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Notre Dame Sweeps Day Two of Diving Action

Notre Dame's Nicholas Nemetz and Connecticut's Danielle Cecco named BIG EAST Most Outstanding Divers

PITTSBURGH, Pa. – Notre Dame captured both first-place finishes during the second day of diving action at the BIG EAST Championships at Trees Pool on the University of Pittsburgh campus. Irish freshman Nicholas Nemetz claimed the men's 1-meter board for his second title in as many days while teammate junior Jenny Chiang won the women's 3-meter board crown.

Nemetz posted a winning score of 322.30 on the 1-meter board to take the 2012 conference title. Following the competition, he was named the 2012 BIG EAST Men's Most Outstanding Diver for his two first-place finishes at the Championship.

In the women's 3-meter competition, Chiang took top honors with a score of 320.90. Connecticut junior Danielle Cecco finished second with a score of 309.95.

Cecco was named the 2012 BIG EAST Women's Most Outstanding Diver at the Championship after a first place and runner-up finish on the 1-meter and 3-meter boards, respectively.

The Diving Coach of the Year honors were also awarded, with Notre Dame's Caiming Xie earning 2012 BIG EAST Men's Diving Coach of the Year and Connecticut's John Bransfield winning 2012 BIG EAST Women's Diving Coach of the Year.

The diving portion of the BIG EAST Championship wraps up Sunday, Feb. 12 at noon with platform diving.

After the conclusion of the scored diving events, Notre Dame holds a strong lead in the men's team standings with 129 points. Pittsburgh currently sits in second place with 72 points and West Virginia is on third with 46 points. In the women's competition, Louisville has jumped out to the early lead with 74 points while Notre Dame sits three points behind in second place with 71 points. Rutgers has recorded 52 points and currently holds third place.

For complete results of the men's 1-meter diving and women's 3-meter events visit the BIG EAST [Swimming & Diving Championship Central](#) page and check out the [results link](#).

2012 BIG EAST Men's Most Outstanding Diver

Nicholas Nemetz, Connecticut, Fr.

2012 BIG EAST Women's Most Outstanding Diver

Danielle Cecco, Connecticut, Jr.

2012 BIG EAST Men's Diving Coach of the Year

Caiming Xie, Notre Dame

2012 BIG EAST Women's Diving Coach of the Year

John Bransfield, Connecticut

Men's 1-Meter Diving Final Results

Place	Name	Team	Score	Points
1	Nicholas Nemetz	Notre Dame	322.30	20.0
2	Aaron Snyder	Pittsburgh	286.80	17.0
3	Richard Pokorny	West Virginia	283.35	16.0
4	Michael Kreft	Notre Dame	277.75	15.0
5	Grant Fecteau	Connecticut	273.15	14.0
6	Erik Moore	Pittsburgh	266.80	13.0
7	Sean Rademaker	Notre Dame	263.10	12.0
8	John Andrade	Notre Dame	253.90	11.0

Women's 3-Meter Diving Final Results

Place	Name	Team	Score	Points
1	Jenny Chiang	Notre Dame	320.90	20.0
2	Danielle Cecco	Connecticut	309.95	17.0
3	Hannah Gadd	Louisville	298.05	16.0
4	Lindsey Stephens	Louisville	282.50	15.0
5	Emily Stalmack	Louisville	263.70	14.0
6	Hally Vandepoel	West Virginia	254.15	13.0
7	Allison Casareto	Notre Dame	247.45	12.0
8	Nicole Honey	Rutgers	211.85	11.0

Men's Team Standings

1. Notre Dame - 129
2. Pittsburgh - 72
3. West Virginia - 46
4. Louisville - 27
5. Connecticut - 26
6. Georgetown - 4
7. Providence - 3
8. Seton Hall - 2
9. Cincinnati - 1

Women's Team Standings

1. Louisville - 74
2. Notre Dame - 71
3. Rutgers - 52
4. Connecticut - 47
5. Pittsburgh - 43
6. West Virginia - 15
7. Villanova - 7
8. Providence - 1

– The BIG EAST is the largest and most diverse Division I conference in the country. It was formed in 1979 and represents the athletic interests of 16 member institutions including the University of Cincinnati, University of Connecticut, DePaul University, Georgetown University, University of Louisville, Marquette University, University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, Providence College, Rutgers University, St. John’s University, Seton Hall University, University of South Florida, Syracuse University, Villanova University and West Virginia University.

The BIG EAST Conference has captured 32 national championships in six different sports and is a founding member of the Bowl Championship Series.

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