

2004-05 NOTRE DAME ROWING



#16 Notre Dame Opens Up Spring Season Against #10 and #11 Michigan State

NOTRE DAME FACES STRONG FIELD IN SPRING OPENER:

Notre Dame will face a strong test in its first regatta of the spring season as the Irish travel to Knoxville, Tenn., to face both Tennessee and Michigan State on Saturday, March 12 ... The varsity eight crews from each of the schools are all ranked ... Notre Dame is ranked 16th in the first US Rowing/Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association poll, while the Lady Vols are 10th and the Spartans are 11th... The races will take place on Fort Loudoun Lake and will feature three rounds of six events — Varsity 8+, Novice 8+, Varsity 4+, Second Varsity 8+, Second Novice 8+ and Second Novice 4+.

THE SCHEDULE:

Session I	Event	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3
10:00 a.m.	Varsity 8+	Michigan State	Notre Dame	Tennessee
10:05 a.m.	Novice 8+	Michigan State	Notre Dame	Tennessee
10:10 a.m.	Varsity 4+	Michigan State	Notre Dame	Tennessee
10:12 a.m.	2nd Varsity 8+	Michigan State	Notre Dame	Tennessee
10:20 a.m.	2nd Novice 8+	Michigan State	Notre Dame	Tennessee
10:25 a.m.	2nd Varsity 4+	Michigan State	Notre Dame	Tennessee
Session II	Event	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3
10:35 a.m.	Varsity 8+	Tennessee	Michigan State	Notre Dame
10:40 a.m.	Novice 8+	Tennessee	Michigan State	Notre Dame
10:45 a.m.	Varsity 4+	Tennessee	Michigan State	Notre Dame
10:50 a.m.	2nd Varsity 8+	Tennessee	Michigan State	Notre Dame
10:55 a.m.	2nd Novice 8+	Tennessee	Michigan State	Notre Dame
11:00 a.m.	2nd Varsity 4+	Tennessee	Michigan State	Notre Dame
Session I	Event	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3
11:10 a.m.	Varsity 8+	Notre Dame	Tennessee	Michigan State
11:15 a.m.	Varsity 8+	Notre Dame	Tennessee	Michigan State
11:20 a.m.	Varsity 4+	Notre Dame	Tennessee	Michigan State
11:25 a.m.	2nd Varsity 8+	Notre Dame	Tennessee	Michigan State
11:30 a.m.	2nd Novice 8+	Notre Dame	Tennessee	Michigan State
11:35 a.m.	2nd Varsity 4+	Notre Dame	Tennessee	Michigan State

SEVEN YEARS YOUNG:

The Notre Dame program is in its seventh season of competition at the varsity level ... It was granted varsity status in 1996 and then competed in its first regatta in the fall of 1998 ... The Irish claimed the BIG EAST Rowing Challenge title in 2004 after three consecutive runner-up finishes ... The Irish varsity eight crew also earned an at-large berth in the NCAA Championships for the second time in school history and placed 11th ... Notre Dame also was 16th in the final US Rowing/CRCA poll.

HEAD COACH MARTIN STONE:

Martin Stone has been the only coach the Notre Dame rowing program has known ... He was named head coach on October 29, 1997 after five years as head coach at the United States Naval Academy ... Stone has guided the Irish varsity eight to two NCAA appearances — 2002 (finished 16th) and 2004 (finished 11th) ... Last season, he was selected BIG EAST Coach of the Year after leading the Irish to their first-ever team title at the 2004 BIG EAST Rowing Challenge.

THE CAPTAINS:

Senior coxswain Maureen Gibbons (Langhorne, Pa.) and senior stroke Meredith Thornburgh (Indianapolis, Ind.) will serve as captains for the 2004-05 campaign ... Gibbons was a member of the Irish varsity eight crew which won the BIG EAST title and earned an at-large berth in the NCAA Championships in 2004 ... Thornburgh rowed in the first varsity four boat that won the gold medal in that event last season.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Freshman Amanda Polk (Pittsburgh, Pa.) was a member of the United States Rowing Junior National Team in the summer of 2004 that competed at the FISA Senior and Junior World Rowing Championships in Banyoles, Spain ... She was a member of the junior women's eight crew that won the B final to earn a seventh-place finish overall in the event.

NEXT UP FOR THE IRISH:

Notre Dame will travel to Ann Arbor, Mich., to row against #4 Michigan on Saturday, March 19.

**US Rowing/CRCA
(Preseason Poll)**

	<u>Points</u>
1. Princeton (12)	415
2. Yale (3)	401
3. Brown (7)	374
4. Michigan	359
5. Ohio State	357
6. Virginia	326
7. California	290
8. Harvard	286
9. Washington	275
10. Tennessee	209
11. Michigan State	198
12. Wisconsin	183
13. Stanford	165
14. Southern California	157
15. Texas	136
16. NOTRE DAME	107
17. Duke	77
18. Boston University	71
Washington State	71
20. Syracuse	55

2004 Fall Results

**Head of the Rock
October 10, 2004
(Rockford, Ill.)**

Open Eight (39 entries)

1. Wisconsin - 17:04.89; 2. Minnesota - 17:18.06; 3. NOTRE DAME A (Romano (c), Mohan, Polk, Quinn, Specht, Fairbanks, Hegeman, Redgate, Jefson) - 16:01.24; 4. Wisconsin - 16:03.00; 5. Minnesota - 16:06.70; 6. NOTRE DAME B (Gibbons (c), Thornburgh, Chenoweth, Felker, Polinski, Marsh, Hafner, Sedun, Doud) - 16:15.02; 7. Minnesota - 16:18.82; 8. Purdue - 16:20.31; 9. Iowa - 16:30.71; 10. NOTRE DAME C (Froehle (c), Guzik, Jedry, McQuaid, St. Pierre, McCotter, Henkel, Glass, Hale) - 16:30.87; 11. Kansas - 16:31.81; 12. Wisconsin - 16:32.67; 13. Creighton - 16:32.97; 14. Wisconsin - 16:35.46; 15. Eastern Michigan - 16:39.00; 16. Eastern Michigan - 16:45.01; 17. Purdue - 16:45.52; 18. NOTRE DAME D (Lettieri (c), Potts, Stealy, Close, Burnham, Cassel, Shaw, Chidsey, Klingaman) - 16:47.56; 32. NOTRE DAME E (Rackish (c), O'Brien, Shin, Linzmeier, S. Redgate, Castro-Larsen, Sobolewski, Brenner, McNamara) - 18:11.45; 34. NOTRE DAME F (Jarred (c), Burke, Gullo, Lennon, Czaja, Pearson, Gullis, McGue, Vereecke) - 18:43.26

Novice Eight (30 entries)

1. Wisconsin - 17:04.89; 2. Minnesota - 17:18.06; 3. Wisconsin - 17:20.79; 4. North Park - 17:44.87; 5. Wisconsin - 17:45.66; 6. Wisconsin - 18:18.54; 7. Minnesota - 18:18.89; 8. NOTRE DAME A (Jarred (c), O'Brien, Redgate, Linzmeier, Pearson, Castro-Larsen, Sobolewski, Brenner, McNamara) - 18:24.69; 9. Wisconsin - 18:34.17; 10. Creighton - 18:38.63; 11. Marquette - 18:48.35; 12. Northern Michigan - 18:53.91; 13. NOTRE DAME B (Kim (c), Burke, Gullo, McGue, Marshall, Fessler, Teves, Jackson, Vereecke) - 18:56.61

**Head of the Elk
October 31, 2004
(Elkhart, Ind.)**

Open Four-A

1. Wisconsin - 16:05.80; 2. Michigan State - 16:15.70; 3. NOTRE DAME (Rackish (c), Mohan, Felker, Quinn, Polk) - 16:56.30

Open Four-B (11 entries)

1. Wisconsin - 16:38.20; 2. Michigan State - 16:38.30; 3. Wisconsin - 16:59.40; 4. NOTRE DAME (Romano (c), Polinski, Thornburgh, Chenoweth, McQuaid) - 17:15.50; 5. Eastern Michigan - 17:58.70; 6. Mercyhurst - 18:00.90; 7. Northwestern - 18:04.10; 8. Grand Valley - 18:56.00; 9. Lawrence - 19:28.30; 10. Michigan State - 19:30.00;

Open Four-C (12 entries)

1. Wisconsin - 17:07.30; 2. Michigan State - 17:10.40; 3. Wisconsin - 17:19.70; 4. Wisconsin - 17:30.90; 5. Michigan State - 17:33.80; 6. Wisconsin - 17:37.20; 7. NOTRE DAME (Gibbons (c), Guzik, Fairbanks, Hegeman, Redgate) - 17:50.90; 8. NOTRE DAME (Froehle (c), Sedun, Hafner, Marsh, Doud); 9. Wisconsin - 18:06.80; 10. Wisconsin - 18:22.20;

Open Eight-A (18 entries)

1. Michigan State - 14:29.8; 2. Wisconsin - 15:02.3; 3. Indiana - 15:25.60; 4. Purdue - 15:25.6; 5. NOTRE DAME (Gibbons (c), Mohan, Felker, Quinn, Polk, Polinski, Thornburgh, Chenoweth, McQuaid) - 15:30.50; 6. Grand Valley - 16:25.6; 7. NOTRE DAME (Romano (c), Guzik, Fairbanks, Hegeman, Redgate, Sedun, Hafner, Marsh, Doud) - 16:28.1; 8. Eastern Michigan - 16:32.10; 9. Michigan State - 16:44.40; 10. Miami (Ohio) - 17:00.40

Open Eight-B (11 entries)

1. Wisconsin - 14:54.40; 2. Michigan State - 15:04.50; 3. Wisconsin - 15:05.30; 4. Indiana - 15:33.90; 5. NOTRE DAME (Rackish (c), Jedry, Specht, Close, Burnham, St. Pierre, McCotter, Cassel, Shaw) - 15:49.70; 6. Eastern Michigan - 16:07.10; 7. Purdue - 16:18.90; 8. Miami (Ohio) - 17:27.80; 9. Michigan State - 18:15.20; 10. Marquette - 18:15.70

Open Eight-C (10 entries)

1. Michigan State - 15:27.40; 2. Wisconsin - 15:58.40; 3. NOTRE DAME (Lettieri (c), Potts, Hale, Henkel, Stealy, Chidsey, Klingaman, S. Redgate, Glass) - 16:13.70; 4. Wisconsin - 16:17.10; 5. Purdue - 16:36.70; 6. NOTRE DAME (Park (c), O'Brien, Linzmeier, Madison, Pearson, Castro-Larsen, Sobolewski, Sarb, McNamara) - 17:26.00; 7. NOTRE DAME (Kim (c), Brenner, Shin, McGue, Gullis, Smith, Marshall, Teves, Vereecke) - 18:11.20; 8. Eastern Michigan - 18:42.50; 9. Michigan - 20:15.10; 10. Michigan State - 21:26.90

Novice Eight-A (20 entries)

1. Wisconsin - 16:38.90; 2. Michigan State - 16:48.20; 3. Purdue - 16:58.1; 4. NOTRE DAME (Jarred (c), O'Brien, Linzmeier, Madison, Pearson, Castro-Larsen, Sobolewski, Sarb, McNamara) - 17:03.10; 5. Wisconsin - 17:16.20; 6. Michigan - 17:19.40; 7. Wisconsin - 17:19.50; 8. Grand Valley - 17:41.90; 9. Michigan State - 17:51.90; 10. Northern Michigan - 18:01.50

Novice Eight-B (15 entries)

1. Purdue - 17:38.60; 2. NOTRE DAME (Bea (c), Burke, Shin, McGue, S. Redgate, Smith, Marshall, Teves, Vereecke) - 17:47.90; 3. Wisconsin - 17:54.30; 4. Michigan State - 18:01.00; 5. Wisconsin - 18:10.30; 6. Wisconsin - 18:10.30; 7. Michigan - 18:34.30; 8. Grand Valley - 18:37.50; 9. Marquette - 18:46.90; 10. Wisconsin - 18:49.90

Novice Eight-C (nine entries)

1. NOTRE DAME (Park (c), Gullis, Gullo, Lennon, Czaja, Beeler, Jackson, McCool, Smith) - 17:42.00; 2. Michigan State - 18:33.10; 3. Grand Valley - 18:52.70; 4. Michigan State - 18:56.80; 5. Lawrence - 18:58.40; 6. Michigan State - 19:04.90; 7. Purdue - 19:09.90; 8. Purdue - 21:11.50; 9. Michigan State - 21:41.40

Open Two (six entries)

1. NOTRE DAME (Potts, Glass) - 20:24.60; 2. NOTRE DAME (Stealy, Cassel) - 20:29.90; 3. NOTRE DAME (McCotter, St. Pierre) - 21:05.10; 4. NOTRE DAME (Chidsey, Hale) - 21:38.60; 5. NOTRE DAME (Close, Specht) - 21:41.20; 6. NOTRE DAME (Burnham, Jedry) - 23:44.60