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University of Notre Dame Women's Swimming and Diving

2001-02 SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

5	Fri.	vs. Pittsburgh	W, 223-77
5	Fri.	Notre Dame Relays	1st, 226 pts.
19	Fri.	vs. Michigan State	W, 208-92
23	Tues.	at Florida Atlantic	W, 176-86

NOVEMBER

1	Thurs.	at Purdue	W, 209.5-90.5
16-	Fri.	at Minnesota Invit.	10 a.m. &
18	Sun.	(Minneapolis, Minn.)	5 p.m.

DECEMBER

6-	Thurs.	Notre Dame Invit.	10 a.m. &
8	Sat.	(Notre Dame, Ind.)	6:30 p.m.

JANUARY

5	Sat.	vs. Iowa (at Univ. of Hawaii)	2 p.m.
18	Fri.	Notre Dame Dual Meet Invit. (Notre Dame, Ind.)	6 p.m.
19	Sat.	Notre Dame Dual Meet Invit. (Notre Dame, Ind.)	10 a.m. & 5 p.m.
26	Sat.	vs. Villanova (Notre Dame, Ind.)	4 p.m.
31	Thurs.	vs. Northwestern (Notre Dame, Ind.)	5 p.m.

FEBRUARY

2	Sat.	at Michigan (Ann Arbor, Mich.)	3 p.m.
9	Sat.	at Michigan Open (Ann Arbor, Mich.)	10 a.m. & 5 p.m.
21-	Thurs.	at BIG EAST Champ. (Uniondale, N.Y.)	10 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

MARCH

2-	Sat.	Shamrock Classic	11 a.m. &
3	Sun.	(Notre Dame, Ind.)	7 p.m.
15-	Fri.	at NCAA Zone Diving	TBA
16	Sat.	(West Lafayette, Ind.)	
21-	Thurs.	at NCAA Champ.	TBA
23	Sat.	(Austin, Texas)	

Women's swimming and diving begins

2001-02 season in impressive fashion: Just a few short weeks into the new season, the University of Notre Dame women's swimming and diving team has turned in several dominating performances and has been recognized for its outstanding display with a top ranking from the College Swim Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) coaches poll.

In the poll released on Nov. 1, the Irish were 15th, the highest the team has ever been ranked in the program's history. The Irish rose as high as 17th place last season, before capturing the BIG EAST team championship and sending Kelly Hecking and Marie Labosky to the 2001 NCAA Championships.

The Irish stand at 4-0 this season and will enter the Minnesota Invitational in Minneapolis, Minn., on Nov. 16.

Clean sweep of BIG EAST top times: Not only have the Irish jumped out to a great dual-meet season start, the Irish have posted the top time in each BIG EAST Championship event this season. It is the first time in Irish swimming and diving history that Notre Dame has, at one time, held all the top times on the conference list in which they have competed (the 50 back and 1650 freestyle also appear on the conference list, but the Irish have yet to swim those events in this season).

A list of the BIG EAST top times:

50 free	23.18	Carrie Nixon
100 free	50.95	Carrie Nixon
200 free	1:51.96	Lisa Garcia
500 free	4:58.86	Marie Labosky
1000 free	9:57.54	Marie Labosky
100 back	55.88	Kelly Hecking
200 back	2:01.22	Kristen Peterson
100 breast	1:03.96	Laurie Musgrave
200 breast	2:18.71	Laurie Musgrave
100 fly	56.22	Lisa D'Olier
200 fly	2:03.04	Lisa D'Olier
200 IM	2:06.51	Marie Labosky
400 IM	4:23.08	Marie Labosky
1-meter	304.50	Heather Mattingly
3-meter	328.27	Heather Mattingly

The list above contains a number of "B" qualifying times for the NCAA Championship meet. Nixon's 23.18 effort in the 50 freestyle is a "B" time, as well as her 100

free time of 50.95. Hecking's 100 back time (55.88) also is a "B" qualifier. Other Irish swimmers that have posted "B" times this season are; Kristen Peterson in the 200 back (2:01.22), Laurie Musgrave in the 100 breast (1:03.96), Marie Labosky in the 400 IM (4:23.03) and Lisa D'Olier in the 200 fly (2:03.04).

Notre Dame's display of strength at the top of the BIG EAST top times list does not end with just its swimmers and divers that are ranked first. In all, the Irish have 41 different times ranked among the top five in the conference.

Strong schedule this season: Among the tough competitors the Irish will face yet this season are #16 Michigan, #21 Northwestern and #24 Minnesota.

CSCAA TOP 25

Nov. 1, 2001

Rank	School	Pts
1.	Stanford (7)	199
2.	Georgia (1)	188
3.	Auburn	182
4.	Texas	171
5.	Arizona	170
6.	USC	159
7.	California	154
8.	Florida	153
9.	UCLA	130
10.	Penn State	125
11.	SMU	121
12.	Virginia	105
13.	Arizona State	102
14.	North Carolina	97
15.	NOTRE DAME	83
16.	Michigan	77
17.	Indiana	75
18.	Miami	66
19.	Alabama	48
20.	LSU	37
21.	Northwestern	32
22.	Rice	26
23.	Villanova	23
24.	Minnesota	13
25.	Princeton	12
	Wisconsin	12
	Florida State	12

Also receiving votes: Maryland (11), Tennessee (5), Texas A&M (5), Purdue (4), and Missouri (3).

Poll dates: Nov. 1, Nov. 15, Nov. 29, Dec. 13, Jan. 17, Jan. 31, Feb. 14, March 7.