



NOTRE DAME

CROSS COUNTRY

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NATIONAL CATHOLIC

MEET INFORMATION

	Friday, Sept. 15 3:30 p.m. ET	Burke Golf Course
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

3:30 p.m.	JV Race	Men & women start simultaneously, with the women running 5,000m and the men running 8,000m
4:15 p.m.	Women's Championship	5,000m
5 p.m.	Men's Championship	8,000m (5 miles)

THE COACHES

	Coaching Staff	Title	Years at Notre Dame
	Alan Turner	Head Coach	4th
	Matt Sparks	Associate Head Coach	4th
	Sean Carlson	Assistant Coach	7th

BY THE NUMBERS

1	Irish junior Anna Rohrer won her first career ACC Championship in Cary, N.C., in 2016. The current junior recorded three additional conference titles in track last season.
2	The Irish men's squad recorded its second straight perfect score at the Crusader Open (Valparaiso, Ind.), topping Valparaiso and Purdue.
3	Notre Dame has won a combined three individual NCAA Cross Country Championships, including one on the women's side and two on the men's side.
4	Head coach Alan Turner enters his fourth season at the helm of the Irish cross country and track and field programs. Turner, a 1992 graduate of Indiana, has been a member of the Irish coaching staff since 2010.
5	The Irish men's team recorded the top five finishers at the Crusader Open on Sept. 1, recording their second straight perfect score at the meet.
8	The USTFCCCA's preseason poll featured the Notre Dame women's cross country team in the No. 8 spot in the country, the highest preseason ranking for the program since 2005.
12	The Irish men's and women's cross country teams have won a combined 12 conference championships. Notre Dame's men's team has seven individual titles, and the women's team owns five.
18:09	Freshman Yared Nuguse ran to first place with a time of 18:09.3 at the Crusader Open on Sept. 1. Nuguse was named ACC Freshman of the Week following his debut performance.
21	Notre Dame cross country and track and field athletes have made 21 appearances at the Olympics.
66	There have been 66 NCAA All-Americans in the history of the Irish cross country program. The men's team boasts a total of 47 All-Americans, while the women's team owns 19 all-time selections.

2017 SCHEDULE

Date	ND Men/Women Rk	Meet	Location	Time/Score
Sept. 1	--/8	Crusader Open	Valparaiso, IN	M-1st/W-2nd
Sept. 15	--/9	National Catholic	Notre Dame, IN	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	--	Joe Piane Invitational	Notre Dame, IN	2 p.m.
Oct. 13	--	Nuttyscombe Invite*	Madison, WI	12 p.m.
Oct. 14	--	Pre-Nationals#	Louisville, KY	12 p.m.
Oct. 27	--	ACC Championships	Louisville, KY	12 p.m.
Nov. 10	--	NCAA Regional	Terre Haute, IN	12 p.m.
Nov. 18	--	NCAA Championships	Louisville, KY	12 p.m.

*Rankings reflect Notre Dame's rank at time of meet | All times Eastern | * women only | # men only*

NATIONAL CATHOLIC INVITATIONAL

Notre Dame opens its home schedule with the 38th National Catholic Invitational on Friday at Burke Golf Course. The meet marks the first of Notre Dame's two home cross country meets this season. The Irish are coming off of first- and second-place finishes from the men's and women's squads, respectively, at the Crusader Open in Valparaiso.

MEET HISTORY

The Irish have won a combined 48 times at the National Catholic, which enters its 38th year. In 2016, the Notre Dame women won its 10th straight National Catholic Invitational, while Saint Louis was victorious on the men's side. The Irish men's squad has won at this meet in eight of the last 11 seasons and in 18 of the last 22.

COMING UP NEXT

Notre Dame is scheduled to host the Joe Piane Invitational at 2 p.m. ET on Sept. 29 at Burke Golf Course. Following the National Catholic, the men's and women's teams each will compete in two additional meets before they travel to Louisville's E.P. Tom Sawyer Park for the Atlantic Coast Conference Championships at noon ET on Oct. 27.



2017 IRISH ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown	High School
Andrew Alexander	FR	Toronto, Canada	Neil McNeil High School
William Cole	FR	Overland Park, Ks.	St. Thomas Aquinas
John Flannery	SR	Bronxville, NY	Bronxville
Brendan Fraser	FR	Pontiac, Mich.	Pontiac Notre Dame Prep
Kyle Fulk	FR	Norwood, N.Y.	
Brian Griffith	FR	Lake Zurich, Ill.	Lake Zurich High School
Parker Jones	FR	Pendleton, Ind.	Pendleton High School
Brent Kennedy	SR	Allegheny Township, PA	Kiski Area
Tyler Keslin	SO	Munster, Ind.	Munster
Sean Kurdy	SO	Citrus Heights, Calif.	Jesuit High School
Dustin Macuiba	SO	Gurnee, Ill.	Warren Township
Peter Monahan	SO	Worcester, Mass.	Saint John's
Yared Nuguse	FR	Louisville, Ky.	Dupont Manual High School
Kevin Pulliam	SR	McLean, VA	Gonzaga College H.S.
Ryan Schweizer	SO	Urbandale, IA	Dowling Catholic
Connor Sheryak	GS	Louisville, Ky.	St. Xavier
Elijah Silva	GS	Toronto, Canada	Brebeuf College School
Bradley Wattleworth	GS	Woodbridge, UK	University of Birmingham UK
Anthony Williams	JR	Bloomington, Ind.	Bloomington South
Vincent Zona	FR	LaGrange, Ill.	Lyons Township High School
Rachel DaDamio	JR	Bloomfield Village, Mich.	Seaholm
Alexis Daugherty	SR	Sammamish, WA	Skyline
Taylor Driscoll	GS	Saratoga Springs, N.Y.	Saratoga Springs Senior
Toni Finnane	JR	Morago, Calif.	Campolindo
Sydney Foreman	SR	Charlotte, NC	Ardrey Kell
Emily Franz	JR	Johnstown, Ohio	Bishop Hartley
Kaitlin Frei	SR	Winnetka, IL	New Trier
Jessica Harris	SR	Cockeysville, MD	Mount de Sales
Kelly Hart	JR	Arlington, Va.	Yorktown
Annie Heffernan	JR	Cincinnati, Ohio	Saint Ursula Academy
Anna Sophia Keller	FR	Effingham, Ill.	St. Anthony High School
Stephanie Knight	SR	Maple Plain, MN	Orono
Kelly Koehnen	FR	Hamilton City, Calif.	Hamilton High School
Maryclare Leonard	FR	Orland Park, Ill.	Marist High School
Claudia Magnussen	FR	Pana, Ill.	Pana High School
Samantha Murray	SR	Defiance, OH	Defiance
Lexi Pelletier	GS	Hampton, N.H.	Winnacunnett
Anna Rohrer	JR	Mishawaka, Ind.	Mishawaka
Madison Ronzone	SO	Batavia, Ill.	Rosary
Brooke Trossen	FR	San Diego, Calif.	Francis Parker High School

Pronunciation Guide

Dustin Macuiba – "Muh-COO-ba"

Yared Nuguse – "YARR-ed Nuh-GOOSE"

Toni Finnane – "Fin-ANN"

Kaitlin Frei – "Fry"