

Turner, Georgia tournament winners

By VINCE MOORE

Piedmont sports writer

At the conclusion of the Lady Paladin Golf Tournament Saturday, Furman coach and tournament director Willie Miller should have filed a missing persons report. Because all those girls who were supposed to shoot it out for the individual title in the last round were nowhere to be seen.

But it wasn't hard to figure out what happened to them. Furman's Sherri Turner fired a two-under-par 70 and that was more than enough to erase the challengers from the leader board and give Turner the individual title.

"My concentration seemed better today," she said. "I guess it was because I knew I had to do it."

It was pretty much the same story in the team competition. Georgia took a three-stroke lead into the final day and held off Ohio State and Alabama to win by eight shots.

But Turner was the big story. The Furman senior was in second-place when the day started, three strokes behind leader Lynn Cook. But 70 is a very mean number and when it was over, Cook, who shot 77, was four strokes behind.

"I was sort of nervous and excited at the same time before I started today," Turner said. "But I still figured I was in better shape than Lynn. When you're in the lead, you have a tendency to try and protect it."

Turner's round included 12 pars, four birdies and two bogeys. She started quickly, with birdies on the second and third holes. By the time she made the turn, she had sizable group of people following her.

"I thought that might bother me," she said, "but it didn't. I just tried to block everything out of my mind."

She posted her 70 early in the day

and sat around waiting to see if anyone would do better. No one did.

"It was a great feeling when I first came in," Turner said. "I was pretty sure that a 70 would win it for me."

Linda Lupica (Florida State) shot a 72 for a 228 total and third place. Shirley Furlong (Texas A&M) and Terri Moody (Georgia) were next with identical scores of 229.

Ohio State engaged in some good-natured psychological warfare with Georgia before the day started, but it obviously didn't work. When the the Buckeye players discovered that Georgia coach Liz Murphey was going to quit smoking if the Bulldogs won, they presented her with a carton of cigarettes on the first tee.

In other words, Ohio State didn't figure she would be quitting.

So when Murphey went to pick up the championship trophy, she gave the cigarettes back. "It looks like I'm not going to need these," she said.

It was the second consecutive win for Georgia. The Bulldogs won last week at Duke. And they'll be looking for another next week at Ohio State.

The team has come a long way since the days when Murphey used to pull her best beginners out of the Georgia golf classes and say, "Come on, let's go to Furman and play in a tournament."

"The last two or three years, we've really been catching on fire," Murphey said. "When Terri Moody signed with us, that was the beginning."

Moody had the low score for the Bulldogs Saturday with a 75. Mitzi Edge, who has won two tournaments this year, was close behind with a 77. Lori Clark had a 79.

"I'm proud of all the girls," Murphey said, "and especially Terri, who didn't have a real good fall season. They played great."

From the Tallahassee Democrat
March 30, 1979
Page 18

FSU women fourth at Furman

FURMAN, S.C. — The Florida State women's golf team is fourth after the first day of competition Thursday at the Furman Invitational.

Florida leads the field, with a 309, followed by Georgia (315), Texas A&M (317) and FSU (319).

Lady Seminoles Linda Lupica, Michelle Guilbault and Linda Rankin all shot 79 at the three-day competition. Lisa Young shot 82 and Debby Wofford 84 for FSU.

From the Tallahassee Democrat
March 31, 1979
Page 23

FSU moves to third in tourney

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Florida State moved up to third place in the Lady Paladin Invitational golf tournament here Friday. Georgia is first with 630 strokes, and Ohio State is second at 633. FSU is third at 638.

Twenty-two teams are entered in the tournament. FSU is ahead of teams like Florida, Miami, Michigan State, and Oklahoma.

From the Tallahassee Democrat
April 1, 1979
Page 50

Lady Paladin

Team Finishes

Georgia.....	942
Ohio State.....	950
Alabama.....	954
Florida State.....	959
Miami.....	960
Texas A&M.....	969
Florida.....	961
Auburn.....	963
Oklahoma.....	964
Houston Baptist.....	966
Michigan State.....	970
North Carolina.....	973
Kentucky.....	977
Lamar.....	981
Wake Forest.....	983
Furman.....	999
Indiana.....	1005
Duke.....	1006
Marshall.....	1041
Appalachian State.....	1061
Furman White.....	1098

Individual Finishers

Sherri Turner (Furman).....	222
Lynn Cook (Lamar).....	226
Linda Lupica (Florida St.).....	228
Shirley Furlong (Texas A&M).....	229
Terri Moody (Georgia).....	229
Rose Jones (Ohio St.).....	231
Linda Miller (Alabama).....	231
Mitzi Edge (Georgia).....	232

FSU women finish fourth in golf

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Florida State's women finished a surprising fourth in the Lady Paladin Invitational at Furman Saturday, beating powerful teams from Florida and Miami.

Linda Lupica fired an even-par 72 Saturday, after a double bogey on the 17th hole, to finish as the No.3 individual. Other FSU scores were Michelle Guilbault 83, Debbie Warford 83, Lisa Young 83 and Linda Rankin 84.

Georgia won the tournament with 942 strokes, followed by Ohio State 950, Alabama 954, FSU 959, Miami 960, Texas A&M 960, Florida 961, Auburn 963, Oklahoma 964 and Houston Baptist 966.