)
4. UAB	312	293	294	899 (+35)
Central Florida	315	284	300	899 (+35)
UCLA	309	297	293	899 (+35)
Georgia State	305	297	297	899 (+35)
8. North Florida	309	298	293	900 (+36)
9. Tennessee	313	302	294	909 (+45)
10. Pepperdine	311	309	290	910 (+46)
11. Charlotte	307	305	299	911 (+47)
12. South Carolina	311	311	291	913 (+49)
<b>13. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>920 (+56)</b>
Augusta State	307	303	310	920 (+56)
15. LSU	310	303	308	921 (+57)

#### Top 10 Individuals

1. Kevin Chappell, UCLA	72	73	69	214 (-2)
2. Jon Curran, VU	73	71	71	215 (-1)
3. Dustin Johnson, CCU	73	68	75	216 (E)
4. Gator Todd, Ala	75	73	69	217 (+1)
5. Greg Forest, UCF	76	69	75	220 (+4)
6. Joel Sjöholm, GSU	77	72	72	221 (+5)
Matthew Swan, Ala	75	75	71	221 (+5)
8. Mike Giammaresi, UNF	75	73	74	222 (+6)
Luke List, VU	75	71	76	222 (+6)
Colin Wilcox, Pepp	77	74	71	222 (+6)

#### Notre Dame Results

13. (tie) NOTRE DAME	311	314	295	920 (+56)
22. (tie) Cole Isban	76	76	73	225 (+9)
48. (tie) Adam Gifford	77	82	72	231 (+15)
58. (tie) Eddie Peckels	78	81	74	233 (+17)
69. (tie) Doug Fortner	80	81	76	237 (+21)
69. (tie) Josh Sandman	80	76	81	237 (+21)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame was competing in the UNF tournament (formerly known as the Mercedes Championship) for the first time in program history ... no less than 10 of the nation's top 50 teams participated in the tournament ... the first two rounds were played in cold and windy conditions ... the 13th-place tie was the lowest for Notre Dame since the 2006 NCAA East Regional (17th of 27) and the lowest in regular-season competition since a 14th-place showing at the 2005 Aggie Invitational, hosted by Texas A&M ... Notre Dame's second-round 314 was its highest score of the season, and highest since a 318 in the opening round of the '05 Aggie Invitational ... senior All-American candidate Cole Isban has finished in the top 25 at all six tournaments he has played this year.

### Triumph at Pauma Valley March 12-13, 2007 Pauma Valley, Calif. Pauma Valley Country Club (par 71/7,077 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Saint Mary's (Calif.)	283	290	280	853 (+1)
<b>2. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>863 (+11)</b>
3. Wisconsin	291	283	292	866 (+14)
4. San Diego	298	282	291	871 (+19)
5. Long Beach State	291	296	291	878 (+26)
6. UC Santa Barbara	290	297	294	881 (+29)
7. Campbell	297	294	293	884 (+32)
8. Cal Poly	299	299	288	886 (+34)
9. Loyola Marymount	290	294	309	893 (+41)
10. Hartford	301	294	304	899 (+47)
11. Santa Clara	298	294	308	900 (+48)
12. San Francisco	298	297	308	903 (+51)
13. Weber State	304	298	303	905 (+53)
Air Force	293	308	304	905 (+53)
15. San Francisco 'B'	300	308	308	916 (+64)
16. CSU-Monterey Bay	296	314	312	922 (+70)

#### Top 12 Individuals

1. Mike McRae, SMC	70	70	69	209 (-4)
2. Pat Duffy, UW	72	64	75	211 (-2)
Darrin Hall, USD	74	67	70	211 (-2)
<b>4. Doug Fortner, ND</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>212 (-1)</b>
<b>5. Adam Gifford, ND</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>213 (E)</b>
6. Bucky Coe, USD	72	71	71	214 (+1)
7. Robert McRae, SMC	69	71	75	215 (+2)
<b>8. Cole Isban, ND</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>216 (+3)</b>
Jason D'Amore, LMU	66	70	80	216 (+3)
Michael Drake, LBSU	71	73	72	216 (+3)
Geoff Gonzales, CP	71	75	70	216 (+3)
Garrett Jones, UW	73	73	70	216 (+3)

#### Notre Dame Results

2. NOTRE DAME	291	286	286	863 (+11)
4. Doug Fortner	69	72	71	212 (-1)
5. Adam Gifford	73	69	71	213 (E)
8. (tie) Cole Isban	73	70	73	216 (+3)
34. Josh Sandman	76	75	72	223 (+10)
47. (tie) Eddie Peckels	78	78	72	228 (+15)

**Tournament Notes:** This tournament was in its inaugural season ... Notre Dame tied its season-best finish, also achieved at the Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic ... the Irish shot a season-low 863, which also matches the fourth-lowest tournament score in school history (ties best-ever on par 71 course, previously set at 2003 Nelson Invitational) ... Notre Dame's second/third-round scores of 286 tied for third-lowest this season, exceeded only by a final-round 282 at The Prestige at PGA WEST and an opening-round 283 at the Aloha Purdue Collegiate Invitational ... the Irish had three top-10 individuals for the first time since the 2006 BIG EAST Championship ... freshman Doug Fortner posted career lows for 18 and 54 holes, as well as his best finish of the season; Fortner is the second Irish freshman in as many years to record a top-five tourney finish (Sandman - 2nd at 2006 Boilermaker Invitational) ... senior Adam Gifford also carded single-round and tournament career lows and earned his first career top-five finish ... senior Cole Isban battled through a stomach virus to record his second top-10 finish of the season and 14th of his illustrious career.

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## 2006-07 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Border Olympics

March 16-17, 2007

Laredo, Texas

Laredo Golf Club

(par 72/7,241 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Lamar	285	270	280	835 (-29)
2. Baylor	284	289	281	854 (-10)
3. Vanderbilt	285	281	292	858 (-6)
4. Texas-Arlington	281	289	289	859 (-5)
5. Houston	298	272	293	863 (-1)
<b>6. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>865 (+1)</b>
7. Arkansas	299	282	286	867 (+3)
8. South Alabama	292	288	289	869 (+5)
9. North Texas	293	290	287	870 (+6)
10. UL Lafayette	286	292	298	876 (+12)
11. Texas State	300	291	294	885 (+21)
12. Washington State	296	294	302	892 (+28)
13. Rice	299	298	299	896 (+32)
Memphis	297	297	302	896 (+32)
15. Ark.-Little Rock	309	305	308	922 (+58)

#### Top 11 Individuals

1. Justin Harding, LU	71	67	68	206 (-10)
2. Luke List, VU	68	74	66	208 (-8)
Dawie Van Der Walt, LU	72	67	69	208 (-8)
Zack Reeves, UTA	69	68	71	208 (-8)
<b>5. Cole Isban, ND</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>209 (-7)</b>
6. Oliver Bekker, BU	74	64	72	210 (-6)
7. Jeremy Alcorn, BU	74	70	68	212 (-4)
Ricky Romano, UH	70	68	74	212 (-4)
Wesley Williams, BU	68	71	73	212 (-4)
10. Jon Curran, VU	69	70	74	213 (-3)
Harris Graham, NT	69	75	69	213 (-3)

#### Notre Dame Results

6. NOTRE DAME	284	294	287	865 (+1)
5. Cole Isban	70	68	71	209 (-7)
21. (tie) Josh Sandman	71	73	72	216 (E)
45. (tie) Adam Gifford	70	79	73	222 (+6)
54. (tie) Eddie Peckels	73	74	77	224 (+8)
54. (tie) Doug Fortner	73	80	71	224 (+8)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame posts its best finish in three career trips to the Border Olympics (eighth in 2006; 14th in 2003) ... the Irish register the sixth-lowest 54-hole score in school history, and their best (with relation to par) in a regular-season tournament since the 2005 Coca-Cola Duke Classic (865, +1) ... Notre Dame's opening-round 284 was its lowest score of the spring season ... senior All-America candidate Cole Isban tied the 54-hole school scoring record (209; also Jeff Connell at the 1998 Marshall Invitational) and set a new mark with relation to par (previous record: -6 by four different golfers) ... Isban also earned his eighth career top-five finish and first since a runner-up placement at last fall's inaugural Fighting Irish Gridiron Golf Classic ... sophomore Josh Sandman turned in his best outing since closing the fall with a 215 (+5) at the Aloha Purdue Collegiate in Hawaii.

### Administaff Augusta State

#### Invitational

March 30-April 1, 2007

Evans, Ga.

Champions Retreat Golf Club

(par 72/7,265 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Coastal Carolina	282	287	284	853 (-11)
2. North Carolina	279	281	294	854 (-10)
3. Georgia State	290	281	285	856 (-8)
4. South Carolina	289	287	285	861 (-3)
5. Tennessee	283	294	286	863 (-1)
6. East Tennessee St.	293	293	278	864 (E)
7. Augusta State	297	290	282	869 (+5)
North Florida	291	293	285	869 (+5)
9. Virginia Tech	295	291	286	872 (+8)
10. Clemson	295	294	285	874 (+10)
11. North Carolina St.	295	290	290	875 (+11)
Houston	300	289	286	875 (+11)
13. Virginia	298	296	283	877 (+13)
14. Auburn	298	291	289	878 (+14)
15. South Carolina-Aiken	293	293	295	881 (+17)
Georgia Southern	303	288	290	881 (+17)
<b>17. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>883 (+19)</b>
18. Minnesota	296	296	295	887 (+23)

#### Top 11 Individuals

1. Dustin Johnson, CCU	68	68	68	204 (-12)
2. Jordan Irwin, UH	72	66	72	210 (-6)
George Bryan IV, USC	66	72	72	210 (-6)
Reed Darsie, UNC	68	69	73	210 (-6)
5. Joel Sjöholm, GaSt	76	68	67	211 (-5)
Martin Ureta, UNC	71	68	72	211 (-5)
7. Chris Paisley, UT	69	70	73	212 (-4)
<b>8. Adam Gifford, ND</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>214 (-2)</b>
Roberto Diaz, USCA	73	72	69	214 (-2)
Jerry Richardson, NCSU	72	72	70	214 (-2)
Niall Turner, UM	73	70	71	214 (-2)

#### Notre Dame Results

17. NOTRE DAME	294	300	289	883 (+19)
8. (tie) Adam Gifford	71	74	69	214 (-2)
37. (tie) Cole Isban	73	72	74	219 (+3)
49. (tie) Josh Sandman	72	77	72	221 (+5)
82. (tie) Doug Fortner	78	77	74	229 (+13)
88. (tie) Eddie Peckels	80	84	77	241 (+25)

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame was appearing in the Augusta State tournament for the fourth consecutive year ... the 18-team field was the largest of the season for the Irish to this point ... after being its strength earlier this season, the second round has been Notre Dame's sticking point of late, with the Irish posting their highest scores during the second circuit in four of the past five events ... the Irish did pick up a key Midwest District victory by placing four shots clear of Minnesota ... senior co-captain Adam Gifford ended up one stroke shy of his career low (213 in the Triumph at Pauma Valley), and posted his second top-10 finish in the past three tournaments ... sophomore Josh Sandman was remarkably consistent with 36 pars, but a four-hole stretch midway through his second round (where he went five-over par) kept him from an even higher finish.

### Boilermaker Invitational

April 7-8, 2007

West Lafayette, Ind.

Kampen Course/

Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex

(par 72/7,338 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Michigan State	301	292	593 (+17)
2. Purdue	300	302	602 (+26)
Northwestern	308	294	602 (+26)
4. Auburn	311	296	607 (+31)
5. Michigan	315	293	608 (+32)
6. Ohio State	316	293	609 (+33)
Indiana	308	301	609 (+33)
<b>8. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>610 (+34)</b>
Wisconsin	312	298	610 (+34)
10. Illinois	310	301	611 (+35)
11. Washington	311	301	612 (+36)
12. Baylor	315	299	614 (+38)
13. Oklahoma	321	298	619 (+43)
14. Missouri	318	303	621 (+45)
15. Toledo	325	302	627 (+51)

#### Top 14 Individuals

1. Ryan Brehm, MSU	72	70	142 (-2)
2. Jeff Kaiser, WIS	74	72	146 (+2)
3. *Tom Oliver, PUR	77	70	147 (+3)
4. Colin Biles, OSU	77	71	148 (+4)
Shawn Jasper, MISS	75	73	148 (+4)
Seth Brandon, IU	74	74	148 (+4)
Dan Doyle, NW	76	72	148 (+4)
Vince Nadeau, PUR	75	73	148 (+4)
9. Patrick Nagle, ILL	75	74	149 (+5)
Matt Harmon, MSU	75	74	149 (+5)
Wesley Williams, BU	76	73	149 (+5)
David Merkow, NW	77	72	149 (+5)
Brian Ottenweller, MICH	78	71	149 (+5)
*Nick Pumford, MICH	75	74	149 (+5)

\* - competed as individual

#### Notre Dame Results

8. (tie) NOTRE DAME	316	294	610 (+34)
15. (tie) Cole Isban	76	74	150 (+6)
24. (tie) Josh Sandman	79	73	152 (+8)
36. (tie) Greg Rodgers	82	72	154 (+10)
43. (tie) Adam Gifford	80	75	155 (+11)
64. (tie) Doug Fortner	81	78	159 (+15)

**Tournament Notes:** The tournament was shortened to 36 holes due to poor weather conditions (cold, wind, snow) ... the first round was played with wind chill readings in the teens ... Notre Dame has been a regular at Purdue's tournament through the years, with this marking the 23rd time (and second in as many years) that the Irish played in the West Lafayette event ... junior Greg Rodgers made his first appearance of the spring and carded his first round of par or better this season with his second-round 72 ... senior All-America candidate Cole Isban has finished in the top 25 nine times in 10 events this season, while sophomore Josh Sandman now has been a top-25 finisher seven times in '06-07.

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## 2006-07 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Kepler Intercollegiate

April 14-15, 2007

Columbus, Ohio

Scarlet Course/Ohio State Golf Club

(par 71/7,454 yards)

#### Final Team Standings

1. Louisville	292	299	591 (+23)
2. Michigan State	295	305	600 (+32)
3. Penn State	296	310	606 (+38)
4. South Carolina	294	313	607 (+39)
Northwestern	295	312	607 (+39)
6. Illinois	306	306	612 (+44)
7. Ohio State	305	315	620 (+52)
8. Michigan	313	310	623 (+55)
Purdue	303	320	623 (+55)
10. Indiana	313	312	625 (+57)
<b>11. NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>628 (+60)</b>
12. Iowa	308	324	632 (+64)
13. Wisconsin	319	320	639 (+71)
14. Ohio	309	331	640 (+72)
15. SMU	317	324	641 (+73)
16. Marshall	322	332	654 (+86)

#### Top 10 Individuals

1. Matt Harmon, MSU	71	71	142 (E)
2. Derek Fathauer, UL	72	72	144 (+2)
3. Robert Rohanna, PSU	71	75	146 (+4)
4. Lewis Kirton, UL	71	77	148 (+6)
David Merkow, NW	72	76	148 (+6)
6. Kyle Moore, NW	70	79	149 (+7)
7. George Bryan IV, SC	70	80	150 (+8)
Florian Fritsch, SC	73	77	150 (+8)
Colt Knost, SMU	73	77	150 (+8)
Patrick Nagle, ILL	74	76	150 (+8)

#### Notre Dame Results

11. NOTRE DAME	314	314	628 (+60)
32. (tie) Cole Isban	79	76	155 (+13)
40. (tie) Greg Rodgers	78	79	157 (+15)
40. (tie) Josh Sandman	78	79	157 (+15)
53. (tie) Adam Gifford	81	80	161 (+19)
78. (tie) Doug Fortner	79	87	166 (+24)

81. (tie) Mike King\* 79 88 167 (+25)

\* - competed as individual

**Tournament Notes:** Notre Dame found itself playing in a weather-shortened tournament for the second week in a row ... the last time the Irish played two consecutive 36-hole events was the 1998-99 season, when Notre Dame took part in three straight two-round tournaments — Louisville Intercollegiate (2nd, 609), BIG EAST Championship (2nd, 617) and Golden Ocala Invitational (8th, 599), with the first two events closing out the '98 fall schedule ... the Irish had not played at the Kepler Intercollegiate since 2003, but were making their 29th overall trip to OSU's spring tourney since the '68-69 season ... Notre Dame did not have a player finish in the Top 25 for the first time since the '06 NCAA East Regional, when Cole Isban was the top Irish individual with a tie for 52nd place ... Isban's opening-round 79 matched his highest score of the season (first round, Gopher Invitational), while his two-round total of 155 was his highest since he shot a 156 at the '06 NCAA East Regional ... Isban played in his school-record 47th tournament and became the first Irish golfer ever to card 10,000 career strokes.

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## 2006-07 INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### **Olavo Batista (Fr., Sao Paulo, Brazil)**

<i>John Dallio Memorial</i>	<u>84-78-77=239</u>	+23	T-67th
Fighting Irish Gridiron*	103-86-89=278	+68	67th
<i>The Tillinghast</i>	<u>80-80=160</u>	+19	T-35th

### **Doug Fortner (Fr., Tustin, Calif.)**

Gopher Invitational	79-71-86=236	+20	T-43rd
Fighting Irish Gridiron	76-74-78=228	+18	27th
The Prestige at PGA WEST	79-79-74=232	+16	T-61st
John Hayt Collegiate	80-81-76=237	+21	T-69th
Triumph at Pauma Valley	69-72-71=212	-1	4th
Border Olympics	73-80-71=224	+8	T-54th
ASU Invitational	78-77-74=229	+13	T-82nd
Boilermaker Invitational	81-78=159	+15	T-64th
Kepler Intercollegiate	79-87=166	+24	T-78th

### **Adam Gifford (Sr., Plymouth, Ind.)**

Gopher Invitational	<u>85-80-78=243</u>	+27	59th
Fighting Irish Gridiron	75-74-76=225	+15	T-17th
The Prestige at PGA WEST	76-74-70=220	+4	25th
CordeValle Collegiate	74-78-72=224	+8	T-68th
Aloha Purdue Collegiate	73-74-72=219	+9	T-23rd
John Hayt Collegiate	77- <u>82</u> -72=231	+15	T-48th
Triumph at Pauma Valley	73-69-71=213	E	5th
Border Olympics	70-79-73=222	+6	T-45th
ASU Invitational	71-74-69=214	-2	T-8th
Boilermaker Invitational	80-75=155	+11	T-43rd
Kepler Intercollegiate	<u>81-80=161</u>	+19	T-53rd

### **Cole Isban (Sr., South Bend, Ind.)**

Gopher Invitational	79-72-76=227	+11	T-19th
Fighting Irish Gridiron	68-73-73=214	+4	T-2nd
The Prestige at PGA WEST	71-73-71=215	-1	14th
CordeValle Collegiate	76-66-71=213	-3	T-19th
Aloha Purdue Collegiate	69-74-73=216	+6	T-17th
John Hayt Collegiate	76-76-73=225	+9	T-22nd
Triumph at Pauma Valley	73-70- <u>73</u> =216	+3	T-8th
Border Olympics	70-68-71=209	-7	5th
ASU Invitational	73-72-74=219	+3	T-37th
Boilermaker Invitational	76-74=150	+6	T-15th
Kepler Intercollegiate	79-76=155	+13	T-32nd

### **Mike King (Jr., Sidney, Ohio)**

Gopher Invitational	80-75-81=236	+20	T-43rd
Fighting Irish Gridiron	<u>78-78-79=235</u>	+25	T-44th
<i>The Tillinghast</i>	71-76=147	+6	T-4th
Kepler Intercollegiate*	79-88=167	+25	T-81st

### **Eddie Peckels (Jr., Pinehurst, N.C.)**

<i>John Dallio Memorial</i>	79-71-69=219	+3	T-12th
Fighting Irish Gridiron*	81-77-78=236	+26	47th
<i>The Tillinghast</i>	76-80=156	+15	T-26th
CordeValle Collegiate	73-69-77=219	+3	T-50th
Aloha Purdue Collegiate	75-74-75=224	+14	36th
John Hayt Collegiate	78-81-74=233	+17	T-58th
Triumph at Pauma Valley	<u>78-78-72=228</u>	+15	T-47th
Border Olympics	73-74- <u>77</u> =224	+8	T-54th
ASU Invitational	<u>80-84-77</u> =241	+25	T-88th

### **Greg Rodgers (Jr., Phoenix, Md.)**

<i>John Dallio Memorial</i>	74-76-74=224	+8	T-26th
Fighting Irish Gridiron*	74-79-74=227	+17	T-25th
The Prestige at PGA WEST	<u>84-78-75</u> =237	+21	69th
CordeValle Collegiate	<u>78-76-78</u> =232	+16	87th
Boilermaker Invitational	<u>82-72</u> =154	+10	T-36th
Kepler Intercollegiate	78-79=157	+15	T-40th

### **Josh Sandman (So., Greensboro, N.C.)**

Gopher Invitational	75-77-75=227	+11	T-19th
Fighting Irish Gridiron	73-73-76=222	+12	T-11th
The Prestige at PGA WEST	76-70-67=213	-3	T-10th
CordeValle Collegiate	69-75-71=215	-1	T-25th
Aloha Purdue Collegiate	66-77-72=215	+5	T-14th
John Hayt Collegiate	80-76- <u>81</u> =237	+21	T-69th
Triumph at Pauma Valley	76-75-72=223	+10	34th
Border Olympics	71-73-72=216	E	T-21st
ASU Invitational	72-77-72=221	+5	T-49th
Boilermaker Invitational	79-73=152	+8	T-24th
Kepler Intercollegiate	78-79=157	+15	T-40th

### **Carl Santos-Ocampo (Fr., Naples, Fla.)**

<i>John Dallio Memorial</i>	79-71-72=222	+6	T-21st
Fighting Irish Gridiron*	72-76-74=222	+12	T-11th
<i>The Tillinghast</i>	70-80=150	+9	T-10th
Aloha Purdue Collegiate	76-82-78=236	+26	45th

### **Shane Sigsbee (Sr., McKinney, Texas)**

Fighting Irish Gridiron*	77-75-80=232	+22	T-37th
<i>The Tillinghast</i>	72-75=147	+6	T-4th

### **Kyle Willis (Fr., Lake Forest, Ill.)**

<i>John Dallio Memorial</i>	80-76- <u>80</u> =236	+20	T-62nd
Fighting Irish Gridiron*	80-72-72=224	+14	T-14th

\* - competed as individual

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

NOTE: underlined rounds not counted to team total

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## 2006-07 vs. OPPONENTS (64-83-2)

Air Force.....	1-0
(3) Alabama.....	0-2
(40) UAB (Alabama-Birmingham).....	0-1
(22) Arizona.....	0-1
Arkansas.....	2-0
Arkansas-Little Rock.....	1-0
(30) Auburn.....	0-2
(42) Augusta State.....	1-2-1
(43) Baylor.....	2-1
California.....	2-0
Cal Poly.....	1-0
<i>Cal State-Monterey Bay</i> .....	7-0
Campbell.....	1-0
(41) UCF (Central Florida).....	0-1
(21) Charlotte.....	0-1
(11) Clemson.....	0-2
(10) Coastal Carolina.....	0-3
College of Charleston.....	1-0
Colorado.....	1-0
Denver.....	1-0
(13) East Tennessee State.....	0-1
<i>Finnish National Team</i> .....	7-0
(26) Florida State.....	1-0
Georgia Southern.....	1-1
(24) Georgia State.....	0-2
Hartford.....	1-0
Houston.....	0-2
*Illinois.....	2-1
Illinois State.....	1-0
*Indiana.....	0-3
*Iowa.....	1-0
Kansas.....	0-1
(4) Lamar.....	0-4
Long Beach State.....	1-0
Louisiana-Lafayette.....	1-0
Louisiana-Monroe.....	1-0
LSU.....	1-0
(18) *Louisville.....	0-1
Loyola Marymount.....	1-0
*Marshall.....	1-0
Memphis.....	1-0
*Michigan.....	0-3
(29) *Michigan State.....	0-3
(27) *Minnesota.....	1-2
Missouri.....	0-1
Northern Colorado.....	1-0
(23) North Carolina.....	0-1
North Carolina State.....	0-1
North Florida.....	0-2
North Texas.....	1-0
(33) *Northwestern.....	0-4
*Ohio.....	1-0
*Ohio State.....	0-3
Oklahoma.....	2-0
Oregon.....	1-0
Penn State.....	0-1
(38) Pepperdine.....	0-3
(47) *Purdue.....	0-3

### IRISH IN THE POLLS

#### TEAM

Golf World/Nike Coaches Poll (April 4).....	32nd
Golfstat (April 19).....	66th
<i>Golfweek/Sagarin</i> (April 16).....	63rd

#### INDIVIDUAL (*Golfweek/Golfstat* - April 16/18)

Cole Isban.....	65th/55th
Josh Sandman.....	195th/NA

Princeton.....	1-0
Rice.....	3-0
Saint Mary's (Calif.).....	0-1
San Diego.....	2-0
San Francisco.....	2-0**
Santa Clara.....	2-0
South Alabama.....	1-0
(34) South Carolina.....	1-3
<i>South Carolina-Aiken</i> .....	0-1
(44) Southern Methodist (SMU).....	1-1
(6) Southern California (USC).....	0-2
(2) Stanford.....	0-3
(17) Tennessee.....	0-2
(26) Texas.....	0-1
Texas-Arlington.....	0-1
(31) Texas Christian (TCU).....	1-0
Texas State.....	1-0
*Toledo.....	1-0
UC Davis.....	1-0
(39) UC Irvine.....	0-1
(7) UCLA.....	0-3
UC Santa Barbara.....	1-0
(46) Vanderbilt.....	1-2
Virginia.....	1-1
(49) Virginia Tech.....	0-2
(35) Washington.....	1-1
Washington State.....	1-0
Weber State.....	1-0
*Western Kentucky.....	1-0
(45) *Wisconsin.....	2-0-1

**OVERALL RECORD..... 64-83-2 (.436)**

**VS. DIVISION I OPPONENTS..... 61-82-2 (.428)**

**VS. MIDWEST DISTRICT TEAMS..... 10-23-1 (.309)**

**VS. CURRENT GOLFWEK TOP 25..... 0-28-0 (.000)**

**VS. CURRENT GOLFWEK TOP 50..... 12-61-2 (.173)**

Teams listed in *italics* are non-Division I opponents

\* - Midwest District team

\*\* - one win vs. 'B' team

(x) - *Golfweek/Sagarin* Performance Index ranking (April 16)