

# **NOTRE DAME**

### 2004-05 MEN'S GOLF

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#### 2004-05 Notre Dame Men's Golf Schedule/Results

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	S17-19	ND Invit./Central Reg. Preview 6th of 15 Warren Golf Course (Notre Dame, Ind.)
	04-5	Windon Memorial Classic T-14th of 18 Conway Farms Golf Club (Lake Forest, III.)
	022-24	The Nelson Invitational 9th of 16 Stanford Golf Course (Stanford, Calif.)
	N1-2	The Prestige at PGA WEST T-10th of 16 Greg Norman Course/PGA WEST (La Quinta, Calif.)
	F28-M1	NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Inv 1st of 14 English Turn Golf & Country Club (New Orleans, La.)
	M7-8	Irish Spring Invitational T-4th of 13 El Campeon Course/Mission Inn (Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla.)
	M13-14	General Jim Hackler Invitational TPC of Myrtle Beach (Murrells Inlet, S.C.)
	A2-3	Augusta State Invitational Forest Hills Golf Club (Augusta, Ga.)
	A16-17	Texas A&M Invitational The Traditions Club (Bryan, Texas)
	A23-24	BIG EAST Championship Warren Golf Course (Notre Dame, Ind.)
	A30-M1	Bruce Fossum/TaylorMade Invitational Forest Akers West G.C. (East Lansing, Mich.)
	M19-21	NCAA Central Regional Warren Golf Course (Notre Dame, Ind.)

#### Irish Men's Golf Quick Facts

Head Coach Jim Kubinsl	ki (Springfield College '93)
Assistant Coach Chris	Whitten (Notre Dame '02)
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Nickname	Fighting Irish
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#### 2005 General Jim Hackler Invitational

Sunday-Monday, March 13-14, 2005 8 a.m. (ET) tee times both days TPC of Myrtle Beach (6,950 Yards, Par 72) Murrells Inlet, S.C.

#### Irish Wrap Up Spring Break Trip In South Carolina

Notre Dame will complete its three-week stretch of tournaments in the south-eastern United States when it travels to Murrells Inlet, S.C., for the General Jim Hackler Invitational, to be played at the TPC of Myrtle Beach. This weekend's event should be the biggest test to date for the Irish, with four of the teams in the field appearing in the latest GCAA/Bridgestone Coaches' Poll.

Despite a combination of tricky weather conditions, untimely injuries and a new head coach, Notre Dame has gotten off to a solid start this spring, earning a pair of top-five finishes, including a sudden-death playoff victory at the season-opening NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational in New Orleans. Last week, the Irish battled their way to a fourth-place tie at the inaugural Irish Spring Invitational in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla., despite their second-highest 54-hole score of the year.

#### Quoting Coach Kubinski ...

"Scott (Gustafson) played really well at the Irish Spring Invitational. I'm excited for him and to get him back in the lineup because he brings a lot of tournament experience. Greg (Rodgers) also showed a heck of a lot out there last week. The weather was clearly a factor and it didn't let us get going. It was just a day of survival and Greg did really well. I'm very pleased to have those guys back in the lineup.

"I'm still trying to get a feel for each guy every time they go out there. Cole (Isban) has been battling some adversity. He came into last week's tournament still under doctor's orders with bronchitis and then he suffered the eye injury, but he really gutted it out. The second round put us back a little but I was happy that we were able to pass Mississippi State and catch Penn State."

#### IRISH LINEUP FOR THE GENERAL JIM HACKLER INVITATIONAL

Pos.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown '04-05 Str	oke Avg.
No. 1	Cole Isban	So.	6-3/150	South Bend, Ind.	73.81
No. 2	Scott Gustafson	Jr.	6-0/165	Eden Prairie, Minn.	76.60
No. 3	Greg Rodgers	Fr.	6-1/175	Phoenix, Md.	75.50
No. 4	Mark Baldwin	Jr.	6-1/175	Laconia, N.H.	75.33
No. 5	Shane Sigsbee	So.	6-5/185	McKinney, Texas	75.08

# GCAA/Bridgestone Division I Coaches' Poll (March 11)

School (1st place votes)	<u>Points</u>	<u>Last</u>
Oklahoma State (14)	587	1
Georgia Tech (5)	571	3
Georgia (2)	555	2
New Mexico (3)	535	4
Auburn	443	5
(tie) USC	400	7
(tie) Wake Forest	400	6
BYU	398	9
TCU	346	8
Florida	339	18
Texas	334	10
Arizona State	333	11
UCLA	283	14
Michigan State	264	13
UNLV	263	16
Augusta State	253	15
Duke	240	12
Clemson	212	17
Tennessee	170	25
Minnesota	122	24
Arizona	114	23
Kentucky	103	19
Washington	80	22
Kent State	77	20
Georgia State	73	21
	Oklahoma State (14) Georgia Tech (5) Georgia (2) New Mexico (3) Auburn (tie) USC (tie) Wake Forest BYU TCU Florida Texas Arizona State UCLA Michigan State UNLV Augusta State Duke Clemson Tennessee Minnesota Arizona Kentucky Washington Kent State	Oklahoma State (14)         587           Georgia Tech (5)         571           Georgia (2)         555           New Mexico (3)         535           Auburn         443           (tie) USC         400           (tie) Wake Forest         400           BYU         398           TCU         346           Florida         339           Texas         334           Arizona State         283           Michigan State         264           UNLV         263           Augusta State         253           Duke         240           Clemson         212           Tennessee         170           Minnesota         122           Arizona         114           Kentucky         103           Washington         80           Kent State         77

Others receiving votes: South Carolina 56, Georgia Southern 22, Texas Tech 22, UCF 17, Pepperdine 14, Kansas 12, East Tennessee State 11, North Carolina 11, Memphis 10, Northwestern 10, Texas A&M 9, California 6, Indiana 4, Purdue 3, Penn State 2, Saint Mary's (Calif.) 2, Tulsa 2, Lamar 1, Rhode Island 1, SMU 1, Xavier 1.

#### Did You Know?

Notre Dame has ties to two of the most famous players in golf history.

Billy Casper won 51 PGA Tour titles, including three majors (1959 & 1966 U.S. Open; 1970 Masters) and was sixth on that tour's all-time victories list upon retirement. He also logged nine wins on the Senior PGA Tour (now the Champions Tour), was an eight-time member of the U.S. Ryder Cup Team and was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1978. However, before turning pro, Casper attended Notre Dame in 1950 and won the Western Junior National Championship, which was contested at Notre Dame's Burke Memorial Golf Course.

Walter Hagen, Jr., was a three-year monogram winner at Notre Dame from 1938-40, helping the Irish to three consecutive NCAA Championship berths, including a sixth-place finish in 1938. If the name sounds familiar, it should be — his father, Walter Hagen, Sr., won 40 PGA titles, including 11 major championships (five PGA Championships, four British Opens and two U.S. Opens) in his storied career, ranking third in PGA history in the latter category. He also was a six-time U.S. Ryder Cup captain and five years after his death in 1969, he was part of the inaugural induction class for the World Golf Hall of Fame.

#### **Dates and Times**

Teams will play two rounds (36 holes) on Sunday, with the opening round teeing off via a shotgun start at 8 a.m. (ET). The second round will also utilize the shotgun start format approximately 90 minutes after the conclusion of the first round. Competitors will then return Monday morning for the final round, which will begin at 8 a.m. (ET) with another shotgun start.

#### Tournament Updates/Results

No live scoring will be available for this tournament. However, complete results following each day's action will be posted on the official Notre Dame athletics web site (*www.und.com*). In addition, all the latest information on the Irish is available on the Notre Dame Sports Hotline (574-631-3000). Callers should select option #9, then press #2 for the latest information on the tournament, as well as any weather or scheduling delays.

#### The Tournament Format

A total of 12 five-man teams (60 participants, with the possibility of some teams fielding additional golfers on an individual basis) will be participating in the General Jim Hackler Invitational. Conventional collegiate golf team scoring rules will apply, with the lowest four scores in the five-man lineup in each round counting toward the team total. Scores by golfers competing on an individual basis do not count to the team total.

#### The Teams

This year's General Jim Hackler Invitational features a 12-team field that includes the following squads: UCF (Central Florida), Coastal Carolina, East Tennessee State, Furman, Kansas State, Louisville, North Florida, Notre Dame, Pepperdine, Purdue, UNC Wilmington and Virginia Tech.

Illustrating the strength of this weekend's tournament, four teams in the field are receiving votes in the latest Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA)/ Bridgestone Coaches' Poll (as of March 11). UCF leads the way with 17 points (good for 29th place if the poll were extended), followed closely by Pepperdine with 14 points (30th place). East Tennessee State is next with 11 points (tied with North Carolina for 32nd place), while Purdue also is appearing in the poll with three points (39th place).

In the latest *Golfweekl* Sagarin Performance Index ratings (as of March 7), six squads in this year's field are appearing in *Golfweekl* Sagarin top 50. Purdue sets the pace at No. 29, with East Tennessee State (No. 31) and Pepperdine (No. 33) hot on the Boilermakers' heels. No. 37 Louisville and No. 38 UCF, along with 48th-ranked Coastal Carolina also are showing up on the first page of the Sagarin ratings. By comparison, Notre Dame is checking in at No. 62 in this week's index.

This season, Notre Dame has posted a 4-3-1 record against the field at the General Jim Hackler Invitational. The Irish are 1-0 against Furman (Windon Memorial Classic), Pepperdine (The Prestige at PGA WEST) and UNC Wilmington (sudden death playoff win at NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational) and have split two matchups with Kansas State (win at Inverness Intercollegiate Invitational; loss at The Nelson Invitational), as well as drawn with UCF (Inverness Intercollegiate Invitational). The other Notre Dame losses came at the hands of North Florida and Purdue, both in the Windon Memorial Classic.

#### The Course

This week's General Jim Hackler Invitational will be played at the TPC of Myrtle Beach (par 72/6,950 yards) in Murrells Inlet, S.C. Though not particularly long,

this Tom Fazio-designed layout utilizes the surrounding wetlands, as well as numerous tall pines to create a difficult track that puts a premium on shotmaking ability. Some of the other notable features of the course include elevated tees, sloping fairways and free-form bunkers, all of which have led *Golf Digest* and *Golf Magazine* to label the TPC of Myrtle Beach as one of the top public courses in the country.

#### Irish Lineup

After spending much of its off season practicing indoors during the cold winter months in South Bend, Notre Dame has had plenty of time to refine its play outdoors during the past three weeks, as it has opened with tournaments in Louisiana, Florida and South Carolina. The Irish also have had their conditioning tested with its three consecutive weekend tournaments, as well as by the ever-changing weather conditions native to the Southeast this time of year.

Sophomore **Cole Isban** (South Bend, Ind.) remains one of the anchors in the Notre Dame lineup this year, having started all seven tournaments to date. He holds a team-best 73.81 stroke average this year and has placed in the top-five in three events, peaking with a runner-up finish at The Prestige at PGA WEST in early November. Last week, he battled through a minor eye injury to place 19th at the Irish Spring Invitational (229, +13).

Junior **Scott Gustafson** (Eden Prairie, Minn.) makes his first appearance in the starting lineup this weekend, following an impressive ninth-place tie at last week's Irish Spring Invitational (225, +9) as an individual. Gustafson still is recovering from injuries suffered in an automobile accident during the fall, but he appears to be rounding back into the form that has made him one of the top threats in the Notre Dame lineup the past two years. He leads all Irish players with a 75.00 stroke average this spring, and has a 76.60 overall mark this year.

Freshman Greg Rodgers (Phoenix, Md.) has shown the greatest potential of any of the Notre Dame rookies this year, starting six tournaments in his first year under the Golden Dome. Rodgers was the top scoring Irish player at last weekend's Irish Spring Invitational with a 228 (+12), good for a 14th-place tie, the best of his young career. Rodgers has a 75.50 stroke average this season.

Junior Mark Baldwin (Laconia, N.H.) quietly has emerged as one of the most consistent players on the Notre Dame roster this year. Baldwin registered his third consecutive top-20 finish last weekend at the Irish Spring Invitational with a tie for 20th (230, +14). Currently, he owns a career-low 75.33 stroke average, which is fourth-best on the team this year.

Like Gustafson, sophomore Shane Sigsbee (McKinney, Texas) earns his first start of the spring after a 34th-place tie at the Irish Spring Invitational (237, +21) as an individual. Sigsbee has seen action in four events this year, three as an individual, and ranks third on the team with a 75.08 stroke average. He also has two top-five finishes, including a tie for second as an individual during last fall's Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational.

#### Last Tournament — Irish Spring Invitational

Notre Dame placed in a tie for fourth with Penn State at the Irish Spring Invitational with a 919 (+55) as they were part of the 13-team field that battled the elements, which resulted in high scores throughout the final day at the par-72, 6,901-yard El Campeon Golf Course in Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla. Wichita State captured the team title by four strokes over Colorado State with an 885 (+21). Junior **Scott Gustafson** (Eden Prairie, Minn.) fired a Notre Dame-best score of nine-over par 225 (78-73-74) to tie for ninth place as an individual entrant.

The Irish opened up play on Monday with a solid five-over par 293 in the first round to place third before shooting a 307 in the afternoon and winding up in sixth at the end of the first day. Notre Dame passed Mississippi State and

# Notre Dame Leads USSA Directors' Cup Race After Fall Season

The University of Notre Dame remains in first place in the final set of fall sports standings released in the 2004-05 United States Sports Academy Division I Directors' Cup all-sports competition sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (formerly known as Sears Directors' Cup).

This marks the first season in the 12-year history of the program that Notre Dame has ranked number one. The previous highest ranking for the Irish was second in the 2004-05 second set of fall standings.

Fall NCAA competition earned the Irish 337 points based on their NCAA title in women's soccer (100 points), their fourth-place finish in women's cross country (80 points), their 11th-place finish in men's cross country (57 points) and their second-round NCAA appearances in both men's soccer and volleyball (50 points each).

Michigan (333 points) is second, highlighted by a quarterfinal appearance in field hockey and a sixth-place finish in women's cross country. Stanford (332 points) stands third, thanks to its NCAA title in volleyball. Duke (327) is fourth after runner-up NCAA finishes in women's cross country and field hockey.

The current standings include results from NCAA fall competition in football, volleyball, field hockey, water polo, men's and women's cross country, and men's and women's soccer.

The first set of winter standings will be available March 24.

In previous years in which the Directors' Cup competition has been held, Notre Dame has finished 11th in 1993-94, 30th in 1994-95, 11th in 1995-96, 14th in 1996-97, tied for 31st in 1997-98, 25th in 1998-99, 21st in 1999-2000, 11th in 2000-01, 13th in 2001-02, tied for 13th in 2002-03 and 19th in 2003-04.

Here are the current standings:

1.	NOTRE DAME	337
2.	Michigan	333
3.	Stanford	332
4.	Duke	327
5.	UCLA	297
6.	Maryland	280
7.	Ohio State	276
8.	Colorado	275
9.	Texas	262
10.	Wisconsin	251

#### Warren Golf Course To Host Qualifier For '05 Western Amateur

The University of Notre Dame's Warren Golf Course will host one of two qualifying tournaments for the 2005 Western Amateur, Western Golf Association Tournament Director **John Kaczkowski** announced in January.

The qualifying event will be held Monday, July 25, with the second qualifier to be held in Benton Harbor, Mich., at long-time qualifying site Lake Michigan Hills Golf Club. Approximately 50 players in the final field of 156 will qualify for the 103rd Western Amateur at one of the two qualifying sites. Warren replaces Hampshire Country Club (Dowagiac, Mich.), which had hosted an annual qualifier since 1974.

"Warren Golf Course is a wonderful facility, and we're proud to be affiliated with such a prestigious university as Notre Dame," Kaczkowski said. "We expect that the reputation and quality of the course definitely will help us promote the Western Amateur to our national field."

**John Foster**, Warren's general manager and head professional, added that hosting a event with the history and tradition of the Western Amateur fits well with the university's mission of serving golf with a first-class venue.

"After meeting with representatives of the Western Golf Association, we agreed that holding the qualifier at Warren was mutually beneficial," said Foster. "This is further proof that the University of Notre Dame is committed to becoming one of the premier collegiate golf facilities in the country."

Warren Golf Course at Notre Dame, designed by Ben Crenshaw and Bill Coore, opened in the spring of 2000 and has hosted four BIG EAST Men's Golf Championships, two BIG EAST Women's Golf Championships and two men's U.S. Amateur Qualifiers. In May, Warren also will be the site of the NCAA Central Regional Men's Golf Championship.

Foster said he was prompted to pursue hosting the qualifier at the suggestion of Warren Superintendent Matt Cielen, who had worked closely with the Western Golf Association during his three years as assistant superintendent at Point O' Woods Golf and Country Club in Benton Harbor. Point O' Woods has served as the host club for the Western Amateur since 1971.

Warren Golf Course has undergone two major alterations over the short five years it has been open. The first, completed in the fall of 2003, entailed building eight new tees that added 270 yards to the course, resulting in championship yardage of 7,011.

The second alteration is now underway, with the renovation of the course's 86 bunkers. All of the original sand is being removed, new drainage systems and fabric liners are being installed and a new, more angular and coarse grade of sand is being used to fill the bunkers.

The 103rd Western Amateur will be played July 25-31 at Point O' Woods. First held in 1899, the championship traditionally features an international field of top-ranked amateur golfers in a medal and match play format. The champion will earn an exemption into the 2006 Cialis Western Open. The 2004 Western Amateur field included competitors from more than 30 states and five foreign countries. Past champions include Jack Nicklaus, Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, Ben Crenshaw, Curtis Strange, Hal Sutton, Lanny Wadkins and Justin Leonard.

Notre Dame sophomore and South Bend native **Cole Isban** made the 36-hole cut at the '04 Western Amateur, the first South Bend-area player to make the cut in three years.

squared up with Penn State during Tuesday's final round as the Fighting Irish posted a 31-over par 319. One of the bright spots was freshman **Greg Rodgers** (Phoenix, Md.) as he led the charge for Notre Dame during the tournament with a 228 (76-75-77), including a scoring team-best five-over par 77 on Tuesday. Sophomore **Cole Isban** (South Bend, Ind.), who suffered an eye injury during play on Tuesday, shot an 81 for the final round to finish in 19th with a 229 (72-76-81). Junior **Mark Baldwin** (Laconia, N.H.) was one shot back of his teammate, Isban, after 54 holes of play as he fired a 230 (74-76-80) to place tied for 20th overall.

In a return to his home state, sophomore **Tommy Balderston** (Boca Raton, Fla.) carded the best round of the tournament for the Irish on Monday with a one-under par 71 before turning in rounds of 80 and 86 to finish with a 237 and in a tie for 34th place. Junior **Eric Deutsch** (Rochester, Minn.) had a difficult outing throughout the event, posting a 244 (83-80-81) to finish tied for 56th.

Notre Dame sent five players out as individual entrants in the tournament. Gustafson carded the top round for any Irish golfer on Tuesday with two-over par 74, while sophomore **Shane Sigsbee** (McKinney, Texas) posted an 84 to finish with a 237 (79-74-84) for the tournament. Senior **K.C. Wiseman** (South Bend, Ind.) rolled up an 83 on the day to go with a pair of 79's that he fired on Monday for a 241 total. Freshmen **Eddie Peckels** (Pinehurst, N.C.) and **Mike King** (Sidney, Ohio) rounded out the field for the Irish with totals of 244 (77-83-84) and 247 (79-78-90), respectively.

#### The Sandman Cometh

Notre Dame announced Dec. 16 that **Josh Sandman** (Greensboro, N.C./Southeast Guilford HS), has chosen to continue his career with the Irish, signing a National Letter of Intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2005. Sandman is the first player to commit to the Irish for the 2005-06 season.

A standout on the junior golf circuit, Sandman is ranked as the 32nd-best player in the graduating class of 2005, according to the Titleist/*Golfweek* rankings released in mid-December. The 6-foot-1 Sandman owns a national junior scoring average of 72.69 in 23 rounds and has four top-three finishes to his credit in the last calendar year. His best efforts include a tie for second place at the 2003-04 North Carolina State High School Championships, a tie for third place at the 2004 *Golfweek* Invitational and a third-place showing at the 2004 Carolina Golf Association Junior Championships. He also works regularly under the watchful eye of Greensboro-area instructor Kelly Phillips.

Sandman is the son of Michael and Dawn Sandman of Greensboro, and he has three brothers (ages 21, 19 and 13).

#### Getting Off On The Right Foot

The Irish have posted their best team scores during the first round of tournament play this year, carding a 298.29 over the opening 18 holes. Among those leading the charge in the first round are the two sophomores in this week's lineup — Cole Isban (73.14) and Shane Sigsbee (74.25).

#### **Next For The Irish**

Notre Dame goes on a nearly three-week hiatus before returning to the links April 2-3 for the Augusta State (Ga.) Invitational at Forest Hills Golf Club in Augusta, Ga. The Irish will be playing in that event for the second consecutive year, having tied for 14th place in an 18-team field in 2004. This year's event should be just as challenging, led by the host school, which is ranked 16th in the latest GCAA/Bridgestone Coaches' Poll.



### 2004-05 NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF **CUMULATIVE STATISTICS**

#### 2004-05 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<b>Score</b>	Top Scoring Individual
Sept. 4-5	Inverness Intercollegiate	Toledo, Ohio	T-5th/13	894 (+42)	T-17th, Gustafson/Deutsch, 223 (+10)
Sept. 13-14	BGSU/John Piper Intercollegiate*	Bowling Green, Ohio	_	_	T-4th, Sigsbee, 213 (-3)
Sept. 17-19	ND Invit./Central Regional Prev.	Notre Dame, Ind.	6th/15	892 (+52)	T-4th, Isban, 216 (+6)
Sept. 27-28	John Dallio Memorial Invitational*	West Chicago, Ill.	_	_	1st, Balderston, 213 (-3)
Oct. 4-5	Windon Memorial Classic	Lake Forest, Ill.	T-14th/18	906 (+54)	T-19th, Rodgers, 220 (+7)
Oct. 4-5	Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational*	Muncie, Ind.	_	_	T-2nd, Sigsbee, 212 (+2)
Oct. 11-12	Eastern Illinois Invitational*	Tuscola, Ill.	_	_	T-3rd, Wiseman/Hoyer, 223 (+7)
Oct. 22-24	The Nelson Invitational	Stanford, Calif.	9th/16	854 (+26)	T-21st, Deutsch/Isban, 213 (+6)
Nov. 1-2	The Prestige at PGA WEST	La Quinta, Calif.	T-10th/16	934 (+70)	2nd, Isban, 219 (+3)
F28 - M1	Tulane Invitational	New Orleans, La.	1st/14	893 (+29)	T-5th, Isban, 221 (+5)
March 7-8	Irish Spring Invitational**	Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla.	T-4th/13	919 (+55)	T-14th, Rodgers, 228 (+12)
	Gen. Jim Hackler Invitational	Myrtle Beach, S.C.			
March 27-29	Ben Mussatto Invitational*	Macomb, Ill.	_	_	
April 1-2	Eastern Kentucky Intercollegiate*	Richmond, Ky.	_	_	
April 2-3	Augusta State Invitational	Augusta, Ga.			
April 11-12	Cleveland State Invitational*	Cleveland, Ohio	_	_	
April 16-17	Texas A&M Invitational	College Station, Texas			
April 23-24	1 1	Notre Dame, Ind.			
A30 - M1	Fossum/TaylorMade Invitational	East Lansing, Mich.			
May 19-21	NCAA Central Regional	Notre Dame, Ind.			
June 1-4	NCAA Championships	Baltimore, Md.			

Home tournaments in **boldface** to be played at Warren Golf Course unless otherwise noted

#### 2004-05 SPRING STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

<u>Name</u>	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	vs. Par	Avg.	<u>18</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>Top 5</u>	<u>Top 10</u>	Best Finish (Event)
Scott Gustafson	1	3	225	+9	75.00	73	225	0	1	T-9th (Irish Invitational)
Cole Isban	2	6	450	+18	75.00	71	221	1	1	T-5th (Tulane Invitational)
Mark Baldwin	2	6	452	+20	75.33	72	222	0	0	T-12th (Tulane Invitational)
Greg Rodgers	1	3	228	+12	76.00	75	228	0	0	T-14th (Irish Invitational)
Tommy Balderston	2	6	463	+31	77.17	71	226	0	0	T-19th (Tulane Invitational)
Eddie Peckels	2	6	470	+38	78.33	74	226	0	0	T-19th (Tulane Invitational)
Shane Sigsbee	1	3	237	+21	79.00	74	237	0	0	T-34th (Irish Invitational)
Eric Deutsch	2	6	479	+47	79.83	76	235	0	0	T-52nd (Tulane Invitational)
K.C. Wiseman	1	3	241	+25	80.33	79	241	0	0	T-49th (Irish Invitational)
Mike King	1	3	247	+31	82.33	78	247	0	0	T-68th (Irish Invitational)
TEAM TOTALS	2	6	1,812	+84	302.00	293	893	2	2	1st (Tulane Invitational)

#### 2004-05 CUMULATIVE STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

<u>Name</u>	Tourn.	<u>Rds.</u>	Str.	vs. Par	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>Top 5</u>	<u>Top 10</u>	Best Finish (Event)
Cole Isban	7	21	1,550	+59	73.81	68	213	3	3	2nd (Prestige at PGA WEST)
Adam Hoyer	1	3	223	+7	74.33	73	223	1	1	T-3rd (EIU Invitational)
Shane Sigsbee	4	12	901	+49	75.08	68	212	2	2	T-2nd (Yestingsmeier Inv.)
Mark Baldwin	5	15	1,130	+65	75.33	71	214	1	1	T-5th (Yestingsmeier Inv.)
Greg Rodgers	6	18	1,359	+84	75.50	69	216	0	0	T-14th (Irish Invitational)
Tommy Balderston	5	15	1,133	+62	75.53	67	213	1	1	1st (John Dallio Invitational)
Eddie Peckels	4	12	907	+49	75.58	70	215	0	1	T-7th (Yestingsmeier Inv.)
Adam Gifford	3	9	682	+34	75.78	73	222	0	1	T-9th (EIU Invitational)
Mike King	6	18	1,370	+95	76.11	68	214	0	1	T-7th (BGSU/John Piper)
Daniel Klauer	3	9	686	+44	76.22	74	226	0	0	T-37th (John Dallio Inv.)
Eric Deutsch	7	21	1,608	+117	76.57	69	213	0	0	T-12th (ND Invitational)
Scott Gustafson	5	15	1,149	+84	76.60	71	223	0	0	T-9th (Irish Invitational)
K.C. Wiseman	5	15	1,151	+83	76.73	69	223	0	0	T-3rd (EIU Invitational)
Federico Salazar	2	6	473	+41	78.83	72	234	0	0	T-34th (EIU Invitational)
Steve Colnitis	2	6	479	+53	79.83	76	236	0	0	30th (EIU Invitational)
TEAM TOTALS	7	21	6,292	+328	299.62	279	854	3	6	1st (Tulane Invitational)

<sup>\* -</sup> Notre Dame players compete as individuals in these tournaments; no team score recorded
\*\* - held at Mission Inn Resort/El Campeon Course (Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla.)

### NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF 2004-05 MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

#### PERCENTAGE OF ROUNDS COUNTED

<u>Name</u>	<u>Count/Total</u>	<u> Pct.</u>
Eddie Peckels	3/3	1.000
Cole Isban	19/21	.905
Greg Rodgers	16/18	.889
Mark Baldwin	8/9	.889
Eric Deutsch	17/21	.810
Tommy Balderstor	n 7/9	.778
Mike King	7/9	.778
Scott Gustafson	9/12	.750
Shane Sigsbee	1/3	.333

#### **AVERAGE STROKES BEHIND MEDALIST**

<u>Name</u>	Str. Off Lead/Tourn.	Avg.
Adam Hoyer	4/1	4.00
Cole Isban	72/7	10.29
Mark Baldwin	68/5	13.60
Tommy Balderston	69/5	13.80
Eddie Peckels	42/3	14.00
Adam Gifford	42/3	14.00
Shane Sigsbee	58/4	14.50
Greg Rodgers	95/6	15.83
K.C. Wiseman	89/5	17.80
Eric Deutsch	130/7	18.57
Mike King	112/6	18.67
Daniel Klauer	56/3	18.67
Scott Gustafson	94/5	18.80
Federico Salazar	41/2	20.50
Steve Colnitis	51/2	25.50

### STROKE AVERAGE BY ROUND

<u>Name</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Tommy Balderston	74.40	75.80	76.40
Mark Baldwin	76.00	75.00	75.00
Steve Colnitis	80.00	78.50	81.00
Eric Deutsch	77.29	76.29	76.14
Adam Gifford	76.00	75.67	75.67
Scott Gustafson	77.80	77.00	75.00
Adam Hoyer	73.00	73.00	77.00
Cole Isban	73.14	73.43	74.86
Mike King	73.83	77.00	77.50
Daniel Klauer	75.33	76.33	77.00
Eddie Peckels	74.75	75.75	76.25
Greg Rodgers	75.67	75.00	75.83
Federico Salazar	81.00	74.50	81.00
Shane Sigsbee	74.25	73.25	77.75
K.C. Wiseman	78.40	75.60	76.20
TEAM AVERAGES	298.29	300.57	300.00

#### **EVEN & UNDER PAR ROUNDS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Even</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cole Isban	4	2	6
Tommy Balderston	1	3	4
Shane Sigsbee	0	4	4
Mike King	2	1	3
Mark Baldwin	2	0	2
Eric Deutsch	1	1	2
K.C. Wiseman	0	2	2
Eddie Peckels	1	0	1
Greg Rodgers	0	1	1

#### UPDATED CAREER STATISTICS (sorted by stroke average)

<u>Name</u>	Tourn.	Rds.	Str.	Avg.	<u>18</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>Top 5</u>	<u>Top 10</u>	Best Finish (Event)
Adam Hoyer	1	3	223	74.33	73	223	i	1	T-3rd ('04 EIU Invitational)
Cole Isban	18	55	4,108	74.69	68	212	4	6	2nd ('04 Prestige at PGA WEST)
Scott Gustafson	28	82	6,148	74.98	68	210	3	4	T-2nd ('03 BIG EAST Championship)
Greg Rodgers	7	21	1,587	75.57	69	216	0	0	T-14th ('05 Irish Spring Invitational)
Eddie Peckels	4	12	907	75.58	70	215	0	1	T-7th ('04 Yestingsmeier Invitational)
Tommy Balderston	25	73	5,531	75.77	67	213	5	6	1st ('04 John Dallio Invitational)
Mark Baldwin	25	73	5,553	76.07	67	211	2	2	T-5th ('03 Tillinghast/'04 Yestingsmeier)
Mike King	6	18	1,370	76.11	68	214	0	1	T-7th ('04 BGSU/John Piper Intercoll.)
Adam Gifford	5	15	1,146	76.40	73	222	0	1	T-9th ('04 EIU Invitational)
Eric Deutsch	27	79	6,042	76.48	68	213	1	2	T-5th ('04 BIG EAST Championship)
Shane Sigsbee	13	31	2,376	76.65	68	212	3	3	T-2nd ('04 Yestingsmeier Invitational)
K.C. Wiseman	16	47	3,644	77.53	69	223	1	1	T-3rd ('04 EIU Invitational)
Daniel Klauer	7	21	1,633	77.76	74	226	0	0	T-37th ('04 John Dallio Invitational)
Steve Colnitis	12	33	2,569	77.84	72	230	0	0	20th ('02 BIG EAST Championship)
Federico Salazar	2	6	473	78.83	72	234	0	0	T-34th ('04 EIU Invitational)

### NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF 2004-05 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

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September 10-11 • Inverness Club (Toledo, Ohio) Par 71 • 7,255 yards

Notre Dame 294-300-300=894 (+42) (T-5th of 13)						
Scott Gustafson	73-75-75=223	+10	T-17th (66)			
Eric Deutsch	69-75- <u>79</u> =223	+10	T-17th			
Cole Isban	78-73-75=226	+13	T-25th			
Greg Rodgers	74- <u>79</u> -75=228	+15	T-31st			
Mark Baldwin	82-77-75=234	+21	T-47th			

#### **BGSU/JOHN PIPER INTERCOLLEGIATE**

September 13-14 • Stone Ridge Golf Club (Bowling Green, Ohio) Par 72 • 7,064 yards

Shane Sigsbee*	70-68-75=213	-3	T-4th (81)
Mike King*	68-72-74=214	-2	T-7th
K.C. Wiseman*	77-77-71=225	+9	T-34th
Daniel Klauer*	74-76-76=226	+10	T-38th
Adam Gifford*	80-78-75=233	+17	60th

# NOTRE DAME INVITATIONAL/CENTRAL REGIONAL PREVIEW September 17-19 • Lost Dunes GC (Bridgman, Mich.)/Warren GC (ND) Par 70 • 6,875 yards (Lost Dunes) Par 70 • 7,011 yards (Warren) Notre Dame 299-299-294=892 (+52) (6th of 15)

Cole Isban	72-76-68=216	+6	T-4th (81)
Eric Deutsch	73-72-75=220	+10	T-12th
Greg Rodgers	77-73-78=228	+18	T-37th
Mike King	77-78-73=228	+18	T-37th
Shane Sigsbee	<u>79</u> - <u>82</u> -78=239	+29	72nd
Tommy Balderston*	74-77-73=224	+14	T-23rd
Mark Baldwin*	74-79-77=230	+20	T-42nd
Daniel Klauer*	75-76-79=230	+20	T-42nd
K.C. Wiseman*	81-79-76=236	+26	T-65th
Steve Colnitis*	82-76-75=243	+33	T-76th

#### JOHN DALLIO MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL

September 27-28 • Prairie Landing Golf Club (West Chicago, Ill.) Par 72 • 6,968 yards

Tommy Balderston*	72-67-74=213	-3	1st (75)
Adam Gifford*	75-73-74=222	+6	T-17th
Eddie Peckels*	74-73-75=222	+6	T-17th
Daniel Klauer*	77-77-76=230	+14	T-37th
Federico Salazar*	75-72-87=234	+18	T-52nd

#### WINDON MEMORIAL CLASSIC

October 4-5 • Conway Farms Golf Club (Lake Forest, Ill.) Par 71 • 6,849 yards

Notre Dame 307-295-304=906 (+54) (T-14th of 18)						
Greg Rodgers	74-69-77=220	+7	T-19th (90)			
Cole Isban	76-71- <u>79</u> =226	+13	T-44th			
Tommy Balderston	77-78-78=233	+20	T-74th			
Eric Deutsch	80-77-77=234	+21	T-77th			
Scott Gustafson	<u>86</u> -78-72=236	+23	T-82nd			

#### EARL YESTINGSMEIER INVITATIONAL

October 4-5 • Delaware Country Club (Muncie, Ind.) Par 70 • 6,438 yards

Shane Sigsbee*	69-69-74=212	+2	T-2nd (90)
Mark Baldwin*	72-71-71=214	+4	T-5th
Eddie Peckels*	72-73-70=215	+5	T-7th
Mike King*	70-78-75=223	+13	T-34th
K.C. Wiseman*	80-69-77=226	+16	T-52nd

#### EASTERN ILLINOIS INVITATIONAL

October 11-12 • Ironhorse Golf Club (Tuscola, Ill.) Par 72 • 7,046 yards

K.C. Wiseman*	75-74-74=223	+7	T-3rd (60)
Adam Hoyer*	73-73-77=223	+7	T-3rd
Adam Gifford*	73-76-78=227	+11	T-9th
Steve Colnitis*	78-81-77=236	+20	30th
Federico Salazar*	87-77-75=239	+23	T-34th

#### THE NELSON INVITATIONAL

October 22-24 • Stanford Golf Course (Stanford, Calif.)

Par 69 • 6,444 yards

Notre Dame 279-288-287=854 (+26) (9th of 16)						
Eric Deutsch	69-72-72=213	+6	T-21st (84)			
Cole Isban	69-73-71=213	+6	T-21st			
Mike King	70-72-73=215	+8	T-31st			
Greg Rodgers	<u>74</u> -71-71=216	+9	T-37th			
Scott Gustafson	71- <u>76</u> - <u>76</u> =223	+16	T-65th			

#### THE PRESTIGE AT PGA WEST

November 1-2 • Greg Norman Course/PGA WEST (La Quinta, Calif.) Par 72 • 7,156 yards

Notre Dame 311-322-301=934 (+70) (T-10th of 16)					
Cole Isban	72-74-73=219	+3	2nd (84)		
Greg Rodgers	79-83-77=239	+23	T-49th		
Eric Deutsch	<u>84</u> -82-73=239	+23	T-49th		
Scott Gustafson	81-83-78=242	+26	T-57th		
Mike King	79- <u>84</u> - <u>80</u> =243	+27	T-61st		

#### NOKIA SUGAR BOWL TULANE INVITATIONAL

F28-M1 • English Turn Golf & Country Club (New Orleans, La.) Par 72 • 7,078 yards

Notre Dame 305-293-295=893 (+29) (1st of 14) (won on first extra hole)						
Cole Isban	73-71- <u>77</u> =221	+5	T-5th (75)			
Mark Baldwin	78-72-72=222	+6	T-12th			
Tommy Balderston	78- <u>77</u> -71=226	+10	T-19th			
Eddie Peckels	76-74-76=226	+10	T-19th			
Eric Deutsch	83-76-76=235	+19	T-52nd			

#### IRISH SPRING INVITATIONAL

March 7-8 • El Campeon Course/Mission Inn (Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla.) Par 72 • 6,901 yards

Notre Dame 293-307-319=919 (+55) (T-4th of 13)					
Greg Rodgers	76-75-77=228	+12	T-14th (75)		
Cole Isban	72-76-81=229	+13	19th		
Mark Baldwin	74-76-80=230	+14	T-20th		
Tommy Balderston	71-80- <u>86</u> =237	+21	T-34th		
Eric Deutsch	<u>83</u> -80-81=244	+28	T-56th		
Scott Gustafson*	78-73-74=225	+9	T-9th		
Shane Sigsbee*	79-74-84=237	+21	T-34th		
K.C. Wiseman*	79-79-83=241	+25	T-49th		
Eddie Peckels*	77-83-84=244	+28	T-56th		
Mike King*	79-78-90=247	+31	T-68th		

<sup>\* -</sup> competed as individual; score not counted to team total NOTE: <u>underlined</u> rounds not counted to team score

### NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF 2004-05 INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Tommy Balderston (	Ir., Boca Raton, Fl	<u>a.)</u>		Mike King (Fr., Sidn	ey, Ohio)		
Notre Dame Inv.*	74-77-73=224	+14	T-23rd	BGSU/John Piper*	68-72-74=214	-2	T-7th
John Dallio Inv.*	72-67-74=213	-3	1st	Notre Dame Inv.	77-78-73=228	+18	T-37th
Windon Memorial	77-78-78=233	+20	T-74th	Yestingsmeier Inv.*	70-78-75=223	+13	T-34th
Tulane Invitational	78- <u>77</u> -71=226	+10	T-19th	Nelson Invitational	70-72-73=215	+8	T-31st
Irish Invitational	71-80- <u>86</u> =237	+21	T-34th	Prestige at PGA WEST	79- <u>84</u> - <u>80</u> =243	+27	T-61st
				Irish Invitational*	79-78-90=247	+31	T-68th
Mark Baldwin (Jr., L	aconia, N.H.)						
Inverness Intercoll.	82-77-75=234	+21	T-47th	Daniel Klauer (Jr., G	ranger, Ind.)		
Notre Dame Inv.*	74-79-77=230	+20	T-42nd	BGSU/John Piper*	74-76-76=226	+10	T-38th
Yestingsmeier Inv.*	72-71-71=214	+4	T-5th	Notre Dame Inv.*	75-76-79=230	+20	T-42nd
							T-37th
Tulane Invitational	78-72-72=222	+6	T-12th	John Dallio Inv.*	77-77-76=230	+14	1-3/m
Irish Invitational	74-76-80=230	+14	T-20th				
				Eddie Peckels (Fr., P	inehurst, N.C.)		
Steve Colnitis (Sr., B	aldwin, Md.)			John Dallio Inv.*	74-73-75=222	+6	T-17th
Notre Dame Inv.*	82-76-75=243	+33	T-76th	Yestingsmeier Inv.*	72-73-70=215	+5	T-7th
EIU Invitational*	78-81-77=236	+20	30th	Tulane Invitational	76-74-76=226	+10	T-19th
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				Irish Invitational*	77-83-84=244	+28	T-56th
Eric Deutsch (Jr., Roc	chester, Minn.)						
Inverness Intercoll.	69-75-79=223	+10	T-17th	Greg Rodgers (Fr., Pl	nooniv Md)		
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Nelson Invitational	69-72-72=213	+6	T-21st	Notre Dame Inv.	77-73-78=228	+18	T-37th
				Windon Memorial	74-69-77=220	+7	T-19th
Prestige at PGA WEST	<u>84</u> -82-73=239	+23	T-49th	Nelson Invitational	<u>74</u> -71-71=216	+9	T-37th
Tulane Invitational	<u>83</u> -76-76=235	+19	T-52nd	Prestige at PGA WEST	79-83-77=239	+23	T-49th
Irish Invitational	<u>83</u> -80-81=244	+28	T-56th	Irish Invitational	76-75-77=228	+12	T-14th
Adam Gifford (So., I				Federico Salazar (Jr.,	Bogota, Colombi	<u>a)</u>	
BGSU/John Piper*	80-78-75=233	+17	60th	John Dallio Inv.*	75-72-87=234	+18	T-52nd
John Dallio Inv.*	75-73-74=222	+6	T-17th	EIU Invitational*	87-77-75=239	+23	T-34th
EIU Invitational*	73-76-78=227	+11	T-9th	Ero mvitationar	0, 7, 70 20	120	1 0141
Scott Gustafson (Jr.,	Eden Prairie. Min	n.)		Shane Sigsbee (So., I			m 4d
Inverness Intercoll.	73-75-75=223	+10	T-17th	BGSU/John Piper*	70-68-75=213	-3	T-4th
Windon Memorial	86-78-72=236	+23	T-82nd	Notre Dame Inv.	<u>79</u> - <u>82</u> -78=239	+29	72nd
Nelson Invitational	71- <u>76</u> - <u>76</u> =223	+16	T-65th	Yestingsmeier Inv.*	69-69-74=212	+2	T-2nd
				Irish Invitational*	79-74-84=237	+21	T-34th
Prestige at PGA WEST Irish Invitational*	81-83-78=242 78-73-74=225	+26 +9	T-57th T-9th				
mish mivitational	70-75-74-225	19	1-7111	V.C. Wissaman (Sr. S.	outh Dand Ind)		
				K.C. Wiseman (Sr., S		. 0	TF 0.441
Adam Hoyer (So., Lu	ıtz Fla)			BGSU/John Piper*	77-77-71=225	+9	T-34th
-		+7	T-3rd	Notre Dame Inv.*	81-79-76=236	+26	T-65th
EIU Invitational*	73-73-77=223	+/	1-31u	Yestingsmeier Inv.*	80-69-77=226	+16	T-52nd
				EIU Invitational*	75-74-74=223	+7	T-3rd
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Cole Isban (So., Sout							
Inverness Intercoll.	78-73-75=226	+13	T-25th				
Notre Dame Inv.	72-76-68=216	+6	T-4th				
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Nelson Invitational	69-73-71=213	+6	T-21st	NOTE: underlined rounds no			
Prestige at PGA WEST	72-74-73=219	+3	2nd				
Tulane Invitational	73-71- <u>77</u> =221	+5	T-5th				
Irish Invitational	73-71- <u>77</u> =221 72-76-81=229	+13	1-3th				
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## NOTRE DAME MEN'S GOLF 2004-05 vs. OPPONENTS (52-42-4)

UAB (Alabama-Birmingnam) 1-0	
Arkansas1-0	
(16) Augusta State1-0	
*Ball State1-0	1
*Bowling Green1-0	
(10) BYU0-1	
California0-1	
(38) UCF (Central Florida) 0-0-1	
*Cleveland State1-0	
Colorado1-2	
Colorado State1-1	
(17) Duke 0-1	
*Eastern Kentucky1-0	
*Eastern Michigan1-0	
Florida Southern1-0	
Furman1-0	
(22) Georgia Southern0-1	
(23) Georgia State0-1	
Idaho1-0	
*Illinois1-1	
*(35) Indiana0-1	
Iowa State 1-0	1
Jacksonville State1-0	1
(42) Kansas 0-3	
Kansas State1-1	
*(28) Kent State0-3	,
*(25) Kentucky0-1	
Louisiana-Lafayette1-0	
(43) LSU0-1	
*(8) Michigan State0-2	
Middle Tennessee1-0	)
*(21) Minnesota0-1	
(40) Mississippi1-0	)
Mississippi State1-0	
Missouri1-1	
(4) New Mexico0-1	
New Orleans1-0	
North Carolina State1-0	
North Carolina-Wilmington1-0	
North Florida0-1	
Northern Colorado2-0	
*(47) Northwestern 2-1	
(50) Oklahoma 0-2	
Orogon 0.0.1	

### IRISH IN THE POLLS

TEAM (Golfweek/Sagarin - March 7)	
National Ranking	62nd
Midwest District Ranking	
TOP 300 PLAYERS (Golfweek/Sagarin -	March 7)
Cole Isban	86th
Core isbair	

Pacific	
Penn State	0-0-1
(33) Pepperdine	1-0
*(29) Purdue	
Richmond	2-0
Rollins (Fla.)	1-0
San Diego State	
(49) SMU	
(47) Stanford	0-3
South Alabama	
Southeastern Louisiana	1-0
Southern Mississippi	
(11) TCU	0-1
(41) Texas A&M	1-0
Texas-Pan American	
(26) Texas Tech	0-2
*Toledo	2-1
Tulane	2-0
Tulsa	2-0
UC Davis	1-1-1
UC Irvine	0-1
(12) UCLA	0-1
(18) UNLV	
Washington State	
West Florida	
Wichita State	
*(45) Xavier	1-0
Yale	
OVERALL RECORD	. 52-42-4 (.551)
VS. DIVISION I OPPONENTS	
VS. MIDWEST DISTRICT	. 11-12-0 (.478)

<sup>\* -</sup> Midwest District team // (x) - current Golfweek Top 50 ranking



## JIM KUBINSKI

Head Coach • First Year at Notre Dame Springfield College (1993)

Jim Kubinski, an assistant golf coach at Duke University since 2003 and one of the nation's top young golf teachers, was named the new head men's golf coach at the University of Notre Dame on Jan. 28. Kubinski is just the sixth head coach in the 76-year history of the Irish men's golf program, inheriting a storied tradition that includes one national championship, 10 top-five NCAA Championship finishes and 31 trips to

the NCAA Championship.

It didn't take long for Kubinski to make his mark at Notre Dame. In his first tournament at the helm of the Irish, the rookie mentor helped guide Notre Dame to the championship of the NOKIA Sugar Bowl Tulane Invitational, winning the title on the first hole of a sudden death playoff against UNC Wilmington. It was the first tournament crown of the 2004-05 season for Notre Dame and made Kubinski the first Irish men's golf coach since 1961 to win the opening

event of his career. That season, Rev. Clarence Durbin, C.S.C., led the Irish to a 23.5-6.5 dual-match win over Western Michigan.

Kubinski, 34, takes over a Notre Dame squad that looked sharp during the fall 2004 season, posting a 298.67 stroke average (currently third-best in school history). Fresh off their first NCAA postseason berth in 38 years, the Irish also will be seeking to make back-to-back NCAA tournament appearances for the first time since a run of seven consecutive NCAA berths from 1960-66.

Kubinski came to Notre Dame after spending a year and a half as the assistant men's and women's golf coach at Duke. During his tenure, the Blue Devil men's team won three tournaments, qualified for



the 2004 NCAA East Regional (missing the NCAA Championship field by a single stroke), and rose to No. 13 in the *Golfweek* rankings at the close of the fall 2004 season. He also worked closely with 2004 third-team All-American and all-Atlantic Coast Conference selection Nathan Smith, as well as '04 honorable mention All-American and all-ACC pick Ryan Blaum, resulting in his nomination for the Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA) Assistant Coach of the Year award.

In his capacity as an aide with the Duke women's squad, he played an integral role in the Blue Devils' 10 tournament victories (in 11 events), their ascension to No. 1 in the *Golfweek* rankings, the 2004 ACC and NCAA East Regional titles, and a third-place finish at the '04 NCAA Championship.

Kubinski was a three-year golf letterman and two-year team captain at Springfield (Mass.) College before graduating in 1993. A two-time all-Northeast 10 Conference selection in 1991 and 1992, he also received the Springfield College Maroon Club Award for academic and athletic achievement in 1992. His playing experience continued on the North Atlantic Tour where he tied for sixth place at the Boston Open in 1995, and he also has competed in the Carolinas Section PGA.

Born May 4, 1970 in Springfield, Mass., Kubinski is engaged to Sarah Struthers of Durham, N.C., with the couple slated to marry in October 2005.