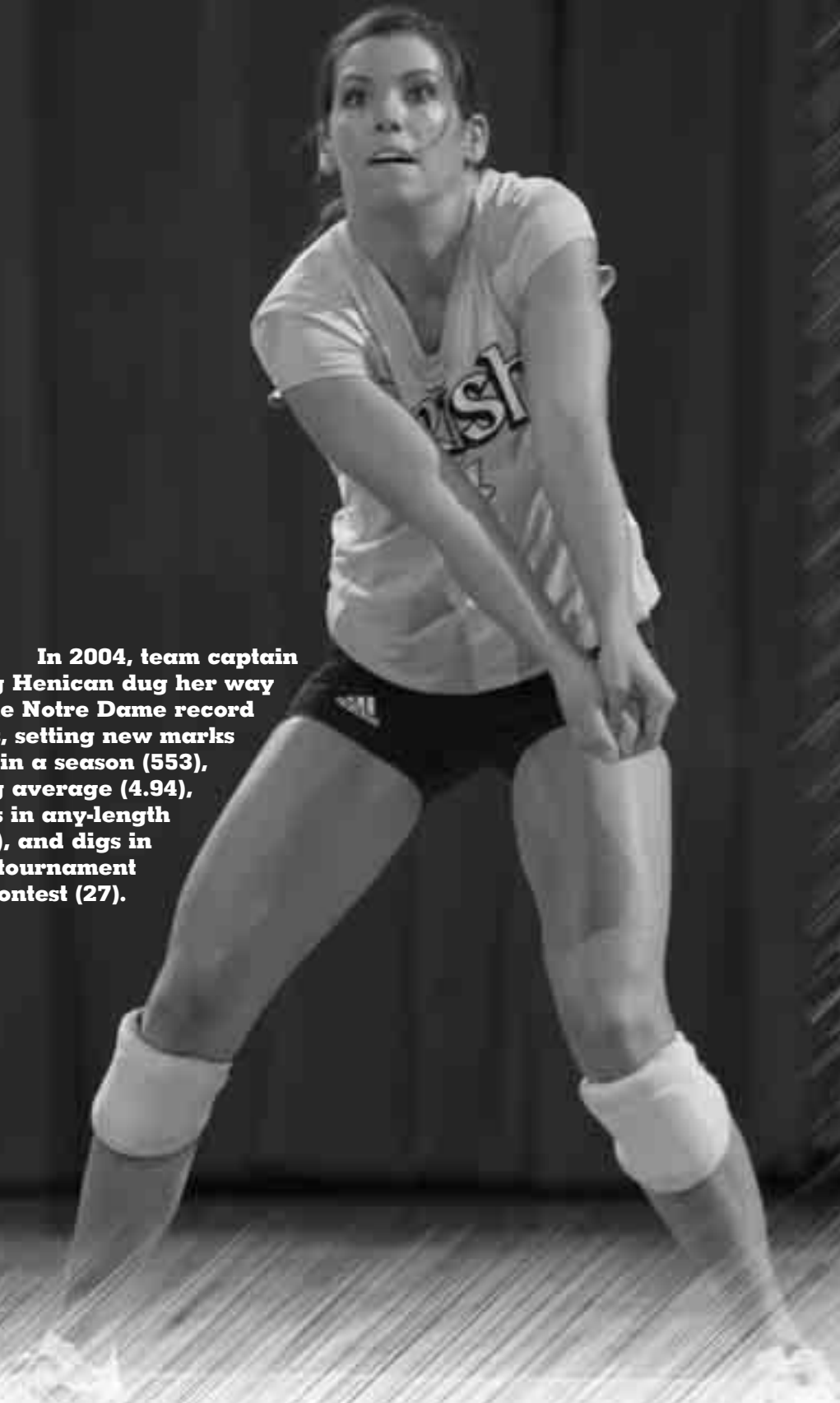




Season

In Review

**In 2004, team captain  
Meg Henican dug her way  
into the Notre Dame record  
books, setting new marks  
for digs in a season (553),  
season dig average (4.94),  
digs in any-length  
match (37), and digs in  
an NCAA-tournament  
contest (27).**



## A Season of Highs and Lows

*The 2004 season for Notre Dame volleyball saw a series of noteworthy events.*

The 25th varsity season for the University of Notre Dame's volleyball program was one of extremes, as the Irish experienced some historic victories, peppered by noteworthy defeats. In the end, the result was a season that, on the whole, continued the tradition of success established since head coach **Debbie Brown** stepped onto campus in 1991.

Though the season was a meandering one, Notre Dame finished with a 21-9 record, its 14th consecutive winning campaign and sixth in a row (plus 13th in the last 14) with 20+ victories. The Irish went 9-1 in BIG EAST Conference action, claiming their ninth regular-season title in 10 years since becoming a league member. Notre Dame then dropped a single game en route to winning its eighth BIG EAST tournament championship, whereby guaranteeing a 13th consecutive trip to the NCAA Championship. The

Irish then reached the round of 32 in the national tournament for the 10th time in 13 seasons.

Individually, junior **Lauren Brewster** continued her development into one of the top middle blockers in the country. After leading the nation in blocking – as well as being tops in the BIG EAST in both that category and hitting percentage – in 2003, she became a more all-around defensive standout in her third collegiate season, finishing as one of just two players in Division I to average over 1.50 blocks (1.54) and over 1.50 digs (2.18) per game. Brewster was three times the BIG EAST Player of the Week before being tabbed first-team all-conference for the second straight year (as one of just two unanimous selections). She then was the BIG EAST tournament MVP, an AVCA all-region pick, and a third-team AVCA All-American. Brewster became the first Notre Dame player ever to be named to one of the AVCA's All-America teams, as well as the first Tennessee native – at any four-year college (Divisions I, II, III and NAIA) – ever to be tabbed an AVCA All-American.

One of Brewster's classmates, team captain and libero **Meg Henican**, also had an exceptional season defensively. She broke the Notre Dame records for both digs in a season (553) and season dig average (4.94), while combining with freshman opposite **Adrianna Stasiuk** for 884 digs, the most-ever (by one dig) by Irish teammates in a season. Henican also set an ND record for digs in any-length match, scrambling for 37 in four games against Seton Hall on Oct. 10, and also for digs in an NCAA-tournament contest (27 in the first round vs. Valparaiso).

After being ranked 25th in the preseason AVCA poll, the Irish started 1-3. The first two defeats came against #2 Nebraska in the Joyce Center on back-to-back nights. The second of that series nearly saw Notre Dame claim its highest-ranked victory in school history – in the first start for freshman setter **Ashley Tarutis** – as the Irish won two of the first three games before losing in five (15-10 in the fifth). Just three days later, Notre Dame was shocked by Valparaiso, which snapped an 18-match losing streak (dating back to 1981) against the Irish with a five-game victory (15-12 in the fifth).

Notre Dame reversed its fortunes with a four-match winning streak, first finally prevailing in a 3-2 match (vs. Fresno State) en route to winning the Cal Poly Invitational and then notching a four-game triumph against rival Michigan State – ND's first win vs. the Spartans since 1994 – in the Gamecock Invitational. But two days later (the Irish had a match against USC cancelled when the Women of Troy elected not to make the cross-country trip due to an impending hurricane) South Carolina derailed Notre Dame for the second straight year, winning 3-1 in front of a national television audience on



*The insertion of middle blocker Carolyn Cooper (right) – shown here with two-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week Adrianna Stasiuk – into Notre Dame's starting lineup at the beginning of October served as a catalyst for the Irish, who would win 16 of their final 20 matches.*

College Sports Television. Upon returning to action, the Irish fell in four games in a televised match once again, losing at Michigan.

Standing 5-5 to open the month of October, Brown made a lineup change, moving senior **Emily Loomis** from middle blocker to her former position of outside hitter and inserting junior **Carolyn Cooper** into a starting role. That proved to be a turning point in the campaign, as that starting lineup – Brewster and Cooper in the middle, Loomis and junior **Lauren Kelbley** on the outside, Stasiuk at opposite, Tarutis setting, and Henican in the libero – went 15-2 together. The hot play began as the curtain rose on the BIG EAST season, as the Irish would win 21 of 23 games en route to victories in their first seven league contests.

Notre Dame stepped out of BIG EAST play in mid-October, first for a home match with traditional rival Illinois State. As has been the custom when the Irish and Redbirds hook up, the

### 2004 Irish Volleyball Award Winners

#### **AVCA Third-Team All-America**

Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)

#### **AVCA Honorable Mention All-America**

Lauren Kelbley (Jr., OH)

#### **AVCA All-Northeast Region**

##### **First Team**

Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)

Lauren Kelbley (Jr., OH)

##### **Honorable Mention**

Emily Loomis (Sr., OH)

#### **All-BIG EAST Conference**

##### **First Team**

Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)

##### **Second Team**

Lauren Kelbley (Jr., OH)

##### **Honorable Mention**

Emily Loomis (Sr., OH)

#### **BIG EAST Player of the Week**

Lauren Brewster (Sept. 13, Oct. 18, Nov. 15)

Meg Henican (Nov. 1)

#### **BIG EAST Rookie of the Week**

Adrianna Stasiuk (Oct. 11, Oct. 18)

#### **Cal Poly-Best Western Royal Oak Invit.**

##### **Most Valuable Player**

Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)

##### **All-Tournament Team**

Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)

Lauren Kelbley (Jr., OH)

#### **Gamecock Invitational**

##### **All-Tournament Team**

Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)

Ashley Tarutis (Fr., S)

#### **und.com Primetime Performances**

Lauren Brewster (Oct. 18, Oct. 25, Nov. 22)

Adrianna Stasiuk (Oct. 18)

Meg Henican (Nov. 15)

Emily Loomis (Nov. 29)





## 2004 University of Notre Dame Women's Volleyball

Record: 21-9 (Home: 6-5, Away: 9-4, Neutral: 6-0)

**BIG EAST: 9-1 (1st)/Northeast Region: 11-1 (1st)**

**AVCA Final Ranking: -- (listed 33rd)**

Date	Opponent	W/L	Scores	Attendance
<b>Sept. 1</b>	<b>(25) Loyola Chicago</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>30-24, 30-19, 17-30, 30-28</b>	<b>1083</b>
<b>Sept. 3</b>	<b>(25) Nebraska (2)</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>19-30, 28-30, 24-30</b>	<b>1609</b>
<b>Sept. 4</b>	<b>(25) Nebraska (2)</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>23-30, 30-26, 30-24, 19-30, 10-15</b>	<b>983</b>
<b>Sept. 7</b>	<b>Valparaiso</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>30-26, 24-30, 26-30, 30-24, 12-15</b>	<b>698</b>
Sept. 10	vs. Fresno State!	W	30-21, 27-30, 30-20, 31-33, 15-12	478
Sept. 11	vs. Sacramento State!	W	30-16, 30-24, 30-28	190
Sept. 12	at Cal Poly!	W	30-23, 30-24, 30-14	693
Sept. 17	vs. Michigan State@	W	30-22, 24-30, 30-21, 30-19	117
Sept. 18	vs. USC@ (2)		Cancelled	--
Sept. 19	at South Carolina@	L	28-30, 30-25, 22-30, 23-30	752
Sept. 28	at Michigan	L	23-30, 25-30, 30-27, 30-32	927
Oct. 2	at Syracuse*	W	30-23, 30-24, 30-17	178
Oct. 9	at Rutgers*	W	30-23, 30-22, 30-24	288
Oct. 10	at Seton Hall*	W	30-24, 30-27, 26-30, 30-23	125
<b>Oct. 13</b>	<b>Illinois State</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>30-25, 34-32, 25-30, 23-30, 15-10</b>	<b>1042</b>
Oct. 19	at Utah (14)	W	30-26, 30-24, 30-25	675
Oct. 20	at Brigham Young	L	31-29, 23-30, 30-20, 26-30, 11-15	1693
<b>Oct. 24</b>	<b>St. John's*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>30-16, 30-17, 30-20</b>	<b>2086</b>
Oct. 30	at Georgetown*	W	30-24, 30-23, 30-22	157
Oct. 31	at Villanova*	W	30-27, 30-24, 30-22	135
<b>Nov. 5</b>	<b>Connecticut*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>30-20, 30-15, 22-30, 30-20</b>	<b>1249</b>
<b>Nov. 7</b>	<b>Boston College*</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>14-30, 22-30, 28-30</b>	<b>985</b>
<b>Nov. 12</b>	<b>Pittsburgh*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>30-25, 30-22, 30-19</b>	<b>4773</b>
<b>Nov. 14</b>	<b>West Virginia*</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>30-23, 30-25, 30-19</b>	<b>1183</b>
<b>Nov. 16</b>	<b>Northern Iowa</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>28-30, 30-28, 31-29, 22-30, 13-15</b>	<b>948</b>
Nov. 20	vs. Boston College^	W	25-30, 30-15, 30-26, 30-20	607
Nov. 21	at Pittsburgh^	W	30-23, 30-26, 30-26	334
Nov. 26	vs. UC Irvine#	W	30-23, 30-28, 30-27	647
Nov. 27	at Long Beach State#	W	30-28, 22-30, 25-30, 30-22, 16-14	1393
Dec. 3	vs. Valparaiso%	W	30-21, 20-30, 30-28, 30-20	3145
Dec. 4	at Wisconsin%	L	34-36, 16-30, 16-30	2937

! Cal Poly Invitational (San Luis Obispo, CA)

@ Gamecock Invitational (Columbia, SC)

^ BIG EAST Championship (Pittsburgh, PA)

# Baden Thanksgiving Tournament (Long Beach, CA)

% NCAA Championship (Madison, WI)

\* - Indicates BIG EAST Conference match

**Bold** indicates home matches.

**NOTE:** Number in parentheses to left of opponent is Notre Dame's AVCA national ranking at time of match; number to right of opponent is its AVCA national ranking at time of match.

match was a classic, ending with a five-game ND triumph that was punctuated by 25.5 Irish blocks and a pair of triple-doubles. **Brewster** (17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks) and **Stasiuk** (14 kills, 11 digs, 11 blocks) became the first Irish players to record triple-doubles in nearly six years.

Notre Dame traveled to the state of Utah for fall break and put together one of its finest performances of the season. Behind 18 kills on .567 hitting from **Brewster**, the Irish dominated 14th-ranked Utah, winning easily in three games to snap the Utes' school-record 12-match winning streak and hand them their first home defeat in more than a year. That triumph was short-lived, though, as one day later the TV curse struck again, when Brigham Young prevailed in a five-game affair in Provo.

After four more wins, a nagging foot injury to **Kelbley** forced her to sit out, and the Irish were stunned on their home court, suffering their first home conference defeat in regular-season play in 14 years (and first since joining the BIG EAST). It came in three games against Boston College, a school that had previously won just one game in 31 vs. Notre Dame.

Suddenly in a three-way tie (with Pittsburgh and Syracuse) atop the league standings, the Irish rebounded the next weekend with a pair of 3-0 wins to claim the outright BIG EAST title. The first came against the Panthers, avenging 2003 defeats that denied ND an outright regular-season championship and the BIG EAST tournament title, in front of 4,773 fans in the Joyce Center (the second-largest volleyball crowd in facility history).

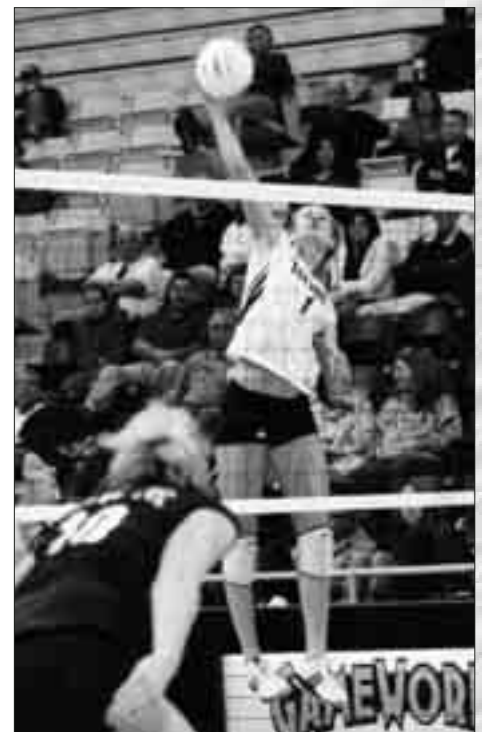
Following a five-game loss against Northern Iowa (again without Kelbley), Notre Dame went to Pittsburgh for the BIG EAST tournament, first gaining revenge against Boston College in the semifinals before shutting out the hosts in the championship match.

The Thanksgiving weekend saw the Irish reach a new height, first sweeping a UC Irvine team that would earn an at-large berth to the NCAA tournament and then fighting to a five-game triumph against tourney host Long Beach State for ND's first-ever victory against the 49ers. **Loomis** was the catalyst in that match, slamming a career-high 29 kills on .414 hitting, as the Irish rallied from a 14-12 final-game deficit with four straight points for victory, their third in a row against an at-large NCAA team.

Despite being 15th in the Ratings Percentage Index (RPI) and having won 15 of its last 18, Notre Dame was sent on the road for the first two rounds of the NCAAs, to 14th-seeded Wisconsin. In the opening round, the Irish avenged a regular-season loss for the second time, defeating Valparaiso in four games. One day later, Notre Dame came out quickly vs. the host Badgers, going up by as many as six (including 29-23) in the first game. But Wisconsin held tough and saved 10 game points en route to a 36-34 win that springboarded the Badgers to a triumph.

The Irish were the first outright BIG EAST champion ever to be shut out of the conference's major awards, but **Kelbley** (second team) and **Loomis** (honorable mention) did join **Brewster** in earning all-league mention for the third straight year. The senior finished her career fifth on ND's all-time kills list (1,321), as well as second in percentage of games played (96.1%, 420-437), third in matches with 10+ kills (72), and in the top 10 in five other categories.

Notre Dame was among the top five in the nation in team blocking for the fourth consecutive year, ranking fourth (3.37 per game). Additionally, the Irish finished 17th in Division I in attendance (16,639 total; 1,513 per match), their third straight top-25 listing.



*Emily Loomis – who finished her career fifth on the all-time Irish list for career kills (1,321) – turned in the best match of her career in the regular-season finale, slamming 29 kills on .414 hitting to lead Notre Dame to its first-ever victory against Long Beach State and its third in as many matches against teams that would earn at-large bids to the NCAAs.*





2004 UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL FINAL STATISTICS

Player	GP-MP-MS	K	Avg.	E	TA	Pct.	A	Avg.	BHE	SA	Avg.	SE	Pct.	Dig	Avg.	RE	BS	BA	Avg.	BE	Pts.	Avg.
Lauren Brewster (Jr., MB)	112-30-29	406	3.62	111	942	.313	17	0.15	7	26	0.23	31	.930	244	2.18	6	30	142	1.54	9	533	4.76
BIG EAST	32-10-10	117	3.66	28	273	.326	8	0.25	0	4	0.12	5	.959	65	2.03	1	9	44	1.66	0	152	4.75
Lauren Kelbley (Jr., OH)	101-27-27	372	3.68	140	951	.244	7	0.07	5	33	0.33	44	.909	91	0.90	0	13	62	0.74	2	449	4.45
BIG EAST	26-8-8	102	3.92	35	241	.278	4	0.15	2	7	0.27	10	.917	25	0.96	0	5	20	0.96	0	124	4.77
Emily Loomis (Sr., OH/MB)	109-30-30	313	2.87	96	910	.238	8	0.07	3	2	0.02	5	.946	91	0.83	8	34	92	1.16	20	395	3.62
BIG EAST	32-10-10	95	2.97	26	262	.263	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	1	.833	17	0.53	1	6	26	1.00	3	114	3.56
Adrianna Stasiuk (Fr., OPP)	112-30-30	279	2.49	146	791	.168	75	0.67	10	41	0.37	57	.887	331	2.96	45	8	78	0.77	10	367	3.28
BIG EAST	32-10-10	84	2.62	45	216	.181	21	0.66	2	14	0.44	15	.914	116	3.62	11	2	22	0.75	2	111	3.47
Carolyn Cooper (Jr., MB)	94-29-18	139	1.48	59	364	.220	6	0.06	1	1	0.01	6	.905	26	0.28	0	22	78	1.06	10	201	2.14
BIG EAST	32-10-10	66	2.06	25	151	.272	4	0.12	0	1	0.03	5	.902	9	0.28	0	8	33	1.28	3	91.5	2.86
Ashley Tarutis (Fr., S)	112-30-28	57	0.51	23	167	.204	1150	10.27	16	31	0.28	35	.935	267	2.38	1	3	26	0.26	9	104	0.93
BIG EAST	32-10-10	19	0.59	5	51	.275	338	10.56	2	12	0.38	14	.910	61	1.91	0	2	10	0.38	2	38	1.19
Ellen Heintzman (Fr., OH/L)	45-19-8	85	1.89	52	256	.129	2	0.04	0	2	0.04	7	.741	22	0.49	3	3	12	0.33	0	96	2.13
BIG EAST	13-8-2	23	1.77	17	77	.078	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	4	.667	3	0.23	1	2	1	0.23	0	25.5	1.96
Meg Henican (Jr., L/OH)	112-30-5	42	0.38	30	153	.078	41	0.37	5	18	0.16	50	.893	553	4.94	37	2	8	0.09	3	66	0.59
BIG EAST	32-10-0	1	0.03	0	4	.250	14	0.44	1	7	0.22	16	.905	192	6.00	10	0	0	0.00	0	8	0.25
Kelly Burrell (Jr., S)	104-29-2	15	0.14	4	51	.216	241	2.32	4	0	0.00	1	.900	18	0.17	0	1	23	0.23	7	27.5	0.26
BIG EAST	32-10-0	6	0.19	0	14	.429	76	2.38	0	0	0.00	1	.833	5	0.16	0	0	7	0.22	2	9.5	0.30
Danielle Herndon (So., DS/L)	103-28-2	0	0.00	0	10	.000	7	0.07	1	8	0.08	10	.973	182	1.77	4	0	0	0.00	0	8	0.08
BIG EAST	25-8-0	0	0.00	0	4	.000	2	0.08	0	1	0.04	3	.969	45	1.80	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.04
Julie McElroy (So., OH/MB)	5-5-0	3	0.60	2	11	.091	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1.000	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	3	0.60
BIG EAST	4-4-0	3	0.75	2	11	.091	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1.000	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	3	0.75
Laura Bresnahan (Fr., OPP/OH)	3-3-0	1	0.33	1	5	.000	1	0.33	0	0	0.00	1	.500	3	1.00	0	1	0	0.33	0	2	0.67
BIG EAST	2-2-0	1	0.50	0	2	.500	1	0.50	0	0	0.00	0	1.000	3	1.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.50
Kelly Corbett (Sr., DS/L)	27-18-1	0	0.00	1	5	-.200	1	0.04	0	0	0.00	2	.667	31	1.15	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
BIG EAST	16-9-0	0	0.00	1	4	-.250	1	0.06	0	0	0.00	1	.667	22	1.38	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>112-30-30</b>	<b>1712</b>	<b>15.29</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>4616</b>	<b>.227</b>	<b>1556</b>	<b>13.89</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>.917</b>	<b>1859</b>	<b>16.60</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>3.37</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2251.5</b>	<b>20.10</b>
<b>BIG EAST</b>	<b>32-10-10</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>16.16</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>1310</b>	<b>.254</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>14.66</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>1.44</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>.918</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>17.59</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>3.61</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>678.5</b>	<b>21.20</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>112-30-30</b>	<b>1670</b>	<b>14.91</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>4735</b>	<b>.180</b>	<b>1547</b>	<b>13.81</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>0.96</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>.919</b>	<b>1906</b>	<b>17.02</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>2.33</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>2038.5</b>	<b>18.20</b>
<b>BIG EAST</b>	<b>32-10-10</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>13.56</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>1360</b>	<b>.134</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>12.69</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0.84</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>.914</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>15.84</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>2.31</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>16.72</b>

Games/Points Won By Game

	1	2	3	4	5	Total
<b>Notre Dame</b>	22/855	20/835	20/832	8/414	3/92	— 73/3028
<b>Opponents</b>	8/758	10/770	10/758	7/391	4/96	— 39/2773

Notre Dame in 2004...

- ... in three games: 12-3
- ... in four games: 6-2
- ... in five games: 3-4
- ... in two-point games: 9-9
- ... vs. ranked opponents: 1-2
- ... vs. BIG EAST teams: 11-1
- ... vs. non-conference teams: 10-8
- ... at night: 8-7
- ... during the day: 13-2
- ... in tournament play: 7-2
- ... on television: 0-3
- ... winning the 1st game: 20-2
- ... losing the first game: 1-7
- ... winning the first 2 games: 16-0
- ... losing the first 2 games: 0-4
- ... splitting the first 2 games: 5-5
- ... leading 2-1 in games: 9-2
- ... trailing 2-1 in games: 1-3
- ... on game point: 72-75
- ... when facing game point: 33-39
- ... on match point: 21-15
- ... when facing match point: 5-9



Lauren Brewster led the BIG EAST Conference in blocking for the third consecutive season, while also becoming the first Irish player ever to be named to one of the AVCA All-America teams, copping third-team accolades.

Notre Dame 2004 Team Match Highs

<b>Kills</b>		
3G	59	vs. Sacramento State
4G	77	at Seton Hall
5G	81	at Long Beach State
<b>Blocks</b>		
3G	16	at Syracuse
4G	16	vs. Valparaiso (NCAA 1st)
5G	25.5	vs. Illinois State
<b>Digs</b>		
3G	80	vs. Sacramento State
4G	79	vs. Loyola Chicago
5G	91	vs. Valparaiso
<b>TA</b>		
3G	151	at Pittsburgh (BIG EAST final)
4G	181	at Mich.; vs. Valpo (NCAA 1st)
5G	221	vs. Valparaiso
<b>Hit %</b>		
3G	.356	vs. St. John's
4G	.339	vs. Boston Coll. (BIG EAST SF)
5G	.295	at Long Beach State
<b>Asstists</b>		
3G	53	vs. Sacramento St.; vs. Pitt.
4G	68	at Seton Hall
5G	74	vs. Northern Iowa
<b>Aces</b>		
3G	10	at Cal Poly
4G	15	at South Carolina
5G	8	vs. Fresno St.; vs. Illinois St.
<b>Points</b>		
3G	73	vs. Sacramento St.
4G	92	at Seton Hall
5G	108.5	vs. Illinois State



Match	Kills	Pct. (min. 5 kills)	Digs	Blocks	Assists#	Aces	Points
Loyola Chicago	15-Loomis/Kelbley	.316-Loomis	22-Heniccan	7-Brewster	25	5-Stasiuk	20-Loomis
#2 Nebraska	10-Kelbley	.381-Kelbley	12-Stasiuk	5-Loomis	11	2-Kelbley/Brewster	12-Kelbley
#2 Nebraska	18-Brewster	.452-Brewster	15-Heniccan	7-Brewster	51	1-Brewster	24.5-Brewster
Valparaiso	22-Kelbley	.365-Kelbley	20-Heniccan	8-Brewster	47	2-Kelbley/Stasiuk	27.5-Kelbley
vs. Fresno State	17-Kelbley	.286-Stasiuk	22-Heniccan	7-Brewster/Loomis	49	3-Brewster	21-Brewster
vs. Sacramento St.	15-Kelbley/Brewster	.458-Stasiuk	26-Heniccan	5-Brewster	37	2-Kelbley	19.5-Kelbley
at Cal Poly	13-Brewster	.684-Brewster	17-Heniccan	6-Brewster	29	4-Kelbley	18-Kelbley
vs. Michigan State	17-Brewster	.500-Brewster	15-Heniccan	4-Brewster	44	4-Brewster	23-Brewster
at South Carolina	13-Brewster	.273-Kelbley	15-Heniccan	3-Brewster	36	6-Brewster	20.5-Brewster
at Michigan	24-Kelbley	.404-Kelbley	19-Heniccan	6-Brewster	39	1-Loomis (1)/Heniccan/ Kelbley/Brewster	27-Kelbley
at Syracuse	11-Brewster	.348-Brewster	16-Heniccan	7-Brewster/Cooper	25	2-Stasiuk/Heniccan	15.5-Brewster
at Rutgers	13-Brewster	.500-Brewster	10-Heniccan	4-Brewster	27	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/ Cooper (1)/Heniccan	15-Brewster
at Seton Hall	25-Kelbley	.361-Loomis	37-Heniccan	5-Cooper	46	2-Heniccan (4)/Stasiuk	26-Kelbley
Illinois State	20-Kelbley	.318-Brewster	17-Tarutis (1)	11-Brewster/Loomis/ Stasiuk (1)	51	4-Kelbley	25-Kelbley/Loomis
at #14 Utah	18-Brewster	.567-Brewster	10-Heniccan	6-Cooper	31	2-Kelbley/Stasiuk	20-Brewster
at Brigham Young	14-Brewster	.333-Loomis	15-Heniccan	6-Cooper	38	3-Stasiuk	17-Stasiuk (1)/ Brewster
St. John's	12-Brewster	.643-Stasiuk (3)	10-Heniccan	6-Brewster	34	2-Kelbley/Tarutis	15.5-Brewster
at Georgetown	12-Kelbley	.429-Cooper	12-Heniccan	5-Brewster	31	2-Kelbley/Stasiuk	15-Kelbley
at Villanova	9-Loomis	.250-Loomis (4)/ Brewster	26-Heniccan	5-Brewster/Cooper/Kelbley	26	2-Tarutis	11-Loomis
Connecticut	16-Kelbley	.714-Tarutis (1)	18-Stasiuk (2)	5-Brewster	44	2-Brewster	20-Kelbley
Boston College	11-Brewster/Heintzman(1)	.211-Cooper	15-Heniccan	4-Brewster	25	1-Stasiuk/Brewster	14-Brewster
Pittsburgh	14-Kelbley	.545-Brewster	25-Heniccan	8-Brewster	41	2-Stasiuk	17-Kelbley/Brewster
West Virginia	14-Cooper (1)	.455-Cooper	24-Heniccan	7-Cooper	39	4-Tarutis	18.5-Cooper (1)
Northern Iowa	27-Brewster	.273-Brewster	22-Heniccan	8-Brewster	63	1-Tarutis/Stasiuk/Brewster (9)	32.5-Brewster
vs. Bost. Coll. (BE)	20-Kelbley	.524-Cooper	20-Heniccan	7-Brewster	53	1-Tarutis	22.5-Brewster
at Pittsburgh (BE)	14-Kelbley	.343-Kelbley	25-Heniccan	7-Brewster	34	1-Kelbley	15-Kelbley
vs. UC Irvine	14-Kelbley (14)	.357-Kelbley (6)	13-Heniccan	8-Brewster	41	1-Kelbley/Tarutis (7)/ Herndon (1)	16-Kelbley (12)
at Long Beach St.	29-Loomis	.462-Cooper (5)	25-Heniccan	8-Cooper/Kelbley	62	3-Stasiuk	33.5-Loomis (3)
vs. Valpo (NCAA)	14-Loomis (4)/ Stasiuk (1)/Brewster	.306-Brewster	27-Heniccan	11-Brewster (23)	45	2-Kelbley	20-Brewster
at Wis. (NCAA)	13-Brewster (14)	.265-Brewster (12)	13-Heniccan (27)	3-Loomis (4)/Kelbley (3)/ Cooper (8)	26	2-Kelbley (14)/Stasiuk (12)	15-Brewster (15)

# - Ashley Tarutis led ND in assists in every match, though Kelly Burrell also had 11 in the first match vs. Nebraska.

**Note:** Numbers in parentheses are number of times player led Irish in that category in 2004.



Ashley Tarutis – who nearly led Notre Dame to the highest-ranked victory in program history in her first career start, a five-game loss against #2 Nebraska – led the Irish in assists in every match in 2004.



Danielle Herndon was Notre Dame's most accurate server in 2004, putting 97.3% of her attempts into the court.







**2004 BIG EAST CONFERENCE AWARDS**

**Player of the Year**

Megan Miller, Sr., MH, Pittsburgh

**Tournament MVP**

**Lauren Brewster, Jr., MB, Notre Dame**

**Rookie of the Year**

Diana Andreyko, OH, Pittsburgh

**Libero of the Year**

Allison Anderson, So., Boston College

**Coach of the Year**

Jing Pu, Syracuse

**All-BIG EAST First Team**

Jackie Ahlers, Jr., MH, St. John's

**\*Lauren Brewster, Jr., MB, Notre Dame**

Kelly Duan, Jr., RS, Syracuse

Jamie Hadenfeldt, Sr., OH, Connecticut

\*Megan Miller, Sr., MH, Pittsburgh

Gini Ullery, Jr., OH, Pittsburgh

\* - indicates unanimous selection

**All-BIG EAST Second Team**

Sara Albert, Sr., MB, Georgetown

Katie Andersen, Sr., OH, Boston College

Allison Anderson, So., L, Boston College

Kristen Conway, Jr., OH, Syracuse

**Lauren Kelbley, So., MB, Notre Dame**

Alison Zemanski, Sr., MB, West Virginia

**All-BIG EAST Honorable Mention**

Diana Andreyko, Fr., OH, Pittsburgh

Aila Dommestrup, Jr., S, Syracuse

**Emily Loomis, Jr., OPP, Notre Dame**

Megan McGrane, So., L, Pittsburgh

Verena Rost, Jr., S, Boston College

Lora Yankauskas, So., OH, Rutgers

**Multiple-Time Players of the Week**

**3 Lauren Brewster, So., MB, Notre Dame**

**3 Megan Miller, Sr., MH, Pittsburgh**

**Multiple-Time Rookies of the Week**

**2 Diana Andreyko, OH, Pittsburgh**

**2 Jen Malcolm, MB, Syracuse**

**2 Adrianna Stasiuk, OPP, Notre Dame**

**2004 BIG EAST Standings**

School	Conf.	%	Overall	%
1. *#%Notre Dame	9-1	.900	21-9	.700
2. *Pittsburgh	8-2	.800	21-9	.677
2. *Syracuse	8-2	.800	25-7	.781
4. *Boston College	6-4	.600	20-12	.625
4. Connecticut	6-4	.600	17-11	.607
6. Rutgers	4-6	.400	16-10	.615
6. Georgetown	4-6	.400	17-12	.586
6. West Virginia	4-6	.400	18-13	.581
9. Villanova	3-7	.300	9-18	.333
10. Seton Hall	2-8	.200	9-23	.281
11. St. John's	1-9	.100	15-16	.484

\* - BIG EAST Championship participant

# - regular-season champion

% - tournament champion

**2004 BIG EAST Championship**

(at Pittsburgh)

**Semifinals**

#1 Notre Dame def. #4 Boston Coll. 25-30, 30-15, 30-26, 30-20

#2 Pittsburgh def. #3 Syracuse 30-25, 30-22, 30-19

**Final**

#1 Notre Dame def. #2 Pittsburgh 30-23, 30-26, 30-26

**NCAA LEADERS**

**INDIVIDUAL**

**Kills**

1. Stacey Gordon, Ohio State .....7.08

**Hitting Percentage**

1. Maria Andonova, Florida A&M ..... .504

**Assists**

1. Lindsey Laband, Georgia Tech .....15.40

**Aces**

1. Jana Milin, Maryland-Eastern Shore .....0.94

**Digs**

1. Becky Dreher, Oral Roberts .....7.02

**48. Meg Henican, Notre Dame .....4.94**

**Blocks**

1. Melissa Elmer, Nebraska .....1.89

**21. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame .....1.54**

**TEAM**

**Kills**

1. Georgia Tech .....18.64

**Hitting Percentage**

1. Florida A&M ..... .369

**Assists**

1. Georgia Tech .....17.34

**Aces**

1. Florida A&M .....2.59

**Digs**

1. Princeton .....20.92

**Blocks**

1. Nebraska .....4.02

**4. Notre Dame .....3.37**

**Winning Percentage**

1. Hawai'i ..... .968

**USA Today/CSTV AVCA Division I**

**Coaches Top 25 (Final)**

Team	W-L	Preseason	RPI
1. Stanford (65)	30-6	6	4
2. Minnesota	33-5	5	2
3. Washington	28-3	7	7
4. USC	23-6	1	6
<b>5. Nebraska</b>	<b>30-2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
6. Ohio State	30-4	rp	5
7. Penn State	29-3	8	8
8. Hawai'i	30-1	13	3
9. UCLA	20-11	3	22
10. Tennessee	32-3	rp	9
11. Texas	26-5	rp	15
12. San Diego	24-5	rp	14
13. Saint Mary's (Calif.)	25-4	--	12
<b>14. Wisconsin</b>	<b>22-10</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>13</b>
15. Florida	28-5	4	10
16. Louisville	30-3	20	18
17. Georgia Tech	27-7	12	11
18. California	17-12	10	32
19. Colorado State	26-4	11	24
20. Texas A&M	19-9	15	16
21. UC Santa Barbara	24-4	16	19
22. Arizona	19-11	17	28
23. Kansas State	20-11	14	21
24. Missouri	20-9	rp	23
25. Florida A&M	28-3	rp	45

Other receiving points and listed on 2+ ballots: Purdue, Ohio (20th RPI), Long Beach State, Utah, Wichita State (25th RPI), Kansas, Maryland, **NOTRE DAME (17th RPI)**, Pacific, Santa Clara.

**Bold** indicates 2004 Notre Dame opponent. ( ) - first-place votes

**BIG EAST Leaders — All Matches**

**INDIVIDUAL**

**Hitting Percentage**

1. Sara Albert, Georgetown ..... .392

**6. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame .. .313**

**Kills**

1. Jackie Ahlers, St. John's .....5.38

**9. Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame ....3.68**

**Assists**

1. Azadeh Boroumand, Pittsburgh .....12.60

**8. Ashley Tarutis, Notre Dame ....10.27**

**Service Aces**

1. Ashley Lancaster, Georgetown .....0.39

**3. Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame ..0.37**

**6. Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame ....0.33**

**Blocks**

**1. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame ..1.54**

2. Alison Zemanski, West Virginia .....1.46

**9. Emily Loomis, Notre Dame .....1.16**

**Digs**

1. Megan McGrane, Pittsburgh .....6.25

**3. Meg Henican, Notre Dame .....4.94**

**Points**

1. Jackie Ahlers, St. John's .....5.84

**4. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame ..4.76**

**7. Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame ....4.45**

**TEAM**

**Hitting Percentage**

1. Syracuse ..... .231

**3. Notre Dame ..... .227**

**Opponent Hitting Percentage**

1. Syracuse ..... .152

**4. Notre Dame ..... .180**

**Assists**

1. Pittsburgh .....15.39

**3. Notre Dame .....13.89**

**Kills**

1. Pittsburgh .....16.52

**2. Notre Dame .....15.29**

**Blocks**

**1. Notre Dame .....3.37**

2. Syracuse .....2.76

**Service Aces**

1. Georgetown .....1.72

**6. Notre Dame .....1.45**

**Digs**

1. West Virginia .....18.12

**6. Notre Dame .....16.60**

Notre Dame listings in **bold**

**BIG EAST Leaders — Conference Matches**

**INDIVIDUAL**

**Hitting Percentage**

1. Katie Esbrook, Virginia Tech ..... .411

**2. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame .. .326**

**8. Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame .... .278**

**Kills**

1. Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh .....5.32

**10. Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame ....3.92**

**Assists**

1. Azadeh Boroumand, Pittsburgh .....13.11

**10. Ashley Tarutis, Notre Dame ....10.56**

**Service Aces**

1. Shawn McDonald, Seton Hall .....0.444

**2. Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame ..0.438**

**Blocks**

**1. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame ..1.66**

2. Jen Malcolm, Syracuse .....1.62

**8. Carolyn Cooper, Notre Dame ....1.28**

**Digs**

1. Allison Anderson, Boston College .....7.79

**3. Meg Henican, Notre Dame .....6.00**

**Points**

1. Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh .....5.74

**5. Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame ....4.77**

**6. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame ..4.75**

**TEAM**

**Hitting Percentage**

**1. Notre Dame ..... .254**

2. Syracuse ..... .237

**Opponent Hitting Percentage**

**1. Notre Dame ..... .134**

2. Syracuse ..... .174

**Assists**

1. Pittsburgh .....15.97

**3. Notre Dame .....14.66**

**Kills**

1. Pittsburgh .....16.70

**3. Notre Dame .....16.16**

**Blocks**

**1. Notre Dame .....3.61**

2. Syracuse .....3.32

**Service Aces**

1. Rutgers .....1.76

**2. Notre Dame .....1.44**

**Digs**

1. Boston College .....19.93

**6. Notre Dame .....17.59**





# #7 Kelly Corbett

*DS/L • 5-10 • 2005 Graduate*

*Majors: Marketing, Sociology  
Final GPA: 3.270*

*Mountain View, CA • St. Francis H.S.  
City Beach VBC*

Former "Fab 50" selection as prep middle blocker made the transition to the back row and was a contributor in a reserve role at various times ... served primarily as defensive specialist and libero for the Irish in final two seasons ... made tremendous strides in her passing ... after graduation, moved to Seattle to work in Nestle's sales development program ... holds the distinction of being the only Mountain View native ever to earn a monogram at Notre Dame ... sported same #7 jersey worn by such Irish standouts as Josie Maternowski (1981-84), Jill Suglich (1985-87), and Christi Girton (1997-2000).

**AS A SENIOR (2004):** Played in 18 matches and 27 games as a defensive specialist, accumulating career-high 31 digs (1.15 per game) ... matched career high with six digs at Rutgers ... also had five at Syracuse and three vs. Seton Hall ... notched three digs vs. Seton Hall and Villanova ... made second career start on senior night against Northern Iowa, playing two games and gathering two digs ... also had a pair of digs against Connecticut.

**AS A JUNIOR (2003):** Saw occasional action at libero and defensive specialist in 2003 ... appeared in nine matches ... notched career-high six digs as libero in second game vs. Valparaiso ... also played libero in third game against Purdue ... saw conference action at

defensive specialist against Villanova, Georgetown, Seton Hall, Rutgers, and West Virginia, registering three digs vs. the Pirates ... saw action in two games vs. Wildcats ... also played against Rhode Island and Illinois State at DS.

**AS A SOPHOMORE (2002):** Continued to improve throughout the season, earning the first start of her career against Providence ... responded to the starting nod by matching her career high with five kills (on .500 hitting) against the Friars ... enjoyed the best match of her career off the bench against Loyola College ... scored five kills (on .273) with six blocks, three digs and an ace ... eventually appeared in 12 matches and 15 games.

**AS A FRESHMAN (2001):** Saw limited action during her rookie season, appearing in nine games ... had a solid match against St. John's, scoring two kills with three blocks in just one game ... ended up with single kills against Valparaiso, Boston College, Villanova and Providence ... played a season-high two games vs. Florida Atlantic in the Shamrock Invitational.

**PREP AND PERSONAL:** Product of one of the most successful high-school volleyball programs in the nation ... St. Francis captured the California state championship in 1997, 1998 and 2000 ... helped team post an undefeated record in '00 ... a starter at middle blocker and opposite all four years at St. Francis ... member of *Volleyball* magazine's "Fab 50" ... played entire high school career without losing a conference match ... high-school team also earned a top-five national ranking from 1997-2000, reaching #1 at least once each season ... set the record for highest hitting percentage in a state championship tournament match ... also broke the California state record for most consecutive appearances in a state championship match ... named St. Francis Woman Athlete of the Year in

2000 ... honorable mention for athlete of the year by the *San Jose Mercury News* ... earned the title of St. Francis "Scholar-Athlete" from 1997-2000 ... garnered All-America honors with her club team, City Beach, in 1998 at the under-16 nationals in New Orleans ... member of the National Honor Society ... was classmate at St. Francis of Irish quarterback Pat Dillingham ... full name is Kelly Elissa Corbett ... daughter of Diane and Jay Corbett ... born Dec. 13, 1982, in San Jose, Calif. ... tabbed an Academic All-Star by the BIG EAST Conference in each of her four seasons ... graduated from the Mendoza College of Business in May 2005 with a degree in marketing and sociology.



### CAREER HIGHS

- Kills:** 5 vs. Providence, 11-1-02;  
vs. Loyola, 9-14-02
- Digs:** 6 vs. Valparaiso, 9-9-03;  
at Rutgers, 10-9-04
- Blocks:** 6 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02
- Assists:** 2 vs. Providence, 11-1-02
- Aces:** 3 vs. Providence, 11-1-02
- AT:** 11 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02
- Hitting %:**  
.500 (5-0-10) vs. Providence, 11-1-02

### CORBETT'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP/MP/MS	K	Avg.	E	TA	Pct.	A	Avg.	BHE	SA	Avg.	SE	Dig	Avg.	RE	BS/BA	Avg.	BE	Pts.	Avg.
2001	9/8/0	6	0.67	3	17	.176	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.11	0	0/7	0.78	0	9.5	1.19
2002	15/12/1	22	1.47	10	50	.240	2	0.13	0	4	0.27	6	11	0.73	0	1/11	0.80	0	32.5	2.17
2003	10/9/0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	3	0.30	4	13	1.30	5	0/0	0.00	0	3	0.30
2004	27/18/1	0	0.00	1	5	-.200	1	0.04	0	0	0.00	2	31	1.15	1	0/0	0.00	0	0	0.00
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>61/47/2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0.46</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>.194</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>0.92</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1/18</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0.74</b>





Phenomenal athlete was a four-year starter for Notre Dame in the front row ... tabbed honorable mention All-America by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) in 2003 ... three-year all-BIG EAST selection was honorable mention in 2004 after being on the first team in 2002 and second team in '03 ... also garnered AVCA all-Northeast Region honors in '02 and '03 before being honorable mention in final campaign ... finished career with 1,321 kills to rank fifth on the Irish all-time list ... named Most Outstanding Player of 2002 BIG EAST Championship ... the only Notre Dame student-athlete ever to earn all-BIG EAST honors in two distinctly different sports, as she also was a four-time all-league performer in the high jump for the Irish track and field team (including the 2003 outdoor conference champion) ... earned first career trip to NCAA track and field meet in '05, competing in the high jump ... will return to Notre Dame in 2005-06 for a fifth year of eligibility in track and field and graduate study ... set school records in '03 for consecutive matches with 10+ kills (21) and most kills in a match without an attack error (24) ... was all over Notre Dame's career record book, finishing third in matches with 10+ kills (72), fourth in attack attempts (3,453), fifth in solo blocks (94), seventh in matches with team-high kills (37), tied for seventh in matches with 20+ kills (7), and ninth in kill average (3.15) and total blocks (409) ... also stands as one of the most prolific blocking non-middles in Irish history with a 0.97 career block average (third among non-MB) ... notched 15 double-doubles ... played in 120 of 121 matches during her four seasons (99.2%, fifth-best in ND record book) ... started 117 of those, including each of the final 80 (dating back to Sept. 27, 2002) ... appeared in 96.1% (420 of 437) of the games during her career, the second-highest percentage in school history ... had 14 career double-doubles ... played mostly outside hitter in 2001, '02, and '04, mostly opposite in '03, as well as some middle blocker in her final two seasons ... boasts incredible jumping ability, allowing her to play high above the net ... has the ability to dominate at the net ... made considerable strides throughout her collegiate career ... can hit virtually any shot and has a knack for making beautiful blocks ... from same high school, Bishop Luers in Fort Wayne, as current AVP player Angie (Harris) Akers, who was a standout for the Irish from 1991-94.

**AS A SENIOR (2004):** Honorable mention all-BIG EAST and honorable mention AVCA all-Northeast Region ... played first 10 matches at middle blocker before switching back to outside hitter (where she played during her first two collegiate campaigns) on Oct. 2 ... ranked

### 20-Kill Matches (7)

29	at Long Beach State, 11-27-04
24	vs. Valparaiso, 9-9-03
22	vs. Pepperdine, 9-14-02
21	vs. Miami (BIG EAST final), 11-24-02
21	at Purdue, 9-18-02
20	vs. St. John's, 9-29-02
20	vs. Connecticut, 9-27-02

### .500+ Hitting Percentage (6)

.636	(14-0-22) vs. Boston College, 11-3-02
.600	(13-1-20) at Rutgers, 10-5-02
.571	(24-0-42) vs. Valparaiso, 9-9-03
.556	(15-0-27) vs. Saint Louis, 9-7-02
.522	(14-2-23) at Arizona, 8-29-03
.500	(16-2-28) at St. John's, 10-4-03

### 10-Block Matches

11	(1-10) vs. Illinois State, 10-13-04
10	(1-9) vs. Valparaiso (NCAA 1st rd.), 12-3-04



## #1 Emily Loomis

OH/OPP/MB • 6-1 • 2005 Graduate

Majors: Design, Sociology  
Final GPA: 3.613

Fort Wayne, IN • Bishop Luers H.S.  
Fort Wayne VBC

### LOOMIS IN THE IRISH RECORD BOOK

#### CAREER

**Kills:** 5th - 1,321  
**Percentage of Games Played:** 2nd - .961  
**Percentage of Matches Played:** 5th - .992  
**Attack Attempts:** 4th - 3,453  
**Matches w/ Team-High Kills:** 7th - 37  
**Matches w/ 10+ Kills:** 3rd - 72  
**Consec. Matches w/ 10+ Kills:** 1st - 21  
**Matches w/ 20+ Kills:** T-7th - 7  
**Solo Blocks:** 5th - 94  
**Total Blocks:** 8th - 409

#### SEASON

**Pct. of Games Played:** T-1st - 1.000 (2003)  
**Consec. Matches w/ Team-High Kills:** T-2nd - 7 (2002)  
**Consecutive Matches w/ 10+ Kills:** T-3rd - 15 (2003)  
**Matches w/ 10+ Kills:** 7th - 25 (2003)  
**Matches w/ 20+ Kills:** T-6th - 5 (2002)  
**Saves:** T-7th - 161 (2004)

#### MATCH

**Kills (w/ 0 attack errors):** 1st - 24 (9/9/03)  
**Kills (3-game match):** T-2nd - 24 (9/9/03)

second on Irish in blocks (126/1.16, both career highs), third in kills (313/2.87) and points (395/3.62), and fourth in hitting percentage (.238) ... a big reason Notre Dame led the league in team blocking and was fourth in Division I (3.37) ... led team with career-high 34 solo blocks after having just 20 in '03 ... a major part of the Irish ranking second in the country in total block solos (117) ... had eight or more kills 18 times in 20 matches at outside hitter, averaging 3.17 kills on .263 hitting to go with 1.21 blocks and 3.93 points ... ranked ninth in BIG EAST in blocking ... had 10+ kills in 15 matches ... turned in best match of her career at Long Beach State in regular-season finale, slamming career-high 29 kills on season-high .414 hitting to go with six blocks (three solo) for career-best 33.5 points in leading Irish to first-ever win over the 49ers ... kill total was the most for any ND player since 2000 and 11 better than her previous season high ... notched double-doubles vs. Notre Dame's two Missouri Valley Conference foes, Illinois State and Northern Iowa ... had one of best matches of season in five-game win over Redbirds, ending with 18 kills, 11 blocks, and 25 points ... in final contest in the Joyce Center, registered 15 kills, season-high 12 digs, and four blocks for 17 points against the Panthers ... also had a double-double (14 kills, 10 blocks) against Valparaiso in the opening round of the NCAA Championship ... shared team honors with 15 kills on .316 hitting in season opener vs. Loyola Chicago ... also had eight digs and six blocks (four solo) for a team-high 20 points vs. the Ramblers ... had 12 kills, seven blocks, and four digs for 17 points vs. Fresno State ...

### Awards & Honors

AVCA Honorable Mention All-America (2003)  
 AVCA All-Northeast Region (2002, 2003)  
 First Team All-BIG EAST (2002)  
 BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player (2002)  
 AVCA Honorable Mention All-Northeast Region (2004)  
 Second Team All-BIG EAST (2003)  
 Honorable Mention All-BIG EAST (2004)  
 Byron V. Kanaley Award (2005)

started against Sacramento State, but played only briefly in the first game in an attempt to rest her on a day with two matches ... finished with 1.22 block average in the Cal Poly Invitational, which ranked sixth among the tournament leaders, while her four solo blocks were the most by any player in the event ... had 11 kills, six digs, and five blocks against Michigan ... notched 14 kills while only making one error for a .361 attack percentage against Seton Hall ... had 13 kills on team-best .333 hitting in five games against Brigham Young ... notched 10 kills on .304 hitting vs. St. John's and 11 kills on .391 attack percentage at Georgetown ... led Irish in kills (nine), hitting percentage (.250), and points (11) at Villanova ... key part of Notre Dame's sweep of league rival Pittsburgh, ending with 13 kills on .344 hitting ... posted 12 kills against Boston College in the BIG EAST semifinals ... had eight kills on .333 hitting to go with five blocks in sweep of UC Irvine ... in 37 games (10 matches) as a middle blocker, averaged 2.30 kills on .181 hitting to go with 1.41 digs, 1.05 blocks, and 3.03 points.

**AS A JUNIOR (2003):** Named honorable mention All-America by the AVCA ... also garnered all-Northeast Region honors from the AVCA and was a second-team all-BIG EAST selection ... started all 30 matches and played in all 109 games ... played at opposite in every match before moving to middle blocker for the final two contests ... led team in kills (387/3.55) for second year in a row and was second in points (472.5/4.33) ... on Nov. 29 at Stanford, became the 14th player in Irish history to register 1,000 career kills ... set two Notre Dame records: consecutive matches with 10+ kills (21) and most kills in a match without an error (24) ... the former included the last six matches of 2002 and the initial 15 of '03 ... latter Irish record came on .571 hitting in three games vs. Valparaiso ... previous record was 23 by Jaimie Lee in 1995 ... missed ND record for kills in a three-game match by one ... a major reason Notre Dame led the nation in blocking (.372) ... important in Irish defense that set school record for block average for second year in a row ... ranked eighth in conference — and fourth on Irish — in blocking (119/1.09) ... in BIG EAST matches, was among the league leaders in blocks (4th, 1.29), points (8th, 4.75), and kills







CAREER HIGHS

- Kills: 29 at Long Beach State, 11-27-04
Digs: 18 vs. Virginia Tech, 11-7-03
Total Blocks: 11 vs. Illinois State, 10-13-04
Solo Blocks: 4 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1-04
Block Assists: 10 vs. Illinois State, 10-13-04
Points: 33.5 at Long Beach State, 11-27-04
Assists: 4 vs. Charleston (NCAAs), 12-7-02; vs. Virginia Tech, 11-7-03
Aces: 3 vs. Michigan, 9-21-02; vs. Villanova, 10-13-02
AT: 64 vs. Pepperdine, 9-14-02
Hitting %:
3G - .636 (14-0-22) vs. Boston College, 11-3-02
4G - .522 (14-2-23) vs. Arizona, 8-29-03
5G - .471 (21-5-34) at Purdue, 9-18-02

(10th, 3.76) ... registered four double-doubles ... joined Lauren Kelbley and Lauren Brewster to form the first Irish trio ever to have 350+ kills apiece in the same season ... those three and Katie Neff all had 100+ blocks for the second straight year, reestablishing them as the only quartet in school history to accomplish that feat ... named first '03 BIG EAST Player of the Week on Sept. 1 (12 GP, 42 K, 365, 14 B, 4 BS, 3 D, 51 pts.) after helping Irish to upset of #10 Arizona ... earned mention on all-tournament teams for Four Points Sheraton Classic (see above stats) and Longhorn Classic (8 GP, 29 K, .368, 7 B, 5 D, 33 pts.) ... led Irish in kills on 10 occasions ... had 10+ kills in 25 matches (7th all-time) ... hit .400 or better in seven of the first 13 matches of the season ... also led team in points nine times, aces on eight occasions, hitting percentage five times, blocks four times, and digs once ... in season opener, hit .522 (14-2-23) in helping Irish to upset of #10 Arizona ... had 18 kills on .412 hitting (18-4-34) vs. Eastern Washington ... hit .400 (16-2-35) in three-game win over Texas ... had 15 kills and no errors on .405 hitting vs. Purdue ... notched first double-double of season vs. Villanova (17 kills, 11 digs) ... had 16 kills on .500 hitting vs. St. John's ... posted second double-double at UConn, with 12 kills and 17 digs ... had 11 kills (.333), eight digs, and six blocks at Boston College ... slammed 19 kills in just three games vs. Syracuse, adding eight digs, six blocks, and 22 points ... had team-leading and career-high 18 digs vs. Virginia Tech, to go along with 16 kills ... had back-to-back double-doubles vs. Hokies (16 kills, 18 digs) and Miami (12 kills, 10 digs) ... had season-high eight blocks in helping Irish to season-high 22.5 blocks at Pittsburgh ... had seven kills vs. Stamford in first career match at middle blocker ... had three or more blocks in 22 matches ... averaged 2.32 digs (146 digs, 63 games) as a full-time back-row player from Sept. 26-Nov. 23 ... also had 16 aces in that span (0.25) after serving sparingly in the 6-2 ... averaged 3.80 kills on .333 hitting in the 6-2 ... posted 3.76 kills, 2.45 digs, and 1.29 blocks in BIG EAST action.

AS A SOPHOMORE (2002): Posted one of the top second-year campaigns in Notre Dame volleyball history ... first-team all-BIG EAST selection ... AVCA all-Northeast Region selection ... BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player ... led the team in kills with career-high 400 (3.70 per game) ... had 23 double-digit kill performances ... hit for 20 or more kills in five matches (22

vs. #10 Pepperdine, 21 at Purdue, 20 vs. Connecticut, 20 vs. St. John's, and 21 vs. Miami in the BE Championship), which ranks sixth all-time on the single-season charts ... led the team in kills seven consecutive matches from Sept. 18 through Oct. 6, just one off the team record of eight by Jaimie Lee in 1995 ... compiled outstanding numbers across the board with career-best .277 attack percentage, career-high 25 aces (0.23), career-high 208 digs (1.93), and 108 blocks (1.00) for career-best 493.5 points (4.57) ... led the team in solo blocks with 29 ... ended up with six double-doubles (21 kills, 10 digs at Purdue • 20 kills, 13 digs vs. Connecticut • 20 kills, 10 digs vs. St. John's • 16 kills, 15 digs at Villanova • 10 kills, 13 digs vs. Pittsburgh • 14 kills, 11 digs vs. Connecticut in the BE Championship) ... named co-BIG EAST Player of the Week on Sept. 30 ... reached the 15-kill plateau in 10 matches ... led Notre Dame to victory over #10 Pepperdine with a 22 kills and six blocks ... in the BIG EAST championship match against Miami (Fla.), posted 21 kills (on .462 hitting) with six digs, five blocks and two aces ... ended the season on a six-match run of double-digit kill performances ... posted a nine-match run from Sept. 14 through Oct. 13 with 10 or more kills ... had a solid match at Villanova, hitting for 16 kills (419) and 15 digs ... began the season on a high note with nine blocks vs. UW-Milwaukee (including three solo) ... ended up with eight double-digit dig matches ... compiled five or more blocks in eight matches ... earned a spot on the Shamrock Invitational and Golden Dome Invitational all-tournament teams.

AS A FRESHMAN (2001): Immediately stepped in as a rookie to start her first match and ended up with 27 starts in 29 matches (appearing in 94 of 103 games) ... third on the team in kills with 221 ... also had 147 digs and 56 blocks ... ended up with nine double-digit kill performances and two double-doubles ... had an impressive outing during the first weekend of competition, drilling 14 kills with eight digs, two blocks, and an ace in the championship match of the Shamrock Invitational vs. Idaho ... played well in the regular-season matchup with Georgetown, scoring 11 kills with six digs and three blocks ... had 12 kills and three blocks at Connecticut in Notre Dame's four-game victory ... strung together three consecutive matches with double-digit kills at West Virginia (11 kills, six digs, two blocks), at Pittsburgh (10 kills, eight digs, four blocks), and vs. St. John's (12 kills, seven digs, seven blocks) ... stepped up in the five-game victory vs. Illinois State with 14 kills and a then-career-best 13 digs ... was spectacular in the BIG EAST championship match against Georgetown, totaling 19 kills (on .368 hitting) with 10 digs and four blocks.

IRISH TRACK AND FIELD CAREER: Competed on Notre Dame's track and field team in first two years (2002, '03) of collegiate career, establishing herself as the top Irish high jumper ... also competed in 2005 and will return for a fifth year of track and field eligibility in 2006 ... in '05, placed second at NCAA Mideast Regional with personal-best leap of 1.76m (5-9 1/4), automatically qualifying for the NCAA Outdoor Championships (her first NCAA invitation) ... raised outdoor personal best to 1.77m (5-9 3/4) at NCAAs, but missed finals ... became the first athlete in Notre Dame history to earn all-conference honors in two distinctly different sports (excluding track and field and cross country), gaining all-BIG EAST mention on four occasions in the high

jump ... broke through for her first individual BIG EAST title at the league outdoor meet in 2003, clearing 1.75m (5-8 3/4) to claim first place ... finished second at the BIG EAST Indoor Championship with an impressive 1.79m (5-10 1/2) clearance ... ranked as one of the top 50 high jumpers in the nation for the indoor season in '03 and narrowly missed out on a qualifying effort for the NCAA Championships ... played a large part in Notre Dame's first women's BIG EAST Championships title in '02, finishing third to score six crucial points, as the Irish earned the indoor team title with 112 points over Georgetown's 110 ... the 1.73m, third-place finish was good for all-BIG EAST honors ... competed in just one outdoor competition in '02, the BIG EAST Championships, finishing third once again to earn all-BIG EAST honors (5-7 clearance) ... debuted for the Irish track and field team at the 2002 Meyo Invitational, finishing second in the high jump with a 1.73m effort (5-8) ... made the trip to the Windsor Team Challenge and finished second, improving her season-best height to 1.75m ... began the '03 indoor season with a victory in the high jump vs. Western Michigan and Ball State ... came back the next weekend to win once again vs. Michigan State with a 1.75m (5-8 3/4) effort ... continued the win streak at the Meyo Invitational, clearing 5-7 3/4 to take first place against a competitive field ... finished fifth in the high jump at the Georgia Tech Invitational in '03 outdoor action ... top indoor finish in '05 was sixth at Meyo Invitational (1.70 m/5-7) ... did not compete for the Irish during the '04 track and field season.

PREP AND PERSONAL: Three-sport standout at Bishop Luers High School in Fort Wayne, Ind. ... earned four letters each in volleyball, basketball, and track and field ... two-time Fort Wayne News-Sentinel Female Athlete of the Year (1999-2000 and 2000-01) ... Wendy's High School Heisman (presented to the top male and female high school athlete in Indiana) finalist in 2000 ... member of Volleyball magazine's "Fab 50" ... undefeated in the high jump during the 2000-01 season ... upon graduation, held the Bishop Luers school records in both the high jump (5-11 1/4) and long jump (17-0) ... earned numerous all-state honors in several sports: volleyball (1999, 2000), basketball (2001), and track and field (1998-2001) ... garnered All-America honors in volleyball in 1997 and track and field in 2001 ... scored over 1,000 points during her high school basketball career and was a member of the first girls' team to win three consecutive Indiana state championships (1999-2001) ... member of the National Honor Society, Students Against Destructive Decisions, and Bishop Luers' Peer Tutoring Program ... youngest of five children ... daughter of Jane and Charles Loomis ... born Dec. 16, 1982, in Coldwater, Ohio ... a CoSIDA Academic All-District V nominee in 2002, '03, and '04 ... tabbed an Academic All-Star by the BIG EAST Conference in each of her four seasons ... named to the Dean's List in both semesters of the 2003-04 academic year ... graduated from the College of Arts and Letters in May 2005 with a degree in design and sociology.

LOOMIS' CAREER STATISTICS

Table with 21 columns: Year, GP/MP/MS, K, Avg., E, TA, Pct., A, Avg., BHE, SA, Avg., SE, Dig, Avg., RE, BS/BA, Avg., BE, Pts., Avg. Rows include years 2001-2004 and a CAREER summary row.



Outside hitter was sidelined during the second half of her career due to a stress fracture of her right foot ... stands as the only Colleyville Heritage High School graduate ever to win a monogram at Notre Dame in any sport ... one of just two Grapevine natives to win monograms for the Irish, along with 2003 graduate and women's soccer standout Amanda Guertin ... after graduation, enrolled at University of Texas to pursue dual graduate degrees (public policy at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs and Latin American Studies) ... also plans to work part time at a non-profit organization in Austin ... earned monograms in 2001 and '02.

**AS A SENIOR:** Missed entire 2004 season due to a stress fracture of her right foot.

**AS A JUNIOR:** Missed entire 2003 season due to a stress fracture of her right foot.

**AS A SOPHOMORE:** Showed marked improvement during her second year in the program ... appeared in a career-high nine matches and 13 games in 2002 ... earned first career start vs. Providence and responded with a team-high and career-best 14 kills (14-6-33) ... saw significant action against Loyola College, registering three digs, two blocks, and an ace ... also played two games at Valparaiso.



## #2 Leah Nedderman

OH • 5-10 • 2005 Graduate

Majors: English, Sociology  
Final GPA: 3.642

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Texas Advantage VBC

### Class of 2005 Notes

- Posted a .744 four-year winning percentage (90-31)
- Advanced to the NCAA tournament all four years, winning opening-round contests in 2002 and '04
- Compiled 43-4 (.915) regular-season record in BIG EAST Conference play, helping the Irish to league titles every season
- Won BIG EAST tournament championships in 2001, '02, and '04
- Registered 45-8 (.849) record in matches in the Joyce Center
- Claimed three Shamrock Invitational titles, while also winning the 2002 Golden Dome Invitational, '03 Longhorn Classic, '04 Cal Poly Invitational, and '04 Baden Thanksgiving Tournament
- Delivered wins against #10 Pepperdine (3-2 in '02), #10 Arizona (3-1 in '03), and #14 Utah (3-0 in '04), as well as ND's first-ever victory vs. Long Beach State (3-2 in '04) and its first vs. Michigan State (3-1 in '04) since 1994
- Helped the Irish set 15 team school records over the past four seasons
- Visited 23 states and the District of Columbia during the 2001-04 Irish volleyball seasons, including Hawai'i, North Carolina, South Carolina, Nebraska, Texas, Utah, and several cities throughout California and Florida

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Saw limited action off the bench in her rookie season ... appeared in five matches and seven games in 2001 ... first action of career occurred during the Shamrock Invitational against Florida Atlantic ... played two games against Valparaiso, scoring two kills and her first career dig ... had kills in matches against Syracuse and Villanova.

**PREP AND PERSONAL:** Two-sport standout at Colleyville Heritage High School in Colleyville, Texas ... lettered all four years in volleyball, as well as earning two letters as a sprinter on the track and field team ... earned academic all-state honors her senior season in volleyball ... set the Colleyville school records for career kills (694), most kills in a match (23), most digs in a season (201), and most career digs (554) ... undefeated during the 1999 and 2000 track and field district seasons in the 400 meters ... earned the volleyball team's most-valuable-player award in 2000 after capturing the Heat and Hustle award in 1999 ... served as captain of the North Dallas Junior Club team in 1999 ... member of the National Honor Society ... her older sister Anna was a middle blocker

### CAREER HIGHS

**Kills:** 14 vs. Providence, 11-1-02  
**Digs:** 3 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02  
**Blocks:** 2 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02  
**Assists:** 1 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02  
**Aces:** 1 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02  
**AT:** 33 vs. Providence, 11-1-02  
**Hitting %:**  
 .242 (14-6-33) vs. Providence, 11-1-02

for Georgia Tech and Tulsa ... her younger sister Emily is a setter for Wake Forest ... daughter of Barbara and John Nedderman ... born Feb. 15, 1983, in New Brunswick, N.J. ... tabbed as an Academic All-Star by the BIG EAST Conference in each of her first two collegiate seasons ... named to the Dean's List in fall 2002 and in each of final four collegiate semesters, posting a 4.000 in spring '05 ... graduated from the College of Arts and Letters in May 2005 with a degree in English and sociology.

### NEDDERMAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP/MP/MS	K	Avg.	E	TA	Pct.	A	Avg.	BHE	SA	Avg.	SE	Dig	Avg.	RE	BS/BA	Avg.	BE	Pts.	Avg.
2001	7/5/0	4	0.57	4	16	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	4	0.57	0	0/0	0.00	0	8	1.14
2002	13/9/1	19	1.46	14	63	.079	1	0.08	0	1	0.08	2	8	0.62	0	0/4	0.31	0	22	1.69
2003	Did Not Play - Injured																			
2004	Did Not Play - Injured																			
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>20/14/1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1.15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>.063</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0.60</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0/4</b>	<b>0.20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1.50</b>

