



ETSU Legends and Professionals



Mike Hulbert

- *1980 Southern Conference Champion
- *1980 All-American
- *Three-Time PGA Tour Winner
- *Assistant Captain for the 2002 Ryder Cup

This former ETSU golfing great has been a member of the PGA Tour since 1985 and was an assistant captain for the 2002 Ryder Cup matches. Hulbert recently finished a term on the PGA Tour Tournament Policy Board.

He has earned more than \$3 million during his time on tour, winning three events: the 1986 B.C. Open, the 1989 FedEx/ St. Jude Classic and the 1991 Anheuser-Busch Classic.

Hulbert, named to the 75th Anniversary All-Time Southern Conference Team in 1996, is an ardent supporter of the ETSU golf program and has earmarked 1 percent of his earnings toward the Mike Hulbert Scholarship at ETSU.

In 1996, Hulbert teamed with Donna Andrews to win the J.C. Penney Mixed Team Championship by one stroke over Tiger Woods and Kelli Kuehne. He and Justin Leonard have teamed in two Diners Club matches (1996 and 1997).



Keith Nolan

- *1995, 1996, 1997 All-American
- *1994, 1995 SoCon Player-of-the-Year
- *1997 Walker Cup
- *PGA Tour

Keith Nolan was the second Buccaneer to earn All-America honors three consecutive seasons.

The native of Bray, Ireland, earned honorable mention honors in 1995, 1996 and 1997. Nolan fired a tournament-best 66 in the third round of the 1997 NCAA Championships to finish in a tie for third, the highest finish ever by a Buc golfer.

Nolan earned the 1994 Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Year honor and one year later captured the SoCon Player-of-the-Year award. Nolan was a four-time All-Southern Conference selection.

Nolan was a member of the GB&I Walker Cup team. He also was a member of the World Amateur team, representing Ireland. He earned his PGA Tour card immediately upon leaving ETSU, played on the PGA Tour for two years. He continues to play professionally.



Garrett Willis

- *2001 PGA Tour Winner
- *1994, 1995, 1996 All-American
- *1994, 1996 SoCon Player-of-the-Year

Garrett Willis, one of three three-time Buc All-Americans, won his first-ever event on the PGA Tour in 2001 with a championship at the Touchstone Energy Tucson

Open. He joined Ben Crenshaw and Robert Gamez as the only players to win their first event as a PGA Tour member. In 2003, he tied the PGA Tour high with four eagles in the Deutsche Bank Championship.

Willis was a First-Team All-American for the Bucs in 1996 and won honorable mention honors in 1994 and 1995. He was the SoCon Champion in 1994 and 1996 and was named Player-of-the-Year for both of those campaigns.

The 1993 SoCon Freshman-of-the-Year was the 1995 Canadian Amateur and Tennessee State Amateur Champion as well. He will compete on the PGA Tour in 2004.



Chris Wisler

- *1999, 2000, 2001 All-American
- *2000, 2001 SoCon Player-of-the-Year
- *2000 Porter Cup Champion

Wisler is possibly the most decorated player in ETSU history, especially due to the fact he is the only player to ever play on four Southern Conference Championship teams, in four NCAA Regionals, and in four NCAA Championships. In addition, the Dover, Del., native is one of three Buccaneers to have won NCAA All-America honors in three consecutive seasons.

Wisler was a three-time All-Southern Conference honoree and won Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year in 2000 and 2001.

Wisler had one of the best individual performances in ETSU history in the Rolex/GolfWorld Invitational on Nov. 3-5, 2000. Wisler fired a three-round 201, including a final-round 64 (both ETSU records).

Wisler won two individual medals while at ETSU. His first win was at the 1999 Southern Conference Championship by shooting a three-round 219 (73-72-74). He also won the 2000 Bell South Intercollegiate after carding a three-round 206 (69-68-69).

Wisler was a two-time member of the United States Palmer Cup team, an international event featuring collegiate players from the U.S. against European counterparts. Wisler was also a member of the USA-Japan All-Star team.



Rick Smith

- *1976 All-Conference

This former Buccaneer is regarded as one of the PGA Tour's top instructors and "sounding boards" for swing advice. Smith is a featured instructor on The Golf Channel.

Currently the Director of Golf at the Treetops Resort in Gaylord, Mich., Smith was an All-Conference performer as a freshman in 1976.

His PGA students include 1993 and 1998 U.S. Open Champion Lee Janzen, as well as Billy Andrade and Rocco Mediate.

He has worked with Jack Nicklaus, Greg Norman and Payne Stewart and is a Master Teaching Professional for Golf Magazine.

He also is an announcer for ESPN.



Bobby Wadkins

- *1972, 1973 All-American
- *PGA Tour
- *2001 Senior PGA Tour winner

Wadkins is another former Buccaneer who has crossed the \$2 million mark in career PGA Tour earnings. In 2001, Wadkins became the youngest player to win a Senior PGA Tour event by winning the Lightpath Long Island Classic. He was an All-American for East Tennessee State University in 1972 and 1973 and joined the PGA Tour in 1975. Bobby is the brother of fellow PGA professional Lanny Wadkins.



Larry Hinson

- *1967, 1968 All-American
- *PGA Tour Winner

Hinson became the first ETSU All-American in 1967 and 1968 and was the first Buccaneer to play on the PGA Tour. Hinson won the 1969 New Orleans Open and was the 1971 recipient of the Ben Hogan Award, presented annually by the Golf Writers' Association of America to the person who has recovered from a serious disability to distinguish himself in the world of golf. Hinson now lives in Douglas, Ga.



J.C. Snead

- *Senior PGA Tour Winner
- *PGA Tour Winner
- *Over \$7 million career earnings

Although he didn't play golf for the Buccaneers, Snead did attend ETSU as a baseball player in the early 1960s. After a brief professional baseball career, Snead turned his attention to golf and has won over \$7 million in career earnings. He has been a major winner in the PGA Senior Tour, winning the Senior PGA Championship.

The nephew of golf great Sam Snead, he has posted 10 professional wins during his career and has been a runner-up in the U.S. Open and the Masters.

He picked up his first two tour victories within a three-week span in 1971, winning the Tucson Open and the Doral-Eastern Open.



Bobby Gage

- *1989 All-American
- *1989 SoCon Player-of-the-Year
- *PGA Tour

A 1989 honorable mention All-American, Gage won the 1989 Southern Conference Championship and was named the Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year.

He tied for the NCAA East Regional title that same year. He was named to the All-Southern Conference team twice. While at ETSU, Gage participated in the John Hancock All-America Bowl Classic. Gage, a member of the Nike Tour in 1995, earned his PGA card in 1998. Gage played on the Buy.com Tour in 2001-2002. He will play on the Nationwide Tour in 2004.



Rex Kuramoto

- *1989, 1990 All-American
- *1990 SoCon Player-of-the-Year
- *Japan PGA Tour

When Fred Warren took over the ETSU program in 1986, one month before classes began, there were no returning players, because the school had dropped men's golf following the 1983 season.

Kuramoto, who had redshirted his first year at Oklahoma State, transferred to ETSU, becoming the first player to start the rebirth of Buccaneer golf.

He went on to become a two-time All-American at ETSU and was the 1990 Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year. He also won the Tennessee Amateur and the Rice Planters Championships. Kuramoto is currently a member of the Japanese PGA Tour.



Alan Strange

- *Fourth at 1975 NCAA Championships
- *1976 All-American
- *PGA Tour

Strange finished fourth in the 1975 NCAA Championship and later played on the PGA Tour for two seasons. The brother of golfing-great Curtis Strange, Alan earned All-America honors at ETSU in 1976 and led the Bucs to a sixth-place tie with Southern California at the 1975 NCAA Championship. He now resides in Richmond, Va., where he is a stockbroker.



Stu Ingraham

- *1982 All-American
- *1980, '81, '82 All-Southern Conference
- *PGA Tour

Stu Ingraham was a three-time All-Southern Conference selection in the early 1980s. The native of Lebanon, Pa., earned Third-Team All-America honors in the 1982 season. Ingraham and Chris Wisler are the only two players in SoCon history to play on four straight SoCon Championship teams. He joined the PGA Tour in 1986. Three years later, he registered as the low club pro at the PGA Championship.

Ingraham won the Philadelphia Open in 1994 and one year later was selected the Philadelphia section Player-of-the-Year. He is now in his ninth year as head golf professional at Overbrook Golf Club in Bryn Mawr, Pa.



The Ridges Golf and Country Club has hosted the best collegiate players in the country at the Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate for the past six years.

HAAS, FLORIDA TAKE HOME 2003 TITLES

Wake Forest senior Bill Haas spent the week prior to the sixth annual Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at the Ridges playing in front of huge galleries at the Walker Cup in Europe. That pressure-packed experience paid off.

Haas, the nation's preseason No. 1 player, shot 10-under-par (67-68-71=206) for the event and captured the individual championship by four strokes over South Carolina's Martin Rominger and Florida's Camilo Villegas during the final round play at the Ridges. Meanwhile, Florida kept its momentum after a sterling second round, holding off two-time Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate champion Texas Christian by four strokes for the team championship.

Meanwhile, Florida head coach Buddy Alexander was pleased with his team's effort. Three Florida players - Villegas, James Vargas and Matt Every - finished in the leaderboard's Top 10, and the Gators ended the event at 10-under (290-280-284=854).

While Florida finished five strokes ahead of TCU, the Horned Frogs enjoyed a sizeable 12-stroke cushion between second place and third place on the team leaderboard. Preseason No. 1 Clemson and Southern California tied for third at 7-over.

In just six years, the Intercollegiate has rapidly developed into one of the premier collegiate golf tournaments in the United States. Each year, the tournament has featured many of the nation's finest teams and individual players. The 2003 tournament was no different, with 6 of 14 teams having participated in the 2001 NCAA Division I Men's Golf Championship at Durham, N.C. All 14 teams participated in NCAA Regional competition in 2000.

Joining the host East Tennessee State Bucs, who finished ninth at the 2001 NCAA Championships, were Arkansas, Auburn, Clemson, Houston, Kansas, North Carolina, North Florida, Oklahoma, Pepperdine, South Carolina, Southern California, Tennessee, TCU and Wake Forest. In 2002, Wake Forest, North Carolina, TCU, Duke, South Carolina, ETSU, Tennessee, Auburn, Arkansas, Houston, and others participated in the event. In 2003, 16 of the 18 schools were ranked at the time of the event.

Clemson won the first Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at the Ridges in 1998 with a five-stroke victory over Georgia Tech. Clemson's Jonathan Byrd scorched the course, firing a 9-under-par 207 to take the individual title by one stroke over teammate Lucas Glover. Another highlight of the 1998 tournament was the collegiate debut of 1999 U.S. Amateur champion David Gossett of Texas.

The 1999 edition of The Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at the Ridges was won by Oklahoma, who outdistanced Arizona by five strokes. North Carolina's Max Harris shot a 5-under-par 211 to claim the individual title by two strokes.

The 2000 tournament was won by TCU by three strokes over South Carolina. The individual medalist honors went down to the wire as South Carolina's Johan Kok shot an 8-under-par 208, outdistancing ETSU's Chris Wisler by one stroke.

The Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at the Ridges is held annually at The Ridges Golf and Country Club in Jonesborough, Tenn. The 18-hole, 7,001-yard, par 72 course was designed by Arthur Hills, who has created some of the finest private courses in the United States.



The Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at The Ridges
September 13-14, 2003
The Ridges Golf and Country Club
Jonesborough, Tenn.

- 1. Florida 290-280-284=854
- 2. TCU 294-283-282=859
- 3. Clemson 291-288-292=871
- South. Calif. 294-285-292=871
- 5. South Carolina 294-292-286=872
- 6. Georgia 289-301-284=874
- 7. U. of Oklahoma 293-297-287=877
- 8. Wake Forest 293-289-299=881
- 9. Georgia Tech 293-288-302=883
- 10. N. Carolina 304-288-294=886
- 11. U. of Tenn. 288-294-308=890
- 12. U. of Kansas 301-297-294=892
- 13. Tulsa 295-303-295=893
- 14. Auburn 305-294-300=899
- 15. U. of Alabama 299-311-291=901
- 16. Illinois 298-302-304=904
- 17. ETSU 300-311-294=905
- 18. Virginia Tech 309-302-304=915

Top Five Individuals

- 1. Bill Haas (W. Forest) 67-68-71=206
- 2. Martin Rominger (S.C.) 71-70-69=210
- Camilo Villegas (Florida) 69-70-71=210
- 4. James Vargas (Florida) 70-70-72=212
- 5. Colby Beckstrom (TCU) 77-69-67=213

ETSU Scores and Finishes

- T55. Noel Kavanagh 76-80-70=226
- T75. Rhys Davies 77-76-77=230
- 85. Chase Baldwin 79-82-75=236
- Cennydd Mills 68-D-72
- Stephen Arnold 82-73-D

East Tennessee State University Golf

Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate Results and Records



1998 Bank of Tennessee/The Ridges Intercollegiate Sept. 12-13, 1998

Team Results

1. Clemson	274-287-283-844	-20
2. Georgia Tech	280-283-286-849	-15
3. Oklahoma	286-279-295-860	-4
4. Florida	287-283-292-862	-2
5. LSU	286-289-292-867	+3
Texas	291-293-283-867	+3
7. Houston	295-288-289-872	+8
TCU	293-286-293-872	+8
9. ETSU	291-292-290-873	+9
10. N.C. State	299-291-297-887	+23
11. Auburn	305-288-297-890	+26
12. Wake For.	296-302-293-891	+27
13. Virginia	301-302-292-895	+31
14. Purdue	301-300-304-905	+41

Top Ten Individuals

1. J. Byrd (Clemson)	67-70-70=207
2. L. Glover (Clemson)	67-72-69=208
3. B. Molder (G.T.)	71-70-69=210
A. Sanders (Hou.)	72-68-70=210
5. A. Ochoa (TCU)	71-68-72=211
C. Forrester (G.T.)	65-72-74=211
7. G. Girard (TCU)	71-71-70=212
N. Gilliam (Florida)	71-72-69=212
K. Cline (Oklahoma)	71-69-72=212
10. P. Beste (ETSU)	71-72-70=213
J. Wilkinson (LSU)	71-70-72=213
B. Huffman (Texas)	73-74-66=213

ETSU Scores and Finishes

T10. Pat Beste	71-72-70=213
T21. David Christensen	71-73-73=217
T24. Bill Ullery	75-75-69=219
T32. Shawn Koch	74-73-74=221
T39. Chris Wisler	75-74-73=222
70. Mark Christensen	76-76-83=235

1999 Bank of Tennessee/The Ridges Intercollegiate Sept. 11-12, 1999

Team Results

1. Oklahoma	286-290-294-870	+6
2. Arizona	295-290-290-875	+11
3. Virginia	296-294-289-879	+15
4. S. Carolina	302-283-300-885	+21
5. N. Carolina	299-291-298-888	+24
6. Clemson	296-296-298-890	+26
Auburn	293-295-302-890	+26
8. Tennessee	303-292-296-891	+27
9. N.C. State	304-296-296-896	+32
10. TCU	302-297-299-898	+34
11. ETSU	297-308-295-900	+36
12. UAB	301-301-302-904	+40
13. Wake Forest	307-301-299-907	+43
14. LSU	303-305-301-909	+45
15. Purdue	298-315-306-919	+55

Top Ten Individuals

1. M. Harris (UNC)	71-69-71=211
2. P. Norris (Arizona)	71-69-73=213
3. C. Wisler (ETSU)	69-76-71=216
C. James (Okla.)	69-72-75=216
5. K. Thompson (S.C.)	75-70-72=217
B. Wanner (Wake)	73-72-72=217
K. Cline (Okla.)	73-74-70=217
8. A. Doeden (TCU)	76-71-71=218
9. J. Bloomfield (S.C.)	74-69-76=219
J. Robertson (Okla.)	72-72-75=219

ETSU Scores and Finishes

T3. Chris Wisler	69-76-71=216
T31. Pat Beste	71-76-77=224
T47. James Johnson	76-73-79=228
T57. Adam Gary	81-76-73=230
T71. Adam Riddering	76-85-76=237

2000 Bank of Tennessee/The Ridges Intercollegiate September 9-10, 2000

Team Results

1. TCU	279-280-292-851	-13
2. S. Carolina	280-285-289-854	-10
3. Clemson	283-288-293-864	E
4. N. Western	284-289-293-866	+2
5. ETSU	290-288-289-867	+3
6. Oklahoma	288-285-296-869	+5
7. N. Florida	290-293-291-874	+10
Wake Forest	290-293-291-874	+10
Houston	306-282-286-874	+10
10. Virginia	295-287-293-875	+11
11. Tennessee	290-288-304-882	+18
Auburn	301-288-293-882	+18
13. SMU	291-294-298-883	+19
14. N. Carolina	299-296-297-892	+28

Top Ten Individuals

1. J. Kok (S.C.)	71-66-71=208
2. C. Wisler (ETSU)	67-73-69=209
3. A. Rubinson (TCU)	68-71-73=212
S. Feaster (S.C.)	68-69-75=212
T. Johnson (NW)	71-70-71=212
M. Cohn (Okla.)	70-70-72=212
S. Volpitto (TCU)	70-68-74=212
8. C. Yancey (Virginia)	70-71-72=213
S. Marino (Virginia)	71-71-71=213
J. Theunis (SMU)	72-69-72=213

ETSU Scores and Finishes

2. Chris Wisler	67-73-69=209
T20. James Johnson	74-71-72=217
T32. Pat Beste	74-71-75=220
T39. Thomas Lee	76-73-73=222
T67. Anders Hofvander	76-75-79=230
70. Adam Riddering	75-79-77=231

2001 Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at The Ridges September 8-9, 2001

Team Results

1. TCU	274-280-287-841	-23
2. Southern Cal	284-274-293-851	-13
3. Oklahoma	281-286-290-857	-7
4. South Carolina	289-279-290-858	-6
5. Auburn	289-285-286-860	-4
6. Tennessee	288-288-289-865	+1
7. ETSU	284-289-293-866	+2
8. Wake Forest	286-278-303-867	+3
9. Clemson	297-284-290-871	+7
10. Kansas	285-304-292-881	+17
11. North Florida	289-296-298-883	+19
12. Pepperdine	299-291-295-885	+21
13. North Carolina	300-291-297-888	+24
14. Houston	296-302-292-890	+26
14. Arkansas	299-295-304-898	+26

Top Five Individuals

1. S. Shuert (TCU)	69-67-68=204
2. A. Rubinson (TCU)	64-69-73=206
3. M. Flores (Okla.)	67-71-69=207
B. Haas (W. Forest)	69-66-72=207
5. David Oh (S. Cal)	71-65-72=208
6. Nash Elliott (USC)	67-70-73=210
Kevin Haefner (Aub.)	71-71-68=210
8. Will Claxton (Aub.)	70-69-73=212
Andy Doeden (TCU)	69-71-72=212
10. Chris Botsford (USC)	71-74-68=213

ETSU Scores and Finishes

T11. Cennydd Mills	68-72-74=214
T13. James Johnson	71-73-71=215
T27. Adam Riddering	72-72-74=218
T37. Marco Trejos	73-72-75=220
T54. Jeremy Hobson	78-74-74=226

2002 Bank of Tennessee Intercollegiate at The Ridges September 14-15, 2002

Team Results

1. Wake Forest	287-294-295-876
2. North Carolina	291-298-289-878
3. Texas Christian	298-292-292-882
4. Duke	291-296-296-883
5. South Carolina	290-298-296-884
6. ETSU	299-291-296-886
7. Tennessee	291-290-306-887
8. Auburn	292-296-301-889
9. Arkansas	290-301-301-892
10. Houston	290-309-296-895
11. Ga. Southern	291-303-304-898
Virginia Tech	308-288-302-898
13. Augusta State	300-298-312-911
14. Michigan	300-304-309-913

Top Five Individuals

1. Bill Haas (W. Forest)	73-72-70=215
Leif Olson (Duke)	70-70-75=215
Ian Parnaby (Tenn.)	68-72-75=215
Dustin Bray (UNC)	72-71-72=215
David Schultz (TCU)	70-75-70=215

ETSU Scores and Finishes

8. James Johnson	74-70-73=217
T13. Jeremy Hobson	72-72-75=219
T24. Adam Riddering	76-75-72=223
T55. Cennydd Mills	77-77-76=230
T62. Marco Trejos	80-74-78=232

Records

INDIVIDUAL

Best One-Round Score

1. 64, -8	Adam Rubinson, TCU -- First Round, 2001
2. 65, -7	David Oh, USC -- Second Round, 2001
65, -7	Carlton Forrester, Clemson -- First Round, 1998
4. 66, -6	Bill Haas, Wake Forest -- Second Round, 2001
66, -6	Brandon Huffman, Texas -- Third Round, 1998
66, -6	Johan Kok, South Carolina -- Second Round, 2000
66, -6	Andy Sanders, Houston -- Third Round, 2000

Best Three-Round Score

1. 204, -12	Steve Shuert, TCU -- 2001
2. 206, -10	Adam Rubinson, TCU -- 2001
206, -10	Bill Haas, Wake Forest -- 2003
3. 207, -9	Martin Flores, Oklahoma -- 2001
207, -9	Bill Haas, Wake Forest -- 2001
207, -9	Jonathan Byrd, Clemson -- 1998
6. 208, -8	David Oh, USC -- 2001
208, -8	Lucas Glover, Clemson -- 1998

TEAM

Best One-Round Score

1. 274	TCU	First Round, 2001
274	USC	Second Round, 2001
274	Clemson	First Round, 1998
4. 278	Wake Forest	Second Round, 2001
5. 279	Oklahoma	Second Round, 1998
279	TCU	First Round, 1998

Best Three-Round Score

1. 841, -23	TCU, 2001
3. 844, -20	Clemson, 1998
4. 849, -15	Georgia Tech, 1998
5. 851, -15	Auburn, 2001
851, -13	TCU, 2000

OTHERS

Best First-Round Score

Individual: 64, Adam Rubinson, TCU, 2001.
Team: 274, Clemson, 1998.

Best Second-Round Score:

Individual: 65, David Oh, 2001.
Team: 279, Oklahoma, 1998.

Best Final-Round Score:

Individual: 66, Brandon Huffman, Texas, 1998,
and Andy Sanders, Houston, 2000.
Team: 282, Texas Christian University, 2003