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**NCAC Football Report**

**For Immediate Release**  
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**EARLHAM AND WABASH TO OPEN 2005 NCAC SEASON;  
FOUR TEAMS IDLE, PREPARING FOR FULL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OCT. 1**

**CLEVELAND** -- The 2005 North Coast Athletic Conference season opener is set for Saturday when Earlham (0-0, 1-2) visits Wabash (0-0, 2-0). The Quakers look to rebound from a 48-7 loss to Anderson, while the Little Giants are riding high after dominating Washington (Mo.), 23-7. It will be Homecoming in Crawfordsville, and kickoff is 2:00 p.m. local time.

Denison (0-0, 1-1) and Oberlin (0-0, 1-1) both return to action after a week off. The Big Red entertain Gettysburg (1-2) and the Yeomen travel to Rose-Hulman (2-1). Wooster (0-0, 2-0) visits Case (3-0) after having last week off as well. Kenyon (0-0, 0-2), which fell to the Spartans last week, 19-8, travels to Michigan to take on Kalamazoo (0-2) this week. The remaining schools, Allegheny (0-0, 0-3), Hiram (0-0, 0-3), Ohio Wesleyan (0-0, 2-1) and Witternberg (0-0, 0-3), are finished with the non-conference portions of their schedules and are idle until opening NCAC play on Oct. 1.

**Grid Notebook:** ALLEGHENY lost to seventh-ranked Washington & Jefferson by a 45-21 count to fall to 0-3 on the year. The Gators got off to a strong start with a 10-play, 59-yard drive in the first quarter and took a 7-6 lead, marking the first time that the Presidents' had trailed in a game all season. W & J's powerful offense, though, came back to take a 13-point lead by halftime and Allegheny was not able to get close again. Senior quarterback **Jimmy Savage (North Canton, OH/Hoover)** threw for 148 yards, then ran for another 14 and a touchdown. **Curt Anderson (Batavia, NY/Notre Dame)** led the Gator defense with seven tackles. The victory gave Washington & Jefferson a 21-20-1 lead in the all-time series between the long-time rivals ... After lighting up the scoreboard for 69 points last week, the Quakers managed just a touchdown in a 48-7 loss to Anderson. Star quarterback **Justin Rummell (Ingalls, IN/Pendleton Hts.)** missed most of practice last week with an injury and saw limited action in the game. Junior **James Jewell (Gary, IN/Roosevelt)**, filling in for the injured Rummell, scored the Quakers' lone touchdown on a nine-yard scamper in the third quarter ... HIRAM fell to 0-3 after a 38-7 loss to Westminster. A pair of freshman combined to account for the scoring. Quarterback **Trevor Henderson (Rural Valley, PA/West Shamokin)** found **Sean Hardy (Aurora, OH/Twinsburg)** in the second quarter from five yards out. It was Hardy's first collegiate touchdown. Junior linebacker **Steve Boxler (Windham, OH/Windham)** led the defense with 15 tackles, 10 of them solo ... KENYON fell to 0-2 on the year with a 19-8 loss to Case. The Spartans had taken a 19-0 halftime lead and did not score again. Unfortunately the Lord offense did not take advantage and didn't score until junior tailback **Alby Coombs (Boston, MA/Belmont Hill)** scored on a six-yard run 1:16 left. Coombs finished with 95 yards on 19 carries. Junior linebacker **Andrew Fuchs (Cincinnati, OH/Mariemont)** had perhaps the finest game of his career with 10 tackles, four sacks, a tipped pass and a quarterback hurry ... Senior quarterback **Ryan Sir Louis (Hinckley, OH/Highland)** and junior halfback **Nick Rice (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** twice combined on touchdown passes to lead the Ohio Wesleyan to a 21-7 defeat of Olivet. The Bishop defense put on a show, holding the Comets to a first quarter touchdown, and not allowing the Comets out of their own end of the field the entire second half. Sir Louis finished with 185 yards passing and a team-best 76 yards rushing ... The WABASH defense proved it is worthy of its

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, Sept. 24**

- Gettysburg at **Denison**, 1:00
- Kenyon** at Kalamazoo, 1:00
- Wooster** at Case, 1:00
- Oberlin** at Rose-Hulman, 1:30
- Earlham** at **Wabash**, 2:00

**LAST WEEK'S RESULTS**

**Saturday, September 17**

- Alma 38, **Wittenberg** 27
- Anderson 48, **Earlham** 7
- Case 19, **Kenyon** 8
- Ohio Wesleyan** 21, Olivet 7
- Wabash** 23, Washington (Mo.) 7
- Washington & Jefferson 45, **Allegheny** 21
- Westminster 38, **Hiram** 7

**PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

CLEVELAND -- Wabash senior **Russ Harbaugh (Evansville, IN/Bosse)** and Ohio Wesleyan senior **Cisco Clervoix (Naples, FL/Naples)** have been named offensive and defensive "Players of the Week" for their performances in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

**Harbaugh**, a 6-1, 189-pound quarterback, paced Wabash with a 256-yard, three-touchdown passing performance to lead the Little Giants to a 23-7 victory over Washington (Mo.). He moved up two more places on the Little Giants' all-time passing list to fourth, and enters this week's NCAC opener versus Earlham with 4,182 career passing yards

**Clervoix**, a 6-0, 215-pound defensive end, shared the team lead with eight tackles in the Bishops' defeat of Olivet. Three of those tackles were for a loss and one was a sack. He also ended a Comet scoring threat in the first quarter by making a tackle for a two-yard loss on fourth down, on the Ohio Wesleyan 32.

# NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2005 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

\* conference games

## Allegheny College (0-0; 0-3)

S. 3	at Baldwin-Wallace	L, 17-23
S. 10	WESTMINSTER	L, 9-12
S. 17	at Wash. & Jefferson	L, 21-45
O. 1	WOOSTER	1:00
O. 8	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
O. 15	at Kenyon	1:00
O. 22	at Hiram	1:00
O. 29	WABASH	1:00
N. 5	at Earlham	1:00
N. 12	WITTENBERG	1:00

## Denison University (0-0; 1-1)

S. 3	WAYNESBURG	W, 21-17
S. 10	at Case	L, 6-20
S. 24	GETTYSBURG	1:00
O. 1	at Wittenberg	1:00
O. 8	HIRAM	1:00
O. 15	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
O. 22	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 29	OBERLIN	1:00
N. 5	at Wabash	1:00
N. 12	at Kenyon	1:00

## Earlham College (0-0; 1-2) \*local times

S. 3	ROSE-HULMAN	L, 41-48
S. 10	MANCHESTER	W, 69-62
S. 17	at Anderson	L, 7-48
S. 24	at Wabash	2:00
O. 1	at Hiram	1:00
O. 8	WITTENBERG	1:00
O. 15	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 22	at Denison	1:00
O. 29	KENYON	1:00
N. 5	ALLEGHENY	1:00

## Hiram College (0-0; 0-3)

S. 3	at Carnegie Mellon	L, 0-45
S. 10	BLUFFTON	L, 6-31
S. 17	WESTMINSTER	L, 7-38
O. 1	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 8	at Denison	1:00
O. 15	at Wittenberg	1:00
O. 22	ALLEGHENY	1:00
O. 29	at Wooster	1:00
N. 5	KENYON	1:00
N. 12	at Oberlin	1:00

## Kenyon College (0-0; 0-2)

S. 10	CENTRE	L, 25-36
S. 17	CASE	L, 8-19
S. 24	at Kalamazoo	1:00
O. 1	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 8	at Wooster	1:00
O. 15	ALLEGHENY	1:00
O. 22	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
O. 29	at Earlham	1:00
N. 5	at Hiram	1:00
N. 12	DENISON	1:00

## Oberlin College (0-0; 1-1)

S. 3	CASE	L, 27-30
S. 10	at Macalester	W, 44-14
S. 24	at Rose-Hulman	1:30
O. 1	KENYON	1:00
O. 8	at Wabash	1:00
O. 15	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 22	WOOSTER	1:00
O. 29	at Denison	1:00
N. 5	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
N. 12	HIRAM	1:00

## Ohio Wesleyan University (0-0; 2-1)

S. 3	FRANKLIN	W, 30-14
S. 10	at Thiel	L, 36-39
S. 17	OLIVET	W, 21-7
O. 1	WABASH	1:00
O. 8	at Allegheny	1:00
O. 15	DENISON	1:00
O. 22	at Kenyon	1:00
O. 29	at Wittenberg	1:00
N. 5	OBERLIN	1:00
N. 12	at Wooster	1:00

## Wabash College (0-0; 2-0) \*local times

S. 10	KALAMAZOO	W, 46-6
S. 17	at Washington (Mo.)	W, 23-7
S. 24	EARLHAM	2:00
O. 1	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
O. 8	OBERLIN	1:00
O. 15	at Wooster	1:00
O. 22	WITTENBERG	1:00
O. 29	at Allegheny	1:00
N. 5	DENISON	1:00
N. 12	at DePauw	1:07

## Wittenberg University (0-0; 0-3)

S. 3	CAPITAL	L, 0-54
S. 10	at Dayton	L, 23-41
S. 17	at Alma	L, 27-38
O. 1	DENISON	1:00
O. 8	at Earlham	1:00
O. 15	HIRAM	1:00
O. 22	at Wabash	1:00
O. 29	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
N. 5	WOOSTER	1:00
N. 12	at Allegheny	1:00

## College of Wooster (0-0; 2-0)

S. 3	at Muskingum	W, 13-10
S. 10	MacMURRAY	W, 37-0
S. 24	at Case	1:00
O. 1	at Allegheny	1:00
O. 8	KENYON	1:00
O. 15	WABASH	1:00
O. 22	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 29	HIRAM	1:00
N. 5	at Wittenberg	1:00
N. 12	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00

ninth-place ranking in total defense in all of Division III **NOTEBOOK, con't:** by holding Washington to one touchdown. Senior quarterback **Russ Harbaugh (Evansville, IN/Bosse)** took care of the rest with a 256-yard, three-touchdown passing performance to lead the Little Giants to a 23-7 victory. Wabash opened up a 14-0 halftime lead and the defense limited the Bears to just four first downs in the half. For the game, Washington had just 46 yards rushing and 280 total offensive yards. Harbaugh moved up two more places on the Little Giants' all-time passing list to fourth. He enters this week's NCAC opener with Earlham with 4,182 career passing yards. Senior linebacker **Josh Foster (Indianapolis, IN/Ben Davis)** led the defense with 10 stops, nine of them solo, and one of the team's six quarterback sacks. In this year and last year's games with Washington, Wabash had 16 total sacks, 10 last year and six in the 2005 meeting ... Senior tailback **Tristan Murray (New Carlisle, OH/Tecumseh)** finished with 111 yards on 20 carries and added another 99 on three receptions to lead WITTENBERG in a 38-27 loss to Alma. He scored touchdowns on a 65-yard run and a 56-yard pass. Senior wideout **Braden Freeman (Prospect, OH/Marion Pleasant)** caught six passes for 111 yards, the second most of his collegiate career. Junior quarterback **Geron Stokes (Urbana, OH/Urbana)** made the most of the first appearance of his

career, coming off the bench to throw for 207 yards and two touchdowns in less than three quarters. Junior safety **Mitch Fonseca (Miami, FL/Christopher Columbus)** led the team in tackles for the third time in three games, recording 14 against the Scots.



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### NCAC Fall Sports Update

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**CLEVELAND** -- Following is a capsule roundup of the NCAC's fall sports action.

### CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

Just three of the 10 NCAC schools will compete in the coming week. Thursday, Hiram will run in a rare dual meet with Lake Erie. Saturday, Ohio Wesleyan competes at the Greater Louisville Classic and Wittenberg travels to Salem, Virginia, for the Roanoke Maroon Invitational.

**Notes:** ALLEGHENY's men won the four-team Allegheny Classic behind senior **Chris Carrier (Lyndhurst, OH/Brush)**, who won the eight-kilometer race in 25:47, his personal best on the Robertson Field layout, and outpaced 50 other runners to lead his team to the title with just 17 points. In second was sophomore **Ryan Place (Meshoppen, PA/Elk Lake)** who finished in 26:21; Junior **Ben Mourer (Chicora, PA/Karns City)** who was third in 26:25. The Gator women were second of four teams. Junior **Scarlett Graham (Farmington, PA/Uniontown)** won the race and finished nearly 30 seconds faster than the second place finisher, in 22:34. Allegheny scored 29 points, just two points behind the winner, Grove City ... The seventh-ranked DENISON women's cross country team placed fourth in the Friendship Invitational at John Bryan State Park. The only squads to defeat the Big Red were Division I schools Miami and Ohio State, and the hosts from the NAIA, Cedarville. Junior **Christine Collins (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls)** was the top Big Red runner in seventh place. She was clocked in 18:41 over five kilometers, 34 seconds behind the winner of the race. The Denison men tied for sixth in the meet. Junior **Brian Gilson (Cortland, OH/JFK)** was the top performer for the Big Red in 26th place with a time of 26:29 over eight kilometers ... EARLHAM's men finished ninth of 21 teams at the Indiana Intercollegiates. The best individual for the Quakers was sophomore **Dan Mahle (Boulder, CO/Shining Mountain Waldorf)** in 20th place with a time of 26:46. The Quaker women finished 14th in the 17-team field. Freshman **Michelle Crane (Mansfield, OH/St. Peter's)** wound up 10th with a time of 19:26 ... HIRAM ran at the Penn State Behrend Invitational. The women's squad finished sixth of 14 teams, led by freshman **Lisa Taranto (Pittsburgh, PA/West Allegheny)** in 29th place (21:07) ... The KENYON Lords placed 10th in the Midwest Collegiate Championship, hosted by Wisconsin Parkside. Freshman **James Brooks (Brookfield, WI/Marquette)** was the top individual with a 32nd place finish in the 301-runner field. He finished in 27:00. The Ladies also finished 10th, led by freshman **Jessica Francios (Yorktown Hts., NY/Yorktown)**, who was 60th of 250 runners. She finished in 19:59 ... OHIO WESLEYAN won both the men's and women's races at the Marietta Broughton Invitational. Junior **Matt Kempton (Fredericktown, OH/Fredericktown)** won individual honors as three Bishops took the top three places, and seven finished in the top 10. Kempton finished the 8K race in 27:42.78, followed by junior **Seth Moore (Xenia, OH/Yellow Springs)** in second (27:58.12) and freshman **David Stefanik (Wooster, OH/Wooster)** in third (28:08.34). The Bishop women took places one through four, led by freshman **Catie Coleman (Mednia, OH/Lodi Cloverleaf)**, who won the 5K race in 20:10.23 ... WABASH finished seventh of 21 teams at the Indiana Intercollegiates. Junior **Dennis Frazee (Griffith, IN/Calumet)** was the top individual for the Little Giants, finishing in 35th place in 27:24 ... WITTENBERG competed at the Marietta Broughton Invitational. The Tiger men wound up third in the six-team race, behind sophomore **Mike Echols (Springfield, OH/North)** in fourth place. The Tiger women were second of eight teams, led by freshman **Abby McCutcheon (Lancaster OH/Lancaster)** in eighth place ... WOOSTER was second in both the men's and women's races at the Wooster Invitational. Junior **Katie Wieferich (Marietta, OH/Marietta)** covered the 5K course in 18:44 to win for the second time this season. On the men's side, senior **Colin Turner (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** crossed in 11th place, finishing the 8K course in 28:22.

### FIELD HOCKEY REPORT

Ohio Wesleyan (3-0, 4-1) has surged to an early lead in the North Coast standings. The Bishops put that unbeaten mark on the line twice in the coming week. Wednesday, Ohio Wesleyan travels to second-place Oberlin (2-1, 5-1), then Saturday returns home to host Wooster (1-2, 1-5). The other team tied for second, Kenyon (2-1, 4-1), kicks things off this week with a home match against Denison (1-1, 2-5) Tuesday afternoon. The Big Red also travel to Oberlin on Saturday. Earlham (0-3, 0-5) entertains Wittenberg (1-2, 1-4) Wednesday, then visits Kenyon on Saturday.

**Notes:** DENISON snapped a five-game losing skid with a conference victory over Wittenberg. The Big Red have won four straight at home against the Tigers. Senior attack **Jenny Lacey (Phoenix, MD/Notre Dame Prep)** scored two of her team's three goals ... EARLHAM lost twice in conference play. Freshman **Alexa Gabriel (Silver Spring, MD/Montgomery Blair)** scored the Quakers' lone goal ... KENYON defeated Centre, 1-0, then lost to Ohio Wesleyan, 2-1, on penalty strokes. Sophomore goalkeeper **Kimberly Brown (Landsberg, PA/Sanford School)** made six saves and allowed just one goal in two games ... OBERLIN won twice in conference play to improve to 5-1 overall. Junior attack **Claire Cheney (Milton, MA/Milton Academy)** scored the lone goal in a 1-0 victory over Wooster. It was the second straight game that Cheney notched the game-winner for the Yeowomen. Senior **Meg Reitz (Mansfield, MA/Doherty)** hit the back of the net twice to lead Oberlin over Earlham. Oberlin entered last week as the fifth-highest scoring team in Division III ... OHIO WESLEYAN also won twice in NCAC play, defeating both Earlham and Kenyon last week. Freshman midfielder **Emily Molchan (East Northport, NY/Northport)** converted a penalty stroke during the first minute of the second half to provide the difference in a 1-0 decision over the Quakers. Senior attacker **Natalie Pearson (Harrison, NY/Greenwich, CT)** scored the goal against Kenyon, a game that was decided by penalty strokes and ended in a 2-1 victory for the Bishops. Molchan was one of three players to convert a penalty stroke after overtime had not decided the outcome ... WITTENBERG nabbed its first victory of the season, a 2-0 decision over Wooster. Sophomore goalkeeper **Nicole Irwin (Gettysburg, PA/Littestown)** made 10 saves ... WOOSTER had a busy week, with losses to DePauw and Oberlin as well as the Tigers. Junior goalkeeper **Anne Leigh (Englewood, CO/Cherry Creek)** totaled 30 saves on the week, including a career-high 15 against Wittenberg.

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**MEN'S SOCCER REPORT**

All ten teams play in North Coast Athletic Conference action next Saturday. Wabash (1-0-0, 2-5-0) is the only team to have won a conference game to date after defeating Kenyon (0-1, 2-3-2), 2-1, in overtime last week. The Little Giants travel to take on Hiram (0-0-0, 1-4-0) in the Terriers' opener Saturday. The Lords hope to bounce back with a contest at Wittenberg (0-0-0, 3-3-1). Ohio Wesleyan (0-0-0, 7-0-0), the only team that is unbeaten and untied in the NCAC this season, visits Earlham (0-0-0, 1-5-0). Wooster (0-0-0, 3-0-2) is also unbeaten to date but has tied twice. The Scots host Oberlin (0-0-0, 2-3-1) in the conference opener for both squads Saturday. Defending NCAC tournament champion Allegheny (0-0-0, 1-3-2) opens the 2005 conference season with a home match against Denison (0-0-0, 2-3-0) the same day.

**Notes:** Junior **Alan Carr (Blairstown, NJ)** scored twice in ALLEGHENY's 1-2 week, including the game-winner against rival Washington & Jefferson. It was the Gators' first victory of the season ... DENISON went 1-1 last week. The win came in double overtime against Otterbein as senior **Troy Botha (Toledo, OH/St. John's)** took a feed from sophomore **Greg Pecora (Chapel Hill, NC/Chapel Hill)** and scored in the 103rd minute to snap a two-match losing streak. Junior **Brad Toth (Maumee, OH/St. John's)** scored both goals in the Big Red's 3-2 loss to Capital, his first two goals of the year ... EARLHAM won one of three games last week. Freshman **Victor Anciano (San Antonio-Altos, Venezuela/ Armand Hammer)** scored twice in a 3-0 defeat of Hanover, but sophomore **Chris Sloan (Bethesda, MD/Sidwell Friends)** notched the game winner ... HIRAM's only action last week was a 2-0 loss to Heidelberg ... KENYON lost twice in overtime last week, including a 2-1 double overtime defeat in the NCAC opener against Wabash. The Lords have played four straight double overtime games, and have gone 0-2-2 in that span ... OBERLIN had a 1-1 week, with a 3-1 loss to Case and a 3-1 victory over Bluffton. Junior **David Wilson (Beaver, PA/Beaver Area)** scored twice in the victory, including what proved to be the game-winner. He leads the team with four goals in six games ... OHIO WESLEYAN upped its perfect mark to 7-0-0 with victories over Wilmington and DePauw. Sophomore forward **Damon Wilson (Mullica Hill, NJ/St. Andrews, DE)** scored twice in a 3-2 victory over Wilmington, including the game winner. Sophomore midfielder **Nick Skoczen (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston)** led the way with two goals in a 4-1 defeat of DePauw. Both his goals came in the first half, within three minutes of one another ... WABASH went 1-1 and won its NCAC opener in double overtime over Kenyon. Against Millikin, the Little Giants held a 1-0 lead with 10 minutes left but the feisty Millikin squad scored twice in two minutes and were able to steal a victory. Senior **Aaron Kunkle (Fort Wayne, IN/Concordia Lutheran)** scored both goals in the 2-1 overtime victory over Kenyon. The game-winner came in the 108th minute. Kunkle stands second on the Wabash team in scoring with five points in seven games ... Wittenberg freshman midfielder **Matt Borland (Kettering, OH/Alter)** assisted on a goal in a 2-1 win over Muskingum, then scored the team's only goal in a 1-1 tie with Wilmington. Borland leads the Tigers with three assists and seven points ... WOOSTER remained unbeaten with a pair of overtime victories last week. Against Calvin, senior forward **Brian Conaway (Twinsburg, OH/ Twinsburg)** converted a penalty kick with 10:16 left then assisted on the game-tying goal less than five minutes later. He has had a hand in six of the Scots' seven goals this season.

**WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT**

Non-conference games still dominate the women's soccer schedule, and every conference squad has at least two on the slate this week. The 2005 NCAC season starts Saturday, October 1. Wittenberg (0-0-0, 6-0-0) is the only undefeated team in the conference. They host Capital tomorrow, then visit western Pennsylvania to take on Washington & Jefferson Friday and Westminster on Saturday. Denison (0-0-0, 5-1-0) is also off to a good start. The Big Red, who are currently ranked sixth in the NSCAA/adidas Division III women' soccer poll, play at Washington (Mo.) today and host Messiah on Saturday. Defending NCAC regular season and tournament champion Ohio Wesleyan (0-0-0, 4-2-0) plays at Wilmington Wednesday then heads to Texas to take on Trinity on Friday and Southwestern on Sunday.

**Notes:** Freshman **Katie Murphy (Venetia, PA/Peters Township)** scored a goal in the 29th minute to lift ALLEGHENY to a 1-0 victory over Frostburg State. It was her second game-winner of the season. The Gators also lost to Westminster, 1-0, despite outshooting the Titans, 25-12, last week. It was the first time Allegheny was shut out this season ... DENISON also claimed a 1-0 victory last week. Sophomore **Kim Cochran (Upper Arlington, OH/Upper Arlington)** put in a header off a corner kick to provide the difference against John Carroll ... EARLHAM had a 2-0-1 week, with victories over Rose-Hulman (1-0) and Franklin (8-1) and a 1-1 tie with Manchester. Freshman **Hillary Carter (Middletown, OH/Lakota East)** totaled two goals and two assists for the week. She assisted on the only goal of the game against Rose-Hulman, scored once and assisted on the game winner against Franklin, then scored the game-tying goal against Manchester ... KENYON went 1-2 last week. Freshman **Amy Kessler (Bowling Green, OH/St. Ursula)** scored the first goal of her career in a 3-0 defeat of Oglethorpe and that goal proved to be the game-winner .. OBERLIN junior **Sam Schongalia (Alexandria, VA/Bishop Ireton)** had a hand in all three Yeowoman goals last week with one goal and two assists as Oberlin went 0-2 ... Senior **Sarah Wall (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** set up a pair of goals in a span of two minutes to lead OHIO WESLEYAN to a 5-0 defeat of Defiance. Freshman forward **Michelle Corbett (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** accounted for all three scores in a 3-1 defeat of DePauw for her first career hat trick. Wall assisted on two of those goals. Wall now has 45 career assists, which breaks the North Coast Athletic Conference mark of 41 that was held by **Megan Whiteside** of Denison, who played from 1990-93. Last weekend's Central Ohio Soccer Showcase raised more than \$1800 for victims of Hurrican Katrina ... WITTENBERG is off to the best start in school history at 6-0, and five of those victories have come via shutout. Sophomore forward **Lisa Rusch (Columbus, OH/Worthington Kilbourne)** leads the Tigers with nine points. Last week, the NCAC's Newcomer of the Year in 2004 scored the only goal in a 1-0 defeat of DePauw, then set up a goal and scored the other in a 2-0 victory over Ohio Northern ... WOOSTER went 1-1-1 last week. Junior **Erin Lusic (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** scored once in each game and now leads the team with three goals and six points.

**VOLLEYBALL REPORT**

The first two conference matches of the year are on tap for Wednesday night. Denison (0-0, 8-4) travels to Earlham (0-0, 2-9), while Wittenberg (0-0, 8-2) visits Ohio Wesleyan (0-0, 7-7).

The remainder of the week's schedule is dominated by non-conference play. Allegheny (0-0, 10-4) competes at the Carnegie Mellon tournament on Friday and Saturday. The Big Red joins Ohio Wesleyan for the Bishop Invitational the same days. Also Friday and Saturday, Earlham participates in the Transylvania tournament, and Hiram (0-0, 11-2) and Wittenberg join the field at the Waynesburg Invitational. Saturday, Kenyon (0-0, 5-6) and Wooster (0-0, 13-2) will play a conference match as part of a tri-match with Marietta.

**Notes:** ALLEGHENY went 4-1 last week and placed third at the Emory Classic. Head coach **Bridget Sheehan** earned her 500th career win Friday night as the Gators defeated Piedmont in straight sets. In her 20th season as head coach for the Gators, Sheehan ranks in the top 20 in career victories in Division III. During her tenure, Allegheny has made four NCAA tournament appearances, been ranked in the top 20 four times and won four NCAC titles. She has a 501-282 (.640) career coaching record. Last week, sophomore setter **Traci Stoner (Celina, OH/Celina)** collected 217 assists in 19 games (11.42 per game), 37 kills, 93 digs and nine assists. For the season, Stoner has 614 assists and a .520 attack percentage. Senior outside hitter **Megan Finch (Slippery Rock, PA/Slippery Rock)** pounded out 93 kills to earn all-tournament recognition ... DENISON took two of three matches last week. Junior setter **Jenny Gresla (Berne, IN/South Adams)** average 11.5 assist in the 11 games played. Junior middle hitter **Kristen Sheffield (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** led the team in kills with 32, highlighted by a 13-kill performance in a five-game loss to Capital, and added four blocks and nine digs in that contest. The all-time NCAC leader in blocked shots in basketball is leading the Big Red volleyball squad in blocks this season with 31 ... HIRAM had another outstanding week with a 4-1 mark to improve to 11-2 overall. Senior **Shana Toth (Mantua, OH/Crestwood)** smashed 46 kills, blocked 13 shots and scooped 30 digs in 13 games ... KENYON split a tri-match last week, defeating Bethany in three and losing to Bluffton in four. Junior **Patrice Collins (Garden City, NJ/Garden City)** had a big day with 48 kills, 28 digs, four aces and two blocks in the two matches ... Senior libero **Katie Au (San Fransisco, CA/Lickwilverding)** led OBERLIN in a four-game loss to Lake Erie with 42 digs, and totaled 55 for the week. The Yeowomen lost to the Lakers despite smashing 89 kills as a team. Sophomore **Deysi Villarreal (Tuscon, AZ/Canyon del Oro)** led the squad with 28 assists in a straight set loss to Wilmington ... OHIO WESLEYAN went 3-2 last week, and finished second in its pool at the Penn St. Behrend tournament, then defeated the hosts to finish third in the tournament. Sophomore libero **Jaime Scharf (Marion, OH/River Valley)** was named to the all-tournament team. Sophomore outside hitter **Steffi Graf (Poland, OH/Seminary)** led the Bishops with 12 kills and 23 digs in a defeat of Pitt-Bradford, then contributed team highs with 10 kills and 27 digs in a loss to Westminster ... WITTENBERG sophomore outside hitter **Emily Bell (Fort Wayne, IN/Concordia Lutheran)** was named to the Border Battle All-tournament team with 43 kills and 72 digs as the Tigers went 4-0. The top four teams from Michigan faced the top four teams from Ohio and teams from the Buckeye state took 14 wins in 16 matches. Senior middle hitter **Emily Dixon (Granville, OH/Granville)** also made the all-tournament team ... WOOSTER won all five of its matches last week, giving head coach **Terri Mason** her 100th career victory and the Scots the title at the Westminster Invitational. Mason, the all-time winningest coach in Scot history, is now 103-73 in six years at the helm. Junior hitter **Erin Schaffner (North Canton, OH/GlenOak)** averaged 2.86 kills on the weekend to earn all-tournament honors. She totaled 40 kills and a .345 hitting percentage, and added nine digs and six blocks in the four tournament matches.

**PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

**WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY**

Denison junior **Christine Collins (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls)** placed seventh of 120 runners at the Cedarville Friendship Invitational. She finished the 5K course in 18:41 to lead Denison to fourth place.

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY**

Allegheny sophomore **Ryan Place (Meshoppen, PA/Elk Lake)** finished third at the Allegheny Invitational, leading the Gators to the team title. He covered the 8K course in 26:21.

**FIELD HOCKEY**

Ohio Wesleyan freshman midfielder **Emily Molchan (East Northport, NY/Northport)** converted a penalty stroke during the first minute of the second half to provide the difference in a 1-0 decision over Earlham. She also was one of three players to convert a penalty stroke after overtime had not decided the outcome against Kenyon, in what resulted in a 2-1 Bishop victory.

**MEN'S SOCCER**

Wooster senior **Brian Conaway (Twinsburg, OH/Twinsburg)** led the Scots to a 2-2 tie against 13th ranked Calvin after the team had trailed 2-0 with just over 10 minutes left. He converted a penalty kick with 10:16 remaining, then assisted on the game tying-goal less than five minutes later.

**WOMEN'S SOCCER**

Earlham freshman **Hillary Carter (Middletown, OH/Lakota East)** totaled two goals and two assists in the Quakers' 2-0-1 week. She assisted on the only goal of the game against Rose-Hulman, scored once and assisted on the game winner against Franklin, then scored the game-tying goal against Manchester.

**VOLLEYBALL**

Allegheny sophomore setter **Traci Stoner (Celina, OH/Celina)** collected 217 assists, 37 kills, 93 digs and nine aces in 19 games, leading the Gators to a third-place finish at the Emory Classic and a 4-1 overall mark.