

# 2007 NOTRE DAME MEN'S SOCCER

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### 2007 Schedule (10-3-5, 7-0-4 BE)

#### **AUGUST**

23 Thur. vs. #10 New Mexico^ (exh.) W, 3-0
27 Mon. #20 NORTHWESTERN (exh.) W, 3-0
31 Fri. vs. #1 UCLA! W, 2-1 (OT)

#### **SEPTEMBER**

2 Sun. vs. #7 Maryland! L, 0-3

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7	Fri.	RHODE ISLAND	W, 3-0
9	Sun.	NORTHERN ILLINOIS	T, 1-1 (2OT)
15	Sat.	at Marquette*	W, 1-0
21	Fri.	at Rutgers*	W, 2-0
		(Fox Soccer Channel)	
23	Sun.	at Villanova*	W, 1-0
28	Fri.	CINCINNATI*	T, 1-1 (2OT)
30	Sun.	LOUISVILLE*	W, 2-1
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3	Wed.	#16 MICHIGAN	W, 3-0
3	weu.	(Comcast Local)	W, 3-0
6	Sat.	#13 WEST VIRGINIA*	W, 1-0
10	Wed.	at Michigan State	L, 0-1
13	Sat.	#1 CONNECTICUT*	T, 3-3 (2OT)
17	Wed.	#12 INDIANA	L, 2-3
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21	Sun.	SETON HALL*	W, 2-0
24	Wed.	at Pittsburgh*	W, 3-0
28	Sun.	at Providence*	T, 2-2
		(Cox Sports Television)	-,
NOVI	EMBER		
3	Sat.	at Georgetown*	T, 0-0
11	Sun.	ST. JOHN'S	1:00 p.m.
		(BIG EAST Quarterfinals)	•
16	Fri.	BIG EAST Semifinals	TBA
		(Storrs, Conn.)	
18	Sun.	BIG EAST Championship	TBA
		(Storrs, Conn.)	
23&24	Fri.&Sat.		TBA
		(Campus Sites)	
28	Wed.	NCAA 2nd Round	TBA
		(Campus Sites)	
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### **DECEMBER**

1&2	Sat.&Sur	TBA	
		(Campus Sites)	
8-10	FriSun.	NCAA Quarterfinals	TBA
		(Campus Sites)	
14	Fri.	NCAA Semifinals	TBA
		(SAS Soccer Stadium,	Cary, N.C.)
16	Sun.	NCAA Finals	TBA
		(SAS Soccer Stadium,	Cary, N.C.)

^ — Ft. Wayne, Ind.

! — adidas/IU Credit Union Classic (Bloomington, Ind.)

\* - BIG EAST Conference game

All times local to site



## ST. JOHN'S (#3 seed Red) at

#11 NOTRE DAME (#2 seed Blue)
BIG EAST Championship • Quarterfinal

Sunday, Nov. 11 • 1:00 p.m. (ET)

Alumni Field • Notre Dame, Ind.

Notre Dame will host St. John's in a BIG EAST Championship quarterfinal match at Alumni Field on Sunday, Nov. 11. Game time is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. (ET). The Fighting Irish are the No. 2 seed out of the league's Blue Division, while the Red Storm are the third seed from the Red Division. The winner of Sunday's match will advance to the conference semi-finals in Storrs, Conn. on Friday, Nov. 16.

**HOW TO FOLLOW:** Live video of the Notre Dame-St. John's match will be available on und.com, the official web site of all 26 varsity athletic programs at the University ... simply go to the front page of und.com and click on the 'Live Events' tab and select the game ... live stats will also be available through Gametracker via und.com.

ABOUT THE IRISH: Notre Dame (10-3-5, 7-0-4) concluded its regular season with a 0-0 draw at Georgetown on Saturday (Nov. 3) ... the Fighting Irish finished as the only undefeated team in BIG EAST play this season ... that marked the first time in program history that Notre Dame has ever compiled an undefeated BIG EAST campaign ... the match against Georgetown was the first scoreless draw for the Irish since Sept. 20, 2006 ... that game was against Northern Illinois ... Saturday also marked just the third time in the last 32 matches that the Fighting Irish have been shutout ... it also was the first time in the last 21 BIG EAST regular-season games that the Irish were held scoreless ... senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill made two saves against the Hoyas to earn his seventh shutout of the season ... Cahill has 27 career shutouts ... the Notre Dame defense has produced nine shutouts this season ... that signifies the fifth-straight season in which the Fighting Irish have posted at least that many shutouts ... senior forward Joseph Lapira leads the Irish with 20 points and eight assists, which are a career-high total ... Lapira and Ryan Miller share the team lead in goals with six apiece ... Notre Dame is averaging 1.51 goals per game, while allowing 0.84 ... in this week's polls Notre Dame is ninth according to Soccer Times, 11th in the NSCAA poll, 12th in the College Soccer News rankings along with being 13th in the Soccer America poll ... the Irish have six starters and 14 letterwinners back from last season's squad that went 15-6-2 and advanced to the NCAA Tournament quarterfinals for the first time in program history ... head coach Bobby Clark is in his seventh season with the Irish ... he has an overall record of 90-36-20 (.685) at Notre Dame.

**IRISH IN THE BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP:** This is Notre Dame's 11th trip to the BIG EAST Championship ... the Irish own a 9-7-2 mark overall in the league playoffs ... last season, Notre Dame defeated DePaul, 2-0, in the first round before falling at Rutgers, 2-1, in overtime during the quarterfinals ... Notre Dame has won the BIG EAST Championship on two occasions, in 1996 and 2003 ... Notre Dame is 4-1-2 at home all-time in the conference tournament, 1-4-0 in true road games and 4-2-0 at neutral sites.

**QUARTERFINAL HISTORY:** Notre Dame owns a 4-5-1 record in the BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals ... the Fighting Irish fell at Rutgers, 2-1, in overtime during last season's quarterfinal round ... St. John's and Notre Dame have met two previous times in the conference quarterfinals with the Red Storm winning both matches ... the Irish are 3-1-1 in BIG EAST quarterfinal contests at home.

IRISH LEADERS: Senior forward Joseph Lapira leads the team in points (20) and assists (8) ... Lapira is tied with Ryan Miller for the team lead in goals (6) ... goalkeeper Chris Cahill has a 9-2-5 record with a 0.77 goalsagainst average and a .822 save percentage to go along with seven shutouts.

#### NOTRE DAME IN 2007 ...

... at home: 5-1-3

... away: 4-1-2

... neutral: 1-1-0

... vs. ranked opponents: 3-2-1 ... vs. BIG EAST teams: 7-0-4

... vs. non-con. teams: 3-3-1

... in overtime: 1-0-5

... when scoring first: 10-1-2

... when leading at halftime: 8-0-0

	2007 NOTRE DAME MEN'S SOCCER ROSTER						
No.	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	Pos.	<u>Ht.</u>	Wt.	Hometown/High School	<u>Pronunciation</u>
00	Chris Cahill**	Sr.	GK	6-6	190	Louisville, KY/St. Francis DeSales	KAY-hill
0	Andrew Quinn*	Jr.	GK	6-3	210	Silver Spring, MD/DeMatha	
1	Luke Seibolt	Jr.	GK	6-4	220	Gilbert, AZ/Gilbert	SEE-bolt
2	Ryan Miller*** (C)	Sr.	D	5-11	160	Barrington, IL/Barrington	
3	Andrew Benton**	Sr.	D	6-1	180	Marietta, GA/Kell	
4	Kyle Dulworth**	Sr.	M	5-9	160	Fort Wayne, IN/Homestead	
5	Jack Traynor**	Jr.	D	5-9	150	St. Charles, MO/ Francis Howell North	1
6	Dave Donohue	So.	M	5-9	160	Reading, MA/Cushing Academy	
7	John Schaefer	So.	D	5-11	165	Troy, MI/Detroit Jesuit	
8	Michael Thomas*	So.	М	5-10	175	Olathe, KS/St. Thomas Aquinas	
9	Kyle Dagan	Jr.	D	5-11	165	Westlake Village, CA/Westlake	
10	Joseph Lapira***	Sr.	F	5-8	150	Lake Charles, LA/Saint Louis Catholic	Luh-PEER-uh
11	Kurt Martin***	Sr.	F	5-10	160	McAllen, TX/Memorial	
12	Tamba Samba	So.	F	5-11	180	Indianapolis, IN/Ben Davis	TOM-buh SOM-buh
13	Cory Rellas*	Jr.	D	6-1	165	Plano, TX/Plano West	RELL-us
14	Mark Lorenzen	So.	M	6-1	180	Naperville, IL/Naperville North	
15	Matt Armstrong	Fr.	M	5-7	155	Phoenix, AZ/North Canyon	
16	Terry Lee	Jr.	D	5-9	155	Moreland Hills, OH/Orange	
17	Matt Besler** (C)	Jr.	D	6-0	170	Overland Park, KS/Blue Valley West	BEEZ-ler
18	Steven Perry	Fr.	F	6-0	160	Edmond, OK/Bishop McGuinness	
19	Alex Yoshinaga*** (C)	Sr.	M	5-10	160	San Diego, CA/Granite Hills	yo-SHIN-ah-guh
20	Greg Klazura	Fr.	M	5-10	150	Rockford, IL/Boylan Catholic	
21	Justin Morrow*	So.	M	5-8	150	Cleveland, OH/St. Ignatius	
22	Josh Thiermann	Fr.	F	6-0	170	Stoughton, WI/Stoughton	TEER-man
23	Andrew Luttrell	Fr.	F	5-7	145	Granger, IN/Penn	
24	Philip Tuttle	So.	GK	6-1	200	Hooksett, NH/Brewster Academy	
25	Jeb Brovsky	Fr.	M	6-1	160	Lakewood, CO/Green Mountain	
26	Bilal Duckett	Fr.	D	6-2	160	Peachtree City, GA/McIntosh	
	Bright Dike**	Jr.	F	6-1	195	Edmond, OK/Edmond North	DEE-kay

Head Coach: Bobby Clark (Jordanhill College '67)

Assistant Coaches: Jamie Clark (Stanford '99), Chad Riley (Notre Dame '04)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Nate Norman (Notre Dame '07)
Athletic Trainer: Bill Agnew, Senior Manager: Catherine Costanzo
\* - denotes numbers of monograms won, (C) - denotes captain

#### Roster Breakdown

#### **By Position:**

Forwards (7) – Bright Dike, Joseph Lapira, Andrew Luttrell, Kurt Martin, Steven Perry, Tamba Samba, Josh Thiermann

Midfielders (9) – Matt Armstrong, Jeb Brovsky, Dave Donohue, Kyle Dulworth, Greg Klazura, Mark Lorenzen, Justin Morrow, Michael Thomas, Alex Yoshinaga

**Defenders (9)** – Andrew Benton, Matt Besler, Kyle Dagan, Bilal Duckett, Terry Lee, Ryan Miller, Cory Rellas, John Schaefer, Jack Traynor

Goalkeepers (4) - Chris Cahill, Andrew Quinn, Luke Seibolt. Philip Tuttle

#### By Class:

Fifth-Year Seniors (2) - Chris Cahill, Ryan Miller

Seniors (5) – Andrew Benton, Kyle Dulworth, Joseph Lapira, Kurt Martin, Alex Yoshinaga

**Juniors (8)** – Matt Besler, Kyle Dagan, Bright Dike, Terry Lee, Andrew Quinn, Cory Rellas, Luke Seibolt, Jack Traynor

Sophomores (7) – Dave Donohue, Mark Lorenzen, Justin Morrow, Tamba Samba, John Schaefer, Michael Thomas, Philip Tuttle

Freshmen (7) – Matt Armstrong, Jeb Brovsky, Bilal Duckett, Greg Klazura, Andrew Luttrell, Steven Perry, Josh Thiermann SERIES HISTORY VERSUS ST. JOHN'S: Sunday will mark the 16th meeting all-time between Notre Dame and St. John's ... the Red Storm hold a 10-2-3 advantage in the series with the Fighting Irish ... the two teams have not met since the 2005 season ... that year, the Red Storm bested the Irish 2-1 during the regular season and then topped Notre Dame, 1-0, during the quarterfinals of the BIG EAST Championship in Jamaica, N.Y. ... No. 5 Notre Dame knocked off No. 4 St. John's, 1-0, in the championship game of the 2003 BIG EAST tournament ... that was the last Irish victory in the series ... Notre Dame's first win versus the Red Storm came in 2000 when the Irish upset No. 10 St. John's, 1-0, at Alumni Field ... St. John's is 1-1-2 all-time at Notre Dame ... the last meeting at Alumni Field took place during the 2003 campaign when St. John's came away with a 3-0 victory ... this will be the sixth meeting between Notre Dame and St. John's in the BIG EAST Championship ... the Red Storm have won four of those contests ... here's a breakdown of those matches ...

#### NOTRE DAME-ST. JOHN'S IN THE BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP

<i>Date</i>	<u>Round</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Score</u>
11/15/97	Semifinal	Storrs, Conn.	SJ-4, ND-1
11/7/98	Quarterfinal	Jamaica, N.Y.	SJ-2, ND-0
11/16/01	Semifinal	Storrs, Conn.	SJ-1, ND-0
11/16/03	Final	Storrs, Conn.	ND-2, SJ-0
11/5/05	Quarterfinal	Jamaica, N.Y.	SJ-1, ND-0
11/7/98 11/16/01 11/16/03	Quarterfinal Semifinal Final	Jamaica, N.Y. Storrs, Conn. Storrs, Conn.	SJ-2, ND-0 SJ-1, ND-0 ND-2, SJ-0

SCOUTING THE RED STORM: St. John's (9-6-5) topped Seton Hall, 3-2, in penalty kicks during the first round of the BIG EAST Championship on Wednesday (Nov. 7) ... both teams played to a 2-2 tie ... seniors Omar Alfonso and Jeff Stepan notched goals for St. John's during regulation ... the Red Storm finished third in the league's Red Division with a 6-3-2 conference mark ... St. John's is the defending BIG EAST tournament champion ... the Red Storm are averaging 1.13 goals per game, while surrendering 0.85 ... Alfonso and Stepan share the team lead in goals with four apiece ... sophomore midfielder Michael Luk has a team-best five assists ... Alfonso, Stepan and Luk all have a team-high nine points ... junior goalkeeper Neal Kitson has nine starts in goal and has a 4-4-2 record ... Kitson carries a 1.12 goals-against average and a .694 save percentage along with two shutouts ... Jason Landers has started 11 matches and has produced a 5-2-3 record ... he has a 0.62 goals-against average with a .811 save percentage to go with six shutouts ... St. John's is 3-4-1 on the road this season ... head coach Dave Masur is in his 17th season at the helm of the Red Storm program.

### NSCAA/adidas Rankings

Nov. 6

#### Rank/Team (Record) Last Week (15-2-1) 1 1. Connecticut Wake Forest (13-1-2) 2 Santa Clara (11-1-4) 3 3. Virginia Tech (10-1-5) 5 4 5. Brown (13-1-1) 6 SMU (11-3-2) 4 6. 7. Creighton (9-1-5) 8 8. **Boston College** (11-4-1) 7 (12-4-3) 10 9. Indiana (11-2-2) 11 10. Tulsa 11. NOTRE DAME (10-3-5)9(11-2-3) 13 12. Saint Louis

15. Harvard (10-3-2) 17 **16. West Virginia** (12-5-1) 20

17. Akron (13-3-2) 22

18. Ohio State (11-3-4) 23

13. UC Santa Barbara (10-3-3) 15

(11-3-3) 12

14. Northwestern

19t. California (10-4-1) 24
19t. Maryland (9-4-4) 25
21. Virginia (10-5-2) 14
22. South Florida (11-4-2) RV

23. Furman (15-3-0) 16 24. Duke (10-5-1) 19 25. Dartmouth (10-3-2) RV

**Bold** indicates 2007 opponent

#### **Poll Tracker**

Notre Dame in the NSCAA/adidas rankings ...

Preseason	10th
Sept. 4	9th
Sept. 11	9th
Sept. 18	4th
Sept. 25	2nd
Oct. 2	
Oct. 9	3rd
Oct. 16	4th
Oct. 23	7th
Oct. 30	9th
Nov. 6	11th

**IRISH-STORM CONNECTION: Chad Riley** is currently in his second season as an assistant coach for Notre Dame ... Riley was an assistant at St. John's during the 2005 season ... Riley was a standout midfielder at Notre Dame from 2000-03.

NOTRE DAME IN BIG EAST PLAY: Notre Dame owns an overall record of 76-48-16 (.600) in BIG EAST regular-season play since joining the conference in 1995 ... the Irish have posted seven straight winning seasons within the conference, including this year ... last season, the Irish went 8-3-0 in league play ... that marked the second time that the Irish posted a program-record eight BIG EAST victories ... Notre Dame won its only regular-season BIG EAST title in 2004 with an 8-1-1 record ... the Fighting Irish captured BIG EAST Tournament crowns in 1996 and 2003.

**NEXT UP:** The winner of the Notre Dame/St. John's match will advance to the semifinals of the BIG EAST Championship and take on the winner of the DePaul/Cincinnati game ... the semifinals and finals of the BIG EAST tournament will be held in Storrs, Conn. on Friday, Nov. 16 and Sunday, Nov. 18, respectively.

**IRISH THOUGHTS:** Notre Dame head coach **Bobby Clark** discusses the upcoming match against St. John's ...

"They don't come much tougher than St. John's. I think this is a game everyone on the team is looking forward to. It'll be a challenge. St. John's is a great side. They were the (BIG EAST) tournament champions last year and they always come ready to play. I know we'll be ready to play as well."

LAST TIME OUT: Notre Dame and Georgetown played to a 0-0 draw on Saturday, Nov. 3 at North Kehoe Field in Washington, D.C. ... the Fighting Irish controlled play in the first half as they out shot Georgetown 11-0 in the opening stanza ... for the match, the Irish held a 16-9 advantage in shots along with gaining one more corner kick (8-7) ... Michael Thomas, Joseph Lapira, Alex Yoshinaga and Justin Morrow all generated offense for the Irish as they each produced three shots ... Georgetown was led in shots by Sean Bellomy, who also had three ... the Hoyas mounted a late offensive attack as they out shot the Irish 7-2 in the second 10-minute overtime period ... senior goalkeeper Chris Cahill made two saves for the Irish on the afternoon to pick up his seventh shutout of the season ... Georgetown goalkeeper Joe Devine made three stops ... the Irish nearly struck during the final seconds of the contest as a Lapira shot just missed and hit the side netting.

**FIT TO BE TIED:** Notre Dame has played to five ties this season ... that marks the most draws for a single season in the 31-year history of the Fighting Irish program ... Notre Dame has had a total of six games go to overtime ... the Irish defeated then-No. 1 UCLA, 2-1, with a golden goal in the 94th minute during the season opener on Aug. 31.

**ANOTHER 10:** The Fighting Irish have reached the double-digit victory plateau for seven straight seasons ... the streak began during the first year of the **Bobby Clark** era in 2001.

SPREADING THE WEALTH: Notre Dame's last eight goals have come from six different players ... a total of 11 different Irish players have notched a goal this season ... seniors Joseph Lapira and Ryan Miller are tied for the team lead with six goals apiece ... sophomore Justin Morrow is next in line with three tallies ... Kurt Martin, Alex Yoshinaga, Matt Besler, Dave Donohue and Jeb Brovsky all have two goals, while three players have scored once ... a total of 14 players have tallied at least one point ... Lapira has a team-best 20 points, which includes a team-high eight assists.

**THREE IS THE MAGIC NUMBER:** Notre Dame's three goals against Pittsburgh on Oct. 24 matched a season-high outburst for the Irish ... Notre Dame has scored three times on four occasions this season ... the three first-half tallies versus the Panthers marked the third time this season that Notre Dame has scored three goals in one half ... the Fighting Irish scored three times in a 3-0 win over No. 16 Michigan on Oct. 3 ... Notre Dame netted three second-half scores in a 3-3 tie with No. 1 Connecticut on Oct. 13.

#### Soccer America Rankings

Nov. 5

Rank/Team (Record) Last Week

#### 1 Wake Forest (13-1-2) 2 Connecticut (15-2-1) 3 3. Brown (13-1-1) 4 4. Santa Clara (11-1-4) 5 SMU (11-3-2) 1 6. **Boston College** (11-4-1) 6 Tulsa (11-2-2) 7 7. Virginia Tech (10-1-5) 10 9. Saint Louis (11-2-3) 13 10. UC Santa Barbara (10-3-3) 14 11. Creighton (9-1-5)8 12. Indiana (12-4-3) 9 13. NOTRE DAME (10-3-5) 12 14. West Virginia (12-5-1) 19

 15. Maryland
 (9-4-4)
 21

 16. Northwestern
 (11-3-3)
 16

 17. California
 (10-4-1)
 NR

 18. Ohio State
 (11-3-4)
 22

 19. Cal Poly
 (9-2-4)
 15

 20. Michigan State
 (11-4-3)
 11

(10-6-1) 17

22. Virginia (10-5-2) 18 23. Dartmouth (10-3-2) 23 24. Harvard (10-3-2) 25 25. Akron (13-3-2) NR

**Bold** indicates 2007 opponent

21. Duke

#### **Poll Tracker**

Notre Dame in the *Soccer America* rankings ...

	Preseason	9th
	Sept. 4	8th
	Sept. 10	8th
	Sept. 17	3rd
	Sept. 24	2nd
	Oct. 1	
	Oct. 8	3rd
	Oct. 15	7th
	Oct. 22	11th
	Oct. 29	12th
	Nov. 5	13th
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### Soccer Times Rankings

Nov. 5

#### Rank/Team (Record) Last Week

1.	Wake Forest	(13-1-2)	2
2.	Connecticut	(15-2-1)	
3.	Santa Clara	(11-1-4)	
4.	Brown	(13-1-1)	5
5.	Virginia Tech	(10-1-5)	9
6.	SMU	(11-3-2)	3
7.	Indiana	(12-4-3)	8
8.	Creighton	(9-1-5)	6
9.	NOTRE DAME	(10-3-5)	7
10.	Tulsa	(11-2-2)	
11.	Saint Louis	(11-2-3)	12
12.	UC Santa Barbara	(10-3-3)	14
13.	Boston College	(11-4-1)	10
14.	Northwestern	(11-3-3)	13
15.	Harvard	(10-3-2)	
16.	West Virginia	(12-5-1)	19t
17.	Akron	(13-3-2)	17
18.	California	(10-4-1)	23
19t	.Ohio State	(11-3-4)	21
19t	.Maryland	(9-4-4)	NR
	Virginia	(10-5-2)	15
22.	South Florida	(11-4-2)	24
23.	Duke	(10-6-1)	19t
24.	New Mexico	(9-4-1)	22
25.	Gonzaga	(9-3-4)	NR

**Bold** indicates 2007 opponent

#### Poll Tracker

Notre Dame in the *Soccer Times* rankings ...

Preseason	10th
Sept. 4	
Sept. 10	8th
Sept. 17	
Sept. 24	2nd
Oct. 1	3rd
Oct. 8	3rd
Oct. 15	4th
Oct. 22	6th
Oct. 29	7th
Nov. 5	9th

#### Grassroot Soccer

For the fourth year in a row, the Notre Dame men's soccer team hosted an exhibition game that benefitted Grassroot Soccer. The foundation helps fight the HIV/AIDS crisis in Africa through soccer clinics hosted by professional players. Tommy Clark, the son of Irish head coach Bobby Clark, is the founder of Grassroot Soccer. This year's game versus Northwestern drew 3,667 fans to Alumni Field. Fans were encouraged to donate as they entered the stadium. An anonymous Notre Dame soccer alumnus matched the donations dollar-for-dollar as did Bobby Clark and the Notre Dame soccer camp. In all, the 2007 match raised \$6,300. For more information on Grassroot Soccer, please log onto grassrootsoccer.org.

MILLER AND RELLAS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS: Ryan Miller and Cory Rellas have been selected to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District V men's soccer team ... Miller, a fifth-year senior, graduated from the Mendoza College of Business in May of 2007 with a degree in accounting ... he finished with a 3.409 cumulative grade-point average and is currently pursuing a master's degree in accounting ... Miller is tied for the team lead in goals with six, which are a career-high total ... he also has a career-best 15 points this season ... Rellas, a junior defender, carries a 3.634 cumulative GPA as a finance and history major ... Rellas has started all 18 games this season and has been an integral part in the Irish posting nine shutouts ... he also has scored one goal.

NO STREAKS: Notre Dame has not lost back-to-back regular-season games since the beginning of the 2001 season when they fell to No. 5 Furman, 3-2, in double-overtime and then lost 4-0 to No. 16 Clemson ... both of those matches occurred at the Umbro/Spinx Furman Invitational in Greenville, S.C. ... Notre Dame followed up this season's first loss, a 3-0 setback against Maryland, with a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... the Irish then responded after a 1-0 loss to Michigan State with a 3-3 draw against No. 1 Connecticut ... following a 3-2 loss against No. 12 Indiana, Notre Dame defeated Seton Hall, 2-0.

**FACING #1, AGAIN:** The 3-3 draw with Connecticut on Oct. 13 marked the second time this season that Notre Dame had squared off with a team ranked No. 1 at the time of the meeting ... Notre Dame topped then-No. 1 UCLA, 2-1, in overtime during the season opener on Aug. 31 ... the Fighting Irish are 1-5-1 when facing a top-ranked team since the 1990 season.

**SHOOTING STARS:** Notre Dame has out shot its opponents 306-212 this season ... the Irish own a 151-77 advantage in shots during the first half and a 140-117 edge in the second period ... Notre Dame has been out shot 18-15 in overtime periods.

**CORNERING THE MARKET:** The Fighting Irish have a 113-68 advantage in corner kicks over their opponents, including a decisive 54-23 margin in first-half play ... Notre Dame owns a 52-41 edge in the second half, while the Irish have out cornered the opposition 7-4 in overtime.

BLANKING THE COMPETITION: Notre Dame has posted nine shutouts this season ... that signifies the fifth-straight season in which the Fighting Irish have posted at least that many shutouts ... senior Chris Cahill has seven shutouts to his credit, while junior Andrew Quinn has one ... both Cahill and Quinn saw action in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... Quinn picked up the shutout against Marquette (1-0), while Cahill and the Irish defense held Rutgers (2-0) and Villanova (1-0) without a goal ... Cahill notched a shutout against No. 16 Michigan in a 3-0 victory by making a season-high seven saves ... he followed that with another blanking in a 1-0 win over No. 13 West Virginia ... Cahill picked up his fifth shutout of the season in a 2-0 triumph of Seton Hall and then he and the Irish defense held Pittsburgh scoreless in a 3-0 victory ... Cahill made two saves in a 0-0 draw at Georgetown.

SHOCKING SHUTOUTS: Notre Dame had its string of not being shut out in a BIG EAST regular-season game snapped in a 0-0 tie at Georgetown ... the Irish had gone 20 matches in regular-season conference play without being held scoreless ... overall, Notre Dame has only been shut out three times in the past 32 contests ... the Georgetown match marked the first time in the past 32 games that Notre Dame played to a scoreless draw ... the Irish are currently riding a 16-game streak without being shut out at home.

ROOKIE IMPACT: The Irish have had a significant impact from its 2007 freshman class ... Jeb Brovsky has totaled five points on two goals and one assist ... Matt Armstrong has started every game in the midfield and has notched one assist ... Armstrong has filled the shoes of two-time first-team All-American Greg Dalby, who had a stellar four-year career with the Irish ... Josh Thiermann and Steven Perry have combined to play in 18 games and have been valuable sparks off the bench.

#### College Soccer News Top-30 Poll

Nov. 5

#### Rank/Team (Record) Last Week

Wake Forest

1.	Wake Forest	(13-1-2)	1
2.	Connecticut	(15-2-1)	2
3.	Santa Clara	(11-1-4)	3
4.	Brown	(13-1-1)	5
5.	Virginia Tech	(10-1-5)	6
6.	SMU	(11-3-2)	4
7.	Indiana	(12-4-3)	7
8.	Saint Louis	(11-2-3)	11
9.	Creighton	(9-1-5)	9
10.	Boston College	(11-4-1)	8
11.	UC Santa Barbara	(10-3-3)	12
12.	NOTRE DAME	(10-3-5)	11
13.	Tulsa	(11-2-2)	14
14.	Northwestern	(11-3-3)	13
15.	Harvard	(10-3-2)	15
16.	West Virginia	(12-5-1)	16
17.	Akron	(13-3-2)	17
18.	Ohio State	(11-3-4)	20
19.	California	(10-4-1)	24
20.	Maryland	(9-4-4)	25
21.	South Florida	(11-4-2)	26
22.	New Mexico	(9-4-1)	19
23.	Gonzaga	(9-3-4)	29
24.	Dartmouth	(10-3-2)	NR
25.	Duke	(9-6-1)	23
26.	Furman	(15-3-0)	21
27.	Virginia	(10-5-2)	18
28.	DePaul	(11-6-0)	27
29.	Michigan State	(11-4-3)	22
30.	Cal Poly	(9-2-4)	30

**Bold** indicates 2007 opponent

#### **Poll Tracker**

Notre Dame in the *College Soccer News* rankings ...

Preseason	.11th
Sept. 4	.10th
Sept. 10	.10th
Sept. 17	.4th
Sept. 24	.2nd
Oct. 1	.3rd
Oct. 8	.3rd
Oct. 15	.4th
Oct. 22	.8th
Oct. 29	.10th
Nov. 5	.12th

**TAKING DOWN A TOP-10:** The victory over top-ranked UCLA on Aug. 31 gave Notre Dame a win over a top-10 team for the eighth straight season ... Notre Dame took down three top-10 teams last season ... the Irish topped both Creighton (4-1) and Indiana (5-4, OT) when those squads were ranked eighth nationally ... Notre Dame bested No. 7 Maryland, 1-0, in double-overtime during the third round of the NCAA Tournament ... that marked the first time the Irish beat three top-10 teams in a season since 2002.

**HIGH MARKS:** Notre Dame was ranked No. 2 in all four major polls (Soccer America, NSCAA, Soccer Times, College Soccer News) during the week of Sept. 24 ... that marked the highest-ever ranking in program history.

**PICKING UP WHERE HE LEFT OFF: Joseph Lapira** opened the season with a three-point match in a 2-1 overtime win against No. 1 UCLA ... he gave the Irish a 1-0 lead in the 24th minute and then assisted on **Alex Yoshinaga**'s golden goal in the 94th minute to give Notre Dame the victory ... Lapira led all NCAA Division I men's soccer players with 22 goals and 50 points last season.

IN THE RECORD BOOKS: Senior forward Joseph Lapira currently ranks in a tie for fifth place on Notre Dame's all-time goals list ... he has 38 tallies, which ties him with Tim Oates, who played from 1991-94 ... Kevin Lovejoy (1978-80) is the program record-holder with 67 goals ... Lapira's 97 career points rank him in a tie, with Oates, for sixth in program history ... Lapira is just three points away from 100, which would put him into the top five ... Lovejoy has that mark as well with 153 points.

**BIG EAST ACCOLADES: Joseph Lapira** was named the preseason BIG EAST offensive player of the year and junior defender **Matt Besler** joined Lapira on the all-BIG EAST preseason team ... Lapira was the 2006 BIG EAST offensive player of the year.

LAPIRA NAMED TO M.A.C. HERMANN TROPHY WATCH LIST: Joseph Lapira was named to the 2007 Missouri Athletic Club (M.A.C.) Hermann Trophy Watch List ... the trophy is presented annually to the top men's soccer player in the United States ... Lapira won the award last season as he led all NCAA Division I men's players with 22 goals and 50 points ... he became the first Notre Dame men's player to receive the award ... a panel of coaches from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) compiled the 29-man M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Watch List ... Lapira will try to become the first back-to-back recipient of the most prestigious award in college soccer since Virginia's Claudio Reyna took home the Hermann Trophy in 1992 and 1993.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS: Joseph Lapira had an eventful summer of 2007 ... in May, Lapira trained with the Ireland National Team while the squad was in the United States ... Lapira earned his first cap in a match against Ecuador on May 23 in Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. ... when he entered the match in the 86th minute, he became the first amateur to play for Ireland since 1964 ... the game ended as a 1-1 draw ... the Louisiana native was able to participate with the Ireland team since he has dual-citizenship because his mother is a native of the country ... later in the summer, he went to Europe and trained with the Glasgow Rangers of the Scottish Premier League and with Derby County of the English Premier League.

NOTRE DAME PICKED SECOND IN BLUE DIVISION: Notre Dame was selected to finish second in the BIG EAST Blue Division for the 2007 season ... the Irish garnered 102 points in voting by the league's head coaches, while Connecticut received 105 points ... Connecticut garnered 10 first-place votes in the Blue Division, while Notre Dame had four and West Virginia totaled three ... St. John's was tabbed to win the league's Red Division followed by Rutgers and South Florida.

COLLEGE SOCCER NEWS WATCH LISTS: Joseph Lapira was selected to the College Soccer News Pre-Season All-America first team ... the senior was not the only Irish student-athlete honored by the publication, as two incoming freshmen were named to the '100 Freshmen to Watch' list for the 2007 season ... (M) Matt Armstrong and (F) Josh Thiermann were selected to the list and are part of a very talented seven-man freshman class for the Irish.

FRESHMAN CLASS NATIONALLY RANKED: Notre Dame's seven-man freshman class was ranked 15th nationally by College Soccer News ... (M) Matt Armstrong, (M) Jeb Brovsky, (D) Bilal Duckett, (M) Greg Klazura, (F) Andrew Luttrell, (F) Steven Perry and (F) Josh Thiermann make up the talented crop of Fighting Irish rookies.

IRISH ON THE SMALL SCREEN: Notre Dame had five of its regular-season matches televised ... the Fighting Irish played Rutgers on Fox Soccer Channel on Sept. 21 in Piscataway, N.J. ... Notre Dame played at Marquette on Time Warner Cable ... two Irish home games were also televised ... Notre Dame and Michigan appeared on Comcast Local on Oct. 3 as did the Irish's tilt against Indiana on Oct. 17 ... a match at Providence on Oct. 28 was carried by Cox Sports Television.

**STAY UP-TO-DATE ON NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS:** To stay updated on all 26 varsity sports at Notre Dame you can log on to the official Notre Dame athletics web site at und.com or you can call the official Notre Dame athletics hotline at (574) 631-3000 ... to access men's soccer information on the hotline all you need to do is dial 4 from the main menu and then dial 1.

SIGN UP FOR IRISH ALERT TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE: Go to und.com to sign up for Irish ALERT, a text messaging service designed to give fans up-to-the-minute game updates for all 26 varsity sports at Notre Dame ... men's soccer fans can sign up to receive scores after each half of every game.

Notre Dame men's soccer media information: Publicity for the 2007 Notre Dame men's soccer team is organized by Assistant Sports Information Director Sean Carroll. The Notre Dame sports information office is always interested in assisting members of the media in coverage of Irish soccer.

For men's soccer interviews, please contact Carroll at (574) 631-2664. All interviews of coaches and student-athletes must be arranged through the sports information office

To receive all releases, including weekly updates on the Irish team, via e-mail, please send a request to Carroll at: Carroll.64@nd.edu.

### 2007 Notre Dame Player Bio Updates

\*- please see the 2007 Notre Dame men's soccer media guide for more information on the Notre Dame players.

### #00 Chris Cahill Sr. GK 6-6 190

2007 Awards: Named the BIG EAST goalkeeper of the week three times (9/3, 9/24 & 10/8).

2007 Accomplishments: A starter in 16 games ... 9-2-5 record with a 0.77 goals-against average and a .822 save percentage ... seven shutouts ... first player in program history to be named BIG EAST goalkeeper of the week three times in one season ... started the season opener, a 2-1 overtime victory against No. 1 UCLA ... four saves against the Bruins ... started and played 74:38 in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... made four saves in the contest ... played all 110 minutes in a 1-1 tie with Northern Illinois ... made three saves against the Huskies ... posted shutouts in wins over Rutgers (2-0) and Villanova (1-0) ... had four saves against the Scarlet Knights and three versus the Wildcats ... made three saves in a 1-1 tie against Cincinnati ... surrendered a goal in the 53rd minute to snap his scoreless streak, which reached 314:21 ... only goal allowed in a 2-1 win over Louisiville came on a penalty kick ... stopped four Cardinal shots ... notched back-to-back shutouts in wins over No. 16 Michigan (3-0) and No. 13 West Virginia (1-0) ... made a season-high seven saves against the Wolverines ... had six stops versus the Mountaineers ... made two saves in a 1-0 loss at Michigan State ... four saves in a 3-3 tie against No. 1 Connecticut ... made six saves in a 3-2 loss to No. 12 Indiana ... registered his fifth shutout of the season by making one save in a 2-0 win over Seton Hall ... made it two shutouts in a row by making one save in a 3-0 win over Pittsburgh ... had six saves in a 2-2 tie at Providence ... posted his seventh shutout by making two saves in a 0-0 draw at Georgetown.

### #0 Andrew Quinn Jr. GK 6-3 210

2007 Accomplishments: Has played in three matches ... two starts ... 1-1-0 record ... started the second game of the season, a 3-0 loss to No. 7 Maryland ... played 15:22 in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... earned his first win of the season in a 1-0 triumph of Marquette in the BIG EAST opener ... that marked his second career shutout ... has a 1.38 goals-against average and a .700 save percentage.

### #2 Ryan Miller Sr. M/D 5-11 160 Team Co-Captain

<u>2007 Awards:</u> Named to College Soccer News national team of the week twice (9/24 & 10/8) ... Soccer America and Top Drawer Soccer national team of the week (10/8) ... BIG EAST weekly honor roll (10/8) ... named to ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District V men's soccer team.

2007 Accomplishments: A starter in every match this season ... tied for the team lead in goals with six, which are a career-high total ... also has a career-best 15 points ... three assists ... has seen time in the midfield and defense ... second on the team with 41 shots attempted ... collected an assist in a 3-0 win against Rhode Island ... registered a three-point match in a 2-0 victory over Rutgers ... assisted on the first Irish goal of the match before sealing the game with his first goal of the season ... scored a career-high two goals in a 3-0 win over No. 16 Michigan ... followed that up with the game winner in a 1-0 victory against No. 13 West Virginia ... notched a goal and an assist in a 3-3 tie with No. 1 Connecticut ... scored the equalizer in the 60th minute after the Irish had trailed 2-0 at halftime ... assisted on Notre Dame's third goal of the match, which put the Irish up 3-2 ... put the Irish up 2-1 in the 65th minute in a 2-2 tie at Providence.

### #3 Andrew Benton

Sr. D 6-1 180

<u>2007 Accomplishments:</u> Has played in five matches ... one start ... started the 1-1 tie against Northern Illinois.

### #4 Kyle Dulworth

Sr. M 5-9 160

2007 Accomplishments: Has appeared in 16 games this season ... one point ... collected an assist on the team's second goal in a 2-1 win over Louisville ... that was the first point of his career ... 11 shots attempted.

## #5 Jack Traynor

Jr. D 5-9 150

2007 Accomplishments: Has started all 13 matches in which he has played ... tied for third on the team with six points on one goal and four assists ... the assist total ranks him second on the squad ... collected two yellow cards in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island and could not play in a 1-1 tie against Northern Illinois ... tallied the first goal of his career in a 1-0 win over Marquette ... assisted on Notre Dame's lone goal in a 1-1 tie with Cincinnati ... collected an assist on the first goal of the match in a 2-1 win over Louisville ... recorded an assist on the second Irish goal in a 3-0 win over No. 16 Michigan ... assisted on Notre Dame's third goal in a 3-3 tie against No. 1 Connecticut ... injured in the Indiana match on Oct. 17 and has not played since.

### #6 Dave Donohue So. M 5-9 160

2007 Accomplishments: Has played in all 18 games ... five starts ... has two goals and one assist for five points, all career-high totals ... two game-winning goals ... 11 shots ... earned his first career start against Rhode Island and delivered with the first Irish goal in the 3-0 win ... tallied the first Irish goal of the night in a 2-0 victory over Rutgers ... assisted on the lone goal in a 1-0 win against Villanova.

### #8 Michael Thomas

So. M 5-8 165

2007 Accomplishments: Has played in 10 games, all starts ... two points on one goal ... 20 shots attempted ... started the season-opening match, a 2-1 overtime win against No. 1 UCLA ... had to leave the match with an injury ... missed the next eight games ... returned to the Irish lineup in a 3-0 win over No. 16 Michigan ... netted his first goal of the season in a 3-0 win at Pittsburgh ... that was the team's third goal of the match.

#### #10 Joseph Lapira Sr. F 5-8 150

2007 Awards: Named to M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Watch List ... tabbed a preseason All-American by Soccer America, College Soccer News and MLS Magazine ... BIG EAST preseason offensive player of the year ... all-BIG EAST preseason team selection ... named to the adidas/IU Credit Union Classic all-tournament team ... Top Drawer Soccer national team of the week (10/15) ... BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (10/15, 10/22 & 10/29).

2007 Accomplishments: Leads the team in points (20) and assists (8) ... the eight assists are a career-high total ... his six goals tie him for the team lead ... has registered a team-high 67 shots ... has played in all 18 matches, starting 17 ... tallied the Irish's first goal of the season as he found the back of the net in the 24th minute in a 2-1 overtime victory against No. 1 UCLA ... assisted on Alex Yoshinaga's golden goal against the Bruins ... collected an assist on Notre Dame's second goal in a 2-0 triumph of Rutgers ... assisted on the lone goal in a 1-0 win over Villanova ... tallied Notre Dame's second goal in a 2-1 win over Louisville ... recorded an assist on the lone goal in a 1-0 win over No. 13 West Virginia as he sent a corner kick into the box that Ryan Miller headed in ... scored a season-high two goals in a 3-3 tie against No. 1 Connecticut ... put the Irish on the board as he converted a penalty kick in the 53rd minute ... gave Notre Dame a 3-2 lead in the 66th minute ... matched that performance in the next game as he scored twice in a 3-2 loss to No. 12 Indiana ... matched a career-high total with two assists in a 3-0 win at Pittsburgh ... followed that performance up with two more assists in a 2-2 tie at Providence.

### #11 Kurt Martin

Sr. M 5-10 175

2007 Awards: Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament offensive MVP ... College Soccer News national team of the week (9/10) ... named to BIG EAST weekly honor roll (9/10).

2007 Accomplishments: Five points on two goals and one assist ... has played in 16 games, all starts ... missed two games (Louisville & Michigan) due to injury ... 18 shots ... scored Notre Dame's third goal on a penalty kick in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... netted the team's lone goal in a 1-1 tie with Northern Illinois ... assisted on the first Irish goal in a 3-2 loss to No. 12 Indiana.

### #13 Cory Rellas

Jr. D 6-1 165

2007 Awards: Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament all-tournament team ... BIG EAST defensive player of the week (10/8) ... named to ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District V men's soccer team.

2007 Accomplishments: A starter in all 18 matches ... two points on one goal ... integral part of an Irish defense that has posted nine shutouts on the season ... Notre Dame boasts a 0.84 goals-against average ... scored the second Irish goal in a 3-0 win over No. 16 Michigan ... has attempted nine shots.

#### **#15 Matt Armstrong**

Fr. M 5-7 155

<u>2007 Awards:</u> Named to the adidas/IU Credit Union Classic all-tournament team.

2007 Accomplishments: Has started all 18 matches this season ... one assist ... 16 shots ... the only Irish freshman to start the season opener, a 2-1 overtime win against No. 1 UCLA ... has filled the shoes of two-time first-team All-American Greg Dalby, who had a stellar four-year career for the Irish ... collected an assist in a 1-1 tie with Northem Illinois

#### #17 Matt Besler

Jr. D 6-0 170 Team Co-Captain

2007 Awards: All-BIG EAST preseason team ... Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament all-tournament team.

2007 Accomplishments: Has started all 18 matches this season ... six points on two goals and two assists ... valuable part of an Irish defense that has registered nine shutouts ... Notre Dame boasts a 0.84 goals-against average ... has attempted 12 shots ... tallied the team's lone goal in a 1-1 tie against Cincinnati ... assisted on the second Irish goal in a 3-0 win over No. 16 Michigan ... collected the assist off a throw-in on the team's second goal in a 2-0 win over Seton Hall ... gave the Irish a 1-0 lead in a 2-2 tie at Providence as he headed in his second goal of the season.

## #19 Alex Yoshinaga

Sr. M 5-10 160 Team Co-Captain

2007 Accomplishments: A starter in all 18 games this season ... has seen time in the midfield and defense ... six points on two goals and two assists ... 33 shots ... netted a golden goal to defeat No. 1 UCLA, 2-1, in the season opener ... assisted on the Irish's first goal of that match ... collected an assist on Notre Dame's second goal in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... netted the team's second goal in a 2-0 win over Seton Hall ... also contributed on the first goal of the match as he sent in a free kick that deflected off a Pirate defender for an own goal.

### #21 Justin Morrow

So. M 5-8 165

2007 Accomplishments: Has appeared in all 18 matches ... 14 starts ... six points on three goals ... the goal total ranks him third on the team ... 28 shots ... tallied his first career goal in a 3-0 win over Rhode Island ... that was the second Irish goal of the match ... scored the first two Irish goals in a 3-0 win at Pittsburgh.

## #22 Josh Thiermann

Fr. F 6-0 170

<u>2007 Accomplishments:</u> Has appeared in ninematches ... one start ... made his first career start against Northern Illinois ... one of four freshmen to play for the Irish this season.

### #25 Jeb Brovsky

Fr. M 6-1 160

2007 Accomplishments: A contributor to the Irish in all 18 games ... three starts ... five points on two goals and one assist ... has attempted 15 shots ... collected an assist on Alex Yoshinaga's golden goal in a 2-1 victory over No. 1 UCLA in the season opener ... made his first career start against No. 7 Maryland ... netted the game winner in the 51st minute in a 1-0 victory over Villanova ... tallied Notre Dame's first goal in a 2-1 win over Louisville ... one of four freshmen to play for the Irish this season.

# 2007 BIG EAST Weekly Awards

#### Offensive Player of the Week

Sept. 3 - O'Brian White, Connecticut Sept. 10 - O'Brian White, Connecticut Sept. 17 - Mike Seamon, Villanova Sept. 24 - Patrick Baxter, Cincinnati Oct. 1 - Ryan Maduro, Providence Oct. 8 - O'Brian White, Connecticut Oct. 15 - O'Brian White, Connecticut Oct. 22 - Tomislav Barisic, Rutgers Oct. 29 - O'Brian White, Connecticut Nov. 5 - Noah Davidson, Cincinnati

#### **Defensive Player of the Week**

Sept. 3 - Brad Peetoom, Syracuse Sept. 10 - Matt Sleece, Villanova Sept. 17 - Oscar Castillo, Connecticut Sept. 24 - Jeff Stepan, St. John's Oct. 1 - Julius James, Connecticut Oct. 8 - Cory Rellas, Notre Dame Oct. 15 - Phil Edington, Louisville Oct. 22 - Jason Bristol, West Virginia Oct. 29 - Andrew Halsell, West Virginia Nov. 5 - Jason Bristol, West Virginia

#### Goalkeeper of the Week

Sept. 3 - Chris Cahill, Notre Dame
Sept. 10 - Jason Friel, Villanova
Sept. 17 - Zach Johnson, West Virginia
Sept. 24 - Chris Cahill, Notre Dame
Oct. 1 - Jason Friel, Villanova
Oct. 8 - Chris Cahill, Notre Dame
Oct. 15 - Jason Landers, St. John's
Oct. 22 - Tim Murray, Providence
Oct. 22 - Tomislav Barisic, Rutgers
Oct. 29 - Brian Visser, DePaul
Nov. 5 - Miguel Rosales, Cincinnati

#### Rookie of the Week

Sept. 3 - Brayan Martinez, Seton Hall
Sept. 10 - Zach Johnson, West Virginia
Sept. 17 - Paul Paradise, West Virginia
Sept. 24 - Miguel Rosales, Cincinnati
Oct. 1 - Sean Mergenthal, Villanova
Oct. 8 - Austin Berry, Louisville
Oct. 15 - Zach Johnson, West Virginia
Oct. 22 - Alex Redding, Providence
Oct. 29 - Nick Cianci, Providence
Nov. 5 - Alex Verdi, Georgetown



### 2007 BIG EAST Final Standings

BIG EAST							<u>Overal</u>	<u> </u>
	Blue Division	W	L	Ţ	Pts.	W	L	Ţ
	Connecticut*#	8	2	1	25	15	2	1
	Notre Dame*#	7	0	4	25	10	3	5
	West Virginia*	7	3	1	22	13	5	1
	Providence*	5	4	2	17	9	7	2
	Georgetown*	5	5	1	16	7	11	1
	Seton Hall*	3	8	0	9	7	11	1
	Pittsburgh	1	9	1	4	3	13	2
	Marquette	1	9	1	4	2	12	4

	<u>Overall</u>						
<b>Red Division</b>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	I	Pts.	W	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
DePaul*#	7	4	0	21	11	6	0
Louisville*#	6	3	2	20	10	5	3
St. John's*	6	3	2	20	9	6	5
South Florida*	6	4	1	19	12	4	2
Villanova*	5	5	1	16	10	9	1
Cincinnati*	5	5	1	16	9	9	1
Rutgers	4	7	0	12	7	11	1
Syracuse	3	8	0	9	6	8	4

\* - Clinched BIG EAST Championship berth, # - BIG EAST Championship First-Round Bye

#### 2007 BIG EAST Preseason Honors and Predictions

as voted on by the league coaches

<u>Preseason Offensive Player of the Year</u> Joseph Lapira, Sr., F, Notre Dame

Preseason Defensive Player of the Year

Julius James, Sr., D, Connecticut

<u>Preseason Goalkeeper of the Year</u> Jason Landers, Sr., GK, St. John's

<u>Preseason All-BIG EAST Team</u> Matt Besler, Jr., D, Notre Dame

Eliseo Giusfredi, Jr., F, Seton Hall Amir Ikner, Sr., D, Cincinnati Julius James, Sr., D, Connecticut\* Jason Landers, Sr., GK, St. John's Joseph Lapira, Sr., F, Notre Dame\* Ryan Maduro, Sr., M, Providence\* Akeem Priestley, Jr., M, Connecticut Ryan Soroka, So., F, St. John's O'Brian White, Jr., F, Connecticut

Andy Wright, Sr., M, West Virginia

\* - unanimous selection

Blue Division (predicted finish)	<b>Points</b>	Red Division (predicted finish)	<u>Points</u>
1. Connecticut (10 first-place votes)	105	1. St. John's (9)	105
2. Notre Dame (4)	102	2. Rutgers (1)	90
3. West Virginia (3)	86	3. South Florida (3)	81
4. Providence	68	4. Cincinnati (2)	79
5. Seton Hall	62	5. Louisville (1)	70
6. Georgetown	40	6. Syracuse	36
7. Marquette	29	7. Villanova	26
8. Pittsburgh	20	8. DePaul	25

### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 08, 2007) All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME AWAY NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	(10 - 3 - 5)	(5-1-3) (4-1-2) (1-1-0)
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Sep 09 NORTHERN ILLINOIS		144 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 18 2 2 6 33 .061 11 .333 1 0-0
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*Sep 23 at Villanova Wildcats		000 11 MARTIN, Kurt 16 2 1 5 18 .111 11 .611 0 1-2
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*Oct 06 #13 WEST VIRGINIA		71 13 RELLAS, Cory 18 1 0 2 9 .111 3 .333 0 0-0
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		SAVES BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total
		Notre Dame
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		FOULS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total
		Notre Dame

### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 08, 2007) All games

Overall: 10-3-5 Conf: 7-0-4 Home: 5-1-3 Away: 4-1-2 Neut: 1-1-0

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2 MILLER, Ryan	18-18	6	3	15	41	.146	20	.488	0-0	2	0	-0
21 MORROW, Justin	18-14	3	0	6	28	.107	8	.286	1-0	) 1	0	-0
19 YOSHINAGA, Alex	18-18	2	2	6	33	.061	11	.333	1-0	) 1	0	-0
17 BESLER, Matt	18-18	2	2	6	12	.167	6	.500	1-0	0	0	-0
5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13-13	1	4	6	20	.050	11	.550	2-1	. 1	0	-0
11 MARTIN, Kurt	16-16	2	1	5	18	.111	11	.611	0-0	0	1	-2
25 BROVSKY, Jeb	18-3	2	1	5	15	.133	5	.333	1-0	1	0	-0
6 DONOHUE, Dave	18-5	2	1	5	11	.182	7	.636	4-0	2	0	-0
8 THOMAS, Michael	10-10	1	0	2	20	.050	8	.400	1-0	0	0	-0
13 RELLAS, Cory	18-18	1	0	2	9	.111	3	.333	2-0	0	0	-0
15 ARMSTRONG, Matt	18-18	0	1	1	16	.000	4	.250	2-0	0	0	-0
4 DULWORTH, Kyle	16-0	0	1	1	11	.000	2	.182	0-0	0	0	-0
9 DAGAN, Kyle	16-10	0	1	1	2	.000	1	.500	1-0	0	0	-0
18 PERRY, Steven	9-0	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	0-0	0	0	-0
12 SAMBA, Tamba	1-0	0	0	0	1	.000	1 3	L.000	0-0	0	0	-0
22 THIERMANN, Josh	9-1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0	-0
16 LEE, Terry	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0	-0
7 SCHAEFER, John	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0	-0
3 BENTON, Andrew	5-1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0	-0
00 CAHILL, Chris	16-16	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0	-0
0 QUINN, Andrew	3-2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0	-0
Total	18	29	25	83	306	.095	129	.422	16-1	. 10	2	-3
Opponents	18	16	16	48	212	.075	86	.406	25-1	. 3	1	-1
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## Name	GP-GS	Minu	tes	G	<del>}</del> A	Avg S	Saves	Pct	. W	L	T	Sho
00 CAHILL, Chris	 16-16	1527	:45	 1	.3	0.77	 60	.822	 : 9	2	 5	 7
0 QUINN, Andrew	3-2		:22		3	1.38	7			1	0	1
TM TEAM			:00		0	0.00	3	1.000		0	0	1
Total	18	1723		1	.6	0.84	70	.814		3	5	9
Opponents		1723		2	29	1.51	100	.775		10	5	3
Team saves: 3												
GOALS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT	ОТ2 ТО	tal				CORNER K		PRD 1	st 2nd	OT OT2		otal
Notre Dame 16 12 1												113
Opponents 7 9 0	0 - 0 -	29 16				Notre Da	me		54 52 23 41	2 5 1 3		68
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SHOTS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT	0 - OT2 To	16 tal				Notre Da Opponent FOULS BY	mes	  1	23 41 .st 2nd	1 3 OT OT2	- 5	68 Cotal
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### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 08, 2007) All games

Overall: 10-3-5 Conf: 7-0-4 Home: 5-1-3 Away: 4-1-2 Neut: 1-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	ND	OPP				
SHOT STATISTICS						
	20. 206	16 212				
Goals sacred accords	29-306 16-212 1.51 0.84					
Goals scored average Shot pct	.095 .075					
	129-306 86-212					
SOG pct	.422 .406					
Shots/Game						
·	17.0 11.8					
Assists	25 16					
PENALTY KICKS	113 68 2-3 1-1					
PENALTIES	2-3	т-т				
Yellow cards	16 25					
Red cards	16 25 1 1					
		Τ				
ATTENDANCE	18389 11205					
Total						
Dates/Avg Per Date	9/2043	7/1601				
Neutral Site #/Avg	2/0					
GOALS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total	CORNER KICKS BY PRD	1st 2nd OT OT2 Total				
Notre Dame 16 12 1 0 - 29	Notre Dame	54 52 2 5 - 113				
Opponents 7 9 0 0 - 16	Opponents	23 41 1 3 - 68				
SHOTS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total	FOULS BY PERIOD	1st 2nd OT OT2 Total				
Notre Dame 151 140 6 9 - 306	Notre Dame	77 112 7 7 - 203				
Opponents 77 117 6 12 - 212	Opponents	125 110 9 9 - 253				
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SAVES BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total						

Opponents...... 47 47 2 4 - 100

### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Category Leaders (as of Nov 08, 2007) All games

## POINTS	GP	G	A	Pts	Shots
10 LAPIRA, Joseph	18	6	8	20	67
2 MILLER, Ryan					
21 MORROW, Justin	18	3	0	6	28
19 YOSHINAGA, Alex	18	2	2	6	33
17 BESLER, Matt	18	2	2	6	12
5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1	4	6	20
11 MARTIN, Kurt	16	2	1	5	18
25 BROVSKY, Jeb	18	2	1	5	15
6 DONOHUE, Dave	18	2	1	5	11
8 THOMAS, Michael	10	1	0	2	20
## GOALS					
2 MILLER, Ryan	18	6	3	15	41
2 MILLER, Ryan 10 LAPIRA, Joseph	18	6	8	20	67
21 MORROW, Justin	18	3	0	6	28
17 BESLER, Matt	18	2	2	6	12
19 YOSHINAGA, Alex	18	2	2	6	33
11 MARTIN, Kurt	16	2	- 1	- 5	18
25 BROVSKY, Jeb	18	2	1	5	15
6 DONOHUE, Dave	18	2	1	5	11
5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1	4	6	20
8 THOMAS, Michael	10	1	0	2	20
## GAME WINNING GOALS					
	18				
2 MILLER, Ryan	18				
21 MORROW, Justin	18				
19 YOSHINAGA, Alex					
5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13				
25 BROVSKY, Jeb	18				
10 LAPIRA, Joseph	18				
TM TEAM	18	1			
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## ASSISTS					Shots
10 JAPTRA Joseph					
10 LAPIRA, Joseph 5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1	⊿	40	20
2 MTLLER Puan	19	<u>-</u>	3	15	41
2 MILLER, Ryan 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 17 BESLER, Matt	10	2	2	+3	33
17 RESLER, Ma++	10	2	2	6	12
9 DAGAN, Kyle	16	0	1	1	2
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	16				
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	18	0	1	1	16
15 ARMSTRONG, Matt	10	U	1		Τ0

#### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Game Results (as of Nov 08, 2007) All games

Date Opponent	Score	Overall	Conf .	Attend	Goals scored
Aug 31, 2007 vs #1 UCLA	W 2-1 OT	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0		LAPIRA, Joseph (YOSHINAGA, Alex) YOSHINAGA, Alex (LAPIRA, Joseph; BROVSKY, Jeb)
Sep 02, 2007 vs #7 Maryland	0-3 L	1- 1- 0	0- 0- 0		-
Sep 07, 2007 RHODE ISLAND	W 3-0	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	1732	DONOHUE, Dave (MILLER, Ryan; DAGAN, Kyle) MORROW, Justin (YOSHINAGA, Alex) MARTIN, Kurt (penalty kick)
Sep 09, 2007 NORTHERN ILLINOIS	1-1 TO2	2- 1- 1	0- 0- 0	1044	MARTIN, Kurt (ARMSTRONG, Matt)
* Sep 15, 2007 at Marquette	W 1-0	3- 1- 1			TRAYNOR, Jack (unassisted)
* Sep 21, 2007 at Rutgers	W 2-0	4- 1- 1	2- 0- 0	6309	DONOHUE, Dave (MILLER, Ryan)
					MILLER, Ryan (LAPIRA, Joseph)
* Sep 23, 2007 at Villanova Wildcats	W 1-0	5- 1- 1	3- 0- 0	1000	BROVSKY, Jeb (LAPIRA, Joseph; DONOHUE, Dave)
* Sep 28, 2007 CINCINNATI	1-1 TO2	5- 1- 2	3- 0- 1	1895	BESLER, Matt (TRAYNOR, Jack)
* Sep 30, 2007 LOUISVILLE	W 2-1	6- 1- 2	4- 0- 1	2618	BROVSKY, Jeb (TRAYNOR, Jack)
					LAPIRA, Joseph (DULWORTH, Kyle)
Oct 03, 2007 #16 MICHIGAN	W 3-0	7- 1- 2	4- 0- 1	1189	MILLER, Ryan (unassisted)
					RELLAS, Cory (TRAYNOR, Jack; BESLER, Matt)
					MILLER, Ryan (unassisted)
* Oct 06, 2007 #13 WEST VIRGINIA	W 1-0	8- 1- 2	5- 0- 1		MILLER, Ryan (LAPIRA, Joseph)
Oct 10, 2007 at Michigan State	0-1 L	8- 2- 2	5- 0- 1	517	-
* Oct 13, 2007 #1 CONNECTICUT	3-3 TO2	8- 2- 3	5- 0- 2	1946	LAPIRA, Joseph (penalty kick)
					MILLER, Ryan (unassisted)
_					LAPIRA, Joseph (TRAYNOR, Jack; MILLER, Ryan)
Oct 17, 2007 #12 INDIANA	2-3 L	8- 3- 3	5- 0- 2	3462	LAPIRA, Joseph (MARTIN, Kurt)
					LAPIRA, Joseph (unassisted)
* Oct 21, 2007 SETON HALL	W 2-0	9- 3- 3	6- 0- 2	2932	TEAM (unassisted)
					YOSHINAGA, Alex (BESLER, Matt)
* Oct 24, 2007 at PITT	W 3-0	10- 3- 3	7- 0- 2	235	MORROW, Justin (LAPIRA, Joseph)
					MORROW, Justin (LAPIRA, Joseph)
t Oat OO OOOR at Durantilance Gallane	0.0 ==00	10 2 4		F1.0	THOMAS, Michael (unassisted)
* Oct 28, 2007 at Providence College	2-2 102	10- 3- 4	7- 0- 3	512	BESLER, Matt (LAPIRA, Joseph)
* Nov 03, 2007 at Georgetown	0 0 шоз	10 2 5	7- 0- 4	1095	MILLER, Ryan (LAPIRA, Joseph)
" NOV 03, 2007 at Georgetown	0-0 102	10- 3- 5	7- 0- 4	1095	-
TEAM RECORD W-L-T			ATTEND D	ates '	Total Average
Overall: 10- 3- 5			Total:	18	29594 1644
Conference: 7- 0- 4			Home:		18389 2043
Home: 5-1-3			Away:		11205 1601
Away: 4-1-2			Neutral:	2	0 0
Neutral: 1- 1- 0					
Overtime: 1- 0- 5					