

GEORGIA TECH GOLF--ACC CHAMPIONS
1984-85 TEAM SUMMARY

- First--ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP, Greensboro, N.C. (8 teams)
Team Score: 281-280-282=843; Player Average: 70.3
- First--IRON DUKE CLASSIC, Durham, N.C. (24 teams)
Team Score: 296-287-288=871 (Won first hole of sudden death)
Player Average: 72.6
- First--SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE, Athens, Ga. (20 teams)
Team Score: 282-278-279=839 (25 under par)
(839 is SIC tournament and Georgia Tech record)
Player Average: 69.9
- First--GATOR BOWL INVITATIONAL, Jacksonville, Fla. (16 teams)
Team Score: 291-294-319=904; Player Average: 75.3
- Second--HILTON HEAD INVITATIONAL, Hilton Head, S.C. (24 teams)
Team Score: 302-295-293=890; Player Average: 74.2
- Second--DIXIE INTERCOLLEGIATE, Columbus, Ga. (28 teams)
Team Score: 291-293-290=874; Player Average: 72.8
- Third--HALL OF FAME INVITATIONAL, Tampa, Fla. (24 teams)
Team Score: 315-291-293=899; Player Average: 75.9
- Third--SHORTER INVITATIONAL, Rome, Ga. (14 teams)
Team Score: 286-299=585 (B team); Player Average: 73.1
- Fourth--MACGREGOR INTERCOLLEGIATE, Pickens, S.C. (24 teams)
Team Score: 296-293-301=890; Player Average: 74.1
- Fifth--FURMAN INVITATIONAL, Greenville, S.C. (24 teams)
Team Score: 293-305-295=893; Player Average: 74.4
- Fifth--JOHN RYAN MEMORIAL, Durham, N.C. (24 teams)
Team Score: 286-285-297=868; Player Average: 72.3
- Sixth--FOREST HILLS INVITATIONAL, Augusta, Ga. (18 teams)
Team Score: 303-300-308=911; Player Average: 75.9
- Ninth--CHRIS SCHENKEL INTERCOLLEGIATE, Statesboro, Ga. (18 teams)
Team Score: 289-279-290=858; Player Average: 71.5
- Twelfth--NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP, Winter Haven, Fla. (30 teams)
Team Score: 300-300-300-301=1201; Player Average: 75.1
- Fourteenth--IMPERIAL LAKES CLASSIC, Lakeland, Fla. (21 teams)
Team Score: 297-284-295=876; Player Average: 73.0

FINAL GEORGIA TECH 1985 SPRING GOLF STATISTICS

ACC CHAMPIONS

NCAA Championship--12th place

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
cho Gervas	9	28	2032	72.57	68
ob McDonnell	9	28	2034	72.64	67
Bill McDonald	9	28	2047	73.11	67
Jay Nichols	9	28	2086	74.50	67
Davy Hopson	1	3	226	75.33	73
Peter Davison	2	6	457	76.17	72
Rod Park	7	22	1699	77.23	71

HALL OF FAME, Tampa, Fla.

Team: 3rd/24 teams;

315-291-293=899

Player Average: 75.9

Gervas (T-3rd) 79-71-71=221

McDonald (16th) 80-71-74=225

Davison 78-73-75=226

Nichols 78-76-73=227

Park 82-77-80=239

McDonnell (unatt.) 82-74-74=230

HILTON HEAD (S.C.) INVITATIONAL

Team: 2nd/24 teams;

302-295-293=890

Player Average: 74.2

Gervas (T-4th) 75-72-73=220

McDonald (T-7th) 76-74-71=221

McDonnell (11th) 72-77-74=223

Davison 79-72-80=231

Nichols 80-79-75=234

IMPERIAL LAKES, Lakeland, Fla.

Team: T-14th/21 teams;

297-284-295=876

Player Average: 73.0

McDonnell 69-74-70=213

McDonald 73-67-78=218

Gervas 77-70-76=223

Hopson 78-73-75=226

Nichols 78-74-74=226

IRON DUKE CLASSIC, Durham, N.C.

Team: *1st/24 teams;

296-287-288=871

Player Average: 72.6

McDonald (1st) 73-68-71=212

Gervas (T-4th) 72-71-71=214

McDonnell (T-14th) 72-74-73=219

Park 79-74-73=226

Nichols 79-74-80=233

*Won in 1st hole of playoff.

FURMAN INV., Greenville, S.C.

Team: 5th/24 teams;

293-305-295=893

Player Average: 74.4

McDonnell (T-7th) 74-76-70=220

Gervas (T-13th) 74-75-74=223

Nichols (T-20th) 74-74-76=224

McDonald 71-80-76=227

Park 78-80-75=233

ACC CHAMPIONSHIP, Greensboro, N.C.

Team: 1st/8 teams;

281-280-282=843 (21 under par)

Player Average: 70.3

McDonnell (1st) 68-69-68=205

McDonald (3rd) 68-69-73=210

Gervas (T-5th) 72-71-69=212

Nichols (T-16th) 73-71-72=216

Park 77-72-75=224

CHRIS SCHENKEL, Statesboro, Ga.

Team: 9th/18 teams;

#289-279-290=858

Player Average: 71.5

McDonnell (T-18th) 72-71-70=213

Gervas (T-18th) 71-70-72=213

McDonald 76-69-73=218

Nichols 74-69-75=218

Park 72-71-75=218

SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE, Athens, Ga.

Team: 1st/20 teams;

+282-278-279=839 (25 under par)

Player Average: 69.9

McDonnell (1st) 70-67-69=206

Gervas (T-2nd) 69-71-68=208

Nichols (4th) 67-72-71=210

McDonald (9th) 76-68-71=215

Park 77-75-80=233

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP, Winter Haven, Fla.

Team: 12th/30 teams;

300-300-300-301=1201

Player Average: 75.1

Nichols (T-26th) 72-75-75-75=297

Gervas (T-35th) 77-76-72-75=298

McDonald (T-54th) 74-76-76-75=301

McDonnell (T-74th) 77-73-77-78=305

Park (T-97th) 78-82-77-89=326

#279 tied Schenkel 2nd round record.

+278 and 839 are Tech records.

839 also is an SIC record.

BILL McDONALD

Freshman
~~Sophomore~~, 5-10, 165, Dalton, Georgia

****ALL-ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE****
****HONORABLE MENTION ALL-AMERICA****

1984-85 STATISTICS

Season	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
Spring	9	28	2047	73.11	67
Fall	4	12	875	72.92	67
Total	13	40	2922	73.05	67

SPRING AVERAGES

Putting	Greens In Reg.	Fairway Accuracy	Sand Recoveries	Holes Under Par
29.8	63.3%	61.7%	66.7%	15.0%

TOP TWENTY FINISHES

Place	Tournament	Score
1st	IRON DUKE CLASSIC	73-68-71=212
1st	JOHN RYAN MEMORIAL	67-69-72=208
1st	GATOR BOWL INTERCOLLEGIATE	74-72-75=221
3rd	ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE	68-69-73=210
7th	HILTON HEAD INVITATIONAL	76-74-71=221
9th	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE	76-68-71=215
10th	DIXIE INTERCOLLEGIATE	77-72-70=219
16th	HALL OF FAME INVITATIONAL	80-71-74=225
54th	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS	74-76-76-75=301
	Out of Top 20 (4 times)	

BACKGROUND

1983 Player of the Year--American Junior Golf Association
 1984 All-America--American Junior Golf Association
 Runnerup--1984 Future Masters
 Tenth--1984 AJGA Tournament of Champions
 Runnerup--1983 AJGA Tournament of Champions
 Semifinalist--1983 USGA Junior
 Champion--1983 Georgia State Junior
 Champion--1983 Georgia State AAAA High School Tournament

BOB MCDONNELL

Senior, 5-11, 170, Ormond Beach, Florida

****ALL-ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE****
****THIRD TEAM ALL-AMERICA****

1984-85 STATISTICS

Season	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
Spring	9	28	2034	72.64	67
Fall	5	15	1118	74.53	69
Total	14	43	3152	73.30	67

SPRING AVERAGES

Putting	Greens In Reg.	Fairway Accuracy	Sand Recoveries	Holes Under Par
31.4	66.8%	75.3%	35.5%	17.7%

TOP TWENTY FINISHES

Place	Tournament	Score
1st	ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE	68-69-68=205
1st	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE	70-67-69=206
7th	FURMAN INVITATIONAL	74-76-70=220
11th	HILTON HEAD INVITATIONAL	72-77-74=223
13th	JOHN RYAN MEMORIAL	74-72-70=216
13th	GATOR BOWL INTERCOLLEGIATE	69-81-80=230
14th	IRON DUKE CLASSIC	72-74-73=219
16th	DIXIE INTERCOLLEGIATE	72-75-74=221
18th	CHRIS SCHENKEL	72-71-70=213
19th	FOREST HILLS INVITATIONAL	75-76-74=225
20th	IMPERIALAKES CLASSIC	69-74-70=213
74th	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP	77-73-77-78=305

Out of Top 20 (2 times)

BACKGROUND

Seventh--1984 Atlantic Coast Conference Championship
 Low Qualifier--1984 U.S. Amateur (Florida section)
 Fourteenth--1984 Southeastern Amateur
 Seventeenth--1984 Eastern Amateur

NACHO GERVAS

Junior, 5-10, 140, Madrid, Spain

****ALL-ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE****

****HONORABLE MENTION ALL-AMERICA****

1984-85 STATISTICS

Season	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
Spring	9	28	2032	72.57	68
Fall	4	12	880	73.33	69
Total	13	40	2912	72.80	68

SPRING AVERAGES

Putting	Greens in Reg.	Fairway Accuracy	Sand Recoveries	Holes Under Par
32.2	72.0%	74.8%	50.0%	13.9%

TOP TWENTY FINISHES

Place	Tournament	Score
1st	MACGREGOR INTERCOLLEGIATE	69-72-73=214
3rd	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE	69-71-68=208
3rd	HALL OF FAME INVITATIONAL	79-71-71=221
4th	HILTON HEAD INVITATIONAL	75-72-73=220
4th	IRON DUKE CLASSIC	72-71-71=214
5th	ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE	72-71-69=212
10th	DIXIE INTERCOLLEGIATE	76-69-74=219
13th	FURMAN INVITATIONAL	74-75-74=223
17th	JOHN RYAN MEMORIAL	71-71-76=218
18th	CHRIS SCHENKEL	71-70-72=213
35th	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP	77-76-72-75=298

Out of top 20 (2 times)

BACKGROUND

Invitee--1984 World Amateur, Hong Kong

Runnerup--1984 Spanish Amateur

Champion--1984 British Youth Classic

Member--1984 European Team in both EGA Trophy and St. Andrews Cup

Third--1984 Euskady Championship (3rd most prestigious event in Spain)

JAY NICHOLS

Junior, 5-11, 160, Savannah, Georgia

1984-85 STATISTICS

Season	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
Spring	9	28	2086	74.50	67
Fall	4	11	836	76.00	70
Total	13	39	2922	74.92	67

SPRING AVERAGES

Putting	Greens In Reg.	Fairway Accuracy	Sand Recoveries	Holes Under Par
31.9	59.6%	64.3%	50.0%	11.7%

TOP TWENTY FINISHES

Place	Tournament	Score
4th	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE	67-72-71=210
12th	GATOR BOWL INVITATIONAL	75-70-83=228
16th	ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE	73-71-72=216
17th	DIXIE INTERCOLLEGIATE	70-80-72=222
20th	FURMAN INVITATIONAL	74-74-76=224
26th	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP	72-75-75-75=297
	Out of Top 20 (8 times)	

BACKGROUND

Fifth--1984 Georgia State Amateur
 Sixth--1984 Georgia State Open
 Twentieth--1984 Southeastern Amateur
 Fourth--1983 Shorter Fall Invitational
 Eighth--1983 John Ryan Memorial
 Champion--1981, 1982 Southeastern Junior

ROD PARK

Sophomore, 5-10, 155, Eastleigh Hampshire, England

1984-85 STATISTICS

Season	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
Spring	7	22	1699	77.23	71
Fall				Did not play	
Total	7	22	1699	77.23	71

SPRING AVERAGES

Putting	Greens In Reg.	Fairway Accuracy	Sand Recoveries	Holes Under Par
34.1	70.3%	76.2%	87.5%	10.8%

TOP TWENTY FINISHES

Place	Tournament	Score
(None)	CHRIS SCHENKEL	72-71-75=218
	ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE	77-72-75=224
	IRON DUKE CLASSIC	79-74-73=226
	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE	77-75-80=233
	FURMAN INVITATIONAL	78-80-75=233
	HALL OF FAME CLASSIC	82-77-80=239
	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP	78-82-77-89=326

BACKGROUND

Quarterfinalist--1984 British Amateur
 Top 10--1984 British Medal Championship
 Top 10--1984 Brazaban Trophy
 Top 10--1983, 1984 Lytham Trophy
 Top 10--1984 Tillman Trophy
 Finalist--1982 Junior World Cup

PUGGY BLACKMON

Head Golf Coach

In just his third spring as coach of Georgia Tech's golf team, Puggy Blackmon has taken a team of two freshmen, two sophomores and one junior to the school's first NCAA berth in history.

Recruiting top golfers from Georgia, around the country and from overseas, and the support of the Atlanta golf community are just a few of the things Blackmon has done to build the Rambling Wreck golf program to one of national prominence.

For the first time, Georgia Tech has been nationally-ranked, and has reached as high as 12th in the nation under Blackmon's leadership.

Blackmon is one of the new breed of today's college golf coaches. He is young, well-educated, enthusiastic, possesses a solid playing background, has experience in the professional ranks, and is totally dedicated to the proper development of young people, both academically and athletically.

"With all the freshmen and sophomores we have, and with a coach who had never been in the business (collegiately) before, we certainly are young," Blackmon says. "But we've had good luck recruiting, and I think our team has clearly indicated its potential to reach our goal, to eventually win the NCAA championship."

The success of this year's team is unparalleled at Georgia Tech, with three team tournament championships. Before this spring, the Rambling Wreck has won but one tournament in the last 12 years.

As a teaching coach, Blackmon relates well with his players, having been a PGA professional and a junior golf activist since 1973. He was instrumental in founding the Jacksonville (Fla.) Junior Golf Association, which is one of the largest in the state. He also served as director of development for the American Junior Golf Association for 15 months before coming to Georgia Tech.

Blackmon has been involved in junior golf on the local, national and international levels.

After receiving a Master of Science degree from Clemson University, Blackmon had a successful six-year stint in the golf resort operations and development field. His positions included Director of Resort Marketing and Operations for Ramar Group Companies in Sarasota, Fla., and Director of Golf and head professional at the Ravines Club in north Florida.

While at Sarasota, Blackmon captained the United States team to victory in the 1981 Junior World Cup in Portmarnock, Ireland. The 33-year-old coach acted as tournament coordinator for the prestigious international junior event in its inaugural U.S. debut in 1982.

He played collegiately at Carson-Newman College where he received his bachelor's degree in business administration. He was chosen one of the Outstanding College Athletes of America in 1971 and 1973. He won the Tennessee-Kentucky NAIA championship in 1973 and was invited to play in the national collegiate championship.

While most sports think in terms of recruiting the best talent locally or regionally, Blackmon's efforts have taken him to Spain and England to sign top golfers. And he also has gathered the support of the Atlanta golf community, securing playing privileges for his players at the city's finest courses.

Blackmon's initial step upon arriving at Tech was to form a golf advisory committee, which now has nearly 60 members, made up of alumni and friends from the business community. The group's sole function is to assist Blackmon in making Tech's program the best in the nation.

GEORGIA TECH 1985 FALL GOLF STATISTICS

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS	Events	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low Round
Acho Gervas	2	6	458	76.33	72
Lenny Nash	1	3	229	76.33	73
Jay Nichols	2	6	460	76.67	73
Bob McDonnell	2	6	461	76.83	71
Joey Dixon	2	6	463	77.17	73
Bill McDonald	2	6	466	77.67	72

HONDA FALL COLLEGIATE, Coral Springs, Fla.

Team: 7th/18 teams;
291-301-298=890

Player Average: 74.17

Gervas.....72-73-74=219
McDonnell.....75-71-75=221
McDonald.....72-78-74=224
Nichols.....73-79-76=228
Dixon.....74-80-75=229

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN INVITATIONAL, Linville, N.C.

Team: T-5th/16 teams;
401-383-384=1168

Player Average: 77.87

Nash.....81-73-75=229
Nichols.....78-78-76=232
Dixon.....85-76-73=234
Gervas.....79-81-79=239
Donnell.....80-78-82=240
McDonald.....83-78-81=242