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2005 OUTLOOK

Hokies Face New Challenge As Virginia Tech Enters the ACC

Last season, Virginia Tech was faced with the prospect of replacing two of the best golfers in school history, while dealing with rapidly improving BIG EAST Conference golf competitors. The challenges facing this season's team will make last year's obstacles look pale in comparison.

As the Hokies enter the Spring of 2005, the biggest hurdle looming on the horizon is the new conference affiliation. On July 1, 2004, Virginia Tech officially entered the ACC. While this move challenges every athletic team on campus, the golf team faces the prospect of beginning play in what is generally considered the top collegiate golf conference in the nation.

Head coach Jay Hardwick will tackle the challenge the way he does everything; with hard work and a positive attitude. The team's second challenge will make the first one even tougher.

Ryan Stinnett graduated from Virginia Tech fourth on the school's all-time scoring list. He is the only Tech golfer to compete in the NCAA Tournament all four years and last season capped his stellar career with medalist honors at the 2004 BIG EAST Conference Golf Championship and an invite to the NCAA East Regionals. The final member of the team that finished eighth at the 2001 NCAA Championship, Stinnett will be remembered as one of the all-time greats at Tech.

Also gone from last year's team is Matt Hollerbach. A player that made a name for himself in the classroom as well as on the course, Hollerbach finished his Tech career in much the same way he started it. He finished second to Stinnett at the BIG EAST Championship to earn all-conference honors, as he had in his freshman season at the Atlantic 10 Championship.

Fall 2004 was one of learning and building for the Tech golf team. Four tournaments were on the fall schedule and the Hokies used four different lineups. The season opened with a 13th-place finish at The Bank of Tennessee/Ridges Intercollegiate. Scott Wise began his senior campaign by placing 10th at the event. Next, Tech finished eighth at the Franklin Street Partners Invitational.

The annual trip to Durham to compete in the Duke Golf Classic saw Tech wind up 12th, but the story there was a strong seventh-place finish by sophomore Ryan Sypniewski. The fall concluded with a ninth-place finish at The Landfall Collegiate Invitational. All eight players competed in the fall, with Sypniewski leading the Tech scorers at 73.41.

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2005 OUTLOOK *Continued*

Although it will happen toward the end of the season, perhaps the biggest and best thing to happen to Virginia Tech Golf will be the opening of the newly-redesigned Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech. The world-class facility designed by renowned architect Pete Dye, will open late spring 2005 and provide Tech golfers with one of the finest university courses in the country. The Golf Team Practice Range opened in the fall and, along with the indoor team facility currently under construction, will afford the Hokies one of the top practice complexes in the nation. Tech golfers will have indoor, outdoor and covered hitting areas to work on their games and improve their play.

As the team enters the spring, the eight-man roster is comprised of a senior, two juniors, two sophomores and three freshmen. Such a youthful group will need some senior leadership and it falls to Wise to provide that trait. Wise, a fifth-year senior from nearby Vinton, Va., will look to build upon last spring's performance, which included three consecutive top 10 finishes. The Hokies will need this type of play again from their captain to help the team rise in the ACC.

The other experienced player that the Hokies will be looking to is Joel Kraner. The junior from Dublin, Ohio, has shown flashes of brilliance in his two and a half seasons at Tech. If he can develop consistency to go along with his ability, he could be a strong number-one player for Tech. Kraner has the most playing experience aside from Wise.

Fellow junior Sam Nicholson has seen limited action since arriving at Tech, but has made swing improvements and should see increased playing time this spring. The Augusta, Ga., native finished 37th in his only action in the fall.

Sypniewski could be the solid number-one player that Hardwick is looking for to replace Stinnett. The sophomore from nearby Pulaski, Va., has been hobbled with a number of nagging injuries, but when healthy, has posted solid finishes. He had an outstanding summer, built on that success, and finished the fall season with the lowest stroke average on the team.

Carl Wakely looks to increase his playing time with the Hokies this season. The sophomore from Cardiff, Wales, has played in just four events with the Hokies. He came to Tech with strong international credentials, and the team needs this type of experience in the lineup.

This year's freshman class has the possibility to be the school's strongest since Johnson Wagner and Brian Krusoe entered Tech in the fall of 1998. They bring to Tech distinguished junior records and even international experience.

Chad Fultz played in all four fall events and finished fourth on the team in scoring average. The freshman from Staunton, Va., had excellent success in junior golf and has a game that, with the right work ethic, could allow him to compete for the spot as the Hokies' top player.

Nick MacDonald continues the Hokies' tradition of outstanding players from Zimbabwe. The freshman from Harare looks to follow in the footsteps of countrymen Sean Farrell and Tech's all-time leading scorer, Brendon de Jonge. MacDonald has plenty of game and with further development, should become an impact player for the Hokies.

Will Oldham, from Richmond, Va., rounds out the freshman class. He played in three of the four fall tournaments after a strong fall qualifying performance. He has a solid game that could develop into a winner at Tech.

As the team prepares for the first of the spring events, the Puerto Rico Classic, one thing should ring true. With eight strong players eager to make the starting line-up, spring qualifying should be very competitive. As the Hokies look to the future and their place in the ACC, Tech golf looks to be on solid ground.

Coaches Brian Sharp and Jay Hardwick share a light moment during practice with Joel Kraner and Ryan Sypniewski.



2004-2005 TOURNAMENTS

Sat.-Sun.	Sept. 11-12	Bank of Tennessee/The Ridges Intercollegiate The Ridges Golf Club Johnson City, Tenn.
Fri.-Sun.	Oct. 8-10	Franklin Street Partners Invitational UNC Finley Golf Club Chapel Hill, N.C.
Sun.-Mon.	Oct. 17-18	Duke Golf Classic Duke University Golf Club Durham, N.C.
Fri.-Sun.	Oct. 29-31	Landfall Tradition Collegiate Country Club of Landfall Wilmington, N.C.
Sun.-Tue.	Feb. 27-Mar. 1	Puerto Rico Invitational Rio Mar Resort – River Course San Juan, Puerto Rico
Sun.-Mon.	Mar. 13-14	General Jim Hackler Invitational Tournament Players Club Myrtle Beach, S.C.
Fri.-Sun.	Mar. 25-27	Furman Intercollegiate Furman University Golf Course Greenville, S.C.
Sat.-Sun.	Apr. 2-3	Augusta State Invitational Forest Hills Golf Club Augusta, Ga.
Fri.-Sat.	Apr. 8-9	Courtyard by Marriott Intercollegiate Devils Ridge Golf Club Holly Springs, N.C.
Fri.-Sun.	Apr. 15-17	Atlantic Coast Conference Golf Championship Old North State Golf Club New London, N.C.
Thur.-Sat.	May 19-21	NCAA Regional: East Region The Golf Club of Tennessee Nashville, Tenn. Host: Southeastern Conference
Wed.-Sat.	June 1-4	NCAA Golf Championship Caves Valley Golf Club Owings Mill, Md. Host: Loyola

VIRGINIA TECH ROSTER

Name	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown	Home Course
Chad Fultz	6-0	Fr.	Staunton, Va.	C.C. of Staunton
Joel Kraner**	6-1	Jr.	Dublin, Ohio	Muirfield C.C.
Nick MacDonald	5-8	Fr.	Harare, Zimbabwe	Chapman G.C.
Sam Nicholson*	5-8	Jr.	Augusta, Ga.	Augusta C.C.
Will Oldham	6-0	Fr.	Richmond, Va.	Hermitage C.C.
Ryan Sypniewski*	6-0	So.	Radford, Va.	Thorn Spring G.C.
Carl Wakely	6-1	So.	Cardiff, Wales	Whitchurch G.C.
Scott Wise**	5-9	r-Sr.	Vinton, Va.	Blue Hills G.C.

* Letters earned

HEAD COACH JAY HARDWICK

As Virginia Tech embarks on a new era in athletics, head coach Jay Hardwick continues to build the Hokies into an elite golf program. During his 22 years at his alma mater, Hardwick has used strong recruiting and the support of an outstanding group of boosters to bring the golf program into national prominence.

Hardwick, never one to prize individual honors, was named the recipient of the inaugural Labron Harris Sr. Award, given by E-Z-GO Textron, in association with the PGA of America. The award is presented to the college or high school coach and PGA Professional whose support of the game through teaching, coaching and involvement in the community has helped ensure the continued growth of the game and represent the finest qualities the game has to offer. Hardwick received the award at the Golf Coaches Association of America Honor Awards Banquet on January 12, 2005 in New Orleans.



Jay Hardwick, his wife Celia, and Daisy.

Upon entering the BIG EAST Conference in 2001, Hardwick and the Hokies established their place among the best in collegiate golf. Tech had a streak of four consecutive trips to the NCAA Division I Golf Regionals from 2001-04, including two appearances in the finals.

In the Spring of 2001, Hardwick led the Hokies to the BIG EAST Conference Golf Championship and an eighth-place finish at the NCAA Golf Championship. Hardwick was named the 2001 BIG EAST Conference Golf Coach of the Year and the Virginia Collegiate Golf Coach of the Year. In the Spring of 2002, the Hokies and Hardwick repeated their BIG EAST accomplishments and accolades. In 2003 the Hokies made it a BIG EAST three-peat, while Hardwick picked up his third consecutive coach of the year award. Tech's final year in the BIG EAST saw the Hokies finish second in the league.

A tireless worker, Hardwick has taken on even more duties and responsibilities over the past two years. In January 2003, he was named Director of Golf Operations at Virginia Tech, a position that not only continues his stewardship over the Virginia Tech Golf Course, but also the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech. The university's course is in the process of undergoing a major renovation under renowned golf architect Pete Dye. The renovation will include a new state-of-the-art practice facility for the golf team and other amenities that will afford Hokie golfers one of the finest team-oriented practice complexes in the nation.

With Virginia Tech's move to the Atlantic Coast Conference and the promise of the new course and practice facilities at the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech, Hardwick's Hokie program is poised to move even higher in the world of collegiate golf.

Recruiting is an international process and every year Hardwick draws top young golfers to play at Tech. He also has built a solid financial foundation for the program, receiving 20 endowed scholarships over the past 18 years. These scholarships will allow numerous student-athletes to continue their careers at the collegiate level.

A true professional and proven recruiter who emphasizes the ideal of the student-athlete, Hardwick has built the Tech golf program around players who are standouts in the classroom as well as on the golf course. During Hardwick's years, the graduation rate for golfers who have completed their eligibility at Tech is 99 percent. Virginia Tech placed different players on consecutive Academic All-America squads. The Hokies' Jake Allison was named to the 1985 Golf Coaches Association Academic All-America team and Mark Teachey claimed the same honor in 1986.

A look at Hardwick's accomplishments the past 21 years shows just how successful he and his Hokies have been. His teams have finished in the top 10 of 177 tournaments and have won 26 tournaments, including seven conference championships in three different conferences. Since 1992, Hardwick's teams have won the conference championship seven times and have placed second four

times. In 2001, Virginia Tech claimed the BIG EAST Conference Championship in just its first season of competition in the league, duplicated the feat in 2002 and made it a three-peat in 2003, staging a dramatic come-from-behind victory over Notre Dame on the Irish's home course. His team captured the Atlantic 10 Championship in 1996 and 1997, and in 1993 and 1994 won back-to-back Metro Conference Championships. In the past seven seasons, 11 Tech players were named to the A-10 All-Conference team and 10 more have earned All-BIG EAST honors. He has had 31 players named to the all-state team, 31 to all-conference teams, six to the GCAA All-Region teams and has produced five All-Americans.

Hardwick has received numerous honors during his career. He won the BIG EAST Conference Coach of the Year Award in each of the Hokies' first three seasons in the league. In his first two years in the Atlantic 10, he was chosen that conference's coach of the year. He was named Metro Conference Coach of the Year in 1992 and 1993. Hardwick also received the inaugural 1993 Virginia Collegiate Coach of the Year award and was selected for the same honor again in 1994 and 2001. In January 2001, Hardwick served as an instructor at the Hall of Fame Teaching and Coaching Seminar at Walt Disney World Golf Resort. He was one of six coaches selected to present the two-day seminar prior to the GCAA annual convention and PGA Merchandise Show. And in January 2005, received the aforementioned Harris Award.

On July 13, 1994, Hardwick received one of his greatest honors when he was selected as the 11th inductee to the Virginia PGA Hall of Fame, making him the youngest member of this elite group. In addition, he was named the NCAA Golf Coach of the Year for District 3-North by the coaching members of the Golf Coaches Association of America for the 1993-94 season.

In the summer of 1992, Hardwick was chosen to coach Team USA at the World Junior Team Championship held in Izumo City, Japan. It marked the first time the United States had officially sponsored a junior team in international competition. Team USA won the gold medal in the 12-team tournament, with pre-tournament favorite Sweden finishing second, 18 strokes behind. Four of Team USA's players placed in the top 10, including Justin Roof of Conway, S.C., who captured the individual title.

On January 1, 1988, Hardwick was recognized as one of the nation's Outstanding Young Americans by Who's Who in Society for "distinguished accomplishments which have been demonstrated through unparalleled excellence in professional and civic affairs."

Hardwick has twice been selected by the NCAA to serve as an instructor at the Youth Education through Sports (YES) golf clinic, which is held at the site of the NCAA Golf Championship. He conducted a clinic in 1990 at Innisbrook, Fla., and again in 1996 in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Hardwick served on the NCAA Golf District Advisory Committee for three years from 1994-97 and was chairman of District 3-North in his last year. In addition, he also was a member of the GCAA Wilson Coaches Top 25 Poll and the Golf Digest Collegiate Poll.

In October of 1991, Norwegian Cruise Lines selected Hardwick to serve as the golf coordinator in their NFL/PGA Instruction Program. He conducted golf clinics on the five southern Caribbean Islands of Barbados, Martinique, St. Marteen, Antigua and St. Thomas.

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Coach Jay Hardwick at his induction into the Virginia PGA Hall of Fame with his father the late Shannon Hardwick (l), his mother Dot Hardwick, his wife Celia (r) and Hall of Fame founder, the late Lyn Luck.

COACH HARDWICK *Continued*

Coach Hardwick has been an instructor at the Championship Coaches Golf School since 1986. During that time he has taught at 56 golf schools.

In January 2003, at the Golf Coaches Association of America annual convention, Coach Hardwick was presented with the GCAA Service Award. The award was presented for outstanding service to Virginia Tech and the sport of golf for the last 20 years. Hardwick was elected president of the BIG EAST Golf Coaches Association for the 2003-04 season. In addition, he serves as a liaison between the GCAA and the PGA of America.

Coach Hardwick has compiled an impressive list of playing accomplishments. He won the 1981 Spalding International Professional Championship in Castle Harbour, Bermuda, and was low pro in the Virginia PGA State Open in 1976. He qualified for the National PGA Club Professional Championship in 1978, 1988 and 1992 and was selected by the PGA as a member of the Yamaha Cup team in 1988.

In both 1989 and 1992, Hardwick compiled a 72.5 competitive stroke average and was a member of the 1989 winning team in the PGA/VSGA team matches.

Hardwick's biggest victory came in 1995 when he won the Middle Atlantic PGA Head Professional Championship after he birdied the last five holes to win by one stroke. That year, he also won the Bobby Jones/Homestead Invitational at the Lower and Upper Cascades with rounds of 68-65 for a seven-shot victory. In addition, he was named a member of the PGA Challenge Cup Team for 1995, 1996 and 1997. Hardwick also holds five course records, two tournament records and has twice shot 29 in competition.

An excellent player and teacher of the game, Hardwick became Director of Golf at Virginia Tech in the spring of 1983. On January 1, 2003, Hardwick was promoted to the position of Director of Golf Operations. In addition to serving as head golf coach, he is responsible for the staffs and overall operation of both the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech and the Virginia Tech Golf Course.

A Narrows, Va., native, Hardwick is a past vice president of the Virginia chapter of the Middle Atlantic PGA. He has also served on the tournament rules and regulations committee, the membership committee, and the employment and club relations committee. He has been a head professional for 32 years and is a Class "A" Member, Quarter Century Club Member and Life Member of the PGA of America.

Hardwick played collegiate golf for the same team he now coaches. During his four-year playing career at Tech, the Hokies posted a 64-9 match play record and won three straight state intercollegiate championships. Hardwick was a four-year letterman for Tech and captain of the 1971 squad that claimed the state crown.

After graduating in 1971 with a degree in business administration, Hardwick turned pro and played for a year on the Florida winter tour. In 1973 he became the head professional at Giles Country Club in Pearisburg, Va., where he developed an outstanding junior golf program. He held that position for 10 years before returning to his alma mater. Upon his departure, the club members presented him and his family with a lifetime membership.

Hardwick, who officiated high school and college basketball for 25 years, retired from the sport in 1997 after working more than 1,000 games.

He is married to the former Celia Martin of Pembroke, Va. The couple has a son Cris, who resides in Christiansburg.

Coach Jay Hardwick receives the Labron Harris Sr. Award from Bill Tanner of E-Z GO Textron, the presenting sponsor of the award, at the GCAA Honor Awards banquet.





Tech players Joel Kraner and Ryan Sypniewski with the coaching staff.

ASSISTANT COACH BRIAN SHARP



Brian Sharp is in his second season as assistant coach at Virginia Tech. He is a 1995 graduate of Virginia Tech with a degree in finance and was a four-year member of the golf team.

“Brian has done an excellent job for us in the year and a half he has been with our program,” Hardwick said. “He has the innate ability to recognize potential immediately, which makes him extremely valuable as a recruiter. He has a wonderful work ethic and seldom does another coach arrive on site on the morning of a junior tournament before Brian.

“He is not only one of the top players in Tech history, but also one of the most respected. A four-time MVP and three-time Most Dedicated Player award recipient during his career, it is no surprise that he has continued to have the same success as a coach that he had as a collegiate player and as a professional.”

Sharp came to Virginia Tech from playing the Buy.com Tour (currently the Nationwide Tour), where he played in 2002. Sharp turned professional in 1995 and played on various developmental tours before joining the Buy.com Tour. He won his first professional event in 1995 on the Powerbilt Tour at the Neuse Golf Club in Raleigh, N.C.

Sharp’s duties with the Hokies include recruiting, off-season conditioning program, instruction, and player academic progress. He is an assistant pro at the Virginia Tech Golf Course and is enrolled in the Pamplin College of Business MBA program.

During Sharp’s playing career at Virginia Tech, he won four collegiate events, including the 1995 Metro Conference Golf Championship as a senior. He left Virginia Tech as the all-time leader in career scoring for the Hokies, with a four-year average of 74.14. He currently is third on that all-time list. He also finished his Tech career with the most rounds played, and started in the number-one position in every tournament during that time. Sharp is the only Tech golfer to be both four-time all-conference and first team all-state. In addition, he was named to the NCAA All-District 3-North team twice. He is the only player in the history of the league to be a four-time All-Metro Conference selection. He won the Medallion Award for the most outstanding male student-athlete at Virginia Tech in 1995.

“Brian has an excellent understanding of the mechanics of the golf swing and is a very qualified teacher,” Hardwick said. “He has all the qualities that any coach would like instilled in his own team — time management, academic prowess, social skills, public speaking ability, attention to detail, high moral character and a dedicated work ethic. We are extremely fortunate to have Brian as a member of our staff. He is an outstanding role model for our players.”

A native of Winston-Salem, N.C., Sharp was captain of the 1994 and 1995 Hokie golf teams.

THE HARDWICK YEARS

The Hokies' Individual Honors Since 1984

1984	Jake Allison Mike Matthews Mark Teachey	All-State second team All-State second team All-State first team
1985	Jake Allison Jeff Haley Mike Matthews Mark Teachey	Academic All-America, All-State first team All-State second team All-State first team All-Metro Conference
1986	Miller Baber Mark Teachey	All-State second team Academic All-America, All-Metro Conference, All-State first team
1988	Chris Greenwood	All-Metro Conference, All-State first team
1989	Chris Greenwood	All-State second team
1990	Kyle Kaufman	All-State second team
1992	Clayton Friend Brian Sharp	All-Metro Conference All-Metro Conference, All-State first team
1993	Clayton Friend Brian Sharp	All-Metro Conference, All-State second team All-Metro Conference, All-State first team
1994	Curtis Deal Sean Farrell Brian Sharp	All-State first team All-State first team All-District 3-North, All-Metro Conference, All-State first team
1995	Curtis Deal Brian Sharp	All-Metro Conference, All-State second team All-District 3-North, Metro Conference Champion, All-Metro Conference, All-State first team
1996	Sean Farrell Chip Glover David Havens Robby Rasmussen	All-Atlantic 10 Conference, All-State second team Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Year, All-Atlantic 10 Conference All-Atlantic 10 Conference All-Atlantic 10 Conference
1997	Kennedy Cliffe Curtis Deal Brad Hyler Robby Rasmussen	All-Atlantic 10 Conference All-District 3-North, All-State first team Atlantic 10 Champion, Rookie of the Year, All-Atlantic 10 Conference All-Atlantic 10 Conference
1998	Robby Rasmussen	All-Atlantic 10 Conference, All-State first team
1999	Johnson Wagner	Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Year, All-Atlantic 10 Conference



Members of the 1994 Virginia Tech golf team — David Havens, Matt Martin, Brian Sharp, Curtis Deal and Sean Farrell, all among Tech's all-time scoring leaders — celebrate with Coach Jay Hardwick. The '94 squad won three events, including the Metro Conference Championship, and finished 19th in the NCAA Championship.

2000	Brendon de Jonge Matt Hollerbach	All-Atlantic 10 Conference Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Year, All-Atlantic 10 Conference
2001	Brendon de Jonge Brian Krusoe Chris McKeel Johnson Wagner	All-State first team BIG EAST Conference Champion, All-BIG EAST Conference, All-State first team All-BIG EAST Conference All-BIG EAST Conference, All-State second team
2002	Brendon de Jonge Johnson Wagner Chris McKeel	All-America second team, All-South Region, All-BIG EAST Conference, All-State first team All-America third team, All-South Region, BIG EAST Champion, All-BIG EAST Conference, All-State first team All-BIG EAST Conference
2003	Brendon de Jonge Chris McKeel	All-America second team, All-South Region, BIG EAST Champion, All-BIG EAST Conference, All-State first team All-BIG EAST Conference
2004	Ryan Stinnett Matt Hollerbach Joel Kraner	BIG EAST Champion, All-BIG EAST Conference, All-State first team All-BIG EAST Conference All-State second team

COACH HARDWICK'S HONORS

- 1992 Metro Conference Coach of the Year
Coach of gold medalist Team USA in the World Junior
Team Championship in Japan
- 1993 Metro Conference Coach of the Year
Virginia Collegiate Coach of the Year
- 1994 11th inductee to the Virginia PGA Hall of Fame
NCAA District 3-North Coach of the Year
Virginia Collegiate Coach of the Year
- 1996 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 1997 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 2001 BIG EAST Coach of the Year
Virginia Collegiate Coach of the Year
- 2002 BIG EAST Coach of the Year
- 2003 BIG EAST Coach of the Year
- 2004 Labron Harris Sr. Award



Coach Jay Hardwick with members of the Virginia PGA Hall of Fame at his induction ceremony in 1994. Pictured are (seated, l to r) founder, the late Lyn Luck, Hardwick, Wayne Holley; (standing, l to r) Butch Liebler, Peter Hodson, Leo Steinbrecher, Chuck Bassler, Frank Herrelko, John Snyder and Mark Lambert.



SCOTT WISE

**r-Senior • Vinton, Va.
Blue Hills G.C.**

Team co-captain with Ryan Stinnett last year, and captain of this year's squad ... Three-time winner of the team's Strength & Conditioning Award ... Coach's Award recipient in 2004 ...

Redshirted the 2001-02 season due to an injury ... Enters the Spring 2005 season tied with teammate Ryan Sypniewski for 12th on the Virginia Tech all-time scoring list ... Played in all seven events in Spring 2004 ... Named 2004 BIG EAST Conference Academic All-Star ... Three consecutive top tens in Spring 2004 ... Best finish at Furman Intercollegiate, finishing fourth ... Also fifth at Palmetto Intercollegiate and seventh at the Hackler Invitational ... Placed 24th at the 2004 BIG EAST Golf Championship in South Bend, Ind. ... Scored two hole-in-ones in a three week span (the first in a practice round at Furman; the next in competition at The Intercollegiate) ... Played in all four events in the fall of 2004 ... Had best finish in the season-opener at The Ridges, where he placed 10th and led the Hokies ... Won medalist honors in team qualifying in the Fall 2003 ... Played in three of the four events in Fall 2003 ... Played in all eight events in Spring 2003 ... Top finish of the spring was 10th at the BIG EAST Golf Championship ... Finished 20th at the Coastal Carolina Invitational ... Played in every event during Fall 2002 ... Had his top finish in the fall season finale at The Landfall Tradition, placing 23rd ... In Fall 2000, earned a spot in the Hokies' first tournament of the season after posting a five-under par score in the eight-round qualifying tournament ... Finished 40th in the season-opening G. Gunby/Jordan Intercollegiate ... Attending Tech on the Gonsa Scholarship ... One of the golf team representatives on the Athletic Director's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee ... 1998 Virginia State Golf Association Junior Player of the Year ... 2002 and 2003 Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame Champion ... Medalist for the Roanoke Valley qualifying for the Virginia State Amateur ... Selected to the Virginias/ Carolinas and the Virginia/West Virginia Junior teams in 1998, 1999 and 2000 ... Won the Roanoke Valley Men's Amateur in 2000 ... Four-year letterwinner in golf at William Byrd High School in Vinton, where he led the Terriers to the 1997 State AA Championship ... Blue Ridge District Player of the Year as a sophomore, junior and senior ... Timesland Player of the Year as a junior ... First-team All-Timesland as a junior and senior ... Three-time all-district and all-region selection ... Second-team all-state as a senior ... Honorable mention all-state as a senior in baseball, where he lettered three years ... Won the 1998 Virginia State Junior Match Play Championship ... Finished second at the 2000 Virginia State Junior Championship ... Qualified for the USGA Junior Championship in 1999 ... Graduated with honors from William Byrd High School ... Won the 2000 B'nai B'rith Award ... Was awarded the Virginia State Golf Association Scholarship, the Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame Scholarship and the Scott Robertson Memorial Scholarship ... Majoring in engineering with a minor in business.

WISE'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2000	1.5	115	76.66	76
Spring 2001	6	474	79.00	75
Fall 2001 (<i>redshirted</i>)				
Spring 2002 (<i>redshirted</i>)				
Fall 2002	15	1159	77.26	72
Spring 2003	23	1732	75.30	70
Fall 2003	9	703	78.11	74
Spring 2004	21	1553	73.95	69
Fall 2004	12	888	74.00	70
Totals	87.5	6624	75.70	69

“As the lone senior and captain of this year’s team, Scott will be looked upon to provide leadership to our young players. He has steadily improved throughout his career and has been a solid performer the past two seasons. A three-time winner of the team’s Strength & Conditioning Athlete award, Scott really came into his own last spring when he had three consecutive Top 10 finishes — TPC Myrtle Beach, the Palmetto Intercollegiate, and the Furman Intercollegiate.”

— Coach Jay Hardwick





JOEL KRANER

*Junior • Dublin, Ohio
Muirfield C.C.*

Enters Spring 2005 in 11th place on the Virginia Tech all-time scoring list ... Named second-team All-State as a sophomore ... Played in three of four Fall 2004 events ... Played in all seven events in Spring 2004 ... Had two top 10 finishes (fifth at Palmetto Intercollegiate and eighth at Furman Intercollegiate) ... Finished 15th at the 2004 BIG EAST Golf Championship ... Finished 22nd at the Hackler Invitational ... Was Tech's top finisher in 24th place at the spring season-opener at the Puerto Rico Classic



... Won team's Rookie of the Year Award in 2003 ... Played in all four events in Fall 2003 ... Best finish of the fall was 11th place at the Duke Golf Classic, where he was the Hokies' top scorer ... Appeared in seven of the eight events in Spring 2003 ... Top finish was 16th at the BIG EAST Golf Championship ... Finished 19th at the Birkdale Collegiate Classic and 20th at the Coastal Carolina Invitational ... Saw immediate action as a freshman and played three tournaments in the fall of 2002 ... Finished 20th at the Duke Golf Classic ... Attending Tech on the Prince Scholarship ... Was a four-year letterwinner in golf at Bishop Watterson High School ... Team MVP as a junior and senior ... Scholar-Athlete of the Year as a senior ... All-state as a senior, where he finished ninth in the Ohio state high school championship ... Qualified for both the 2000 & 2001 USGA Junior Championship, advancing to match play both years and finished ninth in 2001 ... Second in 2001 AJGA Kroger Junior Invitational ... Was ranked 82nd in the country in the *Golfweek/Sagarin* Rankings as a senior ... Majoring in finance at Virginia Tech.

"Joel is a player that is capable of being in contention every time he tees it up. He has tremendous length off the tee and is working hard to become more consistent around the green. He is a player that can take it deep and we will need this type of play from him if we are going to contend for the ACC Championship."

— Coach Jay Hardwick

KRANER'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2002	9	698	77.55	72
Spring 2003	20	1498	74.90	68
Fall 2003	11	838	76.18	70
Spring 2004	21	1558	74.19	68
Fall 2004	9	674	74.88	72
Totals	70	5266	75.23	68



SAM NICHOLSON

**Junior • Augusta, Ga.
Augusta C.C.**

Enters Spring 2004 in 24th place on the Virginia Tech all-time scoring list ... Selected Most Improved Player last season ... Coach's Award recipient in 2003 ... Appeared in one Fall 2004 event, finishing 37th at the Franklin Street Partners Invitational ... Played in five of seven events in Spring 2004 ... Best finish was 29th place at the Palmetto Intercollegiate ... Placed 34th at the Furman Intercollegiate the next week ... Played in two events in Fall 2003 ... Best finish of the fall was 47th at the Preview by Ping & *Golfweek* ... Appeared in two events in Spring 2003, the Furman Intercollegiate and at his hometown Cleveland Golf/Augusta State Invitational ... Shot 64 in the final round of the Fall 2002 qualifying to earn a spot in the Hokies' first tournament, the Cleveland Golf/Kiawah Island Intercollegiate ... Played in two events that fall ... Had his best performance, finishing 37th at the Duke Golf Classic ... Finished 25th in the 2004 Palmetto Amateur ... Had an excellent summer in 2003 ... Made the cut in the Dogwood, Eastern, Rice Planters and Southern Amateurs ... Shot 66 in the second round at the Eastern ... Four-year letterwinner in golf at Augusta Prep ... Team MVP as a junior and senior ... Region medalist in 2001 ... Also won Augusta Prep Invitational in 2001 ... 21st in 2001 Southern Junior ... Eighteenth at 2001 AJGA Rome Junior ... Second at the 2000 North-South Junior ... Made the cut in 2002 Eastern Amateur ... Also played basketball at Augusta Prep ... Attending Tech on the Brugh Scholarship ... Majoring in finance at Virginia Tech.

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"Sam has gotten better each year and received the team's Most Improved Player award for 2003-04. He played in seven tournaments last season and lettered. His game has continued to mature following a swing change last summer which resulted in much greater consistency off the tee. Sam is a solid player with a great deal of potential and we need him in the lineup on a regular basis."

— Coach Jay Hardwick

NICHOLSON'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2002	6	464	77.33	74
Spring 2003	6	468	78.00	74
Fall 2003	5	387	77.40	75
Spring 2004	15	1150	76.66	73
Fall 2004	3	228	76.00	73
Totals	35	2697	77.06	73



RYAN SYPNIEWSKI

***Sophomore • Radford, Va.
Thorn Spring G.C.***

Selected Most Dedicated Player and Rookie of the Year in his freshman year ... Enters Spring 2005 tied with teammate Scott Wise for 12th on the Virginia Tech all-time scoring list ... Played in all four events in Fall 2004, after winning the fall qualifying tournament with a 70.6 stroke average ... Led the Hokies twice (finished seventh at Duke Golf Classic and 23rd at Landfall Invitational) ... Finished 25th in the season-opener at The Ridges ... Low scoring average in the fall ... Played in six of

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SYPNIEWSKI *Continued*

seven tournaments in Spring 2004, missing the Augusta State event due to a shoulder injury ... Best finish of the spring was 32nd in the spring season-opener at the Puerto Rico Classic ... Played in all four events in Fall 2003 ... Had his best round of the fall, a final-round 70 at the Bank of Tennessee/The Ridges Intercollegiate ... Had an outstanding summer in 2004 ... Tied for first in Collegiate Players Tour event in Charlotte, N.C. ... Semi-finalist in Virginia State Amateur ... Runner-up in Virginia State Open ... Set a new course record (61) at Thorn Springs G.C. ... VSGA Junior Player of the Year in 2000 and 2002 ... 2000 VSGA Junior Match-Play Champion and runner-up in 2002 ... 2001 VSGA Junior Champion and third in 2002 ... 2002 quarter-finalist in Virginia State Amateur ... Four-time member of the Virginias/Carolinas Junior Team and all-time point leader in the matches ... Two-time member of Virginia/West Virginia Junior team ... Four-year letterwinner at Pulaski County High School ... Four-time all-state, all-district and all-region ... Timesland Player of the Year as a junior and senior ... Attending Tech on the Reynolds ParTee Golf Scholarship ... Majoring in business.

"Ryan's work ethic on the course and in the weight room has been a model for the other players and he was selected the Most Dedicated Player as a freshman. He had an outstanding summer, reaching the semi-finals in the Virginia State Amateur and finishing second in the Virginia State Open. His fine play continued into the fall season and Ryan has emerged as one of the leaders on this team."

— Coach Jay Hardwick

SYPNIEWSKI'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2003	11	854	77.63	70
Spring 2004	17	1293	76.05	71
Fall 2004	12	881	73.41	69
Total	40	3028	75.70	69



CARL WAKELY

***Sophomore • Cardiff, Wales
Whitchurch G.C.***

Appeared in the Fall 2004 Duke Golf Classic, finishing 34th ... Played in two tournaments in Spring 2004 ... Best finish was 63rd at the Palmetto Intercollegiate ... Played in one event in Fall 2003, in the season-opener at the Bank of Tennessee/The Ridges Intercollegiate ... Member of the winning team in the 2004 Welsh Team Championship ... Finished fifth in 2004 Irish Youth Championship ... Won the 2003 National Boys Stroke Play Championship and was second in 2002 ... Won the Wales State Boys Stroke Play Championship in 2002 and 2003 ... Attended Whitchurch High School in Cardiff ... Semifinalist in 2003 National Boys Match Play Championship ... Quarter-finalist in 2003 Wales Men's Amateur Match Play Championship ... Named to the Wales Boys National Team for the Home Internationals and the national team for the Belgium Boys Championships ... Ranked No. 2 junior in the State Order of Merit and No. 5 in the National Order of Merit ... Attending Tech on the Thomas Scholarship ... Majoring in history.

"His freshman year was a learning experience for Carl. He had to adjust to the vast differences between courses in Europe and those in the U.S., the most challenging of which was play around the greens. He has put in the extra time needed to improve his short game and is now one of the best on the team in this area. Look for Carl to contend for a regular spot in the lineup during the spring."

— Coach Jay Hardwick



WAKELY'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2003	3	243	81.00	77
Spring 2004	6	467	77.83	75
Fall 2004	3	227	75.66	75
Total	12	937	78.08	75



CHAD FULTZ

**Freshman • Staunton, Va.
C.C. of Staunton**

Appeared in all four events in Fall 2004 ... Best finish was 23rd at Franklin Street Partners Invitational ... Was fourth on the team in scoring, at 75.50 ... Selected as a member of the Virginia/West Virginia and Virginias/Carolinas junior teams in 2002 and 2003 ... Finished third in the Virginia State Junior Championship in 2002 and fifth in 2003 ... Won the Lakeview Amateur in 2003 and finished fourth at the AJGA ClubCorp Junior Championship at the Homestead in 2003 ... Finished ninth at the 2003 Bobby Chapman Invitational ... Tied for ninth at the 2003 Virginia

State Amateur, falling in the second round to former Hokie standout Ryan Stinnett ... Finished 24th in 2004 Virginia State Open ... Four-year letterman at R.E. Lee High School in Staunton, Va., where he led the team to a third-place finish in the 2003 VHSL AA State Championship ... Was an all-district selection all four years ... All-state selection and region Player of the Year in 2002 ... Was district Player of the Year as a sophomore, junior and senior ... Attending Tech on the Stanton Scholarship ... Majoring in business.

"One of three players to compete in every event in the fall, it's no surprise that Chad has made an immediate contribution. He is a very solid iron player and his course management is a key to his consistency. He should have an outstanding career at Virginia Tech."

— Coach Jay Hardwick



FULTZ'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2004	12	906	75.50	71



NICK MACDONALD

**Freshman • Harare, Zimbabwe
Chapman G.C.**

Represented his country in the World Amateur Team Championship in Puerto Rico in October 2004 ... Follows former Tech players Sean Farrell and Brendon de Jonge by being selected for the Zimbabwe National Team ... Played in one tournament during Fall 2004, finishing 55th at the Duke Golf Classic ... Ranked No. 1 junior and No. 2 amateur in Zimbabwe in 2004 ... Fifth in 2004 Zimbabwe National Amateur ... Won the Julius Robinson Amateur in 2004 ... Third at Chapman Grand Slam in 2003 and 2004 ... Won Midlands Junior Championship and Midlands Amateur in 2003 ... Won Chapman Junior Open in 2003 ... In 2002 and 2003, he won the Zimbabwe Junior Stroke Play ... Tied for first at the Harare Amateur in 2003 ... Team captain at St. John's High School in Harare, Zimbabwe ... Attending Tech on the Monroe Golf Scholarship ... Majoring in business.

"Nick follows former Hokie standouts Brendon de Jonge and Sean Farrell as our third player from Harare, Zimbabwe. His strengths are his solid fundamentals and his ability to keep the ball in play. He saw limited action in the fall due to the fact that he represented his country in the World Amateur Team Championship. Nick brings international playing experience to the team and we expect him to contend for a spot in the lineup this spring."

— Coach Jay Hardwick

MACDONALD'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2004	3	232	77.33	77





WILL OLDHAM

**Freshman • Richmond, Va.
Hermitage C.C.**

Appeared in three of the four events in Fall 2004 ... Best finish was 28th at the Landfall Invitational, highlighted by a final round, career-low 70 ... Had a 75.88 scoring average in the fall ... Selected as a member of the Virginia/West Virginia and the Virginias/Carolinas Junior teams in 2002 and 2003 ... Third in 2003 Virginia State Junior Championship ... Fourth in 2003 Donald Ross Junior ... Qualified for 2002 U.S. Junior Championship ... Won 2002 Bobby Bowers Junior ... Quarter-finalist in 2002 Virginia State Amateur ... Four-year letterwinner in golf at Douglas Freeman High School in Richmond, Va. ... *Richmond Times-Dispatch* Player of the Year in 2003 ... Freeman finished third at the 2002 VHSL AAA State Championship ... Majoring in business.


"A pleasant surprise after making a major grip change prior to his arrival at Tech, Will earned a spot in the first event of the fall. He continued to demonstrate that same dedication and remained a starter in the lineup. His final-round 70 in the last tournament at Landfall was his career low. His demeanor on the golf course is outstanding and will allow him to become a player that we can count on in pressure situations."

— Coach Jay Hardwick

OLDHAM'S STATISTICS

	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low
Fall 2004	9	683	75.88	70





*The town of
Blacksburg is an
excellent setting
for an exceptional
university.*

BLACKSBURG, VIRGINIA

One of America's best college towns, Blacksburg is a perfect setting for a great university like Virginia Tech.

Located in Southwest Virginia on a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, Blacksburg combines the laid-back lifestyle of a small town with the amenities one would expect to find around a major center of higher education. Together, the town and university have worked hard to create a progressive community that ranks among the nation's elite living environments.

Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg gained national and international attention by creating the world's first "electronic village." Businesses and industries have been drawn by the potential of the quaint town.

Established in 1798 by John and William Black, the town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that accentuate the area. Since its founding, Blacksburg has grown to become the largest town in Virginia.

The nearly 42,000 residents (including students) enjoy a close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail, Claytor Lake and the New River. The region features a moderate climate and four distinct seasons.

Blacksburg's location (adjacent to major interstate highways) provides convenient access to most points in the southern and eastern parts of the country.

More information on Blacksburg can be found on the web site of the Blacksburg Electronic Village, www.bev.net or the town's web site, www.blacksburg.va.us.



THIS IS VIRGINIA TECH

Outstanding University Has One of the Nation's Best Athletic Complexes

Nestled in the rolling mountains of Southwest Virginia, the campus of Virginia Tech has that rare quality — a major, thriving modern institute of higher learning, living in harmony with its beautiful surroundings.

The keystones of the Hokies' athletic complex are Lane Stadium and Cassell Coliseum. The ever-expanding 65,115-seat Lane Stadium/Worsham Field is the home of Tech's nationally-ranked football team that has appeared in 12 consecutive bowl games and played in the 2000 Nokia Sugar Bowl for the national championship. Cassell Coliseum houses a 10,000-seat arena as well as athletic offices, locker rooms and training facilities. Other facilities include Rector Field House, site of an indoor astroturf football field and Mondo track; English Field, the home of the baseball team; the Johnson-Miller Track Complex, a women's softball field, soccer and lacrosse fields, the Virginia Tech Golf Course and the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech, site of the new VT Golf Team Complex.



Burruss Hall on the beautiful Virginia Tech campus

Lane Stadium, home of the Hokies' nationally ranked football program, seats 65,115 fans and is undergoing further renovation and enlargement.





The Merryman Center is the centerpiece of Tech's athletic compound.

The Merryman Center is a two-story building on the west side of the Jamerson Athletic Center in the heart of the athletic complex. It is a 40,000-square foot all-purpose facility. The second floor houses an entranceway to the athletic complex, the women's basketball offices, a classroom area and a 130-seat auditorium. The first floor includes a conditioning and weightlifting complex, a multipurpose gymnasium and an expanded area for sports medicine and training.

Nearby Cochrane Hall houses many of Tech's student-athletes. Also in Cochrane is a state-of-the-art dining facility.

Golfers also have access to the Merryman Weight Room, located adjacent to Cassell Coliseum in the Merryman Center. Here athletes train with free weights and modern Nautilus equipment while receiving expert instruction under the direction of assistant athletics director for athletic performance Mike Gentry.

Also on the Virginia Tech campus is the Burrows-Burleson indoor and outdoor tennis facility and the War Memorial Gym, which has an Olympic-sized pool and facilities for gymnastics, volleyball, handball, racquetball and basketball.

A student recreational facility, McComas Hall, is also located on the Tech campus. This facility houses the student health center, an indoor pool, gyms, a jogging track and various other exercise equipment for Tech students.

Virginia Tech's overall athletic complex is, without question, one of the finest in the United States.



10,000-seat Cassell Coliseum is the site of Tech basketball contests as well as many other exciting sporting events.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

Finding a balance between academic accomplishments and athletic success is the focus for Coach Jay Hardwick's golf program at Virginia Tech, and Student Athlete Academic Support Services takes a very personal role in the supervision and support of all student-athletes. The advising office continuously engages with other campus agencies to help student-athletes in their continuing pursuit of academic achievement.

Student Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS) provides programming for student-athletes from their freshman year through graduation. This includes a comprehensive orientation to Tech, study hall, mentoring, tutoring, academic monitoring, academic recognition and eligibility education.

Tech has made tremendous strides in recent years, as its NCAA graduation rate has averaged 68 percent over the last four years compared to the national average of 60 percent. Additionally, more than 85 percent of Tech's student-athletes who have completed their eligibility have graduated.

The SAASS office has been especially beneficial to the golf team, which consistently posts grade point averages among the best of any athletic team at Tech. Under the current NCAA Graduation Rate filings, the golf team has posted an impressive 99 percent graduation rate under Hardwick. For the sixth year in a row, a new record of 482 3.0 GPAs or higher were earned by student-athletes, student trainers, student managers, HighTechs and cheerleaders. The students were recognized at the Athletic Director's Honors Breakfast for their academic achievements during the 2003 calendar year.

Current academic facilities for student-athletes include the Monogram Room, a large room used as a study hall area adjacent to the SAASS office in Cassell Coliseum. The HEAT (Hokies Engaging in Advanced Technology) Lab houses over 25 computers on the second floor of Cassell Coliseum. The Bowman Room in the Jamerson Athletics Center provides an area for private quiet study for the athletes' convenience. In the summer 2005, SAASS will be moving into a brand new 18,000 square foot state of the art learning center comprised of staff offices, private tutoring rooms, study halls, classrooms, a reference library and computer labs. This complex will be a focal point for the athletics department, both aesthetically and pragmatically, and provide a centralized place for student athlete services.

Athletes can use these facilities between classes, after practice, or in the evenings, with flexible hours tailored to make the most of a student-athlete's limited time.

The Student Athlete Academic Support Services office is comprised of director Chris Helms, associate directors Lois Berg and Colin Howlett, and assistant directors Katie Ammons, and Drew Scales. Terrie Repass is the office receptionist and "first contact" person for SAASS.

Helms is in his sixth year at Tech and works directly with the golf team. He is responsible for the overall development and leadership of the SAASS program. Helms came to Tech from Michigan State, where he served as the assistant director of the Student Athlete

Support Services office. Prior to that, he served as the coordinator of academic affairs for the Florida State football program and was an academic advisor at Central Connecticut State. Helms earned a bachelor's degree in psychology at Wake Forest and a Master's in athletic counseling from Springfield College.

The golf team is leading the way with excellence. With the guidance and support of the SAASS, it is not difficult to see why.



Chris Helms



The offices for Student Athlete Academic Support Services will move into the new addition to Lane Stadium in the summer of 2005.

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THE HOKIES' HOME COURSES

The Virginia Tech Golf Program Enjoys the Use of Great Facilities

The Virginia Tech golf team now enjoys the luxury of calling three golf courses home. The Hokies play and practice at the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech, Virginia Tech Golf Course and Blacksburg Country Club.

"We very much appreciate the outstanding support we have received from the staff and members of Blacksburg Country Club in allowing our team the use of their fine golf course," Tech coach Jay Hardwick said.

In November 2002, the university acquired The River Course and officially renamed it The River Course of Virginia Tech in 2003. The 1999 Ault & Clark design, was selected by *Golf Magazine* in 2001 as one of the "Best New Public Access Courses in America". It is now in the process of undergoing a major renovation by renowned golf course architect Pete Dye, and will re-open in late spring/early summer 2005 as the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech.

A state-of-the-art driving range and short game area designed specifically for the Virginia Tech golf team opened in August 2004 and a new, indoor golf team facility is scheduled to open later this spring.



The 12th hole at the Blacksburg Country Club (above) is rated the top hole in Southwest Virginia. The 18th hole (below) at the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech, alongside the scenic New River, proves to be a demanding finish to the Hokies' new home.





***The beautiful gazebo
and duck pond at the
Virginia Tech Golf Course.***

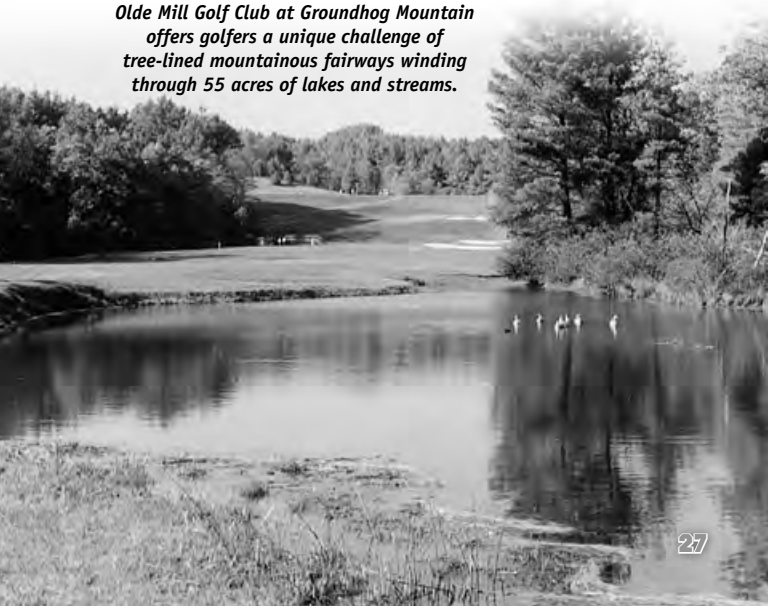
Blacksburg Country Club, former site of the Virginia State Amateur and State Open Championships, also hosted the 1988 VSGA Junior Girls Championship, as well as the 1986, 1994 and 2003 VSGA Junior Boys Championship. The nine-hole Virginia Tech Golf Course, known for some of the finest greens in the state, is located on campus. In addition, a short game wedge area complete with a chipping and putting green has been built and its location is a benefit to the Hokies for playing and practicing.

“The opportunity to have the use of many outstanding golf courses is a great asset to our program,” Hardwick said. “All three courses are always in superb condition and are well known for their fine bent grass greens.”

Virginia Tech’s golfing facilities do not stop with those three fine layouts. The Hokies are extended playing privileges at nearby Olde Mill Golf Club in Laurel Fork, Draper Valley Golf Club in Pulaski and Hanging Rock Golf Club in Salem. In addition, Tech has an on-campus indoor practice facility located in the War Memorial Gymnasium. Tech’s new VT Golf Team Complex, located at the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech, is complete with an indoor teaching center that opens to the outside range and is equipped with the latest video swing analysis system. In addition, a team meeting room, locker rooms, club repair room, player’s lounge, and a recruit welcome area, are all part of the new complex. The artificial tees at the back of the practice range have been covered on three sides and outfitted with fans, radiant heaters and lights.

The golfers also go through an off-season conditioning program in the Merryman Weight Room where they train with modern equipment and receive expert instruction from assistant athletics director for athletic performance Mike Gentry.

***Olde Mill Golf Club at Groundhog Mountain
offers golfers a unique challenge of
tree-lined mountainous fairways winding
through 55 acres of lakes and streams.***



PETE DYE RIVER COURSE OF VIRGINIA TECH

World-Class Facility Is Home to Hokie Golf

Renowned golf architect Pete Dye is in the process of renovating The River Course of Virginia Tech. In addition to this renovation, a turf care center is being constructed, as well as the VT Golf Team Complex, that will house an indoor teaching center, locker room and team meeting room for the Virginia Tech golf team.

These improvements are made possible by support from Bill and Alice Goodwin of Richmond, Va. Mr. Goodwin, a Virginia Tech alumnus, is an avid golfer and

wants to provide the Virginia Tech golf team and the university community an opportunity to play on a world-caliber championship course. The gift will cover all costs of design and construction. As part of the project, Tech's recently completed artificial practice tee has been covered and equipped with radiant heaters and lights.

The indoor facility is being constructed adjacent to the newly-designed golf team practice area, which was made possible through the generosity of long-time golf team supporter and scholarship donor C.M. "Buddy" Neviaser and his wife, Doris. This facility will provide Tech players with one of the finest total practice complexes in the nation. The facility was officially dedicated in September, 2004. In addition, scholarship donors Ray and Sallie Edwards have endowed the first hole and this will allow for future improvements at The River Course of Virginia Tech.

The golf course renovation began on Jan. 5, 2004, with the closing of the back nine. The entire course reopened for play on April 15, 2004, while construction continued on the project, but did not interfere with normal play. On Oct. 4, 2004, the golf course closed to allow for completion of the renovation. In late spring/early summer of 2005, the new signature layout will re-open as the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech.

Pete Dye is noted as one of the finest golf course architects in the world. The Indiana native has worked with the Goodwins in the past, most notably on the Ocean Course at Kiawah Island, host of the 1994 Ryder Cup. He has also designed The Tournament Players Club at Sawgrass, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.; the PGA West Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.; Brickyard Crossing Golf Course in Indianapolis, Ind.; Crooked Stick Golf Club in Carmel, Ind.; Harbour



Buddy Neviaser hits the ceremonial first shot at the new golf team practice range.





Architect Pete Dye explains to the Hokie golfers his strategy in the design of the sixth hole.

Town Golf Links and The Colleton River Dye Course in Hilton Head, S.C., and the Honors Course in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dye is known for enhancing the existing landscape and working within the natural beauty of the areas. He will use all of the natural attributes of the current course, including the New River, with its adjoining rock formations and natural trees and vegetation.

"This is a very exciting opportunity for Virginia Tech, our golf program, the membership and the golfing community," said Jay Hardwick, director of golf operations at Virginia Tech and head coach of the golf team. "We are indeed fortunate to have a Pete Dye signature golf course, named after one of the most renowned and respected golf course architects in the world.

"We hosted the 1997 NCAA East Regional and the 2004 National Championship at the Homestead's famed Cascades Course. We will now have a golf course of the caliber required to host such events, right here in the Blacksburg area."

The project will allow for play by all residents of the New River Valley community, as the course will be open for daily play at reasonable rates. Club members, daily fee golfers, visitors, faculty, staff and students of Virginia Tech and all others will be afforded access to one of the finest golf courses in the area, if not the nation. The renovated course, which will enhance the natural beauty of the area and the adjacent New River, will allow for future economic growth for the area. The course is expected to become a destination for golfers looking to play on the finest courses and a site for future tournaments and championship events.

The Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech will do for Hokie golf what Lane Stadium/Worsham Field has done for Virginia Tech football. It will be "The Best."



The beautiful New River flows along the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech.

2004 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

Virginia Tech and The Homestead Joined Forces to Host the Nation's Premier Collegiate Event

Virginia Tech hosted its first-ever national championship event, as the NCAA Division I Men's Golf Championship was played at The Homestead on the famed Cascades Golf Course in Hot Springs, Va., June 1-4, 2004. In addition, Virginia Tech and The Homestead hosted the Ping/*Golfweek* Preview Championship Sept. 22-23, 2003.

The Homestead, nestled in the Allegheny mountains, offers the finest in recreation, relaxation and golf. Across its 15,000 acres lie 100 miles of hiking, mountain biking and equestrian trails and three championship golf courses, including the renowned Cascades Course.

Originally built in 1766, The Homestead continues to be America's premier mountain resort. Nowhere will you find a comparable combination of year-round resort amenities, historic elegance, grace, charm and unsurpassed service.

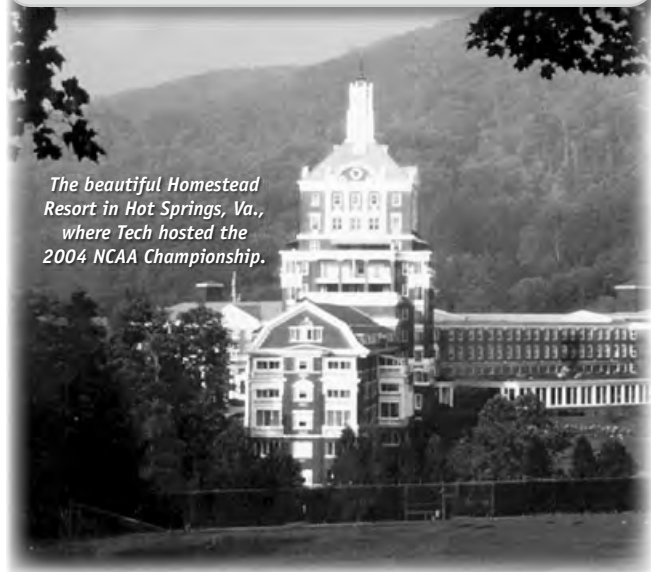
The Cascades Course, designed by William S. Flynn, was ranked 39th in the country by *Golf Digest*. Established in 1923, the par 70, 6,679-yard course is known for its long, narrow fairways, fast greens and beautiful headwaters of the Cascades Stream, which features 12 waterfalls.

The Cascades Course, rated as one of the top mountain courses in the world, has a rich history. The late Sam Snead became the first golf professional at the course in 1934. The Cascades hosted its seventh USGA Championship in 2000.

MAJOR EVENTS HELD AT THE CASCADES COURSE

- 1928 USGA Women's Amateur Championship
- 1932 NCAA Men's Championship
- 1966 Curtis Cup
- 1967 USGA Women's Open Championship
- 1980 USGA Senior Men's Amateur Championship
- 1988 USGA Men's Amateur Championship
- 1994 USGA Women's Amateur Championship
- 1995 Merrill Lynch PGA Senior Tour Shoot-Out Championship
- 1996 Merrill Lynch PGA Senior Tour Shoot-Out Championship
- 1997 NCAA Division I Men's East Regional
- 2000 USGA Men's Mid Amateur Championship
- 2004 NCAA Division I Men's Championship

The beautiful Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, Va., where Tech hosted the 2004 NCAA Championship.



ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

The 2004-05 season begins an exciting new chapter in Virginia Tech golf history, as the Hokies begin play in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Arguably the best conference in collegiate golf, the ACC offers the Hokies an even grander platform in their quest to become one of the nation's elite programs.

THE TRADITION

Consistency. It's the mark of true excellence in any endeavor.

However, in today's intercollegiate athletics, competition has become so balanced and so competitive that it is virtually impossible to maintain a high level of consistency.

Yet the Atlantic Coast Conference has defied the odds. Now in its 52nd year of competition, the ACC has long enjoyed the reputation as one of the strongest and most competitive intercollegiate conferences in the nation. And that is not mere conjecture, the numbers support it.

Since the league's inception in 1953, ACC schools have captured 91 national championships, including 47 in women's competition and 44 in men's. In addition, NCAA individual titles have gone to ACC student-athletes 116 times in men's competition and 57 in women's action.



The Atlantic Coast Conference will hold its annual Men's Golf Championship April 15-17 at the Old North State Club at Uwharrie Point in New London, N.C. The winner of the event will earn an automatic bid into the NCAA Division I Golf Championship.



The 2004-05 Hokies — the first Tech golf team to compete in the ACC.

Virginia Tech Director of Athletics Jim Weaver and Atlantic Coast Conference Commissioner John Swofford (below) at the announcement that the Hokies would be joining the ACC.



2003-2004 SEASON IN REVIEW

Virginia Tech golf closed out perhaps its most successful era ever in collegiate golf with the 2003-04 season, but the prospect of joining the best conference in the college golf world points the program towards new heights.

The 2003-04 season was one of change and one of youth. Gone were All-American Brendon de Jonge and stalwart Chris McKeel. The final remaining member of the championship teams, Ryan Stinnett, was playing in his senior season. The team was dependent on a large group of freshmen and sophomores and, while they did not post the gaudy numbers that the previous three seasons had seen, success was still in control in Blacksburg.

In Fall 2003, the Hokies saw just two players other than Stinnett play all four events and they were freshman Ryan Sypniewski and sophomore Joel Kraner. These two young players showed flashes in the fall, but it was Stinnett and fellow senior Matt Hollerbach that did the bulk of the scoring for Tech. Stinnett was Tech's top finisher in three of the four events and Hollerbach, who played in two events, had the team's second-best scoring average, behind Stinnett.

The spring season started in the warm climes of Puerto Rico, where the Hokies placed 11th. Sophomore Joel Kraner was the top Tech finisher, at 32nd. Upon arriving back on the mainland, the Hokies posted a strong fifth-place finish at the General Jim Hackler Invitational, where Stinnett and junior Scott Wise finished sixth and seventh, respectively.

Tech's annual swing through South Carolina saw the team continue its improvement. At the Palmetto Intercollegiate, the team finished fourth, Wise and Kraner tied for fifth and Stinnett finished 19th. The next week at Furman, the Hokies did not win the event for the first time in four seasons, but finished a strong second. Wise, Stinnett and Kraner placed fourth, sixth and eighth, respectively, giving the team three players in the top 10.

The Hokies finished 17th the next week at the Cleveland Golf/Augusta State Invitational, as Stinnett and Wise both recorded top 25 spots. Tech's final regular season event saw the team placing 14th at the Courtyard by Marriott Intercollegiate. Stinnett once again was Tech's top scorer, with a third place finish in the event that saw many of the nation's best individuals and teams competing.

Tech made one final trip to the Warren Golf Club in South Bend, Ind., to play in the 2004 BIG EAST Conference Golf Championships, attempting to make it four-for-four in the school's years in the league. However, that was not to be, as the team finished runner-up to host Notre Dame. Stinnett

Coach Jay Hardwick presents the Player of the Year award to Ryan Stinnett.





Ryan Sypniewski earned the award for Most Dedicated Player.

continued the feat that Tech had accomplished every year it was a member of the conference. He won medalist honors with a record score of 208, besting teammate and fellow senior Hollerbach, by nine strokes. It was Hollerbach's best finish in a collegiate event.

Stinnett joined former teammates Brian Krusoe, Johnson Wagner and de Jonge as the four Hokies to win the event in Tech's four seasons as a BIG EAST member. Stinnett and Hollerbach each earned All-BIG EAST honors at the event.

Without the automatic bid that comes with the league title, the Hokies found themselves, as a team, out of the 2004 NCAA Championship. However, Stinnett earned an at-large individual bid and finished 90th at the East Regional in New Haven, Conn., at Yale University.

Tech hosted the 2004 NCAA Division I Golf Championship held at The Homestead's famed Cascades Course. California held off UCLA for the team title and Ryan Moore of UNLV claimed the individual honors in an epic battle with Wake Forest's Bill Haas. The week was a tremendous success for everyone involved and those in attendance were treated to outstanding play in a beautiful landscape.

Following the season, Stinnett was named first-team all-state and Kraner was named to the second team. Also, Hollerbach and Wise were named 2004 BIG EAST Conference Academic All-Stars for their outstanding work in the classroom.



Coach Jay Hardwick presents Sam Nicholson (above) with the team's Most Improved Player Award. Scott Wise (below) was named the Strength and Conditioning Athlete of the Year for the third straight year.



2004 RESULTS & STATISTICS

2004 SPRING TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Puerto Rico Classic

TEAM	295-292-299--886	11th of 18 teams
Joel Kraner	73-73-73--219	24th of 90 players

General Jim Hackler Invitational

TEAM	301-307-286--894	5th of 19 teams
Ryan Stinnett	73-78-68--219	6th of 99 players
Scott Wise	71-77-72--220	7th
Joel Kraner	77-78-68--223	22nd

Palmetto Intercollegiate

TEAM	289-289-285--863	4th of 14 teams
Scott Wise	72-69-71--212	5th of 65 players
Joel Kraner	72-69-71--212	5th
Ryan Stinnett	73-73-70--216	19th

Furman Intercollegiate

TEAM	293-289-303--885	2nd of 20 teams
Scott Wise	74-71-74--219	4th of 119 players
Ryan Stinnett	72-75-73--220	6th
Joel Kraner	72-70-79--221	8th
Matt Hollerbach	76-75-71--222	13th

Cleveland Golf/Augusta State Invitational

TEAM	302-293-298--893	17th of 18 teams
Ryan Stinnett	73-72-73--218	18th of 90 players
Scott Wise	74-70-76--220	25th

Courtyard by Marriott Intercollegiate

TEAM	296-293-295--884	14th of 15 teams
Ryan Stinnett	68-71-71--210	3rd of 81 players

BIG EAST Conference Championship

TEAM	292-288-302--882	2nd of six teams
Ryan Stinnett	70-67-71--208	1st of 30 players
Matt Hollerbach	70-72-75--217	2nd
Joel Kraner	75-74-79--228	15th
Ryan Sypniewski	78-75-79--232	23rd
Scott Wise	77-79-77--233	24th

NCAA East Regional

Ryan Stinnett	81-72-76--229	90th of 141 players
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2004 SPRING INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Player	Tourn.	Rounds	Strokes	Avg.	Low	E or -
Ryan Stinnett	8	24	1741	72.54	67	10
Scott Wise	7	21	1553	73.95	69	7
Joel Kraner	7	21	1558	74.19	68	5
Matt Hollerbach	4	12	898	74.83	70	2
Ryan Sypniewski	6	17	1293	76.05	71	1
Sam Nicholson	5	15	1150	76.66	73	0
Carl Wakely	2	6	467	77.83	75	0
TEAM	7	21	6187	294.61	285	1

CRUNCH TIME (final-round average)

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Stroke Avg.
Ryan Stinnett	8	577	72.12
Scott Wise	7	517	73.85
Joel Kraner	7	519	74.14
Matt Hollerbach	4	301	75.25
Sam Nicholson	5	383	76.60
Ryan Sypniewski	5	384	76.80
Carl Wakely	2	155	77.50
TEAM	6	1766	294.33

BEST FINISHES

Ryan Stinnett	1st (BIG EAST Golf Championship)
Scott Wise	4th (Furman Intercollegiate)
Joel Kraner	5th (Palmetto Intercollegiate)
Matt Hollerbach	2nd (BIG EAST Golf Championship)
Ryan Sypniewski	23rd (BIG EAST Golf Championship)
Sam Nicholson	29th (Palmetto Intercollegiate)
Carl Wakely	63rd (Palmetto Intercollegiate)



In 2002 and 2003, Chris McKeel (l) and Brendon de Jonge were named All-BIG EAST Conference. Coach Jay Hardwick was named Coach of the Year in 2001, 2002 and 2003. This year, the Hokies begin play in the ACC.

2004 FALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Bank of Tennessee/Ridges Intercollegiate

TEAM	291-299-295--885	13th of 15 teams
Scott Wise	73-70-73--216	10th of 81 players
Ryan Sypniewski	73-71-75--219	25th

Franklin Street Partners Invitational

TEAM	294-296-298--888	8th of 9 teams
Scott Wise	73-73-74--220	22nd of 45 players
Chad Fultz	74-71-76--221	23rd

Duke Golf Classic

TEAM	303-310-297--910	12th of 14 teams
Ryan Sypniewski	71-78-69--218	7th of 78 players

Landfall Collegiate Invitational

TEAM	293-289-292--874	9th of 12 teams
Ryan Sypniewski	70-71-77--218	23rd of 60 players

2004 FALL INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Player	Tourn.	Rounds	Strokes	Avg.	Low	E or -
Ryan Sypniewski	4	12	881	73.41	69	6
Scott Wise	4	12	888	74.00	70	2
Joel Kraner	3	9	674	74.88	72	3
Chad Fultz	4	12	906	75.50	71	2
Carl Wakely	1	3	227	75.66	75	0
Will Oldham	3	9	683	75.88	70	1
Sam Nicholson	1	3	228	76.00	73	0
Nick MacDonald	1	3	232	77.33	77	0
TEAM	4	12	3557	296.41	289	0

CRUNCH TIME (final-round average)

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Stroke Avg.
Ryan Sypniewski	4	293	73.25
Will Oldham	3	223	74.33
Chad Fultz	4	299	74.75
Joel Kraner	3	225	75.00
Scott Wise	4	300	75.00
Sam Nicholson	1	76	76.00
Carl Wakely	1	77	77.00
Nick MacDonald	1	78	78.00
TEAM	4	1182	295.50

BEST FINISHES

Ryan Sypniewski	7th (Duke Golf Classic)
Scott Wise	10th (The Ridges Intercollegiate)
Joel Kraner	32nd (Landfall Collegiate Invitational)
Chad Fultz	23rd (Franklin Street Partners Invitational)
Carl Wakely	34th (Duke Golf Classic)
Will Oldham	28th (Landfall Collegiate Invitational)
Sam Nicholson	37th (Franklin Street Partners Invitational)
Nick MacDonald	55th (Duke Golf Classic)

VIRGINIA TECH GOLF HISTORY

The history of the Virginia Tech golf team dates to 1932-33. Since the beginning, the Techmen have been a prominent force among the collegiate golf elite.

Tech's first victory came on April 23, 1933 when it defeated Roanoke College, 10-2. The Hokies made their first NCAA appearance in 1957 at Colorado Springs, Colo. Several years later, in 1962, Tech returned to the NCAA, and placed 26th at Duke University Golf Course in Durham, N.C.

Tech was a more dominant force in 1965 as the team tied for 11th in the NCAA Championship at Knoxville, Tenn. The next year, the Techmen had an individual, Tim Collins, place 20th in the NCAA.

In 1985, Collins was inducted into the Virginia Tech Sports Hall of Fame, after earning All-America status in 1965 and 1967. Also a standout in the mid-1960s, and a teammate of Collins, was Neff McClary. In 1965, he won the Southern Conference individual championship and helped pace the Hokies to three straight Virginia State Intercollegiate championships in 1965, 1966 and 1967. McClary was inducted in 1994 and Connie Sellers was inducted in 1996.



Tim Collins

The Hokies have had six other individual champions in three conferences. Brian Sharp won the 1995 Metro Conference championship and Brad Hyler won the 1997 Atlantic-10 championship. Tech produced the last four BIG EAST champions. Brian Krusoe won the title in 2001, Johnson Wagner in 2002, Brendon de Jonge in 2003 and Ryan Stinnett made it four-for-four in the BIG EAST when he won the 2004 title.

The most remarkable achievement for the Hokies came in 1967 when they finished sixth in the NCAA, their best finish ever. From 1968 to 1971, Tech sent four representatives (one each year) to the NCAA Championship. Between 1960 and 1995, Tech won the Virginia State Intercollegiate 17 times.

Tech has won its conference title many times over the years. The Hokies won the Southern Conference Tournament in 1961, '62, '63, and '65. The Techmen received the championship trophy from the Metro Conference in 1993, a feat they repeated in 1994. After Virginia Tech entered the Atlantic 10 Conference, the Hokies won back-to-back titles in 1996 and 1997. The most recent conference championships have come in the last four years, as the Hokies won the 2001 BIG EAST Conference Golf Championship in the first season of competition in the new league and successfully defended the title in 2002 and 2003. The 2001 title was Virginia Tech's first BIG EAST Championship in any sport since the school joined the league at the beginning of the 2000-01 academic year.

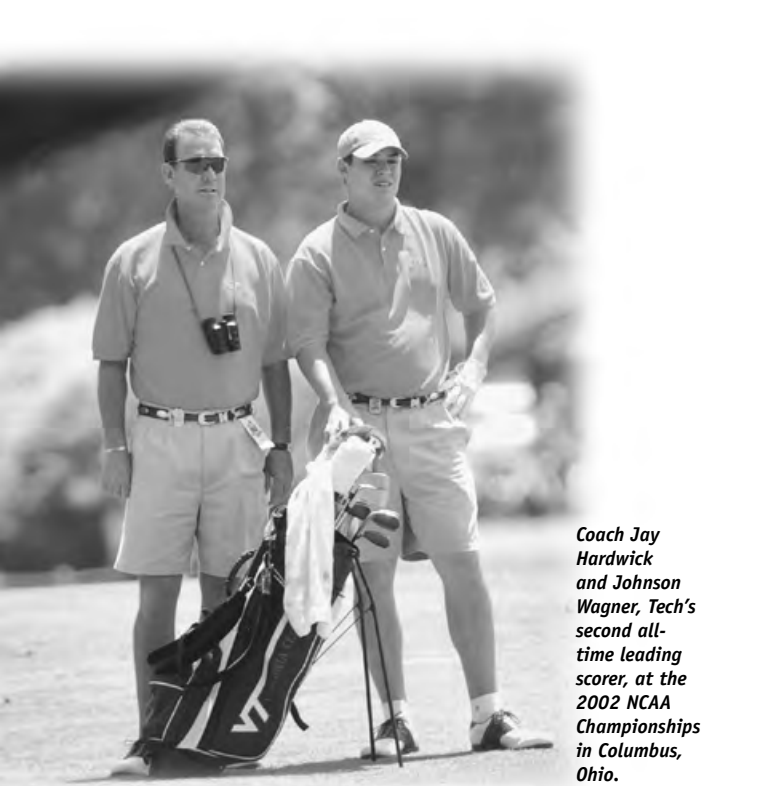
In addition, the Hokies have numerous runner-up finishes. They placed second in the Metro Tournament in 1981, '92, and '95 and the Southern Conference Tournament in 1964. Tech was runner-up in the 1998 A-10 championship and the runner-up in the BIG EAST in 2004.

Tech returned to NCAA Championship action in 2001, as the Hokies tied for fifth at the East Regional in Williamsburg, Va., and placed eighth in the NCAA Golf Championship in Durham, N.C.

Ryan Stinnett earned an at-large NCAA Regional bid in 2004, marking Tech's fourth consecutive appearance in the NAAs. In 2003, the Hokies placed 19th at the East Regional in Auburn, Ala. In 2002, Tech finished eighth in the NCAA Central Regional and 20th at the NCAA Golf Championship in Columbus, Ohio. In 1994 the Hokies placed eighth in the East Regional and 19th in the NCAA Championship.



Brian Sharp (r) and Curtis Deal rank third and fifth on Tech's list of all-time scoring leaders.



Coach Jay Hardwick and Johnson Wagner, Tech's second all-time leading scorer, at the 2002 NCAA Championships in Columbus, Ohio.

Tech has had six players named to the All-South Region team, formerly District 3-North. Sharp was named to the team in 1994 and 1995 while Curtis Deal received the honor in 1997. De Jonge and Wagner earned the same honor in 2002 and de Jonge was selected again in 2003. For the first time in history, the Hokies had two players named as All-Americans in the same year, as de Jonge was named a second-team All-American and Wagner was named to the third team in 2002. De Jonge repeated that honor in 2003 as a senior, earning second-team honors and was also named to the Virginia Collegiate Golf Coaches All-State team for the second straight season. In addition, he was named the Virginia Collegiate Player of the Year in 2002 and 2003. Ryan Stinnett earned the same honor in 2004.

Since the beginning, the Tech squad has had 32 winning seasons and 25 consecutive winning seasons.

Winning is the name of the Hokies' game.

Chris McKeel, Johnson Wagner, Ryan Stinnett, Brian Krusoe, Brendon de Jonge and Coach Jay Hardwick won BIG EAST titles for Tech in 2001 and 2002.



ALL-TIME SCORING LEADERS

Virginia Tech Golf Team Totals Since 1979

(Through December 2004, minimum of 21 rounds)

(Current players in **boldface**)

Name	Rounds	Strokes	Average	Low	Years
1. Brendon de Jonge	145	10527	72.60	65	99-03
2. Johnson Wagner	145.5	10761	73.96	64	98-02
3. Brian Sharp	128	9491	74.14	67	91-95
4. Ryan Stinnett	150.5	11180	74.29	67	00-04
5. Curtis Deal	127	9445	74.37	69	93-97
6. Brian Krusoe	143.5	10715	74.67	66	98-02
7. Chris McKeel	137.5	10273	74.71	67	99-03
8. Brad Hyler	66	4936	74.78	65	96-98
9. Sean Farrell	121	9076	75.00	67	92-96
10. Robby Rasmussen	114	8566	75.14	67	94-98
11. Joel Kraner	70	5266	75.23	68	02-
12. Scott Wise	87.5	6624	75.70	69	01-
Ryan Sypniewski	40	3028	75.70	69	03-
14. Chris Greenwood	61	4619	75.72	69	87-89
15. Clayton Friend	58	4393	75.74	70	91-93
16. John Yancy	58.5	4454	76.13	70	80-82
17. David Havens	112	8536	76.21	67	93-97
18. Mike Matthews	55	4197	76.30	68	83-85
19. Mark Teachey	91	6948	76.35	67	83-86
20. Jake Allison	60	4584	76.40	66	83-85
21. Matt Hollerbach	64	4896	76.50	68	99-04
22. Kennedy Cliffe	103	7905	76.74	68	96-00
23. Richard Spraker	35.5	2732	76.95	66	80-82
24. Sam Nicholson	35	2697	77.06	73	02-
25. Jeff Haley	60	4628	77.13	70	81-85
26. Miller Baber	51	3934	77.13	69	85-87
27. Adam Hunter	21	1620	77.14	73	81-82
28. Doug Corby	93	7180	77.20	69	83-86
29. Kyle Kaufman	60	4640	77.33	72	88-90
30. Lewis Conner	35	2715	77.57	71	91-95
31. Eric Reynolds	60	4656	77.60	70	98-01
32. Mike Ligon	31.5	2450	77.77	72	80-81
33. Matt Martin	54	4207	77.90	71	92-96
34. Mike Smith	49	3819	77.93	70	80-82
35. Frank DelRocco	23	1795	78.04	70	80-82
36. Jim Brotherton	30.5	2381	78.06	68	81-82
37. Mike Wing	96	7501	78.13	70	84-88
38. Ross Roberts	64	5010	78.28	71	89-92
Tom Brittain	85	6654	78.28	69	87-91



The youngest team in Tech history, the 1999 Hokies (freshmen Brendon de Jonge, Chris McKeel and Matt Hollerbach, and sophomores Johnson Wagner and Brian Krusoe) captured the first tournament of the season, the G. Gunby Jordan/Callaway Gardens Invitational, and started the run that took Tech to national prominence.



Brendon de Jonge (above), Tech's all-time scoring leader, was a two-time All-American. Ryan Stinnett (left) ranks fourth on the Hokies' scoring ledger.



Virginia Tech won a nation's-best six tournaments in 2000-01 and finished eighth in the NCAA Championship.

THE HACKIN' HOKIES

Twenty-one years ago, a small group of Virginia Tech supporters traveled to the Metro Conference Championship at Wild Dunes Golf Links on the Isle of Palms, S.C., in a show of support for the Tech golf team. A great friendship developed between this group and the players. As a result, these supporters were affectionately tagged the "Hackin' Hokies."


Today, this group, totaling 78 members, travels annually with the team, and has been the major supporter of the Virginia Tech golf program.

The Virginia Tech golf team wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the "Hackin' Hokies" for their loyal support. As a token of its appreciation, the team recognizes a member of the "Hackin' Hokies" each year with the team's Appreciation Award. Winner of the 2004 award was O.A. Spady. Past winners of the award are: Charlie Holden in 2003; Bud Keever in 2002; Buddy Nevaizer in 2001; Scott Prince in 2000; the late Howard Stanton in 1999; Ellis Monroe in 1998; Bill Sterrett in 1997; Ray Edwards in 1996; Jack Lester in 1995; Danny Hardy in 1994; George Freeman in 1993; the late Shannon Hardwick in 1992; Joe Thomas in 1991; Jack Prater and John Moody in 1990; the late Ken Brugh in 1989; and Jim Mensh in 1988.



Jay Hardwick presents the team's Appreciation Award to O.A. Spady. The Virginia Tech golf team and the Hackin' Hokies (below) last spring at Pine Needles Resort in Pinehurst, N.C.





(Left to right) Associate Athletics Director Tom Gabbard, Director of Development for Intercollegiate Athletics Lu Merritt, Associate Director of Development for Intercollegiate Athletics John Moody with endowed scholarship donors Bill Sterrett, Glenn Reynolds, George Freeman, Ellis Monroe, John Bruce, Ray Edwards and head golf coach Jay Hardwick.

THE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

During the past 18 years, the Virginia Tech golf program has been extremely fortunate to receive 20 endowed scholarships. These scholarships total over \$1.4 million and are a vital part of assuring the excellence of Virginia Tech Golf now and for years to come.

The scholarships are: The Stanton Scholarship, given by David R. and Mercedes D. Stanton of Richlands, Va.; The Kenneth V. Brugh III Memorial Scholarship, given by the late Kenneth V. and the late Mary D. Brugh of Greensboro, N.C.; The Thomas Scholarship, given by Joseph C. and Susan L. Thomas of Salem, Va.; The Neviaser Scholarship, given by C.M. "Buddy" and Doris B. Neviaser of Jacksonville, Fla.; The George L. Freeman, Jr., Scholarship, given by George Freeman of Fairfax, Va., "Dedicated to my family, past, present, and future, and to all those who helped."; The Edwin T. and Norma B. Robertson Scholarship, given by Ed and Norma Robertson and E. David and Anne F. Robertson of Rocky Mount, Va.; the Wednesday Morning Golf Scholarship, given by Jack and the late Shirley Lester of Grundy, Va.; The Ray Edwards Golf Scholarship, given by Ray W. and Sallie Edwards of High Point, N.C.; The Watson Golf Scholarship, given by the late W.A. Watson, III and Beatrice P. Watson, of Farmville, Va., in honor of their family; The William M. and Frances W. Sterrett Scholarship, given by Bill and Cynthia Sterrett of Blacksburg, Va., in honor of his parents; The "More Better Golf Scholarship" given by Charlie and Carole Holden of Alexandria, Va., in honor of their son Chris; The John A. Gonsa Scholarship, given by John A. Gonsa of Arlington, Va.; the Scott D. Prince Scholarship, given by Scott D. Prince of Blacksburg, Va.; The William Ward Moseley '51 Endowed Scholarship, given by William W. and Patricia Ann Moseley of Ebony, Va.; the Francis M. DonLeavey Golf Scholarship, given by Mr. Francis M. DonLeavey of Ettrick, Va; The Reynolds ParTee Golf Scholarship, given by Dixie and Glenn Reynolds of Blacksburg, Va.; the Monroe Golf Scholarship, given by Ellis P. Monroe of Shelby, N.C.; The Cooley Golf Endowment, donated by Peter, Christine and Christina Cooley of Marietta, Ga. Two new scholarships were added this season — the Bruce Golf Endowment, donated by John and Meg Bruce of Lynchburg, Va., and the Merryman Golf Endowment, donated by Floyd W. Merryman III of Altavista, Va.

In the fall of 2001, Scott Wise was named to the Gonsa Scholarship. Joel Kraner was awarded the Prince Scholarship in 2002. In the fall of 2003, Ryan Sypniewski received the Reynolds ParTee Golf Scholarship and Carl Wakely received The Thomas Scholarship. This past fall, Chad Fultz was named to the Stanton Scholarship, Nick MacDonald to the Monroe Golf Scholarship, and Sam Nicholson to the Kenneth V. Brugh III Memorial Scholarship.

"We are very grateful to have such benevolent supporters of our golf program. Their generosity will enable us to recruit top student-athletes and to ensure the future success of our program," Virginia Tech coach Jay Hardwick said.

Stanton, Brugh, Thomas, Neviaser, Freeman, Robertson, Lester, Edwards, Watson, Sterrett, Holden, Gonsa, Prince, Moseley, DonLeavey, Reynolds, Monroe, Cooley, Bruce and Merryman have been named Honorary Life Members of the Virginia Tech golf team for their outstanding contributions and commitment to Virginia Tech Golf.



THE 2004-2005 HOKIES

Coch Jav Hardwick, Sam Nicholson, Ryan Sypniewski, Scott Wise, Joel Kraner, Carl Wakely, Nick MacDonald, Chad Fultz, Will Oldham and assistant coach Brian Sharp at the Pete Dye River Course of Virginia Tech.