



# 2006 NOTRE DAME DE NAMUR UNIVERSITY ARGONAUTS



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### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (NOVEMBER 6 – NOVEMBER 12)

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Location</u>
Women's Basketball	Saturday, Nov 12 @5:00pm	Menlo College (Exhibition)	Walter Gleason Gym
Men's Basketball	Sunday, Nov 13 @2:00pm	Santa Clara (Exhibition)	Santa Clara, CA

### ARGO OF THE WEEK

#### **MARISSA MILLER, JR., LINDEN, CA VOLLEYBALL**

Miller racked up 58 kills in the Argos three matches last week on their way to a 1-2 record. She also led the team in kills per game with 4.83, aces with eight and was second in digs with 56. On the November 3<sup>rd</sup> win against Grand Canyon, Miller had one of the best games of her career. She recorded 18 kills, 21 digs and added a career high seven aces. She followed up that performance the next day with a career high 24 kills in the final game of the season.



### Teams

#### **Volleyball (14-23, 3-12)**

##### *Last Week's Results:*

**lost to CSU East Bay 3-0 (10/31):** The NDNU women's volleyball team could not make it four wins in a row, dropping a non-conference match with CSU East Bay. The Pioneers swept the match in three games (30-32, 24-30, 25-30) giving them a 2-1 season record against the Argos. NDNU fell to 13-22 on the season despite racking up more kills than CSUEB and making fewer errors. The Argos tallied 44 kills including 18 in the first game while East Bay finished with 40. The Pioneers got a big boost from their serving game, recording 13 aces, including eight from Alyssa Chang. Marissa Miller once again led the Argos attack, connecting on 16 kills while Emily Evans added 12. Shauna Folan had a game high 26 digs and Jennifer McMurtry recorded 29 assists.

**def. Grand Canyon 3-2 (11/3):** The NDNU women's volleyball captured their third straight Pac West victory, downing Grand Canyon in five games (27-30, 30-17, 30-23, 22-30, 15-5). The Argos found themselves down a game early, but bounced back with two straight wins. In the second game, with the score tied at 17, NDNU rallied off 13 straight points to tie the match at one game apiece. After the Argos won game three to take a 2-1 lead, the 'Lopes won game four, sending the match into a fifth game. Jennifer McMurtry started off the fifth game with two straight aces as NDNU jumped out to a big lead and cruised to a 15-5 victory. The Argos racked up 68 kills and 14 aces for the match while Grand Canyon collected 47 kills and 15 blocks. Emily Evans led the Argos attack, recording a career high 20 kills and hit .317 on the night. Marris Miller added 18 kills, seven aces and a game high 21 digs while Sarah Perry tacked 11 kills of her own. Jennifer McMurtry tallied 56 assists and Shauna Folan picked up 19 digs for NDNU on the night.

**lost to Grand Canyon 3-1 (11/4):** The Notre Dame de Namur women's volleyball team could not hold off the Grand Canyon Antelopes, dropping their last game of the season 3-1 (28-30, 26-30, 36-34, 22-30) The 'Lopes used 59 kills, eight aces and 23 blocks to improve their record to 17-14 on the season. NDNU racked up 67 kills, 26 of which came in the thrilling third game. Marissa Miller led four Argos who reached double digit kills, connecting on a career high 24 kills and adding 21 digs. Caitlin Torres tallied 16 kills while Sarah

Perry and Emily Evans had 12 and 11 respectively. Senior Jennifer McMurtry closed out her career at NDNU with 55 assists and two aces.

*Top Performers:* **Marissa Miller** – 58 kills, 4.83 kpg, 8 aces, 56 digs **Sarah Perry** – 29 kills, 2.42 kpg, 5 blocks; **Emily Evans** – 43 kills, 6 blocks; **Jennifer McMurtry** – 140 assists, 11.67 apg; **Shauna Folan** – 65 digs, 4.92 dpg; **Caitlin Torres** – 30 kills, 2.73 kpg

## **Men's Soccer (13-5-2, 9-1)**

The Notre Dame de Namur Argonauts men's soccer teams captured their first ever Division II conference title, earning a share of the Pacific West crown. The Argos finished conference play with a 9-1 record, tying them for the top spot with Grand Canyon

NDNU ran through the Pacific West, encountering only one roadblock on the way. After a 1-0 win over Grand Canyon in the conference opener, the 'Lopes bounced back to defeat the Argos 2-1 in double overtime. However, that would be the only blemish on their record, as the Argos reeled off eight straight wins to end the season. NDNU was an offensive force during the 10 game conference slate, outscoring the opposition 33-5 and recording six shutouts. The Argos also relied on a stout defense to allow only 59 shots and had a streak of 537 minutes without surrendering a goal.

Seniors Anthony Putrus and Eric Michon were the offensive leaders, tying for second in conference goals with seven apiece. Putrus also added a team high eight assists while four of Michon's goals were game winners. Fellow senior Anton Del Rosario (Burlingame, CA) finished with three goals and seven assists. Senior goalkeeper Nico Arellano concluded conference play with 30 saves, four shutouts and a 0.56 goals against average. The Argos defense was led by juniors Daniel Pena and Robert Morini who started every game on the defensive side.

The NDNU men finished the season with a 13-5-2 record overall and picked up their ninth consecutive winning season under Head Coach Joe Silveira.

## **Women's Soccer (12-6-2, 9-0-1)**

The NDNU women's soccer team also won their first Division II conference title, going unbeaten in Pacific West. The Argos went 9-0-1 in Pacific West play, including eight straight wins to win the title outright.

The women's championship was undecided going into the final game of the season last Saturday. NDNU entered the game with an 8-0-1 conference record, while their opponent BYU Hawaii stood at 8-1. The Argos handed the Seaside their only conference loss with a 1-0 victory on October 7<sup>th</sup>. NDNU once again prevailed 1-0 over BYU with the lone goal coming of a header from Hope Siffert. With the victory, the Argos clinched the conference crown in their first season of Pacific West soccer.

The Argos were at their best in conference play, outscoring their opponents 27-2. They started the Pac West schedule with a pair of home games against Grand Canyon University. NDNU would go on to defeat the 'Lopes 2-0 in the conference opener, before battling to a 1-1 tie in the second game. The Argos rebounded from the tie by rolling off eight straight victories, including seven shutouts. Overall, NDNU trailed for only ten minutes in conference games and had a streak of 458 scoreless minutes at one point.

NDNU used an unrelenting offense and excellent defense to run through the Pacific West unbeaten. On offense, they out shot their opponents 226 to 59 in the ten games while goalie Candice Schrodetzki anchored the net. Schrodetzki allowed just two goals in 870 minutes for a 0.21 goals against average. She made 42 saves in conference play on her way to setting a school record with 89 total saves on the season. Freshman Amy Armijo and senior Kelli Brackinreed led the offense, scoring five goals apiece against Pac West competition. Armijo also tied senior Yang Zhou for the team lead in assists with four. Senior Hope Siffert added four goals, three of which were game winners and recorded two assists. The defense got strong play from senior Shana Chibidakis and junior Traci Cicerchi to shut down their opposition.

The women finished the season with a 12-6-2 overall record on their way to a sixth consecutive winning season under Head Coach Joe Silveira.

## **Golf**

*Last Week's Results:*

**Men (1<sup>st</sup> place) in Mauna Lani Intercollegiate (10/30-10/31):** Travis Peterson and Garrett Baxley's top ten finishes helped Notre Dame de Namur capture their first ever tournament victory, winning the Mauna Lani Resort/UH Hilo Intercollegiate Championship held at Mauna Lani Golf Course.

The Argos topped the 13-team field in the three round tournament by shooting an 866 (+2) as a team. NDNU finished ahead of five teams that were separated by only two strokes. CSU Stanislaus (289-287-296) and Sonoma State (286-292-294) each shot 872, six shots behind the Argonauts. Hawaii-Hilo (290-298-285) and Cal State Bakersfield (298-290-285) finished one stroke behind them at 873, while CSU San Bernardino shot 874. NDNU found themselves in fourth place after an opening round 293 (+5), but were able to move into third after scoring 287 (-1) in the second round. Still trailing CSU Stanislaus by four strokes and Sonoma State by two, the Argos fired a 286 (-2) to pass both teams.

The freshman duo of Peterson (2<sup>nd</sup> place) and Baxley (9<sup>th</sup> place) carried the Argos to victory on the par 72 course. Peterson shot 70 in both the first and second round before finishing up with a 72 to conclude the tournament at 212 (-4). Baxley ended the tournament at 217 (+1) after shooting 74-72-71 in the three rounds. Kory Storer finished 19<sup>th</sup> (73-72-75=220), while Dean Henry (76-73-73=222) and Mike Prescott (77-75-70) tied for 29<sup>th</sup> place.

**Women (4<sup>th</sup> place) in Mauna Lani Intercollegiate (10/30-10/31):** The NDNU women's golf team finished fourth at the Mauna Lani Intercollegiate held at the Francis H. I'i Brown North Course in Hawaii. Brittany Carrera once again was the top performer on the team, finishing in a sixth place tie. Carrera fired a 242 (80-78-84) to finish 11 strokes behind tournament winner Kiilani Matsuyoshi from Hawaii-Hilo. UHH also took home the team championship, shooting a 974 and finishing four strokes ahead of Chico State. The Argos also got a top ten finish from Kelly Owen who shot 247 for the three rounds.