

Notre Dame Men's Track and Field Hopes to Gain Momentum This Weekend

2001 Schedule

INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

JANUARY

Date	Day	Opponent/Meet	Time
19	Fri.	Ball State, W. Michigan (Notre Dame, Ind.)	1st, 125 pts.
26	Sat.	Michigan State (Notre Dame, Ind.)	W, 94-63

FEBRUARY

2	Fri.	Meyo Invitational	NTS
3	Sat.	(Notre Dame, Ind.)	
10	Sat.	at Windsor Team Challenge (Indianapolis, Ind.)	NTS
17	Sat.	at BIG EAST Championships	3rd, 83 pts.
18	Sun.	(Syracuse, NY)	

MARCH

2	Fri.	Alex Wilson Invitational	NTS
3	Sat.	(Notre Dame, Ind.)	
9	Fri.	at NCAA Championships	
10	Sat.	(Fayetteville, Ark.)	

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

MARCH

30	Fri.	at Arizona State Invitational	NTS
31	Sat.	(Tempe, Ariz.)	

APRIL

7	Sat.	Spring Opener (Notre Dame, Ind.)	2nd, 174 pts.
13	Fri.	at Tom Botts Invitational	3rd, 169 pts.
14	Sat.	(Columbia, Mo.)	
20	Fri.	at Mt. SAC Relays	9:00 a.m.
22	Sun.	(Walnut, Calif.)	
21	Sat.	at Indy Invitational (Indianapolis, Ind.)	9:00 a.m.
27	Fri.	at Drake Relays	9:00 a.m.
28	Sat.	(Des Moines, Iowa)	
27	Fri.	at Purdue Invitational	9:00 a.m.
28	Sat.	(West Lafayette, Ind.)	

MAY

4	Fri.	at BIG EAST Championships	9:00 a.m.
6	Sun.	(Piscataway, NJ)	
12	Sat.	at Billy Hayes Invitational (Bloomington, Ind.)	9:00 a.m.
19	Sat.	at Georgia Tech Invitational (Atlanta, Ga.)	9:00 a.m.
30	Wed.	at NCAA Championships (Eugene, Ore.)	9:00 a.m.

Home meets in bold • All times local to site.

2001 University of Notre Dame Sports Information

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WHO: The Notre Dame men's outdoor track and field team

WHAT: 2001 Mt. SAC Relays and 2001 Indy Invitational

WHERE: Walnut, Calif., and Indianapolis, Ind.

WHEN: Friday, April 20, thru Sunday, April 22

Irish continue to show improvement throughout the

roster: The University of Notre Dame men's track and field team will split in two this weekend for the Mt. SAC Relays in Walnut, Calif., and the Indy Invitational in Indianapolis, Ind.. The Irish are coming off of a third place finish in the Tom Botts Invitational in Columbia, Mo., last weekend and a second place finish in the Spring Opener at home two weeks ago.

Pat Conway, Derek Dyer, Tom Gilbert, Quill Redwine and Ryan Shay will make up the men's team representatives at the 2001 Mt. SAC Relays. The rest of the team will be making the trip to Indianapolis for the Indy Invitational on Saturday, April 21.

Irish continue preparations for BIG EAST outdoor

championship: The Notre Dame men's track team is beginning to take shape into a contending team at the 2001 BIG EAST outdoor track and field championship in Piscataway, NJ, next month. Senior All-American distance specialist **Ryan Shay (Central Lake, Mich.)** will be a favorite in both the BIG EAST Championship and the NCAA Championship in the 10,000-meter run. Shay ran a 28:40.03 time in the 10,000 at the Stanford Invitational on March 31st, the fourth-best time in the nation this year.

This weekend, Shay will make the trip to the Mt. SAC relays and compete in the 5,000 meters, attempting to qualify for the NCAA Championship in a second event. Shay has run the 5,000 in 14:43.51 this season at the Spring Opener. Shay will not be alone in the BIG EAST 10,000 meter run, either. Teammates **Todd Mobley (West Bloomfield, Mich.)** and **Sean McManus (Hernando, Fla.)** have qualified for the BIG EAST Championship race.

The Irish distance corps received a boost last weekend when cross country All-American **Pat Conway (Springfield, Va.)** began competition in the outdoor season. Conway won the 1,500 meters at the Tom Botts Invitational in a personal-best 3:50.09. Conway will run his second 1,500 meter race at the Mt. SAC Relays this weekend. Freshman **David Alber (Dayton, Ohio)** also has helped the team with two consecutive solid finishes in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, posting a top time of 9:26.79 at the Tom Botts Invitational.

Long jump specialist **Tom Gilbert (Rock Falls, Ill.)** also will be at the Mt. SAC event, attempting to improve his 6.81m (22-4 1/4) leap from the Arizona State Invitational. Freshman **Godwin Mbagwu (Petersburg, Va.)** matched Gilbert's mark last week at the Tom Botts Invitational and also boasts the top triple jump measurement on the team (14.40m, 47-3) for the outdoor season. Junior **Quill Redwine (San Antonio, Texas)** also has been steady in the triple jump (season-best 13.82m effort) and has really stepped up to the challenge in the high jump. Redwine finished second in the high jump at the Tom Botts Invitational last weekend after winning the Spring Opener high jump competition with a career-best 2.10m (6-10 3/4) effort. Redwine will compete in both events at the Mt. SAC Relays this weekend.

Junior **Derek Dyer (Huntington, Ind.)** has been Notre Dame's most consistent thrower this season, posting team-

bests in the shot put (47-4 1/4) and the discus (179-11). Dyer's 179-11 discus throw at the Spring Opener was a personal best for the two-year monogram winner and he hopes to even toss a better mark at the Mt. SAC event this weekend.

Junior **Josh Heck (Mishawaka, Ind.)** is another field event athlete that seems to be at the top of his game this season. Heck cleared a personal-best 16-0 in the pole vault at the Tom Botts Invitational last weekend.

Check out the results: Results of this weekend's Mt. SAC relays will be available on <http://ibm.mtsac.edu> and the official Notre Dame athletic website: www.und.com.

2001 Notre Dame Men's Outdoor Track and Field Top Times/Marks List

100 Meters

Travis Davey 10.68

110-Meter Hurdles

Mark Barber 15.12

200 Meters

Travis Davey 21.71

400 Meters

Mike Mansour 49.00

400-Meter Hurdles

Napoleon Suarez 53.75

800 Meters

Nate Andrulonis 1:54.82

1,500 Meters

Pat Conway 3:50.09

Steeplechase

David Alber 9:26.79

5,000 Meters

Ryan Shay 14:43.51

10,000 Meters

Ryan Shay 28:40.03

4x100 Relay

Notre Dame 41.83

4x400 Relay

Notre Dame 3:17.37

High Jump

Quill Redwine 6-10 3/4

Long Jump

Tom Gilbert 22-4 1/4

Triple Jump

Godwin Mbagwu 47-3

Pole Vault

Josh Heck 16-0

Shot Put

Derek Dyer 47-4 1/4

Discus

Derek Dyer 179-11

Hammer Throw

Brian Thornburg 156-0