

Project Summary

University of Notre Dame



ROLFS AQUATIC CENTER			
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200 MEDLEY RELAY			
	Event 1	Heat 1	
	31.88	4	31.88
1	33.85	5	33.85
2 McDivitt Herrera Piszkin La	25.25	2	25.25
3 Hecking Healey D'Olier Eck	38.30	7	38.30
4 L.Rose Shepardson Augusty	39.98	8	39.98
5 Rahill Doherty Shepard Buc	29.45	3	29.45
6 Verlin Harding Fetter M.Ros	34.40	6	34.40
7 Mackay Vandenberg Seery	16.89	1	16.89
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When you think of all the uses for a Colorado LED display, settling down to enjoy a movie probably isn't one of them. But that's just one of the ways the University of Notre Dame has used its new display.

“At our summer swim camp, we bought 75 inner tubes, then let the kids float and watch a movie!” says Matt Tallman, Notre Dame’s Associate Head Swim Coach. And although that’s fun use for the school’s new display, it’s just the tip of the iceberg for the CTS equipment in this busy swim facility.

Rolfs Aquatic Center is busy almost non-stop, especially during the academic year, when the pool is in use nearly continually from 6AM until 10PM daily. Saturday is the only day the facility is closed.

The men’s swim team “has one meet a week, the women do as well -- some are together and some aren’t,” says Tallman. “We run four club meets a year, and for the past few years there’s been a big high school meet between a girls’ high school from Detroit and girls’ high school from Chicago. They meet in the middle and swim here!”

Amid all of the activity, Notre Dame has been giving the natatorium a facelift - adding new starting blocks, wiring, lane lines, flags, pace clocks, bulkheads, and of course, the new display.

Installation

Why all the new equipment? Tallman explains that the University's old scoreboard was a driving force. "We had an eight-lane scoreboard that was digits-only, installed 23 years ago when the pool was built - it was time for a change. Newer technology is just going to be more reliable, allowing the swimmers to get the information they need right when the race is over. Overall, it helps complete a big facelift for the facility too."

How is the equipment benefitting the team? The display "does so much more than just give us the time," says Tallman. "The colors and video capabilities are such a huge upgrade from what we had. We can show our team videos of them swimming. We can use the display to run clips from Olympic Trials and other videos. And [the whole installation] helps with recruiting because it's an upgrade to the facility - it shows our recruits that the University is interested in the team."

Tallman and the Notre Dame swim teams are grateful not just to CTS for a smooth installation, but to the Notre Dame alumni and department directors who helped pull together to raise the funds for the facelift - and to CTS for quoting an installation the school could afford.

"CTS did a great job of giving us pricing we could meet through a combination of funds from our budget and [donations from] alumni who helped out," says Tallman. "We had a lot of help from our alums and the department to make it work. We were just really happy to get it done!"



Rolfs Aquatic Center features:

- 23mm 144 x 256 Full Color Display
- System 6 Timing Console
- Complete In-deck System
- Wireless Pace Clocks
- Wireless Championship Start System

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