

SEASON IN REVIEW

The 1996-97 season had some exciting moment for the Florida State men's golf team. They placed first in a major tournament and had many high individual finishes during the season. However, the loss of All-ACC player junior Richard Fulford, who turned pro, left the team in a state of transition and rebuilding with many young players. As a result, Coach Ernie Lanford's squad was unable to continue their four year streak of play in the NCAA championships.

The season began in September at the Keswick Club Cavalier Classic in Charlottesville, Virginia. The Tribe finished in tenth of 14 teams participating. Leading the way was Jason Pool who finished in fifth place after firing a 214 over three rounds.

The men finished the Fall half of their season by participating in the University of Tennessee Tournament of Champions where they finished 13th out of 15 teams and placing tenth out of 12 teams at the Country Club of Louisiana Intercollegiate. Junior Barry Dyche, who was tied for the lead after the second round, finished tied for 14th at the Intercollegiate.

The Seminoles began the Spring season by placing eighth at the Gator Invitational. The team was once again led by Jason Pool's three round score of 211 which tied him for 11th. The invitational also marked the return of George McNeill who had to sit out the fall season. McNeill finished tied 20th with four golfers.

The finest moment for the Seminoles came at the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Championship in Jacksonville. The men finished first out of the 19 teams seven strokes ahead of second place Mississippi State. The tribe had four players finish in the top twenty. Jason Pool, sophomore Steve Carrington and freshmen Nathan Bretsch all finished tied for seventh place. Also, George McNeill tied for 18th.

The following tournament at the Bridges All-American was no let down for the team as they finished fifth out of 20 teams participating. The team was led by Steve Carrington who finished tied for 12th and George McNeill who tied for 17th.

Next, the team returned to Tallahassee for the three-round Seminole Golf Classic. The Seminoles started slow shooting an opening round 304 which placed them at 13th. However, they were able to rebound in the later rounds to finish tied for sixth place with Louisiana State University. Top finishers were Barry Dyche at fifth place and Senior Tice Vieira who finished 19th.

The Seminoles put together another strong showing at the Alabama Spring Invitational placing fifth in the 18 team field. They were led by freshman Nathan Bertsch who tied for 20th.

The Seminoles ended the regular season by finishing ninth in the Cleveland Classic and eighth at the Billy Hitchcock Invitational in preparation for the postseason. Steve Carrington posted the highest finish by a Seminole in these two tournaments tying for 13th at the Billy Hitchcock Invitational with a three round score of 219.

The team concluded their season at the ACC tournament by finishing in fifth place. The team was lead from start to finish by junior George McNeill who shot a three round total of 220 to tie for eighth with two others.

With many key veteran players returning the Seminoles look forward toward moving to the top of the ACC and once again returning to the NCAA championships next spring.



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



1996-97 Florida State Men's Golf Schedule

Fall 1996

September 20-22
Keswick Club Cavalier Classic
University of Virginia
Charlottesville, VA

September 30-October 1
Tournament of Champions
University of Tennessee
Knoxville, TN

October 28-29
Country Club of Louisiana
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, LA

Spring 1997

February 8-9
Gator Invitational
University of Florida
Gainesville, FL

April 4-6
Cleveland Classic
Augusta College
Augusta, GA

February 21-23
Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Champ.
University of North Florida
Jacksonville, FL

April 11-13
Billy Hitchcock Invitational
Auburn University
Auburn, AL

March 3-4
Bridges All-American
Southern Mississippi
Bay St. Louis, MS

April 18-20
ACC Championships
ACC
Atlanta, GA

March 10-11
Killearn/Seminole Classic
Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL

May 16-18
NCAA East Regional
TBA

March 21-23
The Southeastern
University of Alabama
Montgomery, AL

May 28-31
NCAA Championships
Northwestern University
Evanston, IL

Keswick Club Cavalier Classic
 Charlottesville, Virginia., September 21-22, 1996

Team Total	289-296-300	885	(10)
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Jason Pool	70-72-72	214	(5)
Steve Carrington	73-73-72	218	(t19)
Barry Dyche	70-74-80	224	(t44)
Ryan Felty	78-77-76	231	(t66)
James Baker	76-79-83	238	75

University of Tennessee Tournament of Champions
 Knoxville, Tennessee, September 30 - October 1, 1996

Team Total	295-294-298	887	(13)
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Steve Carrington	71-73-74	218	(t29)
Jason Pool	74-72-76	222	(t45)
Barry Dyche	74-74-76	224	(t50)
Ryan Felty	76-77-74	227	(t60)
Mark Stillwall	80-75-74	229	(t66)

Louisiana Intercollegiate
 Baton Rouge, Louisiana, October 28-29, 1996

Team Total	289-299-302	890	(10)
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Barry Dyche	68-71-79	218	(t14)
Steve Carrington	74-74-71	219	(t17)
Nathan Bertsch	70-76-74	220	(t19)
Jason Pool	78-78-78	234	53
Matt Raitz	77-79-82	238	(t57)

Gator Invitational
 Gainesville, Florida, February 8-9, 1997

Team Total	286-282-289	857	(8)
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Jason Pool	68-69-74	211	(t11)
George McNeill	74-68-72	214	(t20)
Nathan Bertsch	75-71-70	216	(t27)
Steve Carrington	71-76-73	220	(t48)
Barry Dyche	73-74-74	221	(t51)

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 Baton Rouge, Louisiana, October 28-29, 1996

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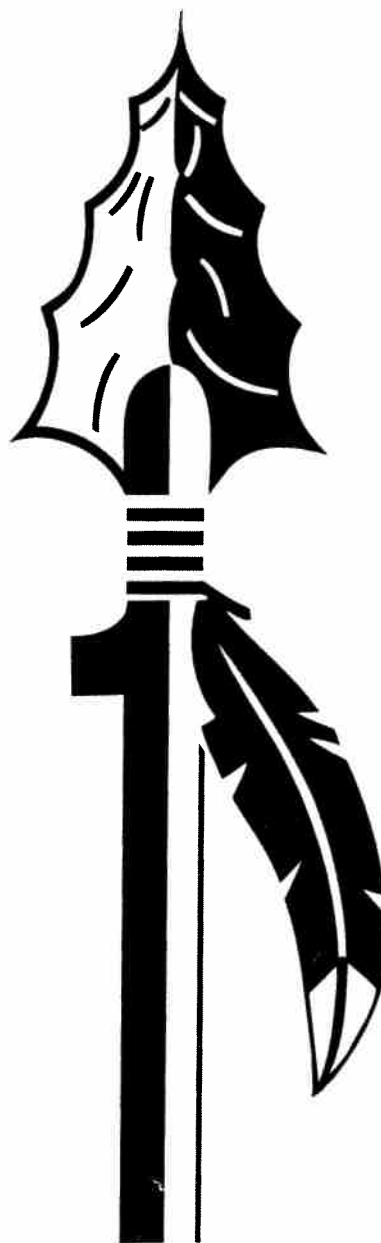
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Tournament Results



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Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Jacksonville, Florida, February 21-23, 1997			
Team Total	284-304-301	889	(1)
Jason Pool	72-74-76	222	(t7)
Nathan Bertsch	70-77-75	222	(t7)
Steve Bradley	72-76-74	222	(t7)
George McNeill	71-77-76	224	(t18)
Barry Dyche	71-77-78	226	(t29)

Bridges All-American Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, March 3-4, 1997			
Team Total	294-292-297	883	(5)

Steve Carrington	73-72-72	217	(t12)
George McNeill	74-70-75	219	(t17)
Jason Pool	73-73-74	220	(t21)
Nathan Bertsch	74-77-79	230	(t54)
Barry Dyche	80-77-76	233	(t69)

Alabama Spring Inviational Montgomery, Alabama, March 21-23, 1997			
Team Total	287-285-288	866	(5)

Nathan Bertsch	72-72-71	215	(t20)
George McNeill	71-69-75	215	(t20)
Jason Pool	72-72-72	216	(t23)
Steve Carrington	72-72-74	218	(t33)
Barry Dyche	75-75-71	221	(t51)

Cleveland Classic Augusta, Georgia, April 5-6, 1997			
Team Total	293-299-295	887	(9)

Nathan Bertsch	71-72-75	218	(t16)
George McNeill	71-75-74	220	(t20)
Steve Bradley	76-73-74	223	(t27)
Barry Dyche	75-79-72	226	(t51)
Jason Pool	77-80-78	235	(80)

Billy Hitchcock Invitational Auburn, Alabama, April 11-13, 1997			
Team Total	289-291-305	885	(8)

Steve Bradley	70-75-74	219	(t13)
Nathan Bertsch	70-70-81	221	(t17)
George McNeill	72-75-77	224	(t26)
Jason Pool	78-71-76	225	(t29)
Barry Dyche	77-80-78	235	(t53)



ACC Championship Atlanta, Georgia, April 18-20, 1997			
Team Total	299-309-289	897	(5)

George McNeill	72-75-73	220	(t8)
Barry Dyche	72-78-71	221	(t11)
Jason Pool	77-77-74	228	(t28)
Nathan Bertsch	78-78-74	231	(t35)
Steve Carrington	78-83-71	232	(38)



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INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Jason Pool

Junior, Great Falls, Va.

Keswick Club Cavalier Classic	70-72-72	214	(5)
Univ. of Tenn. Tournament of Champions	74-72-76	222	(t45)
Louisana Intercollegiate	78-78-78	234	(53)
Gator Invitational	68-68-74	211	(t11)
Mercedes-Benz Collegiate	72-74-76	222	(t7)
Bridges All-American	73-73-74	220	(t21)
Killearn-Seminole Classic	79-74-78	233	(t63)
Alabama Spring Invitational	72-72-72	216	(t23)
Cleveland Classic	77-80-78	235	(80)
Billy Hitchcock Invitational	78-71-76	225	(t29)
ACC Championship	77-77-74	228	(t28)

Steve Carrington

Sophomore, Ocala, Fl.

Keswick Club Cavalier Classic	73-73-72	218	(t19)
Univ. of Tenn. Tournament of Champions	71-73-74	218	(t29)
Louisana Intercollegiate	74-74-71	219	(t17)
Gator Invitational	71-76-73	220	(t48)
Mercedes-Benz Collegiate	72-76-74	222	(t7)
Bridges All-American	73-72-72	217	(t12)
Killearn-Seminole Classic	80-73-73	226	(t40)
Alabama Spring Invitational	72-72-74	218	(t33)
Cleveland Classic	76-73-74	223	(t27)
Billy Hitchcock Invitational	70-75-74	219	(t13)
ACC Championship	78-83-71	232	(38)

Barry Dyche

Junior, Gulf Breeze, Fl

Keswick Club Cavalier Classic	70-74-80	224	(t44)
Univ. of Tenn. Tournament of Champions	74-74-76	224	(t50)
Louisana Intercollegiate	68-71-79	218	(t14)
Gator Invitational	73-74-74	221	(t51)
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Nathan Bertsch
Freshman, Gulf Breeze, Fl

Louisiana Intercollegiate	70-76-74	220	(t19)
Gator Invitational	75-71-70	216	(t27)
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George McNeill
Junior, N. Fort Myers

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Mercedes-Benz Collegiate	71-77-76	224	(t18)
Bridges All-American	74-70-75	219	(t17)
Killearn-Seminole Classic	79-78-70	227	(t43)
Alabama Spring Invitational	71-69-75	215	(t20)
Cleveland Classic	71-75-74	220	(t20)
Billy Hitchcock Invitational	72-75-77	224	(t26)
ACC Championship	72-75-73	220	(t8)

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Ryan Felty
Freshman, Selingsgrove, Pa.

Keswick Club Cavalier Classic	78-77-76	231	(t66)
Univ of Tenn. Tournament of Champions	76-77-74	227	(t60)
Killearn-Seminole Classic	78-79-78	235	(t75)

Mark Stillwell
Sophomore, Greensboro, NC

Univ. of Tenn. Tournament of Champions	80-75-74	229	(t66)
Killearn-Seminole Classic	78-76-77	231	(t63)

Tice Vieira
Senior, Panama City Beach, Fl

Killearn-Seminole Classic	74-72-76	222	(t19)
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INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

James Baker
Junior, Jupiter, Fl

Keswick Club Cavalier Classic	76-79-83	238	(75)
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Matt Raitz
Freshmen, Bradenton, Fl

Louisiana, Intercollegiate	77-79-82	238	(t57)
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