



SPORTS RELEASE

This Week's Event Schedule

10/2	M Soccer at Oregon Tech	1 p.m. PT
	W Soccer at So. Oregon	3 p.m. PT
	Volleyball vs. Northwest	7 p.m.
10/3	XC at Montana Invite	10 a.m.
	Baseball Alumni Game	1 p.m.
	M Soccer at NW Christian	3 p.m. PT
	W Soccer at Oregon Tech	4 p.m. PT
	Volleyball vs. Evergreen	7 p.m.
10/5-6	Golf at Concordia Invite	8 a.m. PT

Upcoming Events

10/17	Softball Alumni Game	11 a.m.
11/6	WBB at NW Nazarene	7 p.m.
11/8	San Francisco Alumni Event	
11/10	MBB vs. NW Nazarene	7 p.m.
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.

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.

YOTE NOTES – September 30, 2009

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ATHLETIC NEWS:

COYOTE OPEN A SUCCESS: The annual Coyote Open Golf Tournament to benefit the College of Idaho Athletic Association took place last Friday at Falcon Crest Golf Club in Kuna. Over 160 golfers and nearly 100 sponsors participated in the event, which raises scholarship monies for the Coyotes. For complete results and a list of unclaimed raffle prizes, head to <http://www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/images/CoyoteOpen09.pdf>.

R.C. OWENS AND FRIENDS TO HOST EVENT IN SAN FRANCISCO: The C of I Alumni Office will be hosting a Bay Area event in conjunction with the San Francisco 49ers-Tennessee Titans football game at Candlestick Park in San Francisco, Calif., on Nov. 8. The day will begin with a Tailgate Party, hosted by FedEx – which will include a meet-and-greet with C of I Hall of Famer and former 49er, R.C. Owens, followed by the game. For more information on tickets for both the Tailgate Party and the football game, contact The C of I alumni office at 459-5770.

SKI TEAM FEATURED ON THE SKI CHANNEL: The Coyote ski team was featured recently on the Ski Channel's website, with video taken at last year's USCSA National Championships. To view the video, go to <http://www.theskichannel.com/news/skinews/20090929/USCSA-gears-up-for-a-fast-paced-2010-season>.

BASEBALL ALUMNI GAME SET FOR OCT. 3: The annual C of I baseball alumni game is set for Oct. 3 at Wolfe Field. At 1 p.m. will be a Home Run Derby, followed by the game. For more information or to RSVP, contact head coach Shawn Humberger at 459-5861.

SOFTBALL ALUMNI GAME SET FOR OCT. 17: The annual C of I softball alumni game is set for Oct. 17 at Symms Field – with first pitch set for 11 a.m. For more information or to RSVP, contact head coach Al Mendiola at 459-5113.

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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2009 Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
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	7 p.m.
10/3	* Evergreen State	7 p.m.
10/9	* Southern Oregon	7 p.m. PT
10/10	* Oregon Tech	7 p.m. PT
10/16	* Corban	7 p.m.
10/17	* Northwest Christian	7 p.m.
10/23	* Evergreen State	7 p.m. PT
10/24	* Northwest	7 p.m. PT
10/30	* Eastern Oregon	7 p.m.
11/6	* Concordia	7 p.m.
11/7	* Warner Pacific	7 p.m.
11/13-14	CCC Tournament	TBA
11/21	NAIA Opening Round	TBA
12/1-5	NAIA Championships	TBA

Home Games in Bold

- * Cascade Conference Game
- ! Comfort Inn Tournament (Lewiston, ID)
- PT Pacific Time

Cascade Conference Standings

School	CCC	Overall
College of Idaho	7- 0	11- 1
Southern Oregon	7- 1	13- 2
Concordia	5- 2	8- 6
Eastern Oregon	4- 3	6- 6
Northwest	4- 3	5-11
Corban	3- 4	4-11
Oregon Tech	3- 5	4-12
Warner Pacific	2- 5	6- 7
Evergreen State	1- 6	1-14
Northwest Christian	0- 7	4-11

VOLLEYBALL: Lady Yotes earn key road wins at Eastern and NNU, return home to host Northwest and Evergreen

LAST WEEK: at Eastern Oregon (W 3-2), at Northwest Nazarene (W 3-1)

COMING UP: vs. Northwest, Friday, 7 p.m.; vs. Evergreen State, Saturday, 7 p.m.

OWEN NAMED LIBERO OF THE WEEK FOR THE THIRD TIME: For her efforts in the Lady Yotes victory at Eastern Oregon last Friday night, **Whitney Owen** (Caldwell, Idaho / Vallivue HS) was named Cascade Conference Libero of the Week for the third time this season. The junior, who has won the award eight times during her career, had 31 digs and nine assists in the five set win – recording her fourth 30-plus dig match of the season. Owen, who added 31 digs against Northwest Nazarene on Tuesday, tied Catherine Everist for second-place on the single-season list for 30-plus dig matches. Charity Gaston set the school record during the 2005 season with seven 30-plus dig nights.

LADY YOTES REMAIN AT NO. 7 IN NAIA POLL: For the second consecutive week, The College of Idaho volleyball team was ranked No. 7 in the NAIA Top-25 Coaches Poll, released this afternoon by the national office in Kansas City, Mo. The Lady Yotes, riding an 11-match win streak, received 548 voter points this week - one of only eight teams to receive 500 or more points in the poll. Fresno Pacific (Calif.) is ranked No. 1, followed by Concordia (Calif.), Cal Baptist, Columbia (Mo.), Northwestern (Iowa), Georgetown (Ky.), and the Lady Yotes. Two other C of I opponents - No. 12 ranked Lewis-Clark State and No. 16 ranked Southern Oregon, are in the poll. It marks the 49th consecutive week that the Coyotes have received votes in the national poll. In the CCC weekly poll, the Lady Yotes remain in the top slot, followed by Southern Oregon, Eastern Oregon, Concordia, and Northwest. The CCC ranking is released each Monday morning, with the NAIA poll released each Tuesday afternoon.

YOTES CCC WIN STREAK AT 25: With the victory over EOU, the Lady Yotes have now won their last 25 CCC matches, dating back to last September. The school record for consecutive CCC wins is 31, set during the 2006-07 seasons. The league record for consecutive wins is 66, set by Concordia from 1999-02.

HOME WIN STREAK ON THE LINE THIS WEEKEND: Each time the Lady Yotes take to the floor in the J.A. Albertson Activities Center in league play, they will be looking to extend a school-record 37-game CCC win streak at home. 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 10-0 in both 2007 and 2008). Overall, the Yotes have won 51 of their last 52 home matches – and have an all-time record of 144-37 in the facility, including a 92-13 record in the Activities Center under head coach **Liz Mendiola**.

FOX TAKING ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITY: With an ankle injury sidelining All-CCC hitter/setter **Naomi Reimer** (Killarney, Man. / Killarney SS), reserve outside hitter **Ciciley Fox** (Challis, Idaho / Challis HS) has taken full advantage of the playing time. The sophomore is averaging over three kills per set during the past four matches, including a career-high 19 spikes in the victory Tuesday over Northwest Nazarene.

MACHUREK THRIVING IN 5-1 ATTACK: With the Yotes converting to a 5-1 offense due to the injury to Naomi Reimer, setter **Madie Machurek** (Eagle, Idaho / Eagle HS) has put up monster numbers over the last four matches. The junior is averaging nearly 11 assists per set during the last four matches, including 46 assists and 13 digs vs. Eastern Oregon and a career-high 57 assists and 21 digs vs. NNU.

LINK HAVING BREAKTHROUGH SEASON: In her fifth season with the Lady Yotes, **Jessie Link** (Tonopah, Nev. / Nicholls State U.) has been a key component to The C of I attack. The senior ranks second on the team with 35 total blocks, while averaging 2.2 kills per set – including a career-high 17 kills against NNU.

MENDIOLA CLOSING IN ON 200: With the victory on Tuesday at Northwest Nazarene, head coach Liz Mendiola is well in reach of her next milestone victory – No. 200. The ninth-year head coach has recorded 196 career wins and would join an elite group of coaches in The C of I 200-win club fraternity (Tim Mooney, Marty Holly, Shawn Humberger, Clem Parberry, Babe Brown, John Calpin).

ABOUT NORTHWEST: The Lady Yotes open up the weekend against a team they have met earlier in the season, **Northwest University**. The Eagles (5-11, 4-3 CCC) have been tough on their home court this season, recording a 5-2 mark – but are a different story on the road, with an 0-9 record, including matches on neutral courts. The nine-person team is paced offensively by Lauren Holtz (2.5 k/s, 3.5 d/s), with setter Lauryn Ernster (6.0 a/s) running the attack. NU has struggled defensively, allowing 2.6 aces per set, while averaging just 1.4 blocks per set. The C of I claimed a three-set victory over the Eagles in August, their ninth-straight win over the Eagles – pushing their all-time series lead to 24-5 against the Kirkland, Wash. School.

ABOUT EVERGREEN STATE: Saturday night, **Evergreen State** makes their annual appearance in Caldwell, hoping to break a five match losing streak. The Geoducks (1-14, 1-6) picked up their lone victory this season at Northwest Christian, but look to buck their offensive trend, having failed to score 20 points in 17 of the 24 sets they've played in league action. No Evergreen player averages two kills per set, with Jazmin Garcia (1.9 k/s, 0.9 d/s) their top offensive option, with setter Meghan De La Rosa (5.7 a/s, 1.6 d/s) running the attack, and libero Chantal Petkus (3.6 d/s) the top defender. It is the 17th meeting between the teams, with the Lady Yotes holding a 14-2 series edge, including winners of ten-straight.

RECORD BOOK: Four players currently are in the Top-10 in the Coyote career record book. Leading the way is **Kristin Henning** (Boise, Idaho / Boise HS), who is No. 3 all-time with 436 blocks and No. 10 in kills (855), while **Kathryn Ely** (La Grande, Ore. / La Grande HS) ranks third all-time in kills (1,329). Rounding out the list are the two setters, as Madie Machurek is No. 5 (1,582) and Naomi Reimer is No. 8 (1,168) in assists.

CCC LEADERS: As a team, the Lady Yotes lead the CCC in digs per set (17.56) kills per set (13.04), assists per set (12.11), and lowest opponent attack percentage (.104), ranking second in the league in attack percentage (.214) and blocks per set (2.28). Individually, four different C of I players are among the CCC's top-five, including two players leading the league in their respective categories. Whitney Owen leads the loop in digs per set (5.91), with **Marcella Hernandez** (Torrance, Calif. / El Camino CC) leading the league in aces per set (0.56), while ranking fifth in blocks per set (0.94). Kristin Henning ranks second in the loop in blocks per set (1.18) and is fifth in hitting percentage (.272), while Madie Machurek is second in the CCC in assists per set (7.39). As a team, the Yotes rank 21st in the NAIA in assists per set, 27th in kills per set, and 35th in digs per set, while Owen is 14th in the nation in digs per set.

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	44	130	2.95	44	352	.244	1	0.02	0	0	0.00	9	29	0.66	0	18	18	0.41	1	1
9	REIMER, Naomi	30	82	2.73	33	214	.229	148	4.93	10	19	0.33	4	68	2.27	1	9	10	0.33	3	6
3	FOX, Ciciley	24	60	2.50	21	169	.231	2	0.08	1	0	0.04	5	26	1.08	0	6	6	0.25	1	0
15	LINK, Jessie	45	97	2.16	38	278	.212	1	0.02	0	0	0.00	0	16	0.36	5	30	35	0.78	4	0
11	HENNING, Kristin	45	94	2.09	28	243	.272	4	0.09	0	3	0.00	0	17	0.38	12	41	53	1.18	3	0
10	HERNANDEZ, Marcella	34	59	1.74	31	163	.172	5	0.15	19	8	0.56	0	29	0.85	5	27	32	0.94	9	0
7	BOURGEAU, Lauren	29	29	1.00	24	112	.045	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	11	0.38	1	14	15	0.52	4	0
20	CURTIS, Madison	15	8	0.53	4	26	.154	2	0.13	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.13	0	8	8	0.53	2	0
1	MACHUREK, Madie	44	22	0.50	2	42	.476	325	7.39	8	14	0.18	0	108	2.45	0	4	4	0.09	0	4
13	NERES, Nathy	18	2	0.11	2	9	.000	1	0.06	5	4	0.28	4	32	1.78	0	0	0	0.00	0	1
8	COMBE, Courtney	44	3	0.07	3	18	.000	6	0.14	8	7	0.18	7	95	2.16	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
6	DRUMM, Stacie	41	1	0.02	0	10	.100	4	0.10	4	6	0.10	10	83	2.02	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
18	STIEG, Melanie	3	0	0.00	1	1	-1.000	1	0.33	2	1	0.67	0	7	2.33	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
4	LOW, Cassie	1	0	0.00	1	2	-.500	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
2	PALMER, Melanie	6	0	0.00	0	0	.000	2	0.33	1	0	0.17	0	1	0.17	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
12	OWEN, Whitney	45	0	0.00	0	19	.000	43	0.96	18	12	0.40	12	266	5.91	0	0	0	0.00	0	1
	TEAM												16								
	COLLEGE OF IDAHO....	45	587	13.04	232	1658	.214	545	12.11	76	74	1.69	67	790	17.56	24	157	102.5	2.28	27	13
	Opponents.....	45	462	10.27	289	1667	.104	425	9.44	67	77	1.49	76	733	16.29	12	134	79.0	1.76	25	26

GAME RECAP – C OF I 3, EASTERN OREGON 2: The C of I survived a raucous crowd and a tough Eastern Oregon squad tonight, knocking off the Mountaineers 23-25, 25-19, 25-20, 26-28, 15-7, Friday night inside Quinn Coliseum in La Grande, Ore. The victory for the No. 7 ranked Lady Yotes was their tenth in a row - keeping sole possession of first-place in the Cascade Conference, while defeating rival Eastern for the 30th-straight time, dating back to 1996. The opening set was a see-saw affair that saw 11 ties - the final coming at 21-21, before a Jessica Lea kill and a Melanie Ceciliani aces helped the Mountaineers to the win. Set 2 saw the Yotes trail 12-11, but a 5-0 push, keyed by a pair of Kathryn Ely kills, helped The C of I even the match at a set apiece. Set 3 was more of the same, as the two teams battled to a 16-16 deadlock, before an Ely kill gave the Yotes the lead for good. Set 4 was a barnburner, with 20 different ties - as the Lady Yotes staved off three set points before a Ceciliani kill forced a decisive final period. In the finale, it was all Coyotes, as a pair of Jessie Link kills in an early 8-1 run for The C of I, gave the visitors a lead they would not relinquish. Ciciley Fox added three kills the the clinching set. Madie Machurek had a monster night for the Coyotes, recording a career-high 46 assists and six kills, to go along with 13 digs. Ely led all players with 16 kills, with Fox adding 12 kills, Kristin Henning 12 kills and five blocks, and Link recording nine kills and six blocks. Whitney Owen led all players with 31 digs. EOU standout Grace Deboodt had 14 kills and 20 digs in the loss for the Mounties, with Lea adding a triple-double with 13 kills, 19 assists, and 13 digs.

GAME RECAP – C OF I 3, NORTHWEST NAZARENE 1: Ciciley Fox and Jessie Link each had career-highs in kills, helping The C of I to their 11th-straight victory, a hard-fought 25-19, 24-26, 25-23, 25-23 win at Northwest Nazarene, before 611 fans in the Johnson Sports Center in Nampa. The win for the No. 7 ranked Lady Yotes was their sixth in a row against their Canyon County rivals - in the first meeting between the clubs since the 2006 season. The opening set was a see-saw affair, as the Coyotes jumped out to a 7-1 lead, but the Division II Crusaders used a 12-3 push to take a 13-10 lead. The C of I would fight back, scoring seven-consecutive points, including three Fox spikes to grab the lead for good. Set 2 saw 16 ties, as the Lady Yotes held set-point at 24-23, however, NNU got a combo-block by Alaina Barber and Kailey Trautmann tied the score, with an Amy Higginson aces and a C of I hitting error tying the match at a set apiece. The third set was a clinic in defense, as C of I libero Whitney Owen had 14 digs and NNU libero Haley Hevern had 12 in the period. The Coyotes took a 21-16 lead on a Courtney Combe ace, only to watch the hosts rally within 24-23 on a Becky Flores kill - but NNU could not complete the comeback, as a double contact call on the Crusaders ended the frame. The finale saw both teams hit well, combining for 37 kills with just seven errors. A Flores kill gave NNU a 22-21 lead late in the set, but Fox added kills on three of the final four points of the match, giving The C of I the win. Fox had 19 kills and 14 digs in the win, while Link added 17 kills and four blocks. Madie Machurek had a career-high 57 assists to go along with 21 digs, while Owen led all players with 31 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 Cascade Conference 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 196-75, 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.



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9/13	Embry-Riddle (Ariz.)	W 1-0
9/16	Northwest Nazarene	W 4-0
9/25	* Evergreen State	W 5-0
9/26	* Northwest	W 4-0
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10/3	* Oregon Tech	4 p.m. PT
10/9	* Northwest Christian	1 p.m.
10/10	* Corban	2 p.m.
10/17	* Eastern Oregon	1 p.m.
10/23	* Concordia	1 p.m. PT
10/24	* Warner Pacific	Noon PT
10/31	CCC Semifinals	TBA
11/7	CCC Championship	TBA
11/21	NAIA Opening Round	TBA
11/30-12/5	NAIA Championships	TBA

Home Games in Bold (at Simplot Stadium)

* Cascade Conference Game
 PT Pacific Time

Cascade Conference Standings

School	CCC	Pts.	Overall
Concordia	2-0-0	6	9- 1-0
College of Idaho	2-0-0	6	7- 1-0
Eastern Oregon	2-0-0	6	2- 4-0
Oregon Tech	1-0-0	3	8- 1-0
Corban	1-1-0	3	4- 5-2
Northwest Christian	1-1-0	3	2- 8-0
Southern Oregon	0-1-0	0	2- 6-1
Evergreen State	0-2-0	0	1- 3-4
Northwest	0-2-0	0	1- 6-1
Warner Pacific	0-2-0	0	0- 7-2

WOMEN'S SOCCER: Big road trip to Southern and OIT set for Lady Yotes, putting five-game win streak on the line

LAST WEEK: vs. Evergreen State (W 5-0), vs. Northwest (W 4-0)

COMING UP: at Southern Oregon, Friday, 2 p.m. (PT); at Oregon Tech, Saturday, 4 p.m. (PT)

LIVE STATS AVAILABLE: Live Stats of The C of I-OIT women's soccer match on Saturday afternoon will be available online at <http://media.oit.edu/athletics/liveso/xlive.htm>.

BEST START IN SCHOOL HISTORY: With the two wins over Evergreen State and Northwest, the Lady Yotes have established their best start in the 21-year history of the program, winning seven of their first eight matches. The 7-1 start eclipses the 5-1 start to the season by the 2005 team (the 1995 team started 1-1-3 and the 1993 started 4-1). What is impressive is the fact that the Yotes have won seven games – a feat equaled by only five other C of I teams (including the nine-win season in 2007 and the school-record 12 victories last year).

WIN STREAK RECORD TIED: The Lady Yotes ran their win streak to five in a row with the weekend victories, equaling the school record for consecutive wins. They join the 2002 squad, which ran off five-straight wins through late September into early October – on the way to a ten-win season. The 1989 team won their final three games of the season, with the 1990 team opening with two victories.

NEW SHUTOUT STREAK: For the first time ever, the Coyotes have registered five-straight shutouts, adding the wins over Evergreen State and Northwest to victories over Westminster, Embry-Riddle, and Northwest Nazarene. Twice before, the Lady Yotes had strung four shutouts in a row, with the current 451 minute streak without allowing a goal surpassing the 444 consecutive minutes set in 2005.

YOTES SWEEP CCC AWARDS: C of I players swept this week's Cascade Conference weekly awards, announced Monday afternoon by the league office in Portland, Ore. Striker **Erika Mouritsen** (Wellsville, Utah / Dixie State Coll.) was named CCC Offensive Player of the Week, while sweeper **Colleen Smith** (Boise, Idaho / Boise HS) was named Defensive Player of the Week after the Lady Yotes home wins over Evergreen State and Northwest. Mouritsen, a junior, scored three goals over the weekend, including both game-winning goals for the Coyotes. Smith, a junior, anchored The C of I defense that pitched a pair of shutouts - setting a school record with their fifth-straight blanking.

DESPITE WINS, LOSING GROUND IN NAIA POLL: Despite the best start in program history, a pair of wins against Top-25 teams, and the lone loss courtesy of a late penalty kick to a nationally-ranked foe, the Lady Yotes still remain outside the NAIA Top-25, as the latest poll was released Tuesday. After earning 91 voter points two weeks ago – a new school record, The C of I has lost ground in each of the last two balloting despite their lopsided wins – earning 73 voter points, good enough for No. 29 in the nation. CCC rival Concordia is ranked No. 6, while Carroll, who handed the Lady Yotes their lone loss, is No. 24. In the CCC rankings, Concordia leads the way, followed by the Yotes, Oregon Tech, Corban, and Southern Oregon. The CCC poll is released on Monday mornings, while the NAIA Top-25 is released each Tuesday afternoon during the season.

BACK-UP KEEPERS PLAY ADMIRABLY: With typical keeper **Sadie Hughes** (Courtenay, B.C. / Vanier SS) taking the weekend off to rest a nagging injury, the Yotes turned to their back-ups in goal – with the reserves shining. **Kelly Hardegree-Ullman** (Boise, Idaho / Mountain View HS) saw the bulk of the time in goal, making six saves in 135 minutes of action – including a diving save of a point-blank shot in the waning seconds against Northwest to preserve the shutout. Also seeing time in goal was **Taylor Culver** (Nampa, Idaho / Skyview HS), who faced just one shot in her 45 minutes of action against Evergreen State. Overall, C of I keepers have combined for a 0.75 goals against average.

OFFENSIVE ATTACK ON RECORD PACE: Just surpassing the midway point of the season, the Lady Yotes are on pace to shatter the offensive record book. The C of I has scored 27 goals this season – just 12 goals off of the record of 39 set in 2002 (in 21 matches), and 11 behind the 38 goals scored last year (in 20 matches). The team has scored three-or-more goals five times this season – three away from equaling the mark of eight set in 2002.

ABOUT SOUTHERN OREGON: The longest CCC road trip for the Purple and Gold this season begins Friday at **Southern Oregon** in Ashland – against a Raiders (2-6-1, 0-1 CCC) squad that is still smarting from a pair of 1-0 losses to The C of I last season, including a defeat in the CCC Tournament semifinals. SOU has struggled offensively this season, scoring just seven goals in nine matches – with Denise Powell (4 goals) leading the charge. Keeper Jessica Kuehlwein (1.33 GAA) is solid, having recorded 11 saves in the two matches against the Yotes last year. The Lady Yotes hold an 8-5 all-time series edge against the Raiders, including five wins in a row, but are just 1-4 all-time at SOU.

ABOUT OREGON TECH: Saturday, the two upstart programs in the league square off, as the Yotes

head to **Oregon Tech** in Klamath Falls. The Owls (8-1, 1-0) are off to their best start in program history, thanks to a defense that has pitched six shutouts in nine matches this season. Crystal Foster (5 goals) has been the top scorer this season for OIT, with Brooke Cole (1 goal, 4 assists) serving as the top playmaker. In goal, Megan Ross (0.62 GAA) has played the bulk of the minutes. It is the 13th meeting between the teams, with the Lady Yotes holding a 6-3-3 series edge.

NATIONAL LEADERS: The great start for the Coyotes is evident in the NAIA national statistics, as The C of I ranks among the national leaders in four different stat categories. The Lady Yotes rank second in the NAIA in shutouts per game (0.63), are third in total shutouts (5), are No. 15 in assists per game (2.88), and No. 18 in total assists (23). Individually, Erika Mouritsen ranks second in the NAIA in game-winning goals per game (0.5) and fourth in game-winning goals (4), with **Jessica Ayala** (Salinas, Calif. / Eagle HS) No. 14 in total assists (6).

CCC LEADERS: As a team, the Lady Yotes lead the CCC in goals per game (3.38), assists per game (2.88), ranking second in points scored (77), goals (27), assists (23), goals against average (0.75) and shutouts (5). Individually, Erika Mouritsen leads the loop in five categories – points (17), points per game (2.25), goals scored (8), goals per game (1.0), and game-winning goals, while ranking third in shots per game (2.88). Jessica Ayala is second in the CCC in points per game (2.75), assists (6), and assists per game (0.75), is third in points (14), and fifth in goals scored (5). Sadie Hughes is second in the loop in goals against average (0.75) and third in save percentage (.818), shutouts (3), and shutouts per game (0.5), with **Jamie Reichel** (Boise, Idaho / Capital HS) fifth in assists (3) and assists per game (0.38), and **Chelsea Heffner** (Meridian, Idaho / Mountain View HS) fifth in goals scored (4).

CUMULATIVE STATISTICS:

##	Name	GP-GS	SHOTS							YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT
			G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%			
15	MOURITSEN, Erika	8-8	8	1	17	23	.348	16	.696	1-0	4	0-0
17	AYALA, Jessica	8-8	4	6	14	13	.308	7	.538	0-0	0	0-0
9	HEFFNER, Chelsea	8-8	4	2	10	15	.267	12	.800	0-0	1	0-0
23	SMITH, Colleen	8-8	2	1	5	6	.333	4	.667	0-0	0	0-0
2	BIGELOW, Kayla	8-8	2	1	5	5	.400	3	.600	0-0	1	0-0
16	REICHEL, Jamie	8-5	1	3	5	6	.167	5	.833	0-0	1	0-0
22	CULVER, Taylor	8-8	2	0	4	7	.286	4	.571	0-0	0	0-0
3	EGERMAN, Macy	8-3	1	2	4	11	.091	7	.636	0-0	0	0-0
8	WINTERHOLLER, Lauren	8-8	0	4	4	3	.000	1	.333	0-0	0	0-0
12	GREIF, Mandy	8-0	1	0	2	9	.111	6	.667	0-0	0	0-0
10	HARDEGREE-ULLMAN, K.	8-2	1	0	2	5	.200	4	.800	0-0	0	0-0
7	HUTTASH, Jordan	5-0	1	0	2	1	1.000	1	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
20	HAWKINS, Justine	8-8	0	2	2	2	.000	0	.000	1-0	0	0-0
5	MOON, Jessica	7-0	0	1	1	3	.000	1	.333	0-0	0	0-0
11	HULIN, Brittney	8-0	0	0	0	4	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
25	PATTON, Jessica	8-8	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
18	BALL, Anne	6-0	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
4	OLSON, Kirsten	5-0	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
26	MARCH, Maggie	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
13	SMITH, Kaitlyn	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
6	ROONEY, Natasha	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Total.....		8	27	23	77	116	.233	71	.612	3-0	7	0-0
Opponents.....		8	6	4	16	67	.090	32	.478	2-0	1	1-1

##	Name	GP-GS	GOAL AVERAGE		SAVES		RECORD			Shots		
			Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	Faced
10	HARDEGREE-ULLMAN, K.	2-2	135:00	0	0.00	6	1.000	2	0	0	1	11
22	CULVER, Taylor	1-0	45:00	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1
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
Total.....		8	720:00	6	0.75	26	.812	7	1	0	5	67
Opponents.....		8	720:00	27	3.38	44	.620	1	7	0	0	115

GAME RECAP – C OF I 5, EVERGREEN STATE 0: A pair of goals less than ten minutes into the match jumpstarted The C of I, as the Lady Yotes registered a resounding 5-0 victory over The Evergreen State College on Friday at Simplot Stadium. Erika Mouritsen got the ball rolling just five minutes into the match, knocking home a **Lauren Winterholler** (Idaho Falls, Idaho / North Idaho CC) corner kick to make it 1-0. Just three minutes later, Taylor Culver drove a ball past Geoducks keeper Sonya Daisley-Harrison for a two-goal lead. The Coyotes would put the game away in the second half, as Jessica Ayala converted off a **Macy Egerman** (Boise, Idaho / Boise HS) pass in the 53rd minute to make it a three-goal cushion. The C of I would add two goals in the 86th minute - one by Colleen Smith, another by **Jordan Huttash** (Nampa, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS), to complete the scoring.

GAME RECAP – C OF I 4, NORTHWEST 0: Erika Mouritsen and Chelsea Heffner each had a pair of goals, while The C of I defense continued to stifle its opponent, as the Lady Yotes recorded their fifth-straight shutout in a 4-0 victory over Northwest University, Saturday at Simplot Stadium. Mouritsen got the hosts on the board in the 16th minute, flicking home a Lauren Winterholler corner kick that was pushed to her by Colleen Smith. Seven minutes later, Heffner played a ball up the left side to Jamie Reichel, who chipped a pretty cross to Mouritsen at the top of the six-yard box, where she blasted the ball in for a 2-0 lead. Reichel and Heffner got in the act in the 36th minute, as Heffner touched a pass down the right side to Reichel, who played the ball back to Heffner on the right side of the box, beating Eagles keeper Jessica Kane for the goal. In the second half, a pair of unlucky breaks kept The C of I off the board until the 86th minute, when **Jessica Moon** (Payette, Idaho / Payette HS) played a perfect cross over the goal mouth to Heffner, who flicked the ball into the net to complete the scoring. Northwest had their best scoring opportunity in the final 30 seconds, as Yanet Candido rocketed a 25-yard shot that C of I back-up keeper Kelly Hardegree-Ullman made a fully-extended diving save to preserve the shutout.

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 three-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 34-24-7, with the 34 wins the most by a women's soccer coach at The C of I, with her winning percentage of .577 tops in school history. 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.

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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	1 p.m. PT
10/3	* Northwest Christian	3 p.m. PT
10/9	* Warner Pacific	3 p.m.
10/11	* Concordia	1 p.m.
10/23	* Corban	4 p.m. PT
10/24	* Warner Pacific	2 p.m. PT
10/26	* Concordia	1 p.m. PT
10/31	* Corban	2 p.m.
11/6	* Northwest	3 p.m. PT
11/7	* Evergreen State	2 p.m. PT
11/10	CCC Semifinals	TBA
11/14	CCC Championship	TBA
11/21	NAIA Opening Round	TBA
11/30-12/5	NAIA Championships	TBA

Home Games in Bold (at Simplot Stadium)

* Cascade Conference Game
 + at Syringa Middle School
 PT Pacific Time

Cascade Conference Standings

School	CCC	Pts.	Overall
Concordia	5-0-0	15	6- 1-1
Warner Pacific	4-1-0	12	5- 3-0
College of Idaho	3-0-1	10	3- 2-1
Evergreen State	2-0-1	7	2- 1-2
Oregon Tech	1-2-1	4	4- 3-1
Northwest Christian	0-3-1	1	1- 6-1
Northwest	0-4-0	0	2- 4-2
Corban	0-5-0	0	1- 6-1

MEN'S SOCCER: Yotes hit the road for matches at Oregon Tech and Northwest Christian

COMING UP: at Oregon Tech, Friday, 1 p.m. (PT); at Northwest Christian, Saturday, 3 p.m. (PT)

LAST WEEK: vs. Evergreen State (T 1-1), vs. Northwest (W 3-0)

YOTES WIN STREAK OVER, CCC UNBEATEN STREAK ALIVE: With Evergreen State's 1-1 draw against the Coyotes on Friday afternoon, The College of Idaho saw their 14-match Cascade Conference win streak snapped – the second-longest such streak in league history. However, heading into this weekend's road trip, the Yotes will take a 16-match CCC unbeaten streak into Oregon – the longest in school history.

LOPEZ PROVES TO BE A LEADER: A stellar weekend by senior **Jesus Lopez** (*Nampa, Idaho / Skyview HS*) helped the Yotes to a win and a tie, as the forward factored on all four goals scored by the Purple and Gold. Lopez assisted on the tying goal late in regulation against Evergreen, then scored a pair of goals and assisted on a third in the win over Northwest. He now has 11 career goals and 14 career assists with the Coyotes.

TACTICAL MOVE PAYS OFF: Late in the match against Evergreen, head coach **Brian Smith** made a move on the field that shook things up, taking sweeper **Zach Veasy** (*Boise, Idaho / Mountain View HS*) from the back line and pushing him to a striker role. The Yotes were much more dangerous on their attack the final ten minutes of regulation and in the overtimes – so much so, that Veasy earned a start vs. Northwest at the forward position. It paid off, as the freshman scored his first collegiate goal and assisted on another in the victory.

REYNOLDS NUMBERS DECEIVING: Coming off an All-CCC season as a freshman, goalkeeper **Aaron Reynolds** (*Boise, Idaho / Capital HS*) has put up quality numbers – ranking third in the league in goals against average with a 1.12 mark. However, that number is inflated a bit, as three of the seven goals he has allowed this season were off of penalty kicks – with his GAA just 0.64 removing the point-blank goals.

MURATA CLIMBING THE CHARTS: With three assists over the weekend, midfielder **Kazuki Murata** (*Tokyo, Japan / International Secondary Institute*) moved into eighth-place on the all-time C of I assist list with 22. The senior, who leads the club with five assists this season, needs four more assists to move into fourth-place. Coe Michaelson holds the all-time record with 39 assists from 2000-02.

CONFERENCE/NAIA POLL: The fourth CCC weekly poll was released on Monday afternoon, with the Coyotes remaining in the No. 2 spot for the second-straight week. Concordia remains atop the ranking, followed by the Yotes, WP, and Evergreen State. In this week's NAIA poll, Concordia was the lone CCC team to receive votes. The CCC poll is released each Monday morning, while the NAIA Top-25 is released on Tuesday afternoons throughout the regular season.

CCC STATISTICS: As a team, the Yotes lead the league in attendance this season – drawing over 270 fans per game, while they rank last in yellow cards drawn with five. Individually, three Coyotes rank among the Top-5 in CCC statistics – as Kazuki Murata ranks second in the loop in assists (5) and assists per game (0.83), while ranking third in shots per game (3.2). He ranks No. 8 in the NAIA in assists per game. Jesus Lopez is No. 3 in the CCC in assists (4) and assists per game (0.67), ranking fourth in points per game (1.67), while Aaron Reynolds is third in goals against average (1.12).

ABOUT OREGON TECH: The Yotes will meet **Oregon Tech** for the second time this season – just two weeks removed from a C of I 3-2 victory in Caldwell. The Owls (4-3-1, 1-2-1 CCC), who squandered a one-goal lead in the final ten minutes of the match, had a four-game winless streak snapped with a 4-1 victory over Corban last weekend and are 3-1 this season at home. Leading the OIT attack is Devin Torrey (5 goals) and Sam Holcomb (2 goals, 2 assists), while Tommy Burden (0.97 GAA) is solid in goal. It is the fourth meeting between the teams, with the Yotes holding a 3-0 series edge.

ABOUT NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN: The Yotes close out the road trip in Eugene, Ore., against **Northwest Christian** – whom they defeated 5-1 on Sept. 12. The Beacons (1-6-1, 1-2-1) have struggled in CCC play, allowing five or more goals in three of their four counters, and allowing over four goals per game throughout the season. The C of I must contend with Greg Erickson (6 goals, 1 assist), who tallied NCU's lone goal against the Yotes in Caldwell, along with Aaron Dilla (1 goal, 3 assists). It is the sixth meeting between the schools, with the Coyotes holding a 5-0 all-time series edge.

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			G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%			
10	LOPEZ, Jesus	6-6	3	4	10	19	.158	7	.368	0-0	1	0-1
11	GOMEZ, Carlos	6-0	3	0	6	4	.750	3	.750	0-0	0	0-0
25	KELLY, Matt	6-6	2	1	5	10	.200	5	.500	0-0	1	0-0
7	MURATA, Kazuki	6-6	0	5	5	19	.000	7	.368	0-0	0	0-0
16	SMITH, Drew	5-5	1	1	3	12	.083	5	.417	0-0	0	0-0
13	VEASY, Zach	6-6	1	1	3	5	.200	4	.800	1-0	0	0-0
22	BOEHNKE, Mats	5-5	1	0	2	5	.200	3	.600	2-0	1	0-0
21	BUCKINGHAM, Brian	1-1	1	0	2	4	.250	4	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
20	WARD, Spencer	6-5	1	0	2	3	.333	1	.333	1-0	0	0-0
19	RADA, Cristian	5-0	0	1	1	2	.000	2	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
4	KOBIC, Emir	2-1	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
9	GRIFFITHS, Brian	6-5	0	0	0	3	.000	2	.667	1-0	0	0-0
18	NEWBOLD, Travis	6-6	0	0	0	2	.000	2	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
14	FRANDEN, Stephen	6-1	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	0-0	0	0-0
15	WADDELL, Parker	6-4	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
12	AGUIRRE, Cesar	1-1	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0-0	0	0-0
17	COLLET, James	3-2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
6	COLEMAN, Theodore	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
3	LATORRE, Jon	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
2	BYERS, Brad	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
	Total.....	6	13	14	40	92	.141	48	.522	5-0	3	0-1
	Opponents.....	6	7	2	16	48	.146	27	.562	9-0	2	3-3

##	Name	GP-GS	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD			Shots	
			Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	Faced
0	REYNOLDS, Aaron	6-6	560:00	7	1.12	19	.731	3	2	1	1	46
TM	TEAM		0:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	0
	Total.....	6	560:00	7	1.12	20	.741	3	2	1	1	46
	Opponents.....	6	560:00	13	2.09	35	.729	2	3	1	1	92

RECAP – C OF I I, EVERGREEN STATE I: Spencer Ward (Kent, Wash. / Kentwood HS) flicked home the tying goal with just seven seconds remaining in regulation, as The C of I and The Evergreen State College played to a 1-1 draw in Friday's CCC match-up at Simplot Stadium. Inside the final minute, Geoducks keeper Nathan Salveson tipped away a Zach Veasy header, but on the resulting corner kick, Kazuki Murata sent a ball into the box that Jesus Lopez touched to Ward, who found the net as the final countdown had begun, to knot the score. Evergreen got on the board first in the 23rd minute, as Merza Memic converted a penalty kick after a foul in the box by the Coyotes. The two teams combined for five shots in the extra time, but neither team had a serious scoring threat.

RECAP – C OF I 3, NORTHWEST 0: Jesus Lopez scored a pair of goals and assisted on a third, as The C of I shutout Northwest University, 3-0, on Saturday at Simplot Stadium. The win for the Yotes was their 19th-consecutive win over the Eagles, while The C of I ran their Cascade Conference unbeaten streak to 16 games. After withstanding three shots on goal by the Eagles in the first ten minutes, the Coyotes cracked the scoreboard in the 24th minute, as Kazuki Murata played a ball up the left side to Zach Veasy, who crossed a pass to the 18-yard line, where Lopez cracked a right-footed shot that banked off the left post into the goal. Two minutes later, the trio struck again - as after a great slide-tackle by Spencer Ward pushed the ball to Murata, he found Lopez surging down the left side, who placed a cross to the goal mouth to a waiting Veasy, who tallied his first collegiate goal. The second half was a slugfest - but no scoring occurred until the waning moments, when reserve **Teddy Coleman** (Lagos, Nigeria / United World College – USA) was fouled just outside the penalty box, with Lopez bending the resulting free kick into the top right shelf for the 3-0 lead. Aaron Reynolds turned away six shots on goal for his first shutout of the season, as the Yotes had a 20-13 overall shot advantage.

ABOUT THE COACH: Brian Smith is in his sixth season as head coach of The C of I men's soccer team. During his tenure, the Coyotes have posted a 58-30-5 overall record, including Cascade Conference co-championships in 2006 and 2008, earning CCC Coach of the Year honors on both occasions. His clubs have won at least nine games in each of his 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.



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9/12	Roger Curran Invite	Men 2nd Women 1st
9/26	Bob Firman Invite	Men 3rd Women DNR
10/3	Montana Invite	Missoula, MT
10/17	Idaho State Duals	Pocatello, ID
10/22	Coyote Twilight	Caldwell, ID
11/7	CCC Championships	Eugene, OR
11/21	NAIA Championships	Vancouver, WA

CROSS COUNTRY: Yotes head to Montana Invitational to meet four NCAA Division I opponents

COMING UP: at Montana Invitational, Saturday – University of Montana Golf Course, Missoula, Mont. (Women’s 5,000-meters, Men’s 8,000-meters)

LAST WEEK: at Bob Firman Invitational – Men 3rd place, Women DNR

MEN RUN WELL AT BOB FIRMAN: Paul Sartin (*Meridian, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS*) led the way for The College of Idaho with an eighth-place finish, as the Coyotes placed third at Saturday’s Bob Firman Invitational at Eagle Island State Park. The Coyotes finished behind NCAA Division I foes Boise State and Idaho State - but had just a 51 second split between their first and fifth-place scorers, recording a nearly four minute team record for their scoring time on the course. Sartin was clocked in 25:47.55, while freshman **Greg Montgomery** (*Boise, Idaho / Boise HS*) finished in 11th-place in 25:51.49 - with both **Andrew Hugill** (*Colorado Springs, Colo. / Coronado HS*) and **J.J. Burk** (*Bliss, Idaho / Bliss HS*) finishing in the Top-16. BSU took the team title scoring 25 points, while ISU was second with 59 - just eleven points ahead of the Yotes. Northwest Nazarene was fourth with 100 team points, with Central Washington taking fifth.

ILLNESS AND INJURIES SIDELINE LADY YOTES FOR A WEEK: A double-whammy caught the Lady Yotes off-guard last week – a case of injuries and illness left the squad decimated, so much so that the team had to withdraw from the Bob Firman Invite. It was unfortunate for the Coyotes, as they were set to race against top-notch competition from Brigham Young, Idaho State, and Boise State.

LADY YOTES RISE TO NO. 6, MEN FALL OUT OF POLL: The C of I women’s team climbed one spot to No. 6 in the latest NAIA Top-25 Coaches Poll - their highest ranking in school history, released last Wednesday by the national office in Kansas City, Mo. The Lady Yotes, who are coming off a team championship at the Roger Curran Invitational, received a record 566 voting points, moving ahead of last week’s No. 6 team, Malone (Ohio). The Top-5 has Azusa Pacific (Calif.) in the top spot, followed by Cal State-San Marcos, Simon Fraser (B.C.), Biola (Calif.), and Cedarville (Ohio). Eastern Oregon is the only other Cascade Conference team in the Top-25 at No. 23. On the men’s side, the Yotes dropped out of the Top-25 - the first time since the 2007 season that the club has not been ranked. The C of I is the first team listed in the others receiving votes category, while Southern Oregon is the only CCC men in the poll at No. 7.

CCC POLL: This week’s Cascade Conference poll was unchanged from a week ago, as it saw the Lady Yotes remain at No. 1 – followed by Concordia, Eastern Oregon, Northwest Christian, and Southern Oregon, while the Coyote men are sitting at No. 2 – behind Southern Oregon, and ahead of Eastern Oregon, Concordia, and Warner Pacific. The league poll is released each Monday morning.

OFF TO BIG SKY COUNTRY: While most of the CCC teams are headed this weekend to the Willamette Invitational in Oregon, the Coyotes are headed a different direction – as the squads travel to Missoula, Mont., for the Montana Invitational. The Yotes will face stiff competition from NCAA Division I opponents Montana, Montana State, Eastern Washington, and Gonzaga, along with NAIA up-and-comer Carroll College, and Flathead Valley CC. The race will be conducted on the University of Montana Golf Course and should be a great indicator as to the stamina of the teams while racing at altitude.

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2009-10 Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9/14	Warner Pacific Invite	Men 2 nd Women 2 nd
9/21	Northwest Nazarene	Men L 321-332
10/5-6	Concordia Invite	Heron Lakes GC
3/22-23	NW Christian Invite	Tokatee GC
4/12-13	C of I Invite	River Bend GC
4/19-20	CCC Championship	Diamond Woods GC
5/18-21	NAIA Championship	Plymouth IN
5/25-28	NAIA Championship	San Diego, CA

GOLF: Yotes set to compete in final CCC event of the fall season

COMING UP: at Concordia Invitational, Heron Lakes Golf Club, Portland, Monday-Tuesday.

LAST WEEK: Men at Northwest Nazarene (L 321-332)

THURSTON MEDALIST, BUT YOTES LOSE AT NNU:

Despite getting medalist honors from sophomore **Tyler Thurston** (*Eagle, Idaho / Eagle HS*), The College of Idaho men's golf team could not catch Northwest Nazarene, as the Crusaders topped the Coyotes by 11 strokes in an 18-hole dual match last Monday at Hunters Point Golf Club in Nampa. Playing in the first-ever collegiate tournament on the nearly 7,000-yard layout, Thurston carded a four-over 75, two shots ahead of NNU's Jeff McDonald. However, no other C of I competitor shot in the 70s, while Aaron VanDeHey and Zach Grunig each shot 79s for the Crusaders. **Kasey Allen** (*Boise, Idaho / Timberline HS*) placed fifth with a 82 for the Yotes, with **Jeff Davies** (*Ogden, Utah / BYU-Idaho*) in sixth with a 14-over 85. Rounding out the scoring position for the Yotes was **Casey Dyck** (*McMinnville, Ore. / McMinnville HS*) with a 90.

BACK TO PORTLAND FOR CCC EVENT: For the second time this fall, the Yotes will head to Heron Lakes Golf Club in Portland, Ore., this time for the 54-hole Concordia Invitational. The first 36 holes will count towards the CCC standings – as the Yotes will compete against host CU, Corban, Northwest Christian, and Warner Pacific, while teams from Westminster, Victoria, Walla Walla CC, Southwestern Oregon CC, and the William Jessup men will also be competing in the event.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: For more information on The C of I golf team, head to the official homepage of the Coyotes, www.collegeofidaho.edu/athlete/golf.asp.