

2003 Notre Dame
Women's Soccer
(14-0-1)

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. Stanford T, 0-0
21 at Santa Clara W, 2-1

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

October

3 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 Connecticut (non-BE) 7:30
19 at Pittsburgh 1:00
24 at Rutgers 7:00
26 at Seton Hall 1:00
29 Michigan 4:00

November

1-2 BIG EAST Quarterfinals

BIG EAST Champ. (@Rutgers)

7 Semifinals TBA
9 Final TBA

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

All times local to site

NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S SOCCER

Game Notes – vs. Connecticut (Friday, Oct. 17; 7:30 p.m. EST)

The second-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team (14-0-1; 55-5 scoring edge) enters the final game in a rare eight-game homestand (longest since '92) with the annual showdown vs. BIG EAST rival and 15th-ranked Connecticut (8-3-3), with the late start set for 7:30 p.m. on Friday night, Oct. 17, at Alumni Field ... the game again is being played as a "bonus game," in addition to the set BIG EAST schedule of two cross-divisional games per game (ND was paired with St. John's and Miami this year) ... the Irish have totaled nearly double the number of goals (55) as opponent shots on goal (32, just 16 in last 12 games) ... ND is riding a 6-game shutout streak and is the nation's No. 2-ranked team for scoring (3.67 goals per game) and goals-against average (0.33) ... the Irish have not lost a home BIG EAST game since a wild 5-4 overtime game with UConn in 1995 (a 48-game win streak) and are 125-8-2 (.9313) in their last 135 overall home games (147-12-2 all-time at home) ... ND solidified its spot among the nation's top teams in mid-Sept. with a dominating defensive effort vs. perennial powers Stanford (0-0) and Santa Clara (2-1) at the SCU Classic before maintaining that momentum with a convincing win over #5 West Virginia (2-0) ... ND has been ranked in the top two of the NSCAA coaches poll nine of the last 11 years (all but '01 and '02), earning No. 1 in '94, '95, '96 and '00.

INFORMATION HIGHWAY – Live stats will be provided for all ND home games (and select away games), with a link available via the main page at www.und.com ... for schedule and result information on all 26 Notre Dame varsity sports, call the ND Sports Hotline at (574) 631-3000 (press "4" for soccer information and then "2" for women's soccer results) ... see www.uconnhuskies.com for UConn info.

INTERNET AUDIO – Four ND women's soccer regular-season games (plus possible postseason) will be available via internet audio broadcasts at www.und.com – including the UConn game ... the audio is available to SportsPass subscribers (see und.com audio/video link), who also can listen to audio from other ND sports and from other schools that are part of SportsPass ... the ND broadcast schedule kicked off with the games vs. West Virginia (Oct. 3), Villanova (Oct. 5), plus the UConn (Oct. 17) and Michigan (Oct. 29) tilts.

CONFERENCE CALL – ND's all-time record in regular-season conference games is 91-7-2 (.920; 72-7-2/.901 in BIG EAST games) ... the Irish are 51-1 in home games vs. BIG EAST teams, with 48 straight home BIG EAST wins since a 5-4 OT loss to UConn in '95 (237-16 scoring edge, 34 shutouts, 13 games with 1 GA) ... since '95, ND's overall record vs. BIG EAST teams is 91-8-2 (.911; 1-1 vs. UConn in NAAs).

HUSKIES NOTES – UConn (8-3-3) owns noteworthy OT wins at Portland (3-2) and at Boston College (2-1), also beating Central Connecticut (4-1), Yale (2-0), Long Beach State (5-0), Virginia Tech (5-3), Pittsburgh (3-0) and Providence (3-0; Oct. 15) ... UConn's losses have come vs. West Virginia (0-1), at Miami (1-3) and at Hartford (0-1), with ties vs. Wake Forest (0-0), Washington (1-1, at UP) and vs. Hofstra (0-0) ... the Huskies own a 30-12 season scoring edge, led by senior F Jessica Guertsen (10G-3A) and junior F Kristen Graczyk (9G-7A; after 15G-6A in '02) ... senior Erin Rice owns a 0.87 GAA, with 50 saves and 12 GA ... UConn returned 18 of 26 letterwinners and just 5 starters from its 2002 team that went 21-3-1 and advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals (losing 2-1 vs. Penn State) ... 17 of 22 players named to the 2002 all-BIG EAST teams returned for 2003 but 4 of the non-returns were UConn players: M Sarah Popper, G Maria Yatrakis, D Naima Montacer and F Salla Ranta.

SERIES NOTES – Notre Dame leads the UConn series 11-3-2 (5-1-2 last eight), including a pair of wins in '99 – 2-1 in double OT (at ND) and 1-0 in the BIG EAST title game (at Rutgers) – followed by an 0-0 tied at UConn late in 2000 (ND beat UC in the 2000 BIG EAST title game, 1-0 at ND on an own goal) ... UConn won the '01 game in Storrs (3-1), behind first goals of the season from Casey Zimny and Jennifer Amaio (Alexa Borisjuk also scored, with Amanda Guertin's goal averting the shutout) ... ND – which played without Mary Boland – owned a 15-9 shot edge in the '02 game (6-6 in corners) ... the Irish came back to beat UConn in '02, 3-1 (see p. 2).

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER
BY THE NUMBERS

270-8-11 (.953)

ND's all-time record when holding opponent to 0-1 goals (76-2-4 since Sept. 9, 1999)

197-3-1 (.983)

ND's all-time record when scoring 3-plus goals (101-1-0 since Oct. 6, 1995)

88-16-4 (.833)

Randy Waldrum's record at Notre Dame

87

Vanessa Pruzinsky's career GP (85 GS)

76

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

58

Consecutive starts by Amy Warner

48

BIG EAST home winning streak (since '95)

26

All-Americans (since 1994)

23-10-3

ND vs. NSCAA top-25 teams since 1999

17

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

17-3-2

All-time record in home tournaments

20

Current streak without allowing multiple goals

17

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

15

ND's current unbeaten OT streak (11-0-4)

13

Ranked opponents faced by Irish in 2002

12

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

12-10

1st-half goalscoring edge in '02 (23-3 in '03)

10

Guertin's goalscoring streak at end of '01

10

Academic All-Americans (since 1995)

7

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

7

Players with multiple-goal games in 2003

5

National ranking for ND's 2003 freshman class

4.0

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

3

Guertin's career OT goals (ND record)

2

All-time postseason home losses (28 Ws)

RECAPPING THE '02 ND-UConn GAME (3-1) – Notre Dame turned in a dominant 2nd half (9-0 shot edge, 4-0 on corner kicks), yielding final totals of 17-4 in shots and 5-2 in corners ... the Irish tied the game on Katie Thorlakson's first goal of '02 before Amanda Guertin's pinpoint corners set up header goals by Randi Scheller and Melissa Tancredi ... key lineup changes included M Ashley Dryer returning from injury while Mary Boland started at midfield, with Thorlakson shifting to forward and Tancredi moving to central defense ... Boland effectively neutralized M Sarah Popper while Tancredi held top forward Kristen Graczyk in check ... UConn struck first when Salla Ranta ran onto a thru-ball for a low shot, shortly before halftime ... early in the 2nd half, Candace Chapman and Amy Warner worked a give-and-go and Chapman sent a lead pass, with Thorlakson one-touching a 16-yard shot into the lower left corner ... Scheller later found herself unmarked at the far left post and sends an easy header on Guertin corner and Tancredi caps the big win by elevating above the defense and heading another Guertin corner under the crossbar.

SERIES SCORING – ND owns a 34-20 series scoring edge vs. UConn (20-11 in the last 10) ... UConn has scored more than two goals vs. ND just three times (5-4 UC win in '95, 4-3 ND win in '96, 3-1 UC win in '01) and the Irish have held UConn to 0-2 goals in 10 of the last 11 (the Huskies totaled one goal over four games vs. ND in 1999 and 2000) ... ND owns a 174-101 shot edge (avg. 19-11) in the last nine games of the series ... the series has produced low-scoring games (avg. 3.3 combined goals/gm), with one 0-0 game, four 1-0 games, one 1-1 game, one 2-0 game, three 2-1 games (others: 5-4, 4-3, 6-1, 4-2, 3-1).

IN THE POLLS – Prior to last season, both teams were ranked in the NSCAA poll in the first 15 games of the series, including times in which each team was ranked among the top four (10 with each in the top-five) ... those rankings dropped off a bit in '99, as ND was 6th prior to both games (UConn was 8th and 13th, its lowest rankings in the series prior to 2000) ... the lower-ranked team is 5-8-2 in previous ND-UConn games, with the underdog wins coming in 1995 (#5 UConn over #2 ND, 5-4 in OT), in the 1997 NCAA semifinals (#4 UConn 2, #2 ND 1), in the 1998 BE title game (#5 ND 1, #3 UConn 0), in 2001 (#15 UConn 3, #4 ND 1) and in 2002 (ND 3, #9 UConn 1).

CT CONNECTIONS – Notre Dame fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** is a native of Trumbull, Conn., where she was an All-American at Trumbull HS, the NSCAA national player of the year as a senior and twice earned New England player of the year ... Pruzinsky led Trumbull to three state titles and a 65-8-3 record in her four-year career ... she earned three team MVP awards, finished as the school's all-time leading scorer with 79G-59A and was part of a 20-0-0 team during her senior year that did not allow a goal ... Pruzinsky helped her Weston Wild Things club team capture the '98 national title ... second-year Irish G **Erika Bohn** was a star player at Brookfield (Conn.) HS, where she set team records for career GAA (0.68) and shutouts (41), also totaling 16 goals as a free-kick/PK specialist ... Bohn led Brookfield to state runner-up titles in 1999 and 2001 (she was all-state three times) ... Bohn also led the Yankee United Rage club team to five state titles (her coach on the Rage was current Yale coach Rudy Meredith, who coached Pruzinsky on the Wild Things).

FRIEND OR FOE? – Several ND and UConn players are former teammates, most notably two of the top scorers for both teams – ND senior **Amy Warner** and UConn junior **Kristen Graczyk** (at La Cueva HS in Albuquerque, N.M.) ... ND fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** (Trumbull, Conn.) played against several former UConn players as a prep while also playing alongside several UConn players during her ODP and regional team days ... UConn junior D **Kim Noivadhana** and sophomore M **Karlyn Miselis** were members of the Yankee United Rage club program, as was ND sophomore G **Erika Bohn** ... Bohn also played on the Connecticut state ODP team with UConn sophomore M **Lara Batey** (they opposed each other in high school) while sophomore freshman M/F **Kristi Lefebvre** was a teammate of Bohn's on the regional ODP team (she also played for the Bethesda Fury club team, an arch-rival of the Yankee United Rage).

CAREER STATS VS. UCONN – Current ND players have scored four career goals vs. UConn, by current senior F **Amanda Guertin** in the '01 loss and then by three players in last year's 3-1 win: current sophomore F **Katie Thorlakson**, injured senior M **Randi Scheller** and senior D **Melissa Tancredi** ... current senior F **Amy Warner** missed the 0-0 tie at UConn in 2000 and played off the bench in the 2000 BE title game (1-0) ... Tancredi missed both of those games in '00 (ACL) while current junior F **Mary Boland** was sidelined for the '01 game.

QUICK TEAM NOTES ON THE IRISH

- **Shutout Streak #1** – The Irish last week had a stretch of **138 minutes without allowing a shot** (vs. Butler and Georgetown) and went 149 minutes without an opponent shot on goal.
- **Shutout Streak #2** – ND's **six straight shutouts** (9 of last 11) tie for 2nd-longest in the program's history, with the 1995 NCAA-title team going eight consecutive games without a goal allowed ... the current shutout streak covers **584 minutes** (after an earlier 418-minute shutout streak) is just one game and a half shy of the 1995 team's record of 726 consecutive shutout minutes ... the current streak is 5th in the ND record book, also behind a 652-minute streak in '97, 627 in '89 and 599 in another '95 stretch.
- **Balanced Dominance** – Notre Dame and top-ranked UNC are the **only unbeaten teams** remaining among 293 Division I women's soccer programs, with the Irish also ranking 2nd in the nation for both scoring (**3.67 goals per game**, behind Oklahoma State's 3.86) and **goals-against** average (team-record pace of **0.33**, behind UNC's 0.28).
- **Big Gamers** – The current **senior class** carries a **26-8-2** 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 48** home games vs. BIG EAST teams (91-8-2 overall vs. BIG EAST teams since '95).
- **Games-a-Plenty** – The Irish just completed a rugged stretch of **six games in 13 days**, followed by four days off from competition before the annual showdown with BIG EAST rival Connecticut, the final game in a rare 8-game homestand.
- **11-to-1 Scoring Margin** – The Irish now own a **55-5** season scoring edge, including **26-1** in the first 7 games of the **homestand** (plus a 155-22 total shot edge/86-9 in shots on goal during that 7-game stretch).
- **Unbeaten Start** – This marks the **4th time** that ND has gone **this far into a season** (15) without losing (the '94, '97 and '00 teams all started 23-0-1).
- **Historic Dominance** – The only previous ND team to allow fewer goals in the first 15 games is the record-setting **1997** squad that owned an **80-4** scoring edge at the 15-game mark, before a 7-1 win over Seton Hall.
- **Frontrunners** – The Irish still have **trailed only once all season** (no deficit in the last 12 games), for just **7:18** in the third game vs. Arizona State (the Irish have led 73% of the minutes and trailed just 0.5%).
- **One (Or None) Is Enough** – ND has held its opponents to **0-1 goals in the last 20** fall games, good for the 2nd-longest streak of not allowing multiple goals in the program's history and also the 2nd-best start (15 games) without allowing multiple goals (the **2000 team went 24** games before allowing UNC to score twice in the NCAA semifinals).
- **Turnaround Success** – ND now is **8-0** this season when playing two days after a previous game (25-2 scoring edge), after going just 4-5 (18-16 scoring edge) in 2002 regular-season "bounceback" games.
- **Magic Number** – Last week's 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 3-plus** goals and not won (now **101-1-0** in last 102).
- **Quick Strikes** – The early goal vs. GU marked the **6th time** this season ND has **scored in the first 7:00** of a game.
- **Half & Half** – The Irish have been **equally dominant in the first (27-3) and second half (27-2)** this season, after managing just a 12-10 first-half scoring edge in '02.
- **Sharpshooters** – The efficient ND offense is averaging one **goal every 5.5 total shots** and every **3.0 shots on goal** ... the Irish now have scored 5-plus goals in 5 games this season and have scored 3-plus goals in 10 games.
- **Strong Stretch** – Since allowing a 26th-minute goal by Oklahoma on Sept. 7, ND's **last 11-plus games** (spanning 1,085 minutes) have included just **2 goals allowed, 46 opponent shots (15 on goal) and 23 corner kicks**, for 90-minute averages during that stretch of 0.17 goals, 3.8 shots, 1.2 shots on goal and 1.9 corners.
- **Furious Forwards** – ND's system includes a pressuring "forecheck" from the team's frontrunners ... four of those players – **Mary Boland** (2), **Amanda Guertin** (2), **Maggie Manning** and **Katie Thorlakson** – have posted multiple-goal games this season while **Amy Warner** ranks 4th in the nation with 9 assists.
- **Meet You In The Middle** – Despite the graduation of 4-year starter/defensive ace Ashley Dryer and the season-ending hip surgery to senior Randi Scheller (2nd team all-BIG EAST in '02), the Irish midfield has been energized by the emergence of two "newcomers" in sophomore **Annie Schefter** (4G-4A; missed all of '02 with ACL knee injury) and freshman **Jen Buczkowski** (2G-6A) – with the pair ranking 4th and 6th on the ND scoring charts.
- **Depth Charges** – Notre Dame players have combined to miss **140 games due to injury** spanning the '02 and '03 seasons (36 games; 27-8-1 record), with seven players already combining to miss **76 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 15 overtime** games (11-0-4).
- **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** – ND is **104-3-1** all-time at Alumni Field when **facing an unranked** team.

QUICK PLAYER NOTES

- **National GAA Leader** – Sophomore G **Erika Bohn** has extended her personal **shutout streak** to **609** minutes and **leads the nation with a 0.29 GAA** (on pace to best LaKeysia Beene's team-record 0.37 in '97) ... since yielding a 25th-minute goal by Oklahoma in the 4th game, Bohn has allowed just **one goal in the last 11** games, spanning 984 minutes ... her last 25 starts with the Irish include a **23-1-1** record and just 10 goals allowed ... Bohn's 609-minute shutout streak of 609 minutes leaves her within range of the top two marks in the ND record book, by Liz Wagner in 2000 (701; 15th in NCAA record book) and Beene in '97 (652; 17th NCAA history)

- **Senior Spark** – Senior M **Kimberly Carpenter** has emerged as a key offensive player as the team's attacking midfielder, ranking 5th on the team with **13 points** (5G-3A) after totaling **just 5** combined points in her **first 3 seasons** ('00-'02) ... she had a **6-game point streak** that ended vs. Miami and had scored 3 times in a stretch of 6 ND goals.

- **Fire & Ice** – Seniors **Amy Warner** and **Amanda Guertin** have combined for 81 career goals (Guertin is 9th in ND history with 46, Warner 13th with 35) and 27 GWGs (17 by Guertin) and five OT goals (ND record 3 by Guertin).

- **Big-Goal Scorer** – Junior F **Mary Boland** registered her team-leading **4th game-winning goal** of the season (vs. Miami) and has **opened the scoring three times** in '03 ... she enters the week ranked **20th in the nation for goals** (11) and **points** (26) ... Boland spent most of her prep soccer days 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 **56 consecutive starts** while fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** has logged **87 career games and 85 starts** (three shy of cracking that ND top-10 list).

- **Getting Right Back** – Versatile freshman **Kim Lorenzen** (Naperville, Ill.) was impressive in preseason training at forward but has **found a home in the defense**, with strong play 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, becoming just the **third** Notre Dame student (**first since '74**) ever to complete that feat.

- **Fantastic 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 **nine multiple-goal games** (compared to five in '02) by seven different 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) and **Melissa Tancredi** vs. North Texas (2).

- **Setup Specialist** – Senior F **Amy Warner** ranks 4th nationally in assists (career-best 9) and 22nd in points (25).

- **World Cup Starters** – Two ND alums – D Kate **Sobrero** ('98) and defensive M Shannon **Boxx** ('99) – were starters for the U.S. World Cup team ... **Boxx** was a surprise last-minute addition to the final 20-player roster and became the first player ever to score in her first three games with the National Team (in two warmup games and then in the World Cup opener vs. Sweden) ... **Boxx** also scored on a head for the go-ahead and game-winning goal (2-1) vs. Canada in the 3-third-place game and was named to the All-World Cup team.

PLAYING THE BEST – ND has played some of its best soccer vs. ranked opponents, going 23-10-3 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 (29-5-1 vs. unranked teams), including 2003 wins over #16 Santa Clara (2-1) and #8 West Virginia (2-0) and a scoreless tie vs. #24 Stanford.

PRIMETIME PLAYERS – Notre Dame is 26-8-2 in the last four seasons ('00-'03) when facing an NSCAA ranked team and/or playing in the postseason, with a 73-34 scoring edge in those 36 "big games" ... **Amanda Guertin** has racked up 50 points in those big games (20G-10A) ... fellow senior F **Amy Warner** owns 8G-5A vs. ranked or postseason opponents (she missed half of the 2000 season due to injury).

REAR-VIEW MIRROR – Notre Dame has trailed just once all season – for a span of 7:18 early in the Sept. 5 game vs. Arizona State – with the Irish leading for 73% of the 1,377 minutes while trailing for less than one-percent (0.5%) of the 2003 minutes ... ND's 2000 team held the No. 1 ranking for most of the season while trailing just once in the first 24 games (for 28 minutes, in a 2-1 win over BC) before falling behind UNC with eight minutes left to play in the NCAA semifinals (a 2-1 loss).

NCAA STAT LEADERS – ND entered the week with the nation's 2nd-best team goals-against avg. (0.33, behind UNC's 0.29) and is the nation's No. 2 scoring team at 3.67 goals per game (behind Oklahoma State's 3.78) ... ND headed into the week as one of four teams (the others are North Texas, Jacksonville and Southeast Louisiana) with two players who already have posted 25-plus points (junior F **Mary Boland** is 12th in the nation with 26 points and senior F **Amy Warner** 22nd with 25) .. Boland also is 20th in the nation with 11 goals while Warner's 9 assists rank 4th ... ND's **Erika Bohn** now ranks first among the national goals-against average leaders (0.29).

NOTRE DAME PLAYER QUICK FACTS

Pos.	Player (Yr.; Hometown)	Notes
F	#10 Mary Boland (Jr.; Hudson, OH)	1st player ever named BIG EAST off. and def. player of week in career
	'03 stats: 11G-4A (26 pts), 4 GWG, 15 GP/11 GS	ND-rec. 6G in first 3 gms (3G-A vs. Hart., G vs. WFU, 2G/GWG vs. ASU)
	'02 stats: 5G, GWG, 19 GP/15 GS	UConn, ND SCU all-tour. ... G-A vs. SCU, G vs. NTX, G-A vs. ISU, G vs. WV, GWG vs. Miami
	career: 18G-6A (42 pts), 5 GWG, 44 GP/31 GS	Academic All-America nom. (3.87 GPA, psych.) ... member of '01 U.S.-19 Team
F	#7 Katie Thorlakson (So.; Langley, BC)	GWG-1A vs. SCU (SCU Classic Off. MVP), OT goal vs. Vill.
	'03 stats: 5G-7A (17 pts), GWG, 15 GP/10 GS	1G-1A vs. Miami, 2G vs. WKU, 2A vs. NTX, 1A vs. Hartford, SJU and WVU
	'02: 4G-3A, GWG, 19 GP/18 GS	member of Canada's U-19 Nat'l Team ('02, '03)
	career: 9G-10A (28 pts), 2 GWG, 34 GP/28 GS	10 of 11 pts in '02 came in final 9 GP
F	#12 Amy Warner (Sr.; Albuquerque, NM)	4th in nation for total assists (9); G-2A vs. Hart., G-A vs. WFU, G vs. ASU
	'03 stats: 8G-9A (25 pts), GWG, 15 GS	A vs. OU, GWG vs. SJU, G-2A vs. WKU, G-A vs. NTX, A vs. ISU, G vs. But., G-A vs. GU
	'02 stats: 9G-8A (26 pts), 3 GWG, 21 GS	2nd-year co-captain; UConn, ND and SCU all-tournament pick ('03)
	career: 35G-22A (92 pts), 10 GWG, 75 GP/68 GS	12th on ND career goals list, 14th in points; 2 career hat tricks
F	#6 Amanda Guertin (Sr.; Grapevine, TX)	2G-A vs. Hartford, A vs. WFU and ASU, GWG vs. OU, G vs. SJU
	'03 stats: 9G-6A (24 pts), 2 GWG, 15 GP/9 GS	A vs. WKU, G-2A vs. NTX, GWG vs. ISU, 2G vs. GU, G vs. Miami
	'02 stats: 11G-11A (33 pts), 5 GWG, 21 GS	8 corner-kick assists in '02; 10-game goal streak in '01 (3rd NCAA history)
	career: 46G-27A (119 pts), 17 GWG, 82 GP/72 GS	9th on ND career goals list, 3rd on GWG list (17, ND record 3 in OT)
F	#13 Maggie Manning (So.; Lake Oswego, OR)	2G in opener vs. Hartford, A vs. WKU, G vs. NTX, G-A vs. GU
	'03 stats: 4G-2A (10 pts), 13 GP/1 GS ... '02: 1G-2A, 18 GP/13 GS	played some M in '02, now part of regular F rotation
	career: 5G-4A (14 pts), 31 GP/14 GS	Oregon player of the year at Jesuit HS (90G in three prep seasons)
AM	#25 Kimberly Carpenter (Sr.; Webster, NY)	6-gm pt. streak (9/28-10/10); 1G vs. Hart., ISU, WVU; GWG vs. But., GU;
	'03 stats: 5G-3A, 2 GWG, 15 GP/12 GS ... '02: 1A, 21 GP/20 GS	1A vs. OU, NTX, Vill. (OT)
	career: 7G-4A, 2 GWG, 60 GP/32 GS	Academic All-America nom. (3.41 GPA, pre-prof. science); key senior leader
M	#9 Jen Buczkowski (Fr.; Elk Grove, IL)	ND Classic Off. MVP (2G-3A); 1A vs. GU and Miami
	'03 stats: 2G-6A (10 pts), 15 GP/14 GS	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)	2nd-half GWG vs. Wake Forest (3-0); 1A vs. GU, Miami
	'03 stats: 1G-2A, GWG (vs. WFU), 15 GP/3 GS (vs. OU, Vill., But.)	78 career goals at Rosary HS; strong def. mid. skills
OB/M	#15 Lizzie Reed (Fr.; Franklin Lakes, NJ)	1A vs. OU, 1G vs. NTX; 126 career goals at Ramapo Regional HS
	'03 stats: 1G-1A, 14 GP/7 GS	prep All-American; member of ODP national runner-up (NJ)
M	#11 Annie Schefter (So.; Yakima, WA)	2A vs. Hart., G vs. OU (free kick), 2G-1A vs. WKU (GWG), 1G vs. GU
	'03 stats: 4G-4A (12 pts), GWG, 15 GP/14 GS	member of U.S. U-19 National Team ('02)
	missed all of ND's '02 season (ACL)	47G-21A as senior at West Valley HS (Gatorade WA player of year)
CD	#18 Christie Shaner (Fr.; Ambler, PA)	SCU Classic Def. MVP and BE rookie of week (0-0 vs. Stan., 2-1 vs. SCU)
	'03 stats: 1A, 14 GP/11 GS	early starts at left back before shift to central D; rated #22 recruit (<i>Soccer America</i>)
	15G as center M in '02 at Germantown Academy	prep All-American; member of nat'l u-19 semifinalist (FC Bucks Challenge)
RB	#4 Kim Lorenzen (Fr.; Naperville, IL)	ND Classic all-tournament pick; versatile player, has trained at F, M and D
	'03 stats: 14 GP/11 GS	teamed with Buczkowski and Krivacek on ODP national champs (IL)
LB	#5 Vanessa Pruzinsky (Sr.; Trumbull, CT)	5th-year player (ankle injury in '02), 2nd-year team co-captain
	'03 stats: 2A, 14 GP/13 GS ... '02: 2 GP/1 GS (inj.)	3rd ND chemical engineering major ever to graduate with 4.0 GPA (1st since '74)
	career: 2G-8A (10 pts), 87 GP/85 GS	all-BIG EAST in '00 and '01; 5-time BE def. player of week
CD	#17 Melissa Tancredi (Sr.; Ancaster, ONT)	2-time BE Def. Player of Week and SA National Team of Week
	'03: 2G-4A (8 pts), GWG, 15 GS ... '02: 4G, 18 GP/16 GS	6 of 10G with ND have come on corner/free-kick headers (all 4 in '02)
	career: 10G-8A (28 pts), 2 GWG, 49 GP/41 GS	converted forward (offensive MVP at 2002 Maryland Classic)
CD	#2 Gudrun Gunnarsdottir (Jr.; Seltjarnarnes, Iceland)	member of Icelandic National Team
	'03: 9 GP/4 GS ... '02: 7GP/6 GS ... career: 33 GP/14 GS	slowed by knee and ankle inj. in '02, broken arm in '03 (missed 4 gms)
G	#1 Erika Bohn (So.; Brookfield, CT)	stopped PK in 3-1 win over #13 ASU; UConn and ND all-tourn. pick ('03)
	'03 stats: 0.29 GAA, 23 SV, 4 GA, 15 GS	was first ND freshman to start in G since '93; 0-1 GA in 14 gms in '02 (7 of final 8)
	'02 stats: 1.27 GAA, 57 SV, 23 GA, 20 GP/19 GS	Academic All-America nominee (3.67 GPA, business major)
	career: 0.84 GA, 80 SV, 27 GA, 35 GP/34 GS, 10 solo ShO (6 in '03)	23-1-1 with 10 GA in last 25 starts with Irish (5-0 in spring '03)
G	#0 Nikki Westfall (Fr.; Waterville, OH)	0.76 GAA in '02 at Wayne HS (0.88 career)
	'03 stats: 0.77, 2 SV, 1 GA, 6 GP (116:24)	5 GA, 15 shutouts as prep sophomore

HEAD COACH RANDY WALDRUM – The Irish are **88-16-4** (.833) in the tenure of head coach Randy Waldrum (since '99), including 72-13-3 in the last 88 games (since losing 4-2 at SCU on Oct. 17, 1999) ... Waldrum's 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 1st-year coach to take his team to the NCAA semi's, beating top-ranked and previously unbeaten Santa Clara in their backyard of San Jose ... Waldrum's 21-plus-year record as a **college head coach** (men's and women's teams) is **271-121-23** (.681) ... he is **195-66-16** (.733) in 12-plus seasons as a Division I women's coach, including 61-36-9 in six years at Tulsa (.580) 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).

GLORY DAYS – The 55-5 scoring edge is comparable to ND's 5-year dominance in the mid-1990s, with 15-game scoring margins of: 63-11 in '93, 58-6 in '94, 49-12 in '95, 73-9 in '96 and 80-4 in '97 (average of 64-8) ... only one previous ND team (4 in 1997) has allowed fewer goals in the first 15 games than the '03 squad (5) ... ND's 0.33 team GAA would rank first in ND history (ahead of the 0.36 in '97, 0.39 in '00) ... ND already has scored 5-plus goals in five games this season.

QUICK-STRIKE ARTISTS – Notre Dame has scored in the first 7:00 of six games this season, with junior F **Mary Boland** responsible for three of those early goals ... the team's quickest goals have come in recent wins over West Virginia (1:24; Boland volley on long serve from Melissa Tancredi) and North Texas (4:28; **Amanda Guertin** shot from top of the box via short pass from Amy Warner) ... 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) and vs. Georgetown (5:39; **Kimberly Carpenter** redirects Vanessa Pruzinsky shot).

SECOND-GAME SUCCESS – Notre Dame has reversed its frustrating trend from recent years of struggling in the second game of a three-day stretch ... the Irish are 8-0-0 this season when returning to the field two days after a previous game, with an 24-2 scoring edge ... by comparison, the Irish were just 4-5-0 in 2002 during regular-season "turnaround games," totaling just 18 goals and allowing 16 in those nine games ... ND's second-game wins in 2003 have come vs. four teams that have been in the national rankings (3-0 vs. Wake Forest, 5-1 vs. Oklahoma, 2-1 at Santa Clara, 1-0 vs. Villanova), plus wins over Western Kentucky (5-0), Indiana State (3-0), Butler (3-0) and Miami (3-0).

ROAD WARRIORS – Notre Dame has posted some noteworthy road wins the past two seasons (8-3-0), including a pair of wins at the 2000 Portland Classic (5-0 vs. Washington, 1-0 vs. the Pilots; lifting ND to the #1 ranking), 2002 wins at Maryland, Michigan and Boston College (plus vs. Hartford, at Maryland), the 2003 season-opening wins over Hartford and Wake Forest (at UConn Classic) and solid results at the '03 Santa Clara Classic (0-0 vs. Stanford, 2-1 vs. SCU).

GOING THE DISTANCE – ND is unbeaten in its last 15 overtime games (11-0-4), 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) and beat Villanova in OT (1-0).

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 3; vs. WVU in '00, Michigan in '01, BC in '02), **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 (3), with her classmate **Amy Warner** and '96 national player of the year Cindy Daws ranking second with two (including Daws' goal vs. Portland in the '95 NCAA title game) ... Guertin (3G-2A) owns eight career points in OT, followed by Warner (6; 2G-2A) ... Guertin's other OT goals came at WVU in 2000 and at home vs. WVU in '01 (both 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 nine OT goals (Guertin on five of the last eight).

SECOND-GAME SUCCESS – Notre Dame has reversed its frustrating trend from recent years when playing two days after a previous game ... the Irish are 7-0-0 this season when returning to the field two days after a previous game, with a 22-2 scoring edge ... by comparison, the Irish were just 4-5-0 in 2002 during regular-season quick-turnaround games, totaling just 18 goals and allowing 16 in those nine games ... ND's second-game wins in '03 have come vs. four teams that have been in the national rankings (3-0 vs. Wake Forest, 5-1 vs. Oklahoma, 2-1 at Santa Clara, 1-0 vs. Villanova), plus wins over W. Kentucky (5-0), Indiana St. (3-0) and Butler (3-0).

STILL NO LOSSES – Notre Dame is unbeaten after 15 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	15 games (55-5)	scoreless tie vs. Stanford only non-win on 14-0-1 mark
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-)	43
10. Shannon Boxx ('95-'98)	135	10. Alison Lester ('90-'93)	45
11. Alison Lester ('90-'93)	126	Susie Zilvitis ('88-'91)	43
12. Amanda Guertin ('00-)	119	12. Amy Warner ('00-)	35
Susie Zilvitis ('88-'91)	112	Shannon Boxx ('95-'98)	35
14. Amy Warner ('00-)	92	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 (46G-24A, in 82 GP) – with her 17 gamewinning goals ranking 3rd on the ND all-time list (2 shy of Jenny Heft's record) ... 7 of Guertin's GWGs have come in one-goal games, including three in OT (ND record) ... nearly half of Guertin's career goals (17 of 46, or 39%) have been gamewinners – well ahead of the others on the GWG list:

Name (pos., years)	GWG	Goals	(Pct. GWGs)
1. Jenny Heft (F, 1996-99)	19	80	(23.8%)
2. Michelle McCarthy (F, 1992-95)	18	59	(30.5%)
3. Amanda Guertin (F, 2000-)	17	46	(37.0%)
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%)
7. Jenny Streiffer (F, 1996-99)	15	70	(21.4%)
8. Meotis Erikson (F, 1997-2000)	13	59	(22.0%)
9. Amy Warner (F, 2000-)	10	35	(28.6%)

SCHEDULE & RESULT NOTES – The eight-game homestand includes key BIG EAST battles vs. West Virginia, Villanova and UConn ... ND opened with impressive wins at the UConn Classic over Hartford (9-1) and Wake Forest (3-0), with junior F **Mary Boland** earning BIG EAST offensive player of the week (3G-1A) ... the Irish added ND Classic wins over #13 Arizona State (3-1) and Oklahoma (5-1), followed by a BIG EAST cross-divisional victory at St. John's (2-0) and a 5-0 win over Western Kentucky ... freshman M **Jen Buczkowski** and 5th-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** received the respective offensive and defensive MVP awards at the ND Classic, with Buczkowski named BIG EAST rookie of the week

PRUZINSKY DRAWS NATONAL 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 ... 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.

UNBEATEN RECORDS DOWN TO TWO – The '03 season has taken its toll on many top teams, as only two of 293 Division I teams – Notre Dame and North Carolina – enter the week with unbeaten records.

INJURY WOES CONTINUE – ND's '02 season was hampered by injuries to several top players (totaling 64 games missed, plus 76 thus far in '03 for a total of 140) ... 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) is nearing her return to action 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.

BOHN ON A ROLL – Sophomore G **Erika Bohn** (Brookfield, Conn.) is 25-2-1 in her last 28 starts (23-1-1 in last 25), allowing just 14 goals in that stretch (16 shutouts, 11 games with 1 GA) ... her only losses in that stretch include: a 3-2 game vs. BYU that included a fluke goal (after a clearance deflected off the referee) and a rare late-game PK to break the 2-2 tie; and the season-ending loss at top-ranked Stanford, with the only goal coming in the 81st minute as Bohn turned in possibly her top all-around game of '02 ... Bohn now has logged 21 consecutive games with the Irish (16 fall, 5 spring) without allowing multiple goals (last done by BYU on Oct. 19, 2002).

MAGIC NUMBERS – The 3-goal mark has been virtually an automatic win in the program's history, with the Irish now 197-3-1 all-time (.983) when scoring 3-plus, with losses to N.C. State in the '92 opener (4-3), to 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 101-1-0 since Oct. 6, 1995) ... ND also is 270-8-11 (.953) in all-time games when holding the opponent to 0-1 goals, including tough 1-0 losses last season to eventual NCAA champ Portland and top-ranked Stanford ... prior to the Portland 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, with ND playing minus Finnish national teamer Anne Makinen in that game) ... the ND women's soccer program's 16-year history includes just 281 goals allowed in 357 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).

1ST-HALF FORTRESS – The ND defense has been particularly stingy in the first half during the past three seasons, allowing just 20 goals in the first half of those 57 games ... the first half in ND's 2002 games featured little scoring by either team (12-10 ND edge) but the Irish have erupted for a 27-3 first-half scoring edge in 2002.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE – Fifth-year D **Vanessa Pruzinsky** in May 2003 became the third chemical engineering major (and first since '74) to graduate from ND with a 4.0 cumulative GPA ... Pruzinsky is a two-time Academic All-American, with ND's other top candidates for that award in '03 including junior F/M **Mary Boland** (3.87, psychology), senior M **Kimberly Carpenter** (3.41, psychology) and sophomore G **Erika Bohn** (3.67, College of Business).

EARLY SPARK – **Mary Boland** is the 5th 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 20-player U.S. National Team roster that finished third at the World Cup, with both ND alums serving as starters ... Sobrero played for the U.S. team that won the '99 World Cup and was on the '00 Olympic team ... Boxx was the surprise of the roster, with no previous National Team experience but 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 World Cup opening win over 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 Women's United Soccer Association 2003 all-star game, as were Washington Freedom D **Jen Grubb** ('00), Boston 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 after a 2-1 OT win over the Atlanta Beat ... other ND alums played in the '03 WUSA: M **Anne Makinen** ('01; Philadelphia Charge), D **Lindsey Jones** ('02; N.Y.), D **Kelly Lindsey** ('01; San Jose) and M **Monica Gerardo** ('99; Washington).

- Three of the above players recently became college assistants: **Gerardo** at University of Pittsburgh (where former ND assistant Sue-Moy Chin is the first-year head coach), **Lindsey** at the University of Colorado and **Boxx** at Cal State Dominguez Hills ... Boxx also is enrolled in graduate school at Pepperdine and is one of several former ND players who are 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 all of '02 with ACL) was one of several "newcomers" with an impressive debut, looping a shot that was nudged in by **Kim Carpenter** before assisting on **Mary Boland's** third goal on a corner kick ... ND is 10-1-0 in its last 11 season openers (14-2-0 overall), including four straight opening wins since dropping a heartbreaker in '99 to top-ranked UNC (3-2, double-OT) ... ND totaled just 12 first-half goals in '02 but erupted for 5 vs. Hartford (on 7 shots) ... see other notes in release on Boland's big game (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 to round out her 9-point weekend ... the 12 goals at the UConn Classic were the most by an ND team 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 games vs. ACC teams other than UNC ... all-tournament picks: Boland, sophomore G **Erika Bohn**, junior D **Gudrun Gunnarsdottir** and senior F **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 (Amanda 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 thegoals in the first 3 games (6) ... **Amy Warner** became the 15th all-time ND player with 30-plus career goals ... **Erika Bohn** saved a penalty kick stop 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 (Amy Warner, Buczowski) 20:45; **OU 1.** Becky Nelson 2 (Lauren MacIver) 25:19; **ND 3.** Buczowski (Lizzie Reed) 33:31; **ND 4.** Annie Scheffer 1 (-) 41:09; **ND 5.** Molly Iarocci 1 (Kim 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: senior F **Amy Warner** (1G-1A), freshman D **Kim Lorenzen**, junior F **Mary Boland** (2G vs. ASU) and sophomore G **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; SCU's Buck Shaw Stad.)****#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 Dalmy 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 Dalmy'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 (Amy Warner) 4:28; **ND 2.** Melissa Tancredi 1 (Amanda Guertin) 6:12; **ND 3.** Tancredi 2 (Guertin) 35:59; **ND 4.** Maggie Manning 3 (Kimberly Carpenter) 37:51; **ND 5.** Lizzie Reed (Katie Thorlakson) 41:56; **ND 6.** Amy Warner 6 (-) 56:16; **ND 7.** Mary Boland 8 (Tancredi, Thorlakson) 62:41; **NTX 1.** Melinda Pina 13 (-) 66:37; **ND 8.** Becky Tweneboah 1 (Amber 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.

Offsides: NTX 0, ND 0.

Notes: **Melissa Tancredi** pushed forward from central D to score the key 2nd and 3rd goals, on a header and lunging volley via free-kick service from **Amanda Guertin** ... Tancredi became the 7th different ND player to post a multiple-goal game in '03 ... **Katie Thorlakson** (2A) continued her recent surge, **Maggie Manning** notched her first goal since the opener and **Lizzie Reed** and **Becky Tweneboah** added their first goals with the Irish ... North Texas entered the game as one of the nation's top-scoring teams (32 goals; 3.6/gm) ... the Irish finished with a 31-3 edge in total shots, 20-2 in shots on goal and 8-2 in corner kicks ... Guertin scored ND's quickest goal of the season 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 while posting her 17th career GWG (2 shy of the ND record) ... ND racked up a 32-1 shot advantage and attempted the only corner kicks of the game (7) ... 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.

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

Fouls: WVU 11, ND 19.

Offsides: WVU 4, ND 4.

Yellow Card: Katie Thorlakson (ND, 2) 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 corner-kick edge until the final minute, when WVU tacked on two more corners.

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.

Offsides: 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 the 34th of her career (ranking 13th in 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 Scheffer 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).

Fouls: GU 11, ND 10.

Offsides: 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 (Erika Bohn).

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

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

Notes: More balanced contributions and dominating defense yielded ND's 6th straight shutout ... the BIG EAST cross-divisional matchup completed a rugged stretch of 6 games in 13 days ... ND's 11-game string of holding the opponent to 0-1 shots on goal was snapped on a harmless 30-yard lob into the box in the closing moments, with Miami totaling just two shots on goal ... freshman central back **Christie Shaner** picked up her first point of the season 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.