

## 2007 NOTRE DAME MEN'S SOCCER

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

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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**

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7	Fri. Sun.	RHODE ISLAND NORTHERN ILLINOIS	W, 3-0 T, 1-1 (2OT)
15	Sat.	at Marquette*	W, 1-0
21	Fri.	at Rutgers* (Fox Soccer Channel)	W, 2-0
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 (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
	_	(Comcast Local)	
21	Sun.	SETON HALL*	W, 2-0
24	Wed.	at Pittsburgh*	W, 3-0
28	Sun.	at Providence*	T, 2-2
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10	Sat.	BIG EAST Quarterfinals	TBA
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16	Fri.	BIG EAST Semifinals	TBA
-		(Storrs, Conn.)	
18	Sun.	BIG EAST Championship	TBA
		(Storrs, Conn.)	
23&24	4Fri.&Sat.	NCAA 1st Rnd.	TBA
		(Campus Sites)	
28	Wed.	NCAA 2nd Rnd.	TBA
		(Campus Sites)	

#### **DECEMBER**

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1&2	Sat.&Sun	.NCAA 3rd Rnd.	TBA
		(Campus Sites)	
8-10	FriSun.	NCAA Quarterfinals	TBA
		(Campus Sites)	
14&16	Fri.&Sun.	NCAA College Cup	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



# #9 NOTRE DAME at GEORGETOWN

Saturday, Nov. 3 • 12:00 p.m. (ET) North Kehoe Field • Washington, D.C.

Notre Dame will wrap up its 2007 regular-season schedule with a trip to Georgetown on Saturday, Nov. 3. The BIG EAST showdown is slated for 12 noon (ET) at North Kehoe Field in Washington, D.C. The ninth-ranked Fighting Irish are in first place in the league's Blue Division, two points ahead of Connecticut (24-22). Notre Dame is the only undefeated team in BIG EAST play this season and the Irish have already clinched a first-round bye in the conference tournament.

**HOW TO FOLLOW:** Live stats of the Notre Dame-Georgetown match will be available through Gametracker on und.com, the official web site of all 26 varsity athletic programs at the University ... simply go to the men's soccer page and click on 'Schedule' at the top of the page and find the Georgetown match and click on 'Gametracker' to follow the game for free.

ABOUT THE IRISH: Notre Dame (10-3-4, 7-0-3) collected a win and a tie in BIG EAST play last week to remain the only team undefeated in league play this season ... the Fighting Irish have already clinched a first-round bye in the BIG EAST Tournament ... a win over Georgetown would clinch the BIG EAST Blue Division title for the Irish ... Notre Dame captured a 3-0 win at Pittsburgh on Wednesday (Oct. 24) ... sophomore midfielder Justin Morrow scored a career-high two goals against the Panthers ... fellow sophomore Michael Thomas added his first goal of the season, while senior Joseph Lapira dished out two assists ... Lapira totaled two more assists in a 2-2 tie at Providence on Sunday (Oct. 28) ... junior defender Matt Besler netted the first goal of the match against the Friars ... that was his second goal of the season ... Ryan Miller gave the Irish a 2-1 lead with his sixth goal of the season, which is a career-best total and it ties him with Lapira for the team lead ... Lapira leads the Irish with 20 points and eight assists, which are a careerhigh total ... Notre Dame is averaging 1.62 goals per game, while allowing 0.89 ... in this week's polls Notre Dame is seventh according to Soccer Times, ninth in the NSCAA poll, 10th in the College Soccer News rankings along with being 12th 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 90-36-19 (.686) at Notre Dame.

**ON THE LINE:** Notre Dame is in pursuit of its second regular-season BIG EAST title and the first since the conference split into two divisions when it expanded to 16 teams in 2005 ... the Irish captured its only regular-season BIG EAST championship in 2004 ... the Fighting Irish have two BIG EAST tournament titles (1996 & 2003) ... Notre Dame is also looking to secure its eighth BIG EAST win of the season ... that would match the program record for BIG EAST wins in a single season ... the Irish totaled eight BIG EAST victories in 2004 (8-1-1) and 2006 (8-3-0) ... Notre Dame is looking to register its first undefeated BIG EAST campaign.

**DOWN TO THE WIRE:** Notre Dame leads Connecticut by two points (24-22) in the BIG EAST Blue Division ... both the Fighting Irish and Huskies have one conference game

remaining ... Notre Dame plays at Georgetown on Saturday, while Connecticut travels to Seton Hall on the same day.

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 9-2-4 record with a 0.83 goalsagainst average and a .817 save percentage to go along with six shutouts.

#### NOTRE DAME IN 2007 ...

... at home: 5-1-3

... away: 4-1-1

... neutral: 1-1-0

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

... in overtime: 1-0-4

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

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

	2007 NOTRE DAME MEN'S SOCCER ROSTER						
No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School	Pronunciation
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 Nort	h
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.	M	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 GEORETOWN:** Notre Dame and Georgetown will be meeting for the 18th time on Saturday ... the Fighting Irish own a 9-7-1 edge in the series ... Notre Dame topped Georgetown, 4-1, last season at Alumni Field ... **Joseph Lapira** tallied two goals and an assist in that match ... the Irish are 2-4-0 all time at Georgetown ... the Hoyas claimed a 1-0 victory over the Irish during the last encounter at Georgetown in 2005 ... the first meeting between the two schools occurred in 1982, a 0-0 tie in Rochester, N.Y. ... both teams have met every season since 1995, Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference ... Notre Dame holds a 31-24 scoring edge in the series.

SCOUTING THE HOYAS: Georgetown (7-10-0, 5-5-0) is coming off a 2-1 win at Seton Hall on Wednesday (Oct. 31) ... the Hoyas are 4-1-0 in their last five matches ... the only loss in that stretch was a 2-1 setback at Maryland ... the Hoyas have won three straight BIG EAST contests ... Georgetown is 3-3-0 at home this season ... the Hoyas are averaging 0.81 goals per game, while allowing 1.04 ... Chandler Diggs leads the team with nine points on three goals and three assists ... Sean Bellomy and Corey Zeller also have three goals ... Matthew Brutto and Joe Devine have split time in goal this season ... Devine has started nine games and carries a 1.32 goals-against average with a .700 save percentage with one shutout ... Brutto has earned a start in eight matches and has a 0.74 goals-against average with a .829 save percentage and three shutouts ... the Hoyas returned eight starters and 14 letterwinners from a team that went 6-11-0 last season, including a 3-8-0 finish in the BIG EAST ... head coach Brian Wiese is in his second season at Georgetown ... Wiese was an assistant at Notre Dame under head coach Bobby Clark from 2001-05 ... Wiese played for Clark at Dartmouth and also served as an assistant on Clark's staff at Stanford prior to them coming to Notre Dame.

**NOTRE DAME IN BIG EAST PLAY:** Notre Dame owns an overall record of 76-48-15 (.601) 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:** Notre Dame will host a BIG EAST tournament quarterfinal match on Sunday, Nov. 11 at 1:00 p.m. (ET) ... the opponent is still to be determined.

#### NSCAA/adidas Rankings

Oct. 30

Rank/Team	(Record)	) I ast	Week

1.	Connecticut	(14-2-1)	2
2.	Wake Forest	(12-1-2)	1
3.	Santa Clara	(9-1-4)	3
4.	SMU	(11-2-2)	5
5.	Virginia Tech	(8-1-5)	4
6.	Brown	(11-1-1)	6
7.	Boston College	(10-3-1)	12
8.	Creighton	(9-1-4)	8
9.	NOTRE DAME	(10-3-4)	7
10.	Indiana	(11-4-2)	11
11.	Tulsa	(9-2-2)	14
12.	Northwestern	(10-3-2)	9
13.	Saint Louis	(9-2-3)	15
14.	Virginia	(9-4-2)	10
15.	UC Santa Barbara	(8-3-3)	19
16.	Furman	(14-2-0)	18
17.	Harvard	(9-3-2)	13
18.	Michigan State	(11-2-3)	16
19.	Duke	(9-5-1)	24
20.	West Virginia	(10-5-1)	20
21.	New Mexico	(9-3-1)	21
22.	Akron	(11-3-2)	17
23.	Ohio State	(10-3-3)	25
24.	California	(8-4-1)	23
25.	Maryland	(8-4-4)	R۷

**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	3rd
Oct. 9	3rd
Oct. 16	4th
Oct. 23	7th
Oct. 30	9th

**IRISH THOUGHTS:** Notre Dame head coach **Bobby Clark** discusses Saturday's match against Georgetown ...

"This will be another tough game for us. Georgetown has won three straight BIG EAST games after having a sticky start to the season. They are coming along very well and have won four of their last five games. The only loss was a narrow one at Maryland. They're hitting their stride at the right time."

LAST TIME OUT: Notre Dame and Providence played to a 2-2 draw in BIG EAST at Glay Field on Sunday, Oct. 28 ... scoring for the seventh-ranked Fighting Irish was Matt Besler and Ryan Miller ... Notre Dame controlled the possession early in the contest ... the Fighting Irish pressured with Joseph Lapira making runs into the 18-yard box ... Notre Dame also attacked from the outside as a Michael Thomas blast on frame with 27:08 left in the half was stopped by Friar goalkeeper Timothy Murray ... Providence had a good look with just under 24 minutes remaining in the opening stanza when an Alex Redding shot from close range was saved by Irish keeper Chris Cahill ... the Irish cracked the scoring column in the 27th minute as Lapira sent a free kick in from the left side that was headed in by Besler his second goal of the season ... the Friars nearly notched the equalizer when an Alex Bury shot from the top of the box was sent just wide to the right ... Notre Dame responded later in the half and almost made it a two-goal advantage as Lapira connected with Jeb Brovsky and the freshman's shot was saved by Murray ... Providence kept pressuring late into the first half and it paid off as Nick Cianci scored off a feed from Jonathan Medcalf with under one minute left ... the match was tied, 1-1, at halftime ... Notre Dame regained the lead in the 65th minute as Miller scored his sixth goal of the season off a pass from Lapira ... the assist marked Lapira's fourth in the past two matches ... an offensive surge from Providence late in the second half produced another equalizer for the Friars ... a Matt Marcin goal off a pass from Toussaint McClure made it a 2-2 contest in the 83rd minute ... the match would head into overtime knotted 2-2 ... Bury nearly notched a golden goal with 10 seconds remaining in the second 10-minute overtime period, yet Cahill punched the ball over the net ... Cahill made six saves on the day, while Murray had four stops ... Providence held a 15-13 edge in shots and Notre Dame had a 7-5 advantage in corner kicks.

**ANOTHER 10:** The win over Pittsburgh gave Notre Dame its 10th win of the season ... 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.

THREE IS THE MAGIC NUMBER: Notre Dame's three goals against Pittsburgh 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.

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, to up its streak of not losing consecutive matches.

**LAPIRA ASSISTING IRISH: Joseph Lapira** has totaled two assists in each of the past two games ... the senior forward has a team-high eight assists this season, which are a career-high total.

**WEEKLY HONORS: Joseph Lapira** was named to the BIG EAST Weekly honor roll on Monday, Oct. 29 for his four-assist week ... that marked the second straight week and the third time this season that Lapira has been named to the conference honor roll.

#### Soccer America Rankings

Oct. 29

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

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1.	SMU	(11-2-2)	2
2.	Wake Forest	(12-1-2)	1
3.	Connecticut	(14-2-1)	3
4.	Brown	(11-1-1)	4
5.	Santa Clara	(9-1-4)	5
6.	Boston College	(11-3-1)	12
7.	Tulsa	(9-2-2)	7
8.	Creighton	(9-1-4)	9
9.	Indiana	(11-4-2)	10
10.	Virginia Tech	(8-1-5)	8
11.	Michigan State	(11-2-3)	6
12.	NOTRE DAME	(10-3-4)	11
13.	Saint Louis	(9-2-3)	14
14.	UC Santa Barbara	(8-3-3)	16
15.	Cal Poly	(9-1-4)	15
16.	Northwestern	(10-3-2)	17
	Duke	(9-5-1)	23
	Virginia	(9-4-2)	13
19.	West Virginia	(10-5-1)	19
20.	New Mexico	(9-3-1)	20
	Maryland	(8-4-4)	NR
22.	Ohio State	(10-3-3)	
23.	Dartmouth	(9-3-2)	NR
	Furman	(14-2-0)	
	. Harvard	(9-3-2)	18
25t	. San Diego State	(8-4-2)	NR

**Bold** indicates 2007 opponent

#### **Poll Tracker**

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

Preseason	9th
Sept. 4	8th
Sept. 10	8th
Sept. 17	
Sept. 24	2nd
Oct. 1	3rd
Oct. 8	3rd
Oct. 15	7th
Oct. 22	
Oct. 29	12th

## Soccer Times Rankings

Oct. 29

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

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

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#### **Poll Tracker**

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

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

#### 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 arassrootsoccer.ora.

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 17 games this season and has been an integral part in the Irish posting eight shutouts ... he also has scored one goal.

**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.

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-best eight assists.

**SHOOTING STARS:** Notre Dame has out shot its opponents 290-203 this season ... the Irish own a 140-77 advantage in shots during the first half and a 137-116 edge in the second period ... Notre Dame has a 13-10 shot lead in overtime periods.

**CORNERING THE MARKET:** The Fighting Irish have an 105-61 advantage in corner kicks over their opponents, including a decisive 47-20 margin in first-half play ... Notre Dame owns a 51-40 edge in the second half, while the Irish have out cornered the opposition 7-1 in overtime.

**BLANKING THE COMPETITION:** Notre Dame has posted eight shutouts this season ... senior **Chris Cahill** has six 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.

SHOCKING SHUTOUTS: While the Irish defense has posted eight shutouts this season, the Notre Dame offense has been held without a goal just twice in the past 31 matches ... Notre Dame's 3-0 loss to then-No. 7 Maryland on Sept. 2 marked the first time the Fighting Irish had been shut out since Sept. 20, 2006, a span of 15 games ... that match was a 0-0 tie with Northern Illinois at home ... that also signified the last time the Irish have been held scoreless at home, a current streak of 16 games ... Notre Dame's only other scoreless game this season was a 1-0 setback at Michigan State on Oct. 10 ... the Irish have gone 20 regular-season BIG EAST matches without being shut out.

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

Oct. 29

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

**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 four of its regular-season matches televised ... the Fighting Irish played Rutgers on Fox Soccer Channel on Sept. 21 in Piscataway, N.J. ... 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 15 games ... 9-2-4 record with a 0.83 goals-against average and a .817 save percentage ... six 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.

### #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

2007 Awards. 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.

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 39 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 appeared in five-matches ... one start ... started the 1-1 tie against Northern Illinois.

## #4 Kyle Dulworth

Sr. M 5-9 160

<u>2007 Accomplishments:</u> Has appeared in 15 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 17 games ... five starts ... has two goals and one assist for five points, all career-high totals ... two game-winning goals ... 10 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 nine games, all starts ... two points on one goal ... 17 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 64 shots ... has played in all 17 matches, starting 16 ... 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 17 games, all starts ... missed two games (Louisville & Michigan) due to injury ... 17 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

<u>2007 Awards</u>: 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 17 matches ... two points on one goal ... integral part of an Irish defense that has posted eight shutouts on the season ... Notre Dame boasts a 0.83 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 17 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 17 matches this season ... six points on two goals and two assists ... valuable part of an Irish defense that has registered eight shutouts ... Notre Dame boasts a 0.83 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 17 games this season ... has seen time in the midfield and defense ... six points on two goals and two assists ... 30 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 17 matches ... 13 starts ... six points on three goals ... the goal total ranks him third on the team ... 25 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

2007 Accomplishments: 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 17 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

#### **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

## 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. 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

#### Rookie of the Week

Sept. 3 - Brayan Martinez
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



### 2007 BIG EAST Standings

as of Thursday, Nov. 1

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<b>Blue Division</b>	W	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	Pts.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Notre Dame*#	7	0	3	24	10	3	4
Connecticut*	7	2	1	22	14	2	1
West Virginia*	6	3	1	19	11	5	1
Providence*	5	3	2	17	9	5	2
Georgetown*	5	5	0	15	7	10	0
Seton Hall*	3	7	0	9	7	10	0
Marquette	1	8	1	4	2	11	4
Pittsburgh	0	9	1	1	2	13	2

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<b>Red Division</b>	W	<u>L</u>	I	Pts.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
St. John's*	6	2	2	20	9	5	4
Louisville*	6	3	1	19	10	5	2
DePaul*	6	4	0	18	10	6	0
South Florida*	5	4	1	16	10	4	2
Villanova*	5	5	0	15	10	8	0
Cincinnati	4	5	1	13	7	9	1
Rutgers	4	6	0	12	7	10	1
Syracuse	3	7	0	9	6	7	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)	Points	Red Division (predicted finish)	Points
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 01, 2007) All games

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## 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 01, 2007) All games

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5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13-13	1 '	4 6	20	.050	11	.550	2-1	1	0-0
11 MARTIN, Kurt	15-15	2	1 5	17	.118	11	.647	0-0	0	1-2
25 BROVSKY, Jeb	17-3	2	1 5	15	.133	5	.333	1-0	1	0-0
6 DONOHUE, Dave	17-5	2	1 5	10	.200	7	.700	4-0	2	0-0
8 THOMAS, Michael	9-9	1 (	0 2	17	.059	7	.412	1-0	0	0-0
13 RELLAS, Cory	17-17	1 (	0 2	9	.111	3	.333	2-0	0	0-0
15 ARMSTRONG, Matt	17-17	0 :	1 1	16	.000	4	.250	2-0	0	0-0
4 DULWORTH, Kyle	15-0	0 :	1 1	11	.000	2	.182	0-0	0	0-0
9 DAGAN, Kyle	15-9	0 :	1 1	2	.000	1	.500	1-0	0	0-0
18 PERRY, Steven	9-0	0	0 0	2		1	.500	0-0	0	0-0
12 SAMBA, Tamba	1-0	0	0 0	1	.000	1	1.000	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
0 QUINN, Andrew	3-2	0	0 0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
00 CAHILL, Chris	15-15	0	0 0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Total		29 2		290		126	.434	16-1	10	2-3
Opponents	17	16 1	6 48	203	.079	84	.414	24-1	3	1-1
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0 QUINN, Andrew	3-2	195:		3	1.38	7		1	1	0 1
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		1613:		16 20	0.89	68		10	3	4 8
Opponents	1/	1613:	0 /	29	1.62	97	.770	3	10	4 2
Team saves: 3										
GOALS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT		tal			CORNER K				OT OT2	Total
Notre Dame 16 12 1 Opponents 7 9 0	0 - 0 -	29 16			Notre Da Opponent	me	4	7 51 0 40	2 5 1 0	- 105 - 61
SHOTS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT		tal			FOULS BY				OT OT2	Total
Notre Dame 140 137 6	7 -	 290 203			Notre Da	me	7	1 107	7 6 8 7	- 191 - 238
Opponents		203 tal			Opponent			8 105	8 7	
Notre Dame	3 - 4 -	68 97			Dates/Av	g Per D	Date	•	18389 9/2043 2/0	6/1685

### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 01, 2007) All games

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

TEAM STATISTICS	ND	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	29-290	16-203
Goals scored average	1.62	0.89
Shot pct	.100	.079
Shots on goal-Attempts.	126-290	84-203
SOG pct	.434	.414
Shots/Game	17.1	11.9
Assists	25	16
CORNER KICKS	105	61
PENALTY KICKS	2-3	1-1
PENALTIES		
Yellow cards	16	24
Red cards	1	1
ATTENDANCE		
Total	18389	10110
Dates/Avg Per Date	9/2043	6/1685
Neutral Site #/Avg	2/0	
GOALS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total	CORNER KICKS BY PRD	
Notre Dame 16 12 1 0 - 29		47 51 2 5 - 105
Opponents 7 9 0 0 - 16	Opponents	20 40 1 0 - 61
SHOTS BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total	FOULS BY PERIOD	1st 2nd OT OT2 Total
Notre Dame 140 137 6 7 - 290	Notre Dame	71 107 7 6 - 191
Opponents 77 116 5 5 - 203	Opponents	118 105 8 7 - 238
SAVES BY PERIOD 1st 2nd OT OT2 Total		

Notre Dame..... 27 37 1 3 - 68 Opponents...... 45 46 2 4 - 97

## 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Category Leaders (as of Nov 01, 2007) All games

## POINTS					Shots	## SHOTS  10 LAPIRA, Joseph  2 MILLER, Ryan  19 YOSHINAGA, Alex  21 MORROW, Justin  5 TRAYNOR, Jack  11 MARTIN, Kurt  8 THOMAS, Michael  15 ARMSTRONG, Matt  25 BROVSKY, Jeb  17 BESLER, Matt  ## SHOT PCT	GP	G	A	Sh	Shot	:%
10 LAPIRA, Joseph 2 MILLER, Ryan 21 MORROW, Justin 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 17 BESLER, Matt 5 TRAYNOR, Jack 11 MARTIN, Kurt 25 BROVSKY, Jeb 6 DONOHUE, Dave 8 THOMAS, Michael	17	6	8	20	64	10 LAPTRA, Joseph	17	6	8	64	.09	14
2 MILLER. Rvan	17	6	3	15	39	2 MILLER, Ryan	17	6	3	39	.15	4
21 MORROW, Justin	17	3	0	-6	25	19 YOSHTNAGA. Alex	17	2	2	30	.06	. <del>.</del> 57
19 YOSHTNAGA. Alex	17	2	2	6	30	21 MORROW Justin	17	3	0	25	. 12	20
17 REST.ED Matt	17	2	2	6	12	5 TRAVNOR Jack	13	1	4	20	0.5	50
5 TRAVNOR Jack	13	1	4	6	20	11 MARTIN Kurt	15	2	1	17	11	8
11 MADTIN Kurt	15	2	1	5	17	8 THOMAS Michael	-3	1	'n	17		:0
25 BDOVSKY Jah	17	2	1	5	15	15 ADMOTDONG Matt	17	^	1	16	0.0	10
6 DONOUIE Days	17	2	1	5	10	25 PROMERY TAB	17	2	1	15	1 7	2
9 THOMAS Mishael	17	1		2	17	17 DEGLED Moth	17	2	2	10	1.0	7
8 THOMAS, Michael	9		U	2	17	I/ BESLER, Matt	1/	4	2	12	• 10	) /
## GOALS					Shots	## SHOT PCT  6 DONOHUE, Dave 17 BESLER, Matt 2 MILLER, Ryan 25 BROVSKY, Jeb 21 MORROW, Justin 11 MARTIN, Kurt 13 RELLAS, Cory 10 LAPIRA, Joseph 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 8 THOMAS, Michael	GP	G	A	Sh	Shot	:% 
2 MILLER, Ryan	17	6	3	15	39	6 DONOHUE, Dave	17	2	1	10	.20	0
10 LAPIRA, Joseph	17	6	8	20	64	17 BESLER, Matt	17	2	2	12	.16	57
21 MORROW, Justin	17	3	0	-6	25	2 MILLER, Ryan	17	6	3	39	.15	4
17 BESLER, Matt	17	2	2	6	12	25 BROVSKY, Jeb	17	2	1	15	.13	33
2 MILLER, Ryan 10 LAPIRA, Joseph 21 MORROW, Justin 17 BESLER, Matt 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 11 MARTIN, Kurt 25 BROVSKY, Jeb 6 DONOHUE, Dave 5 TRAYNOR, Jack 8 THOMAS, Michael	17	2	2	6	30	21 MORROW Justin	17	3	n	25	, 12	20
11 MADTIN Kurt	15	2	1	5	17	11 MADTIN Furt	15	2	1	17	11	Ω.
25 BROWSKY Jah	17	2	1	5	15	13 DELLAS Corv	17	1	<u></u>	٠,	11	1
6 DONOUIE Days	17	2	1	5	10	10 LARTRA Togorh	17	-	0	61	• 11	.1
E TRAVNOR Tack	12	1	1	5	20	10 MAPIKA, UOSEPH	17	2	2	30	.03	7 - 2
9 MINOR, Jack	13		4	0	17	O MUONAG Michael	1/	1	_	17	.00	
8 THOMAS, Michael	9	1	U	2	17	8 THOMAS, Michael	9	1	U	1/	.03	9
## GAME WINNING GOALS						## SHOTS ON GOAL						
6 DONOHUE, Dave 2 MILLER, Ryan 21 MORROW, Justin	17	2				10 LAPIRA, Joseph 2 MILLER, Ryan 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 5 TRAYNOR, Jack 11 MARTIN, Kurt 21 MORROW, Justin	17	6	8	64	28	.438
2 MILLER, Ryan	17	2				2 MILLER, Ryan	17	6	3	39	19	.487
21 MORROW, Justin	17	1				19 YOSHINAGA, Alex	17	2	2	30	11	.367
19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 5 TRAYNOR, Jack 25 BROVSKY, Jeb 10 LAPIRA, Joseph TM TEAM	17	1				5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1	4	20	11	.550
5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1				11 MARTIN, Kurt	15	2	1	17	11	.647
25 BROVSKY, Jeb	17	1				21 MORROW, Justin	17	3	0	25	8	.320
10 LAPIRA, Joseph	17	1				8 THOMAS, Michael	9	1	0	17	7	.412
10 LAPIRA, Joseph TM TEAM	17	1				6 DONOHUE, Dave	17	2	1	10	7	.700
						17 BESLER, Matt	17	2	2	12	6	.500
## ASSISTS	GP	G	А	Pts	Shots	8 THOMAS, Michael 6 DONOHUE, Dave 17 BESLER, Matt 25 BROVSKY, Jeb	17	2	1	15	5	.333
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10 LAPIRA, Joseph 5 TRAYNOR, Jack 2 MILLER, Ryan 19 YOSHINAGA, Alex 17 BESLER, Matt 9 DAGAN, Kyle 11 MARTIN, Kurt 4 DULWORTH, Kyle 25 BROVSKY, Jeb 15 ARMSTRONG, Matt	17	6	8	20	64	## SOG PCT	GP	G	Α	Sh	SOG	SOG%
5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1	4	6	20							
2 MILLER, Ryan	17	6	3	15	39	12 SAMBA, Tamba	1	0	0	1	1	1.000
19 YOSHINAGA, Alex	17	2	2	6	30	6 DONOHUE, Dave	17	2	1	10	7	.700
17 BESLER, Matt	17	2	2	6	12	11 MARTIN, Kurt	15	2	1	17	11	.647
9 DAGAN, Kyle	15	0	1	1	2	5 TRAYNOR, Jack	13	1	4	20	11	.550
11 MARTIN, Kurt	15	2	1	5	17	17 BESLER, Matt	17	2	2	12		.500
4 DIII.WORTH, Kyle	15	0	1	1	11	9 DAGAN, Kyle	15	0	1	2	1	.500
25 BROVSKY, Jeh	17	2	1	5	15	18 PERRY. Steven	9	0	n	2	1	.500
15 ARMSTRONG, Matt	17	n	1	1	16	2 MTI.I.ED Duan	17	6	3	20	10	. 487
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						8 THOMAS Michael	٠,	1	n	17	20 7	412
						12 SAMBA, Tamba 6 DONOHUE, Dave 11 MARTIN, Kurt 5 TRAYNOR, Jack 17 BESLER, Matt 9 DAGAN, Kyle 18 PERRY, Steven 2 MILLER, Ryan 10 LAPIRA, Joseph 8 THOMAS, Michael	,	_	J	1/	,	.412
						## CAUTIONS	GP	YC	!			
						13 RELLAS, Cory TM TEAM	17					
						TM TEAM	17	0	'			

#### 2007 Notre Dame Men's Soccer Notre Dame Game Results (as of Nov 01, 2007) All games

Date Opponent	Score C	verall	Conf	Attend	Goals scored
Aug 31, 2007 vs #1 UCLA	W 2-1 OT 1	L- 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	L- 1- 0	0- 0- 0		-
Sep 07, 2007 RHODE ISLAND	W 3-0 2	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	2- 1- 1	0- 0- 0	1044	MARTIN, Kurt (ARMSTRONG, Matt)
* Sep 15, 2007 at Marquette	W 1-0 3	3- 1- 1	1- 0- 0	1537	TRAYNOR, Jack (unassisted)
* Sep 21, 2007 at Rutgers	W 2-0 4	l- 1- 1	2- 0- 0	6309	DONOHUE, Dave (MILLER, Ryan)
					MILLER, Ryan (LAPIRA, Joseph)
* Sep 23, 2007 at Villanova Wildcats	W 1-0 5	5- 1- 1	3- 0- 0		BROVSKY, Jeb (LAPIRA, Joseph; DONOHUE, Dave)
* Sep 28, 2007 CINCINNATI	1-1 TO2 5	5- 1- 2	3- 0- 1	1895	BESLER, Matt (TRAYNOR, Jack)
* Sep 30, 2007 LOUISVILLE	W 2-1 6	5- 1- 2	4- 0- 1	2618	BROVSKY, Jeb (TRAYNOR, Jack)
					LAPIRA, Joseph (DULWORTH, Kyle)
Oct 03, 2007 #16 MICHIGAN	W 3-0 7	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	3- 1- 2	5- 0- 1	1571	MILLER, Ryan (LAPIRA, Joseph)
Oct 10, 2007 at Michigan State	0-1 L 8	3- 2- 2	5- 0- 1	517	-
* Oct 13, 2007 #1 CONNECTICUT	3-3 TO2 8	3- 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- 3	5- 0- 2	3462	LAPIRA, Joseph (MARTIN, Kurt)
					LAPIRA, Joseph (unassisted)
* Oct 21, 2007 SETON HALL	W 2-0 9	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)
					THOMAS, Michael (unassisted)
* Oct 28, 2007 at Providence College	2-2 TO2 10	)- 3- 4	7- 0- 3	512	BESLER, Matt (LAPIRA, Joseph)
					MILLER, Ryan (LAPIRA, Joseph)
TEAM RECORD W-L-T			ATTEND	Dates	Total Average
Overall: 10- 3- 4			Total:	17	28499 1676
Conference: 7- 0- 3			Home:	9	18389 2043
Home: 5- 1- 3			Away:	6	10110 1685
Away: 4-1-1		1	Neutral:	2	0 0
Neutral: 1- 1- 0					
Overtime: 1- 0- 4					