

**2003 Notre Dame
Women's Soccer
(19-1-1)**

August

At UConn Classic

29 vs. Hartford W, 9-1
31 vs. Wake Forest W, 3-0

September

Notre Dame Classic

5 #13 Arizona State W, 3-1
7 Oklahoma W, 5-1

11 #at St. John's W, 2-0
13 W. Kentucky W, 5-0

Santa Clara Classic

(both games live on CSTV)

19 vs. #24 Stanford T, 0-0
21 at #16 Santa Clara W, 2-1

28 North Texas W, 8-1
30 Indiana State W, 3-0

October

3 *#5 West Virginia W, 3-0
5 *Villanova W, 1-0 (OT)
7 Butler W, 3-0
10 *Georgetown W, 6-0
12 #Miami W, 3-0
17 #15 UConn (non-BE) W, 2-0
19 *at Pittsburgh W, 1-0
24 *at Rutgers W, 2-0
26 *at Seton Hall W, 1-0
29 Michigan L, 2-3

November

2 Miami W, 1-0 (OT)
(BIG EAST Quarterfinals)

BIG EAST Champ. (@Rutgers)

7 vs. Boston College 5 PM
9 Final Noon

14- NCAA First Round TBA
(campus sites)

15- NCAA Second Round TBA
(campus sites)

22- NCAA Third Round TBA
23 (campus sites)

December

NCAA College Cup

(SAS Stadium; Cary, NC)

5 Semifinals
7 Final

* – BIG EAST Mid-Atlantic Div.

– BIG EAST Cross-Div.

All times local to site

NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S SOCCER

vs. Boston College, BIG EAST Semifinal (Friday, Nov. 7; 5:00 EST)

The Notre Dame women's soccer team (19-1-1; 67-9 scoring edge) – ranked third this week in the NSCAA coaches poll, the *Soccer Times* coaches poll and the *Soccer Buzz* website poll, plus fourth in *Soccer America* – heads back to New Jersey in quest of the program's eighth BIG EAST Tournament title in nine years of competing in the league, with ND slated to face Boston College in the early semifinal on Friday, Nov. 7 (5:00 EST) at Yurcak Field on the campus of Rutgers University (West Virginia will meet Villanova in the 7:00 semifinal) ... both semifinals will be telecast by **College Sports Television**, on a delayed basis (starting on Nov. 8, see below and www.cstv.com for listings) ... Sunday's noon championship game then will be telecast by various **Fox SportsNet** affiliates (some live, some delayed; see below and stay tuned to und.com for full details) ... the Irish opened the postseason with a **1-0 overtime win over Miami** in the BIG EAST quarterfinals (Nov. 2), with ND yielding a fluke goal in the earlygoing before holding Miami without a shot for the next 52 minutes (en route to a 27-5 edge in total shots) ... Amanda Guertin extended her ND record for career **overtime goals (4)** while her **18 game-winning** goals now are one shy of Jenny Heft's ND record (Guertin also now has 21G, 10A and 5 GWG in 38 career games vs. ranked or postseason opponents) ... ND **started 18-0-1** before losing to Michigan in the regular-season finale (3-2) ... the Irish finished first in the BIG EAST Mid-Atlantic Division (6-0-0) and **never have lost a BIG EAST Tournament game (19-0-0)** while BC was second in the Northeast Division (3-2-1), followed by a 2-1 win over Rutgers in the quarterfinals ... the 64-team NCAA Tournament field will be announced Monday (Nov. 10) on ESPN News (3:30 EST).

CSTV REBROADCASTS – College Sports Television (see www.cstv.com), available on Direct TV channel 610 and other cable systems, will rebroadcast the ND-BC semifinal several times in the coming weeks (all EST): Nov. 8 (5:00 p.m.), Nov. 15 (12:30 p.m.), Dec. 1 (7:30 p.m.) and Dec. 2 (3:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.).

SUNDAY TV – The MSG Network and Fox Sports Net Florida will broadcast Sunday's BIG EAST final live while five other Fox SportsNet affiliates are slated to air delayed broadcasts of the game on Nov. 9: FSN Chicago (3:00 CST), FSN New England (12:30 p.m. EST), FSN Pittsburgh (1:00 EST), Comcast Sports Net Philadelphia (1:00 p.m. EST) and Comcast SportsNet Washington (4:00 p.m. EST).

LIVESTATS POSSIBLE, IN-GAME HOTLINE UPDATES TO BE AVAILABLE – Live Stats for the ND-BC semifinal remain a possibility (if they become available, the usual link will be posted on the daily schedule listing on the main page at www.und.com) ... periodic in-game updates and a final wrapup will be posted on the ND Sports Hotline at (574) 631-3000 (press "4" for soccer information and then "2" for women's soccer results) ... see www.bceagles.com for opponent information.

SCOUTING THE IRISH – ND is in a logjam atop the national goals-against avg. charts (led by Cal Poly at 0.411, UNC at 0.417, after 6-2 win over N.C. State, and ND at 0.422), with the Irish 2nd in scoring at 3.19 goals per game (min. 15 games; UNC leads at 3.75) ... ND's dynamic and diverse attack includes eight players who own multiple-goal games in '03, led by the potent forward quartet of seniors **Amy Warner** (10G-12A) and **Amanda Guertin** (11G-6A), junior **Mary Boland** (12G-4A) and sophomore **Katie Thorlakson** (10G-9A) ... senior central D and All-America candidate **Melissa Tancredi** headlines a defense that held 16 straight opponents to 0-3 shots on goal, including 14 shots on goal in the recent 10-game shutout streak (5th-longest in NCAA history) ... sophomore **Erika Bohn** has regained the national GAA lead (0.44, min. 1,000 minutes), with UNC's Aly Wingert slipping to 0.44 after the N.C. State game ... Bohn's 981-minute shutout streak ranked 5th in the NCAA record book ... Boland and Tancredi were sidelined for the Michigan loss... the Irish had not trailed for 16 games (team record) prior to that game ... ND has totaled 17 more goals (67) than opponent shots on goal (50) ... ND's success is all the more noteworthy with two starters sidelined all season (All-America junior right back **Candace Chapman** with an ACL injury while second team all-BIG EAST senior M **Randi Scheller** had season-ending hip surgery) ... ND solidified its spot among the nation's top teams with a dominating defensive effort vs. perennial powers Stanford (0-0) and Santa Clara (2-1) before a convincing win over #5 West Virginia (2-0).

**ND WOMEN'S SOCCER
BY THE NUMBERS**

275-8-11 (.954)

ND's all-time record when holding opponent to 0-1 goals (80-2-4 since Sept. 9, 1999)

198-3-1 (.983)

ND's all-time record when scoring 3-plus goals (102-1-0 since Oct. 6, 1995)

97

Combined games lost to injury by several top players during 2003 season (64 in '02)

93

Vanessa Pruzinsky's career GP (90 GS)

92-17-4 (.832)

Randy Waldrum's record at Notre Dame

64

Consecutive starts by Amy Warner

50

Home win streak vs. BIG EAST teams ('95-)

36-6

1st-half goalscoring edge in '03 (12-10 in '02)

26

All-Americans (since 1994)

24-10-3

ND vs. NSCAA top-25 teams, since 1999

24

ND-record streak w/out all. 2+ gls ('00 and '03)

18

Amanda Guertin's GW goals (3rd ND history)

17

Number of home states and provinces (plus Iceland) on 2003 ND roster

17-3-2

All-time record in home tournaments

16

ND's current unbeaten OT streak (12-0-4)

13

Ranked opponents faced by Irish in 2002

12

Notre Dame alums in the WUSA ('01-'03)

10

Guertin's goalscoring streak at end of '01

10

Academic All-Americans (since 1995)

8

Players with multiple-goal games in 2003

7

Mary Boland's points (3G-1A) in '03 opener vs. Hartford (most by ND player since '99)

5

National ranking for ND's 2003 freshman class

4.0

5th-year D and chemical engineering major Vanessa Pruzinsky's cumulative GPA

4

Guertin's career OT goals (ND record)

2

All-time postseason home losses (29 Ws)

TALE OF THE TAPE

	BC	ND
Goals Per Game	2.79	3.19
Goals-Against Avg.	0.64	0.42
Avg. Scoring Margin	+2.15 (51-12/+39)	+2.77 (67-9/+58)
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Shots Per Game	19.6	19.3
Shots Allowed/Gm	6.9	5.0
Shot Margin	+12.7 (353-124/+229)	+14.3 (405-104/+301)
Shot Pct.	.144	.165
Shots Per Goal	6.9	6.1
Shots on Goal per Goal	3.6	3.2
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Corner Kicks/Gm	5.8	5.5
CKs Allowed/Gm	3.0	2.4
Avg. CK Margin	+2.8 (104-54/+50)	+3.1(116-50/+66)
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Shutouts	8	14
Games w/ 0-1 GA	16	20
Games w/ 2 GA	2	1
Games w/ 3-plus GA	0	0
Save Pct.	.903	.812
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Overtime Record	1-1-2	2-0-1
One-Goal Gm Record	6-2	4-1
All Road Games	3-1-2	7-0-1
vs. NSCAA top-25	0-1-0	3-0-1
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1st-Half Scoring	+26 (30-4)	+30 (36-6)
2nd-Half Scoring	+14 (21-7)	+26 (29-3)
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Fouls Per Game	9.5 (171)	11.6 (243)
Yellow Cards	1	6
Red Cards	1	0
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Players with 10+ Goals	2	4
Players with 5+ Goals	4	5
Players with 25+ Points	2	4
Players with 10+ Points	5	9
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Leading Scorers	Katie McGregor (14G-5A) Beth Totman (12G-6A)	Amy Warner (10G-10A) Katie Thorlakson (10G-9A) Amanda Guertin (11G-6A) Mary Boland (12G-4A)
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2003 Common Opponents (regular season; home game unless noted)		
Hartford	W, 2-1	W, 9-1 (n)
St. John's	L, 0-1 (a)	W , 2-0 (a)
Villanova	W, 1-0	W, 1-0 (OT)
Georgetown	W, 3-1 (a)	W, 6-0
Miami	W, 3-0	W, 3-0
Connecticut	L, 1-2	W , 2-0
*Rutgers	T, 0-0 (a)	W , 2-0 (a)
Seton Hall	W, 1-0	W, 1-0 (a)
Record	6-2-1	9-0-0
Scoring	13-6	28-2
* Note: BC also beat Rutgers in the BE quarterfinals (2-1) and ND beat Miami in the BEQF (1-0, OT).		

THE ND-BC SERIES – Notre Dame has won all eight previous games vs. BC (23-3 scoring edge), including a 1-0 overtime game at BC in 2002 (see below) and 3-0 game in the 2001 BIG EAST semifinals (at Rutgers) ... **Amy Warner**, **Amanda Guertin** and **Melissa Tancredi** scored in that win (22-5 shot edge) and **Ashley Dwyer** played a key defensive role, marking BIG EAST midfielder of the year Sarah Rahko ... ND and BC also met in the 2000 BIG EAST semi's (a 3-0 ND win) and in a 2000 regular-season game at ND (the Irish rallied for a 2-1 win, after facing its only deficit of the season until the NCAA semifinals) ... Guertin – who scored the lone goal in the 2002 game at BC – picked off a clear attempt and scored the GWG in that 2000 showdown at Alumni Field ... the series includes two other ND wins at Alumni Field (3-1 in 1995, 2-0 in '97), plus a 6-0 Irish win at BC in 1996 and a 3-1 ND win in 1998 (in Natick, Mass.).

RECAPPING THE LAST ND-BC GAME (Oct. 27, 2002; 1-0, OT) – **Amanda Guertin** set the ND record with her third career overtime goal, in the final regular-season game of '02 ... ND extended its unbeaten streak in overtime to 13 games (10-0-3) while winning for the 26th consecutive time in the final week of the regular season ... Erika Bohn made five saves and foiled several other solid BC chances ... ND finished with a slight edge in shots (16-13) and corner kicks (4-3) ... **Amy Warner** run down the left side and endline pass set up Guertin for the 100th-minute goal, with Guertin calmly sending a six-yard shot into the far-sidenetting.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME – Notre Dame owns a 11-1-0 all-time record at Yurcak Field, including BIG EAST title-winning efforts in 1997, '99 and '01 – plus a 2-0 win over Rutgers just two weeks ago (Oct. 24) ... the program's other BIG EAST titles have come at Seton Hall ('95), at ND's Alumni Field ('96, '00) and at UConn ('98) ... the Irish have posted a 45-7 combined scoring margin in the 11 previous games at Yurcak, including 27-4 in the seven BIG EAST Tournament games ... ND's lone loss at the facility capped a very unusual – and unnecessary – day for the 2001 Irish squad ... that team's flight out of South Bend was delayed and the team missed its connection, being forced to sleep for a few hours at a Pittsburgh airport hotel ... the flight into Newark the following morning (game day) then wiped out a planned practice on the game field ... that night's schedule included another rarity – as the Rutgers men's team was playing host to a four-team tournament and those games preceded the BIG EAST-scheduled matchup between the ND and RU women (which had a 9:00 p.m. planned start time) ... naturally, both of the men's games went to overtime, the women's game did not start until 10:30 and an upstart Rutgers freshman by the name of Carli Lloyd scored two early goals as the Knights posted a stunning upset over the exhausted Irish squad (2-1) ... the '01 loss at RU halted several ND streaks: a 24-game unbeaten streak vs. BIG EAST teams (23-1-1, dating back to '98) and a 31-game unbeaten streak in regular-season games (30-0-2; one shy of tying the team record), while RU became just the third BIG EAST team ever to beat the Irish.

NOTRE DAME ALL-TIME BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS (rankings indicate NSCAA national poll)

1995 – 3-0 vs. Rutgers, 1-0 vs. #3 Connecticut (at Seton Hall)
1996 – 7-0 vs. Villanova, 4-3 vs. #4 Connecticut (at Notre Dame)
1997 – 7-0 vs. Villanova, 6-1 vs. #4 Connecticut (at Rutgers)
1998 – 5-0 vs. West Virginia (at ND); 5-1 vs. Syracuse, 1-0 at #3 Connecticut (at UConn)
1999 – 5-0 vs. Miami (at ND); 5-0 vs. Seton Hall, 5-0 vs. #13 Connecticut (at Rutgers)
2000 – 3-0 vs. Miami (at ND); 3-0 vs. Boston College, 1-0 vs. UConn (at ND)
2001 – 2-0 vs. St. John's (at ND); 3-0 vs. BC, 2-1 vs. West Virginia (at Rutgers)
2002 – none
2003 – 1-0 vs. Miami in OT

Totals: 19-0-0 record (70-6 scoring edge; 16-0 in quarterfinals/since '98, 33-1 in semifinals, 20-5 in final)

SEMI TRUCK – Notre Dame has dominated in seven previous BIG EAST semifinals, racking up a 33-1 scoring edge in those seven games ... the Irish never have won a BIG EAST semifinal by anything lower than a three-goal margin.

CAREER STATS VS. BC – Senior F **Amanda Guertin** owns three career goals vs. BC, including the GWG in the 2000 regular-season matchup (2-1; the only game ND trailed that season before the College Cup semifinal loss to UNC) and the OT goal last season (2-1) ... she also scored and set up an **Amy Warner** goal in the 2001 BIG EAST semifinal win over BC (3-0) ... Warner opened the scoring in that game, after crisp passing from Guertin and **Randi Scheller** ... Warner also assisted on the Guertin GWG at BC in '02 ... passes from Scheller led to the first two goals vs. BC in the 2001 BET (goals by Warner and Guertin) ... **Melissa Tancredi** capped that 3-0 win with an impressive display of her combined speed and strength.

KNOCKED OUT – Current senior central D **Melissa Tancredi** was running alongside classmates Amanda Guertin and Amy Warner on ND's forward line during the 2001 BIG EAST Tournament ... Tancredi was knocked out of the '01 title game vs. West Virginia (due to an early head injury) but she later returned to play a key part in the corner-kick, double-header sequence that led to Randi Scheller's volley (for the 2-1 final) ... current junior F **Mary Boland** never has played in the BIG EAST Tournament, missing all of the 2001 tournament while being sidelined for a five-week stretch (ND did not make the BET in '02 and Boland did not play last week vs. Miami).

EAGLES NOTES (also see Tale of the Tape, above, and www.bceagles.com) – Boston College (14-2-2) is led offensively by the combination of sophomore Katie McGregor (14G-5A) and senior Beth Totman (12G-5A) ... sophomore keeper Kate Taylor also owns solid numbers, with a 0.61 GAA and .820 save pct. (50 SV/11 GAA) ... BC has posted seven wins over BIG EAST opponents: at Georgetown (3-1), Villanova (1-0), at Syracuse (2-0), Seton Hall (1-0), Miami (3-0), Virginia Tech (1-0) and Rutgers in the BIG EAST quarterfinals (2-1) ... BC's two losses have come vs. UConn (1-2) and at St. John's 0-1, plus ties vs. Providence (1-1) and at Rutgers (0-0) ... BC's other seven wins have come primarily versus teams from the Northeast region: Wagner (10-0), Boston (3-1), vs. VCU (3-2, OT; at GU), Quinnipiac (4-0), Fairfield (5-1), Holy Cross (10-0) and Hartford (2-1) ... BC went 12-11-8 in 2002.

CONFERENCE CALL – Notre Dame's all-time record in regular-season conference games is 95-7-2 (.923; 76-7-2/.906 in BIG EAST) ... the Irish are 52-1 in home games vs. BIG EAST teams, with 49 straight home wins over BIG EAST teams since a 5-4 OT loss to UConn in '95 (239-16 scoring edge, 36 shutouts, 13 with 1 GA) ... since '95, ND's overall record vs. BIG EAST teams now is 94-8-2 (.914; 1-1-0 vs. UConn in NCAAAs).

FANTASTIC FOUR – Notre Dame boasts possibly the nation's top four-player forward rotation (they currently are the only four teammates with 10-plus goals in Division I women's soccer): seniors **Amy Warner** (10G-12A) and **Amanda Guertin** (11G-6A), junior **Mary Boland** (12G-4A) and sophomore **Katie Thorlakson** (10G-9A) ... the Irish **have four double-digit goalscorers for the first time since 1999**, with each player also owning 28-33 points ... 10 of the last 14 ND teams have featured three or more double-digit scorers (four in '94, '98, '99 and now '03, six in '93 and '96, seven in '97) ... the four double-digit scorers in '99 included Jenny Heft (20), Jenny Streiffer (19), Meotis Erikson (14) and Anne Makinen (13) ... the '97 team racked up 135 goals, led by: Makinen (23), Erikson (22), Streiffer (20), Heft (20), Shannon Boxx (13), Monica Gerardo (10) and Monica Gonzalez (10).

TITLE TOWN – Notre Dame is two wins away from claiming its eighth BIG EAST Tournament women's soccer title since 1995 ... stretching back to the 1995 falls semester (when ND, West Virginia and Rutgers joined the BIG EAST), there have been a handful of teams with steady success at the BIG EAST tournament level – and Notre Dame teams are at the top of that list:

Most BIG EAST Titles Since the Fall of 1995 (based on tournament results, if applicable)

- 7 – Notre Dame women's soccer (every year but 2002)
- 7 – Notre Dame volleyball (every year but 1999)
- 7 – Notre Dame women's swimming and diving (every year but 1996)
- 7 – Pittsburgh men's swimming and diving (every year but 1996)
- 7 – Connecticut women's basketball (every year but 2003)
- 5 – Connecticut field hockey
- 5 – Georgetown men's indoor track and field
- 5 – Notre Dame women's tennis
- 5 – Miami men's tennis
- 5 – Georgetown men's outdoor track and field
- 5 – Miami women's outdoor track and field

THE USUAL SUSPECT – Senior F **Amanda Guertin** entered the 2003 season already ranking as one of the most clutch goalscorers in Notre Dame women's soccer history, with her poised finishing skills impressing both in terms of their quantity and the quality of the game situation ... so it was only fitting that she would choose the third minute of overtime in last week's BIG EAST quarterfinal to register her first big-game goal of the season, taking a short free-kick pass from Kimberly Carpenter and ripping a 20-yard shot into the upper-right corner of the net

- Guertin's score extended her Notre Dame record for career overtime goals to four, with her 18 game-winning goals now one shy of that Notre Dame record (held by '96 graduate Jenny Heft). Guertin also tied 1999 graduate Monica Gerardo for the most postseason game-winning goals in Notre Dame history (5).

- The senior class is 28-7-2 during the past four seasons in "big games" (vs. a ranked and/or postseason opponent), with Guertin totaling 52 points on 21 goals and 10 assists in those 37 games (nine of her 18 career game-winning goals have come in such big-game situations).

- Guertin has scored an OT goal in each of her four seasons, also: at West Virginia ('00, 2-1), vs. #23 Michigan ('01, 2-1) and at Boston College ('02, 1-0) ... her nine career big-game GWGs include last week's goal vs. Miami and the '01 score vs. Michigan, plus: vs. #25 Michigan in the 2nd round of the 2000 NCAAAs (3-1); vs. #8 Penn State in the '01 opener (2-1), St. John's in the '01 BIG EAST quarterfinals (2-0) and Eastern Illinois in the 1st round of the '01 NCAAAs (2-0); at #25 Maryland (5-2) and #13 Michigan (1-0) in '02, and vs. #14 Purdue in the 2nd round of the '02 NCAAAs (3-1).

- Guertin now ranks 8th in ND history with 28 career points in the postseason (13G-2A; three behind Jenny Heft) while her 13 postseason GWGs rank 5th behind Gerardo and '01 grad. Anne Makinen Anne Makinen (both with 15) and '00 classmates Heft and Jenny Streiffer (both with 14) ... Guertin (48G-27A) and classmate Amy Warner (37G-25A) now have combined for 222 points, 85 goals, 52 assists and 29 GWGs ... they rank 6th in ND history for combined goals by classmates (10 behind '97 grads Cindy Daws and Amy Van Laecke) while only two previous pairs of ND classmates have combined for more GWGs ... ND now leads the Miami series 6-0-0 (24-s scoring edge).

QUICK TEAM NOTES ON THE IRISH

- **Streak #1** – ND's streak of **10 straight shutouts** (13 of last 16) was longest in the program's history and 5th in NCAA history, besting ND's 1995 NCAA-title team that went eight games without a goal allowed ... the shutout streak covered **956 minutes**, besting the '95 team's record of 726 straight shutout minutes ... prior to the Michigan loss, the Irish had **allowed just one goal in 15-plus games**, with an earlier 418-minute shutout streak ending on an unstoppable upper-90 shot by SCU's Marian Dalmy ... just four previous Division I women's soccer teams have posted longer shutout streaks, led by SCU's 16 in 1998, plus two UNC teams (13 in '89, 12 in '87) and the 1984 N.C. State squad (12) ... ND's total of 14 shutouts is seventh in the Irish record book, behind 18 in '97 and '98 (also 16 in '96, '98 and '00 and 15 in '94).

- **Streak #2** – Notre Dame's **19-game unbeaten streak** was **tied for fourth** in ND history (the '94, '97 and '00 teams all started 23-0-1 while the '95 and '96 teams combined for a 24-0-0 streak).

- **Streak #3** – ND's **12-game winning streak ranked sixth** in the program's history, with the top win streaks as follows: 24 games from '95-'96, 17 in '97, 16 in '00, 14 from '92-'93 and 14 in '94.

- **Streak #4** – The Irish recently had a stretch of **138 minutes without allowing a shot** (vs. Butler and Georgetown, on Oct. 7 and 10) and went 149 minutes without an opponent shot on goal.

- **Balanced Dominance** – Notre Dame and top-ranked UNC were the **final unbeaten teams** remaining among 297 Division I women's soccer programs, with the Irish also ranking second behind UNC in the nation for scoring (**3.19 goals per game**) and **goals-against average (0.42)** – with UNC checking in at 3.67 and 0.33.

- **Big Gamers** – The current **senior class** carries a **28-7-2** career record when playing in the **postseason** and/or facing an **opponent ranked** in the NSCAA top-25.

- **BIG EAST Home Winning Streak** – UConn was the last BIG EAST team to beat Notre Dame at Alumni Field (5-4 in '95), with the Irish winning their **last 50 home games vs. BIG EAST teams** (93-8-2 overall vs. BIG EAST teams since '95).

- **Games-a-Plenty** – The Irish recently completed a rugged stretch of **six games in 13 days** (Sept. 30-Oct. 12), followed by four days off before the showdown with BIG EAST rival Connecticut, ending a rare eight-game homestand.

- **8-to-1 Scoring Margin** – The Irish now own a **67-9** season scoring edge, including **28-1** in the recent eight-game homestand (plus a 166-26 total shot edge/93-11 in shots on goal during that eight-game stretch).

- **Unbeaten Start** – The 2003 campaign marked the **fourth time** that ND went **19-plus games** into a season **without suffering a loss** (the '94, '97 and '00 teams all started 23-0-1).

- **Historic Dominance** – The only previous ND teams to allow comparable goals in the first 20 games were the record-setting **1997** squad that owned a **107-5** scoring edge at the 20-game mark (before a 6-1 win over UConn) and the 2000 squad that held a 67-6 scoring edge after 20 games (before a 1-0 win over UConn).

- **Rear-View Mirror** – Prior to the Michigan game, the Irish had **trailed only once in '03** (no deficits in team-record 16-plus games), for **7:18** in the third game vs. ASU (the Irish have led 66% of the minutes and trailed 0.3%, for 66 minutes).

- **One (Or None) Is Enough** – Prior to the 3-2 loss to Michigan, ND logged 24 games with 0-1 GA to tie the team record streak for not allowing multiple goals (it also was the 2nd-best start, 19 games with 0-1 GA) ... the **2000 team went 24** games before allowing UNC to score twice in the NCAA semifinals.

- **Turnaround Success** – ND now is **10-0** this season when playing two days after a previous game (28-2 scoring edge), after going just 4-5 (18-16 scoring edge) in 2002 regular-season "bounceback" games.

- **Magic Number** – The win over Georgetown avenged a 4-3 loss at GU in '02 (minus 4 ND starters), the only time **since a '95 loss vs. UConn** (5-4) that ND has **scored three-plus goals** and not won (now **102-1-0** in the last 103).

- **Quick Strikes** – The recent game at Seton Hall marked the **8th game** this season ND has **scored in the first 7:00**.

- **Half & Half** – The Irish have been **equally dominant in the first (36-6)** and **second half (29-3)** this season, after managing just a 12-10 first-half scoring edge in '02.

- **Sharpshooters** – The efficient ND offense is averaging one **goal every 6.1 total shots** and every **3.2 shots on goal** ... the Irish have scored five-plus goals in five games this season and have scored three-plus goals in 11 games.

- **Strong Stretch** – After allowing a 26th-minute goal by Oklahoma on Sept. 7, ND's **next 15-plus games** (spanning 1,415 minutes) included just **2 goals allowed, 66 opponent shots (22 on goal) and 36 corner kicks**, for 90-minute averages during that stretch of 0.13 goals, 4.2 shots, 1.4 shots on goal and 2.3 corners (prior to the 3-2 loss to Michigan).

- **Depth Charges** – Notre Dame players have combined to miss **161 games due to injury** spanning the '02 and '03 seasons (41 games played; 32-8-1 record), with seven players already combining to miss **97 games due to injury in '03**.

- **Far & Wide** – ND's '03 roster includes players from **14 states**, two Canadian provinces and Iceland ... the program's all-time roster canvasses **30 states** and **three foreign countries** ... ND's student-athlete population in the '02-'03 academic year included nearly 800 individuals from **47 states** (all but Idaho, Mississippi, Nevada) and **20 countries**.

- **OT-Tested** – The Irish are **unbeaten in their last 16 overtime games** (12-0-4).

- **Poll Position** – ND has been ranked **1st or 2nd** in the NSCAA poll during **nine of the last 11 seasons** (1st in four).

- **Winning When They Should** – Notre Dame is **105-4-1** all-time at Alumni Field when **facing an unranked opponent**.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER 2003 AWARDS

Amy Warner (F, Sr.)

Preseason First Team All-BIG EAST
BIG EAST Off. Player of the Week (10/13)
Santa Clara Classic All-Tournament (9/21)
Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament (9/7)
UConn Classic All-Tournament (8/31)

Mary Boland (F, Jr.)

Academic All-America Nominee (TBA)
Soccer America Nat'l Team of the Week (9/1)
BIG EAST Off. Player of the Week (9/1)
Santa Clara Classic All-Tournament (9/21)
Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament (9/7)
UConn Classic All-Tournament (8/31)
ND Record – 6G in first 3 games

Melissa Tancredi (D, Sr.)

S. America Nat'l Team of Week (10/6, 10/13)
Soccer Buzz National Team of Week (10/6)
BIG EAST Def. Player of Week (10/6, 10/13)

Erika Bohn (G, So.)

Academic All-America Nominee (TBA)
BIG EAST Goalkeeper of the Week (10/20)
Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament (9/7)
UConn Classic All-Tournament (8/31)

Christie Shaner (D, Fr.)

Soccer Buzz Nat'l Team of Week (9/22, 10/20)
Santa Clara Classic Defensive MVP (9/21)
BE Rookie of the Week (9/22, 10/20, 10/27)

Jen Buczkowski (M, Fr.)

Soccer America National Team of Week (9/8)
Soccer Buzz National Team of the Week (9/8)
Notre Dame Classic Offensive MVP (9/7)
BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (9/8)

Vanessa Pruzinsky (D, Sr.)

Academic All-America Nominee (TBA)
Soccer Buzz National Team of Week (10/13)
Notre Dame Classic Defensive MVP (9/7)
BIG EAST Def. Player of the Week (9/8)

Katie Thorlakson (F, So.)

Santa Clara Classic Offensive MVP

Kim Carpenter (M, Sr.)

Academic All-America Nominee (TBA)

Gudrun Gunnarsdottir (D, Jr.)

UConn Classic All-Tournament (8/31)

Kim Lorenzen (D, Fr.)

Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament (9/7)

Amanda Guertin (F, Sr.)

Preseason First Team All-BIG EAST

Note: Notre Dame was only team to receive all four BIG EAST weekly awards in '03.

QUICK PLAYER NOTES

- **Net Zero** – Sophomore **Erika Bohn** extended her **shutout streak** to an ND-record **981** minutes (5th NCAA history, besting Liz Wagner's ND record 701 in '00), before the first goal by Michigan on Oct. 29 ... Bohn enters the BC game ranked **2nd in the nation with a 0.40 GAA** (close to LaKeysia Beene's team-record 0.37 in '97) ... she allowed just **one goal over 15-plus** games (1,256 min., starting with the OU game and ending vs. Mich.) ... her last 31 starts include a **28-2-1** record (14 GA) ... her shutout streak was longest since '99, trailing two UNC 'keepers (Anne Sherow's 1,670 consecutive shutout minutes, spanning '87 and '88, and Jenni Branam's 1,114 in '99), SCU's Crystal Gordon (1,269 in '98) and Tiffany DeCoff of Holy Cross (1,004 in '99) ... the Academic All-America candidate has logged **94% of the team's minutes** in '03 (86% in '02).

- **Senior Spark** – Another potential Academic All-American, senior **Kim Carpenter**, has emerged as a key offensive player at attacking M, ranking 5th on the team with **15 points** (5G-5A) after totaling **just five** points from ('00-'02) ... she had a **6-game point streak** that ended vs. Miami and had scored three times in a stretch of six ND goals.

- **Fire & Ice** – **Amy Warner** and **Amanda Guertin** have combined for 85 goals (Guertin is 9th in ND history with 48, Warner 12th with 37), 29 GWGs (18 by Guertin) and six OT goals (ND record 4 by Guertin).

- **Big-Goal Scorer** – Junior F **Mary Boland** registered her **5th game-winning goal** of '03 at Pittsburgh (tied for 9th in ND history) and has **opened the scoring four times** in '03 ... she enters the week ranked **29th in the nation for goals** (12) and **27th in points** (28) ... Boland spent most of her prep career playing as a forward but her ND career also has included time at outside back and in the midfield, with her quick start (ND record 6G in first 3 games) igniting the '03 offense.

- **Iron Women** – Senior F **Amy Warner** has made **64 consecutive starts** while fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** has logged **93 career games and 91 starts** (good for 9th in the ND record book) ... the only ND defenders ever to start more games are Jen Grubb (100) and Kate Sobrero (97)

- **Getting Right Back** – Versatile freshman **Kim Lorenzen** (Naperville, Ill.) was impressive in preseason training at forward but has **found a home in the defense**, as a starter both centrally and now right back.

- **4.0 Focus** – Fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** graduated in May of 2003 with a **4.0** cumulative GPA as a **chemical engineering** major, the **third ND student (first since '74)** ever to complete that feat.

- **Fabulous Frosh** – ND's freshman class was **ranked #5** by *Soccer America*, with M **Jen Buczkowski** (6th) and D **Christi Shaner** (22nd) rated among the top 25 freshman players.

- **Goal Patrol** – Irish players have combined for **11 multiple-goal games** (compared to five in '02) by eight players: **Mary Boland** vs. Hartford (3) and ASU (2), **Maggie Manning** and **Amanda Guertin** vs. Hartford (both with 2, with Guertin doing so again vs. Georgetown), **Jen Buczkowski** vs. Oklahoma (2), **Katie Thorlakson** and **Annie Scheffer** vs. Western Kentucky (both with 2, then Thorlakson at Rutgers), **Melissa Tancredi** vs. North Texas (2) and **Amy Warner** at Seton Hall (3).

- **Meet You In The Middle** – Despite the graduation of four-year starter/defensive ace Ashley Dryer and season-ending hip surgery to senior Randi Scheller (2nd tm all-BIG EAST in '02), the midfield has been energized by the emergence of two "newcomers": sophomore **Annie Scheffer** (4G-4A; missed '02 with ACL) and freshman **Jen Buczkowski** (2G-6A) – ranking 6th and 8th on the ND scoring charts.

- **Furious Forwards** – ND's system includes a pressuring "forecheck" from the team's frontrunners ... five of those players – **Mary Boland** (2), **Amanda Guertin** (2), **Katie Thorlakson** (2), **Amy Warner** and **Maggie Manning** – have posted multiple-goal games this season, with Warner also ranking fifth in the nation with 12 assists.

NOTRE DAME PLAYER QUICK-FACT SHEET

Pos.	Player (Yr.; Hometown)	Notes
F	#10 Mary Boland (Jr.; Hudson, OH) '03 stats: 12G-4A (28 pts), 5 GWG, 18 GP/13 GS '02 stats: 5G, GWG, 19 GP/15 GS career: 19G-6A (44 pts), 6 GWG, 47 GP/33 GS	1st player ever named BIG EAST off. and def. player of week in career ND-rec. 6G in first 3 gms (3G-A/GWG vs. Hart., G vs. WFU, 2G/GWG vs. ASU) G-A vs. SCU, G vs. NTX, G-A vs. ISU, GWGs vs. WVU, Miami-1 and Pitt Academic All-America nom. (3.87 GPA, psych.) ... UConn, ND SCU all-tour.
F	#7 Katie Thorlakson (So.; Langley, BC) '03 stats: 10G-9A (29 pts), 4 GWG, 21 GP/16 GS '02: 4G-3A, GWG, 19 GP/18 GS career: 14G-12A (40 pts), 5 GWG, 40 GP/34 GS	GWG-1A vs. SCU (SCU Classic Off. MVP), OT goal vs. Vill., GWG vs. UConn, 2G-A at Rutgers (3-0, GWG), 1G vs. Mich., 1G-1A vs. Miami-1 2G vs. WKU, 2A vs. NTX, 1A vs. Hartford, SJU, WVU, at SHU, 1G vs. Miami-2 member of Canada's U-19 Nat'l Team; 10 of 11 pts in '02 came in final 9 GP
F	#12 Amy Warner (Sr.; Albuquerque, NM) '03 stats: 10G-12A (32 pts), 2 GWG, 21 GS '02 stats: 9G-8A (26 pts), 3 GWG, 21 GS career: 37G-25A (99 pts), 11 GWG, 81 GP/73 GS	5th in nation for asts (12); G-2A vs. Hart., G-A vs. WFU, G vs. ASU, A vs. OU GWG vs. SJU, G-2A vs. WKU, G-A vs. NTX, A vs. ISU, G vs. But., G-A vs. GU, 1A at Rutgers, 2G at Seton Hall (2-0, GWG), A vs. Mich., A vs. Miami-2 12th on ND career goals list, 14th in points; 2 career hat tricks
F	#6 Amanda Guertin (Sr.; Grapevine, TX) '03 stats: 11G-6A (28 pts), 3 GWG, 21 GP/12 GS '02 stats: 11G-11A (33 pts), 5 GWG, 21 GS career: 48G-27A (123 pts), 18 GWG, 88 GP/75 GS	2G-A vs. Hartford, A vs. WFU and ASU, GWG vs. OU, G vs. SJU, A vs. WK G-2A vs. NTX, GWG vs. ISU, 2G vs. GU, G vs. Miami-1, Mich. and Mia.-2 (GWG) 8 corner-kick assists in '02; 10-game goal streak in '01 (3rd NCAA history) 9th on ND career goals list, 2nd on GWG list (18, ND record 3 in OT)
F	#13 Maggie Manning (So.; Lake Oswego, OR) '03 stats: 4G-2A (10 pts), 18 GP/1 GS ... '02: 1G-2A, 18 GP/13 GS career: 5G-4A (14 pts), 36 GP/14 GS	2G in opener vs. Hartford, A vs. WKU, G vs. NTX, G-A vs. GU played some M in '02, now part of regular F rotation Oregon player of the year at Jesuit HS (90G in three prep seasons)
AM	#25 Kimberly Carpenter (Sr.; Webster, NY) '03 stats: 5G-5A (15 pts), 2 GWG, 21 GP/17 GS ... '02: 1A, 21 GP/20 GS career: 7G-6A (20 pts), 2 GWG, 66 GP/37 GS	6-gm pt. streak (9/28-10/10); 1G vs. Hart., ISU, WVU; GWG vs. Butler, GU 1A vs. Oklahoma, NTX and Vill. (OT), 2A vs. Miami-2 Academic All-America nom. (3.41 GPA, pre-prof. science)
M	#9 Jen Buczkowski (Fr.; Elk Grove, IL) '03 stats: 2G-6A (10 pts), 20 GP/19 GS	ND Classic Off. MVP (2G-3A); 1A vs. GU and Miami-1 69G-52A in 3-yr HS career; rated #6 recruit (SA); prep All-American, U.S. U-19 team
DM	#24 Jill Krivacek (Fr.; Geneva, IL) '03 stats: 1G-3A (5 pts), GWG (vs. WFU), 19 GP/5 GS (vs. OU, Vill., But.)	2nd-half GWG vs. Wake Forest (3-0); 1A vs. GU, Miami-1, Rutgers 78 career goals at Rosary HS; strong def. mid. skills
OB/M	#15 Lizzie Reed (Fr.; Franklin Lakes, NJ) '03 stats: 2G-1A, 19 GP/8 GS	1A vs. OU, 1G vs. NTX and UConn (as F); 126 career goals as a prep prep All-American; member of ODP national runner-up (NJ)
M	#11 Annie Schefter (So.; Yakima, WA) '03 stats: 4G-4A (12 pts), GWG, 21 GP/17 GS missed all of ND's '02 season (ACL)	2A vs. Hart., G vs. OU (free kick), 2G-1A vs. WKU (GWG), 1G vs. GU member of U.S. U-19 National Team ('02) 47G-21A as senior at West Valley HS (Gatorade WA player of year)
CD	#18 Christie Shaner (Fr.; Ambler, PA) '03 stats: 3A, 20 GP/17 GS 15G as center M in '02 at Germantown Academy	3-time BE Rookie of Week; SCU Classic Def. MVP (0-0 vs. Stan., 2-1 vs. SCU) 1A on CKs vs. Miami-1 and UConn and on long serve at Pitt (BEROW); rated #22 recruit (SA) prep All-American; member of nat'l u-19 semifinalist (FC Bucks Challenge)
RB	#4 Kim Lorenzen (Fr.; Naperville, IL) '03 stats: 20 GP/17 GS	ND Classic all-tournament pick; versatile player, has trained at F, M and D teamed with Buczkowski and Krivacek on ODP national champs (IL)
LB	#5 Vanessa Pruzinsky (Sr.; Trumbull, CT) '03 stats: 3A, 20 GP/19 GS ... '02: 2 GP/1 GS (inj.) car.: 2G-9A (11 pts), 93 GP/91 GS (9th ND his.)	5th-year player (ankle injury in '02), 2nd-year team co-captain 3rd ND chem.. engineering major ever to graduate with 4.0 GPA (1st since '74) 2-time Acad. All-Amer.; all-BIG EAST in '00, '01; 5-time BE def. player of week
CD	#17 Melissa Tancredi (Sr.; Ancaster, ONT) '03: 3G-5A (11 pts), GWG, 18 GS ... '02: 4G, 18 GP/16 GS career: 11G-9A (31 pts), 2 GWG, 52 GP/44 GS	2-time BE Def. POW, SA Nat'l Team of Week; dnp vs. Pitt, SHU, Mich. 6 of 10G with ND on set-piece headers (all 4 in '02; 2 vs. NTX in '03) converted forward (offensive MVP at 2002 Maryland Classic)
CD	#2 Gudrun Gunnarsdottir (Jr.; Seltjarnarnes, Iceland) '03: 15 GP/8 GS ... '02: 7GP/6 GS ... career: 39 GP/18 GS	member of Icelandic National Team slowed by knee/ankle inj. in '02, broken arm in '03 (missed 4 gms)
G	#1 Erika Bohn (So.; Brookfield, CT) '03 stats: 0.40 GAA, 34 SV, 8 GA, 21 GS '02 stats: 1.27 GAA, 57 SV, 23 GA, 20 GP/19 GS career: 0.82 GA, 91 SV, 31 GA, 41 GP/40 GS, 14 solo ShO (10 in '03)	stopped PK vs. ASU; UConn/ND all-tour. pick ('03); 1 GA in 15 gms before Mich. (3) set ND-record with 981-minute shutout streak (5th in NCAA history) Academic All-America nominee (3.67 GPA, business major) 28-2-1 with 14 GA in last 31 starts (5-0 in spring '03)
G	#0 Nikki Westfall (Fr.; Waterville, OH) '03 stats: 0.77, 2 SV, 1 GA, 6 GP (116:24); last GP vs. GU on Oct. 10	0.76 GAA in '02 at Wayne HS (0.88 career) 5 GA, 15 shutouts as prep sophomore

WALDRUM REGISTERS 200TH WOMEN'S SOCCER WIN – Fifth-year ND head coach Randy Waldrum posted his 200th career win as a Division I women's head coach in the 2-1 game vs. Miami, with a **200-67-16** mark (.735) in 14 combined seasons at Tulsa, Baylor and Notre Dame ... the Irish are **92-17-4** (.832) in the five-year Waldrum era, including 77-13-3 in the last 93 games (since losing 4-2 at SCU on Oct. 17, 1999) ... his ND record spans the career of 5th-year D Vanessa Pruzinsky ... Waldrum – who repeated as BIG EAST coach of the year in 2000 – in '99 became the only coach in the 18-year history of the NCAA women's soccer championship to lead a team to the title game in his first season as that team's head coach ... he was the fourth first-year coach to take his team to the NCAA semi's, beating top-ranked and previously unbeaten Santa Clara in San Jose ... Waldrum's 22-plus-year record as a **college head coach** (men's and women's) is **276-122-23** (.683) ... his women's soccer record includes 61-36-9 in six years at Tulsa and 46-14-3 in three seasons at Baylor ... Waldrum entered '03 ranked 7th among active women's coaches for career winning percentage (min. 10 Div. I seasons).

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA NOMINEES – Four Notre Dame players currently are being considered for Verizon Academic All-America honors, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (the awards are TBA): fifth-year defender **Vanessa Pruzinsky** (4.00 cumulative GPA; chemical engineering major), senior midfielder **Kimberly Carpenter** (3.41; pre-professional science), junior forward **Mary Boland** (3.87; psychology) and sophomore goalkeeper **Erika Bohn** (3.67; business) ... each is being named to the first team Academic All-District squad (Nov. 6, see und.com and later gamenotes for more info. on this honor) ... Pruzinsky was a first team Academic All-American in 2000 and '01 (she was injured in '02), becoming just the second ND student-athlete ever to be a first team Academic All-American as a sophomore and junior (freshmen are not eligible).

PRIMETIME PLAYERS – ND is 28-7-2 in the last four seasons ('00-'03) when facing an NSCAA ranked and/or postseason opponent (77-35 scoring edge in those 38 "big games") ... **Amanda Guertin** has 52 points in those big games (21G-10A) while **Amy Warner** owns 8G-5A vs. ranked/postseason opponents (missed half of '00 due to injury).

FRONTRUNNERS – Prior to the 12th-minute goal by Michigan, ND **had not faced a deficit for nearly two months and 16-plus games**, the longest streak in the program's history ... the only previous time the Irish had trailed came early in the third game, for **7:18 vs. ASU** (ND quickly claimed the lead and went on to a 3-1 win) ... the Irish have **led for 66%** of the 1,920 minutes in '03 while trailing for less than 1% (0.3%; 66 minutes), with Santa Clara and Miami (in the BIG EAST quarterfinal) being the only team to come back and tie the Irish (ND retook the lead for good 12 minutes later vs. SCU) ... the previous team record for longest streak without facing a deficit was a 14-game stretch in 1997, starting with a 5-0 win over Duke (9/21, after trailing two days earlier in a 2-2 tie vs. UNC) ... the '97 streak continued through a 6-1 win over UConn in the BIG EAST title game (11/9) and ended one week later, when Cincinnati opened the scoring in a first-round NCAA Tournament game (ND dominated for a 7-1 win) ... the '97 team spent all season ranked No. 2 in the NSCAA poll ... ND's 2000 squad earned the top ranking after seven games and did not face a deficit for the first 13 games (BC scored first and led for 28 minutes, in a 3-1 ND win) ... that team added six more games without trailing before falling behind UNC in the 82nd minute of the NCAA semifinals (2-1 loss).

KEEP ON CRANKING – Prior to the Michigan loss, ND had avoided pitfalls that have hit other top teams, as the Irish and UNC had been the **only unbeaten teams** for several weeks while the other 292 Div. I programs now include **just four others with one loss**: UCLA, Princeton, Cal Poly and Southeastern Louisiana.

CLUTCH CANADIAN – Sophomore F **Katie Thorlakson** (Langley, B.C.) has picked key times for all four of her game-winning goals in 2003 ... two of her GWGs have come vs. top-15 teams (#10 Santa Clara and #15 Connecticut), plus the overtime goal vs. Villanova and the early strike at Rutgers (3-0) ... she also is the only current ND player with multiple career goals vs. UConn (her goal tied the '02 game, 1-1, in a 3-1 win) ... the '02 ND-UConn game proved to be a key turning point for the program, with current senior **Melissa Tancredi** making the full-time move from F to central D while Thorlakson shifted permanently from M to F ... since those **key shifts**, the Irish are **25-3-1** in their last 29 games.

PLAYING THE BEST – ND has played some of its best soccer vs. ranked opponents, going 24-10-3 vs. NSCAA ranked teams in the Waldrum era (since '99) ... that trend held true in 2001 (5-1-0): 2-1 vs. Penn St., 2-0 vs. Hartford, 2-1 vs. WVU, 3-0 vs. Miami, 0-3 at UConn, 2-1 vs. Michigan ... the Irish posted 2002 wins over #25 Maryland (5-2), #8 UConn (3-1), #13 Michigan (1-0) and #14 Purdue (3-1) ... over the course of the '01-'03 seasons, ND owns an 11-6-1 record vs. NSCAA top-25 teams (38-6-1 vs. unranked teams), including 2003 wins over #16 Santa Clara (2-1), #8 West Virginia (2-0) and #15 UConn (2-0) and a scoreless tie vs. #24 Stanford.

NCAA STAT LEADERS – ND enters the BC game ranked third in the nation for goals-against avg. (0.422, just behind Cal Poly's 0.411 and UNC's 0.417) and the Irish rank second nationally in scoring with 3.19 goals per game (min. 15 games played, with UNC first at 3.75)... senior F **Amy Warner** ranks fifth nationally with 12 assists, trailing just Oklahoma State's Nikki Wojtowicz (16), UNC's Alyssa Ramsey (16), Kelly Shimmin of Central Connecticut (14) and Portland's Lindsey Huie (13) ... Warner also ranks 25th in the nation in points (32) while junior F **Mary Boland** is 31st in the nation with 12 goals ... ND's **Erika Bohn** (0.40) has reclaimed the national GAA lead (min. 1,000 minutes), with UNC's Aly Wingert slipping back to 0.44 after a 6-2 win over N.C. State in the ACC Tournament.

QUICK-STRIKE ARTISTS – Notre Dame has scored in the first 7:00 of eight games this season (total of nine quick-strike goals), with junior F **Mary Boland** responsible for three of those early scores while six other players each have scored one quick goal this season ... the team's quickest goals have come vs. West Virginia (1:24; Boland volley on long serve from Melissa Tancredi), at Seton Hall (1:30; **Amy Warner** near-post shot after taking pass from Jill Krivacek) and twice at Rutgers (2:44 by **Katie Thorlakson** from close range, after leftside pass from Warner; and at 3:53 on **Tancredi** header, via Thorlakson corner kick) ... other quick-strike goals by ND in 2003 have come vs. Hartford (6:32; **Boland** puts back own rebound, after classic 5-player combination sequence that includes right endline cross from Warner), vs. Oklahoma (5:58; **Jen Buczkowski** knocks in rebound after flurry in box), at Santa Clara (5:03; **Boland** on lunging poke after leftside service from Katie Thorlakson), vs. North Texas (4:28; **Amanda Guertin** shot from top of the box via short pass from Warner) and vs. Georgetown (5:39; **Kimberly Carpenter** redirects Vanessa Pruzinsky shot).

GLORY DAYS – Notre Dame's current 65-8 regular-season scoring edge was comparable to the program's five-year dominance in the mid-1990s, with 20-game scoring margins of: 92-14 in '93, 93-8 in '94, 79-15 in '95, 118-10 in '96 and 107-5 in '97 (average of 98-11) ... ND's 0.39 team GAA is tied with the 2000 team for second in Irish history (trailing only the 0.36 in '97).

GOING THE DISTANCE – ND is unbeaten in its last 16 overtime games (12-0-4), since the 3-2, double-OT loss to UNC in the '99 opener ... that team went on to post a 2-1, double-OT win at UConn and played to a 1-1 tie at Nebraska in the NCAA quarter's (adv. on PKs) ... the 2000 team had OT wins over Stanford, at West Virginia and vs. Santa Clara in the NCAA quarter's (all 2-1), also playing to 0-0 at UConn ... '01 featured an unprecedented five OT games (2-1 vs. Indiana, Villanova, WVU and Michigan; 2-2 vs. Wisconsin) while the '02 team added 1-0 OT wins over Rutgers and BC ... the '03 team has played to a scoreless tie with Stanford (at SCU) before posting overtime wins over Villanova (1-0) and Miami (2-1, in BIG EAST quarterfinals).

SHARING THE WEALTH IN OT – ND's 11 overtime wins in the five-year Randy Waldrum era include goals from seven players (plus an own goal vs. Stanford in '00): **Anne Makinen** (vs. UConn in '99), **Amanda Guertin** (ND record 4; vs. WVU in '00, Michigan in '01, BC in '02 and Miami in '03), **Meotis Erikson** (vs. SCU in '00 NCAA quarter's), **Kelly Tulisiak** (vs. IU in '01), **Amy Warner** (2; vs. VU in '01, Rutgers in '02), **Mia Sarkesian** (vs. WVU in '01) and **Katie Thorlakson** (vs. Vill. in '03).

OT MASTERS – Senior **Amanda Guertin** holds the ND record for career OT goals (4), with her classmate **Amy Warner** and '96 national player of the year Cindy Daws ranking second with two each (including Daws' goal vs. Portland in the '95 NCAA title game) ... Guertin (4G-2A) owns 10 career points in OT, followed by Warner (6; 2G-2A) ... Guertin has posted one OT goal in each of her four seasons: at WVU in 2000 and at home vs. Michigan in '01 (both 2-1), at BC in '02 (1-0) and vs. Miami in the '03 BIG EAST quarterfinals (2-1) ... in addition to her double-OT goal on Sept. 20, 2002, vs. Rutgers (1-0), Warner scored in OT vs. Villanova ('01) and had the primary assist on Kelly Tulisiak's OT goal in '01 vs. Indiana (both 2-1) ... she also had the cross that produced an OT own-goal to beat Stanford in '00 and assisted on Guertin's OT goal in '02 at BC (1-0), playing a key role in five of ND's last 11 OT goals (Guertin has scored or assisted on six of the last 10).

GREAT STARTS – Notre Dame went unbeaten after 19 games for the fourth time in the program's history ... here's a look at the other longest season-opening unbeaten streaks in the ND record book:

Year	Start (Scoring)	Notes
1994	24 games (104-11)	went 23-0-1 before losing to UNC in NCAA title game (5-0)
1997	24 games (134-7)	again fashioned 23-0-1 record before losing to UConn in NCAA semifinals (2-1)
2000	24 games (75-8)	another familiar record (23-0-1) precedes a 2-1 loss to UNC in the NCAA semifinals
2003	19 games (63-5)	scoreless tie vs. Stanford only non-win during 18-0-1 start, before 3-2 loss to Michigan
1996	13 games (66-6)	started 13-0-0 prior to 3-1 loss at Santa Clara
1991	12 games	twice-tied team (10-0-2) drops 1-0 game at UMass
1995	10 games	opened 9-0-1 before losing to UConn (5-4 in OT)

MOVING ON UP – ND's impressive career record book can be seen in the fact that **Amanda Guertin** did not crack the Irish top-10 career scoring list until notching her 43rd goal, roughly half of the record total racked up by 1999 graduate Jenny Heft (80) ... here's a look at where Guertin and classmate **Amy Warner** stand on the career points and goals list:

NOTRE DAME CAREER POINTS		NOTRE DAME CAREER GOALS	
1. Jenny Streiffer ('96-'99)	211	1. Jenny Heft ('96-'99)	80
2. Monica Gerardo ('95-'98)	190	2. Monica Gerardo ('95-'98)	73
3. Jenny Heft ('96-'99)	189	3. Jenny Streiffer ('96-'99)	70
Cindy Daws ('93-'96)	189	4. Anne Makinen ('97-'00)	65
5. Anne Makinen ('97-'00)	186	5. Cindy Daws ('93-'96)	61
6. Holly Manthei ('94-'97)	177	6. Meotis Erikson ('97-'00)	59
7. Meotis Erikson ('97-'00)	164	Michelle McCarthy ('92-'95)	59
8. Michelle McCarthy ('92-'95)	156	8. Rosella Guerrero ('92-'95)	55
9. Rosella Guerrero ('92-'95)	142	9. Amanda Guertin ('00-)	48
10. Shannon Boxx ('95-'98)	135	10. Alison Lester ('90-'93)	45
11. Alison Lester ('90-'93)	126	11. Susie Zilvitis ('88-'91)	43
12. Amanda Guertin ('00-)	123	12. Amy Warner ('00-)	37
13. Susie Zilvitis ('88-'91)	112	13. Shannon Boxx ('95-'98)	35
14. Amy Warner ('00-)	99	14. Amy Van Laecke ('94-'96)	34

STREAKY PLAYER – **Amanda Guertin** scored a goal in the final 10 games of 2001 – third-longest in Div. I women's soccer history (SCU's Brandi Chastain had a 15-game goal streak in '90, Hartford's Maria Kun an 11-game streak in '97) ... Guertin also scored goals in an ND-record seven straight postseason games, spanning '01 and '02 (she has 9G in 15 career postseason games) and had points in eight straight games (7G-6A) before the 1-0 loss at Stanford in '02.

GETTING THE GWGs – Amanda Guertin continues to add clutch goals and assists to her career totals (48G-27A, in 88 GP) – with her 18 gamewinning goals ranking second on the ND all-time list (one shy of Jenny Heft's record) ... eight of Guertin's GWGs have come in one-goal games, including four in OT (ND record, no other player with more than two) ... nearly half of Guertin's career goals (17 of 46, or 38%) have been gamewinners – well ahead of the others on the GWG list:

Name (pos., years)	GWG	Goals	(Pct. GWGs)	Name (pos., years)	GWG	Goals	(Pct.)
1. Jenny Heft (F, 1996-99)	19	80	(23.8%)	7. Jenny Streiffer (F, 1996-99)	15	70	(21.4%)
2. Michelle McCarthy (F, 1992-95)	18	59	(30.5%)	8. Meotis Erikson (F, 1997-2000)	13	59	(22.0%)
Amanda Guertin (F, 2000-)	18	48	(37.5%)	9. Amy Warner (F, 2000-)	11	37	(30.0%)
4. Rosella Guerrero (F, '92-'95)	16	55	(29.1%)				
Monica Gerardo (F, '95-'98)	16	73	(21.9%)				
Anne Makinen (M, '97-'00)	16	65	(24.6%)				

PRUZINSKY DRAWS NATIONAL MEDIA ATTENTION – Fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** was spotlighted in a recent feature on College Sports Television while a recent *Sports Illustrated On Campus* highlighted the high achiever – with *Sports Illustrated* now slated to run feature on Pruzinsky in its No. 17 issue ... Pruzinsky – the national high school player of the year and a 2002 invitee to U.S. Under-21 National Team tryouts – wrapped up her undergrad studies last May with a 4.0 cumulative GPA, becoming just the third chemical engineering major (and first since '74) to graduate from Notre Dame with a 4.0.

INJURY WOES CONTINUE – ND's '02 season was hampered by injuries to several top players (totaling 64 games missed, plus 97 thus far in '03 for a total of 161) ... the Irish are playing in the '03 season minus two top players – as junior All-America D **Candace Chapman** suffered a torn ACL knee injury while training with the Canadian National Team (in preparation for the World Cup) while senior M **Randi Scheller** underwent preseason hip surgery ... sophomore M **Jenny Walz** (ACL) has returned to practice after being injured in the spring ... junior starting central D **Gudrun Gunnarsdottir** has returned in a reserve role (after missing four games with a broken arm) while freshman D **Kari Kennedy** (foot) and junior D **Kate Tulisiak** (back) made their 2003 debuts on Oct. 10 vs. Georgetown ... veteran D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** (ankle) made a full-time return at the ND Classic ... Scheller will have the option to apply for a 5th year of eligibility in '04, as will central D **Melissa Tancredi** (she missed '00 with an ACL injury) ... Pruzinsky is a current 5th-year player (out most of '02 with ankle injury) while Chapman will be a senior in '04 and have her own option at a 5th year in '05 ... Tancredi missed three of the final five games in the '03 regular season (due to nagging injuries) while junior F **Mary Boland** also has been sidelined for three recent games.

BOHN ON A ROLL – Sophomore G **Erika Bohn** is 30-3-1 in her last 34 starts (29-2-1 last 32), allowing just 18 goals in that 34-game stretch (20 shutouts, 12 with 1 GA) ... her only losses in that stretch: 3-2 game BYU with a fluke goal (clearance deflected off referee) and a rare late-game PK; the season-ending loss at top-ranked Stanford, with the only goal coming in the 81st minute; and the 3-2 loss to Michigan in the final game of the '03 regular season (UM's final two goals came on corner-kick breakdowns by the ND defense) ... prior to the Michigan game, Bohn had logged 29 consecutive games with the Irish (24 fall, 5 spring) without allowing multiple goals (previously done by BYU on Oct. 19, 2002).

MAGIC NUMBERS – The 3-goal mark has been virtually an automatic win in ND history, with the Irish 198-3-1 all-time (.983) when scoring 3-plus, losing to N.C. State in the '92 opener (4-3), UConn in '95 (5-4, OT) and at Georgetown in '02 (4-3), plus a 3-3 tie vs. Vanderbilt in '91... the Irish had won 88 straight when scoring 3-plus, before the GU loss (now 102-1-0 since Oct. 6, 1995) ... ND is 275-8-11 (.954) in all-time games when holding the opponent to 0-1 goals, including tough 1-0 losses in '02 to eventual NCAA champ Portland and top-ranked Stanford ... prior to the UP loss, the Irish had been 56-0-3 in the previous 59 games when allowing 0-1 GA (dating back to 1-0 loss to SMU in '99, playing minus Finnish national teamer Anne Makinen) ... the program's 16-year history includes just 285 goals allowed in 363 games (0.79 GA per game) ... the Irish have allowed more than one goal in only 68 all-time games (19%) and have yielded 3-plus goals in just 32 all-time games (9%; including two 6-goal games by the opponent, four 5-goal and six 4-goal) ... 91% of ND's all-time games have seen the Irish hold the opponent to 0-2 goals (ND is just 4-27-1 all-time when allowing 3-plus).

FIRST-HALF FORTRESS – The ND defense has been particularly stingy in the first half the past three seasons, allowing just 21 goals in the first half of those 62 games ... the first half in '02 featured little scoring (12-10 ND edge), compared to a 36-6 first-half edge in '03.

EARLY SPARK – **Mary Boland** is the fifth ND player to register a hat trick in an opener and has scored in all three openers of her career (including ND's first goal in '01 and '03), with a diving header to open the scoring in '01 vs. Penn State (2-1) and the final goal in the '02 win at Providence (3-0) ... previous Irish players with hat tricks in openers: Rosella Guerrero as a freshman vs. N.C. State in '92 (4-3 loss), Guerrero and sophomore Michelle McCarthy in '93 at LaSalle (12-0 win), and senior Amy Van Laecke and sophomore Monica Gerardo in '96 at PC (14-0) ... Boland's 7 points vs. Hartford (3G-1A) are most by an ND player since Jenny Streiffer had 3G-1A vs. Miami on Oct. 1, 1999 ... Streiffer holds the ND record for points in a game, with 9 (3G-3A) in the '96 win over Providence (14-0).

ALUMNI UPDATE – Several former Notre Dame women's soccer players have been in the news during recent weeks:

- D **Kate Sobrero** ('98) and M **Shannon Boxx** ('99) were named to the U.S. National Team that finished third at the World Cup, both serving as starters ... Sobrero played for the U.S. team that won the '99 World Cup and was on the '00 Olympic team ... Boxx had no previous National Team experience but had an impressive '03 season in the WUSA (she became the first player ever to score in her first three games with the National Team, in two tuneup games and the 3-1 opener vs. Sweden) ... she also headed in a Mia Hamm corner kick for the gamewinning goal vs. Canada in the third-place game and was one of 16 players named to the all-World Cup team.

- Sobrero and Boxx were two of five former ND players who played in the WUSA 2003 all-star game, as were Washington Freedom D **Jen Grubb** ('00), Boston Breakers D **Monica Gonzalez** ('02) and San Jose CyberRays G **LaKeysia Beene** ('00) ... Sobrero and Gonzalez helped Boston win the WUSA regular-season title while Grubb – who played every minute in the first three WUSA seasons – captained the Freedom to the '03 WUSA Founders Cup title (2-1 in OT vs. Atlanta Beat) ... other ND alums in the '03 WUSA: M **Anne Makinen** ('01; Phil. Charge), D **Lindsey Jones** ('02; N.Y.), D **Kelly Lindsey** ('01; San Jose) and M **Monica Gerardo** ('99; Wash.).

- Three of the above now are college assistants: **Gerardo** at Pittsburgh (where former ND assistant Sue-Moy Chin is the first-year head coach), **Lindsey** with fifth-ranked Colorado and **Boxx** at Cal State Dominguez Hills ... Boxx is enrolled in graduate school at Pepperdine and is one of several former ND players set to be married in coming months (as are Sobrero and former midfield great **Holly Manthei**).

FRESHMAN CLASS RANKED AMONG BEST IN NATION – *Soccer America* rated ND's freshman class 5th in the nation, behind Santa Clara, UCLA, Texas and Portland ... **Jen Buczkowski** (Elk Grove, Ill.) was No. 6 on the list of top recruits (second among M, behind Nebraska's Brittany Timko, who was 2nd overall) ... D **Christie Shaner** (Ambler, Pa.) was No. 22, making ND one of seven schools with multiple players on that top-25 list ... M/D **Lizzie Reed** (Franklin Lakes, N.J.) also was a prep All-American.

FAR & WIDE – Notre Dame's 2003 roster includes players from 14 states, two Canadian provinces (British Columbia and Ontario) and Iceland ... the states on the '03 roster touch all corners of the nation: Arizona, California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas and Washington.

GAME #1 (at UConn Classic; Aug. 29)

#6 NOTRE DAME	5	4	-	9
HARTFORD	1	0	-	1

ND 1. Mary Boland (Warner) 6:32; **ND 2.** Boland (Warner) 15:19; **ND 3.** Kim Carpenter (Scheffer) 27:01; **ND 4.** Maggie Manning (-) 28:55; **HART 1.** Hilde Bakke (Akerlund, Mucha) 41:47; **ND 5.** Amanda Guertin (PK) 43:09; **ND 6.** Guertin (Boland) 50:36; **ND 7.** Manning (Guertin) 58:07; **ND 8.** Boland (Thorlakson, Scheffer) 71:55; **ND 9.** Amy Warner 80:58.

Shots: ND 7-17 - 24, HART 5-2 - 7.

Corner Kicks: ND 2-3 - 5, HART 1-1 - 2.

Saves: ND 4 (Erika Bohn 3, Nikki Westfall 1), HART 5 (Heather Hinton).

Fouls: HART 10-8. **Offsides:** 10-10.

Notes: Despite no preseason exhibitions and facing the challenge of playing minus six injured players, ND posted the 2nd-most goals of the Waldrum era and most since 9-2 vs. Wisconsin in '99 (also 10-0 vs. Georgetown in '99) ... two previous ND teams had a more dominating opener, in '93 (12-0 at LaSalle) and '96 (14-0 at Providence) ... **Annie Scheffer** (missed '02 with ACL) was one of several "newcomers" with a strong debut, looping a shot that was nudged in by **Kim Carpenter** before assisting on **Mary Boland's** third goal on a corner kick ... ND improved to 10-1-0 in its last 11 openers (14-2-0 overall), including four straight since a heartbreaker in '99 vs. top-ranked UNC (2-3-, double-OT) ... ND totaled just 12 first-half goals in '02 but had 5 vs. Hartford (on 7 shots) ... see other notes in release on Boland (3G-1A).

GAME #2 (at UConn Classic; Aug. 31)

WAKE FOREST	0	0	-	0
#6 NOTRE DAME	1	2	-	3

ND 1. Jill Krivacek 1 (Buczowski, Amy Warner) 44:34; **ND 2.** Mary Boland 4 (Guertin) 64:13; **ND 3.** Warner 2 (-) 89:50.

Shots: WFU 4-4 - 8, ND 10-10 - 20.

Corner Kicks: WFU 3, ND 6.

Saves: WFU 7 (Kenna Healy), ND 6 (Erika Bohn 5, team 1).

Fouls: ND 12-11. **Offsides:** ND 4-0.

Notes: **Jill Krivacek** became the first ND freshman to find the net and **Mary Boland** scored for a 9-point weekend ... the 12 goals at the UConn Classic were most ND in back-to-back games since the '99 team scored 16 in wins over Miami (7-1) and Wisconsin (9-2) ... the Irish improved to 11-0-1 in their last 12 vs. ACC teams other than UNC ... all-tournament picks: Boland, **Erika Bohn**, Gudrun **Gunnarsdottir** and **Amy Warner**.

GAME #3 (ND Classic; Sept. 5)

#13 ARIZONA STATE	1	0	-	1
#5 NOTRE DAME	2	1	-	3

ASU 1. Stephanie Peel 1 (Courtney Crane) 10:20; **ND 1.** Mary Boland 5 (Jen Buczowski) 17:38; **ND 2.** Boland 6 (Guertin) 22:38; **ND 3.** Amy Warner 3 (Buczowski) 70:27.

Shots: ASU 6-5 - 11, ND 5-6 - 11.

Corner Kicks: ASU 4, ND 4.

Saves: ASU 1 (Kelly Fitzgerald), ND 4 (Bohn).

Fouls: ASU 15-8. **Offsides:** ND 1-0

Notes: ND endured an early onslaught and trailed for 7:18 before surging ahead ... ND improved to 13-1 in its last 14 home openers while **Mary Boland** set the ND record for the goals in the first 3 games (6) ... **Amy Warner** became the 15th all-time ND player with 30-plus career goals ... **Erika Bohn** saved a PK with the score still 2-1 in the 2nd half.

GAME #4 (ND Classic; Sept. 7)

OKLAHOMA	1	0	-	1
#5 NOTRE DAME	4	1	-	5

ND 1. Jen Buczowski 1 (-) 5:58; **ND 2.** Amanda Guertin (Warner, Buczowski) 20:45; **OU 1.** Becky Nelson 2 (Lauren MacIver) 25:19; **ND 3.** Buczowski (Reed) 33:31; **ND 4.** Annie Scheffer 1 (-) 41:09; **ND 5.** Molly Iarocci 1 (Carpenter, Scheffer) 84:12.

Shots: OU 2-2 - 4, ND 19-8 - 27.

Corner Kicks: OU 0, ND 6.

Saves: OU 12 (Catherine Wade 7, Keara Jones 5), ND 0 (Erika Bohn, Nikki Westfall).

Fouls: ND 12-7 **Offsides:** OU 1-0.

Notes: The Irish improved to 17-3-2 in all-time home tournaments ... the '03 squad became the 4th ND team ever to register 3-plus goals in each of its first 4 games (also '93, '96, '98) while the 20-3 scoring edge compared with fast starts in '93 (24-2), '95 (24-0), '96 (23-1) and '98 (23-1) ... the last time an ND team posted 3-plus goals in 4 straight games came in the '99 postseason ... **Amanda Guertin** became the 11th ND player to reach the 40-goal milestone and the score (2-0) ended up as the game-winning goal, tying her with three previous players for third in the ND record book with 16 career GWGs ... sophomore **M Annie Scheffer** scored her first official goal with the Irish on a 20-yard free kick and later added her 2nd corner-kick assist of the season ... freshman **M Jen Buczowski** (2G-3A) was named ND Classic Offensive MVP and BIG EAST rookie of the week while being one of 11 players named to national player-of-the-week teams by *Soccer America* and *Soccer Buzz* ... 5th-year player **Vanessa Pruzinsky** earned defensive MVP honors at the ND Classic for the second time in her career (also '01), leading a defense that held ASU and OU to a combined 15 shots (6 on target) and 4 corner kicks ... other all-tournament picks included: **Amy Warner** (1G-1A), **Kim Lorenzen**, **Mary Boland** (2G vs. ASU) and **Erika Bohn** (2 GA, saved PK vs. ASU).

GAME #5 (Sept. 11)

#2 NOTRE DAME	0	1	-	2
ST. JOHN'S	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Amy Warner 4 (Katie Thorlakson) 50:58; **ND 2.** Amanda Guertin 4 (-) 89:28.

Shots: ND 8-10 - 18., SJU 1-5 - 6.

Corner Kicks: ND 7, SJU 2.

Saves: ND 2 (Erika Bohn), SJU 8 (Tracy Rollins).

Fouls: SJU 14-12. **Offsides:** ND 2-1.

Notes: Amy Warner picked up her 31st career goal and 10th gamewinner (the 9th player in ND history with double-digit GWGs) while fellow senior **Amanda Guertin** notched her 41st career goal ... the Irish finished with an 18-6 overall shot advantage (10-2 in shots on target).

GAME #6 (Sept. 13)

WESTERN KENTUCKY	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	2	3	-	5

ND 1. Annie Scheffer 2 (Amanda Guertin) 15:18; **ND 2.** Amy Warner 5 (Mary Boland, Scheffer) 19:36; **ND 3.** Katie Thorlakson 1 (Maggie Manning, Warner) 45:50; **ND 4.** Thorlakson 2 (Warner) 47:26; **ND 5.** Scheffer 3 (PK) 49:23.

Shots: WK 0-3 - 3, ND 11-10 - 21.

Corner Kicks: WK 2, ND 9.

Saves: WK 8 (Becky Kasper), ND 1 (Erika Bohn 0, Nikki Westfall 1).

Fouls: ND 12-6. **Offsides:** 0-0.

ND-WKU Notes: **Annie Scheffer** (1A) and **Katie Thorlakson** both scored twice while senior **Amy Warner** had a part in three of the ND goals ... ND broke open the game with a 3-goal flurry to start the 2nd half, as Thorlakson scored twice and drew a PK (scored by Scheffer) all in a span of 3:33 ... the '03 squad became the 7th ND team to win its first six games (also '93-'97, '00) while the 27 goals represent the 4th-most ever scored by an Irish team at the 6-game point (37 in '96, 31 in '93 and '95) ... 5th-year player **Vanessa Pruzinsky** picked up the 5th BIG EAST defensive player-of-the-week award of her career after helping limit SJU and WKU to nine combined shots (just three on target) and five corner kicks.

Game #7 (Sept. 19; Buck Shaw Stadium)

#2 NOTRE DAME	0	0	0	0	-	0
#16 STANFORD	0	0	0	0	-	0

Shots: ND 8-4-0-1 - 13, STAN 5-1-0-1 - 7.

Corners: ND 1-1-0-2 - 4, ST 0-1-1-0 - 2.

Saves: ND 2 (Erika Bohn), STAN 5 (Nicole Barnhart).

Fouls: ND 16, ST 15.

Offsides: ND 2, ST 1.

Notes: ND maintained a narrow lead in the Stanford series (4-3-1) ... the tie pushed ND's unbeaten streak in OT to 14 games (10-0-4), dating back to the '99 opener ... All-American G Nicole Barnhart made 5 saves, including a lunging tip that sent an Amanda Guertin chip off the crossbar ... ND's previous scoreless ties: vs. Dayton in '91, vs. UNC in '94 (in St. Louis, ending UNC's NCAA-record 92-game win streak) and at UConn in 2000.

GAME #8 (Sept. 21; Buck Shaw Stadium)

#2 NOTRE DAME	1	1	-	2
#10 SANTA CLARA	0	1	-	1

ND 1. Mary Boland 7 (Katie Thorlakson) 5:03; **SCU 1.** Marian Dalmay 4 (Veronica Zepeda) 62:47; **ND 2.** Thorlakson 3 (Boland) 75:14.

Shots: ND 8-6 - 14, SCU 2-3 - 5.

Corner Kicks: ND 6-0 - 6, SCU 1-0 - 1.

Saves: ND 0 (Erika Bohn), SCU 5 (Julie Ryder).

Fouls: ND 11, SCU 10.

Offsides: ND 7, SCU 0.

Notes: **Christie Shaner** was named the SCU Classic defensive MVP, BIG EAST rookie of the week and was one of 11 named to the Soccer Buzz national players-of-the-week team after playing a lead role alongside senior Melissa Tancredi as the central defenders for an Irish squad that held Stanford and SCU to 12 combined shots (just 3 on goal) and 3 combined corner kicks ... **Katie Thorlakson** was the SCU Classic's offensive MVP after providing the leftside cross that led to **Mary Boland's** early goal before knocking home Boland's deflected shot for the gamewinner vs. SCU ... ND's all-tournament picks included Shaner, Thorlakson, Boland and senior **F Amy Warner** (Boland and Warner also were all-tournament at the UConn and ND Classics) ... ND dominated the play while handing the Broncos their first-ever loss in the SCU Classic ... ND finished with a 14-5 edge in overall shots (8-1 first half) while SCU converted its only shot on net ... Boland's goal was her first since scoring 6 in the first 3 games (an ND record) ... Marian Dalmay's goal ended ND's shutout streak at 418 minutes ... just two previous ND teams have allowed fewer goals in the first 8 games (0 in '95, 3 in '97) ... ND improved to 5-3-0 in the SCU series.

GAME #9 (Sept. 28)

NORTH TEXAS	0	1	-	1
#2 NOTRE DAME	5	3	-	8

ND 1. Amanda Guertin 5 (Warner) 4:28; **ND 2.** M. Tancredi 1 (Guertin) 6:12; **ND 3.** Tancredi 2 (Guertin) 35:59; **ND 4.** M. Manning 3 (Carpenter) 37:51; **ND 5.** L. Reed (Thorlakson) 41:56; **ND 6.** A. Warner 6 (-) 56:16; **ND 7.** M. Boland 8 (Tancredi, Thorlakson) 62:41; **NTX 1.** Melinda Pina 13 (-) 66:37; **ND 8.** B. Tweneboah 1 (McMillin) 81:14.

Shots: NTX 2-1 - 3, ND 13-18 - 31.

Corner Kicks: NTX 1-1 - 2, ND 3-5 - 8.

Saves: NTX 12 (Briana Buchanan), ND 1 (Erika Bohn 0 in 57:59, Nikki Westfall 1).

Fouls: NTX 5, ND 12. **Off.:** NTX 0, ND 0.

Notes: **Melissa Tancredi** pushed forward to score the 2nd and 3rd goals, on a header and lunging volley via **Amanda Guertin free kicks** ... Tancredi became the 7th ND player with a multiple-goal game in '03 ... **Katie Thorlakson** (2A) continued her surge, **Maggie Manning** had her first goal since the opener and **Lizzie Reed** and **Becky Tweneboah** added their first goals with ND ... UNT entered as one of the nation's top-scoring teams (3.6 goals/gm) ... Guertin scored ND's quickest goal in the first nine games, at 4:28.

GAME #10 (Sept. 30)

INDIANA STATE	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	2	1	-	3

ND 1. Amanda Guertin 6 (Amy Warner) 10:01; **ND 2.** Mary Boland 9 (PK) 41:29; **ND 3.** Kimberly Carpenter 2 (Boland) 51:19.

Shots: ISU 0-1 - 1, ND 17-15 - 32.

Corner Kicks: ISU 0-0 - 0, ND 5-2 - 7.

Saves: ISU 13 (Carey Patton), ND 1 (Erika Bohn 1, Nikki Westfall 0).

Fouls: ISU 2, ND 4. **Offsides:** ISU 0, ND 1.

Notes: **Amanda Guertin** cracked the ND top-10 scoring list with her 43rd career goal and 17th GWG (2 shy of ND record) ... ISU became the 5th team in '03 that fail to post a rare win over ND in the series opener, as the Irish improved 35-5 in their last 40 series openers (since '93) and 36-3-1 vs. first-time visitors to Alumni Field in that 11-year stretch.

GAME #11 (Oct. 3)

#5 WEST VIRGINIA	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	1	1	-	2

ND 1. Mary Boland 10 (Melissa Tancredi) 1:24; **ND 2.** Kimberly Carpenter 3 (Tancredi, Katie Thorlakson) 53:14.

Shots: WVU 1-1 - 2, ND 6-11 - 17.

Corner Kicks: WVU 0-4 - 4, ND 4-5 - 9.

Svs: WV 9 (Lana Bannerman), ND 1 (Bohn).

Fouls: WVU 11, ND 19. **Off.:** WVU 4, ND 4.

Yellow Card: Katie Thorlakson 2 (ND) 50:31.

Notes: **Mary Boland** scored ND's earliest goal of the season (1:24) while ND turned in a dominating effort with constant pressure, holding WVU to a single shot on goal ... ND pushed its BIG EAST home winning streak to 45 games (dating back to '95) ... the Irish stayed unbeaten after 11 games for the sixth time in the last 13 seasons ... **Melissa Tancredi's** long service assisted on Boland's skillful high volley shot to open the scoring ... **Amy Warner** was possibly the player of the game, buzzing all over the field to lead the pressuring Irish presence ... Warner set up the second goal after speeding away from the defense and forcing **Katie Thorlakson** leftside corner kick, with Tancredi deflecting the ball and **Kimberly Carpenter** scoring on a volley ... ND held a 9-2 CK edge until the final minute, when WVU tacked on two more CKs.

GAME #12 (Oct. 5)

VILLANOVA	0	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	0	0	1	-	1

ND 1. Katie Thorlakson 4 (Kimberly Carpenter) 97:22.

Shots: VILL 2-2-1 - 5, ND 6-8-2 - 16.

Corner Kicks: VILL 2-0-0 - 2, ND 2-1-0 - 3.

Saves: VILL 7 (Chrissy Dolan), ND 1 (Bohn).

Fouls: VILL 12, ND 17. **Off.:** VILL 1, ND 1.

Yellow Card: Lindsey Finnegan (VILL) 14:25.

Notes: **Katie Thorlakson** took a short free-kick pass from **Kim Carpenter** and drilled home a low, leftfooted shot from 24 yards to continue ND's OT streak (11-0-4 since '99) ... VU had allowed just 5 goals in its previous 12 games ... the goal gave Thorlakson 12 pts (4G-4A) in an 8-game stretch ... she became the 7th different Irish player to score in OT during the 5-year Waldrum era.

GAME #13 (Oct. 7)

BUTLER	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	1	2	-	3

ND 1. Kimberly Carpenter 4 (-) 33:25; **ND 2.** Amy Warner 7 (Jen Buczkowski) 53:52; **ND 3.** own goal 79:16.

Shots: Butler 2-0 - 2, ND 6-18 - 24.

Corner Kicks: Butler 2-1 - 3, ND 2-3 - 5.

Saves: Butler 10 (Katie Sanders 8, team 2), ND 1 (Erika Bohn).

Fouls: BU 7, ND 7. **Offsides:** BU 0, ND 3.

Yellow Card: Kate Lord (Butler) 29:04.

Notes: **Kim Carpenter** continued her recent scoring binge by notching the game's first goal (her 5th consecutive game with a point) while fellow senior **Amy Warner** added a goal and had the point-blank shot that led to an own-goal ... ND stayed unbeaten after 13 games for the 5th time in the program's history ... the Irish completed a rare stretch of three games in five days while posting their 4th straight shutout ... ND took the final 23 shots of the game and held its opponent to 0-1 shots on goal for the 10th straight game ... Warner's goal was 34th of her career (13th ND history).

GAME #14 (Oct. 10)

GEORGETOWN	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	2	4	-	6

ND 1. Kimberly Carpenter 5 (Vanessa Pruzinsky, Amy Warner) 5:39; **ND 2.** Maggie Manning 4 (Pruzinsky) 36:37; **ND 3.** Amanda Guertin 7 (Maggie Manning) 46:46; **ND 4.** Warner 8 (-) 49:16; **ND 5.** Guertin 8 (Jen Buczkowski, Jill Krivacek) 69:29; **ND 6.** Annie Scheffter 4 (Becky Tweneboah) 78:44.

Shots: GU 0-5 - 5, ND 8-10 - 18.

Corner Kicks: GU 1-2 - 3, ND 1-1 - 2.

Saves: GU 5 (Erin Mazursky 5 in 72:20, Louise Butler 0), ND 1 (Erika Bohn 0, Nikki Westfall 1).

Fis: GU 11, ND 10. **Off.:** GU 0, ND 3. ND 1.

Yellow Card: Katie Thorlakson 3 (ND) 76:26.

Notes: The Irish offense scored early and often as ND remained unbeaten after 14 games for the 4th time in the program's history ... **Kimberly Carpenter** pushed her point-scoring streak to six games by finding the net at the 5:39 mark, the 6th time in '03 that ND had scored in the first 7:00 ... the efficient offense cashed in six of 18 shots while the defense did not allow a shot until the 63rd minute, yielding a streak of 138 minutes in which ND held its opponents without a shot (including most of the Butler game ... seniors **Amy Warner** (1G-1A) and **Amanda Guertin** (2G) combined to play a role in four of the goals ... the game marked the 5th time in '03 that the Irish had scored 5-plus goals.

GAME #15 (Oct. 12)

MIAMI	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	1	2	-	3

ND 1. Mary Boland 11 (Katie Thorlakson, Christie Shaner) 20:37; **ND 2.** Amanda Guertin 9 (Melissa Tancredi); **ND 3.** Thorlakson 5 (Jill Krivacek) 56:25.

Shots: MIA 1-3 - 4, ND 8-9 - 17.

Corner Kicks: MIA 0-2 - 2, ND 2-5 - 7.

Saves: MIA 4 (Alex Alford), ND 2 (Bohn).

Fouls: MIA 12, ND 7. **Off.:** MIA 0, ND 5.

Yellow Card: Ashley Durkee (MIA) 34:53.

Notes: More balanced offense and dominating defense capped a rugged stretch of 6 games in 13 days ... ND extended its string of holding the opponent to 0-2 shots on goal to 12 games ... freshman central back **Christie Shaner** picked up her first point on a rightside corner kick in the 21st minute, with **Katie Thorlakson** redirecting the ball on a near-post flick before **Mary Boland** scored on a leftside header ... **Melissa Tancredi's** long thru-ball and Thorlakson's "dummy" play later sprung **Amanda Guertin** for her 46th career goal ... Thorlakson capped the scoring by knocking in a rebound of a **Jill Krivacek** shot.

GAME #16 (Oct. 17)

#15 CONNECTICUT	0	0	-	0
#2 NOTRE DAME	2	0	-	2

ND 1. Katie Thorlakson 6 (Melissa Tancredi, Shaner) 19:14; **ND 2.** Lizzie Reed (-) 40:33.

Shots: UConn 3-1 - 4, ND 5-6 - 11.

Corner Kicks: UConn 3-1 - 4, ND 1-2 - 3.

Saves: UConn 5 (Erin Rice), ND 2 (Bohn).

Fouls: UC 11, ND 15. **Off.:** UC 0, ND 4.

Yellow Card: Amy Warner 2 (ND) 55:27.

Notes: The Irish overcame the absence of leading scorer Mary Boland while turning in another strong defensive effort as ND completed a rare 8-game homestand ... Katie Thorlakson scored on a corner-kick sequence while Lizzie Reed added a goal in her first action at forward ... ND held UConn without a shot on goal for the final 60 minutes ... it marked the 13th straight game that ND held the opponent to 0-2 shots on goal, with the Irish taking over the national GAA lead (0.31) ... ND pushed its home winning streak vs. BIG EAST teams to 49 games (since '95) ... ND improved its series record vs. UConn to 12-3-2 (6-1-1 in last 8) ... Erika Bohn made a tough point-blank save in the 30th minute, sprinting off her line and leaping forward to thwart UConn leading scorer Jessica Gjersten's breakaway near the top of the box.

GAME #17 (Oct. 19; Indianola, Pa.)

#2 NOTRE DAME	1	0	-	1
PITTSBURGH	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Mary Boland 12 (Christie Shaner) 21:03.

Shots: ND 10-8 - 18, Pitt 3-3 - 6.

Corner Kicks: ND 4, Pitt 1.

Saves: ND 3 (Bohn), Pitt 7 (Jamie Pelusi).

Fouls: ND 15, Pitt 10. **Offsides:** ND 2, Pitt 0.

Yellow Card: Pittsburgh bench (88:00).

Notes: Mary Boland's return featured her 5th game-winning goal of '03 (heading home a long service from Christi Shaner) while Erika Bohn set the ND record for consecutive shutout minutes (789), as the Irish overcame the absence of defensive leader Melissa Tancredi to tie a team record with its 8th straight shutout ... Pittsburgh was the fresher team, due to a rare Friday off before a conference game ... the game was ND's first away from home in four weeks and just the third on the opponent's field.

GAME #18 (Oct. 24; Piscataway, N.J)

#2 NOTRE DAME	3	0	-	3
RUTGERS	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Katie Thorlakson 7 (Amy Warner) 2:44;
ND 2. Melissa Tancredi 3 (Thorlakson) 3:53;
ND 3. Thorlakson 8 (-) 31:27.
Shots: ND 5-4 - 9, RU 2-2 - 4.
Corner Kicks: ND 1-1 - 2, RU 1-4 - 5.
Saves: ND 1 (Bohn), RU 3 (Robyn Jones).
Fouls: ND 13, RU 13.
Offsides: ND 1, RU 0

Notes: ND's Canadian connection of **Katie Thorlakson** and **Melissa Tancredi** combined for all three goals and an assist while the Irish defense set a team record with its 9th straight shutout ... ND struck quickly with a pair of goals in the first four minutes (its earliest 2-0 lead of '03) ... Thorlakson scored ND's second-quickest goal of the season (2:44), via a leftside feed from **Amy Warner**, before assisting on Tancredi's header with her leftside corner kick.

GAME #19 (Oct. 26; South Orange, N.J)

#2 NOTRE DAME	1	1	-	2
SETON HALL	0	0	-	0

ND 1. Amy Warner (Jill Krivacek) 1:30;
ND 2. Warner (Katie Thorlakson, Gudrun Gunnarsdottir) 60:02.
Shots: ND 5-13 - 18, SHU 2-4 - 6.
Corner Kicks: ND 2-2 - 4, SHU 0-3 - 3.
Saves: ND 1 (Erika Bohn), SHU 8 (Buffy Wojciehowski).
Fouls: ND 13, SHU 11.
Offsides: ND 7, SHU 0

Notes: **Amy Warner** scored ND's quickest goal of the season (1:30, on a near-post shot after a feed from Jill Krivacek) and added a second-half goal while the ND defense again allowed just one shot on goal (16th straight game with 0-3 opponent SOGs) and pushed the shutout streak to 10 games (5th NCAA history) ... ND again elected to rest **Melissa Tancredi** ... the Irish tied a team record for consecutive games without allowing multiple goals (24) ... Warner became the 8th ND player to post a multiple-goal game in '03 (she also notched her 11th career GWG while pushing her career goal total to 37).

GAME #20 (Oct. 29)

MICHIGAN	2	1	-	3
#2 NOTRE DAME	1	1	-	2

UM 1. Katie Kramer 3 (-) 11:07; **ND 1.** Amanda Guertin 10 (Vanessa Pruzinsky) 12:08; **UM 2.** Therese Heaton 2 (Robyn Vince) 31:43; **UM 3.** Stephanie Chavez 5 (-) 48:12; **ND 2.** Katie Thorlakson 9 (Amy Warner) 68:23.
Shots: UM 3-3 - 6, ND 9-10 - 19.
Corner Kicks: UM 1-1 - 2, ND 3-1 - 4.
Saves: UM 8 (Megan Tuura), ND 3 (Erika Bohn 2, team 1).
Fouls: UM 14, ND 13.
Offsides: UM 0, ND 7.

Notes: Michigan - facing virtually a must-win game for its NCAA postseason chances - managed just a handful of scoring chances but converted on each of them before holding off an injury-hampered ND squad ... ND was forced to play without two of its top players, senior D **Melissa Tancredi** and junior F **Mary Boland** ... Michigan did not attempt a shot in the final 41 minutes while going into a defensive shell to hold off the ND onslaught ... the Wolverines claimed an early lead before moving back in front in the 30th minute and then taking a 3-1 lead early in the second half ... UM capitalized on its only two corner-kicks of the game ... the game ended several ND streaks: 16 games without a deficit, 10 straight shutouts, Erika Bohn's 981-minute shutout streak, 24 games without multiple goals allowed, 27 games without a two-goal deficit, 12 consecutive wins and a 19-game unbeaten streak ... the Irish came one game shy of the program's 4th unbeaten regular season ... it marked the first time in 17 games that the opponent had more than three shots on goal (6).

GAME #21 (Nov. 2; BIG EAST Quarterfinal)

MIAMI	1	0	0	-	1
#2 NOTRE DAME	1	0	1	-	2

ND 1. Katie Thorlakson 10 (Kimberly Carpenter, Amy Warner) 15:47; **MIA 2.** Jackie Garcia 1 (-) 17:26; **ND 2.** Amanda Guertin 11 (Carpenter) 92:54.
Shots: MIA 3-2-0 - 5, ND 12-13-2 - 27.
Corner Kicks: MIA 2-1-0 - 3, ND 7-4-0 - 11.
Saves: MIA 8 (Alex Alford 7, team 1), ND 2 (Erika Bohn).
Fouls: MIA 13, ND 8.
Offsides: MIA 0, ND 2.
Yellow Cards: Britney Butcher (MIA) 92:29; Ashley Durkee (MIA) 92:53.

Notes: Amanda Guertin took a free-kick tap in overtime from Kimberly and ripped a 20-yard shot into the upper right corner for her 18th career game-winner (one shy of Jenny Heft's team record) ... she also added to her own ND record with her fourth OT goal (and 48th overall goal) ... ND remained unbeaten in 16 straight overtime games (12-0-4), after overcoming a fluke Hurricanes goal and the continued absence of top scorer Mary Boland (ND then held Miami without a shot for 52 minutes) ... the Irish held a 27-5 edge in total shots and 10-3 in shots on goal (the 17th time in the last 18 games that the opponent has been held to 0-3 shots on goal) ... the Irish also held a commanding 11-3 edge in corner kicks but failed to cash in any of those chances ... Carpenter also had the primary assist on ND's first goal, with her pass from the right corner setting up Thorlakson's quick shot inside the left post ... ND improved to 29-2 in all-time postseason games played at home and 19-0 in all BIG EAST Tournament games while posting the program's 50th consecutive home win over a BIG EAST opponent, dating back to '95 ... Miami joined Santa Clara as the only teams to come from behind and tie ND this season.