



# Notre Dame Women's Tennis

13 Straight Top-30 Finishes • 13 NCAA Tournaments Since '93 • 19 Conference Titles

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## 2006 SCHEDULE (24-1)

### JANUARY

28 Sat. (22) OHIO STATE W, 7-0  
28 Sat. (22) XAVIER W, 7-0

### FEBRUARY

11 Sat. (22) at Wake Forest (23) W, 4-3  
12 Sun. (22) at North Carolina (10) W, 5-1  
15 Wed. (15) at Michigan (30) W, 6-1  
18 Sat. (15) TENNESSEE (22) W, 7-0  
19 Sun. (15) HARVARD (9) W, 5-2  
25 Sat. (7) BYU (20) W, 5-2  
26 Sun. (7) WISCONSIN (51) W, 6-1  
28 Tue. (5) INDIANA (27) W, 7-0

### MARCH

5 Sun. (5) ILLINOIS (49) W, 7-0  
10 Fri. (2) W. MICHIGAN (49) W, 7-0  
15 Wed. (2) vs. Duke (5) W, 4-3  
(Orlando, FL)  
18 Sat. (2) at Texas A&M (48) W, 4-3  
20 Mon. (2) at Texas (11) W, 4-3  
24 Fri. (2) IOWA (39) W, 6-1  
29 Wed. (2) at Vanderbilt (11) L, 3-4  
31 Fri. (2) EASTERN MICHIGAN W, 7-0

### APRIL

2 Sun. (2) at Purdue (39) W, 4-3  
5 Wed. (2) NORTHWESTERN (9) W, 4-3  
7 Fri. (2) DePAUL W, 7-0  
9 Sun. (2) MARQUETTE W, 7-0

### BIG EAST Championship (Tampa, FL)

21 Fri. (2) Rutgers W, 4-0  
22 Sat. (2) DePaul W, 4-0  
23 Sun. (2) South Florida (37) W, 4-1

### MAY

### NCAA Championship (Notre Dame, IN)

12 Fri. (2) VALPARAISO 1 p.m.  
13 Sat. (2) SECOND ROUND 1 p.m.  
18-21 at NCAA Championship  
(rd. of 16 - final, Stanford, CA)  
22-28 at NCAA Singles & Doubles Chps.  
(Stanford, CA)

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS** held at the Courtney Tennis Center, weather permitting. Otherwise, home matches held in Eck Tennis Pavilion. All times are local.  
Notes: Number in parentheses before opponent is Notre Dame's ITA national ranking at time of match; number in parentheses after opponent is its ITA national ranking at time of match.

## NCAA Division I Men's Tennis Championship

Notre Dame, Indiana • Courtney Tennis Center

First Round – Friday, May 12

#29 Michigan (16-7) vs. #41 Nebraska (17-9), 10 a.m. (ET)

- Live Scoring: und.com

[No. 2 seed] #2 Notre Dame (24-1) vs. Valparaiso (15-7), 1 p.m. (ET)

- Live Scoring: aggieathletics.com

Second Round – Saturday, May 13

First-Round Winners, 1 p.m. (ET)

- Live Scoring: und.com

**#2 IRISH PLAY HOST TO NCAA FIRST & SECOND ROUNDS THIS WEEKEND:** The second-ranked University of Notre Dame women's tennis team (24-1) – sporting an all-time high No. 2 national seeding – will play host to the opening two rounds of the 2006 NCAA Division I Championship this weekend at the Courtney Tennis Center and Eck Tennis Pavilion. Action will begin Friday at 10 a.m. (ET) with 29th-ranked Michigan (16-7) taking on #41 Nebraska (17-9) in one first-round matchup, with the Irish facing Mid-Continent Conference champion Valparaiso (15-7) at 1 p.m. (ET) in the other. The winners will play on Saturday at 1 p.m. (ET). All matches are scheduled to be played outdoors, but could move inside due to inclement weather. Notre Dame's official athletics website, und.com, will provide semi-live scoring updates of all three matches.

**IRISH IN THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP:** Notre Dame earned an all-time high No. 2 seed in this year's NCAA tournament (besting its Nos. 5-8 seed in 1996) and will be at home for early-round play for the first time since 2001. This is the seventh year in which the NCAA Team Championship will consist of a 64-team field, with 31 conference champions garnering automatic bids and 33 at-large entries as chosen by the NCAA Women's Tennis Committee. The first two rounds of the team championship are being contested at 16 campus sites this weekend. The 16 remaining teams will advance to the national site, Stanford University's Taube Tennis Center in Stanford, Calif., for the final four rounds of the tournament, to be contested May 18-21.

Notre Dame has qualified for the team portion of the NCAA Championships for the 11th consecutive year and the 13th time in the last 14 seasons, all under the guidance of current head coach **Jay Louderback**. The best finish for the Irish came in 1996, when they reached the quarterfinals before losing to Stanford, 5-1, in Tallahassee, Fla. Notre Dame has advanced to the round of 16 four other times (1993, '94, 2000, and '01). The Irish earned one of the top 16 seeds in the NCAA Championship for the first time since 2001 and the fifth time overall, having done so previously in 1996 (Nos. 5-8 seed), 1999 (No. 12), 2000 (Nos. 13-16), and '01 (No. 13).

The Courtney Tennis Center will play host to NCAA women's tournament action for the sixth time in the last decade, after being the national site in 1998 and an early-round venue in 1997, '99, 2000, and '01. Notre Dame holds a 6-2 home record in NCAA play. Overall, it will be the 11th time the facility has played host to NCAA Championship competition, including having been the men's national site in both 1971 and '94.

Notre Dame is 14-12 all-time in NCAA Championship play and has won at least one match in all but one of its previous appearances in the national tournament. ND is 11-3 when playing lower-ranked teams, 2-9 against higher-ranked teams, and 1-0 vs. teams with the same national ranking.

The Irish also had a good deal of success in the national championship before moving up to the Division I level. In its final four years as a Division II competitor, Notre Dame tied for sixth in the AIAW

## Series Information

### Notre Dame-Valparaiso Series

**Overall:** Notre Dame leads 5-2

**At Notre Dame:** Notre Dame leads 3-1

**Last Meeting:** 1982-83 (fall), Notre Dame 9, Valparaiso 0 (@ ND)

**Last Valpo Win:** 1978 (fall), Valparaiso 5, Notre Dame 4 (@ ND)

### Notre Dame-Nebraska Series

**Overall:** Have never met

### Notre Dame-Michigan Series

**Overall:** Notre Dame leads 16-8 (ND won 11 of last 12)

**At Notre Dame:** Notre Dame leads 10-1

**In 4-3/5-4 Matches:** Tied 4-4

**First Meeting:** 1981, Michigan 8, Notre Dame 1 (@ Michigan)

**Last Meeting:** 1/26/05 – #21 Notre Dame 7, #20 Michigan 0 (@ ND)

**Last U-M Win:** 2004, #34 Michigan 4, #21 Notre Dame 3 (@ U-M)

**Last U-M Win at ND:** 1984, Michigan 7, Notre Dame 2

## 2006 vs. NCAA SUB-REGIONAL TEAMS

### #15 Notre Dame 6, #30 Michigan 1

February 15, 2006 – Ann Arbor, Michigan (Indoors)

#### Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Kara Delicata (M) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 2: #44 Christian Thompson (ND) def. #48 Nina Yaftali (M) 6-4, 7-5  
No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Chisako Sugiyama (M) 6-1, 6-0  
No. 4: #76 Debra Streifler (M) def. Kelcy Tefft (ND) 3-6, 7-6 (4), 1-0 (3)  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Elizabeth Exon (M) 6-1, 4-6, 1-0 (5)  
No. 6: \*Katie Potts (ND) def. Allie Shafner (M) 6-0, 6-4  
Order of Finish: 3, 1, 6\*, 2, 5, 4

#### Doubles

No. 1: \*#1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Delicata/Shafner (M) 8-3  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Streifler/Sugiyama (M) 8-6  
No. 3: #45 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Lindsey Howard/Yaftali (M) 8-3  
Order of Finish: 3, 1\*, 2

\* - denotes clinching win; ! - clinching win in final match on court

## ND in the NCAA Tournament

### 2005 -- Second Round

(at Evanston, Illinois)  
Notre Dame 4, Iowa 1 (first round)  
N'western 4, Notre Dame 0 (second round)

### 2004 -- Second Round

(at Evanston, Illinois)  
Notre Dame 4, Iowa 1 (first round)  
N'western 4, Notre Dame 1 (second round)

### 2003 -- Second Round

(at Nashville, Tennessee)  
Notre Dame 4, Missouri 1 (first round)  
Vanderbilt 4, Notre Dame 0 (second round)

### 2002 -- First Round

(at Evanston, Illinois)  
Wisconsin 4, Notre Dame 2 (first round)

### 2001 -- Round of 16

(at Notre Dame, Indiana)  
Notre Dame 4, E. Michigan 0 (first round)  
Notre Dame 4, Tulane 0 (second round)  
Florida 4, Notre Dame 1 (round of 16)

### 2000 -- Round of 16

(at Notre Dame, Indiana)  
Notre Dame 5, UIC 0 (first round)  
Notre Dame 5, So. Carolina 1 (second round)  
Florida 5, Notre Dame 0 (round of 16)

### 1999 -- Second Round

(at Notre Dame, Indiana)  
Notre Dame 9, UIC 0 (first round)  
Iowa 5, Notre Dame 4 (second round)

### 1998 -- Midwest Region Final

(at Champaign, Illinois)  
Notre Dame 6, Northwestern 2 (first round)  
Notre Dame 5, Wisconsin 1 (semifinals)  
UCLA 5, Notre Dame 1 (final)

### 1997 -- Midwest Region Semifinals

(at Notre Dame, Indiana)  
Notre Dame 5, Illinois 3 (first round)  
Wisconsin 5, Notre Dame 2 (semifinals)

### 1996 -- Quarterfinals

(at Tallahassee, Florida)  
Notre Dame 5, BYU 0 (round of 16)  
Stanford 5, Notre Dame 1 (quarterfinals)

### 1994 -- Round of 16

(at Athens, Georgia)  
Notre Dame 5, UCSB 3 (first round)  
Stanford 5, Notre Dame 1 (round of 16)

### 1993 -- Round of 16

(at Gainesville, Florida)  
Notre Dame 5, Alabama 0 (first round)  
Stanford 5, Notre Dame 0 (round of 16)

## Current Irish in the NCAA Team Championship

Brook Buck (So.)

Singles: 0-0-2      Doubles: 1-1

Lauren Connelly (Sr.)

Singles: 0-4-2      Doubles: 5-1

Kristina Stastny (Sr.)

Singles: 1-1-4      Doubles: 1-2-1

Jennifer Smith (Sr.)

Singles: 1-1      Doubles: 0-2

Catrina Thompson (Jr.)

Singles: 2-2      Doubles: 2-1-1

Christian Thompson (Jr.)

Singles: 2-1-1      Doubles: 2-1-1

national tournament in 1982, then took third in the NCAAs a year later, repeated that finish in 1984, and was the runner-up to Tennessee-Chattanooga in 1985.

In addition to its recent team success, Notre Dame has sent at least one player to either the NCAA singles or doubles tournament every year since 1989. For the 12th time in 14 years, the Irish will have entrants in both the singles and doubles events this season. Junior **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) earned a second straight invitation to the 64-player NCAA Singles Championship, while she and twin sister **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) are in the doubles tournament for the third time in as many years. The singles event begins May 23, while the doubles competition commences the following day, with both concluding May 28. Both take place at the Taube Tennis Center in Stanford, Calif.

**IRISH HEAD COACH: Jay Louderback** is in his 17th season at Notre Dame with a 306-146 (.677) record and his 26th year as a collegiate coach with a 510-324 (.612) mark. He ranks seventh among active NCAA Division I coaches in career victories and became just the 10th collegiate women's coach ever to register 500 wins (4-3 win at Texas A&M on March 18). Louderback's Irish have finished in the national top 30 in each of the last 13 seasons and have won 13 conference titles. Since the pre-season of the 1992-93 season, Louderback's teams have been in the national top 30 in all but two sets of ITA rankings and reached an all-time high of #2 this spring. After taking over a program looking for its first NCAA tournament appearance, Louderback has helped Notre Dame to the NCAAs 13 times in the last 14 years (which only 10 other schools have done), including five appearances in the round of 16 and a 1996 quarterfinal finish. Louderback, a four-time Midwest Region coach of the year, has been honored as his conference's top coach on nine occasions, including six times in 11 years in the BIG EAST (most recently in 2006). In his time at Notre Dame, Louderback's players have earned All-America honors 15 times, won four national ITA awards, and earned 21 invitations to the NCAA Singles Championship and 13 to the NCAA doubles tournament. In the fall, he delivered the first individual title in an ITA grand slam event, when junior twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) won the doubles crown in the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships. His players have dominated the University awards during Louderback's tenure, leading all sports in both Byron V. Kanaley awards (seven) and Francis Patrick O'Connor awards (six). His family was honored with the United States Tennis Association (USTA) Tennis Family of the Year Award for 2002. The Arkansas City, Kan., native, and 1976 graduate of Wichita State arrived at Notre Dame prior to the 1989-90 season after coaching for seven years at his alma mater and three years (men and women) at Iowa State.

**IRISH IN MIDST OF BEST SEASON IN PROGRAM HISTORY:** The 2005-06 campaign has been the best in the 30-year varsity history of Notre Dame women's tennis. The Irish started 16-0 (their best-ever start) and moved all the way up to an all-time high of #2 in the ITA national rankings (where they have spent eight weeks). Notre Dame currently stands 24-1, which is the second-most victories ever for the Irish heading into the NCAA tournament (the 1985-86 squad finished 28-6 and did not qualify for the NCAAs in the program's first year on the Division I level). The Irish have assured themselves of posting – at most – the second-fewest defeats in program history. The 1979 (fall only) team finished with a 9-1 mark in just the fourth year of varsity competition. Among the other season highlights have been a 4-0 record against top-10 teams, defeating Duke for the first time ever (after 12 defeats - that also matched the highest-ranked win, #5, in program history), snapping a seven-match losing streak against Northwestern, topping North Carolina for the first time since 2001, beating Tennessee for the first time since 1998, and earning an all-time high NCAA seeding of #2. Additionally, the fall saw Notre Dame junior twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) win the doubles title in the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships to deliver the first-ever Irish title in an ITA grand slam.

**ND AN ALL-TIME HIGH OF #2 IN FILA COLLEGIATE TENNIS RANKINGS:** Notre Dame slid back up into a tie with USC for #2 in the latest set of Fila Collegiate Tennis Rankings, determined by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's (ITA) computer formula and released on May 1. It is the highest ITA ranking for Notre Dame since becoming a Division I program in 1985-86 (highest prior to this season was fifth in 2000-01) and the eighth time the Irish have been listed at that spot this spring (briefly slipping to third on April 25). Notre Dame moved slightly closer to two-time defending NCAA champion Stanford, as the Irish computer average of 83.12 is 12.88 behind the Cardinal's 96.00 (last week's margin was 16.96). Stanford has won 80 consecutive matches, dating back to the title match of the 2003 NCAA tournament. Rounding out the top five are Florida (the last team to beat Stanford) and Baylor. In all, 17 of Notre Dame's 26 opponents this season are listed among the top 45 in this week's rankings, with seven in the top 20: #8 North Carolina (W, 5-1), #9 Northwestern (W, 4-3), #10 Duke (W, 4-3), #12 Vanderbilt (L, 3-4), #18 Texas (W, 7-0), #17 Harvard (W, 5-2), and #21 Wake Forest (W, 4-3). Additionally, the Irish lost 4-3 to USC during the fall in exhibition action.

**IRISH WIN SECOND STRAIGHT BIG EAST TITLE:** Notre Dame shut out Rutgers and DePaul and then posted a 4-1 victory over the tournament host, South Florida, to claim the crown in the BIG EAST Conference Championship for the second straight year. The Irish have reached the title match of the tournament in all 11 years since becoming a league member, winning seven championships. This is just the second time that Notre Dame has won back-to-back titles, after also doing that in 1996 and '97.

**DOUBLES PERFECTION:** Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable in partnered play this spring, going 66-7 (.904) and winning the doubles point in all 25 matches. The Irish are 21-4 at No. 1, 22-2 at No. 2, and 23-1 at No. 3. In 41 of those contests (56%), the Irish have lost just three games or fewer.

Junior All-America twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.), ranked fifth nationally after giving ND its first-ever grand slam title at the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships and being #1 to start the spring, stand 22-4 on the season (8-2 vs. ranked teams), while the No. 2 tandem of sophomore **Brook Buck** (Yukon, Okla./Oklahoma Christian School) and freshman **Kelcy Tefft** (Enid, Okla./Chisholm H.S.) – who were reunited this season after pairing to win five USTA super national titles in juniors play – have been ranked as high as 29th and are sporting a 31-5 record (they had an 11-match winning streak snapped on Feb. 26). Seniors **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy) began the spring with a 15-match winning streak and are now 21-1, as well as 32-6 overall (3-1 against ranked teams). They fell out of the national rankings after peaking at 45th. In all, the players on Notre Dame's roster combined for 29 USTA super national gold balls in the juniors.

**ND BOASTING 18-MATCH WINNING STREAK AT HOME:** Notre Dame has won 18 consecutive matches at home – five against top-25 opponents – since falling 4-3 to #13 Texas in the Eck Tennis Pavilion on Feb. 26, 2005. It is the longest winning streak since a 24-match stretch from April 9, 1988 - Feb. 24, 1991. The only other longer home winning streak for Notre Dame was a stretch of 25 matches from Sept. 12, 1979 - Sept. 22, 1982.

**LONGEST IRISH HOME WINNING STREAKS:** See below a list of the longest home winning streaks in the 30-year varsity history of Notre Dame women's tennis.

Streak	Dates	Loss Ending It
25	Sept. 12, 1979 - Sept. 22, 1982	9/25/82 vs. Purdue, 7-0
24	April 9, 1988 - Feb. 24, 1991	2/24/91 vs. LSU, 6-2
<b>18</b>	<b>Feb. 27, 2005 - present</b>	<b>???????</b>
14	Feb. 19, 1993 - Feb. 8, 1994	2/11/94 vs. #15 Kansas, 8-1
14	Sept. 7, 1985 - April 6, 1986	9/12/86 vs. Illinois, 5-3
13	Feb. 4, 2001 - Jan. 26, 2002	2/2/02 vs. #24 Kentucky, 4-3
12	Jan. 29 - May 14, 2000	1/21/01 vs. #4 Duke, 4-3
12	March 11, 1995 - April 12, 1996	4/15/96 vs. #7 Wisconsin, 4-3

**ND SEES 17 OPPONENTS EARN NCAA BIDS:** An incredible 17 of Notre Dame's 26 opponents from this season earned invitations to the tournament: USC (No. 3 seed), Duke (No. 8), North Carolina (No. 9), Northwestern (No. 11), Vanderbilt (No. 12), Brigham Young, Harvard, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Purdue, South Florida, Tennessee, Texas, Texas A&M, Wake Forest, and Western Michigan. The Irish went 14-1 against that group, losing a 4-3 road decision to Vanderbilt and also dropping a 4-3 exhibition affair with USC.

**NCAA INVITES ALLOW THOMPSONS TO CLINCH ALL-AMERICA HONORS:** For the second consecutive year, Irish junior **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) earned invitations to both the NCAA Division I Women's Tennis Singles Championship and the NCAA doubles tournament - along with her twin sister, **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.). The twins - the only team in the nation to have been invited to the last three NCAA doubles tourneys - were awarded the No. 3 overall seed, assuring that they will repeat as ITA All-Americans and also marking an all-time program high, while Katrina Thompson is one of just 12 players who have earned spots in both the singles and doubles draws in the last two years. She was an automatic qualifier for the second straight year. This season the NCAA changed the qualification process to mirror that of the team event, meaning that the top singles player and top doubles team (providing they are nationally-ranked) in each of the 31 conferences earned automatic bids, with the remainder being filled by at-large selections. Thompson - the tournament MVP in both of the last two years - earned the BIG EAST's automatic bid in singles as its highest-ranked player. The Thompson sisters, ranked fifth in college tennis after ascending to the national #1 ranking for the second time in their careers earlier this spring, earned the league's automatic bid in doubles. This marks the 11th time in the last 14 years that a Notre Dame player has garnered a spot in both the NCAA singles and doubles championships, but it was done previously by just three individuals other than Thompson: **Wendy Crabtree** (1993, '94, '95), **Jennifer Hall** (1997, '98, '99), and current assistant coach **Michelle Dasso** (1999, 2000, '01). The Thompsons will be the only doubles team that has taken part in the 2004, '05, and '06 NCAA doubles tournaments, and just three others - Iva Gersic/Maja Kovacek (New Mexico), Olga Borisova/Marianna Yuferova (VCU), and Gabriela Duch/Neysa Etienne (South Florida) - also were in last year's draw.

**BOTTOM OF ND LINEUP WINNING 93% OF MATCHES:** The key to Notre Dame's success this season has been its outstanding depth, as the Irish hold a combined 87-7 (.926) mark in the bottom two spots of their lineups. Notre Dame is 42-4 (.913) combined at Nos. 5-6 in singles, as well as 45-3 (.938) at Nos. 2-3 doubles.

**NOTRE DAME MATCHES HIGHEST-RANKED WIN vs. #5 DUKE:** When Notre Dame beat #5 Duke 4-3 on March 15 in Orlando, Fla., it matched the highest-ranked team ever defeated by the Irish. ND, ranked eighth at the time, won 5-4 at #5 Texas on April 4, 1996.

**IRISH 4-0 vs. TOP-10 TEAMS:** After having not beaten a top-10 team since Feb. 7, 2002 (4-3 against #7 USC), Notre Dame knocked off #10 North Carolina (5-1) on Feb. 12, beat #9 Harvard (5-2) on Feb. 19, topped #5 Duke (4-3) on March 15 in Orlando, Fla, and won against #9 Northwestern (4-3) on April 5. The 2005-06 Irish squad is just the second in the 30-year history of the program to

## Fila ITA National Rankings

(May 1; next: May 26)

No.	School	Avg.	Last
1.	Stanford	96.00	1
<b>T2.</b>	<b>NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>83.12</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>T2.</b>	<b>USC</b>	<b>83.12</b>	<b>2</b>
4.	Florida	82.83	4
5.	Baylor	80.61	5
6.	Georgia Tech	79.90	6
7.	Miami (Fla.)	74.63	7
<b>8.</b>	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>74.61</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Northwestern</b>	<b>73.98</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Duke</b>	<b>73.87</b>	<b>8</b>
11.	California	72.28	9
<b>12.</b>	<b>Vanderbilt</b>	<b>71.58</b>	<b>13</b>
13.	Pepperdine	69.89	12
14.	VCU	68.56	14
15.	Clemson	60.18	15
16.	TCU	58.29	16
<b>17.</b>	<b>Harvard</b>	<b>55.38</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>54.50</b>	<b>20</b>
19.	UCLA	52.90	18
20.	Kentucky	52.74	19
<b>21.</b>	<b>Wake Forest</b>	<b>44.35</b>	<b>21</b>
22.	Arizona State	43.15	24
23.	Fresno State	42.73	22
24.	William & Mary	42.10	23
25.	Georgia	39.48	25

*Bold indicates 2005-06 Irish opponent*

### Other Notre Dame Opponents

28.	Brigham Young	34.73	29
<b>29.</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>33.87</b>	<b>31</b>
30.	Tennessee	33.53	28
31.	Iowa	33.21	30
32.	Texas A&M	30.15	35
40.	South Florida	22.84	39
41.	Nebraska	22.31	41
42.	Indiana	19.02	42
43.	Purdue	18.92	47

## Notre Dame Quick Facts

Location	Notre Dame, IN 46556
Founded	1842
Enrollment	.8,380 (undergrad), 11,311 (total)
Nickname	.Fighting Irish
Colors	.Gold and Blue
Conference	.BIG EAST
Director of Athletics	.Kevin White
Head Coach	.Jay Louderback
	.(Wichita State '76)
Record at ND	...306-147 (.675)/17th year
Career Record	...510-325 (.611)/27th year
Asst. Coach	...Michelle Dasso (ND '01)
Vol. Asst. Coach	...Liz Balanis (Wake F. '94)
Eck Tennis Pavilion Phone	...(574) 631-6929
Tennis SID	...Bo Rottenborn
	... (574) 631-8642/rottenborn.2@nd.edu
Sports Information Fax	...(574) 631-7941
Irish Sports Hotline	...(574) 631-3000
Website	...www.und.com
2004-05 Record	...15-10
2004-05 Final ITA National Ranking	...24th
2005 BIG EAST Championship	...1st
2005 NCAA Championship	...round of 32
Starters Returning/Lost	...6/1
Monogram Winners Returning/Lost	...9/1

## ITA National Rankings

(May 1; next: May 26)

### SINGLES

No.	Name, School	Avg.
1.	Kristi Miller, Georgia Tech	56.10
2.	Audra Cohen, Miami	54.10
3.	Zsuzsanna Fodor, California	47.90
4.	Daniela Bercek, Duke	49.90
5.	Alice Barnes, Stanford	48.70
6.	Zuzana Zemenova, Baylor	45.50
7.	Amanda Fink, USC	44.00
8.	Amber Liu, Stanford	41.60
9.	Diana Srebrovic, Florida	40.30
10.	Theresa Logar, Stanford	39.60
30.	Catrina Thompson, Notre Dame	19.00
87.	Brook Buck, Notre Dame	5.56
97.	Kim Hartmann, Nebraska	4.87
113.	Christian Thompson, Notre Dame	4.13

### DOUBLES

No.	Names, School	Avg.
1.	Barnes/Yelsey, Stanford	68.56
2.	Applebaum/Cohen, Miami	59.90
3.	Anderson/O'Riain, Harvard	55.29
4.	Gersic/Kovacek, New Mexico	54.42
5.	<b>Thompson/Thompson, ND</b>	<b>54.09</b>
6.	Anundsen/Long, North Carolina	48.88
7.	Sainz/Winterhalter, Fresno State	48.29
8.	Babos/Fodor, California	42.19
9.	Duch/Etienne, South Florida	37.93
10.	Shosho/Miller, Georgia Tech	37.91
34.	Delicata/Streifler, Michigan	12.92

## 2006 BIG EAST Awards

### Coach of the Year

**Jay Louderback, Notre Dame**

### Most Outstanding Tournament Performer

**Catrina Thompson, Notre Dame**

### All-Tournament Team – Singles

**Brook Buck, Notre Dame**

**Kelcy Tefft, Notre Dame**

**Catrina Thompson, Notre Dame**

**Kristina Stastny, Notre Dame**

Courtney Vernon, South Florida

Neyssa Etienne, South Florida

### All-Tournament Team – Doubles

**Brook Buck & Kelcy Tefft, Notre Dame**

**Catrina Thompson & Christian Thompson, Notre Dame**

Neyssa Etienne & Gabriela Buch, South Florida

beat four or more top-10 teams in a single season. The 1995-96 team – which reached the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament – had wins against #5 Texas (5-4), #6 California (5-4), #9 Brigham Young (5-0), and #9 Tennessee (5-2).

**ND 10-1 AGAINST TOP-30 TEAMS:** Notre Dame's success has seen the Irish take on 11 squads ranked in the national top 30 at the time of the match. The Irish have wins against #23 Wake Forest (4-3), #10 North Carolina (5-1), #30 Michigan (6-1), #22 Tennessee (7-0), #9 Harvard (5-2), #20 Brigham Young (5-2), #27 Indiana (7-0), #5 Duke (4-3), #11 Texas (7-0), and #9 Northwestern (4-3), while their only defeat came at #11 Vanderbilt (4-3). During a 15-day stretch from Feb. 11-25, Notre Dame played six matches, with all of them against top-30 teams.

**LOUDERBACK, CATRINA THOMPSON NAB MAJOR BIG EAST AWARDS:** Jay Louderback was named the BIG EAST Conference Coach of the Year for the sixth time, while junior **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) was tabbed the league's Most Outstanding Tournament Performer for the second straight year, it was announced recently upon tabulation of voting by the league's 16 head coaches. For the second straight year, the Irish took up four of the six spots in singles and two of three in doubles on the BIG EAST all-tournament teams. Sophomore **Brook Buck** (Yukon, Okla./Oklahoma Christian School) and freshman **Kelcy Tefft** (Enid, Okla./Chisholm H.S.) joined Thompson in earning mention in both, while senior **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy) was a singles honoree, and junior **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) garnered doubles recognition. Catrina Thompson was nothing short of dominant in the event, dropping just five total games in three singles matches at No. 1 and also going unbeaten at No. 1 doubles, failing to lose more than three games in any match there. The only unanimous selection to the all-tournament teams, she became just the second Irish player - along with current assistant coach **Michelle Dasso** (2000 and '01) - to be the BIG EAST tournament MVP on multiple occasions. Louderback has now been tabbed the BIG EAST's top coach on six occasions, though this ended a four-year drought since being last recognized in 2001. Overall, he has been the conference coach of the year nine times since 1989, after earning the honor three times (1989, '90, and '93) in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference. He is one of just three ND coaches ever to be a six-time BIG EAST Coach of the Year.

**CONNELLY TWO AWAY FROM ND RECORD FOR CAREER DOUBLES WINS:** Against #11 Texas on March 20, senior captain **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) became the sixth player in program history to post 100 career victories in doubles. She now holds a 107-38 mark and is just two wins away from the Irish record for career doubles wins, which is held by current assistant coach **Michelle Dasso**, who was 109-42 during her career. Against Western Michigan on March 10, Connelly became the 10th player in program history to post 100 career combined (singles and doubles) victories in dual-match play.

**RECAP OF LONE LOSS:** Notre Dame's only defeat of the season came on March 29 in a 4-3 affair against #11 Vanderbilt at the Brownlee O. Curry Tennis Center in Nashville, Tenn. With the score tied 3-3, the contest came down to the No. 3 match, where Vanderbilt's Amanda Taylor won two tiebreakers against Irish sophomore **Brook Buck** (Yukon, Okla./Oklahoma Christian School) to ruin Notre Dame's bid for a perfect season. Notre Dame swept the doubles matches and got lopsided victories at the bottom two spots in singles, but could not break through to win even a set in the top four spots, facing a talented Commodore squad that had higher-ranked players than the Irish at Nos. 1-3 in singles. Taylor and Buck battled for two long sets, but both ended with the Vanderbilt player prevailing in a tiebreaker, as she won 7-6 (13-11), 7-6 (7-4). Buck held a 3-1 advantage in the second set, but could not convert.

**PUTTING THEM AWAY FAST:** Not only has Notre Dame won nearly all of its dual matches this spring, but it has put most of them away early, going up 4-0 in 18 of the 25 contests. The Irish won in the final match on court for 4-3 wins against #23 Wake Forest (Feb. 11), #5 Duke (March 15), and Texas A&M (March 18), and fell 4-3 to #11 Vanderbilt (March 29). The other contests in which ND did not clinch the match before the other side scored a point were on Feb. 25 against #20 Brigham Young (ND clinched at 4-1), April 5 vs. #9 Northwestern (ND clinched 4-2), and in the BIG EAST title match at South Florida (ND clinched 4-1).

**SUPER SENIORS:** Notre Dame's three seniors that have seen action this spring – **Kelly Nelson** (St. Petersburg, Fla./Shorecrest Preparatory School), **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy) and team captain **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) – have combined for a 76-5 (.938) record in dual action. Stastny leads the way at 20-3 in singles (mostly at No. 5) and 22-1 in doubles (mostly at No. 3). The Irish captain is 7-0 in singles and 22-1 in doubles, with Nelson adding two wins in singles and three in doubles.

**FABULOUS FROSH:** Notre Dame's two freshmen – **Kelcy Tefft** (Enid, Okla./Chisholm H.S.) and **Katie Potts** (Brookfield, Wis./Divine Savior Holy Angels H.S.) – have not had a difficult transition to the collegiate game, as they have combined for a 61-9 (.871) record this spring. Tefft leads the way at 18-4 in singles (mostly at No. 4), as well as 21-3 in doubles (mostly at No. 2), while Potts is 20-2 in singles (mostly at No. 6) and a 6-0 record at No. 3 doubles.

**IRISH ONE OF 11 TEAMS TO HAVE BEEN IN 13+ NCAA TOURNAMENTS SINCE 1993:** The Irish have made 13 NCAA appearances since their first trip in 1993. Only 10 other schools have been invited to 13+ NCAA tournaments since '93: Arizona State, California, Duke, Florida, Georgia, Pepperdine,

USC, Stanford, Texas, and UCLA. This also marks the 11th straight invitation for ND, and that puts them in a group of schools with just 18 members: all the above plus Fresno State, Miami, Northwestern, South Alabama, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Vanderbilt.

**IRISH WINNING STREAKS:** Notre Dame has seen its players fashion four winning streaks of 10 or more matches this season. In singles, freshman **Katie Potts** (Brookfield, Wis./Divine Savior Holy Angels H.S.) won 16 consecutive singles matches from Oct. 22-March 10, the longest singles winning streak for a Notre Dame player since **Marisa Velasco** won the first 16 matches of her collegiate career, first losing on Feb. 17, 1996. Fellow rookie **Kelcy Tefft** (Enid, Okla./Chisholm H.S.) won 10 in a row from Feb. 18-March 20. In doubles, seniors **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) and **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy) began the spring with 15 consecutive victories (Jan. 28-March 20), which was the longest winning streak by a Notre Dame doubles team since **Becky Varnum** and current assistant coach **Michelle Dasso** won 21 in a row from Feb. 17-May 13, 2001. Tefft and sophomore **Brook Buck** (Yukon, Okla./Oklahoma Christian School) won 11 in a row from Nov. 4-Feb. 25.

**ND'S RECRUITING CLASS TABBED #1 IN NATION:** Notre Dame women's tennis head coach **Jay Louderback** announced that three stars of prep and junior tennis - **Cosmina Ciobanu** (Brea, Calif./Troy H.S.), **Kali Krisik** (Arkansas City, Kan./Arkansas City H.S.), and **Colleen Rielley** (Overland Park, Kan./Bishop Miege H.S.) - signed national letters of intent in the early period and will join the Irish in the fall of 2006, and TennisRecruiting.net has named that group as the #1 recruiting class in the country. At the time of announcement (Nov. 15, 2005), Rielley was #1 in the United States Tennis Association's (USTA) 18-and-under girls' singles national rankings, while Ciobanu was 17th, and Krisik - a two-time Kansas state champion (2002 and '03) - was 76th. Ciobanu won the Southern California Sectional singles championship in 2005 and also reached the singles final of a USTA National Open last year. She was ranked as high as 15th nationally in singles in '05. Krisik is Louderback's niece, and she is part of the first mother-daughter combination ever to play for the longtime Irish mentor. Louderback's sister, Jan, was his first recruit when he began his head coaching career at Wichita State in 1980. Krisik will join both her uncle and her cousin, current sophomore **Bailey Louderback** (South Bend, Ind./Penn H.S.), in the Irish program. Rielley is the first Notre Dame signee ever to have been ranked #1 in the USTA girls' 18s. A three-time prep state champ (Missouri in '03, Kansas in '04 and '05), she won the singles title in the 2004 USTA Winter National Championships, took third in the '05 National Clay Courts, and also is ranked fourth nationally in doubles.

**LOUDERBACK REGISTERS 500th CAREER WIN, 300th AT ND:** Notre Dame head coach **Jay Louderback** - in his 17th season with the Irish and his 27th overall as a head coach - became just the 10th collegiate women's tennis coach ever to register 500 career victories, when the Irish won 4-3 at Texas A&M on March 18. On April 2, a 4-3 win at Purdue gave him 300 victories since taking over the reins of the Notre Dame program in 1989-90. Louderback holds a 510-324 (.611) overall record, including 306-146 (.675) at Notre Dame. He also was 122-94 (.565) in seven years (1980-86) at Wichita State and 82-84 (.494) in three seasons (1986-89) coaching both men's and women's tennis at Iowa State.

**STREAKS:** The following streaks are active:

Team

- Notre Dame has won eight consecutive matches. [last loss: 3/29/06 at #11 Vanderbilt, 4-3]
- Notre Dame has won 18 consecutive home matches. [last loss: 2/26/05 vs. #13 Texas, 4-3]
- Notre Dame has won 13 consecutive matches against Midwest Region opponents. [last loss: 5/14/05 at #6 Northwestern in NCAA second round, 4-0]
- Notre Dame has won 14 consecutive home matches against Midwest Region opponents. [last loss: 4/15/04 vs. #11 Northwestern, 4-3]

Singles

- Notre Dame has won 33 consecutive dual matches when winning at No. 3 singles. [last loss: 4/21/04 at #61 Purdue, 4-3, Catrina Thompson def. Amy Walgenbach 6-2, 6-1 at No. 3]
- **Brook Buck** has won a career-high six consecutive singles matches. [last loss: 3/29/06 vs. Vanderbilt's Amanda Taylor 7-6 (13-11), 7-6 (7-4)]
- **Brook Buck** has won 14 consecutive sets in singles. [last loss: 3/29/06 vs. Vanderbilt's Amanda Taylor, 7-6 (7-4) in second set]
- **Brook Buck** has won 16 consecutive singles matches against Midwest Region opponents. [last loss: 10/22/05 vs. Michigan's Debra Streifler 7-5, 6-1]
- **Katie Potts** has won 20 consecutive singles matches indoors. [last loss: 10/22/05 vs. Northwestern's Nazlie Ghazal 7-5, 6-4]
- **Katie Potts** is 24-0 as a collegian when winning the first set.
- **Lauren Connelly** has won 10 consecutive singles matches. [last loss: 10/23/05 vs. #50 Alexis Prousis of Northwestern, 6-0, 6-2]
- **Lauren Connelly** has won 20 consecutive sets in singles. [last loss: 11/4/05 vs. Illinois' Emily Wang, 6-2 in second set]

Doubles

- Notre Dame has won the doubles point in all 25 matches this sason. [last doubles-point loss: 5/14/05 vs. #6 Northwestern, lost at Nos. 2 and 3]
- **Catrina Thompson/Christian Thompson** have been ranked higher than their opponents in 28 consecutive matches. [last playing higher ranked team: 5/14/05 vs. #2 Audra Cohen/Cristelle Grier of Northwestern, #6 Thompsons won 8-3]
- **Catrina Thompson/Christian Thompson** have been nationally-ranked heading into 64 consecutive matches. [last time unranked: 4/4/04 vs. Miami's #22 Melissa Applebaum/Megan Bradley, won 8-6]
- **Catrina Thompson/Christian Thompson** have been ranked in the top 10 heading into 57 consecutive matches. [last time ranked below 10th: 5/26/04 vs. William & Mary's Megan Muth/Amy Wei, Thompsons ranked 36th]
- **Lauren Connelly/Kristina Stastny** are 15-0 against lower-ranked teams.
- **Kristina Stastny** is 5-0 in her career as the final match remaining with the doubles point still undecided.
- **Katie Potts** has won nine consecutive doubles matches. [last loss: 10/21/05 vs. Ohio State's Ruzimovsky/DiPastina 8-6]

**TOP ALL-TIME IRISH WINS:** See below a list of Notre Dame's 17 all-time victories against top-11 teams since becoming a Division I program in 1985-86, ordered by opponent ranking.

Rk.	School	Date	Location	ND Rk.	Score
5	Duke	3/15/06	Orlando, FL	2	4-3
5	Texas	4/4/96	Away	8	5-4
6	California	2/24/96	Team Indoor consolation (Madison, WI)	16	5-4
7	USC	2/7/02	Team Indoor 1st round (Madison, WI)	13	5-2
7	Pepperdine	2/17/01	Team Indoor consolation (Madison, WI)	11	6-1
8	Wake Forest	2/10/01	Home	11	5-0
9	Northwestern	4/5/06	Home	2	4-3
9	Harvard	2/19/05	Home	15	5-2
9	William & Mary	4/11/99	Home	15	5-4
9	Wake Forest	3/6/99	Home	16	7-2
9	Brigham Young	5/18/96	NCAA round of 16 (Tallahassee, FL)	10	5-0
9	Tennessee	2/15/96	Away	16	5-2
10	North Carolina	2/12/05	Away	22	5-1
10	Wake Forest	4/9/98	Away	17	8-1
10	Wisconsin	2/27/97	Away	11	4-3

10	Kansas	2/11/95	Williamsburg, VA	15	6-3
10	Arizona	3/5/94	Team Indoor consolation (Madison, WI)	17	5-2
<b>11</b>	<b>Texas</b>	<b>3/20/06</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7-0</b>
11	Pepperdine	3/16/95	Away	16	7-2

**CONNELLY BREAKS SISTER'S RECORD FOR CAREER DOUBLES-POINT CLINCHING WINS; STASTNY NOW TIED FOR RECORD, TOO:** On March 20 at #11 Texas, senior captain **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) clinched the doubles point for the 23rd time in her career. That broke the Irish record of 22 done by her sister, 2005 graduate **Sarah Jane Connelly**. Connelly now has 26 clinches to her credit, while her current doubles partner, fellow senior **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy), has tied her with 26 clinching wins of her own. Note that the scoring format was changed to include a doubles point in 2001, which is when the statistic debuted.

**THOMPSONS GIVE ND FIRST-EVER GRAND SLAM TITLE:** Junior All-America twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) fought off two match points and finally prevailed in a tiebreaker to give the University of Notre Dame its first-ever title in an Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) national championship, winning 9-8 (9-7) over Spaniard Lucia Sainz and German Kathrina Winterhalter from Fresno State in the final of the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships, the first grand slam of the 2005-06 season. Both teams had two match points in the contest, which is the closest doubles final in All-American Championships history since the current pro-set format was adopted in 2001. The Thompsons are the first team from any school to reach the title match of the ITA All-American Championships in consecutive years and come away with a title. Each of the three previous back-to-back finalists had gone winless in both attempts. Notre Dame - which knocked off three top-seven teams to reach the final - lost just 16 total games in the tournament, the second-fewest ever by a doubles champion, behind only the 11 surrendered by Sarah Riske and Aleke Tsoubanos of Vanderbilt in 2002. The Irish opened with an 8-0 victory over the seventh-ranked team of Gabrielle Duch and Neyssa Etienne of South Florida. The twins beat #6 Alice Barnes/Anne Yelsey of Stanford 9-7 in the quarters and came back with an 8-1 triumph against #3 Iva Gersic/Maja Kovacek of New Mexico in the semifinals. Katrina and Christian are the second set of twins from any school - and the first in the All-Americans - ever to win an ITA national championship, following Tami and Teri Whitlinger of Stanford, who won the 1989 ITA National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships. The Thompsons - who have been among the final four teams remaining in three of the last four grand slams - improved to 11-4 in their careers in grand slam events. They are now 7-1 in the All-American Championships after Irish competitors had been just 2-5 in its doubles main draw prior to that.

**THOMPSONS START SPRING AT #1:** Notre Dame junior All-America twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) became the top-ranked doubles team in college tennis following the fall portion of the 2005-06 season when the Jan. 10 rankings were released. It was the second time that the Thompson sisters (as well as any ND duo) had been ranked #1 in the nation. They achieved that listing on Feb. 22, 2005, but it was short-lived, as the twins were defeated in their first match after that and fell to #2 in the next of rankings before finishing 2004-05 at fifth. This season, the Thompsons went 5-1 while being ranked #1, but fell to second in the Feb. 22 rankings. They remain only the second set of twin sisters ever to be ranked #1 by the ITA (Tami and Teri Whitlinger of Stanford in 1989). Stanford twins Mike and Bob Bryan - currently ranked #1 in the ATP's world rankings - also were #1 in 1998.

**TWO DECISIVE TIEBREAKERS GIVE USC 4-3 EXHIBITION WIN OVER ND:** After nearly 10 hours of play (due to playing concurrent to a men's match), the exhibition match between the Notre Dame and USC - which began the spring ranked fifth in the nation - on Oct. 14 came down to a single tiebreaker at No. 2 singles, where Dianne Matias prevailed 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (7-5) over Irish junior **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) to hand the Women of Troy a 4-3 victory. USC's victory also was keyed by a tiebreaker victory in the final doubles match on court.

**LAUREN CONNELLY WINS KANALEY AWARD:** Senior captain **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) was one of five Notre Dame seniors honored with the Byron V. Kanaley Award, the most prestigious honor presented to an Irish student-athlete, which is given each year to senior athletes who have been most exemplary as both students and leaders. The honor continues the tradition of Irish senior women's tennis players being honored by the University, as it is the eighth consecutive season that head coach **Jay Louderback's** program has produced either a Kanaley winner or an O'Connor winner. Connelly is the seventh women's tennis player to win the Kanaley, including the third in the last five years.

**ND ONE OF FIVE SCHOOLS TO HAVE ENTIRE LINEUP IN REGIONAL RANKINGS:** When the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) released its regional rankings at the end of the fall portion of the season, Notre Dame was one of only five Division I schools - along with Stanford, USC, Baylor, and California - to have its entire lineup earn regional ranks. In addition to having six players among the top 30 in the Midwest Region, three of the top five doubles teams in the region belong to the Irish; junior twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) were #1, while sophomore **Brook Buck** (Yukon, Okla./Oklahoma Christian School) and freshman **Kelcy Tefft** (Enid, Okla./Chisholm H.S.) came in fourth, and seniors **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) and **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy) were fifth. Only one other school (Northwestern) had even multiple squads among the 15 Midwest Region doubles teams listed. In singles, Katrina Thompson led the way at third, while Christian Thompson was 10th, Buck came in 14th, Tefft was 18th, Connelly was 25th, and Stastny was 27th. The last time ND had the top doubles team in the Midwest Region rankings was at the conclusion of the 2000-01 campaign, when current assistant coach **Michelle Dasso** and **Becky Varnum** held that spot. Katrina Thompson is the highest-ranked ND singles player in the regional rankings since **Alicia Salas** concluded her career at #2 in 2003-04.

**IRISH DEPTH ON DISPLAY AT ITA MIDWEST CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Notre Dame's depth was evident at the ITA Midwest Championships - the annual indoor tournament of the top players in the Midwest Region. The Irish were one of just two schools (along with Northwestern) to have three players - senior captain **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) and juniors **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) - among the final 16 in singles. Katrina Thompson reached the semis before falling. ND and the Wildcats also were the only squads to have multiple doubles teams in the quarterfinals: Connelly and fellow senior **Kristina Stastny** (St. Louis, Mo./St. Joseph's Academy) plus sophomore **Brook Buck** (Yukon, Okla./Oklahoma Christian School) and freshman **Kelcy Tefft** (Enid, Okla./Chisholm H.S.). The Thompsons - who were ranked #2 nationally at the time - did not compete in doubles in the tournament.

**IRISH A PERENNIAL TOP-30 TEAM:** Not only has Notre Dame finished in the top 30 of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) national rankings in each of the last 13 seasons, but the Irish also have been a near-constant presence. Since the preseason rankings of the 1992-93 season, Notre Dame has been among the top 30 teams in the country in 216 of 218 (99.1%) sets of rankings. The first exception came in late March of 2003, when the transition to the computer rankings moved the Irish from 15th to 27th to 48th and then back to 27th (despite going 6-2 during that time). The second slip out of the top 30 came on April 5 of 2004-05, when ND fell three spots to 31st before moving back to up 26th the following week.

**CAPTAIN CONNELLY, THE SEQUEL:** Senior **Lauren Connelly** (Oklahoma City, Okla./Bishop McGuinness H.S.) will serve as Notre Dame's sole captain during the 2005-06 season. She took over the mantle from her sister, **Sarah Jane Connelly**, who was Notre Dame's sole senior in 2004-05. The Connellys are the first sisters to serve as captains of the Irish women's tennis team, as well as just the fifth sister captain duo in Notre Dame athletics history, following Kathy and Susan Valdiserri (fencing), Julie and Tracy Melby (golf), Carol and Maggie Lally (basketball), and Jessica and Kristen Kinder (vol-

leyball).

**THOMPSONS FEATURED IN "SPORTS ILLUSTRATED ON CAMPUS" A LIST:** Junior All-America twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) were two of the 14 student-athletes featured on the "A List" of elite collegiate performers across all sports in the October 13 issue of *Sports Illustrated On Campus*. In the words of SI On Campus: "Think of the A List this way: the coolest, the hottest, the most of-the-moment, the cream of the crop. Here are 14 faces SIOC would usher to the front of just about any line, no questions asked." The Thompsons were the only tennis players featured among the group, which also includes the likes of football Heisman Trophy winners Matt Leinart of USC and Vince Young of Texas, as well as Connecticut basketball standout Rudy Gay.

**WE ARE FAMILY:** Notre Dame women's tennis has long featured members of the same family on its teams. For the fourth consecutive season, Notre Dame will have a set of sisters on its roster: junior twins **Catrina Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.) and **Christian Thompson** (Las Vegas, Nev./Bishop Gorman H.S.). They last year became the first set of Irish sisters — and first twins of either sex — to both become All-Americans. The previous three seasons had featured two pairs of sisters on each Irish roster, but that has changed with the graduation of **Maggie Donohue** in 2003 and **Sarah Jane Connelly** last spring. Another family connection was added last season, as head coach **Jay Louderback's** daughter, **Bailey Louderback** (South Bend, Ind./Penn H.S.), joined the team. He became the 11th Notre Dame coach — just the second in a women's sport (along with softball's Brian Boulac) — to have coached his son or daughter with the Irish. Next year, Louderback's niece, **Kali Krisik** (Arkansas City, Kan./Arkansas City H.S.) will join the Irish roster.

**DAVID DiLUCIA NOW PERSONAL COACH FOR LINDSAY DAVENPORT:** A five-time All-American during his four-year career at Notre Dame (1988-92), **David DiLucia**, left his job with the United States Tennis Association (USTA) in December 2005 to become the personal coach of the world's #1 player, Lindsay Davenport. DiLucia was ranked #1 in both singles and doubles during his collegiate career and then went on to play in the singles main draw in all four professional grand slams before retiring in 2002. During his pro career, DiLucia earned wins over players such as Gustavo Kuerten, Yevgeny Kafelnikov, Mark Philippoussis, and David Wheaton.

**KEEPING UP WITH NOTRE DAME TENNIS:** For the fastest results of Notre Dame tennis matches, call the Notre Dame sports hotline at (574) 631-3000 and choose #8. The hotline provides schedule and results information for varsity sports and serves as a supplement to the game recaps and weekly releases provided on the official athletic website at [www.und.com](http://www.und.com). The hotline is the first medium updated with the results of each Notre Dame tennis match. In addition, media members and fans may be added to the sports information e-mail release list by contacting Bo Rottenborn at [Rottenborn.2@nd.edu](mailto:Rottenborn.2@nd.edu), who also can provide any information about the Irish tennis program.

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Sept. 23-25	Fri.-Sun.	at Maryland Invitational (College Park, MD)	NTS
Sept. 30-Oct. 2	Fri.-Sun.	at Hoosier Classic (Bloomington, IN)	NTS
Oct. 1-2, 4-9	Sat.-Sun.	at Riviera/ITA All-American Championships (Pacific Palisades, CA)	NTS
<b>Oct. 14</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (exhibition)</b>	<b>L, 3-4</b>
Oct. 20-25	Thurs.-Sun.	at ITA Midwest Championships (East Lansing, MI)	NTS
Nov. 3-6	Thurs.-Sun.	at ITA National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships (Columbus, OH)	NTS
Nov. 4-6	Fri.-Sun.	at Midwest Blast VII (Urbana, IL)	NTS

				<i>Singles</i>						<i>Doubles</i>			
					<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
<b>1/28</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>(22) OHIO STATE</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>1/28</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>(22) XAVIER</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>
2/11	Sat.	(22) at Wake Forest (23)	W, 4-3	L	L	L	W	W	W!	W	W*	W	
2/12	Sun.	(22) at North Carolina (10)	W, 5-1	W	W*	L	Ab.	W	W	L	W	W!	
2/15	Wed.	(22) at Michigan (30)	W, 6-1	W	W	W	L	W	W*	W*	W	W	
<b>2/18</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>(15) TENNESSEE (22)</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>
<b>2/19</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>(15) HARVARD (9)</b>	<b>W, 5-2</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>
<b>2/25</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>(7) BRIGHAM YOUNG (20)</b>	<b>W, 5-2</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>
<b>2/26</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>(7) WISCONSIN (51)</b>	<b>W, 6-1</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	
<b>2/28</b>	<b>Tue.</b>	<b>(5) INDIANA (27)</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>
<b>3/5</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>(5) ILLINOIS (49)</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	
<b>3/10</b>	<b>Fri.</b>	<b>(2) WESTERN MICHIGAN (49)</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	
3/15	Wed.	(2) vs. Duke (5) (Orlando, FL)	W, 4-3	W	L	W!	L	L	W	W	W	W*	
3/18	Sat.	(2) at Texas A&M (48)	W, 4-3	L	L	L	W	W	W!	W	L	W*	
3/20	Mon.	(2) at Texas (11)	W, 7-0	W	W	W	W	W*	W	W	W	W*	
<b>3/24</b>	<b>Fri.</b>	<b>(2) IOWA (39)</b>	<b>W, 6-1</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>L</b>	
3/29	Wed.	(2) at Vanderbilt (11)	L, 3-4	L	L	L!	L	W	W	W	W*	W	
<b>3/31</b>	<b>Fri.</b>	<b>(2) EASTERN MICHIGAN</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	
4/2	Sun.	(2) at Purdue (39)	W, 4-3	W	L	W*	L	L	W	W	W	W*	
<b>4/5</b>	<b>Wed.</b>	<b>(2) NORTHWESTERN (9)</b>	<b>W, 4-3</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W!</b>	
<b>4/7</b>	<b>Fri.</b>	<b>(2) DePAUL</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W!</b>	
<b>4/9</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>(2) MARQUETTE</b>	<b>W, 7-0</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>W</b>	
<u>BIG EAST Conference Championship (Tampa, FL)</u>											<u>1st</u>		
4/21	Fri.	(2) vs. Rutgers	W, 4-0	W	Ab.	W	W*	Ab.	Ab.	W*	Ab.	W	
4/22	Sat.	(2) vs. DePaul	W, 4-0	W	Ab.	W*	W	Ab.	Ab.	W	W*	W	
4/23	Sun.	(2) at South Florida (37)	W, 4-1	W	L	Ab.	Ab.	W*	W	W	W*	Ab.	
<b>5/12-13</b>	<b>NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP (first &amp; second rounds)</b>												
5/18-21	at NCAA Championship (round of 16-final; Stanford, CA)												
5/22-28	at NCAA Singles & Doubles Championships (Stanford, CA)												

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS** held at the Courtney Tennis Center, weather permitting. Otherwise, home matches held in Eck Tennis Pavilion. All times are local. \* - clinching victory; ! - clinching victory in final match on court

### *IRISH RECORD WHEN ...*

playing a BIG EAST team: . . . .5-0	playing a lower-ranked team: .22-1	winning at No. 1 doubles: . . .20-1
playing a Midwest Reg. team: .14-0	winning the doubles point: . . .24-1	winning at No. 2 doubles: . . .21-1
playing at home: . . . . .14-0	losing the doubles point: . . . .0-0	winning at No. 3 doubles: . . .22-1
playing in the Eck Pavilion: . .12-0	the final score is 4-3: . . . . .5-1	losing at No. 1 singles: . . . . .5-1
playing at Courtney Center: . .2-0	match is decided by 3-setters: .5-0	losing at No. 2 singles: . . . . .7-1
playing on opponents' courts: .7-1	the match is tied, 3-3: . . . . .3-1	losing at No. 3 singles: . . . . .4-1
playing on neutral courts: . . . .3-0	winning at No. 1 singles: . . .19-0	losing at No. 4 singles: . . . . .4-1
playing indoors: . . . . .16-0	winning at No. 2 singles: . . .15-0	losing at No. 5 singles: . . . . .3-0
playing outdoors: . . . . .8-1	winning at No. 3 singles: . . .19-0	losing at No. 6 singles: . . . . .1-0
playing a ranked team: . . . . .17-1	winning at No. 4 singles: . . .18-0	losing at No. 1 doubles: . . . . .4-0
playing a top-25 team: . . . . .8-1	winning at No. 5 singles: . . .19-1	losing at No. 2 doubles: . . . . .2-0
playing a higher-ranked team: .2-0	winning at No. 6 singles: . . .21-1	losing at No. 3 doubles: . . . . .1-0

# 2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Tennis Statistics

## Singles

<i>Player</i>	<i>Open</i>	<i>Dual</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>Career</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>In 3 Sets</i>	<i>Match TB</i>	<i>Streak</i>
Brook Buck	6-3	16-6	22-9	45-21	16-2	0-2	1-0	W6
Lauren Connelly	8-6	7-0	15-6	74-50	9-3	2-2	0-2	W10
Liz Donohue	0-1		0-1	30-25	0-1			L1
Bailey Louderback	0-5		0-5	0-13	0-3		0-1	L13
Kelly Nelson	11-2	2-0	13-2	35-14	6-1	1-1	1-0	W5
Katie Potts	6-3	20-2	26-5	26-5	16-3	3-1	4-1	W2
Jennifer Smith				13-14				L2
Kristina Stastny	9-4	20-3	29-7	85-55	14-3	3-0	4-3	W5
Kelcy Tefft	8-1	18-4	26-5	26-5	14-4	1-1	0-1	W5
Catrina Thompson	10-5	17-5	27-10	71-35	15-2	3-5	2-0	W4
Christian Thompson	7-3	13-8	20-11	58-34	11-5	1-4	2-1	L1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>65-33</b>	<b>113-28</b>	<b>178-61</b>	<b>463-271</b>	<b>100-27</b>	<b>14-16</b>	<b>14-9</b>	

<i>Player</i>	<i>#1</i>	<i>#2</i>	<i>#3</i>	<i>#4</i>	<i>#5</i>	<i>#6</i>	<i>Dual</i>	<i>Career Dual</i>	<i>Clinch Wins</i>	<i>With Match Tied 3-3</i>
Brook Buck		4-1	12-5				16-6	29-15	6	0-1
Lauren Connelly					2-0	5-0	7-0	43-32	3	
Liz Donohue								8-10		
Kelly Nelson						2-0	2-0	2-0		
Katie Potts				2-0	3-1	15-1	20-2	20-2	3	2-0
Jennifer Smith								5-5		
Kristina Stastny			1-0	4-1	15-2		20-3	56-35	5	
Kelcy Tefft			6-0	12-4			18-4	18-4	3	1-0
Catrina Thompson	17-5						17-5	46-23	2	
Christian Thompson	2-1	11-7					13-8	36-24	2	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19-6</b>	<b>15-8</b>	<b>19-5</b>	<b>18-5</b>	<b>20-3</b>	<b>22-1</b>	<b>113-28</b>	<b>263-150</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3-1</b>

## Doubles

<i>Player</i>	<i>Open</i>	<i>Dual</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>Career</i>	<i>Career Dual</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Tiebreakers</i>	<i>Streak</i>
Brook Buck	10-2	21-3	31-5	58-17	37-12	19-3	1-2	W4
Lauren Connelly	11-5	22-1	33-6	107-38	71-22	17-4	1-1	W7
Liz Donohue	2-1		2-1	18-16		2-0		W2
Bailey Louderback	2-3		2-3	5-8				W2
Kelly Nelson	5-4	3-0	8-4	20-12	3-0	6-1	0-2	W6
Katie Potts	5-4	6-0	11-4	11-4	6-0	8-1	0-2	W9
Jennifer Smith				24-19	13-13			W1
Kristina Stastny	11-5	22-1	33-6	94-44	58-27	17-4	1-1	W7
Kelcy Tefft	10-2	21-3	31-5	31-5	21-3	19-3	1-2	W4
Catrina Thompson	6-1	18-3	24-4	76-28	51-18	8-2	2-0	W3
Christian Thompson	6-1	19-3	25-4	75-28	50-18	10-2	2-0	W4

<i>Team</i>	<i>#1</i>	<i>#2</i>	<i>#3</i>	<i>Dual</i>	<i>Open</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>Career</i>	<i>As Last Clinching Wins</i>	<i>Match On Court</i>
Buck/Tefft	5-1	16-2		21-3	10-2	31-5	31-5	10	
Connelly/Stastny		5-0	16-1	21-1	11-5	32-6	32-6	9	2-0
Connelly/Ca. Thompson		1-0		1-0		1-0	1-0	1	
Nelson/Potts			2-0	2-0	5-4	7-4	7-4	1	
Nelson/Ch. Thompson			1-0	1-0		1-0	1-0		
Potts/Stastny			1-0	1-0		1-0	1-0	1	1-0
Potts/Ca. Thompson			1-0	1-0		1-0	1-0	1	
Potts/Ch. Thompson			2-0	2-0		2-0	2-0		
Thompson/Thompson	16-3			16-3	6-1	22-4	72-28	2	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21-4</b>	<b>22-2</b>	<b>23-1</b>	<b>66-7</b>	<b>32-12</b>	<b>98-19</b>	<b>148-43</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>3-0</b>

## ITA Rankings

**Brook Buck**  
Preseason: 54  
Jan. 10-April 4: --  
April 18: 80  
April 25: 79  
May 1: 87

**Kelcy Tefft**  
Jan. 10-March 7: --  
March 21: 110  
April 4-May 1: --

**Catrina Thompson**  
Preseason: 27  
January 10: 24  
February 22: 27  
March 7: 32  
March 21: 30  
April 4: 26  
April 18: 31  
April 25: 29  
May 1: 30

**Christian Thompson**  
Preseason: --  
January 10: 44  
February 22: 32  
March 7: 48  
March 21: 74  
April 4: 73  
April 18: 99  
April 25: 110  
May 1: 113

**Connelly/Stastny**  
Preseason: --  
January 10: 45  
February 22: 49  
March 7: 46  
Mar. 21-May 1: --

**Buck/Tefft**  
Preseason: 60  
January 10: 35  
February 22: 29  
March 7: 39  
March 21: 29  
April 4: 39  
April 18: 38  
April 25: 47  
May 1: --

**Thompson/Thompson**  
Preseason: 2  
January 10: 1  
February 22: 2  
March 7: 4  
March 21: 3  
April 4: 4  
April 18: 6  
April 25: 3  
May 1: 5

*Note:* Freshmen and all-freshman doubles teams were not eligible for the preseason rankings.

**Southern California 4, Notre Dame 3**  
**October 14, 2005 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

**Exhibition Match**

Singles

No. 1: #27 Catrina Thompson (ND) d. #28 Anca Anastasiu (USC) 6-2, 6-0  
No. 2: #60 Dianne Matias (USC) d. Christian Thompson (ND) 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (5)  
No. 3: Amanda Fink (USC) d. #54 Brook Buck (ND) 6-4, 6-0  
No. 4: #74 Luana Magnani (USC) d. Katie Potts (ND) 6-1, 6-3  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) d. #91 Carine Vermeulen (USC) 6-2, 1-6, 6-2  
No. 6: Kelcy Tefft (ND) d. Judy DeVera (USC) 6-2, 6-2

Doubles

No. 1: #2 Thompson/Thompson (ND) d. Nelson/Vermeulen (USC) 8-3  
No. 2: Fink/Magnani (USC) d. #60 Buck/Tefft (ND) 9-8 (7-5)  
No. 3: DeVera/Matias (USC) d. Connelly/Stastny (ND) 9-7

**#22 Notre Dame 7, Ohio State 0**

**January 28, 2006 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Caitlin O'Keefe (OSU) 6-2, 6-3  
No. 2: #44 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Angela DiPastina (OSU) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Sonia Ruzimovsky (OSU) 6-2, 6-2  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Julie Blackmore (OSU) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Kristin Messmer (OSU) 6-2, 6-3  
No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Ciara Finucane (OSU) 6-3, 6-0

Doubles

No. 1: #1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Blackmore/O'Keefe (OSU) 8-1  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. DiPastina/Ruzimovsky (OSU) 8-2  
No. 3: #45 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Finucane/Messmer (OSU) 8-5

**#22 Notre Dame 7, Xavier 0**

**January 28, 2006 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Kristen Clary (X) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 2: #44 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Jackie Vilines (X) 6-1, 6-0  
No. 3: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Kara Courtney (X) 6-2, 6-2  
No. 4: Katie Potts (ND) def. Alicia Papa (X) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 5: \*Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Annie Diedalis (X) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 6: Kelly Nelson (ND) def. Sarah Potts (X) 6-3, 6-3

Doubles

No. 1: #35 Brook Buck/Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Clary/Courtney (X) 8-3  
No. 2: #45 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Papa/Vilines (X) 8-1  
No. 3: \*Nelson/Potts (ND) def. Kate Lohner/Potts (X) 8-3

**#22 Notre Dame 4, #23 Wake Forest 3**

**February 11, 2006 -- Winston-Salem, NC (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #42 Alexandra Hirsch (WF) def. #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) 7-5, 6-3  
No. 2: #64 Ashlee Davis (WF) def. #44 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 3: Ana Jerman (WF) def. Brook Buck (ND) 7-5, 6-3  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Christian Tara (WF) 6-3, 6-4  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Jenna Loeb (WF) 6-0, 6-2  
No. 6: !Katie Potts (ND) def. Sierra Poske (WF) 7-6 (7-2), 4-6, 6-4

Doubles

No. 1: #1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Davis/Hirsch (WF) 8-1  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Jerman/Tara (WF) 8-3  
No. 3: #45 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Poske/Christine Simpson (WF) 8-6

**#22 Notre Dame 5, #10 North Carolina 1**

**February 12, 2006 -- Chapel Hill, NC (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. #28 Jenna Long (UNC) 7-5, 6-4  
No. 2: #44 Christian Thompson (ND) def. #46 Caitlin Collins (UNC) 4-6, 6-3, 6-4  
No. 3: Sara Anundsen (UNC) def. Brook Buck 6-3, 3-6, 6-2  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) led Austin Smith (UNC) 3-6, 6-4, 5-3, aban.  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Tanja Markovic (UNC) 7-5, 7-6 (2)  
No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Charlotte Tansill (UNC) 6-2, 6-0

Doubles

No. 1: #11 Anundsen/Long (UNC) def. #1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) 8-3  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Collins/Markovic (UNC) 8-4  
No. 3: #45 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. #50 Meg Fanjoy/Smith (UNC) 8-6

**#15 Notre Dame 6, #30 Michigan 1**

**February 15, 2006 -- Ann Arbor, MI (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Kara Delicata (M) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 2: #44 Christian Thompson (ND) def. #48 Nina Yaftali (M) 6-4, 7-5  
No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Chisako Sugiyama (M) 6-1, 6-0  
No. 4: #76 Debra Streifler (M) def. Kelcy Tefft (ND) 3-6, 7-6 (4), 1-0 (3)  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Elizabeth Exon (M) 6-1, 4-6, 1-0 (5)  
No. 6: \*Katie Potts (ND) def. Allie Shafner (M) 6-0, 6-4

Doubles

No. 1: #1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Delicata/Shafner (M) 8-3  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Streifler/Sugiyama (M) 8-6  
No. 3: #45 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Lindsey Howard/Yaftali (M) 8-3

**#15 Notre Dame 7, #22 Tennessee 0**

**February 18, 2006 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Victoria Jones (T) 6-1, 6-2  
No. 2: #44 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Blakeley Griffith (T) 5-7, 7-6 (3), 1-0 (3)  
No. 3: \*Brook Buck (ND) def. Melissa Schaub (T) 6-4, 6-0  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Ghizela Schutte (T) 6-3, 6-4  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Stephanie Harris (T) 6-3, 6-1  
No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Samantha Orlin (T) 7-5, 5-7, 1-0 (12-10)

Doubles

No. 1: #1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Schaub/Schutte (T) 8-1  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Griffith/Jones (T) 8-3  
No. 3: #45 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Harris/Orlin (T) 8-3

**#15 Notre Dame 5, #9 Harvard 2**

**February 19, 2006 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #24 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Eva Wang (H) 6-4, 3-6, 1-0 (1)  
No. 2: Elsa O'Riain (H) def. #44 Christian Thompson (ND) 7-5, 7-5  
No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Melissa Anderson (H) 7-6 (7-4), 6-0  
No. 4: \*Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. #67 Preethi Mukundan (H) 6-3, 6-2  
No. 5: Stephanie Schnitter (H) def. Kristina Stastny (ND) 7-6 (5), 3-6, 1-0 (5)  
No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Cindy Chu (H) 6-1, 6-2

Doubles

No. 1: #1 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. #6 Anderson/O'Riain (H) 9-8 (5)  
No. 2: #35 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Schnitter/Wang (H) 8-1  
No. 3: #45 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Chu/Mukundan (H) 8-1

**#7 Notre Dame 5, #20 Brigham Young 2**

**February 25, 2006 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #17 Olga Boulytcheva (BYU) def. #27 Catrina Thompson (ND) 6-1, 6-1  
No. 2: #32 Christian Thompson (ND) def. #98 Lauren Jones (BYU) 6-4, 6-2  
No. 3: Anastasia Sourkova (BYU) def. Brook Buck (ND) 7-6 (2), 7-6 (5)  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Sofia Holden (BYU) 6-1, 6-4  
No. 5: \*Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Dolly Chang (BYU) 6-4, 6-1  
No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Jennifer Miccoli (BYU) 6-3, 6-4

Doubles

No. 1: #2 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Miccoli/Sourkova (BYU) 8-3  
No. 2: #29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Boulytcheva/Holden (BYU) 8-3  
No. 3: #49 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Chang/Jones (BYU) 8-3

**#7 Notre Dame 6, #51 Wisconsin 1**

**February 26, 2006 -- Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**

Singles

No. 1: #28 Caitlin Burke (W) def. #32 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-4, 6-4  
No. 2: Brook Buck (ND) def. Nicole Beck (W) 6-1, 6-1  
No. 3: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Chelsea Nusslock (W) 6-1, 6-3  
No. 4: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Elizabeth Carpenter (W) 6-3, 4-6, 1-0 (9)  
No. 5: Katie Potts (ND) def. Erin Jobe (W) 6-1, 6-1  
No. 6: \*Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Morgan Tuttle (W) 6-1, 6-0

Doubles

No. 1: #30 Beck/Burke (W) def. #29 Buck/Tefft (ND) 8-7 (7-1)  
No. 2: #49 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Carpenter/Nusslock (W) 8-3  
No. 3: Potts/Ch. Thompson (ND) def. Lexi Goldin/Tuttle (W) 8-1

**#5 Notre Dame 7, #27 Indiana 0****February 28, 2006 – Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**Singles

- No. 1: \*#27 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Sarah Batty (I) 6-3, 6-4  
 No. 2: #32 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Laura McGaffigan (I) 6-3, 6-1  
 No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Brianna Williams (I) 6-1, 6-0  
 No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Alba Berdala (I) 6-2, 6-4  
 No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Sigrid Fischer (I) 4-6, 6-3, 1-0 (10-7)  
 No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Cecile Perton (I) 6-3, 6-3

Doubles

- No. 1: #2 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Batty/McGaffigan (I) 8-4  
 No. 2: #29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Fischer/Williams (I) 8-2  
 No. 3: \*#49 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Berdala/Perton (I) 8-2

**#5 Notre Dame 7, #49 Illinois 0****March 5, 2006 – Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #27 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Macall Harkins (I) 6-4, 6-3  
 No. 2: #32 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Momei Qu (I) 6-0, 6-3  
 No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Brianna Knue (I) 6-0, 6-2  
 No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Emily Wang (I) 6-2, 6-4  
 No. 5: \*Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Alejandra Meza Cuadra (I) 6-1, 6-0  
 No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Shivani Dave' (I) 6-4, 6-1

Doubles

- No. 1: Harkins/Wang (I) def. #2 Thompson/Thompson (ND) 8-4  
 No. 2: \*#29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Knue/Meza Cuadra (I) 8-4  
 No. 3: #49 Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Dave'/Qu (I) 8-3

**#2 Notre Dame 7, #49 Western Michigan 0****March 10, 2006 – Notre Dame, IN (Indoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #48 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Carrie Jeanmaire (WMU) 6-0, 6-3  
 No. 2: Brook Buck (ND) def. Reedhina Parekh (WMU) 6-1, 6-0  
 No. 3: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Rattiya Hiranrat (WMU) 7-6 (7-3), 6-2  
 No. 4: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Priyanka Parekh (WMU) 7-5, 7-5  
 No. 5: Katie Potts (ND) def. Kerstin Pahl (WMU) 6-2, 6-2  
 No. 6: \*Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Noriko Saruta (WMU) 6-3, 6-0

Doubles

- No. 1: \*#39 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Jeanmaire/Malena Remyse (WMU) 8-4  
 No. 2: #46 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Pahl/R. Parekh (WMU) 8-3  
 No. 3: Potts/Ch. Thompson (ND) def. Hiranrat/Surata (WMU) 8-3

**#2 Notre Dame 4, #5 Duke 3****March 15, 2006 – Orlando, FL (Outdoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #32 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. #1 Daniela Bercek (D) 4-4, ret.  
 No. 2: #19 Jackie Carleton (D) def. Brook Buck (ND) 6-7 (5-7), 6-0, 6-1  
 No. 3: !Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. #62 Tara Iyer (D) 7-5, 5-7, 6-3  
 No. 4: #122 Melissa Mang (D) def. Kristina Stastny (ND) 6-1, 7-6 (7-2)  
 No. 5: Kristin Cargill (D) def. Katie Potts (ND) 6-2, 4-6, 6-4  
 No. 6: Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Clelia Deltour (D) 6-2, 7-5

Doubles

- No. 1: #39 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. #11 Bercek/Jessi Robinson (D) 8-5  
 No. 2: #46 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Cargill/Carleton (D) 7-6 (7-5)  
 No. 3: \*Katie Potts/Ca. Thompson (ND) def. #53 Mang/Jennifer Zika (D) 9-7

**#2 Notre Dame 4, #48 Texas A&M 3****March 18, 2006 – College Station, TX (Outdoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #66 Anna Lubinsky (A&M) def. #32 Catrina Thompson (ND) 6-3, 6-4  
 No. 2: Sarah Foster (A&M) def. #48 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-2, 5-7, 6-2  
 No. 3: Anna Blagodarova (A&M) def. Brook Buck (ND) 6-4, 7-5  
 No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Nicki Mechem (A&M) 6-3, 6-2  
 No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Tiffany Clifford (A&M) 6-2, 6-2  
 No. 6: !Katie Potts (ND) def. Marisa Druss (A&M) 6-7 (6-8), 7-5, 6-2

Doubles

- No. 1: #4 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Blagodarova/Foster (A&M) 8-2  
 No. 2: #55 Lubinsky/Mechem (A&M) def. #39 Buck/Tefft (ND) 8-5  
 No. 3: \*#46 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Clifford/Druss (A&M) 8-5

**#2 Notre Dame 7, #11 Texas 0****March 20, 2006 – Austin, Texas (Outdoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #32 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. #71 Mia Marovic (T) 7-5, 4-6, 1-0 (9)  
 No. 2: #48 Christian Thompson (ND) def. #57 Petra Dizdar (T) 7-5, 7-5  
 No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Kendra Strohm (T) 7-6, 6-3  
 No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. #125 Courtney Zauft (T) 6-2, 6-2  
 No. 5: \*Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Kelly Baritot (T) 1-6, 6-2, 6-4  
 No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Ristine Olson (T) 6-0, 6-7, 6-4

Doubles

- No. 1: #4 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Marovic/Zauft (T) 8-3  
 No. 2: #39 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Baritot/Strohm (T) 8-4  
 No. 3: \*#46 Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Dizdar/Marija Milic (T) 8-2

**#2 Notre Dame 6, #39 Iowa 1****March 24, 2006 – Notre Dame, Indiana (Indoors)**Singles

- No. 1: \*#30 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. #33 Meg Racette (I) 6-1, 6-3  
 No. 2: #74 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Hillary Mintz (I) 6-1, 5-7, 1-0 (5)  
 No. 3: Brook Buck (ND) def. Milica Veselinovic (I) 2-6, 6-4, 1-0 (10-3)  
 No. 4: Jacqueline Lee (I) def. #110 Kelcy Tefft (ND) 6-4, 7-5  
 No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Krissy Dowlin (I) 6-3, 6-1  
 No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Merel Beelen (I) 6-1, 6-2

Doubles

- No. 1: #3 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Lee/Racette (I) 8-2  
 No. 2: \*#29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Kayla Berry/Mintz (I) 8-4  
 No. 3: Dowlin/Veselinovic (I) def. Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) 8-7 (7)

**#11 Vanderbilt 4, #2 Notre Dame 3****March 29, 2006 – Nashville, Tennessee (Outdoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #20 Amanda Fish (V) def. #30 Catrina Thompson (ND) 6-2, 6-2  
 No. 2: #40 Taka Bertrand (V) def. #74 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-2, 6-3  
 No. 3: #75 Amanda Taylor (V) def. Brook Buck (ND) 7-6 (11), 7-6 (4)  
 No. 4: Courtney Ulery (V) def. #110 Kelcy Tefft (ND) 6-3, 6-3  
 No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Caroline Ferrell (V) 6-2, 6-1  
 No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Liberty Sveke (V) 6-2, 6-0

Doubles

- No. 1: #3 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Fish/Taylor (V) 9-7  
 No. 2: \*#29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Bertrand/Ferrell (V) 9-7  
 No. 3: Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Ulery/Sveke (V) 8-4

**#2 Notre Dame 7, Eastern Michigan 0****March 31, 2006 – Notre Dame, Indiana (Indoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #30 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Elizabeth Syrova (EMU) 6-0, 6-0  
 No. 2: \*Brook Buck (ND) def. Aditi Krishnan (EMU) 6-0, 6-2  
 No. 3: #110 Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Vanessa Frankowski (EMU) 6-0, 6-1  
 No. 4: Katie Potts (ND) def. Yana Parfenyuk (EMU) 6-2, 6-1  
 No. 5: Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Catherina Bestahorn (EMU) 6-1, 6-2  
 No. 6: Kelly Nelson (ND) def. Laura Fernandez (EMU) 6-2, 6-4

Doubles

- No. 1: #29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Frankowski/Parfenyuk (EMU) 8-1  
 No. 2: \*Connelly/Ca. Thompson (ND) def. Krishnan/Syrova (EMU) 8-3  
 No. 3: Nelson/Potts (ND) def. Fernandez/Flavia Micati (EMU) 8-5

**#2 Notre Dame 4, #39 Purdue 3****April 2, 2006 – Lafayette, Indiana (Indoors)**Singles

- No. 1: #30 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. #60 Randi Schuler (P) 1-6, 6-3, 6-1  
 No. 2: Brooke Beier (P) def. #74 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-4, 0-6, 6-2  
 No. 3: \*Brook Buck (ND) def. Mallory Voelker (P) 7-5, 7-6  
 No. 4: Stephanie Wooten (P) def. #110 Kelcy Tefft (ND) 6-0, 2-6, 7-6  
 No. 5: Anna Dzeva (P) def. Kristina Stastny (ND) 4-6, 7-6, 1-0 (10-8)  
 No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Brittany Minna (P) 6-1, 6-0

Doubles

- No. 1: #3 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Beier/Voelker (P) 8-2  
 No. 2: #29 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Schuler/Wooten (P) 8-4  
 No. 3: \*Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Dzeva/Minna (P) 8-4

**#2 Notre Dame 4, #9 Northwestern 3**

**April 5, 2006 – Notre Dame, Indiana (Outdoors)**

Singles

- No. 1: #8 Cristelle Grier (NU) def. #26 Catrina Thompson (ND) 6-2, 6-3  
No. 2: #44 Georgia Rose (NU) def. #73 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-2, 3-6, 1-0 (8)  
No. 3: \*Brook Buck (ND) def. #24 Alexis Prousis (NU) 6-3, 6-3  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Jamie Peisel (NU) 6-3, 6-1  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Ferial Esseghir (NU) 6-3, 6-0  
No. 6: Nazlie Ghazal (NU) def. Katie Potts (ND) 6-3, 6-2

Doubles

- No. 1: #4 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Esseghir/Grier (NU) 8-4  
No. 2: Alexis Conill/Rose (NU) def. #39 Buck/Tefft (ND) 8-5  
No. 3: !Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Ghazal/Peisel (NU) 8-5

**#2 Notre Dame 7, DePaul 0**

**April 7, 2006 – Notre Dame, Indiana (Indoors)**

Singles

- No. 1: #26 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Beatrix Csordas (D) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 2: #73 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Gergana Ganeva (D) 6-4, 6-1  
No. 3: \*Brook Buck (ND) def. Dunja Antunovic (D) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Anja Mihaldinec (D) 6-1, 6-2  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Bojana Murisic (D) 6-3, 6-2  
No. 6: Katie Potts (ND) def. Petra Rehusova (D) 6-1, 6-0

Doubles

- No. 1: Csordas/Ganeva (D) def. #4 Thompson/Thompson (ND) 8-4  
No. 2: #39 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Antunovic/Mihaldinec (D) 8-2  
No. 3: !Potts/Stastny (ND) def. Murisic/Rehusova (D) 8-3

**#2 Notre Dame 7, Marquette 0**

**April 9, 2006 – Notre Dame, Indiana (Outdoors)**

Singles

- No. 1: #73 Christian Thompson (ND) def. Maria Calbeto (M) 6-0, 6-2  
No. 2: Brook Buck (ND) def. Erin Watkins (M) 6-1, 6-2  
No. 3: \*Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Dominika Dabrowski (M) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 4: Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Francina Bonnelly (M) 6-3, 6-0  
No. 5: Katie Potts (ND) def. Robin Metzler (M) 6-1, 6-1  
No. 6: Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Kathleen Donovan (M) 6-0, 6-0

Doubles

- No. 1: \*#39 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Bonnelly/Calbeto (M) 8-2  
No. 2: Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Dabrowski/Metzler (M) 8-0  
No. 3: Kelly Nelson/Chr. Thompson (ND) def. Donovan/Watkins (M) 8-4

**[1] #2 Notre Dame 4, [8] Rutgers 0**

**BIG EAST Conference Championship - Quarterfinals**

**April 21, 2006 – Tampa, Florida (Outdoors)**

Singles

- No. 1: #31 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Katrina Elder-Bush (R) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 2: #80 Brook Buck (ND) led Dana Gordon (R) 6-0, 3-0, abandoned  
No. 3: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Alina Balasa (R) 6-0, 6-0  
No. 4: \*Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Lauren Edelschein (R) 6-1, 6-2  
No. 5: Katie Potts (ND) led Jill Markowitz (R) 6-4, abandoned  
No. 6: Lauren Connelly (ND) led Anela Dujsic (R) 6-0, 4-2, abandoned

Doubles

- No. 1: \*#6 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. Balasa/Gordon (R) 8-2  
No. 2: #38 Buck/Tefft (ND) led Elder-Bush/Ketevan Shmakova (R) 7-2, aban.  
No. 3: Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Edelschein/Markowitz (R) 8-2

**[1] #2 Notre Dame 4, [4] DePaul 0**

**BIG EAST Conference Championship - Semifinals**

**April 22, 2006 – Tampa, Florida (Outdoors)**

Singles

- No. 1: #31 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. Beatrix Csordas (D) 6-0, 6-1  
No. 2: Gergana Ganeva (D) led #99 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-1, 1-2, aban.  
No. 3: \*#80 Brook Buck (ND) def. Dunja Antunovic (D) 6-2, 6-1  
No. 4: Kelcy Tefft (ND) def. Anjam Mihaldinec (D) 6-1, 6-0  
No. 5: Kristina Stastny (ND) led Bojana Murisic (D) 6-2, 2-2, aban.  
No. 6: Petra Rehusova (D) led Katie Potts (ND) 6-4, abandoned

Doubles

- No. 1: #6 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. #32 Csordas/Ganeva (D) 8-3  
No. 2: \*#38 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Antunovic/Mihaldinec (D) 8-2  
No. 3: Lauren Connelly/Stastny (ND) def. Murisic/Rehusova (D) 8-0

**[1] #2 Notre Dame 4, [2] #37 South Florida 1**

**BIG EAST Conference Championship - Final**

**April 23, 2006 – Tampa, Florida (Outdoors)**

Singles

- No. 1: #31 Catrina Thompson (ND) def. #63 Neyssa Etienne (USF) 6-2, 6-2  
No. 2: #57 Courtney Vernon (USF) def. #99 Christian Thompson (ND) 6-2, 6-0  
No. 3: #80 Brook Buck (ND) led #75 Liz Cruz (USF) 6-3, 4-5, aban.  
No. 4: Gabriela Duch led Kelcy Tefft (ND) 7-5, 1-5, abandoned  
No. 5: \*Kristina Stastny (ND) def. Iciri Rai (USF) 3-6, 6-1, 6-1  
No. 6: Lauren Connelly (ND) def. Luisa Obardo (USF) 7-6 (7-2), 6-3

Doubles

- No. 1: #6 Thompson/Thompson (ND) def. #10 Duch/Etienne (USF) 8-3  
No. 2: \*#38 Buck/Tefft (ND) def. Cruz/Rai (USF) 8-4  
No. 3: Connelly/Stastny (ND) led Obardo/Vernon (USF) 5-4, aban.

\* - clinching victory; ! - clinching victory in last match on court

Note: Numbers preceding teams and players are ITA national rankings at time of match; numbers in brackets are team's tournament seeding.

## *2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Tennis Roster*

### Alphabetical

No.	Player	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
7	Brook Buck*	5-7	So.	Yukon, OK/Oklahoma Christian School
4	Lauren Connelly*** (c)	5-9	Sr.	Oklahoma City, OK/Bishop McGuinness H.S.
8	Liz Donohue***	5-8	Sr.	Sioux Falls, SD/O'Gorman H.S.
5	Bailey Louderback* £	5-6	So.	South Bend, IN/Penn H.S.
6	Kelly Nelson**	5-7	Sr.	St. Petersburg, FL/Shorecrest Preparatory School
9	Katie Potts	5-10	Fr.	Brookfield, WI/Divine Savior Holy Angels H.S.
84	Jennifer Smith**	5-9	Sr.	Charlotte, NC/South Mecklenburg H.S.
26	Kristina Stastny*** £	5-6	Sr.	St. Louis, MO/St. Joseph's Academy
23	Kelcy Tefft	5-6	Fr.	Enid, OK/Chisholm H.S.
13	Catrina Thompson**	5-5	Jr.	Las Vegas, NV/Bishop Gorman H.S.
31	Christian Thompson**	5-6	Jr.	Las Vegas, NV/Bishop Gorman H.S.

**Head Coach:** #20 Jay Louderback (17<sup>th</sup> season, Wichita State '76)

**Assistant Coach:** #14 Michelle Dasso (3<sup>rd</sup> season, Notre Dame '01)

**Volunteer Assistant Coach:** #15 Liz Balanis (10<sup>th</sup> season, Wake Forest '94)

**Senior Manager:** #44 Jerry Beres (2<sup>nd</sup> season, Notre Dame '06)

**Junior Manager:** Patrick O'Malley (1<sup>st</sup> season, Notre Dame '07)

### Numerical

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4	Lauren Connelly*** (c)	5-9	Sr.	Oklahoma City, OK/Bishop McGuinness H.S.
5	Bailey Louderback* £	5-6	So.	South Bend, IN/Penn H.S.
6	Kelly Nelson**	5-7	Sr.	St. Petersburg, FL/Shorecrest Preparatory School
7	Brook Buck*	5-7	So.	Yukon, OK/Oklahoma Christian School
8	Liz Donohue***	5-8	Sr.	Sioux Falls, SD/O'Gorman H.S.
9	Katie Potts	5-10	Fr.	Brookfield, WI/Divine Savior Holy Angels H.S.
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\* – denotes monograms earned      c – denotes captain      £ – indicates left-handed player

### Pronunciation Guide

Stastny..... STASS-nee

Balanis ..... buh-LAWN-iss

Kelcy Tefft ... KELL-see teft

Dasso ..... DASS-o

Beres ..... beers

### Roster Breakdown By Class

**Seniors (5):** Connelly, Donohue, Nelson, Smith, Stastny

**Juniors (2):** Thompson, Thompson

**Sophomores (2):** Buck, Louderback

**Freshmen (2):** Potts, Tefft