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74TH ANNUAL BLUE-GOLD SCRIMMAGE : APRIL 26, 2003

2003 IRISH SCHEDULE

Sept. 6	WASHINGTON STATE	1:30 EST
Sept. 13	at Michigan	TBA
Sept. 20	MICHIGAN STATE	1:30 EST
Sept. 27	at Purdue	TBA
Oct. 11	at Pittsburgh	TBA
Oct. 18	USC	1:30 EST
Oct. 25	at Boston College	TBA
Nov. 1	FLORIDA STATE	2:30 EST
Nov. 8	NAVY	2:30 EST
Nov. 15	BYU	2:30 EST
Nov. 29	at Stanford	TBA
Dec. 6	at Syracuse	1:00 EST

2002 IRISH RESULTS (10-3)

Aug. 31	vs. Maryland (21/20)*	W, 22-0
Sept. 7	(23/24) PURDUE	W, 24-17
Sept. 14	(20/21) MICHIGAN (7/6)	W, 25-23
Sept. 21	(12/12) at Michigan State	W, 21-17
Oct. 5	(9/9) STANFORD	W, 31-7
Oct. 12	(8/8) PITTSBURGH	W, 14-6
Oct. 19	(7/7) at Air Force (18/15)	W, 21-14
Oct. 26	(6/6) at Florida St. (11/13)	W, 34-24
Nov. 2	(4/6) BOSTON COLLEGE	L, 7-14
Nov. 9	(9/10) vs. Navy**	W, 30-23
Nov. 23	(8/8) RUTGERS	W, 42-0
Nov. 30	(7/7) at USC (6/6)	L, 13-44
Jan. 1	(11/12) N.C. State (17/17)***	L, 6-28

* Kickoff Classic XX (East Rutherford, N.J.)
 ** Game played at Ravens Stadium (Baltimore, Md.)
 *** Toyota Gator Bowl (Jacksonville, Fla.)

FUTURE IRISH SCHEDULES

2004 SCHEDULE

Sept. 11	MICHIGAN
Sept. 18	at Michigan State
Sept. 25	WASHINGTON
Oct. 2	PURDUE
Oct. 9	STANFORD
Oct. 16	vs. Navy (East Rutherford, NJ)
Oct. 23	BOSTON COLLEGE
Oct. 30	at BYU
Nov. 6	at Tennessee
Nov. 13	PITTSBURGH
Nov. 27	at USC

2005 SCHEDULE

Sept. 10	at Michigan
Sept. 17	MICHIGAN STATE
Sept. 24	at Washington
Oct. 1	at Purdue
Oct. 8	at Pittsburgh
Oct. 15	USC
Oct. 22	BYU
Nov. 5	TENNESSEE
Nov. 12	NAVY
Nov. 19	SYRACUSE
Nov. 26	at Stanford

Notre Dame *Fighting Irish*

74th Annual BLUE-GOLD SCRIMMAGE



The Date and Time: Saturday, April 26, 2003, at 1:30 p.m. EST.

The Site: Notre Dame Stadium (80,795/natural grass) in Notre Dame, Ind.

The Tickets: In advance, \$8 for adults and \$6 for youths 16-and-under. Fans also could purchase special ticket packages to this year's game. The "Pre-Game with The Irish" package includes pre-game brunch with Irish players and coaches Saturday at 9:30 a.m., and sideline access and preferred seating during the scrimmage, while the "View from the Top" package features press box seating for Saturday's scrimmage. Tickets for both the "Pre-Game with the Irish" (1,000 seats) and the "View From the Top" (200 seats) package are sold out. Ticket prices the day of the game are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children 16-and-under.

The Radio Plans: The Blue-Gold scrimmage will be broadcast live on radio by South Bend's ESPN Radio 1620 AM (**Jeff Jeffers** and **Andy Budzinski**) and a live broadcast from the Notre Dame student radio station, WVFI, is available through the Notre Dame athletic department web site at www.und.com.

BLUE-GOLD HISTORY

This is the 74th annual Blue-Gold football event, Notre Dame's final controlled scrimmage of the 2003 spring season.

THE PROCEEDS OF THE GAME

Proceeds from the Blue-Gold scrimmage benefit the scholarship fund of the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley, which is sponsoring Saturday's game.

BLUE-GOLD ATTENDANCE

Much of the Blue-Gold crowd typically has been of the walk-up variety on gameday. The attendance when the game has been played at Notre Dame Stadium has been routinely at least 20,000 fans -- with highs of 35,675 in '81, 32,071 in '86 and 29,541 in '90. Last year's game drew a crowd of 17,025 despite extremely poor weather conditions. In 1997, Notre Dame conducted a pair of Blue-Gold scrimmages at Moose Krause Stadium (capacity 9,700), drawing crowds of 8,240 and 9,241. Those spring games were moved to the smaller Krause Stadium while the expansion of Notre Dame Stadium was being completed.

THE PRE-GAME FESTIVITIES

The Blue-Gold Spring Football Festival begins at 9:30 a.m. (EST) with the pre-game brunch with Notre Dame players and coaches (tickets only). An interactive fan festival in the Joyce Center south parking lot will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the Notre Dame Stadium gates will open at 11:30 a.m. for the alumni flag football game. At noon, a group of former Irish football players will participate in a flag football game.

Players returning for the flag football game include: Brad Alge*, Brian Baker*, Bernie Bauer*, Kurt Belisle, Pat Boggs*, Luther Bradley*, Bobby Brown, Al Buccia, Jim Carroll*, Joe Carroll, Phil Carter, Dan Corsaro*, Tony Driver*, Dan Farrell, D'Juan Francisco, Joe Freebery*, Paul Grimm, Kris Haines, Ted Horansky, David Humenik, Jack Landry, Charles Lauck, Brian Lewallen, Tim Lynch, Joe Maxim*, Bob McBride*, Kevin McShane, Bernie (Bud) Meter*, John Meyer*, Kory Minor, Brendan O'Connor, Mark Rule, Jeremy Sample, Matt Sarb, Tim Scannell*, John Shingler*, Jack Simon*, Stan Smagala, Chris Smith, Bill Snyder, Pat Steenberge, Ralph Stepaniak*, Cliff Stroud*, Pete Sullivan, Mike Tribe, Larry Williams*, Greg Williamson, Jerry Wisne*, Shawn Wooden* and Kurt Zackrison (* - indicates those who will not play).

PRE-GAME AUTOGRAPHS

Beginning at 10:30 a.m. EST Saturday, Irish players will appear on the concourse area for a one-hour autograph session. Players will be stationed at various gate entrances around Notre Dame Stadium. The autograph session will take place, rain or shine.



POST-GAME MEDIA INTERVIEW POLICY

Please submit the names of any players or assistant coaches you wish to interview to Notre Dame assistant sports information director **Lisa Mushett** by the end of the third quarter.

Following the game, Irish head coach **Tyrone Willingham** will speak first in the interview room.

Then, only those players and assistant coaches who have been requested will be brought to the interview room. They will be stationed around the room, and the media will then have an opportunity to speak to them. This is the only place where they may be interviewed.

Any additional questions regarding Notre Dame football should be directed to Mushett, associate athletics director **John Heisler** or assistant sports information director **Chris Masters**. In addition, if you wish to be placed on the Irish football media e-mail list, please contact Masters via e-mail at masters.5@nd.edu.

BLUE-GOLD PLAYERS OF THE GAME

Media members will vote for both the offensive and defensive player of the game. Please turn in your ballot to **Lisa Mushett** by the end of the third quarter. The most valuable players will be announced at the end of the scrimmage.

FALL REPORTING DATE

Irish players will report to campus August 10 to begin fall workouts leading into Notre Dame's season opener Sept. 6 vs. Washington State. A full schedule of practice dates and times, as well as the announcement of the 2003 Irish Football Media Day, will be released at a later time.

THE SCRIMMAGE FORMAT

The Blue-Gold scrimmage will feature a matchup of teams selected by the Irish coaching staff prior to the contest. Some players also may change teams during the course of the game.

There will be four, 12-minute quarters with the clock running continuously, except for the final two minutes of each half, when conventional clock stoppage rules will apply (incomplete passes, out of bounds, first downs, penalties, etc.). All of the Notre Dame coaches will be on the field during the course of the game.

HALFTIME FESTIVITIES

Several presentations will take place at halftime of Saturday's game including the Chevrolet Player of the Game Awards from the 2002 season; the William Reynolds Award; and the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Scholarship Awards.

ROSTER CHANGES

Eight current Irish players will be changing numbers for the 2003 season. Sophomore FS/SS **Quentin Burrell** will now wear No. 8, junior CB **Dwight Ellick** will don No. 24, sophomore OL **Brian Mattes** will wear No. 79, senior TE **Patrick Nally** will sport No. 88, junior FB/TB **Rashon Powers-Neal** now wears No. 16, senior FB **Mike Profeta** is in No. 38, sophomore LB **Anthony Salvador** will wear No. 43 and junior C **Jeff Thompson** has changed to No. 72.

Eight walk-on Irish players also have been added to the spring roster. Freshman PK **Craig Cardillo** (Hauppauge, N.Y./Hauppauge H.S.) will wear No. 91, freshman NG **Dan Chervanick** (Leesport, Pa./Holy Name H.S.) will don No. 59, freshman CB **Matt Mitchell** (Memphis, Tenn./Christian Brothers H.S.) will sport No. 37, sophomore WR **Adam Rieck** (Menard, Texas/Menard H.S.) will wear No. 38, junior LB **Christopher Seponski** (Phoenixville, Pa./Phoenixville Area H.S.) will don No. 53, sophomore DE **Justin Stetz** (Parma, Ohio/Cleveland St. Ignatius H.S.) will sport No. 94, junior SS **Brian Thomas** (Shoreview, Minn./Mounds View H.S.) will wear No. 37 and sophomore LB **Ray Webber** (North Royalton, Ohio/St. Edward H.S.) will don No. 40.

POSITION CHANGES

Several Notre Dame players have changed positions for the Irish during the offseason, most notably **Jeff Thompson**, who has gone from defensive tackle to center. Others playing new positions include: **Rashon Powers-Neal** who will split time between halfback and fullback, **Carlos Campbell** who has gone from receiver to cornerback and could switch to safety by fall practice, **Brian Mattes** who is now a member of the offensive line, and **Nate Schiccatano** who will share time between halfback and fullback. Some other players will be sharing time between positions, including senior **Darrell Campbell** (DT and DE) and senior **Derek Curry** (OLB and ILB).

COACHING CHANGES

Notre Dame has three new faces on its coaching staff for the 2003 season. **D.J. Durkin** and **Chad Klunder** have come aboard as graduate assistants, while **Jimmy Gonzales** has been hired as director of personnel development.

Durkin will work on the defensive side of the ball, assisting with all aspects of the defense and working specifically with defensive line coach **Greg Mattison**. A native of Youngstown, Ohio, Durkin comes to Notre Dame after serving as the defensive ends coach and a graduate assistant coach at Bowling Green State University the past two seasons. He worked specifically with the defensive ends and assisted with all aspects of special teams.

Klunder will work with the offense, and specifically with offensive coordinator **Bill Diedrick**, in his position. From Waverly, Iowa, Klunder comes to Notre Dame after serving as the running backs coach and coordinator of football operations at Harvard University since 1998. He was responsible for all running back unit meetings, practice organization and position evaluations.

Gonzales will work with recruiting and player development among other things. He comes to Notre Dame after serving as the director of football operations and recruiting coordinator at Army since 1999. In that role, Gonzales handled the administrative operations of the football program, aided in recruiting weekends and team travel and assisted in community service projects and community events.

2003 NOTRE DAME OPPONENT UPDATE

Notre Dame once again played one of the nation's toughest schedules in 2002, as it faced eight teams that appeared in bowl games (Maryland, Purdue, Michigan, Pittsburgh, Air Force, Florida State, Boston



IRISH NOW FIFTH IN NACDA DIRECTORS' CUP STANDINGS

The University of Notre Dame stands in fifth place in the third set of winter sports standings released in the 2002-03 Division I NACDA Directors' Cup all-sports competition sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (formerly known as Sears Directors' Cup), including the combined national championship brought home last month by the Irish men's and women's fencing teams.

Notre Dame had stood in third place following the end of the fall sports seasons (that marked the highest ranking for Notre Dame since the Irish were third in the '96-'97 final fall standings -- Notre Dame ended up 14th overall that year).

So far this winter, the Irish have earned 345 points -- 100 points from the NCAA fencing title, 64 each from NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearances by both the men's and women's basketball teams, 40.5 points from a 32nd-place finish in women's indoor track and field, 39 from a 33rd-place finish in women's swimming and 37.5 points from a 34th-place finish in men's indoor track and field.

Fall NCAA competition earned the Irish 319 points based on their third-place finish in women's cross country (85 points, highest total ever in that sport for the Irish), their 22nd-place finish in men's cross country (30 points), their third-round appearance in women's soccer (64 points), their second-round appearances in men's soccer and volleyball (50 points each) and their 17th-place finish in football in the final *USA Today*/ESPN poll (40 points).

Notre Dame was the only school in the country to make postseason appearances in all six of those sports during the fall 2002 season. Notre Dame and Texas are the only schools in the country to play in football bowl games and also advance to the Sweet Sixteen in both men's and women's basketball.

Stanford (984 points) leads the competition thanks to its NCAA championship in men's cross country and its second-place finishes in volleyball, women's cross country and men's soccer. Second is Penn State, followed by Michigan, Texas and Notre Dame.

The current standings include results from NCAA fall competition in volleyball, field hockey, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's soccer and football - plus winter competition in fencing, men's and women's swimming, wrestling, skiing, men's and women's track and field, men's and women's basketball, men's ice hockey and men's gymnastics.

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 and 13th in 2001-02.

Here are the current standings: 1. Stanford 984, 2. Penn State 817.5, 3. Michigan 767.5, 4. Texas 668.5, 5. **NOTRE DAME 664**, 6. Ohio State 632, 7. Minnesota 615, 8. North Carolina 556.5, 9. Wisconsin 523, 10. Auburn 518, 11. Indiana 491.25, 12. USC 450, 13. Florida 446, 14. (tie) Arizona State and California 440 each.

College and USC). The Irish also played six teams that were ranked in the *Associated Press* poll at kickoff, winning four times to tie eventual national champion Ohio State for the most victories against Top 25 opponents last season.

This season could prove to be just as tough as the Irish face three Bowl Championship Series teams (Washington State, USC and Florida State) and seven teams that went to bowl games in 2002. Notre Dame also will play five teams that finished in the AP Top 25, including Washington State, Michigan, Pittsburgh, USC and Florida State. The following is a list of 2003 Notre Dame opponents and how they fared last season:

Opponent	'02 Record	Bowl Game
Washington State	10-2	Rose
Michigan	10-3	Outback
Michigan State	4-8	--
Purdue	7-6	Sun
Pittsburgh	9-4	Insight
USC	11-2	Orange
Boston College	9-4	Motor City
Florida State	9-5	Sugar
Navy	2-10	--
BYU	5-7	--
Stanford	2-9	--
Syracuse	4-8	--

Notre Dame 2003 Opponents' Combined Record in 2002: 82-68 (.547)

THEISMANN SELECTED FOR 2003 COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME CLASS

Former Notre Dame All-America quarterback **Joe Theismann** was one of 11 former college players and two coaches named March 24 to the National Football Foundation's 2003 College Football Hall of Fame Division I-A class by Jon F. Hanson, chairman of the National Football Foundation.

The 2003 College Football Hall of Fame class will be inducted at the 46th Annual Awards Dinner on Dec. 9, 2003, at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City. The players and coaches will be officially enshrined at the Hall of Fame in South Bend in August 2004.

Theismann launched an attack on the Irish passing record books, setting 19 school marks while leading the team to its first bowl appearance in 45 years in 1969 and a 10-1 record capped by a Cotton Bowl victory in 1970 over top-rated and unbeaten Texas.

A first-team All-America selection as a senior by *Associated Press*, Theismann was the runner-up in the Heisman Trophy voting in 1970. A participant in the 1970 Hula Bowl, Theismann set school records for passing yards in a game (526), yards in a season (2,429) and touchdowns in a season (16) among others. He ranked second in the nation in total offense as a senior at 291.3 yards per game - and that year he helped the Irish as a team average 510.5 total yards per game and 252.7 passing yards per game, two marks that remain all-time Notre Dame bests.

In three seasons, Theismann led the Fighting Irish to a 20-3-2 record while completing 290 passes on 509 attempts for 4,411 yards, a mark that still ranks fifth in school history. Honored for his classroom prowess, he earned Academic All-America® honors in 1970 and was later named to the GTE Academic All-America® Hall of Fame.

Following graduation, Theismann embarked on a 15-year professional career, his final 12 years in the NFL as a member of the Washington Redskins. Upon retirement, he became a highly successful businessman as well as a prominent television sports analyst for ESPN. Theismann continues to support such charitable interests as the United Way, March of Dimes, American Heart Association, Cystic Fibrosis, Special Olympics, Boy Scouts of America and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Originally from South River, N.J., Theismann becomes the 40th Notre Dame player to be chosen for the Hall of Fame since inductions began in 1951. Five former Irish coaches also have been selected. No other school has produced more than those 45 enshrinees, the most recent being Ralph Guglielmi in 2001. Theismann also becomes the eighth Notre Dame quarterback selected to the Hall of Fame, joining Frank Carideo in 1954, Harry Stuhldreher in 1958, John Lujack in 1960, Angelo Bertelli in 1972, Paul Hornung in 1985, Bob Williams in 1988 and Guglielmi in 2001.

NOTRE DAME "FIGHTING IRISH"
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April 26, 2003
Official Dress List (84 players)

1	Clark, Jared, TE	49	Curry, Derek, OLB
4*	Grant, Ryan, RB	50	Hilliard, Cedric, NG
5	McKnight, Rhema, WR	51	Ryan, Jamie, OT
6	Campbell, Carlos, CB	53+	Seponski, Christopher, LB
7	Holiday, Carlyle, QB	54+	Fitzgerald, David, OL
8	Burrell, Quentin, FS/SS	55	Giles, Zachary, C
8+^	Krueger, Matt, QB	58+	Jancha, Paul, LS
9	Beckstrom, Jason, CB	59+	Bent, James, OL
9^	Dillingham, Pat, QB	59+^*	Chervanick, Dan, NG
11	Wilson, Marcus, RB	60	Campbell, Darrell, DT
12	Olsen, Chris, QB	62	Raridon, Scott, OT
13	Setta, Nicholas, K/P	64+	Dunn, Casey, OT/OG
14*	Godsey, Gary, TE	65	Milligan, Sean, OG
15	Jackson, Preston, CB	66	Landri, Derek, NG
16	Powers-Neal, Rashon, FB	69	Mitchell, Darin, OG
16+^	Revelle, Stan, QB	70	Molinaro, Jim, OT
18	Rodamer, Ronnie, WR	71*	Bonelli, James, OG/OT
19	Earl, Glenn, FS	71+^	Kowalski, David, OG
19+^	Fitzpatrick, D.J., K/P	72	Thompson, Jeff, C
21	Stovall, Maurice, WR	73	LeVoir, Mark, OT
24	Ellick, Dwight, CB	74	Stevenson, Dan, OG
25	Schiccatano, Nate, FB	75	Frome, Chris, DE
26	Bible, Garron, SS	76	Morton, Bob, C
26+^	Schmidt, Josh, FB	77	Pauly, Greg, DT
27	Bolen, Lionel, SS	79	Mattes, Brian, OL
28+	Laux, Cole, FB	80	Jenkins, Omar, WR
30	Richardson, Mike, CB	82	Shelton, Matt, WR
31	Carney, Jake, FS	84+	O'Hara, Mike, WR
32	Jenkins, Jeff, RB	84+^	Woods, Rob, WR
33	Watson, Courtney, ILB	85	Palmer, Billy, TE
34	Duff, Vontez, CB	87	Freeman, Marcus, TE
37+	Mitchell, Matt, CB	88	Fasano, Anthony, TE
37+^	Thomas, Brian, SS	88+^	Nally, Patrick, TE
38+	Profeta, Mike, RB	90	Beidatsch, Brian, DE
38+^	Rieck, Adam, WR	91+	Cardillo, Craig, PK
39	Hoyte, Brandon, ILB	92	Budinscak, Kyle, DE
39+^	Bemenderfer, David, SS	93	Santucci, Dan, DE
40+	Schomas, Nate, WR	94+	Stetz, Justin, DE
40+^	Webber, Ray, LB	97	Leitko, Travis, DE
41*	Goolsby, Mike, ILB	99	Sapp, Jason, DE
43+	Salvador, Anthony, ILB		
44	Tuck, Justin, DE		
46*	Mays, Corey, ILB		
48	Collins, Jerome, OLB/DE		

+ - Indicates non-scholarship player

^ - Indicates duplicate number

* - Indicates injured player