



# YOTE NOTES – November 12, 2009

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## SPORTS RELEASE

### This Week's Event Schedule

11/12	WBB vs. Carroll (SLC)	4 p.m.
11/13	VB SOU vs. EOU	4 p.m.
	WBB at Westminster	6 p.m.
	VB C of I vs. Concordia	7 p.m.
11/14	WBB vs. UM-Western (SLC)	2 p.m.
	VB CCC Championship	3 p.m.
11/16	WBB at Utah Valley	7:05 p.m.

### Upcoming Events

11/20	WBB vs. Willamette (EOU)	7 p.m. PT
11/20-21	MBB Golden Rule Shootout	
11/20-21	SWIM at NW Invitational	
11/21	VB NAIA Opening Round	
11/21	WSOC NAIA Opening Round	
12/11-13	Catchers Only Camp	

### Live Video

Throughout the 2009-10 season, a Live Video feed of all C of I volleyball, men's basketball, and women's basketball home games will be available for free through Penn Atlantic.

Access the games online via [www.pennatlantic.com](http://www.pennatlantic.com).

### Live Stats

Throughout the 2009-10 season, Live Statistics of all C of I volleyball, men's basketball, women's basketball, and softball games will be available live via the C of I athletic website. Click on the Live Stats icon on the respective team's homepage to keep up with the action.

## ATHLETIC NEWS:

**CAPACITY CROWD WATCHES YOTES TOP NNU:** Kelvin Potts scored 17 of his game-high 23 points in the second half, as The College of Idaho knocked off NCAA Division II Northwest Nazarene, 79-72, in the United Heritage Tip-Off before a standing-room only crowd of 2,422 in the J.A. Albertson Activities Center. The win for the NAIA No. 8 ranked Coyotes (1-0) was their sixth win in eight tries against their Canyon County rivals - and their 112th victory in 184 all-time meetings in the longest collegiate basketball rivalry in the State of Idaho. The Yotes used an early 9-0 run, capped by a Craig McGee free throw, to take an 18-12 lead midway through the first half, with Matt Ballenger canned a long three-point just before the final horn to build a 39-32 halftime edge. However, the Crusaders - playing the game as their final exhibition of the season, scored the first eight points of the second half, with Brian Barkdoll's tough lay-up giving NNU a 41-39 edge. The teams would see-saw through eight ties and nine lead changes, before a Potts jumper with just under ten minutes to play gave The C of I the lead for good at 54-52. The margin would swell to 66-59 after back-to-back Brian Bergerson treys, before NNU would make a late charge, clawing within 66-64 on a pair of Kendall Gielow freebies. Potts would put it away, recording back-to-back three-point plays on driving lay-ups, with Steve Peres converting 5-of-6 free throws down the stretch for the win. Peres had 14 points for the Yotes, with Bergerson coming off the bench to score all 12 of his points in the second half. Craig McGee had 11 points and ten rebounds, Ballenger added ten points and eight boards in his collegiate debut, with Noah Gottlieb scoring eight points, with seven rebounds and six assists. Barkdoll led NNU with 19 points, with Gielow having a monster night with 15 points and 14 rebounds, while Drew Eisinger chipped in with 15 points. The Yotes will have ten days off before hosting the 23rd Annual Duane Wolfe Memorial Golden Rule Shootout a week from Friday, meeting Lewis-Clark State at 8 p.m.

**LOOK OUT, HERE COME THE ORANGES:** Next week, the Coyote baseball team will be embarking on their annual Orange Drive, to support their endeavors during the 2010 season. The Yotes will be throughout Canyon County selling boxes of oranges, apples, and grapefruits. For more information, contact head coach Shawn Humberger at 459-5861 or by email at [shumberger@collegeofidaho.edu](mailto:shumberger@collegeofidaho.edu).

**IDAHO PRESS TRIBUNE FEATURES C OF I/NNU SPORTS BLOG:** Fans of C of I athletics can share their thoughts on the Yotes as part of the Idaho Press Tribune's College of Idaho/Northwest Nazarene Sports Blog. Beat writer Mike Stetson shares his thoughts and stories, along with pictures and videos, on both the Yotes and Crusaders, with fans having the ability to leave their thoughts on their favorite team. The blog is linked on the front of The C of I athletic website or can be visited at <http://www.idahopress.com/blogs/?blogid=6>.



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8/28	! Concordia-Irvine	L 3-2
	! Lewis-Clark State	W 3-2
8/29	! Northwest	W 3-0
	! Great Falls	W 3-0
9/4	* Northwest Christian	W 3-0
9/5	* Corban	W 3-0
9/11	* Oregon Tech	W 3-0
9/12	* Southern Oregon	W 3-2
9/18	* Warner Pacific	W 3-0
9/19	* Concordia	W 3-0
9/25	* Eastern Oregon	W 3-2
9/29	Northwest Nazarene	W 3-1
10/2	* Northwest	W 3-0
10/3	* Evergreen State	W 3-0
10/9	* Southern Oregon	L 3-2
10/10	* Oregon Tech	W 3-0
10/16	* Corban	W 3-0
10/17	* Northwest Christian	W 3-0
10/20	Northwest Nazarene	W 3-1
10/23	* Evergreen State	W 3-0
10/24	* Northwest	W 3-0
10/30	* Eastern Oregon	W 3-0
11/6	* Concordia	W 3-0
11/7	* Warner Pacific	W 3-0
11/13	# Concordia	7 p.m.
11/14	# CCC Championship	3 p.m.
11/21	NAIA Opening Round	TBA
12/1-5	NAIA Championships	TBA

### Home Games in Bold

- \* Cascade Conference Game
- ! Comfort Inn Tournament (Lewiston, ID)
- # Cascade Conference Tournament

### Cascade Conference Standings

School	CCC	Overall
Southern Oregon	17- 1	23- 2
College of Idaho	17- 1	22- 2
Eastern Oregon	13- 5	15- 8
Concordia	13- 5	16- 9
Corban	8-10	10-17
Warner Pacific	7-11	11-13
Northwest	7-11	8-19
Oregon Tech	6-12	7-19
Evergreen State	1-17	1-26
Northwest Christian	1-17	6-21

## VOLLEYBALL: Lady Yotes set to host the 2009 Cascade Conference Tournament with NAIA Tourney berth on the line

**LAST WEEK:** vs. Concordia (W 3-0), vs. Warner Pacific (W 3-0)

**COMING UP:** Host Cascade Conference Tournament – Friday, Southern Oregon vs. Eastern Oregon, 4 p.m., C of I vs. Concordia, 7 p.m.; Saturday, Championship Match, 3 p.m.

**LIVE STATS / LIVE VIDEO:** All CCC Tournament matches will have live video and live statistics available for fans at home. The live video stream will be available free of charge at [www.pennatlantic.com](http://www.pennatlantic.com), while the live stats can be accessed at <http://yotestats.i8.com/vball/xlive.htm>.

**YOTES HOST CCC TOURNAMENT:** By virtue of winning the regular season Cascade Conference championship, The C of I volleyball team has earned the host berth for the 2009 CCC Tournament, Friday and Saturday in the J.A. Albertson Activities Center. It marks the third time that the Lady Yotes have hosted the tournament, The C of I hosted the CCC Tournament at the conclusion of both the 2006 and 2008 seasons.

**TOURNAMENT INFORMATION:** There will be one session per day at the tourney, with ticket prices set at \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors, and \$2.00 for children 17-and-under. Only NAIA passes will be accepted. The semifinal winners from Friday will meet for the championship on Saturday night and the league's lone automatic berth to the NAIA National Championships.

**WHAT'S AT STAKE:** For the second-straight year, the winner of the CCC Tournament will receive an automatic berth to the NAIA Championships. A total of 36 teams will advance to the National Tournament, with 29 teams receiving a bid through their affiliated conference, six teams receiving an at-large berth based on the final national poll, and one host berth. The Top-11 seeded teams (plus host Morningside) will automatically move to the final site in Sioux City, Iowa, while the remaining 24 teams will play an Opening Round match at various campus sites on Nov. 21 to determine the remaining 12 spots to Sioux City. The six at-large berths will be allotted to teams not securing their conference's automatic berth, selected in descending order by the NAIA Top-25 Poll released on Nov. 10.

**PAST TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS:** The Lady Yotes have won the last three CCC Tournaments (the event was not held in 2007), winning the tourney at Southern Oregon in 2005, and winning the tourney in Caldwell in 2006 and 2008. Southern Oregon claimed the titles in 2003 and 2004, with Concordia dominating the league from 1999-02. Outside of the Lady Yotes victory in 2005, the tournament host has won the event every year since 1999.

**ABOUT CONCORDIA:** Friday's nightcap will feature the Lady Yotes and **Concordia** – whom The C of I defeated in three sets just seven days ago. The Cavaliers (16-9) have had a fabulous season under first year head coach Melanie Hamblon, but are just 1-5 against the other three teams in the field. Mariana Toscano (3.05 k/s, 1.99 d/s) is dangerous in CU's slide attack, while outside hitter Raluca Dinca (2.74 k/s, 3.38 d/s, 28 aces) hits a very heavy ball. Setter Skyler Kamaka (8.97 a/s, 1.71 d/s, 23 aces) runs the Cavs 6-1 attack, while libero Kim Lindow (4.13 d/s) is among the league leaders in passing. It is the 57th meeting between the schools, with the Yotes having won 14-straight against Concordia and holding a 36-20 series edge.

**ABOUT EASTERN OREGON:** On the other side of the bracket, **Eastern Oregon** heads to Caldwell for the second-straight season, earning the No. 3 seed with a four-set victory over Concordia last Saturday. The Mountaineers (15-8) are in the midst of their best season in years – including a win over No. 25 Westmont, with seven of their eight losses coming to nationally ranked teams. All-CCC standout Grace Deboodt (3.15 k/s, 2.86 d/s, 0.88 b/s, 33 aces) leads the Mountie attack, while outside hitter Ashleigh Dailey (2.08 k/s, 0.61 b/s) is coming off an outstanding weekend that netted her CCC Hitter of the Week honors. Jessica Lea (2.56 k/s, 5.79 a/s, 2.45 d/s, 0.56 b/s) is Eastern's top all-around player in their 6-2 formation, while libero Kaitlyn Duncan (3.45 d/s, 18 aces) has had a quality season. If EOU and the Yotes meet, it would be the 81st all-time match, with the Yotes holding a 60-20 series edge, including 31 wins in a row.

**ABOUT SOUTHERN OREGON:** No. 13 ranked **Southern Oregon** completes the tournament field, riding a 14-match win streak to earn a share of the CCC title for the second time in three seasons – and look to advance to the league tournament title tilt for a staggering tenth-straight time. The Raiders (23-2) two losses in 2009 have come to No. 1 Fresno Pacific and No. 8 C of I, while holding victories over the Lady Yotes and No. 10 Biola. SOU has a balanced attack, led by outsides Leanne Stennett (1.88 k/s, 2.40 d/s, 0.56 b/s) and Chelsea Hartman (2.99 k/s), middle Heather Porter (1.90 k/s, 1.02 b/s), and opposite Leah Bergstrom (2.93 k/s, 0.75 b/s). Angela Spieker (5.93 a/s, 1.29 d/s, 22 aces) is one of two setters in Southern's 6-2 offense, with libero Becky Johnstone (4.38 d/s, 25 aces) one of the more efficient passers in the entire league. If the Yotes and Raiders meet in the final, it would be the fifth time since 2003 that the teams have met for the championship and the 73rd meeting between the teams, with SOU holding 54-18 series edge.

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**LADY YOTES FINISH NO. 8 IN FINAL NAIA POLL:** The C of I remained at No. 8 in the final NAIA Top-25 Coaches Poll, released Tuesday by the national office in Kansas City, Mo. It marks the fifth-straight week that the Lady Yotes have been ranked at No. 8 - earning 519 voter points, 18 fewer points than they received a week ago. It is the 44th time that The C of I has been ranked in the Top-25 and the 55th-straight week that the team has received votes in the poll. Fresno Pacific (Calif.) remained the No. 1 team in the nation, while Cal Baptist regained the No. 2 slot after sharing the spot last week with No. 3 Northwestern (Iowa). Concordia (Calif.) is fourth, followed by Azusa Pacific (Calif.), Georgetown (Ky.), Columbia (Mo.), the Lady Yotes, University of Texas-Brownsville, and Biola (Calif.). Southern Oregon fell one spot to No. 13 in the poll, with Lewis-Clark State at No. 21. Two other opponents – Great Falls and Eastern Oregon, both received votes.

**PLAYOFF BOUND FOR 11TH-STRAIGHT YEAR:** With their win over Evergreen State on Oct. 23, the Coyotes clinched their 11th-straight postseason appearance. The Lady Yotes have qualified for the playoffs each year. **Liz Mendiola** has been at the helm of the Coyote ship – including regional tournament berths in 2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, and 2007, and national tournament appearances in 2005, 2006, and 2008. With the conference-direct model in place, the winner of the four-team CCC Tournament will receive an automatic berth to the NAIA Tournament. The Coyotes have won each of the past three CCC Tournaments – in 2005 at Southern Oregon, and in 2006 and 2008 in Caldwell. In 2007 – a CCC Tournament was not held.

**HOME STREAK SAFE UNTIL 2010:** Last weekend, the Lady Yotes completed their fourth-straight perfect season in conference play at home, pushing their home CCC streak to 44-matches in a row. The squad has not lost a league tilt at home since September of 2005, recording an undefeated mark at home each of the last three seasons (9-0 in 2006 and 2009 and 10-0 in both 2007 and 2008). Overall, the Yotes have won 59 of their last 60 home matches – and have an all-time record of 152-37 in the facility, including a 100-13 record in the Activities Center under head coach Liz Mendiola.

**RECORD BOOK:** Four players currently are in the Top-10 in the Coyote career record book. Leading the way is Kristin Henning, who is No. 2 all-time with 483 blocks and No. 8 in kills (951), while Kathryn Ely ranks third all-time in kills (1,361). Rounding out the list are the two setters, as **Madie Machurek** (*Eagle, Idaho / Eagle HS*) is No. 5 in assists (1,796) and **Naomi Reimer** (*Killarney, Man. / Killarney SS*) is No. 7 in assists (1,348) and No. 9 in aces (110).

**CUMULATIVE STATISTICS:**

##	STATS SUMMARY	ATTACK					SET		SERVE			DIG			BLOCKING						
		G	K	K/G	E	TA	Pct	A	A/G	SA	SE	SA/G	RE	DIG	D/G	BS	BA	Total	B/G	BE	BHE
5	ELY, Kathryn	59	162	2.75	68	449	.209	2	0.03	0	0	0.00	12	37	0.63	2	33	35	0.59	1	1
9	REIMER, Naomi	63	155	2.46	63	396	.232	328	5.21	23	37	0.37	9	146	2.32	2	25	27	0.43	4	11
3	FOX, Ciciley	63	152	2.41	51	380	.266	7	0.11	9	4	0.14	7	72	1.14	1	21	22	0.35	2	1
11	HENNING, Kristin	83	190	2.29	45	439	.330	10	0.12	0	3	0.00	1	26	0.31	21	79	100	1.20	4	0
15	LINK, Jessie	83	183	2.20	65	490	.241	1	0.01	0	0	0.00	0	29	0.35	9	60	69	0.83	4	0
10	HERNANDEZ, Marcella	73	153	2.10	57	337	.285	13	0.18	36	18	0.49	0	41	0.56	14	65	79	1.08	11	0
7	BOURGEAU, Lauren	52	57	1.10	38	195	.097	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	19	0.37	1	21	22	0.42	5	0
20	CURTIS, Madison	20	14	0.70	6	42	.190	3	0.15	0	0	0.00	0	3	0.15	0	12	12	0.60	2	0
1	MACHUREK, Madie	76	34	0.45	3	63	.492	539	7.09	19	31	0.25	0	194	2.55	0	7	7	0.09	1	8
4	LOW, Cassie	3	1	0.33	4	7	-.429	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	1	0.33	0	0
13	NERES, Nathy	29	6	0.21	3	19	.158	1	0.03	6	6	0.21	9	55	1.90	0	0	0	0.00	0	1
8	COMBE, Courtney	83	4	0.05	3	33	.030	11	0.13	14	16	0.17	13	168	2.02	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
6	DRUMM, Stacie	72	2	0.03	0	23	.087	6	0.08	10	7	0.14	11	133	1.85	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
18	STIEG, Melanie	10	0	0.00	2	5	-.400	2	0.20	2	3	0.20	0	16	1.60	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
12	OWEN, Whitney	84	0	0.00	0	37	.000	75	0.89	23	20	0.27	20	458	5.45	0	0	0	0.00	0	3
2	PALMER, Melanie	13	0	0.00	0	1	.000	34	2.62	3	1	0.23	0	11	0.85	0	1	1	0.08	0	1
TEAM		22																			
	COLLEGE OF IDAHO....	84	1113	13.25	408	2916	.242	1032	12.29	145	146	1.73	104	1408	16.76	50	325	212.5	2.53	34	26
	Opponents.....	84	761	9.06	573	2951	.064	705	8.39	104	126	1.24	145	1215	14.46	20	215	127.5	1.52	41	46

**GAME RECAP – C OF I 3, CONCORDIA 0:** **Ciciley Fox** (*Challis, Idaho / Challis HS*) led all players with 11 kills, as The C of I rolled past Concordia, 25-18, 25-18, 25-16, Friday night in Caldwell. Set 1 was a barn-burner, as the two teams combined for eleven ties - the final one coming at 17-17. However, the Yotes got two kills each from Fox and Naomi Reimer as part of a five-point push to claim the win. The middle set saw The C of I pound out 17 kills to earn the win, while the finale saw the Yotes bust open a 16-13 score with some stellar defense, part of a 9-3 run to close out the match. Kathryn Ely had nine kills and four blocks, with Reimer adding eight kills, 13 assists, and 12 digs for the Yotes. **Marcella Hernandez** (*Torrance, Calif. / El Camino CC*) had seven kills and seven blocks, **Madie Machurek** added 27 assists, and **Whitney Owen** (*Caldwell, Idaho / Vallivue HS*) recorded 17 digs.

**GAME RECAP – C OF I 3, WARNER PACIFIC 0:** Four C of I senior hitters combined for 33 kills and 14 blocks, as the Lady Yotes clinched their fourth-consecutive CCC regular-season championship with a 25-18, 25-15, 25-14 victory over Warner Pacific on Saturday night. Set 1 saw the Yotes jump out to a 10-2 lead on the strength of three Kristin Henning kills. The Knights would battle back, closing within 17-14 on a Claire Van Meer spike, but The C of I got back-to-back Ciciley Fox kills to put the period away. The middle frame saw the Lady Yotes break a 6-6 stalemate with a seven-point push and were never threatened, as senior Marcella Hernandez had four kills and three blocks in the set. The Coyotes led 12-9 in the finale, before a 12-3 run put the match away. The senior Henning led all players with 12 kills and three blocks, while Hernandez added eight kills and six blocks. Seniors Kathryn Ely (seven kills) and **Jessie Link** (*Tonopah, Nev. / Nicholls State U.*) (six kills, three blocks), along with **Stacie Drumm** (*Salem, Ore. / South Salem HS*) (12 digs) and **Courtney Combe** (*Nampa, Idaho / Skyview HS*) (two kills) played their final home regular-season match. **Madie Machurek** had 21 assists and eight digs, with Whitney Owen leading all players with 19 digs. WVP was paced by six kills each from Samantha Kolakowski and Megan Marineau, with setter Whitney Valenta recording a team-high ten assists and 11 digs.

**ABOUT THE COACH:** Liz Mendiola is in her ninth season as The C of I head volleyball coach. During her first eight seasons at the helm, the Coyotes have advanced to seven consecutive CCC tournaments, four NAIA regional tournaments, and trips to the NAIA National Championships in 2005, 2006, and 2008. Last season, the squad won their third-straight CCC title, claimed their third-straight CCC Tournament title, won their NAIA Tournament Opening Round match, and advanced to the NAIA Tournament Final Site in Sioux City, Iowa – with Mendiola earning her third-straight CCC Coach of the Year honors, while being ranked as high as No. 9 in the national poll. During her career, she has amassed a record of 207-76, the most wins and highest winning percentage in school history. In 2006, she led the Lady Yotes to their best season in program history, compiling a 35-4 record - earning CCC and NAIA Region I Coach of the Year honors. The Yotes won their first CCC championship in 24 years, becoming just the second school to complete the league schedule without a loss. The Coyotes also captured their second-straight CCC Tournament title, along with their second-straight NAIA Region I Tournament title, before placing ninth at the NAIA Championships – with that team setting a school-record with 22 straight wins. Her 2009 club will take a 35-match CCC home win streak into the season. Mendiola was an assistant for the Coyotes on two separate occasions – from 1995-96 and from 1999-2000, before elevating to head coach. She has also coached club volleyball at Emmett High, for the Treasure Valley Volleyball Club, the Boise River Volleyball Club, and various camps in the Northwest. A native of Jerome, Mendiola graduated from The C of I in 1996 with a degree in elementary education, and taught kindergarten in Nampa before becoming head coach in 2001. A two-year member of the Coyotes, Mendiola set school records for kills per game (4.86) in 1994, and holds the school mark for kills per game in a career (4.46). She earned All-CCC honors following her senior season with the Yotes. Mendiola is married to former Coyote baseball standout and current C of I softball coach Al Mendiola. The Mendiola's have two children, Aleah and Micah.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** For more information on the Coyote volleyball program, head to the official homepage of the Lady Yotes, [www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/vball.htm](http://www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/vball.htm).

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Corban	6-2-1	19	9- 7-3
Oregon Tech	6-3-0	18	13- 6-0
Southern Oregon	5-3-1	16	7- 8-2
Eastern Oregon	4-5-0	12	4- 9-0
Northwest	2-6-1	7	3-10-2
Warner Pacific	2-6-1	7	2-11-3
Northwest Christian	2-7-0	6	3-14-0
Evergreen	0-9-0	0	1-10-4

## WOMEN'S SOCCER: No. 20 Lady Yotes lose CCC title match, await word from NAIA on at-large berth

**LAST WEEK:** vs. No. 5 Concordia (L 1-0)

**COMING UP:** NAIA National Championships Selection Announcement, Nov. 14, 5 p.m.

**ON THE BUBBLE FOR NATIONALS:** It is a long shot, but it is still a possibility, for the upstart College of Idaho women's soccer team to earn their first-ever berth to the NAIA Championships. Despite losing the Cascade Conference championship match to Concordia – giving the Cavs the league's lone automatic berth to Nationals, the Lady Yotes, based on their national ranking, are currently the bubble team for the final at-large berth for the selection committee.

**WHAT IT WOULD TAKE:** A total of 32 teams earn spots in the National Tournament, including 25 automatic berths and seven at-large spots – with the at-large berths awarded based on teams not winning their conference title and selected in descending order from the final NAIA Top-25 poll. Currently, only one team (Concordia) ranked ahead of the Lady Yotes have secured an automatic berth, while three teams (No. 4 Azusa Pacific, No. 8 Cal Baptist, and No. 18 Olivet Nazarene) have lost in their respective tournaments and would receive at-large bids before The C of I. Six other teams ranked above the Yotes (Lee vs. Auburn Montgomery, Vanguard vs. Point Loma Nazarene, Indiana Wesleyan-Marian) will battle each other for automatic berths – with the losers in line for at-large bids before The C of I. That would leave one remaining slot available. However, nine other teams ahead of the Coyotes (Lindsey Wilson, William Carey, Martin Methodist, Graceland, McKendree, Northwood, Simon Fraser, Trinity Christian, and Siena Heights) are currently still alive in their conference tournaments – if all win, the Lady Yotes are in; if one loses, the Lady Yotes season is over.

**CCC'S HISTORY AT NATIONAL TOURNAMENT:** Only Concordia has represented the CCC at the national tournament in the first 25 years of the event, with the Cavaliers going 10-8-2 in their appearances, including a pair of national runner-up finishes and two third-place trophies. They are not, however, the only Northwest teams with success, as Simon Fraser won the title in both 1996 and 2000, while Pacific Lutheran (Wash.) made five-straight title match appearances from 1988-92, winning three championships.

**YOTES TAKE THREE HIGH HONORS FROM CCC:** Following the CCC title match, the league office announced the 2009 All-CCC Team, with the Lady Yotes grabbing three of the highest honors awarded. Sweeper **Colleen Smith** (Boise, Idaho / Boise HS) was named Defensive Player of the Year, after anchoring the Yote defense that allowed just 11 goals and set a school record with a 0.65 goals against average. Forward **Erika Mouritsen** (Wellsville, Utah / Dixie State Coll.) was honored as Newcomer of the Year after ranking second in the league in goals scored with 13 – the third-highest total in school history. Rounding out the honors was head coach **Niki Taylor**, who earned Coach of the Year honors for the second-straight season – this year sharing the award with Corban's Marty Ziesemer.

**OTHER ALL-LEAGUE SELECTIONS:** Both Colleen Smith and Erika Mouritsen were named to the CCC First-Team, joined by midfielder **Chelsea Heffner** (Meridian, Idaho / Mountain View HS) – who earns the award for the second-straight season. The Yotes had three Second-Team recipients – defenders **Jessica Patton** (Eagle, Idaho / Eagle HS) and **Lauren Winterholler** (Idaho Falls, Idaho / North Idaho CC), along with goalkeeper **Kelly Hardegrege-Ullman** (Boise, Idaho / Mountain View HS) – who is in position to set a new school record for goals against average. Two players were named as honorable mention selections – midfielders **Jessica Ayala** (Eagle, Idaho / Eagle HS) and **Taylor Culver** (Nampa, Idaho / Skyview HS). The eight selections for the Lady Yotes are the most All-CCC selections for the team in one season.

**IN THE PLAYOFFS:** It is the seventh time in the 21 years of the program that the Lady Yotes have advanced to the postseason – losing opening round games in 1991, 1993, 2002, and 2006. In 2007, the squad advanced to the CCC Tournament semifinals, while reaching the CCC Championship game in both 2008 and 2009. All-time, The C of I has a 3-7 record during the playoffs – 3-4 under head coach Niki Taylor, winning their first postseason match each of the last three seasons and are 3-1 all-time at home during the playoffs.

**LADY YOTES REMAIN AT NO. 20 IN FINAL NAIA POLL:** Despite the loss to Concordia, the Lady Yotes remain in the NAIA Top-25 for the third-straight week and will end the season ranked No. 20, as the final NAIA Top-25 Coaches Poll was released on Tuesday. The squad earned a record 184 voter points in this week's balloting – eight fewer points in the poll than a week ago. Lindsey Wilson (Ky.) sits atop the poll, followed by defending national champion, Lee (Tenn.), William Carey (Miss.), Azusa Pacific (Calif.), and Concordia (Ore.) round out the Top-5.

**MOST WINS IN A SEASON:** With 14 wins this year, the Lady Yotes have established a new record for wins in a season – breaking the mark set last season when The C of I had a 12-6-2 record. The team is also on pace to break the single-season win percentage record of .727 set back in 1989.

**CUMULATIVE STATISTICS:**

##	Name	GP-GS	SHOTS							YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT
			G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%			
15	MOURITSEN, Erika	17-17	13	2	28	52	.250	31	.596	1-0	5	0-0
17	AYALA, Jessica	17-17	6	7	19	28	.214	16	.571	0-0	0	0-0
9	HEFFNER, Chelsea	17-17	6	4	16	40	.150	25	.625	0-0	3	0-0
23	SMITH, Colleen	17-17	5	1	11	18	.278	8	.444	0-0	2	0-0
22	CULVER, Taylor	17-17	5	1	11	17	.294	8	.471	0-0	2	0-0
8	WINTERHOLLER, Lauren	17-17	1	7	9	11	.091	5	.455	0-0	0	0-0
2	BIGELOW, Kayla	15-15	3	1	7	12	.250	6	.500	0-0	1	0-0
16	REICHEL, Jamie	13-8	1	5	7	16	.062	9	.562	0-0	1	0-0
12	GREIF, Mandy	17-6	2	1	5	23	.087	11	.478	0-0	0	0-0
10	HARDEGREE-ULLMAN, K.	17-12	2	0	4	8	.250	5	.625	0-0	0	0-0
3	EGERMAN, Macy	8-3	1	2	4	11	.091	7	.636	0-0	0	0-0
20	HAWKINS, Justine	17-17	0	4	4	3	.000	0	.000	1-0	0	0-0
7	HUTTASH, Jordan	13-0	1	0	2	6	.167	1	.167	0-0	0	0-0
11	HULIN, Brittney	17-2	0	2	2	8	.000	3	.375	0-0	0	0-0
5	MOON, Jessica	14-0	0	1	1	4	.000	2	.500	0-0	0	0-0
18	BALL, Anne	12-0	0	1	1	1	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
4	OLSON, Kirsten	14-0	0	1	1	1	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
25	PATTON, Jessica	17-17	0	0	0	5	.000	3	.600	0-0	0	0-0
13	SMITH, Kaitlyn	4-0	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
26	MARCH, Maggie	5-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
24	HUGHES, Sadie	6-6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	1-0	0	0-0
6	ROONEY, Natasha	4-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
	Total.....	17	46	40	132	265	.174	141	.532	3-0	14	0-0
	Opponents.....	17	11	8	30	147	.075	69	.469	3-0	3	1-1

##	Name	GP-GS	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD			Shots	
			Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	Faced
22	CULVER, Taylor	3-0	135:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	6
10	HARDEGREE-ULLMAN, K.	11-11	857:47	5	0.52	35	.875	9	2	0	5	85
24	HUGHES, Sadie	6-6	483:00	4	0.75	18	.818	5	1	0	3	47
1	DIAZ, Tracy	2-0	57:00	2	3.16	2	.500	0	0	0	0	8
TM	TEAM		0:00	0	0.00	2	1.000	0	0	0	1	0
	Total.....	17	1532:47	11	0.65	58	.841	14	3	0	11	146
	Opponents.....	17	1532:47	46	2.70	95	.674	3	14	0	1	262

**GAME RECAP: CONCORDIA I, C OF I 0:** Jessica Ramback flicked home the lone goal of the match in the 65th minute, as Concordia University claimed their tenth-consecutive CCC Tournament championship, outlasting The C of I, 1-0, at sunny Simplot Stadium. Ramback, the CCC's Offensive Player of the Year, took advantage of a breakdown in the defense by the No. 20 ranked Coyotes, getting a feed from Kaitlyn Tebbs at the top of the 18 - flicking the ball into the left corner of the goal. However, it wasn't easy, as the Lady Yotes held a 14-12 edge in total shots - with both sides having multiple scoring opportunities turned away by the respective goalkeepers. In the opening half, The C of I had an early chance in the 12th minute, as CCC Defensive Player of the Year, Colleen Smith, headed a loose ball off a corner just above the crossbar. The action would pick up in the final ten minutes of the period, as Angie Turner ripped a right-footed shot wide right in the 39th minute for the Cavs, with Erika Mouritsen one-timing a blast from the 18 off the crossbar for the Yotes in the 41st minute. Two minutes later, Kelton McFadden roped a shot that C of I keeper Kelly Hardegree-Ullman made a one-handed diving save to her left, with Lauren Winterholler clearing a second McFadden shot off the resulting corner kick to send the contest to the break at 0-0. In the 54th minute, Mouritsen nearly put the Yotes on top, but Georgie Christensen made a diving save of her flick to preserve the shutout. Ramback would then tally her goal after a nice cross to the middle of the field by Alex Thomas to start the play. CU nearly made it 2-0 in the 82nd minute, as Ramback one-timed a shot, but Hardegree-Ullman made a diving save to her right. The Yotes had one final chance with five minutes to play, as **Mandy Greif** (Payette, Idaho / Payette HS) launched a shot in from the 18 after a scrum, missing just wide left.

**ABOUT THE COACH:** Niki Taylor is in her fourth season as head coach of The C of I women's soccer program. In her three seasons with the Coyotes, she has completely rebuilt the team into a contender, registering four-consecutive postseason appearances, an appearance in the 2007 CCC Tournament semifinals, and a spot in the 2008 CCC Tournament championship match. For her efforts, Taylor was named 2008 CCC Coach of the Year. She has an all-time record of 41-26-7, with the 41 wins the most by a women's soccer coach at The C of I. A graduate of Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo., Taylor was an honorable mention all-conference player for the Bulldogs in 1999 and 2000, helping the squad to an NCAA Division II regional championships. She went on to assist coach Mike Cannon during the 2001 season, helping TSU to the regional finals, then moved West, where she was an assistant for Steve Lucas at Boise State for three seasons. She has also been involved with the Les Bois United Soccer Club for the past six years, while serving as a head coach in the Idaho Olympic Development Program – receiving her USSF "B" Coaching License. She is single and lives in Boise.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** For more information on the Coyote women's soccer program, head to the official homepage of the Lady Yotes, [www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/wmenssoccer.htm](http://www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/wmenssoccer.htm).



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### 2009 Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
8/31	Whitman	L 2-1
9/12	* + Northwest Christian	W 5-1
9/16	+ Northwest Nazarene	L 1-0
9/19	* Oregon Tech	W 3-2
9/25	* Evergreen State	T 1-1
9/26	* Northwest	W 3-0
10/2	* Oregon Tech	W 2-1
10/3	* Northwest Christian	W 2-1
10/9	* Warner Pacific	L 1-0
10/11	* Concordia	L 3-2
10/23	* Corban	W 3-0
10/24	* Warner Pacific	L 3-1
10/26	* Concordia	L 2-0
10/31	* Corban	L 1-0
11/6	* Northwest	L 2-0
11/7	* Evergreen State	L 2-0

### Home Games in Bold (at Simplot Stadium)

\* Cascade Conference Game

+ at Syringa Middle School

PT Pacific Time

### Cascade Conference Standings

School	CCC	Pts.	Overall
Warner Pacific	11- 2-1	34	12- 4-1
Concordia	11- 3-0	33	12- 5-1
Northwest	7- 5-2	23	9- 5-4
Evergreen State	6- 5-3	21	6- 6-4
College of Idaho	6 -7-1	19	6- 9-1
Oregon Tech	5- 7-2	17	8- 8-2
Corban	4- 9-1	13	5-10-2
Northwest Christian	0-12-2	2	1-15-2

## MEN'S SOCCER: Season Recap

**COMING UP:** Season Complete

**LAST WEEK:** at Northwest (L 2-0), at Evergreen State (L 2-0)

**TOUGH END OF SEASON:** The late season swoon for The College of Idaho men's soccer team continued, as the Coyotes dropped a pair of games in Washington last week, falling out of the playoffs for the second time in three seasons. In fact, the Yotes dropped their final five matches of the season – their longest losing streak within the conference in school history.

**A TALE OF TWO HALVES:** The 2009 season could be divided into a pair of halves – one good, one extremely poor. The Coyotes opened up CCC play by going undefeated in their first six matches, sporting a 5-0-1 mark – holding first-place in the league standings, earning the No. 1 spot in the league rankings on Oct. 5. From that point however, things went south, as the Yotes were shutout five times in the final eight matches, failing to score more than one goal in seven of the tilts, eventually finishing fifth in the eight-team league.

**NO SCORING PUNCH:** It marks the second time in program history that the Yotes have been shutout four times in a row – as the 2005 squad failed to score in five of the first six matches of the season. The C of I did not score a goal over the final 401 minutes of play of the season – the longest stretch in school history (the 2005 team went 383 minute between goals).

**LONGEST LOSING STREAK?:** The Yotes will go into 2010 on the five-game losing streak – but it is not the longest streak ever. The 2005 team opened the season 0-6, the longest single-season streak, while the 1995 team ended with three losses and the 1996 team opened with four losses – the collective seven-game losing streak the longest ever. The team finished the year with a 6-9-1 overall record, the first time since 1998 that the team failed to break the .500 mark. In 26 years of men's soccer, The C of I has recorded .500 or better marks in 21 of the years.

**RECORD BOOK:** There was just one addition to the Coyote all-time record book in 2009, as **Kazuki Murata** (*Tokyo, Japan / International Secondary Inst.*) finished his career with 23 assists – the seventh-highest total in program history. Murata was tied for the team lead with six this season, joined by fellow senior, **Jesus Lopez** (*Nampa, Idaho / Skyview HS*).

**TRYING TO BREAK A SLIDE:** With the loss to Corban on Saturday, the Coyotes have now lost three matches in a row – their first three game losing streak since the final two games of the 2006 season and the first game of 2007. The team has lost five of their last six matches – their toughest stretch since the start of the 2005 season, when the Yotes opened the year losing six of their first seven games.

**WATCHING THE VIDEO:** It wasn't a pleasant afternoon in Olympia, Wash., on Saturday, as the Yotes and Evergreen State not only battled a constant rain, but a lightning delay. It also wrecked havoc with their game administration, as the official statistics were wiped away in the deluge. Stats from the match are being processed via the game film.

**PLAYOFFS:** Warner Pacific claimed their first CCC title with an 11-2-1 mark, with Concordia and Northwest securing the remaining postseason berths. The winner of the CCC Tournament will receive an automatic bid to the NAIA Championships.

**CUMULATIVE STATISTICS (THROUGH NOV. 6):**

##	Name	GP-GS	SHOTS							YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT
			G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%			
10	LOPEZ, Jesus	13-12	4	6	14	39	.103	18	.462	2-1	1	0-1
25	KELLY, Matt	14-9	5	1	11	26	.192	13	.500	0-0	2	0-0
7	MURATA, Kazuki	15-15	2	6	10	42	.048	13	.310	0-0	0	0-1
11	GOMEZ, Carlos	10-1	3	0	6	4	.750	3	.750	0-0	0	0-0
16	SMITH, Drew	10-6	2	1	5	13	.154	6	.462	0-0	0	0-0
12	AGUIRRE, Cesar	8-7	2	0	4	17	.118	9	.529	2-0	1	0-0
13	VEASY, Zach	15-15	1	2	4	17	.059	8	.471	3-0	0	0-0
21	BUCKINGHAM, Brian	8-8	1	1	3	14	.071	9	.643	0-0	0	0-0
22	BOEHNKE, Mats	13-12	1	0	2	14	.071	7	.500	4-1	1	0-0
20	WARD, Spencer	14-12	1	0	2	3	.333	1	.333	3-0	0	0-0
14	FRANDEN, Stephen	8-1	1	0	2	3	.333	2	.667	1-0	1	0-0
2	BYERS, Brad	9-1	0	1	1	5	.000	1	.200	0-0	0	0-0
19	RADA, Cristian	6-0	0	1	1	2	.000	2	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
4	KOBIC, Emir	4-2	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
9	GRIFFITHS, Brian	15-13	0	0	0	7	.000	5	.714	5-0	0	0-0
23	PULKINEN, Zach	7-6	0	0	0	4	.000	1	.250	0-0	0	0-0
18	NEWBOLD, Travis	14-14	0	0	0	2	.000	2	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
17	COLLET, James	10-5	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	1-0	0	0-0
15	WADDELL, Parker	14-9	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
6	COLEMAN, Theodore	3-0	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
3	LATORRE, Jon	4-2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	3-0	0	0-0
00	SPIELMAN, Trevor	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
0	REYNOLDS, Aaron	15-17	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Total.....		15	23	20	66	216	.106	103	.477	24-2	6	0-2
Opponents.....		15	21	17	59	187	.112	91	.487	23-1	8	4-4

##	Name	GP-GS	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD			Shots	
			Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	Faced
00	SPIELMAN, Trevor	1-0	35:59	0	0.00	3	1.000	0	0	0	0	4
0	REYNOLDS, Aaron	15-15	1334:01	21	1.42	66	.759	6	8	1	1	180
TM	TEAM		0:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	1	0
Total.....		15	1370:00	21	1.38	70	.769	6	8	1	2	184
Opponents.....		15	1370:00	23	1.51	80	.777	8	6	1	5	214

**GAME RECAP – NORTHWEST 2, C OF I 0:** The C of I lost for first time to Northwest University in a decade, falling 2-0 in Kirkland, Wash., on Friday afternoon. With the loss, the Coyotes were eliminated from the postseason race with one match to play. It marked the first time that the Eagles had defeated the Yotes since 1999 - spanning 20 games. In a physical game that featured seven cards and 17 fouls, it was the Eagles that jumped on the scoreboard in the 37th minute, as Luke Fischer jumped on a rebound of a Nate Jung shot that was not collected by C of I keeper **Aaron Reynolds** (*Boise, Idaho / Capital HS*), and blasted home a ball from ten-yards out to give NU the game-winner. Northwest would add to their lead in the 66th minute, as Derek Woolsey flicked home a Brandon Screen corner kick, padding the lead, as the Eagles extended their unbeaten streak to eight matches. NU held a 22-15 edge in total shots.

**GAME RECAP – EVERGREEN STATE 2, C OF I 0:** Battling heavy rain and a 30-minute lightning delay, The C of I dropped their season finale, losing 2-0 at Evergreen State, Saturday in Olympia, Wash. Corey Johnson got the Geoducks on the board in the eighth-minute, chipping home a ball from the left flank. The match would be a stalemate until late, including the delay coming out of halftime due to visible lightning at the field, before Mirza Memic cracked home a free kick from 25-yards out in the 86th minute to put the victory away.

**ABOUT THE COACH:** Brian Smith just concluded his sixth season as head coach of The C of I men's soccer team. During his tenure, the Coyotes have posted a 61-37-5 overall record, including CCC co-championships in 2006 and 2008, earning CCC Coach of the Year honors on both occasions. His clubs won at least nine games in each of his first five years, while his 2008 squad became just the second CCC school to complete an unbeaten, untied conference slate and set a school record with 13 consecutive wins. For his efforts, the Coyote skipper was named CCC Coach of the Year. Smith, who helped the Coyotes to a 35-21-1 record as a player for longtime coach, John Calpin, from 1990-93, returned to his alma mater in 2004 after a successful high school coaching career in the Treasure Valley. He coached the Timberline High School boys' team for three years, before taking over the THS girls' program in 2002 – earning Idaho State Coach-of-the-Year honors in 2001 and Southern Idaho Conference Coach-of-the-Year honors in 2003. After earning All-District honors as a player and graduating from The C of I with a degree in political science in 1994, Smith has assisted the Coyote program along with serving as a coach with the Boise National Soccer Club, the Les Bois United Soccer Club, and with the Idaho Olympic Development Program - currently serving as a team coach with Les Bois. Smith is single and resides in Meridian.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** For more information on the Coyote men's soccer program, head to the official homepage of The C of I, [www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/menssoccer.htm](http://www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/menssoccer.htm).



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Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9/12	Roger Curran Invite	Men 2nd Women 1st
9/26	Bob Firman Invite	Men 3rd Women DNR
10/3	Montana Invite	Men 3rd Women 3rd
10/17	Idaho State (Dual Meet)	Men 2nd Women 3rd
10/22	Coyote Twilight	Men 1st Women 1st
11/7	CCC Championships	Men 2nd Women 1st
11/21	NAIA Championships	Vancouver, WA

## CROSS COUNTRY: No. 6 Lady Yotes, No. 8 Coyotes both earn berths to NAIA Championships next Saturday

**LAST WEEK:** at Cascade Conference Championships (Men 2nd of 10 teams, Women 1st of 10 teams)

**COMING UP:** at NAIA National Championships, Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 21.

**LADY YOTES DEFEND CCC TITLE:** With six runners placing in the Top-14, The College of Idaho claimed their second-straight Cascade Conference championship, winning Saturday's meet, sponsored by the Eugene Marathon, in Springfield, Ore. Paced by a third-place finish by **Stephanie Helm** (*Challis, Idaho / Challis HS*), the Lady Yotes earned the CCC's automatic berth to the NAIA Championships. Helm, still recovering from a late season illness, traversed the course in 18:03 – just behind Concordia's Alice Taylor and Eastern Oregon's Kaylee Coffee. However, the Coyotes were bunched up – as **Tegan Troutner** (*Lake Fork, Idaho / McCall-Donnelly HS*) finished in fifth (18:41) and **Molli Lee-Painter** (*Moscow, Idaho / Moscow HS*) running in sixth (18:45). The Yotes onslaught wasn't over, as **Kaitlyn Gerard** (*Kimberly, Idaho / Kimberly HS*) finished in tenth (18:56) and **Kayloni Jones** (*Nine Mile Falls, Wash. / Lakeside HS*) took 12<sup>th</sup> (18:59) – each of The C of I runners five named All-CCC.

**IT WASN'T CLOSE:** How dominant was the Lady Yotes performance – as The C of I recorded 36 team points – 58 points fewer than second-place Concordia? The Purple and Gold had each of their seven scoring runners cross the finish line any team had scored five competitors, and only one team (Concordia) had four scorers finish before the Yotes Top-7. Although it wasn't close at the top, there was a major logjam for second – as CU defeated Southern Oregon by just one point, and Eastern Oregon by two.

**MCCURRY NAMED COACH OF YEAR:** For the second-straight season, C of I head coach **Pat McCurry** was named CCC Women's Coach of the Year in a balloting of his peers.

**CCC WOMEN'S ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM:** The Lady Yotes led the bar among CCC teams as the 2009 CCC Fall Sports All-Academic Team was released – as 12 women's cross country runners were honored, more than three institution's entire athletic departments. Earning the award were Stephanie Helm, Kayloni Jones, Molli Lee-Painter, Tegan Troutner, **Ashley Miller** (*Vida, Ore. / McKenzie HS*), **Maggie Miller** (*Anchorage, Alaska / Lane CC*), **Jena Sherrick** (*Emmett, Idaho / Emmett HS*), **Kristine Smith** (*New Meadows, Idaho / Meadows Valley HS*), **Stephanie Sparks** (*West Jordan, Utah / Juan Diego HS*), **Chantel Varland** (*Meridian, Idaho / Mountain View HS*), and **Nikki Watson** (*Boise, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS*). Recipients must be at least a sophomore standing and maintain a 3.2 cumulative grade point average at The C of I.

**FABULOUS RACE BY C OF I MEN:** Running against the No. 1 team in the NAIA, the Coyote men stood their ground, recording an outstanding collective performance to equal their highest finish in the event with a second-place trophy. The Yotes spread from their No. 1 runner to their No. 5 runner was a mere 24 seconds – one of their top performances in program history. **Greg Montgomery** (*Boise, Idaho / Boise HS*) continued his outstanding second half of the year, placing fourth overall (25:04), with **Paul Sartin** (*Meridian, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS*) taking eighth (25:10) – both earning All-CCC honors. Each of the first five scorers were in the Top-20 for the Yotes, with all seven scorers in the Top-27.

**AT-LARGE TO NATIONALS:** By virtue of their quality finish, the Yotes earned an at-large berth to the NAIA National Championships for the second-straight year and the fourth time in program history. The CCC will have four teams representing it at the meet – more than any other league in the NAIA.

**CCC MEN'S ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM:** Two Coyote men were named to the CCC All-Academic Team, as Paul Sartin and **Daniel Wenz** (*Scheidegg, Germany / Riverstone Int'l School*) were honored by the league. Recipients must be at least a sophomore standing and maintain a 3.2 cumulative grade point average at The C of I.

**COYOTES EQUAL HIGHEST ALL-TIME RANKING:** For the first time ever, both C of I cross country teams are ranked in the NAIA Top-10, as the final national rankings were released on Sunday. The Lady Yotes finished at No. 6 in the rankings, while the men's team climbed three spots to No. 8 in the poll. For the Lady Yotes, it marks the fourth-straight week at No. 6, earning 573 voter points - 37 points more than last week. It marks the eighth time in the last nine weeks that the team has been ranked in the Top-10, and the sixth time in the last seven weeks they have been ranked in the Top-6. Azusa Pacific (Calif.) remains on top of the women's poll, followed by Cal State-San Marcos, Simon Fraser (B.C.), Biola (Calif.), and Malone (Ohio). Two other CCC teams are in the poll – No. 22 ranked Concordia, who will head to Nationals as the host institution, and No. 25 Southern Oregon, who placed third at the CCC Championships. For the Coyote men, the No. 8 positioning equals the highest ranking in program history – as The C of I climbed to No. 8 on Oct. 13, 2005, the third time that the Yotes have been ranked in the Top-10. The squad received as season-high 461 voter points – were the second at-large team selected when the berths are announced late Monday evening. CCC champion Southern Oregon remains the No. 1 team, followed by Malone (Ohio), Concordia (Neb.), Cal State-San Marcos, and Shawnee State. Eastern Oregon climbed to No. 18 while Concordia (Ore.) is ranked No. 24.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NATIONALS:** The squads will leave for the Portland metro area next Thursday morning for the NAIA Championships at Fort Vancouver Historic Site in Vancouver, Wash. More details on the event – including the Yotes upcoming banquet at the Tiger Woods Center on the Nike Campus, next week.

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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: Lady Yotes head to Salt Lake City for long weekend against tough competition

#### 2009-10 Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
11/12	! Carroll	4 p.m.
11/13	! Westminster	6 p.m.
11/14	! Montana Western	2 p.m.
11/16	+ Utah Valley	7:05 p.m.
11/20	Willamette (at EOU)	7 p.m. PT
11/27	# Whitman	7 p.m.
11/28	# Puget Sound	5 p.m.
12/4	* Northwest	5:30 p.m. PT
12/5	* Evergreen State	5:30 p.m. PT
12/11	Whitworth	5 p.m. PT
12/18	* Oregon Tech	5:30 p.m.
12/19	* Southern Oregon	5:30 p.m.
12/30	* Warner Pacific	5:30 p.m. PT
12/31	* Concordia	5:30 p.m. PT
1/8	* Eastern Oregon	5:30 p.m. PT
1/15	* Corban	5:30 p.m.
1/16	* Northwest Christian	5:30 p.m.
1/22	* Southern Oregon	5:30 p.m. PT
1/23	* Oregon Tech	5:30 p.m. PT
1/29	* Concordia	5:30 p.m.
1/30	* Warner Pacific	5:30 p.m.
2/5	* Eastern Oregon	5:30 p.m.
2/12	* Northwest Christian	5:30 p.m. PT
2/13	* Corban	5:30 p.m. PT
2/19	* Evergreen State	5:30 p.m.
2/20	* Northwest	5:30 p.m.
2/23	CCC Quarterfinals	TBA
2/26	CCC Semifinals	TBA
3/1	CCC Championship	TBA
3/10-16	NAIA National Tournament	TBA

#### Home Games in Bold

- \* Cascade Conference Game
- ! Westminster Classic
- # Best Western Lady Yote Classic
- + Exhibition Game
- PT Pacific Time

#### Cascade Conference Standings

School	CCC	Overall
Southern Oregon	0- 0	3- 0
Concordia	0- 0	2- 0
Northwest	0- 0	1- 0
Northwest Christian	0- 0	3- 1
College of Idaho	0- 0	0- 0
Corban	0- 0	0- 0
Oregon Tech	0- 0	1- 2
Eastern Oregon	0- 0	1- 2
Warner Pacific	0- 0	0- 1
Evergreen State	0- 0	0- 2

**LAST WEEK:** Exhibition at Northwest Nazarene (L 95-58)

**COMING UP:** Westminster Classic, Salt Lake City, Utah – Thursday vs. No. 23 Carroll, 4 p.m.; Friday vs. Westminster, 6 p.m.; Saturday vs. Montana Western, 2 p.m.; exhibition at Utah Valley, Monday, 7:05 p.m.

**LIVE STATS/VIDEO:** All four games of the weekend will have Live Stats available – with the three games at the Westminster Classic available online at <http://www.sidearmstats.com/westminster/wbball/>, while the Utah Valley game can be found at [http://www.wolverinegreen.com/gametracker/launch/gt\\_wbaskbl.html?event=830611&school=utva&sport=wbaskbl&camefrom=&startschoo=&](http://www.wolverinegreen.com/gametracker/launch/gt_wbaskbl.html?event=830611&school=utva&sport=wbaskbl&camefrom=&startschoo=&). The three games at Westminster will also have Live Video available for \$3.00 per game at <http://www.meridix.com/everywhere.php?liveid=westminstercollege>.

**LONG WEEKEND IN THE BEEHIVE STATE:** The College of Idaho women's basketball team has an uphill climb over a five day stretch in Utah, meeting four teams in divisions above them. The Lady Yotes will compete in the Westminster Classic in Salt Lake City against a trio of Frontier Conference clubs from the NAIA Division I, then closing out the trip with a Monday exhibition game against NCAA Division I member, Utah Valley. Being on the road is something that the Yotes need to get used to – as eight of their first ten games this season will be away from Caldwell.

**HISTORY AT THE TOURNAMENT:** It marks the second-straight year and the sixth time in the last seven seasons that the Lady Yotes have participated in the Westminster Classic. The Yotes shared the tournament title last year with host Westminster, going 3-0 with victories over Cal Baptist, Northern New Mexico, and Holy Names. Overall, The C of I has compiled an 8-10 all-time record at the event – going 2-1 in 2002, 1-2 each year from 2003-05, and 0-3 in 2006.

**ABOUT CARROLL:** The Lady Yotes open the tournament against **Carroll College**, picked to finish second in the Frontier Conference. The Saints (2-0) return all five starters from last season and opened the new year with a pair of lopsided wins over Simpson – by an average margin of 44 points, connecting on 60-percent of their three-point attempts. They are led by a trio of outstanding guards in Elly Bruursema (19.0 ppg, 2.0 apg), Cassie Scheffellaier (13.5 ppg, 7.5 rpg), and Alex Dunn (11.5 ppg, 6.0 rpg). It is the tenth meeting between the teams, with Carroll holding a 7-2 series edge.

**ABOUT WESTMINSTER:** The middle game of the Classic is against the host school, **Westminster**, who advanced to the second-round of the NAIA Tournament last season. The Griffins (2-0) went to Northern California and won a pair of games – averaging 97 points a night, hitting 53-percent of their field goals. They are led by guards Keisha Catten (15.5 ppg, 6.5 apg) and Allie Eastman (12.0 ppg, 3.0 rpg), along with forward Michelle Pace (13.0 ppg, 7.0 rpg). It is the 15th time the teams have met, with the Lady Yotes holding an 8-6 all-time series lead.

**ABOUT MONTANA WESTERN:** Saturday, the Coyotes will look to end a seven-game losing streak to **Montana Western** in the final game in Salt Lake. The Bulldogs (2-2) come in riding a two-game win streak (over Eastern Oregon and Simpson), after losing an opening series in Canada to Lethbridge. Western is led by solid guard-line of Nicole Tans (13.5 ppg, 4.3 rpg), Kristen Luedtke (9.8 ppg, 5.8 rpg), and Jamie Lake (9.5 ppg, 3.0 rpg). It is the 14th meeting between the teams, with UMW holding an 11-2 series edge.

**BATTLING ANOTHER DIVISION I:** For the eighth-straight season, the Lady Yotes will meet an NCAA Division I foe, as the squad heads down to Orem for a match-up against **Utah Valley**. The Wolverines (17-10 in 2008-09) were picked to finish second in the newly-formed Great West Conference and will be led by Preseason GWC Player of the Year Julie Smith (18.3 ppg, 6.4 rpg), along with point guard Asumi Nakayama (4.2 ppg, 6.9 apg). It is the first meeting ever between the teams.

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**D-I GAMES UNDER ROSSI:** The Lady Yotes have played nine games against D-I teams under head coach **Reagan Rossi**, including five exhibition games against the upper division schools (since the NAIA reinstated exhibitions in 2004). The following are the scores of the nine games against D-I competition: 2001-02 – Utah 93, C of I 45; Southern Utah 89, C of I 77; 2002-03 – Boise State 90, C of I 46; 2003-04 – Boise State 69, C of I 39; 2004-05 – Boise State 81, C of I 54; 2005-06 – Boise State 91, C of I 57; 2006-07 – Utah 93, C of I 45; 2007-08 – Utah State 99, C of I 65; 2008-09 – C of I 69, Weber State 65.

**RETURNING PLAYER STATISTICS:**

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN--AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		R E B O U N D S					PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S -	A V G								
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT--AVG																
31 GALL, Nicole	34	34	1005	29.6	181	463	.391	95	240	.396	36	48	.750	44	108	152	4.5	68	2	105	115	31	95	493	14.5	
22 OWEN, Whitney	22	0	485	22.0	84	167	.503	21	49	.429	68	98	.694	55	88	143	6.5	50	1	30	45	3	28	257	11.7	
33 BRUCE, Nicole	34	34	678	19.9	89	237	.376	0	1	.000	71	102	.696	82	132	214	6.3	83	1	22	74	51	46	249	7.3	
14 HUGHES, Meghan	34	0	515	15.1	94	207	.454	0	7	.000	51	66	.773	43	61	104	3.1	35	0	35	61	7	30	239	7.0	
21 STRUNK, Katie	33	1	425	12.9	77	161	.478	2	4	.500	20	39	.513	64	70	134	4.1	36	0	24	28	4	39	176	5.3	
11 ISHAM, Kayla	34	34	422	12.4	26	78	.333	15	38	.395	12	22	.545	27	25	52	1.5	34	0	37	36	4	36	79	2.3	
12 BREWER, Katee	34	0	325	9.6	19	72	.264	9	43	.209	9	11	.818	18	26	44	1.3	41	0	18	27	2	38	56	1.6	
23 RICKMAN, Tyra	33	0	283	8.6	20	62	.323	0	0	.000	8	20	.400	30	45	75	2.3	30	0	13	24	8	19	48	1.5	
54 KENLEY, Rocky	5	0	14	2.8	3	9	.333	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	4	0	4	0.8	2	0	0	1	0	1	7	1.4	
10 BAKER, McKel	8	0	19	2.4	3	7	.429	0	2	.000	2	4	.500	1	7	8	1.0	0	0	0	5	0	1	8	1.0	
42 HANSEN, Brianna	14	0	52	3.7	4	18	.222	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	3	6	9	0.6	11	0	2	5	1	1	8	0.6	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														72	63	135										
College of Idaho	34		6825		968	2428	.399	196	568	.345	520	785	.662	616	951	1567	46.1	639	9	533	708	203	574	2652	78.0	
Opponents	34		6825		785	2165	.363	165	611	.270	515	721	.714	535	997	1532	45.1	641		448	926	131	345	2250	66.2	

**CCC PRESEASON POLL:** For the first time in program history, the Lady Yotes were picked to win the 2009-10 CCC championship, as the league's preseason poll was released on Oct. 19. The past two seasons, The C of I was picked second by the coaches in the loop (after four-consecutive years of being picked either fifth or sixth in the league), but the new crew received 93 voter points and four first-place votes to claim the top slot in the ten-team league. Southern Oregon received four first-place votes and finished two points behind the Coyotes, while Concordia, who shared last season's title with the Yotes, received the remaining two first-place votes and 81 total points. Warner Pacific finished fourth in the polling, followed by Eastern Oregon.

**NAIA TOP-25 PRESEASON POLL:** A year after elevating to No. 8 in the NAIA Top-25 Coaches Poll, the Lady Yotes will begin the new season among the nation's elite, earning a No. 12 ranking in the initial national poll, released Oct. 26 by the NAIA. It is the 12th-straight time that the Lady Yotes have been ranked in the Top-25, dating back to last December. It marks the first time that The C of I has begun the season in the Top-25 since 2001 and is the highest preseason ranking for the Lady Yotes since they were No. 6 to start the 2000-01 season – when they advanced to the NAIA Division II national title game. Two other teams from the CCC are in the poll – No. 18 Southern Oregon and No. 21 Concordia, while two non-conference opponents, No. 23 Carroll and receiving votes Westminster, are in the NAIA Division I poll.

**EXHIBITION GAME RECAP – NORTHWEST NAZARENE 95, C OF I 58:** Janae Olds scored a game-high 20 points and Northwest Nazarene forced 31 turnovers, as the Crusaders defeated The C of I, 95-58, in the exhibition opener for both teams last Friday in Nampa. An early 11-0 run staked the NAIA Coyotes out to an 11-3 lead on a **Marquina Gilliam-Hicks** (Wichita Falls, Texas / Salt Lake CC) three-point play, but NNU roared back, holding The C of I without a field goal over a four minute stretch, scoring eleven consecutive points to take the lead for good. The Crusaders blew the game wide open in the second half, converting 20-of-33 shots from the floor. **Nicole Gall** (Boise, Idaho / Santa Clara U.) led the Yotes with 14 points and six rebounds, with **Nicole Bruce** (Boise, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS) adding ten points. Gilliam-Hicks had nine points, including 5-of-7 shooting from the line. Guards Brittney Roggenkamp and Lindsey Brady each had 16 points for the Division II Crusaders, with Heather Adams scoring nine off the bench. Kristin Hein had seven points for NNU, but led all players with ten rebounds.

**ABOUT THE COACH:** Reagan Rossi begins her ninth season as head coach of the Lady Yotes. During her first eight seasons at The C of I, the native of Mukwonago, Wisc., has compiled a 145-101 overall record, with eight consecutive appearances in the CCC Tournament. Last season, she led the Coyotes to a school record 29-5 season, winning their first CCC title since 2001 - earning a berth to the NAIA Division II National Tournament. The team set a new school record with 21 consecutive wins, highest scoring average, and defeated Weber State for their first-ever NCAA Division I victory. In her first season with the Lady Yotes, Rossi took a team that had one returning starter and only four players with extensive collegiate experience, and brought the Lady Yotes to within one game of the NAIA national tournament. In 2004-05, she led a team which had just two players with considerable experience with the Coyotes, won 20 games, and dropped the CCC Tournament title game to Western Baptist, 60-57. In 2007-08., she led the team to a third-place finish in the CCC, advancing to the CCC title game, losing in overtime at Southern Oregon. Rossi was no stranger to The C of I, as she was a member of Todd Corman's inaugural coaching staff for two seasons, and was on the bench when the Lady Yotes took to the floor for the first time on Nov. 4, 1995 against Carroll College, ending an 18-year hiatus of women's basketball at the school. Rossi has an extensive background in coaching - having been an assistant coach at Georgetown (Ky.), a fellow NAIA institution, along with Morehead State (Ky.), an NCAA Division I program. Before coming to The C of I in 1995, Rossi was an assistant coach with the Skagway High School boys' varsity team in Skagway, Alaska. A 1994 graduate of Saint Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa, Rossi played four years of basketball for the Queen Bees. Two of her teams qualified for the NAIA National Tournament, including the 1993-94 squad which advanced into the "Sweet Sixteen." She was the starting point-guard for two seasons, averaging ten points and six assists per game during her senior season. In 2006, she was inducted into the Mukwonago High School Hall of Fame. She and husband Rudy live in Caldwell - and have five-year-old twin daughters, Maggie and Darby.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** For more on The C of I women's basketball team, head to the official homepage of the Lady Yotes, [www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/wmensbasketball.htm](http://www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/wmensbasketball.htm).