

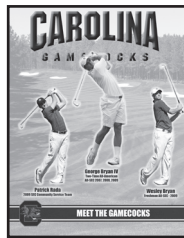


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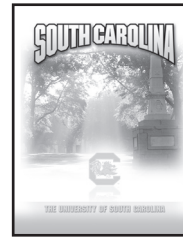
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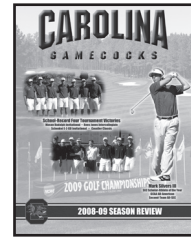
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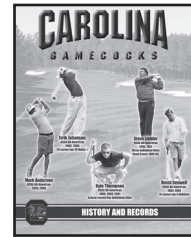
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## Quick Facts

### University

Location ..... Columbia, S.C.  
 Enrollment ..... 25,077  
 Founded ..... 1801  
 Team Name ..... Gamecocks  
 University President ..... Dr. Harris Pastides  
 NCAA Faculty Representative ..... Dr. Bill Bearden  
 Athletics Director ..... Eric Hyman  
 Deputy Athletics Director ..... Marcy Girtton  
 Senior Woman Administrator ..... Val Sheley  
 Colors ..... Garnet (PMS 202) and Black  
 Conference ..... Southeastern

### Coaching Staff

Head Coach ..... Bill McDonald (3rd year)  
 Alma Mater, Year ..... Georgia Tech, 1989  
 Assistant Coach ..... Michael Burcin  
 Director of Golf ..... Puggy Blackmon

### Program History

NCAA Championship Appearances ..... 16  
 NCAA Regional Appearances ..... 18

### 2009-10 Team

2009 SEC Finish ..... T-4th of 12  
 2009 NCAA Southeast Regional Finish ..... T-2nd of 14  
 2009 NCAA Championship Finish ..... 16th of 30  
 Tournament Championships ..... 4  
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost ..... 5/5

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# South Carolina Men's Golf

## Season Preview



There's something special about the 2009-10 version of the University of South Carolina men's golf team. Coach **Bill McDonald** knows it.

Maybe it's the championship experience. Three returning letterwinners have played in at least one NCAA Championship.

Maybe it's the way they know how to handle the week-to-week grind. The Gamecocks won four tournament titles last season, tying a school record.

Or maybe it's the familiarity. Six of the 10 players on the Carolina roster are from the Palmetto State; the other four are from just across the border in Georgia.

Whatever it is, McDonald knows that the potential for great things exists with this year's squad.

"I am excited about this season for the Gamecock golf program," he said. "In many ways I can relate to our seniors, because I am also beginning my fourth year with Gamecock golf. I think everyone associated with the program wants to see us elevate our games and our accomplishments. I truly sense more leadership and closeness on this team than any other I have ever been associated with."

While South Carolina lost five letterwinners off last year's record-setting team, the Gamecocks are not lacking for experience. Seniors **George Bryan IV** and **Patrick Rada**, along with sophomore **Wesley Bryan**, appeared in last year's NCAA Championship and thrived under pressure on many occasions. Senior **Paul Woodbury** has been in his share of events, and the rest of the squad has continued to elevate their games. They know what it takes to play collegiate golf at the highest level.

"We should be a very good team this year," McDonald said. "Returning George Bryan IV, Patrick Rada and Wesley Bryan from our NCAA team last year should benefit us. Also, Paul Woodbury and **Clint Tolleson** have shown significant improvement over the past year. We have a good stock of young talent in **Dean Hester**, **Dykes Harbin** and **Michael Raines**. **Bryan Miller** and **Chase Liebler** are capable of helping us out as well."

Bryan IV has proven his talent time and time again, and is poised to finish his Carolina career as one of the top golfers to emerge from the storied Gamecock program. He enters the season with a 72.69 career scoring average, which is the best in Carolina program history. He has one tournament title to his credit – the 2008 Schenkel E-Z-Go Invitational – and has turned in 12 top-10 finishes in his three previous years at Carolina. The two-time All-American had back-to-back runner-up showings during the 2008-09 season and was named to the All-SEC second team.

"George has been a warrior for the Gamecock golf program," McDonald said. "He has played in every event for us since I have been here, and he has obviously had some great success over the past three years. He will go down as one of the best to ever wear a Gamecock golf uniform."

Along with "GB4" in a major leadership role is fellow senior Patrick Rada. A native of Anderson, he made major strides with his game last year, earning a starting spot for 10 of 12 tournaments, including the NCAA Championship. After a pair of top-20 finishes last season, Rada looks to be a major player in this year's Carolina lineup.

"Patrick has steadily improved over the past two years, and he continues to raise the level of his game," McDonald said. "He is very dedicated to the weight room as his



Senior Patrick Rada

## 2009-10 Roster

Name	Yr.	Hometown/High School
George Bryan IV	Sr.	Chapin, S.C. / Dutch Fork
Wesley Bryan	So.	Chapin, S.C. / Dutch Fork
Dykes Harbin	Fr.	Augusta, Ga. / Westside
Dean Hester	Fr.	Decatur, Ga. / Trinity Christian
Chase Liebler	Jr.	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork
Bryan Miller	Sr.	Dalton, Ga. / Dalton
Patrick Rada	Sr.	Anderson, S.C. / T.L. Hanna
Michael Raines	So.	Acworth, Ga. / Harrison (Berry College)
Clint Tolleson	R-Fr.	Spartanburg, S.C. / Dorman
Paul Woodbury	Sr.	Lake City, S.C. / Lake City

**Head Coach:** Bill McDonald

**Assistant Coach:** Michael Burcin

**Director of Golf:** Puggy Blackmon

spiritual life. Both Patrick and George have shown the kind of leadership over the past year that has been instrumental in bringing our team closer together."

The third senior that figures to be a big part of the Gamecocks' success is Lake City native Paul Woodbury. While only playing in three tournaments last year, he made the most of his time by sharing medalist honors at the Rees Jones Intercollegiate. After a strong summer season that saw him qualify for the U.S. Amateur for the second straight year, McDonald expects big things from Woodbury.

"If there was any way to track progress from year to year in college golf, Paul Woodbury, I am sure, would be at the top of the list in terms of improvement," he said. "He has been 'Mr. Persistent' in all ways concerning his game. I look for Paul to have a breakout year as a senior."

Bryan Miller is the fourth senior for the Gamecocks. While he has only played in one varsity event for the Gamecocks, his leadership ability is unquestioned, and his golf game is getting better by the day.

"Bryan has been a great influence on our team for the past three years," the coach said. "He has done extremely well in the classroom and he works hard at his game. Bryan's golf game has steadily improved, and he could easily crack our lineup this year."

Among the underclassmen expected to be major players, sophomore Wesley Bryan is at the forefront. The younger brother of George, Wesley played in all 12 events last year and tied for medalist honors at the Rees Jones. Incredibly strong off the tee and with a superb wedge game, Bryan has the ability to turn in low numbers with regularity – he had five top-20 finishes as a freshman and was named to the SEC All-Freshman Team.

"Wesley has incredible talent and is mature beyond his years on the golf course," McDonald said. "I look for Wesley to continue his progression with his game, and he should mature into a Gamecock great."

Redshirt freshman Clint Tolleson also figures to get a good taste of the college game this season. With several relatives in professional baseball – including his father, Wayne, and brother, Steven (a former Gamecock) – he has incredible athletic ability and his golf game is getting better and better.

"Clint should be a major factor in our lineup this year and for the next three years to come," McDonald said. "He can overpower a golf course with his length and he continues to improve his short game."

Four newcomers to the Gamecock golf program may find it difficult to crack the starting five with the level of talent that currently exists, but they will be constantly pushing for an opportunity to play. Dean Hester and Dykes Harbin signed with South Carolina last November as highly-touted players out of Georgia. Michael Raines transferred from Berry College in the summer, and junior Chase Liebler – son of former Gamecock head coach Steve Liebler – joined the team as a walk-on earlier in the fall.

"All four of those guys will have an impact on our program," McDonald said. "The level of player and skill level with our team right now is extremely high. Each one of the new players needs to recognize that several of our starters were in their position at one time, and they will be there, in the starting lineup, soon as well."