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## BROADCAST SCHEDULE

08/07/20 07:00:00

Nappanee Racing Harness  
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## NEW LEVEL MEDIA

### Goshen College to proceed with fall sports in 2020

*Maple Leafs to join rest of 10-team Crossroads League in competition*

GOSHEN, Ind. — Goshen College is committed to beginning its 65th season of intercollegiate athletics in the fall of 2020, the college announced Monday.

This announcement follows a decision by the Crossroads League's Council of Presidents to proceed with competition this fall. Earlier this week, the NAIA postponed its fall championships in men's and women's soccer, men's and women's cross country and women's volleyball to spring 2021 while granting each conference the autonomy to set its regular-season schedule. The league cited its small geographic size as one factor that aided in the decision to return to competition.

Along with the other nine Crossroads League institutions, Goshen College has produced a detailed set of safety protocols to return to play in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes the five teams mentioned above as well as men's and women's tennis, which play their regular-season schedules in the fall but have national championships in the spring.

The NAIA has already issued a revised calendar for fall sports that includes a reduced number of events beginning no earlier than Saturday, Sept. 5. Goshen has taken further steps to limit the potential for exposure to the novel coronavirus, including scheduling primarily conference opponents and reducing overnight trips.

Goshen College students and employees will be allowed at Maple Leaf sporting events this fall, according to the plan released by the GC student life office last week. Other guests (including family members and visiting coaches) must seek permission in advance to attend. Guidelines for spectators may evolve throughout the fall as the Crossroads League discerns best practices in that area. The athletic department is also working to enhance the live streaming experience available at GoLeafs.net.

The Crossroads League and Goshen College are committed to monitoring the situation daily. All options for competition will be continuously explored with health and safety as a priority.

Stay tuned to GoLeafs.net for the latest updates on Goshen College's 14 intercollegiate sports.

Goshen College is an affordable, nationally-ranked Christian liberal arts college in Northern Indiana known for leadership in intercultural and international education, sustainability and social justice.

The Maple Leafs compete in 14 varsity sports in the NAIA's highly competitive Crossroads League and Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, continuing a tradition of intercollegiate athletics that dates to 1956 and included women's competition nearly a decade before Title IX. For more information on GC athletics, visit [www.GoLeafs.net](http://www.GoLeafs.net) and follow the Maple Leafs on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram at @GCMappleLeafs.

## Taylor Names Gay as Head Track and Field Coach

**UPLAND, Ind.** – Taylor University and Athletics Director, Kyle Gould, officially announced on Tuesday, that Derek Gay had been named the new head coach for the TU track and field programs.

“Derek moved to the front of a very deep candidate pool and emerged as the right person to move our program into the future,” said Gould. “He has demonstrated a strong commitment to all that we value here at Taylor and we are excited to see him continue to push our track and field program forward.”

Gay comes to Taylor after two years as the head track and field coach at Dillard University and seven seasons as an assistant coach on staff at Indiana Wesleyan University. Prior to starting his coaching career, Gay competed in track and field at IWU.

“From the start of this process, my wife and I just had a gut feeling that God was working behind the scenes,” said Gay. “We are very excited for whatever He has in store for us as we transition back up to Indiana and I am definitely ready to get started at Taylor. I feel my past experience both as a student-athlete and as an assistant coach in the Crossroads League will help make this transition smoother so we can focus on preparing the team to contend for a league title and also to make some noise at the national level.”

During his time at Dillard, Gay worked to reshape the program, doubling the roster size in less than two years and setting 23 new program records on the track. In that time, the team ran half of its fastest times in program history in the 100 and 200-meters and ranked as high as fourth in the NAIA in those events. The roster also produced 41 all-conference awards and raised its team grade-point average over the 3.0 mark in each year.

Before taking the reins at Dillard, Gay served as an assistant for IWU’s track programs. In those seven seasons, Gay saw the Wildcats claim eight-of-14 team championships in the CL, while helping his athletes to three NAIA National Championships, over 30 NAIA All-American performances and 28 new program records.

In addition to those impressive accomplishments, Gay is certified by the USTFCCCA as a specialist in sprints, hurdles and relays, holds a USATF Level II certification in sprints and hurdles, and is a NSCA Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist.

Gay graduated from Indiana Wesleyan in 2011 with a degree in applied health and fitness and is nearing completion of a master’s degree in applied exercise science and kinesiology from Concordia-Chicago.

“Taylor has a great reputation for being a Christ-centered institution that produces some of the best student-athletes in the nation,” added Gay. “I am very much looking forward to helping continue and build on that tradition. I am grateful to Kyle Gould, President Cunningham and everyone involved in the interview process for giving me the opportunity to lead such a prestigious program.”

Gay will take over the position from Quinn White, who was filling in on an interim status following the departure of Rod Waters in March.

Fairfield placed 7th at today's Goshen Varsity Girls Golf Invitational.

Fairfield Scores:

Trinity Ruiz - 98 (Good for 7th place individually)

Bailey Willard - 108

Malley Behles - 113

Ashlynn Yoder - 130

Teams Scores were:

Concord 370  
Marian 371  
Lakeland 386  
Goshen 427  
Fairfield 449  
Elkhart 457  
Mishawaka 478

## Cougar Ladies' Varsity Golf Team Finishes in Top Half of Penn Invite

Playing in their second match of the season, the New Prairie Cougars Ladies' Varsity Golf team finished in 5th place out of a ten team field. Coach Bruce Watson, in his third year as the ladies' coach was pleased with the results. This is the third lowest 18 hole score in our 49 year school history. All players played consistent golf and represented their school and community well. Sophomore Jaiden Winters led the Cougars with a 93, followed by Freshman Jenna Bauman 94, Senior Jordan Winters 101, Sophomore Macaria Tierney 106, and Senior Zoie Martinez 108.

Medalist for the match was Michigan City's Senior Lia Thomas shooting 79. The Cougars start Northern Indiana Conference play tomorrow travelling to Elbel Golf Course to play South Bend Washington and Clay.

1st Place Penn 340

2nd Place Concord 351

3rd Place Angola 365

4th Place Marian 377

5th Place New Prairie 394

6th Place Penn B 429

7th Place Elkhart 461

8th Place Northridge 461

9th Place Jimtown no score

10th Place Michigan City no score

## Lakeland Lakers Girls Golf with West Noble

### Today At Heron Creek

Madison Kiel medalist with even par 35

Bailey Hartsough 42

Sadie Edsall 46

Kylee Watkins 47

Tatum Retterbush 54

Team score of 170

West Noble Team Score 234

HUNTINGTON, Ind. – Huntington University has announced it will move forward with fall athletics along with its Crossroads League peers with several adjustments based on the guidelines established by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

As announced by the NAIA last week, all fall 2020 national championships have been moved to the spring of 2021.

*The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Council of Presidents (COP) voted on Tuesday, July 28 to postpone the national championships in cross country, men's soccer, women's soccer, and women's volleyball to spring 2021. This decision still allow NAIA conferences to compete in the fall and winter, if they so choose.*

After thoughtful planning and discussions, the Crossroads League Council of Presidents has decided to move forward with a fall season of competition. Return-to-play protocols across the league will be put into place with student-athletes' health and safety top priority.

As determined by the NAIA, the practice start date for all sports is August 15 while September 5 marks the official competition start date.

Stay up to date with Forester athletics at [www.huathletics.com](http://www.huathletics.com).

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**GIRLS GOLF POLL WEEK  
ONE**

1	Homestead
2	Evansville North
2	Carmel
4	Westfield
5	Columbus North
6	Noblesville
7	Crown Point
8	Franklin Community
9	NorthWood
10	Zionsville
10	Hamilton SE
12	Penn
13	Center Grove
14	Lapel
15	Brownsburg
16	Concord
17	Culver Academy
18	Lake Central
19	Evansville Memorial
20	Western
H	Castle
M	Cathedral
H	Columbia City
M	Floyd Central
H	Guerin Catholic
M	Lafayette Harrison
H	Michigan City
M	Richmond
H	Tipton
M	University
H	Valpo
M	Wawasee

Playing in their first match of the season, the New Prairie Cougars Ladies' Varsity Golf team finished in 1st place out of a four team field. Coach Bruce Watson, in his third year as the ladies' coach was pleased with the results. This is only the 5th time in our 49 year history of ladies' golf at New Prairie that we have won the county title. This is the first match for our younger ladies. It was a great learning experience for the team as we prepare to write the next chapter in the ladies' golf program. All players played consistent golf and were excellent representatives of their school and community. Senior Jordan Winters led the team with an excellent 75, followed closely by younger sister and Sophomore Jaiden Winters with a 78. Zoie Martinez, Senior carded an 87, while Freshman Jenna Bauman carded an 88 and Sophomore Macaria Tierney finished with a 90. Playing in an exhibition match, Freshman Jayden Flagg shot an 85, Senior Kali Lambert 101, Freshmen Hannah Kole 106, Maddie Gilpin 108, Bella Beall 112, Angel Primmer 113 and Sophomore Ann Nelson a 114. Medalist for the match was Michigan City's Senior Lia Thomas shooting 2 under par 58! The Cougars participate in the Penn Invitation tomorrow. 1st Place New Prairie 328  
2nd Place La Porte 334  
3rd Place Michigan City 342