

# Cricket Club prepares for spring tournament

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It has been a great year since the formation of the IIT Cricket Club. I am sure with the level of interest with which the students of different countries participated in the events last year, it does not require an introduction this time.

Once again it is the time of the year when the IIT Cricket Club announces its spring events for any and all who are interested in playing cricket (or just watching it). For cricket lovers, I can assure you this article is going to bring a big smile to your face, and for those who are new to this sport, IIT Cricket Club members will be more than happy to teach you and bring you up to speed. For students who participated in last year's Keating Premier League (KPL), we have some exiting news and surprises coming. This year's KPL will be a 6-week-long event with \$270 to be awarded in prizes. For those who are keen on keeping up with world cricket, we will be bringing the ICC Cricket World Cup 2011 to you.

The tape tennis tournament will be starting on February 19th and will run through the next 6 weeks, with matches played every Saturday. A maximum of 20 teams will be allowed to participate, with 6 players each (plus a maximum of 2 substitutes). The format of the tour-

namment will be round-robin, with 4 groups of 5 teams each. \$120, \$90 and \$60 will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners respectively. As a matter of fact, I would also advise interested players to register their teams before the slots fill up. For registration, dates, tournament rules, or any other questions, please visit the IIT Cricket Club website at [www.sites.google.com/site/iitcricket](http://www.sites.google.com/site/iitcricket).

In addition, we are also going to be televising the World Cup matches at Keating Sports Center. For information on the matches that are going to be televised (and the schedule), please visit our website.

Don't think KPL is going to be challenging enough? Then you will be happy to know that IIT also participates in the Midwest Cricket Conference, which starts later in the spring and continues until mid-fall. MWCC is a recognized tournament with over 50 teams participating from all over Midwest region. Look out for updates on our upcoming events to see how you can make a difference. Until then, gear up for all the exciting events that we have in store for you.

Shahmeer Khaliqdina hit six runs against Hammond CC in Midwest Cricket Conference 2011. Khaliqdina went on to score 85 runs, winning the match in favor of the IIT Cricket Club.



## Lacrosse Club seeks members

**By Mike Purdy**  
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Last week, the Illinois Institute of Technology Lacrosse club (or IIT Lax) became an official student organization on campus.

As the sport of lacrosse continues to spread and gain popularity throughout the midwest, many students at IIT have expressed interest in the sport and took it upon themselves to provide its excitement to the rest of the student body.

The first general body meeting for the IIT Lacrosse club will be held on Thursday, February 3 at 9:15 p.m. in the MTCC Ballroom. This meeting is for anybody interested in participating in the club, whether experienced or inexperienced.

This meeting, led by IIT Lax President Wes Tish, will highlight the fundamentals of lacrosse, set goals for the organization, include an overview of equipment, and set times for future meetings and practices. The other officers of IIT Lax include Treasurer Phil Monday, Public Relations Joey Hynes, and Vice President Mike Purdy. If you are a natural athlete or just looking to be part of a fun and emerging club on campus, be sure to check out the IIT Lacrosse club.



(Photo courtesy of Mike Purdy)

## Intramural Soccer League eager for season

**By Ashlie Ingold**  
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Not interested in the Intramural Basketball League that just started, but still want to get off that couch and come to Keating with teammates? Then you'll be delighted to hear that the IIT Intramural Soccer League begins Sunday February 6.

The season will last until Sunday April 24, with games being played on Sundays 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. (depending on how many teams register, there is a possibility that some games will be played on Wednesdays 8:00 p.m. -11:00 p.m.).

The league is open to all students, faculty, staff, and alumni of IIT, Shimer, and Vandercook. Squads must have 5-10 players with 1 goalie, 4 on the court, and a maximum of 5 substitute players. All squads must be registered by February 4. How do you register? Send an email to [iitintramuralsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:iitintramuralsoccer@gmail.com). You may either sign up as a team or as an individual to be placed on a team. The league is free of charge to all who wish to join.

Samah Onaissi, one of the organizers of the league, encourages "everybody from all skill levels to come and join us for some competitive fun. The atmosphere at the gym is amazing during the games and there is nothing like exercising while having fun doing so.

Indoor soccer rules apply as follows:

- No slide tackles allowed!
- 4 players and 1 keeper on the court at a time (5 players total).
- Squads have to be registered by February 4.
- Since the league will be longer than last semester's, up to 10 players are allowed to be on a team.
- Referees will be from the IIT Varsity Soccer team.
- Red and yellow cards will be handed out for illegal challenges.
- A Red carded player will be left out of play for 4 minutes then substituted by another player (his team will play a player short for 4 minutes). Red carded players cannot play again in the game they receive a red card in, however they can play in the next game.
- A Yellow carded player will be left out of play for 2 minutes and can resume playing after the 2 minutes are over (his team will play short a player for 2 minutes).

A group dedicated to the league, scores, and updates will be launched on Facebook throughout the entire semester-long season.

Team captains will also be notified when it is launched to advise their teammates to join. We also encourage everyone to join the group

"Intramural Sports & Recreation (NEW!) - Illinois Institute of Technology" on Facebook for all updates on Intramural sports at IIT. The champion of the Intramural Soccer League of the semester will win a prize that has yet to be determined.

Phillip Lozanoski, another one of the organizers for the league, wanted to add that "Last semester's league was successful and I look forward to expanding the league and increasing the opportunities for the soccer community to grow at IIT."

Phillip and Samah are currently working with Jason Neal to re-establish the soccer club at IIT. The club will be able to travel to other schools to compete, invite other schools to IIT, and participate in leagues outside Keating.

Currently, the club is petitioning for recognition from the Office of Student Life. The club will be open to IIT, Vandercook, and Shimer students. If you are interested please email [iitintramuralsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:iitintramuralsoccer@gmail.com) for more information.

*Note: IIT includes all IIT students of the Main Campus, Stuart School of Business, Rice and Moffett campuses, the Downtown Campus, School of Design, Chicago-Kent Law School, and the National Center for Food Safety.*



**Friday, February 4th**  
Men's & Women's  
Swimming & Diving  
5PM @ Lincoln College

**Saturday, February 5th**  
Men's & Women's  
Swimming & Diving  
11AM @ Lake Forest College