



# 2023-24 AUBURN MEN'S GOLF

4 SEC CHAMPIONSHIPS • 5 SEC INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS • 35 ALL-AMERICANS • 96 ALL-SEC SELECTIONS

## SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### SEPTEMBER

- 8-10 Mirabel Maui Jim Intercollegiate 1/15 (-56)  
*The Mirabel Club (Cave Creek, Ariz.)*
- 25-27 SEC Fall Preview 1/14 (-41)  
W, #7 Vanderbilt, 3-2  
*CC of Birmingham (Birmingham, Ala.)*

### OCTOBER

- 9-10 The Williams Cup 2/10 (+7)  
*Eagle Point GC (Wilmington, N.C.)*
- 15-17 Fallen Oak Collegiate Invitational 1/12 (-21)  
*Fallen Oak GC (Biloxi, Miss.)*
- 31 Cypress Point Classic W, Stanford, 5-1  
*Cypress Point Club (Monterey, Calif.)*

### FEBRUARY

- 8-10 Amer Ari Invitational 3/20 (-58)  
*Mauna Lani GC (Waikoloa, Hawai'i)*
- 25-27 Southern Highlands Collegiate 2/15 (-5)  
*Southern Highlands GC (Las Vegas, Nev.)*

### MARCH

- 4-5 Pinehurst Intercollegiate 1/12 (+12)  
*Pinehurst No. 2 (Pinehurst, N.C.)*
- 11-12 Tiger Invitational 1/18 (+16)  
*Auburn University Club (Auburn, Ala.)*

### APRIL

- 15-16 Mossy Oak Collegiate 1/14 (-46)  
*Mossy Oak GC (West Point, Miss.)*
- 24-28 SEC Championship  
*Seaside Golf Course (St. Simons Island, Ga.)*

### MAY

- 13-15 NCAA Regionals
- 24-29 NCAA Championship  
*Omni La Costa Champions Course (Carlsbad, Calif.)*

## 2024 SEC MEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP



### AUBURN INFO

Head Coach .....Nick Clinard (15th Season)  
 Assistant Coach .....Chris Williams (3rd Season)  
 Assistant Coach .. Buddy Alexander (2nd Season)  
 2023-24 Overall Record .....134-4-0 (.971)  
 SEC Record.....25-0 (1.000)  
 Round 1 Average .....282.00  
 Round 2 Average .....278.30  
 Round 3 Average .....280.80  
 Overall Team Average .....280.37  
 SEC Titles.....1976,1981, 2002, 2018  
 2022-23 SEC Finish ..... 11th

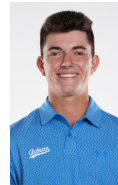
### CHAMPIONSHIPS INFO

Dates ..... April 19-23  
 Location.....St. Simons Island, Ga.  
 Course .....Sea Island Golf Club  
 Par | Yardage .....70 | 7,005

## THE AUBURN LINEUP



**Jackson Koivun**  
Fr.



**Brendan Valdes**  
Jr.



**Carson Bacha**  
R-Jr.



**J.M. Butler**  
Sr.



**Josiah Gilbert**  
Fr.



**Alex Vogelsson**  
5th

### CAPTAIN CLINARD

» The nation's No. 1 team is led by 15th-year head coach Nick Clinard. Since Clinard arrived on The Plains in the fall of 2009, the Tigers have amassed 51 team titles, 41 individual medalists and 40 All-SEC selections, all marks that lead the league since the 2009-10 season.

### FRESHMAN PHENOM

» Auburn's top player of the season has been none other than freshman Jackson Koivun. The rookie from Chapel Hill, North Carolina has yet to finish a tournament outside the top 20 and has placed in the top six in nine of 10 appearances.  
 » Koivun currently owns 21 subpar rounds this season, which overtakes Brandon Mancheno's 2017-18 previous freshman program record of 20.

### S-E-C YOU SOON

» Heading into conference championships, four Tigers rank amongst the nation's top 100 golfers in the latest scoreboard rankings. Koivun leads the pack at No. 5, followed by Valdes at No. 9, Butler at No. 16 and Bacha at No. 78. All four are amongst the top 25 SEC golfers represented.

### SWEET NO. 6?

» A total of five Auburn golfers have walked out of the SEC Championship with the individual crown. Jimmy Green became the Tigers' first in 1991. Next was Bryant MacKellar in 1997, followed by Roland Thatcher in 2000. No. 4 came in 2007 via Patton Kizzire and Jovan Rebula took home Auburn's fifth in 2019.

**BUSHNELL/GOLFWEK COACHES POLL**  
(APRIL 12)

- 1.....**AUBURN**
- 2..... North Carolina
- 3..... **Vanderbilt**
- 4..... Arizona State
- 5..... **Ole Miss**
- 6..... Florida State
- 7..... **Tennessee**
- 8..... Washington
- 9..... Arizona
- 10..... **Alabama**
- 11..... Texas Tech
- 12..... **Arkansas**
- 13..... Oklahoma
- 14..... **Florida**
- 15..... Virginia
- 16..... Georgia Tech
- 17..... Illinois
- 18..... Texas
- 19..... New Mexico
- 20..... ETSU
- 21..... **Georgia**
- 22..... **Texas A&M**
- 23..... Cal-Berkeley
- 24..... Oregon
- 25..... Duke

Receiving Votes: Purdue, Louisville, Ohio State, **Mississippi State**, Oklahoma State, New Mexico State, Notre Dame, Stanford, Wyoming, North Florida, **South Carolina**, Baylor, Wake Forest.

**PRONUNCIATIONS**

- Bacha ..... BOK-uh  
 Brendan Valdes ..... brin-DIN val-DEZ  
 Koivun..... coy-VIN  
 Vogelsong..... vo-GUHL-song  
 Clinard..... cly-NURD



**FAMILIAR FOES**

» This season, Auburn boasts a 25-0 record (.808) in intraconference competition, outplaying SEC opponents by an average of 26.4 strokes per tournament.

**U.S. OF A(UBURN)**

» As announced by the Golf Channel earlier this week, Valdes and Koivun were both selected to presented the men’s United States team at the 2024 Arnold Palmer Cup July 5-7 at Lahinch Golf Club in Ireland. The duo is the first from Auburn to be selected for the prestigious tournament since Jovan Rebula in 2018 and are the first to represent the United States since Michael Johnson in 2016.

**HOW LOW CAN YA GO?**

» Auburn has accumulated a score of 20-under or lower on five occasions this season. Four of five performances have resulted in wins.

- Mirabel Maui Jim Intercollegiate (-56)
- SEC Fall Preview (-41)
- Fallen Oak Collegiate Invitational (-21)
- Amer Ari Invitational (-58)
- Mossy Oak Collegiate (-46)

**SECs UNDER COACH CLINARD**

Overall Record.....	107-64-3 (.624)
Stroke Play.....	102-63-3 (.616)
Match Play.....	5-1 (.833)
Highest Finish .....	1st (1x), 2018

**Stroke Play Year-by-Year**

2010.....	7th (+19)
2011.....	7th (+32)
2012.....	2nd (-6)
2013.....	3rd (+20)
2014.....	3rd (-11)
2015.....	T-4th (-7)
2016.....	6th (+25)
2017.....	10th (+16)
2018.....	T-4th (+8)
2019.....	1st (-24)
2021.....	T-9th (+20)
2022.....	9th (+5)
2023.....	11th (+5)

**Match Play Year-by-Year**

2018.....	3-0
	<i>def. Arkansas (3-2), def. LSU (4-1), def. Alabama (3-2)</i>
2019.....	2-1
	<i>def. South Carolina (4-1), def. Kentucky (3-2), L - Arkansas (3-1-1)</i>

**AUBURN AT THE SEC CHAMPIONSHIPS (SINCE 2000)**

Year	Team Finish	Score	Individual Low (Finish)	Score	Location
2000	2nd	854 (-10)	Roland Thatcher (1st)	208 (-8)	Killen, Ala.
2001	3rd	861 (+21)	Jay Mundy (T-6th)	214 (+4)	Sea Island, Ga.
2002	1st	857 (+17)	Jay Mundy (3rd)	212 (+2)	Sea Island, Ga.
2003	2nd	862 (+22)	Will Claxton (3rd)	210 (E)	Sea Island, Ga.
2004	3rd	859 (+19)	Andrew Medley (T-8th)	213 (+3)	Sea Island, Ga.
2005	2nd	877 (+37)	Tyler McKeever (6th)	218 (+8)	Sea Island, Ga.
2006	5th	857 (+17)	Stuart Moore (10th)	211 (+1)	Sea Island, Ga.
2007	3rd	874 (+34)	Patton Kizzire (1st)	211 (+1)	Sea Island, Ga.
2008	T-8th	903 (+63)	Jay Moseley (T-22nd)	219 (+9)	Sea Island, Ga.
2009	12th	903 (+63)	Kyle Kopsick (T-37th)	224 (+14)	Sea Island, Ga.
2010	7th	880 (+40)	Cole Moreland (T-12th)	214 (+4)	Sea Island, Ga.
2011	7th	872 (+32)	Blayne Barber (T-14th)	216 (+6)	Sea Island, Ga.
2012	2nd	834 (-6)	Blayne Barber (T-3rd)	206 (-4)	Sea Island, Ga.
2013	3rd	860 (+20)	Michael Hebert (T-5th)	211 (+1)	Sea Island, Ga.
2014	3rd	829 (-11)	Niclas Carlsson (T-5th)	205 (-5)	Sea Island, Ga.
2015	T-4th	833 (-7)	Ben Schlottman (2nd)	202 (-8)	Sea Island, Ga.
2016	6th	865 (+25)	Matt Gilchrest (3rd)	210 (E)	Sea Island, Ga.
2017	T-9th	856 (+16)	Matt Gilchrest (T-18th)	212 (+2)	Sea Island, Ga.
2018	T-4th/1st	848 (+8)	Trace Crowe (T-3rd)	207 (-3)	Sea Island, Ga.
2019	1st/2nd	816 (-24)	Jovan Rebula (1st)	202 (-8)	Sea Island, Ga.
2021	T-9th	860 (+20)	Andrew Kozan (T-10th)	212 (+2)	Sea Island, Ga.
2022	9th	845 (+5)	J.M. Butler (T-11th)	208 (-2)	Sea Island, Ga.
2023	11th	845 (+5)	Alex Vogelsong (T-8th)	207 (-3)	Sea Island, Ga.

**CAREER ROUNDS AT SEC CHAMPIONSHIP**

Golfer	Year	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Total	Finish
Carson Bacha	2023	71	74	71	216 (+6)	T-53rd
J.M. Butler	2021	70	73	73	216 (+6)	T-28th
	2022	75	64	69	208 (-2)	T-11th
	2023	68	72	70	210 (E)	T-19th
Brendan Valdes	2023	68	74	72	214 (+4)	T-44th
Alex Vogelsong	2021	72	71	74	217 (+7)	T-33rd
	2022	70	68	72	210 (E)	T-18th
	2023	68	71	70	207 (-3)	T-8th

**INDIVIDUAL SEASON STROKES AND AVERAGES**

Golfer	Rd 1	Strokes	Avg.	Rd 2	Strokes	Avg.	Rd 3	Strokes	Avg.	Rd 4	Strokes	Avg.	Total	Strokes	Avg.
Carson Bacha	8	574	71.75	8	560	70.00	8	565	70.63	-	-	-	24	1,699	70.79
J.M. Butler	8	569	71.13	8	576	72.00	8	571	71.38	-	-	-	24	1,716	71.50
Josiah Gilbert	9	641	71.22	9	642	71.33	8	592	74.00	-	-	-	26	1,875	72.12
Jackson Koivun	10	695	69.50	10	688	68.80	10	701	70.10	-	-	-	30	2,084	69.47
Brendan Valdes	10	707	70.70	10	692	69.20	10	708	70.80	-	-	-	30	2,107	70.23
Alex Vogelsong	8	591	73.88	8	584	73.00	7	495	70.71	-	-	-	23	1,670	72.61
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>282.00</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,783</b>	<b>278.30</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,808</b>	<b>280.80</b>				<b>30</b>	<b>8,411</b>	<b>280.37</b>

**SEASON LOW SCORES AND TOP FINISHES**

Golfer	Low 18	Low 54	Low 72	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Top 20	-/Par	-Par	60s
Carson Bacha	-6	-10	-	-	1	4	7	19	15	7
J.M. Butler	-5	-13	-	2	3	5	6	16	15	10
Josiah Gilbert	-6	-11	-	-	2	5	6	15	12	6
Jackson Koivun	-9	-17	-	1	8	9	10	25	21	13
Brendan Valdes	-8	-15	-	1	4	8	9	22	20	14
Alex Vogelsong	-8	-10	-	-	1	2	4	10	8	6
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>N/A</b>

## INDIVIDUAL ROUNDS BY GOLFER

**CARSON BACHA**

Maui Jim Intercollegiate	67	67	69	-	203	-10	T13
MartinFed Invitational	71	71	71	-	213	-3	T11
Amer Ari Invitational	72	66	70	-	208	-8	T50
Southern Highlands Collegiate	71	76	69	-	216	E	T15
Pinehurst Intercollegiate	70	73	70	-	213	+3	T6
Tiger Invitational	78	70	74	-	222	+6	T6
Seahawk Intercollegiate	76	71	70	-	217	+1	T6
Mossy Oak Collegiate	69	66	72	-	207	-9	4

**Team Rounds Counted/Played: 23/24 (0.958)****J.M. BUTLER**

Maui Jim Intercollegiate	67	66	67	-	200	-13	7
SEC Fall Preview	66	67	69	-	202	-11	T4
The Williams Cup	71	71	79	-	221	+5	T19
Fallen Oak Collegiate	70	75	67	-	212	-4	T8
Southern Highlands Collegiate	76	83	70	-	229	+13	T64
Tiger Invitational	71	70	77	-	218	+2	1
Seahawk Intercollegiate	80	75	75	-	230	+14	T51
Mossy Oak Collegiate	68	69	67	-	204	-12	T1

**Team Rounds Counted/Played: 18/24 (0.750)****JOSIAH GILBERT**

Maui Jim Individual*	69	68	76	-	213	-3	T19
The Williams Cup*	71	73	80	-	224	+8	T27
MartinFed Invitational	66	69	70	-	205	-11	3
Thomas Sharkey Individual*	70	72	72	-	214	-2	8
Prestige Individual*	71	68	77	-	216	E	T16
Wolfpack Individual*	75	75	-	-	150	+8	T35
Tiger Invitational	75	76	75	-	226	+10	17
Seahawk Intercollegiate	73	75	70	-	218	+2	9
Mossy Oak Collegiate	71	66	72	-	209	-5	T5

**Team Rounds Counted/Played: 11/12 (0.917)****JACKSON KOIVUN**

Maui Jim Intercollegiate	65	66	65	-	196	-17	T2
SEC Fall Preview	70	63	71	-	204	-9	T6
The Williams Cup	76	71	74	-	221	+5	T19
Fallen Oak Collegiate	68	73	68	-	209	-7	2
Amer Ari Invitational	67	63	69	-	199	-17	T4
Southern Highlands Collegiate	70	70	71	-	211	-5	T4
Pinehurst Intercollegiate	70	70	69	-	209	-1	T1
Tiger Invitational	71	73	75	-	219	+3	2
Seahawk Intercollegiate	72	70	68	-	210	-6	2
Mossy Oak Collegiate	66	69	71	-	206	-10	3

**Team Rounds Counted/Played: 28/30 (.933)****BRENDAN VALDES**

Maui Jim Intercollegiate	65	68	68	-	201	-12	T8
SEC Fall Preview	69	63	69	-	201	-12	3
The Williams Cup	71	71	73	-	215	-1	T6
Fallen Oak Collegiate	73	69	70	-	212	-4	T8
Amer Ari Invitational	69	67	65	-	201	-15	T8
Southern Highlands Collegiate	72	71	67	-	210	-6	3
Pinehurst Intercollegiate	76	72	75	-	223	+13	T49
Tiger Invitational	71	70	79	-	220	+4	T3
Seahawk Intercollegiate	73	72	75	-	220	+4	T15
Mossy Oak Collegiate	68	69	67	-	204	-12	T1

**Team Rounds Counted/Played: 28/30 (.933)****ALEX VOGELSONG**

Maui Jim Individual*	72	70	64	-	206	-10	T6
The Williams Cup	74	76	76	-	226	+10	32
Fallen Oak Collegiate*	76	69	66	-	211	-5	T5
Amer Ari Invitational	68	69	69	-	206	-10	T36
Prestige Individual*	74	72	74	-	220	+4	T29
Wolfpack Individual*	75	72	-	-	147	+5	T16
Tiger Invitational	77	82	75	-	234	+18	T49
Seahawk Intercollegiate	75	74	71	-	220	+4	T15

**Team Rounds Counted/Played: 9/12 (.750)**

## TOURNAMENT BY TOURNAMENT TEAM LINEUP

Tournament	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5
Maui Jim*	Valdes	Bacha	Koivun	Eshleman	Butler
SEC Fall Preview*	Butler	Valdes	Koivun	Lotter	Eshleman
Williams Cup	Valdes	Butler	Koivun	Vogelsong	Lotter
Fallen Oak*	Valdes	Butler	Koivun	Lotter	Eshleman
Amer Ari	Valdes	Koivun	Lotter	Bacha	Vogelsong
Southern Highlands	Koivun	Valdes	Bacha	Lotter	Butler
Pinehurst*	Valdes	Koivun	Bacha	Pope	Eshleman
Tiger*	Koivun	Valdes	Bacha	Eshleman	Pope
Seahawk*	Koivun	Valdes	Butler	Bacha	Eshleman
Mossy Oak*	Koivun	Valdes	Bacha	Butler	Gilbert

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## HEAD-TO-HEAD RESULTS

Opponent	Record	Differential			
Alabama	1-0-0	-32	Oregon	2-0-0	-50
Arizona State	2-1-0	-23	Oregon State	1-0-0	-33
Arkansas	1-0-0	-16	Osaka Gakuin	1-0-0	-68
Arkansas State	1-0-0	-46	Pacific	1-0-0	-20
Auburn "B"	1-0-0	-23	Penn State	1-0-0	-25
Augusta	1-0-0	-46	Pepperdine	2-0-0	-33
Ball State	1-0-0	-41	Richmond	1-0-0	-54
Campbell	1-0-0	-16	San Diego State	2-0-0	-25
Cincinnati	1-0-0	-38	San Jose State	1-0-0	-20
College of Charleston	1-0-0	-15	Santa Clara	1-0-0	-50
Colorado	2-0-0	-87	SMU	3-0-0	-72
Clemson	1-0-0	-6	South Carolina	1-0-0	-51
Davidson	1-0-0	-12	Southern Miss	3-0-0	-172
Duke	1-0-0	-6	Stanford	2-0-0	-18
East Carolina	1-0-0	-39	Stetson	1-0-0	-7
Elon	2-0-0	-57	TCU	1-0-0	-30
ETSU	1-0-0	-1	Tennessee	1-0-0	-18
FGCU	1-0-0	+15	Texas	2-0-0	-36
Florida	3-0-0	-50	Texas A&M	2-0-0	-39
Florida Atlantic	2-0-0	-80	Texas State	1-0-0	-45
Florida State	1-0-0	-11	Texas Tech	1-0-0	-1
Fresno State	1-0-0	-11	Toledo	1-0-0	-56
Georgia	2-0-0	-60	Troy	1-0-0	-67
Georgia State	2-0-0	-109	UC Davis	1-0-0	-45
Georgia Tech	1-0-0	-8	UCF	1-0-0	-60
Hawaii	1-0-0	-42	UNCG	1-0-0	-25
Hawaii-Hilo	1-0-0	-68	UCLA	1-0-0	-13
Illinois	1-0-0	-10	ULM	1-0-0	-34
Iowa	2-0-0	-111	UNCW	3-0-0	-74
Jacksonville	1-0-0	-29	UNLV	3-0-0	-106
Jacksonville State	1-0-0	-61	Vanderbilt	2-0-0	-13
James Madison	1-0-0	-29	VCU	1-0-0	-15
Kansas	1-0-0	-32	Virginia Tech	1-0-0	-25
Kansas State	1-0-0	-42	Wake Forest	2-0-0	-22
Kennesaw State	1-0-0	-38	Washington	1-0-0	-1
Kentucky	1-0-0	-49	Wichita State	1-0-0	-71
Lamar	1-0-0	-49	Wisconsin	1-0-0	-41
Liberty	1-0-0	-41	Wright State	1-0-0	-37
Lipscomb	1-0-0	-38	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>134-4-0 (0.971)</b>	<b>-4,131</b>
Little Rock	2-0-0	-105			
Louisiana	1-0-0	-66			
Louisiana Tech	2-0-0	-109	<b>SEC HEAD-TO-HEAD</b>		
Louisville	1-0-0	-16	Alabama	1-0-0	-32
LSU	1-0-0	-39	Arkansas	1-0-0	-16
Maryland	1-0-0	-40	Florida	3-0-0	-50
Mercer	1-0-0	-51	Georgia	2-0-0	-60
Middle Tennessee	1-0-0	-55	Kentucky	1-0-0	-49
Minnesota	1-0-0	-38	LSU	1-0-0	-39
Mississippi State	3-0-0	-100	Mississippi State	3-0-0	-100
Missouri	4-0-0	-122	Missouri	4-0-0	-122
NC State	2-0-0	-34	Ole Miss	3-0-0	-60
New Mexico	2-0-0	-42	South Carolina	1-0-0	-51
New Mexico State	1-0-0	-73	Tennessee	1-0-0	-18
North Carolina	1-2-0	+15	Texas A&M	2-0-0	-39
North Florida	1-0-0	-16	Vanderbilt	2-0-0	-13
Northern Illinois	1-0-0	-55		<b>25-0-0 (1.000)</b>	<b>-659</b>
Northwestern	1-0-0	-10			
Ohio State	1-0-0	-19			
Oklahoma	0-1-0	+3			
Oklahoma State	1-0-0	-13			
Ole Miss	3-0-0	-60			

## SEC CHAMPIONSHIP RECORDS

## TEAM LOW 18

Team	Year	Score
1. LSU	2014	263 (-17)
2. Alabama	2014	266 (-14)
3. Tennessee	2022	268 (-12)
4. 8 Tied	-	269 (-11)

## INDIVIDUAL LOW 18

Player (School)	Year	Score
1. Bobby Wyatt (Alabama)	2014	61 (-9)
2. Joe David (Ole Miss)	2010	63 (-7)
T3. 7 Tied	-	64 (-6)

## TEAM LOW 54

Team	Year	Score
1. Alabama	2014	806 (-34)
<b>2. Auburn</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>816 (-24)</b>
3. LSU	2014	822 (-18)
4. Vanderbilt	2022	824 (-16)
5. Tennessee	2023	826 (-14)

## INDIVIDUAL LOW 54

Player (School)	Year	Score
1. Bobby Wyatt (Alabama)	2014	192 (-18)
T2. Matthew NeSmith (S. Carolina)	2015	196 (-14)
T2. Caleb Surratt (Tennessee)	2023	196 (-14)
4. Smylie Kaufman (LSU)	2014	199 (-11)
T5. Robby Shelton (Alabama)	2014	200 (-10)
T5. Alejandro Tosti (Florida)	2017	200 (-10)
T5. Patrick Martin (Vanderbilt)	2017	200 (-10)

## TEAM TITLES

Team	Titles
Georgia	29
Florida	16
LSU	16
Alabama	5
<b>Auburn</b>	<b>4</b>
Tennessee	3
Vanderbilt	3
Mississippi State	2
Arkansas	1
Georgia Tech	1
Kentucky	1
Ole Miss	1