



Notre Dame Volleyball

10-time BIG EAST Champions • 14 Consecutive NCAA Tournament Appearances

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL:

#21 Notre Dame (0-0) vs. Bowling Green (0-0)

Date: Saturday, August 26

Time: 7 p.m.

Place: Joyce Center, Notre Dame, Ind.

Series: Notre Dame leads 6-2

Last Meeting: 10/13/92 (ND 3-2)

Free Live Stats: www.und.com

Free Live Audio: www.und.com

THE RADIO PLANS: Notre Dame's official website, und.com, will feature live internet audio of all 12 home matches in 2006.

Stephen Hinkel and Chris Masters, two former collegiate volleyball sports information directors and veterans of announcing Notre Dame volleyball will have the call for free all season long.

REAL-TIME STATISTICS: All Irish home matches will have live-in game statistics courtesy of College Sports Online's GameTracker, via the Notre Dame athletic website, www.und.com.

IN THE BEGINNING: The #21 University of Notre Dame's volleyball team (0-0) will begin its 2006 season on Saturday evening, August 26, by playing host to Bowling Green (0-0) at 7 p.m. in the Joyce Center. The Irish, the preseason favorite in the BIG EAST Conference and the #21 ranked team in the AVCA/CSTV Pre-Season Poll, return three starters and eight monogram winners from last year's team that went 30-4 and won both the regular season and the tournament BIG EAST titles, and reached the round of 16 in the NCAA tournament.

QUICK HITS ABOUT THE IRISH: Notre Dame has high hopes for the upcoming 2006 campaign as the squad returns three starters and eight monogram winners ... last season ND went 30-4, including a mark of 13-1 in BIG EAST play, which tied them for conference regular season title ... Notre Dame won all three games at the BIG EAST Championship in Louisville, Ky. to take the championship title and the automatic berth in the NCAA Tournament for the ninth time ... Notre Dame after defeating Dayton and Northwestern in the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament, advanced to the round of 16 before falling to Wisconsin in five games... all four defeats for Notre Dame during the 2005 season were the five-game variety ... the 2006 Fighting Irish were chosen as the favorites in the BIG EAST Conference for 11th time in 12 seasons ... ND has not dropped an opening day match since before the **Debbie Brown** era in 1990 ... the Irish will be led by their co-captains senior **Danielle Herndon** and **Adrianna Stasiuk** (a-dree-ANN-uh-stu-SHEWK) ... also returning is junior setter **Ashley Tarutis** (tuh-ROO-diss), who set a new school record with 1,573 assists last season

NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL

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AUGUST

26 Sat. Bowling Green (und.com) 7 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Shamrock Invitational

1 Fri. Valparaiso (und.com) 7 p.m.

2 Sat. Idaho (und.com) 12:30 p.m.

#13 Missouri (CSTV, und.com) 7 p.m.

3 Sun. Santa Clara (und.com) 2 p.m.

UNI Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

8 Fri. Alabama 5 p.m.

9 Sat. Kansas State 10 a.m.

Northern Iowa 7 p.m.

Sun Devil Volleyball Classic (Tempe, Ariz.)

15 Fri. Butler 5 p.m.

16 Sat. Duke 5 p.m.

17 Sun. Arizona State 2 p.m.

23 Sat. Rutgers* 12 p.m.

24 Sun. Villanova* 2 p.m.

30 Sat. Seton Hall* 2 p.m.

OCTOBER

6 Fri. Marquette (und.com)* 4 p.m.

8 Sun. Syracuse (und.com)* 1 p.m.

13 Fri. DePaul (und.com)* 7 p.m.

16 Mon. Hawai'i 7 p.m.

17 Tue. Hawai'i 7 p.m.

20 Fri. Connecticut 4 p.m.

22 Sun. St. John's* 2 p.m.

28 Sat. Cincinnati* 2 p.m.

29 Sun. Louisville* 2 p.m.

NOVEMBER

3 Fri. Georgetown* 8 p.m.

5 Sun. South Florida* 2 p.m.

11 Sat. Pittsburgh* (und.com) 2 p.m.

12 Sun. West Virginia* (und.com) 2 p.m.

BIG EAST Championship (Cincinnati, Ohio)

17 Fri. Quarterfinals TBA

18 Sat. Semifinals TBA

19 Sun. Finals (CSTV) 4 p.m.

Louisville Invitational (Louisville, Ky.)

24 Fri. Ohio 5:00 p.m.

DECEMBER

NCAA Championship

Nov. 30-Dec. 3 First & Second Rounds TBA

7-10 Round of 16 & Quarterfinals TBA

14 Thurs. Semifinals TBA

16 Sat. Finals TBA

Home matches in **bold** and in Joyce Center

All times are local

und.com-indicates live internet audio broadcast

*= BIG EAST Match

2006 Notre Dame Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	Notes
<u>Returners</u>						
1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, Mich.	Had 52 digs her freshman campaign
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, Calif.	Most experience of four sophomores
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, Ky.	Started 17 matches last season
8	Ashley Tarutis***	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, Calif.	Holds single season ND assist mark
10	Adrianna Stasiuk** (c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, Ill.	MVP of the BIG EAST Championship
11	Danielle Herndon*** (c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, Fla.	Lone senior on squad, had 17 aces last year
13	Annie Morkis*	So.	DS	5-5	Orlando, Fla.	Will provide depth in the back row
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, N.D	Had .429 hitting percentage a year ago
<u>Newcomers</u>						
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, Ky.	'05 Finalist for POY by PrepVolleyball.com
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, Calif.	Ranked 21st senior by PrepVolleyball.com
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, Ind.	All-American at Junior Olympics
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, Ill.	Top rated player in state of Illinois
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-7	Gibsonia, Pa.	Only second Pa. athlete to play volleyball
15	Colleen Nolan	Fr.	DS	5-5	Vernon Hill, Ill.	Set h.s. school record for digs in a season
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-10	Raleigh, N.C.	First N.C. native to play volleyball for ND

... joining the strong nucleus this season is one the highest ranked freshman classes in the country (third by *Volleyball Magazine* and fifth by PrepVolleyball.com) ... head coach **Debbie Brown** returns for her 16th season at the helm of volleyball program ... joining the coaching staff this season is former Virginia Tech head coach **Greg Smith** and **Kevin Lane**... the Fighting Irish enter the AVCA's preseason poll at No. 21, which is the highest preseason ranking for the squad since 2001 when the team was ranked 20th ... ND will take on nine teams in 10 matches this season that were participants in the 2005 NCAA Volleyball Tournament ... for the fourth consecutive season Notre Dame will have a television match, this time against #13 Missouri on CSTV on September 2 ... ND has four matches on home football weekends this season ... **Danielle Herndon** is the lone senior on the team, the first time since 1983 that the Notre Dame roster will only have one senior ... over the last 15 years Notre Dame is an impressive 180-29 (.861) at the Joyce Center ... the Fighting Irish has compiled a overall record of 120-7 (.945) including a record of 67-1 at the Joyce Center during regular season play against BIG EAST competition since joining the conference in 1995.

SCOUTING BOWLING GREEN: The Falcons are coming off a 18-14 season in 2005 and return nine letterwinners and five starters to this year's squad ... Bowling Green was the preseason pick to finish third in the East Division of the Mid-American Conference, the same place BGSU finished in 2005 with an 8-8 conference record ... Falcons head coach **Denise Van Den Walle** (415-297) captured her 400th career win during the 2005 season against Chicago State and looks to win her 200th regular season MAC match during the upcoming season ... Van Den Walle, now

USA Today/CSTV Top 25 Preseason Poll (Aug. 8)

Rank	School	2005 Record	Final Rank
1.	Nebraska	33-2	2
2.	Penn State	31-3	5
3.	Washington	32-1	1
4.	Stanford	26-6	13
5.	Florida	33-3	3
6.	Santa Clara	27-5	4
7.	Hawai'i	27-7	9
8.	Texas	24-5	16
9.	Wisconsin	26-7	10
10.	UCLA	20-11	15
11.	Tennessee	25-9	6
12.	Louisville	31-3	11
13.	Missouri	25-5	8
14.	USC	17-11	19
15.	Ohio	33-3	14
16.	Purdue	25-9	17
17.	California	19-11	20
18.	Arizona	25-6	7
19.	Pepperdine	19-12	18
20.	San Diego	23-6	22
21.	NOTRE DAME	30-4	12
22.	Minnesota	25-8	21
23.	Ohio State	22-9	23
24.	Utah	23-9	T-25
25.	Kansas State	21-11	24

Other receiving votes on two or more ballots: Brigham Young, Long Beach State, Colorado, UC-Santa Barbara, LSU, New Mexico State, **Duke**, Loyola Marymount, Northwestern, Texas A&M, Maryland, Marshall, Saint Mary's, Wichita State, **Northern Iowa**, San Francisco, Colorado State, Virginia, Albany, Sacramento State, **Cincinnati**, Dayton, Georgia Tech, Western Kentucky

Bold= 2006 Opponent

*BIG EAST Conference Preseason
Awards*

Player of the Year:

Anastasia Yartseva-Stewart, Louisville, Sr., OH

All-BIG EAST Team:

Diana Andreyko, Jr., OH, Pittsburgh*

Jenny Custer, Jr., OH/S, Cincinnati

Hui Ping Huang, So., MB, St. John's

Jamie Mueller, Sr., OH, Marquette

Jessie Nevitt, R-So., MB, Cincinnati*

Noel Olsen, Sr., S, Cincinnati

Kacey Sellers, Jr., OH, Villanova

Adrianna Stasiuk, Jr., OH, Notre Dame

Ashley Tarutis, Jr., S, Notre Dame

Kimberly Todd, Jr., OH, Marquette*

Lora Yankauskas, Sr., OH/RS, Rutgers

Anastasia Yartseva-Stewart, Sr., OH, Louisville

* - indicates unanimous selection

entering her 20th season at the helm of Bowling Green, has led the Falcons to winning seasons 15 times in her tenure and has been named the MAC Coach of the Year four times in her career ... among the starters returning are senior setter **Chrissy Gothke**, junior middle hitter **Stephanie Swiger** and redshirt sophomore middle hitter **Kendra Halm** ... Gothke, the team's only senior, led the squad with 1,118 assist last season ... with her 1,000 assists a year ago Gothke, who also has over 1,000 career digs, became just the second Falcon player to hit the millennium mark in both categories ... Swiger blocked 108 shots, which is the most among returning players this season ... Halm is the best all-around player on the team with 250 kills, 105 blocks and 309 points in 2005 ... replacing a pair of graduated left-side hitters will be the key to success for Bowling Green ... Three new faces will join the Falcons this season in **Milica Askic**, **Corey Domenk** and **Shari Luther**.

SERIES VS. BOWLING GREEN: This the ninth time that the Fighting Irish and the Falcons have met on the volleyball court, but the first time since 1992 ... the 1992 match was a five game affair that saw #23 Notre Dame defeat Bowling Green 15-10, 9-15, 15-8, 11-15, 18-16 at the Joyce Center ... in that match Jessica Fiebelkorn recorded 34 digs, which is still the fifth highest total at Notre Dame ... The Fighting Irish also recorded 131 digs as a team during the '92 match, which is the second highest total for the school ... the series dates back to Oct. 2, 1984 with a four game victory by the Irish 13-15, 16-14, 17-15, 16-14 ... this will be one of two matches against Mid-American Conference team's this season (the other is Ohio on Nov. 24) ... ND has not played against teams from the MAC since a 2001 five-game victory at Toledo.

ND-BGSU MATCH-BY-MATCH: See below the match scores of all previous contests between the Irish and Falcons.

Date	Place	W/L	Ranks	Scores (ND first)
10-2-84	H	W		13-15, 16-14, 17-15, 16-14
9-17-85	A	L		4-15, 5-15, 15-9, 9-15
9-24-86	H	W		15-10, 5-15, 15-6, 19-17
9-26-87	A	W		15-13, 15-9, 15-9
9-9-88	N	L		15-5, 15-11, 5-15, 6-15, 9-15
11-21-89	N	W		15-8, 8-15, 15-12, 15-11
11-3-91	A	W		15-9, 15-13, 15-11
10-13-92	H	W	23-	15-10, 9-15, 15-8, 11-15, 18-16

Note: Ranks column has Notre Dame rank-Bowling Green rank at the time of the match.

Times in Double Figures

	Kills	Digs	Blocks
10-Adrianna Stasiuk	32	44	1
5-Ellen Heintzman	8	-	-
1-Madison Clark	-	1	-
2-Mallorie Croal	7	4	-
8-Ashley Tarutis	-	29	-
11-Danielle Herndon	-	27	-
13-Annie Morkis	-	-	-
14-Justine Stremick	-	-	-

Career 20-Kill Matches

Adrianna Stasiuk - 2

Ellen Heintzman - 1

Career 20-Dig Matches

Adrianna Stasiuk - 5

Danielle Herndon - 2

Mallorie Croal - 1

2006 BIG EAST Conference Preseason Poll

(based on coaches voting; records from 2005)

Rk.	School	Conf.	%	Overall	%	Reg Season./Conf. Finish	ND vs.
1.	Notre Dame	13-1	.929	30-4	.882	T-1st/champion	--
2.	Louisville	13-1	.929	31-3	.912	T-1st/runner-up	A- Oct. 29
3.	Cincinnati	9-5	.642	20-12	.625	T-4th/semifinals	A- Oct. 28
4.	St. John's	9-5	.642	23-9	.719	T-4th/quarterfinals	H- Oct. 22
5.	Pittsburgh	9-5	.642	17-13	.567	T-4th/quarterfinals	H- Nov. 11
6.	Marquette	8-6	.571	17-13	.567	T-7th/quarterfinals	H- Oct. 6
7.	Villanova	8-6	.571	21-11	.571	T-7th/quarterfinals	A- Sept. 24
8.	Syracuse	11-3	.785	25-10	.714	3rd/semifinals	H- Oct. 8
9.	Connecticut	7-7	.500	15-13	.536	9th	A- Oct. 20
10.	Rutgers	6-8	.429	11-16	.407	10th	H- Sept. 23
11.	Georgetown	2-12	.143	6-22	.214	13th	A- Nov. 3
12.	West Virginia	4-10	.400	16-13	.552	11th	H- Nov. 12
13.	South Florida	1-13	.071	4-22	.120	14th	H- Nov. 5
14.	Seton Hall	4-10	.400	14-16	.467	11th	A- Sept. 30
15.	DePaul	1-13	.071	4-23	.148	14th	H- Oct. 13

A FAMILIAR FACE: Former Notre Dame volleyball player **Laura Kelbley** (2002-05) is a member of the Bowling Green coaching staff as a volunteer assistant this season. Kelbley ended her Notre Dame career last season ranking among the top-ten in several categories. Kelbley is third in attack attempts (3,510) and kills average (3.35), fifth in career kills (1,463), sixth in attack percentage (.291) tied for eighth in percentage of matches played (.976) and tied for tenth in games played (437).

NOTRE DAME IN SEASON OPENERS: With a three game sweep of Michigan last season, Notre Dame has won its lidlifter for 15 consecutive season, every year since head coach **Debbie Brown** arrived on campus. The last time the Irish started the season 0-1 was in 1990, when they lost in four games to Montana in the Washington State Invitational.

NEW LEADERS: With the graduation of both captains from last season, the Notre Dame volleyball team has chosen two new leaders for this season. The new captains are senior **Danielle Herndon** and junior **Adrianna Stasiuk**.

WHO'S BACK?: The Notre Dame volleyball team returns three starter and eight monogram winners from last year's squad. Among the returnees, besides Herndon and Stasiuk, is all-time single season assist record holder (1,573) junior setter **Ashley Tarutis**. Also returning is junior outside hitter **Ellen Heintzman** (HIGHNTZ-min), and sophomores **Madison Clark**, **Mallorie Croal** (KROLE), **Annie Morkis** (MOH-kris) and **Justine Stremick** (STREM-ick).

NEW FACES: The Notre Dame volleyball team has re-loaded with seven highly touted freshman vying for playing time this season. The freshman this year are **Tara Enzweiler** (ENZ-while-er), **Megan Fesl** (FEH-sul), **Christina Kaelin** (KAY-lynn), **Kim Kristoff** (pronounced CHRIS-toff), **Jamel Nicholas** (juh-MEL), **Colleen Nolan** and **Serinity Phillips** (suh-REN-ih-tee).

IRISH ARE THE BIG EAST PRESEASON FAVORITE: For the 11th time in 12 seasons as a member of the BIG EAST, Notre Dame volleyball program was chosen as the preseason favorite in the BIG EAST Conference. The only season Notre Dame was not chosen as the favorite since entering the league was last season's second place prediction.

HONORS AND SELECTIONS: Junior outside hitter **Adrianna Stasiuk** and junior setter **Ashley Tarutis** were both chosen for the preseason All BIG-EAST squad.

WHERE WE RANK: The Fighting Irish enter the season ranked 21st in the CSTV/AVCA Preseason Poll. This is the highest preseason rank for ND since 2001 when they began the season 20th.

THAT'S A CHALLENGING SCHEDULE: Notre Dame has once again lined up one of the more challenging schedules in the country. Notre Dame will take on nine teams in 10 matches that were in the 2005 NCAA Tournament. The teams and round they were eliminated in goes as follows: Valparaiso (first round), Missouri (final eight), Santa Clara

2005 Notre Dame Leaders

Kills

Lauren Brewster.....	476
Lauren Kelbley.....	441
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	325

Hitting Percentage

Lauren Brewster.....	310
Lauren Kelbley.....	285
Carolyn Cooper.....	285

Assists

Ashley Tarutis.....	1573
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	60
Meg Henican.....	54

Digs

Meg Henican.....	628
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	427
Ashley Tarutis.....	317

Blocks

Lauren Brewster.....	202
Carolyn Cooper.....	162
Lauren Kelbley.....	92

Service Aces

Lauren Kelbley.....	43
Ashley Tarutis.....	34
Carolyn Cooper.....	31

Service Ace to Error Ratio

Danielle Herndon.....	1.88 (17 A, 9 E)
Carolyn Cooper.....	1.29 (31 A, 24 E)
Ashley Tarutis.....	1.17 (34 A, 29 E)

Service Percentage

Danielle Herndon.....	.970
Carolyn Cooper.....	.961
Ashley Tarutis.....	.947

Points

Lauren Brewster.....	614
Lauren Kelbley.....	543.5
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	402.5

(semifinals), Alabama (first round), Kansas State (second round), Duke (second round), and Hawai'i (round of 16), Louisville (round of 16) and Ohio (round of 16).

IT JUST GETS TOUGHER: A closer look at the Notre Dame volleyball schedule reveals that out of 51 teams that are in the AVCA Preseason top-25 or received votes to be in the AVCA Preseason top-25, the Fighting Irish are schedule to play 10 matches against those nine teams. The ranked ND opponents in order of prediction are Santa Clara (#6), Hawai'i (#7), Louisville (#12), Missouri (#13), Ohio (#16), Kansas State (#25), Duke (received votes), Northern Iowa (received votes), Cincinnati (received votes).

IN LIVING ROOMS EVERYWHERE: For the fourth time in as many season the Notre Dame volleyball team will have a game shown on College Sports Television. The Fighting Irish will have its match against #13 Missouri on Sept. 2 at the Shamrock Invitational at 7 p.m. taped delayed and shown by CSTV on Sept. 3 at 2 p.m. ND is one of only eight schools that has been part of the CSTV volleyball package every season since its inception. The others are (shown with '06 preseason national rankings) #1 Nebraska, #4 Stanford, #6 Santa Clara, #8 Texas, #19 Pepperdine, #24 Utah and Colorado State. The BIG EAST Champion game to be held on Nov. 19 at 4:00 p.m., which Notre Dame has played in for 11 consecutive seasons, will also be shown on CSTV this season.

HOME FOOTBALL WEEKENDS: For the sixth time in seven years, the Notre Dame volleyball team is scheduled to play matches this season that will precede football pep rallies. The start of the home BIG EAST play against Marquette on Oct. 6 at 4 p.m. will be the first of the two pre-pep rally matches for Notre Dame. Also on the schedule this season, the Connecticut match on Oct. 20 at 4 p.m. will take place before the pep rally for the UCLA game. Football-weekend guests will have the two other opportunities to see the Irish, all against BIG EAST competition. The day after the Stanford football game (Sunday, Oct. 8) Notre Dame will host Syracuse at 1 p.m., while Sunday, Oct. 22 will see the Fighting Irish hosting St. John's at 2 p.m.

ALL BY HERSELF: Senior **Danielle Herndon** is the lone senior on the 15-person team this season, which is the first time since 1983 (Terese Henken) that the Irish have only had one senior on the team.

AN EXCEPTIONAL CLASS: The seven student-athletes who comprise the freshman class for the University of Notre Dame women's volleyball team this season – MB **Tara Enzweiler**, OH/OPP **Megan Fesl**, OH **Christina Kaelin**, MB **Kim Kristoff**, S **Jamel Nicholas**, DS/L **Colleen Nolan**, and OH/OPP **Serinity Phillips** – earned high

praise before even stepping on campus, as two publications ranked the group among the five best in the country. *Volleyball* magazine had Notre Dame third on its list of top recruiting classes appearing in the August issue, while PrepVolleyball.com placed the Irish fifth on a similar list. These cap off the accolades received by the group, which features four PrepVolleyball.com high school All-Americans, three *Volleyball* magazine Fab 50 selections, and two Gatorade State Players of the Year for volleyball.

Fesl, Kaelin, and Kristoff were on Volleyball’s Girls Fab 50 list of the top high school seniors in the nation, announced in April. It is the first time since 1997 (**Denise Boylan, Christi Girton, and Jo Jameyson**) – and just the third time ever – that Notre Dame has had three Fab 50 picks in the same class. The other instance was the 1994 group of **Angie Harris, Jaimie Lee, and Carey May**. The Irish are one of only five schools that have three or more on the Fab 50 list, joining Penn State (four), Pepperdine (three), Texas A&M (three), and Wisconsin (three). Notre Dame has now had 23 players earn Fab 50 designation since 1990, including at least one in 11 of the last 13 years.

AN INTELLIGENT BUNCH: The Notre Dame volleyball team posted one of its highest grade-point average on record for the academic year in 2005-2006 and were recognized as a recipient of the Game/Plan American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Team Academic Award. The Irish, who had a spring team GPA of 3.380, were one of just 54 Division I Programs on the list and one of a group of 12 that also made the 2005 NCAA Tournament. The AVCA Team Academic Award honors college and high-school teams that display excellence in the classroom by maintaining at least a 3.30 cumulative team GPA on a 4.0 scale. The Irish were previously honored with the award in 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2004-05.

SHE’S THE BOSS: Irish head coach **Debbie Brown** is beginning her 16th season as the leader of the Notre Dame volleyball program. She has led the Irish to a 374-122 mark (.754), while holding an overall record of 491-205 (.705). Brown’s Notre Dame teams have earned 14 consecutive NCAA tournament bids, advancing to the quarterfinals in 1993 and the round of 16 in ‘94, ‘95, and ‘97. Her squads have won 20 or more matches 13 times. A 10-time conference coach of the year and the only five-time BIG EAST coach of the year (4 in the Midwestern Collegiate and one in the Pac-10), she has coached 12 Irish players to All-American honors. The Irish have also claimed 14 regular season conference titles (4 Midwestern Collegiate, 10 BIG EAST) and 13 league tournament titles (4 MCC, 9 BIG EAST) under her watch. A co-captain of the 1980 U.S Olympic volleyball team after winning a pair of national championships and earning All-American honors twice

Notre Dame Volleyball Quick Facts

Location	Notre Dame, Indiana
Founded.....	1842
Enrollment.....	11, 417
Nickname	Fighting Irish
Colors	Gold and Blue
Conference	BIG EAST
Home Court.....	Joyce Center (11,418)
President.....	Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C
Director of Athletics.....	Kevin White
Deputy Director of Athletics.....	Missy Conboy
Athletic Department Phone	(574) 631-6107

Irish Coaching Staff

Head Volleyball Coach.....	Debbie Brown
Alma Mater	Arizona State ‘82
Record at Notre Dame	374-122(.754)/15 years
Career Record	491-205 (.705)/21 years
Assistant Coach.....	Greg Smith (1st season)
Smith’s Alma Mater	Westmont College ‘90
Assistant Coach.....	Louella Lovely (4th season)
Lovely’s Alma Mater	Cal Poly ‘97
Volunteer Assistant Coach .	Kevin Lane (1st season)
Student Manager	Megan McGuire (3rd season)

Program History

Overall Record	558-308 (.644)/26 seasons
NCAA Championship Appearances.....	15
BIG EAST Regular Season Record	120-7 (.945)
BIG EAST Regular Season Championships.....	10
BIG EAST Championship Record.....	22-2 (.917)
BIG EAST Championship Titles	9
Winning Seasons.....	19
All-American Honorees	14
Academic All-Americans.....	3
All-BIG EAST Accolades.....	40
BIG EAST Coach of the Year Awards	5
BIG EAST Player of the Year Awards	6
BIG EAST Champ. Most Outstanding Awards.....	9

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while playing at USC, Brown graduated from Arizona State in 1982 and coached her alma mater from 1983-88, helping the Sun Devils to five NCAA Tournaments.

A NEW MAN IN PLACE: The Fighting Irish in 2006 will have a new assistant coach in place as **Greg Smith**, formerly the head man at Virginia Tech, has joined the Notre Dame volleyball family this season. Smith compiled a record of 81-94 (.463), including 37-38 (.493) in his five years in command of the Hokies. Smith replaces **Robin Davis** who took the head position at Boise State. Also joining the volleyball coaching staff, as volunteer assistant is **Kevin Lane**. Lane is an experienced coach on several levels having most recently spent time at Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne, aiding the Mastodons to a runner-up finish at the National Independent University Tournament.

AN IMPRESSIVE STREAK: Notre Dame's current 14 consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances is behind only seven other schools nationally (Stanford (25), Penn State (25), UC Santa Barbara (25), Nebraska (24), Long Beach State (19), USC (15) and Florida (15)) for consecutive appearances in the Big Dance.

HOME SWEET HOME: Notre Dame's Joyce Center has become one of the most difficult places in the nation for road teams to win at, especially since the arrival of head coach Debbie Brown in 1991. Over the last 15 seasons, Notre Dame has posted a 180-29 record (.861) home record. The Irish have put together some impressive winning streaks on the home court, winning 14 or more matches in a row at home on five different occasions, highlighted by a streak of 27 (1993-95), and 36 (2000-02) straight home victories. Notre Dame also won 74 in a row in regular season action against conference opposition from 1991-2004. On 15 different occasions Notre Dame has topped a ranked team at the Joyce Center, including five upsets of teams ranked in the top-10. During the Brown era Notre Dame holds a home record of 171-10 (.945) against unranked teams at home.

CLASS OF THE CONFERENCE: Notre Dame has experienced unprecedented success in the 11 years since joining the league in 1995. The Irish have compiled a 120-7 (.945) regular season mark, highlighted by 10 titles and winning streaks of 45 and 35 consecutive matches. Notre Dame is 67-1 (.985) in BIG EAST regular-season contests in the Joyce Center. The Irish have won nine BIG EAST tournament championships, posting a mark of 22-2 (.917) in the event and reaching the final every season. The Fighting Irish have also dominated the conference awards; winning player-of-the-year honors six times and coach-of-the-year five times. On nine occasions an Irish player has been

named to the league tournament's most outstanding player. Also, Notre Dame players have taken home 40 all-conference accolades, including 24 first team honors.

KEEPING UP WITH ND VOLLEYBALL: For the fastest results of Notre Dame volleyball matches call the Notre Dame sports hotline at (574) 631-3000 and choose #5 and #1. The hotline provides schedules and results information for all Irish varsity sports and serves a supplement to the match recaps and weekly releases provided on the official athletic website at www.und.com. In addition, media members and fans can be added to the sports information e-mail release list by contact sports information assistant Joe Prisco, at prisco.3@nd.edu. All requests for story ideas, interview access, match credentials and further information on Irish volleyball should also be directed to Prisco. Credential and interview requests should be made at least 24 hours in advance.

UP NEXT: The Fighting Irish have an exciting weekend of volleyball action in the Shamrock Invitational starting on Friday, Sept. 1 against Valparaiso at the Joyce Center at 7 p.m. Notre Dame has a pair of games on the second day of the tournament starting against Idaho at 12:30 p.m. on Sept. 2. The nightcap against #13 Missouri will be a taped delayed CSTV game that begins at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday evening and will be shown at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 3 on CSTV. Notre Dame wraps up its busy weekend of non-conference action against #6 Santa Clara at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 3. The Santa Clara contest will be the last home match for the Irish for nearly a month, as the volleyball program begins a run of nine-consecutive road matches on Sept. 8.

The Last Time ...

Team

- ... Notre Dame lost the first game in a win – 11/20/05, at Louisville (BIG EAST Championship final)
- ... Notre Dame lost the first 2 games in a win – 9/5/03, vs. Houston (@ Austin, TX)
- ... Notre Dame was down 2-1 in a win – 9/3/05, vs. Texas
- ... Notre Dame won the first game in a loss – 11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (2-3)
- ... Notre Dame won the first 2 games in a loss – 11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (2-3)
- ... Notre Dame was up 2-1 in a loss – 11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (2-3)
- ... Notre Dame beat a ranked opponent - 11/20/05, at #7 Louisville (3-2)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-10 opponent - 11/20/05, at #7 Louisville (3-2)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-five opponent - 9/25/93, vs. #3 Nebraska (3-1)

Kills

- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills - 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Lauren Brewster (19), Adrianna Stasiuk (18), Mallorie Croal (15), Lauren Kelbley (13), Carolyn Cooper (11)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills - never
- ... 4 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills - 12/9/05, vs. #12 Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Mallorie Croal (18), Lauren Kelbley (18), Lauren Brewster (17), Adrianna Stasiuk (15)
- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills - never
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills - 11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (L, 2-3), Ellen Heintzman (22), Lauren Kelbley (22)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills with 0 errors - 9/9/03, vs. Valparaiso (W, 3-0), Emily Loomis (24)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ kills - 11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (L, 2-3), Ellen Heintzman (22), Lauren Kelbley (22)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ kills - 9/9/05, vs. #8 USC (W, 3-1/@ San Antonio, TX), Lauren Kelbley (25)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 25+ kills - 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Jenny Birkner (28), Angie Harris (26)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ kills - 10/29/00, at Connecticut (W, 3-2), Christi Girton (31)
- ... no Notre Dame players had 10+ kills - 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), leader: Emily Loomis (9)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills and 20+ digs - 9/21/00, vs. Loyola Marymount (W, 3-1), Kristy Kreher (32 kills, 27 digs)
- ... a Notre Dame player had a triple-double - 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks) & Adrianna Stasiuk (14 kills, 11 digs, 11 blocks)

Digs

- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43), Adrianna Stasiuk (19), Danielle Herndon (13), Carolyn Cooper (11), Ashley Tarutis (10)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs - 10/1/96 vs. Ball State (L, 2-3), Lindsay Treadwell (19), Angie Harris (13), Jenny Birkner (13), Kristina Ervin (12), Jaimie Lee (12), Mary Leffers (10)
- ... 7 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs [Notre Dame record] - 10/13/92 vs. Bowling Green (W, 3-2), Jessica Fiebelkorn (34), Cynthia May (22), Shannon Tuttle (15), Alicia Turner (14), Brett Hensel (13), Christy Peters (13), Nicole Coates (13)
- ... 3 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27), Adrianna Stasiuk (20), Ashley Tarutis (19)
- ... 4 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs - 9/4/05, vs. Arizona State (W, 3-2), Mallorie Croal (22), Meg Henican (21), Ashley Tarutis (18), Danielle Herndon (18)
- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs - 9/5/92, vs. Kentucky (W, 3-2), Christy Peters (36), Jessica Fiebelkorn (31), Brett Hensel (17), Alicia Turner (17), Cynthia May (16)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs [Notre Dame record] - 11/9/86, vs. Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Taryn Collins (31), Maureen Shea (23), Kathy Cunningham (19), Zanette Bennett (19), Mollie Merchant (16), Kathleen Morin (15)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27), Adrianna Stasiuk (20)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27), Adrianna Stasiuk (20)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 25+ digs - 9/21/00, vs. Loyola Marymount (W, 3-1), Kristy Kreher (27), Marcie Bomhack (25)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 - ND record)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 30+ digs - 9/5/92, vs. Kentucky (W, 3-2), Christy Peters (36), Jessica Fiebelkorn (31)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 35+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 - ND record)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 40+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 - ND record)
- ... Notre Dame had 80+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), 99

The Last Time ... (Continues)

... Notre Dame had 90+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), 99
... Notre Dame had 100+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), 107 blocks
... a Notre Dame player had 10+ blocks - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louisville), Lauren Brewster (11)
... 2 Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks - 9/3/05, vs. #11 Texas (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (12), Carolyn Cooper (10)
... 3+ Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks - 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (11), Emily Loomis (11), Adrianna Stasiuk (11), & Carolyn Cooper (10)
... a Notre Dame player had 15+ blocks - 10/11/87, vs. Minnesota (W, 3-1), Mary Kay Waller (16)
... a Notre Dame player had 4+ solo blocks - 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Carolyn Cooper (4)
... a Notre Dame player had 5+ solo blocks - 9/8/90, vs. Saint Louis (W, 3-2), Jessica Fiebelkorn (6)
... Notre Dame had 20+ blocks - 10/17/05, at Illinois State (W, 3-1), 21.5
... Notre Dame had 25+ blocks - 10/14/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), 25.5
... Notre Dame had 30+ blocks - 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), 32

Aces

... a Notre Dame player had 5+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), Lauren Brewster (6)
... a Notre Dame player had 6+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), Lauren Brewster (6)
... a Notre Dame player had 7+ aces - 10/20/95, vs. Syracuse (W, 3-0), Angie Harris (9)
... Notre Dame had 10+ aces - 9/16/05, at Tulane (W, 3-0), 12
... Notre Dame had 15+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), 15
... Notre Dame did not have an ace - 10/9/99, at Rutgers (W, 3-0) [have had an ace in 204 straight since then]

Hitting Percentage

... a Notre Dame player hit .500+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 12/2/05, vs. Northwestern (W, 3-0/NCAA first round), Lauren Kelbley (13-1-23, .522)
... a Notre Dame player hit .600+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals, @ Louisville), Carolyn Cooper (11-0-16, .688)
... a Notre Dame player hit .700+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 9/28/03, vs. Georgetown (W, 3-0), Lauren Kelbley (12-0-17, .706)
... a Notre Dame player hit .800+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 9/22/00, vs. Wyoming (W, 3-0), Malinda Goralski (10-0-12, .833)
... a Notre Dame player hit .900+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 10/19/92, at Evansville (W, 3-0), Marilyn Cragin (11-0-12, .917)
... Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team - 11/2/05, vs. Saint Louis (W, 3-0), .417 (54-11-103)
... Notre Dame hit over .500 as a team - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .522 (53-6-90)
... Notre Dame hit over .300 as a team in a match longer than three games - 11/20/04, vs. Boston College (W, 3-1/BIG EAST semis)
... Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team in a match longer than three games - 11/15/86, vs. Rhode Island (W, 3-1/North Star final @ Chicago)
... Notre Dame hit .500+ as a team in a game - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .812 (14-1-16) in 3rd game [ND record]
... Notre Dame hit .600+ as a team in a game - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .812 (14-1-16) in 3rd game [ND record]
... a Notre Dame opponent hit over .300 as a team - 11/7/04, vs. Boston College (L, 0-3), .305 (46-10-118)
... a Notre Dame opponent hit over .350 as a team - 10/22/02, at #2 Hawai'i (L, 0-3), .373 (64-17-126)
... Notre Dame held an opponent under .100 team hitting - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louisville), -.057 (27-34-122)
... Notre Dame held an opponent under .000 team hitting - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louisville), -.057 (27-34-122)
... Notre Dame held an opponent under .100 team hitting - 11/9/01, vs. St. John's (W, 3-0), -.101 (23-33-99)
... Notre Dame hit less than .200 - 11/6/05, at Pittsburgh (L, 2-3), .160 (65-34-194)
... Notre Dame hit less than .100 - 12/3/04, at Wisconsin (L, 0-3/NCAA 2nd round), -.015 (31-33-133)
... Notre Dame hit less than .150 & won - 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), .115 (36-21-131)

Assists

... a Notre Dame player had 60+ assists - 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Ashley Tarutis (62)
... a Notre Dame player had 70+ assists - 11/24/00, at #3 USC (L, 2-3), Denise Boylan (70)
... a Notre Dame player had 80+ assists - 10/8/00, at Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Denise Boylan (86)
... a Notre Dame player had 90+ assists - 10/13/95, at #25 Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Carey May (96)
... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ assists - 9/1/04, vs. Loyola Chicago (W, 3-1), Ashley Tarutis (25) & Kelly Burrell (23)

Irish Set to Reload in 2006

Heralded class of seven rookies aims for an immediate impact

A season ago, 16th-year head coach Debbie Brown parlayed one of her most talented and experienced rosters ever into an unforgettable season, as Notre Dame went 30-4 – posting the program's first 30-win season since 1994 (with all four defeats coming in five-game affairs) – and advanced to the round of 16 of the NCAA Championship for the first time since 1997. The Irish, who got off to a 22-1 start, became the first school ever to crack the top five of the AVCA Coaches Poll (with an all-time high ranking of fifth) after being unranked in the preseason, spent a program-record 11 weeks in the top 10 of that listing, and finished ranked 12th. Notre Dame went 5-1 against top-15 squads, had a 15-match winning streak, and won both the regular-season championships in an expanded, tougher-than-ever BIG EAST Conference.

"Last year was a great season," says Brown. "It was a very fun year to be a part of. The start we got off to helped raise our confidence level and put us in a good position the rest of the year. One of the keys to our season was the way we played in the UTSA Dome Rally in San Antonio. We beat some tough opponents, including a few that were ranked in the top 10 [#8 USC and #6 Florida]. The confidence we built up in the first few weeks allowed us to play the way we did. That said, we still lost



Junior Ellen Heintzman is one of the most-experienced players on the Irish, having started 25 matches over the last two seasons at outside hitter.

conference first team, a BIG EAST tournament MVP award, eight BIG EAST statistical titles, and the 2003 NCAA Division I blocking crown. Plus, she was the first player in program history to be both an athletic and academic All-American.

"We lost five seniors off last year's team that helped us achieve so much – not only last season but throughout their careers at Notre Dame," says Brown. "They were an exceptional bunch of not only volleyball players but students, as well. Obviously, it will be a challenge as we attempt to replace the five players we've lost. The experience we lost will be the greatest challenge and the most difficult thing to replace."

The challenges will be all different for the veteran coach in 2006, as this year's squad boasts just one senior, making it the first Irish team in 23 years to be in that situation. Several key players from that record-setting '05 team are back in the fold, as five who started 15 or more matches a year ago will be among those looked upon to provide the veteran leadership this season. Also, at just the right time Brown has landed one of her best recruiting classes ever, as seven talented rookies will supplement the returning corps and have an ability to make immediate impacts on Notre Dame's fortunes.

"As always we have high expectations," says Brown. "It would be easy to give the excuse that this is a rebuilding year, because of all the players we lost. But that's not our frame of mind going into the season. We are so excited about the freshmen we brought in – plus add to that our returning players and all the valuable experience they gained last season. Our goal this season is to not take a step back; we want to continue to take the program in an upward direction. I have very high expectations. I feel we are capable of competing with anyone in the country."

The schedule the Irish will face this season is indicative of that attitude. Ten of the regular-season matches will be against squads that qualified for the '05 NCAA Championship, including six against teams that reached the round of 16 and seven vs. ones that were in the AVCA top 25 at the end of the season. Among the toughest tests are Sept. 2 vs. Missouri (8th in AVCA poll; NCAA quarterfinals), Sept. 3 vs. Santa Clara (4th; semi-finals), Sept. 9 vs. Kansas State (25th; second round), Oct. 16 and 17 at Hawai'i (9th; round of 16), Oct. 29 at Louisville (11th; round of 16), and Nov. 24 vs. Ohio in Louisville (14th; round of 16).

Plus, Notre Dame will look to keep its spot atop the BIG EAST Conference, which had one of its best volleyball seasons ever in '05. The league had two teams ranked in the AVCA poll for the first time, with both Notre Dame and Louisville being ranked in the top 10 for much of the season. Both squads won 30 matches (no BIG EAST team had done that since 1994) and a total of six BIG EAST teams posted 20 victories, making it the only conference in the country to be able to boast that. Since joining the league in 1995, the Irish have won 10 regular-season championships (in 11 seasons), as well as nine tournament crowns.

IRISH

Team Information

2005 Record

30-4 (13-1/1st in BIG EAST)

2005 Final National Rankings

12th – AVCA

11th – *Volleyball Magazine*

2005 BIG EAST Championship

Champion

QF - def. Villanova 28-30, 30-24, 30-26, 30-23

SF - def. Cincinnati 30-20, 30-20, 30-14

Final - def. Louisville 28-30, 31-29, 30-21, 23-30, 15-8

2005 NCAA Championship

Round of 16

1st - def. Dayton 30-21, 30-25, 26-30, 28-30, 15-13

2nd - def. Northwestern 30-27, 32-30, 30-28

R16 - lost to Wisconsin 25-30, 30-28, 25-30, 30-25, 9-15

All-America Honorees Returning

Adrianna Stasiuk (Jr., OH/OPP) – Honorable Mention

Top Returnees

Mallorie Croal (So., OH/OPP)

Ellen Heintzman (Jr., OH)

Danielle Herndon (Sr., DS/L)

Adrianna Stasiuk (Jr., OH/OPP)

Ashley Tarutis (Jr., S)

Monogram Winners Returning/Lost

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2006 Captains

Danielle Herndon (Sr., DS)

Adrianna Stasiuk (Jr., OH/OPP)

some matches we feel we shouldn't have, but the most important thing was seeing the squad come through in the big matches and seeing the maturity of the team throughout the year."

That team was led by a talented quintet of seniors: setter Kelly Burrell, middle blockers Lauren Brewster and Carolyn Cooper, libero Meg Henican, and outside hitter Lauren Kelbley. They are one of the winningest classes in the history of Irish volleyball, having compiled a 98-28 record for a .778 winning percentage. They helped Notre Dame register a 50-6 mark against BIG EAST competition, leading the Irish to four consecutive regular-season titles and three tournament championships. Brewster and Kelbley started throughout their entire careers, and Henican was a three-year starter after being mostly a key reserve in her rookie season. Cooper started in her final two campaigns, while Burrell was a regular contributor as Notre Dame's second setter throughout her career.

Kelbley – three times tabbed honorable mention All-America by the AVCA – became just the third player in conference history to be named to the all-BIG EAST teams four times and was one of only two players in Division I to be an AVCA all-region selection in each of the last four campaigns. Henican – who finished her career with 22 of Notre Dame's 25 digs records (including those for digs in a match, season, and career) – was one of two liberos to be a first-team all-BIG EAST pick in 2005, after no libero had previously earned that honor. Brewster – a second-team AVCA All-American in 2005 after being a third-team selection as a junior – was one of the most decorated players in program history. Among the highlights were three selections to the all-

Match-by-Match Leaders

Match	Kills	Pct. (min. 5 kills)	Digs	Blocks	Assists#	Aces	Points
Michigan	16-Brewster	.412-Brewster	22-Henican	6-Brewster	40	3-Heintzman (1)/Kelbley	22-Brewster
#11 Texas	18-Brewster	.364-Cooper	20-Herndon	12-Brewster	51	2-Kelbley	25.5-Brewster
Arizona State	28-Brewster	.328-Brewster	22-Croal (1)	4-Croal (1)/Kelbley/Cooper	65	1-5 players	31-Brewster
vs.#8 USC	25-Kelbley	.300-Henican (1)	29-Stasiuk	6-Brewster	56	3-Kelbley/Cooper	29-Kelbley
vs.Oklahoma	15-Brewster	.333-Cooper	12-Stasiuk/Herndon	10-Cooper	33	2-Kelbley	18-Brewster
vs.#6 Florida	20-Brewster	.455-Cooper	24-Stasiuk	7-Brewster	46	1-Henican/Cooper	24.5-Brewster
at Tulane	15-Kelbley	.412-Kelbley	19-Stasiuk	6-Cooper	36	3-Kelbley/Tarutis	21-Kelbley
vs.LSU	19-Croal	.208-Cooper	24-Stasiuk	6-Cooper	53	3-Kelbley	22.5-Croal
Seton Hall	14-Brewster	.448-Brewster	17-Henican	5-Cooper/Stasiuk	40	3-Stasiuk	17.5-Brewster
Loyola Chicago	24-Kelbley	.688-Kelbley	22-Henican	5-Cooper	41	4-Kelbley	31-Kelbley
at Syracuse	17-Croal	.400-Croal	26-Henican	7-Brewster	35	2-Brewster (2)	18-Croal
at Marquette	16-Brewster	.355-Stasiuk	21-Stasiuk	6-Cooper	51	3-Tarutis	19.5-Brewster
Valparaiso	13-Kelbley/Stasiuk	.244-Stasiuk	19-Henican	7-Brewster	40	1-Tarutis/Henican/Cooper	16-Kelbley/Brewster
at St.John's	17-Brewster	.400-Cooper	22-Henican	3-Kelbley/Cooper	55	3-Henican	19.5-Brewster
at Connecticut	16-Brewster	.500-Croal (2)	11-Stasiuk	5-Cooper/Brewster	42	3-Cooper	19.5-Brewster
at DePaul	15-Brewster	.636-Kelbley	10-Henican	5-Brewster	38	2-Kelbley/Stasiuk	19.5-Brewster
at Illinois State	20-Stasiuk	.349-Stasiuk (3)	19-Henican	8-Cooper/Brewster	51	1-Cooper	22.5-Stasiuk
South Florida	12-Brewster	.625-Cooper	13-Stasiuk	4-Brewster/Stasiuk	39	2-Stasiuk	14.5-Stasiuk
Georgetown	14-Stasiuk	.571-Brewster	15-Henican	8-Brewster	38	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/Stasiuk	20.5-Stasiuk
#6 Louisville	21-Stasiuk	.366-Brewster	22-Henican	2-Brewster/Kelbley (3)	63	3-Kelbley/Herndon	22-Stasiuk
Cincinnati	13-Kelbley/Heintzman	.357-Kelbley	12-Henican/Herndon	8-Brewster	43	2-Kelbley/Cooper/Henican	15-Kelbley/Heintzman (1)
Saint Louis	14-Kelbley	.727-Cooper	14-Henican	4-Brewster	48	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/Cooper	16-Kelbley
at West Virginia	17-Brewster	.481-Brewster	23-Henican	4-Brewster	41	3-Cooper	18.5-Brewster
at Pittsburgh	20-Brewster	.364-Brewster	17-Henican	7-Cooper	50	1-Tarutis/Henican (5)/Herndon	23.5-Brewster
Villanova	13-Kelbley	.455-Brewster	21-Henican	9-Cooper	46	3-Herndon	17-Cooper
Rutgers	10-Kelbley/Stasiuk	.450-Brewster	14-Stasiuk (9)	4-Cooper (13)/Stasiuk (3)	38	2-Kelbley	13-Stasiuk
vs.Villanova (BE)	15-Brewster	.400-Brewster	19-Henican	8-Brewster	51	3-Stasiuk	20-Brewster
vs.Cincinnati (BE)	11-Cooper (1)	.688-Cooper (8)	18-Henican	11-Brewster	35	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/Cooper	13.5-Cooper (2)
at #7 Louisville (BE)	19-Brewster	.359-Brewster	25-Henican	7-Brewster	62	4-Cooper	24-Brewster
Rice	15-Brewster (15)	.556-Kelbley	19-Henican	7-Kelbley (4)	28	1-5 players/Cooper (12)/Burrell (1)	19-Brewster
Tennessee	22-Kelbley/Heintzman (2)	.412-Kelbley	32-Henican	8-Brewster	58	3-Stasiuk (7)	24.5-Kelbley (7)
Dayton (NCAA)	18-Croal	.333-Brewster (12)	43-Henican	9-Brewster	55	3-Tarutis	21-Croal (3)
N'western (NCAA)	16-Stasiuk (6)	.522-Kelbley	21-Henican	9-Brewster	46	1-Kelbley (15)/ Tarutis (11)/Herndon	19-Stasiuk (6)
vs.#12 Wis. (NCAA)	18-Croal (3)/Kelbley (10)	.250-Kelbley (8)	27-Henican (23)	7-Brewster (22)	58	3-Herndon (6)	21.5-Brewster (17)

Note: Numbers in parentheses are number of times player has led Irish in that category this season.

- Ashley Tarutis has led Notre Dame in assists in every match this season.



Graduated senior Carolyn Cooper led the team in blocks 13 times in 2005.



Lauren Kelbley's senior class won 98 matches in her four-year career.

Even before they stepped onto campus, this freshman class earned high praise, as two publications ranked the group among the five best in the country. *Volleyball* magazine has Notre Dame an all-time high of third on its list of top recruiting classes (behind Penn State and Texas), while PrepVolleyball.com placed the Irish fifth on a similar list (behind Penn State, Texas, California, and Arizona).

"Awesome," says Brown. "That is the best word to describe this class. It is a group of quality people, quality athletes, and quality students. We are so excited about the class. They are a really competitive group, and they have all played at a really high level either on their clubs or in high school."

Three players – **Megan Fesl**, **Christina Kaelin**, and **Kim Kristoff** – were on *Volleyball's* Girls Fab 50 list of the top high school seniors in the nation, making Notre Dame one of just five schools (also Penn State, Pepperdine, Texas A&M, and Wisconsin) to have three or more on that list. It marks the first time since 1997 and just the third time overall (also in '94) that the Irish have had three Fab 50 selections in the same class. PrepVolleyball.com's Top 150 Senior Aces ranking of the top prep seniors had five Irish players on it: **Kaelin** (9th overall; first among Kentucky natives; Notre Dame's highest-ranked player since the list began in 2002), **Fesl** (14th; first among players from Illinois), **Serinity Phillips** (21st), **Kristoff** (86th), and **Jamel Nicholas** (in group between 100th and 150th). middle blocker **Tara Enzweiler** and defensive specialist **Colleen Nolan** round out the class, adding depth and diversity to the talented group.

"I realized the inexperience of the seven freshmen will at times play a factor, but we will counterbalance it with the talent the freshmen and returning players have," says Brown. "I think having so much youth can be a very big positive this year. These freshmen bring a certain sense of enthusiasm to the squad. Having that sort of excitement every day will be the sort of factor that can allow this season to have the feeling of being fresh and new."

The lone senior on this year's squad is **Danielle Herndon**, who has been a regular throughout her career as both a defensive specialist and libero. The last player to serve as the only senior on an Irish volleyball team was Terese Henken in the 1983 season, Notre Dame's first campaign as a member of a conference (the North Star Conference). Herndon has played in 325 of the 345 games over the past three seasons, with her 94.2% rate standing fifth in program history. She saw time in the libero during the early portions of each of the last three campaigns, but then each time settled into a role primarily as a back-row substitute. A year ago, she played in every game and made 21 starts at defensive specialist, finishing with 297 digs (2.40 per game). One of the team's most-accurate servers, she had 17 aces and only nine errors, with that 1.88 ace-to-error ratio standing as the best by a Notre Dame player since Jaimie Lee's 2.00 mark in 1996. Herndon has 691 digs in her career (2.12 per game), as well as 35 aces (with just 33 service errors).

"Danielle is our lone senior this year, and she will challenge for time in the libero spot," says Brown. "I think the experience she has gained in her first three years is going to benefit her and the team this year. The libero spot is up for grabs this season, and she is certainly a strong candidate. If not there, then she can also be used in the back row."

Among the experienced players on this year's squad, the most accomplished to this point is junior **Adrianna Stasiuk**, who started every match of her rookie campaign at opposite and then started at outside hitter during most of last season, after filling the libero position early in the year while still recovering from an offseason injury. Stasiuk – a flashy hitter and dynamic all-around player with a potent serve and the best defensive skills on the Irish – was named honorable mention All-America by the AVCA in '05 and was tabbed the Most Outstanding Player in the BIG EAST tournament. An AVCA all-region pick and second-team all-conference



Sophomore Justine Stremick will be thrust into a role as the team's veteran in the middle this season, as the only returning middle blocker from last year's squad that was sixth nationally in team blocking.

selection, she ranked among the top four on the team in six statistical categories – kills, digs, aces, blocks, assists, and points – in both of the last two seasons. Stasiuk was the Collegiate Volleyball Update National Player of the Week on Oct. 25 of 2005 and registered 15 double-doubles on the season (24 in her career), including in each of the final six contests. She was the only non-libero in the BIG EAST individual digs leaders (finished eighth) and became just the fourth different Notre Dame player ever to have 400 or more in a season. Stasiuk was a key reason the Irish led the BIG EAST in digging for the first time ever and finished in the national top 30. She also was one of the team's top receivers (.966 reception percentage), helping Notre Dame break the school record for aces allowed per game (0.80).

Midway through her career, she has an opportunity to threaten to become the second player in program history – along with two-time All-American Christy Peters (1991-94) – to post 1,500 career kills and digs. Through her first two seasons, she has accrued 604 kills (2.71 per game) and 758 digs (3.40 – third-best in Irish history) to go with 65 aces (0.29 – fifth-best in Notre Dame history), 166 blocks (0.74), and 135 assists (0.61) for 769.5 points (3.45). She has had double-digit digs 44 times in her career, which already places her tied for seventh on the all-time Notre Dame list in that category.

"Adrianna is a strong all-round player," says Brown. "We know she is a great passer and defensive player, as evidenced in her debut in the libero spot last year [when she had a career-high 29 kills vs. USC]. We would prefer to not have her in that role, but she stepped in and did a tremendous job last season. Her passing and ball con-

trol skills are going to be a huge part of the team's success this season. She continued to take her front row game to another level in the spring. She continues to show she can take on the best blockers and has shown tremendous leadership while doing it."

The one position where the Irish hold a great deal of experience is setter, as junior **Ashley Tarutis** has been the team's top performer there nearly from day one. Fiery and battle-tested, she has led Notre Dame to a 50-12 (.806) record in her career starts, including 6-2 against top-15 teams. A year ago, Tarutis broke the 10-year-old Irish record for assists in a season, finishing with 1,573 (12.69 per game). She led Notre Dame to a .251 team hitting percentage and was named to the all-BIG EAST second team (no setters were on the first team). Tarutis helped the Irish lead the conference in assists in league action (15.55 – second-highest ND average ever in BIG EAST play) and rank second in hitting percentage (.289 – highest for Notre Dame since 2001) and kills (16.79 – second-highest school average ever). She ranked third on the team in digs a year ago (317; 2.56 per game) and has 30 career double-doubles to her credit. Tarutis has played in all 236 games over the past two seasons – the second-longest string of consecutive games played in program history – and has 2,723 assists (sixth-most in Irish history) for an average of 11.54 per game (third in Notre Dame history). She also has 584 digs (2.47) and 65 aces (0.28 – seventh-best in Irish history).

"Ashley is one of our team leaders, bringing tremendous energy to the court," says Brown. "She has continued to improve every year in terms of set location, technique, leadership, running the floor and all the additional factors that make her a great setter. Ashley is one of the players that teammates have commented on about how fun she is to watch, with the zest for the game she brings with her to the court every day."

The other member of the junior class on this year's squad, outside hitter **Ellen Heintzman**, also has been a key player for Notre Dame over the past two seasons. In both 2004 and '05, she saw time in the starting lineup, accruing a total of 25 starts. Last year, she made 17 starts, including 15 in a row late in the season, and finished with 147 kills (2.58 per game). Her top performance came in the regular-season finale against eventual NCAA semifinalist Tennessee, when she delivered a career-high 22 kills. Heintzman has played in 102 games in her career, pounding 232 kills (2.27) and also registering 64 digs and 56 blocks for 270 points (2.65).

"We are looking at Ellen primarily in an outside hitter role," says Brown. "She has shown improvement, but she also was hampered by injuries in the spring. She worked hard to get into top shape after missing the first spring tournament. We expect her to come in ready to compete for a spot on the outside for us."

The most-proven player in the sophomore class is **Mallorie Croal**, who split time with Heintzman as a starting outside hitter a season ago. She started 15 times, including in each of the NCAA tournament matches, and finished with 195 kills (2.79 per game) and 99 digs (1.41). Croal was tabbed to the Shamrock Invitational all-tournament team and had a collegiate-best 19 kills against LSU.

"Mallorie had a good freshman year," says Brown. "We were impressed with the poise she exhibited last year, especially in big matches. She never played like a freshman; she always played like someone that had a lot more experience. She worked hard in the spring on her hitting and developing shots. We feel she can be used on either the outside or the opposite. She hits well from the right side plus is good blocker that also sets well, so she is a strong candidate to play the right side."

The other Irish sophomores also played roles a season ago. **Justine Stremick** will be the lone returning middle blocker on the team, after seeing action in 52 games a year ago, registering seven kills and 15 blocks. In 2006, she will be the veteran in the middle and counted on to produce. **Madison Clark** played in 57 games, mostly as a defensive specialist, but occasionally in a setting role. She had 52 digs and 15 assists. **Annie Mokris** saw time in 13 games, making seven digs as a back-row substitute.

2006 Notre Dame Women's Volleyball Roster

Numerical

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School/Club Team
1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, MI	Sturgis H.S./Dunes
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, CA	Mater Dei H.S./Golden West
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, KY	Assumption H.S./KIVA
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, CA	Valley Center H.S./Vintage
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, KY	Sacred Heart Academy/KIVA
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, IN	Brebeuf Jesuit Prep/Team Indiana
8	Ashley Tarutis**	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, CA	Los Alamitos H.S./Golden West
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, IL	John Hersey H.S./Sports Performance
10	Adrianna Stasiuk**(c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, IL	Maine South H.S./Sports Performance
11	Danielle Herndon***(c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, FL	Durant H.S./Tampa Bay Juniors
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-8	Gibsonia, PA	Pine-Richland H.S./Renaissance
13	Annie Mokris*	So.	DS	5-5	Orlando, FL	Bishop Moore H.S./Orlando VB Acad.
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, ND	Langdon Area H.S./Stars Athletics
15	Colleen Nolan	Fr.	DS/L	5-6	Vernon Hills, IL	Stevenson H.S./Sky High
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-10	Raleigh, NC	Cardinal Gibbons H.S./Triangle

Head Coach: Debbie Brown (16th season, Arizona State '82)

Assistant Coaches: Greg Smith (1st season, Westmont College '90), Louella Lovely (4th season, Cal Poly '97)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Kevin Lane (1st season, IPFW '06)

Student Manager: Megan McGuire (3rd season, Notre Dame '07)

Athletic Trainer: Chantal Porter (10th season, Iowa State '94)

Strength and Conditioning Coach: Mike Joseph (4th season, Fairmont State '99)

Sports Information Director: Joe Prisco (1st season, Eastern Illinois '00)

Administrator: Missy Conboy (12th season, Notre Dame '82)

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* – indicates monograms earned

(c) – indicates team captain

Pronunciation Guide:

- Croal.....KROLE
- Enzweiler.....ENZ-while-er
- Fesl.....FEH-sul
- Heintzman.....HIGHNTZ-min
- Kaelin.....KAY-lynn
- Kristoff.....CHRIS-toff
- Mokris.....MOH-kris
- Jamel (Nicholas).....juh-MEL
- Serinity (Phillips).....suh-REN-ih-tee
- Adrianna Stasiuk.....a-dree-ANN-uh stuh-SHEWK
- Stremick.....STREM-ick
- Tarutis.....tuh-ROO-diss



THE 2006 NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM: Sitting (from left): Annie Morkis, Colleen Nolan, Tara Enzweiler, Ashley Tarutis, Jamel Nicholas. (kneeling, from left): Kim Kristoff, Megan Fesl, Justine Stremick, Serinity Phillips, Mallorie Croal, Ellen Heintzman. (standing, from left): Athletic trainer Chantal Porter, assistant coach Louella Lovely, assistant coach Greg Smith, Madison Clark, Christina Kaelin, head coach Debbie Brown, Adrianna Stasiuk, Danielle Herndon, volunteer assistant coach Kevin Lane, student manager Leslie Vaughn, student manager Megan McGuire.



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Arlington Heights, IL



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Debbie Brown
Head Coach

2005 Notre Dame Volleyball
Notre Dame Combined Team Statistics (as of Aug 24, 2006)
All matches

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL MATCHES.....	(30-4)	(15-1)	(10-1)	(5-2)
CONFERENCE.....	(13-1)	(7-0)	(6-1)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(17-3)	(8-1)	(4-0)	(5-2)

##	STATS SUMMARY	-----ATTACK-----					--SET--		----SERVE----			--DIG--		-----BLOCKING-----					Points			
		G	K	K/G	E	TA	Pct	A	A/G	SA	SE	SA/G	RE	DIG	D/G	BS	BA	Total		B/G	BE	BHE
12	BREWSTER, Lauren	124	476	3.84	127	1127	.310	10	0.08	12	24	0.10	0	65	0.52	50	152	202	1.63	17	2	614.0
6	KELBLEY, Lauren	124	441	3.56	131	1086	.285	13	0.10	43	46	0.35	0	95	0.77	27	65	92	0.74	10	4	543.5
10	STASIUK, Adrianna	111	325	2.93	132	929	.208	60	0.54	24	56	0.22	28	427	3.85	27	53	80	0.72	6	9	402.5
9	COOPER, Carolyn	124	237	1.91	58	628	.285	38	0.31	31	24	0.25	1	133	1.07	41	121	162	1.31	12	6	369.5
2	CROAL, Mallorie	70	195	2.79	86	536	.203	7	0.10	2	10	0.03	5	99	1.41	14	24	38	0.54	5	0	223.0
5	HEINTZMAN, Ellen	57	147	2.58	72	419	.179	5	0.09	3	1	0.05	2	42	0.74	7	34	41	0.72	1	1	174.0
4	HENICAN, Meg	124	76	0.61	35	241	.170	54	0.44	21	44	0.17	36	628	5.06	5	13	18	0.15	4	1	108.5
8	TARUTIS, Ashley	124	69	0.56	25	203	.217	1573	12.69	34	29	0.27	0	317	2.56	2	55	57	0.46	12	22	132.5
14	STREMICK, Justine	52	7	0.13	1	14	.429	4	0.08	0	0	0.00	0	4	0.08	0	15	15	0.29	1	6	14.5
11	HERNDON, Danielle	124	6	0.05	3	21	.143	15	0.12	17	9	0.14	10	297	2.40	0	0	0	0.00	0	2	23.0
3	BURRELL, Kelly	67	1	0.01	1	7	.000	30	0.45	1	1	0.01	0	67	1.00	1	2	3	0.04	0	5	4.0
13	MOKRIS, Annie	13	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	2	0.00	0	7	0.54	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
1	CLARK, Madison	57	0	0.00	0	3	.000	15	0.26	0	2	0.00	3	52	0.91	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.0
TEAM		14																				
NOTRE DAME.....		124	1980	15.97	671	5214	.251	1824	14.71	188	248	1.52	99	2233	18.01	174	534	441.0	3.56	68	59	2609.0
Opponents.....		124	1812	14.61	956	5382	.159	1662	13.40	99	254	0.80	188	2176	17.55	63	445	285.5	2.30	70	94	2196.5

TEAM STATISTICS	ND	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SCORE-BY-GAME	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			Aug 27	MICHIGAN	W	3-0	30-24,30-16,30-26	1574
Kills.....	1980	1812	\$ Sep 03	#11 TEXAS	W	3-2	30-21,31-29,28-30,22-30,15-10	777
Errors.....	671	956	\$ Sep 04	ARIZONA STATE	W	3-2	30-20,28-30,21-30,30-23,15-10	928
Total Attacks.....	5214	5382	! Sep 09	vs #8 Southern California	W	3-1	23-30,32-30,30-26,30-27	1031
Attack Pct.....	.251	.159	! Sep 10	vs Oklahoma	W	3-0	30-28,30-27,30-17	1394
Kills/Game.....	16.0	14.6	! Sep 11	vs #6 Florida	W	3-0	30-28,31-29,30-28	1561
SET.....			@ Sep 16	at Tulane	W	3-0	30-23,30-26,30-26	387
Assists.....	1824	1662	@ Sep 18	vs Louisiana State	L	2-3	28-30,22-30,30-23,30-26,18-20	408
Assists/Game.....	14.7	13.4	* Sep 25	SETON HALL	W	3-0	30-12,30-23,30-26	1411
SERVE.....			Sep 27	at Loyola Chicago	W	3-0	30-15,30-15,30-24	572
Aces.....	188	99	* Sep 30	at Syracuse	W	3-0	30-17,30-23,30-20	219
Errors.....	248	254	* Oct 02	at Marquette	W	3-1	30-24,28-30,30-21,30-27	1074
Attempts.....	3479	2942	Oct 05	VALPARAISO	W	3-0	34-32,30-21,30-26	1181
Serve Pct.....	.929	.914	* Oct 08	at St. John's	W	3-1	28-30,30-26,30-28,30-27	186
Aces/Game.....	1.5	0.8	* Oct 09	at Connecticut	W	3-0	30-20,30-23,30-23	425
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....			* Oct 15	at DePaul	W	3-0	30-20,30-19,30-10	264
Errors.....	99	188	Oct 17	at Illinois State	W	3-1	30-24,27-30,30-24,30-23	1615
Errors/Game.....	0.8	1.5	* Oct 21	SOUTH FLORIDA	W	3-0	30-10,30-26,30-20	5541
Attempts.....	2692	3152	* Oct 23	GEORGETOWN	W	3-0	30-12,30-22,30-20	1327
Reception Pct.....	.963	.940	* Oct 29	#6 LOUISVILLE	W	3-1	30-28,30-28,27-30,30-27	2597
DEFENSE.....			* Oct 30	CINCINNATI	W	3-0	30-24,30-27,30-27	976
Digs.....	2233	2176	Nov 02	SAINT LOUIS	W	3-0	30-13,30-23,30-23	1037
Digs/Game.....	18.0	17.5	* Nov 05	at West Virginia	W	3-0	30-22,30-20,30-17	118
BLOCKING.....			* Nov 06	at Pittsburgh	L	2-3	30-23,30-15,27-30,28-30,13-15	406
Block Solo.....	174	63	* Nov 12	VILLANOVA	W	3-0	30-13,30-25,30-23	1500
Block Assist.....	534	445	* Nov 13	RUTGERS	W	3-0	30-23,30-19,30-27	1554
Total Blocks.....	441.0	285.5	# Nov 18	vs Villanova	W	3-1	28-30,30-24,30-26,30-23	1217
Blocks Per Game...	3.6	2.3	# Nov 19	vs Cincinnati	W	3-0	30-20,30-20,30-14	1156
Block Errors.....	68	70	# Nov 20	at #7 Louisville	W	3-2	28-30,31-29,30-21,23-30,15-8	1954
BALL HANDLING ERRORS	59	94	% Nov 25	RICE	W	3-0	30-20,30-20,30-13	1321
ATTENDANCE.....			% Nov 26	TENNESSEE	L	2-3	30-26,30-26,28-30,30-32,9-15	1421
Total.....	24783	7220	& Dec 1	DAYTON	W	3-2	30-21,30-25,26-30,28-30,15-13	878
Dates/Avg Per Date	16/1549	11/656	& Dec 02	NORTHWESTERN	W	3-0	30-27,32-30,30-28	760
Neutral site #/Avg	7/1026		^ Dec 09	vs #12 Wisconsin	L	2-3	25-30,30-28,25-30,30-25,9-15	414
Current win streak	0	-						
Home win streak...	2	-						

\$ - Shamrock Invitational; % - Irish Thanksgiving Invitational;
& - NCAA Championship; ! - UTSA Dome Rally (San Antonio, TX);
@ - Sugar Bowl Classic; ^ - NCAA Champ. (College Station, TX)
- BIG EAST Championship (Louisville, KY)