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## College of Charleston Cougar Classic

**Sept. 11-12, 2006, Harahan, S.C. || Yeaman's Hall Golf Club**

**NOTES:** LSU finished seventh a year ago after winning the tournament to open the 2004-05 season ... This will be the third straight year LSU has opened its fall season at the Cougar Classic ... This tournament has become the showcase event for the Charleston women's program ... The event will be played on the 1925 Seth Raynor design which in 2003 broke into the Golf World top 100 courses ... Teams will be treated to a dinner cruise and a cannon will signal the beginning of first round play in the tournament ... The field was not set at press time.

## Mason Rudolph Championship

**Sept. 15-17, 2006, Franklin, Tenn. || Vanderbilt Legends Course**

**NOTES:** LSU returns to the course it finished seventh on in the 2006 SEC Women's Championships ... Rudolph, a former star on the PGA tour, has served as Director of Golf for many years for Vanderbilt and the tournament is named in his honor ... First time LSU is in the event since the Fall of 2004 ... LSU's best finishes were a seventh place in 2001 and 2004 ... The field was not set at press time.

## Lady Tar Heel Invitational

**Oct. 6-8, 2006, Chapel Hill, N.C. || Finley Golf Course**

**NOTES:** This long-running tournament was the third-ever golf tournament LSU participated in as a women's program in the fall of 1979 ... Lady Tigers made their first appearance since 1996-97 last year, finishing 12th in the 18-team field ... The field was not set at press time.

## Auburn Derby Invitational

**Oct. 27-29, 2006, Auburn, Ala. || Auburn University Club**

**NOTES:** Originally the Auburn Tiger Invitational, the tournament was renamed the Auburn Derby Invitational to honor Curtis Cup Champion and former Auburn player and coach, Virginia Derby-Grimes ... Derby-Grimes is recognized as one of the top amateur players of recent times, part of two Curtis Cup teams and a winner of the USGA Mid-Amateur title in 1998 ... Unique in that first three years (1994-95-96) the tournament's second round was rained out each time ... LSU was a winner of the event in 1995 and 1996 and second in 1997 ... With Auburn and LSU in the field are: Alabama, UAB, Ole Miss, Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Central Florida, Nebraska, Kansas, Mississippi State, Furman, Florida State and Tennessee.

## Hooters Match Play Championship

**Nov. 3-5, 2006, Orlando, Fla. || Eagle Creek Golf Club**

**NOTES:** A special exempt event that is invitation only usually eligible for those teams who wish to participate who appeared in last year's NCAA Championship ... Unique event in that the five players on each team will face off in match play competition with the team to win three matches the winner ... The field for this year's event along with LSU includes: Auburn, Duke, Florida State, Michigan State, Purdue, SMU, Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Nebraska, South Carolina, Vanderbilt and Wake Forest.

## Central District Classic

**Feb. 19-20, 2007, Parrish, Fla. || River Wilderness Golf Course**

**NOTES:** LSU won the tournament in 2004 going wire-to-wire to win over Michigan State, the host of the tournament ... The tournament, though hosted by the Spartans, is held over the River Wilderness Course in Parrish, Fla. ... This is a two-day tournament with 36 holes the first day and 18 the next day for the 54-hole event ... When LSU won the tournament in 2004, the Tigers had rounds of 295-298-310 to win by three shots with a 39-over 903 ... Last year, LSU finished fourth with a three-round score of 897 ... With LSU and Michigan State in the field are Baylor, Illinois State, Kansas, Kansas State, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Northwestern, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Southern Methodist and Texas Tech.

## UCF Challenge

**March 5-6, 2007, Orlando, Fla. || Grand Cypress Resort Course**

**NOTES:** Inaugural event hosted by the University of Central Florida, giving LSU two trips to Orlando during the regular season and three consecutive tournaments in the state of Florida ... The Grand Cypress Golf Club offers golfers the largest selection of golf in Orlando, all from one clubhouse with 45 holes of Jack Nicklaus signature designed golf with four unique course combinations ... The nine-hole North and South courses will be used for the tournament ... Joining LSU and UCF in the event are Duke, Georgia, Florida, Pepperdine, Alabama, Purdue, Vanderbilt, Miami, Kentucky, Arkansas, New Mexico, SMU and Ohio State.

## LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic

**March 16-18, 2007, Baton Rouge, La. || The University Club**

**NOTES:** Eighth time the event will be held at LSU's home course, the University Club, and it continues for the fourth straight year in the traditional March dates that gave it so much success in its earlier days at Fairwood Country Club ... 26th spring LSU Tournament ... Last year, Auburn and LSU both shot one-under 287 on the final day as Auburn edged LSU by two shots ... LSU has three wins in the Classic since it moved to the U-Club, the last in 2005 ... Largest field ever of 21 teams ... The field with LSU includes: Vanderbilt, Memphis, North Carolina, Kentucky, Furman, Alabama, Mississippi State, Louisville, Augusta State, Birmingham Southern, South Carolina, UNCW, Auburn, Ole Miss, North Carolina State, Virginia, Wake Forest, Duke, College of Charleston and Tennessee.

## Liz Murphey Intercollegiate

**March 23-25, 2007, Athens, Ga. || University of Georgia Golf Course**

**NOTES:** Long-time event that is named for the former Georgia women's golf coach and later senior women's administrator at UGA ... LSU has played in the event several times, the last in 2004-05 when the Lady Tigers posted a strong second place finish after rounds of 300-300-305 on the lengthy par 72 course ... This will be the 15th time the Lady Tigers have played in this event which was originally known as the Women's Southern Intercollegiate ... The field had not been set as of press time.

## Bryan National Collegiate

**April 6-8, 2007, Browns Summit, N.C. || Bryan Park Golf Course**

**NOTES:** Last year LSU finished far back in the pack in this tournament, but returned to the course a month later for the NCAA East Regional and shot three of the best rounds in school history, posting a six-over 870 to finish second and advance to the NCAA Division I Championship ... Tournament field, although not announced at press time, is usually strong and a good test going into post-season play.

## SEC Women's Championships

**April 20-22, 2007, West Point, Miss. || Old Waverly Golf Club**

**NOTES:** The annual league championship makes its second trip to Old Waverly, also a former site of the U.S. Women's Open and the 2006 Mid-Amateur ... Second time in three years the event is held in Mississippi ... LSU finished seventh a year ago ... LSU finished second behind Vanderbilt in the 2004 tournament held at the Baton Rouge University Club ... LSU won its only SEC Women's Championship in 1992, the first time the event was held in Baton Rouge at the Santa Maria Golf Course ... Since 1995, in the last 12 tournaments, the Tigers finished fourth or better nine times, including runnerup six times ... All the league teams participate in the event with Georgia having won 10 times in the first 25 years of the tournament, Florida claiming seven titles, Auburn six and LSU, Vanderbilt and South Carolina one each.

## NCAA Regional Tournaments

**May 11-13, 2007 || Site for LSU: University Club, Baton Rouge**

**NOTES:** There are three regional tournaments with 22 teams in each regional and the top eight will advance to the NCAA Division I Women's Championships in Daytona Beach, Fla., later in the month ... The East Regional will be held at The University Club in Baton Rouge and LSU will be seeded in that region if they qualify because the school is hosting ... Marks the third time overall that LSU has hosted a regional (1993, 2002, 2007) and second time the Regional has been held at the University Club.

## NCAA Division I Women's Championships

**May 22-25, 2007, Daytona Beach, Fla. || LPGA International**



## LADY TIGERS KNOW THE WAY TO NCAAS

No one has to tell the 2006-07 LSU Lady Tigers golf team the way to the NCAA Division I Women's Golf Championships any more.

These Lady Tigers have been there once and want to go back.

The team played some of its best golf of the season and probably some of the best golf of the program's history in the NCAA Regional, finishing second at six-over 870 after opening with back-to-back rounds of even par 288. The finish advanced LSU to the NCAA Championships at The Scarlet Course at Ohio State, the Lady Tigers first appearance as a team in the finals since 2001.

A virus that seemed to run through the team finally caught up with the Lady Tigers in the third round and LSU had to settle for a 23rd-place finish. But the experience for the five players in the lineup in May 2006 -- **Melissa Eaton, Rebecca Kuhn, Kim Meck, Alexis Rather and Caroline Martens** -- will pay dividends during the 2006-07 season as they know what it takes to get to the championships and they have played against the best collegiate golf has to offer and more times than not, held their own.

That's the formula coach **Karen Bahnsen** will be looking to carry the team as she begins her 23rd season at the helm of the LSU program. Her team, which had been called young, is now experienced as well as pre-season nationally ranked and will need to continue to get better as the year goes on. The team gets the advantage of hosting the 2007 NCAA East Regional event at the home University Club in Baton Rouge, but as the Lady Tigers found out in 2002, hosting does not necessarily mean an automatic invitation to the championships.

The talent of the team is without question, led by one of the senior halves of the South African Eaton twins, Melissa. For the second straight year she posted a stroke average at 75.0 strokes per round with three top-five finishes including a second place showing in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic when she shot a University Club women's course record of 66. She posted a five-under 211 in that tournament and also finished fifth in the women's SEC tourney.

Kuhn continues to improve and show the ability to post consistent rounds for LSU and that will be one of the keys to the season as it tries to avoid not having the fourth counting score that really helps. Kuhn averaged 76.2 for the season and posted an eighth place finish at the LSU/Cleveland event.

Meck had a strong year and a good summer on the Texas and Collegiate Players circuit. Meck averaged 76.5 for the year with a second place finish in the Chrysler Challenge in Sandestin.

While Rather's journey to the championships was hindered by the virus that knocked her out of the third round, Rather's 76.2 stroke average comes from several consistent efforts, especially late in the season. This summer again she had a strong performance at the Women's Southern Amateur, winning the first flight in easy fashion.

Martens in her freshman season finished second on the team in stroke average at 76.1 and inside that bubbly personality lays a golfer who has tons of talent showed with three top 10-finishes including an impressive fifth place finish at the NCAA East Regional.

Melissa's twin sister, **Nicola**, played in four events last year and will be available with her 77.8 average to contribute when needed. She will put heat on the other players in qualifying and has the ability to be successful in the lineup at any time.

Also on the squad will be **Heather Hoffman**, entering her second season with the team and the newest player, **Nicole Crochet**. Crochet has the potential to also be a counting part of the team after winning three high school championships.

The Lady Tigers will have a difficult schedule that will see them at some of the top events of the country, including the National Golf Coaches Association's Hooters Match Play Championship in the fall. In the spring, LSU will host the biggest field in the 26-year-history of the spring LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic and will return to the Liz Murphey Classic at Georgia before taking part in the SEC Women's Championships at Ole Waverly in West Point, Miss.

Each stop along the way will help prepare the team for what they desire -- a trip back to the NCAA Championships. For the LSU Lady Tigers, one was fun, but twice would be oh so nice.

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## Karen Bahnsen Head Coach - 23 Seasons

### The Bahnsen File

**Name:** Karen Mayson Bahnsen  
**Date of Birth:** Oct. 11, 1960  
**Husband:** David "Bo" Bahnsen, LSU Associate AD  
**Children:** Darren 17, Devin 15  
**High School:** McGill Toolen, Mobile, Ala.  
**College:** BA, LSU, 1984

### Bahnsen's Golf Achievements

<b>1979</b>	High School All-American National High School Champion
<b>1980-83</b>	Four-year letter winner at LSU, first golf signee AIWA Tournament participant, 1980-81 NCAA Tournament participant, 1982
<b>1986</b>	SEC Coach of the Year NGCA South Region Coach of the Year Team finished ninth at the NCAA Division Championships
<b>1992</b>	Team won Southeastern Conference Championships
<b>1994</b>	Member, La. Team, SE Women's Amateur Championships
<b>1995</b>	Member, La. Team, SE Women's Amateur Championships SEC Coach of the Year Winning Co-Coach, East-West All-Star NCAA Match
<b>1996</b>	Team finished eighth at the NCAA Division I Championships
<b>1997</b>	NGCA South Region Coach of the Year
<b>1998</b>	Team finished fifth at the NCAA Division I Championships
<b>1999</b>	Team finished 10th at the NCAA Division I Championships
<b>2000</b>	Team finished 10th at the NCAA Division I Championships
<b>2001</b>	Team finished 12th at the NCAA Division I Championships
<b>2006</b>	Team finished 23rd at the NCAA Division I Championships LSWA Louisiana Women's Golf Coach of the Year

If anyone had any doubts that Karen Bahnsen still had the passion and drive after all these years in coaching her LSU Lady Tigers, one just had to look at her face as the final round of the NCAA East Regional concluded.

One could see the satisfaction in her smile as she saw her team complete a journey and grow together as a team to play three almost perfect rounds of golf.

But a closer look showed the tears that come with a special moment as her team was going to return to the NCAA Division I Women's Championships for the first time since 2001. In the late 1990s, LSU was a regular participant, but when LSU missed its place in the finals for a couple of years and women's golf programs continued to improve, the question had to be how could LSU get back again?

Karen Bahnsen had the answer and the ladies who were up to the challenge. She wanted her team to play each shot as a separate event. If something bad happened, forget it and move on. Don't let it carry on for four or five holes. Most of all, she wanted her players to have fun.

It was a strategy that her team accepted to near perfection and Bahnsen knows all those players are back and it could be time for another run of LSU appearances in the championships, something Bahnsen is confident can happen.

It's her love and desire for a program she has devoted over half her life to that gives her the smiling satisfaction and the tears of joy about a program she has virtually designed from scratch.

Just think about it for a minute. How many programs are there in any sport in NCAA Division I intercollegiate athletics where the program's first recruit goes on to become the head coach of the program and stays long enough to not

only be the dean of league coaches in the sport, but also one of the longest tenured coaches in school history?

Seems like an impossibility, but when it comes to LSU women's golf, there is one special lady who can recite the history of the program from day one. Her name in 1979 when she was the first recruit and one of LSU's early stars was Karen Mayson.

As the 2006-07 season begins and her 23rd year as head coach, she's known as Karen Bahnsen. Suffice it to say, in college golf circles, she is one of the most respected individuals in the game today.

Only gymnastics coach D-D Breaux (entering her 30th year) has served as long in a women's sport head coaching position at LSU.

From first recruit, to four-year player, to student assistant to head coach it was a rapid transition from signing in 1979 to taking over as head coach prior to the 1984-85 season.

Since her arrival in 1979, the sport of women's golf has risen in talent and stature to the point that SEC championships and national championships are decided by mere strokes instead of one or two teams dominating a field. The list of stars from the SEC who have gone on to success in the sport continues to grow each and every year.

Karen Bahnsen has contributed her share of names to that list over her years as head coach. There was the nation's No. 1 player, Jenny Lidback, in the mid-1980s, who led LSU to the NCAA Championship tournament and then went on to become a major tournament winner on the LPGA tour. Also from the 1980s, came Jackie Gallagher, a steady player who has had a long career on

the women's tour.

The "Three Amigas" signaled a new era in LSU women's golf in the mid-1990s when the highly recruited trio of Ashley Winn, Michelle Louviere and Laura Moore, led LSU to a succession of NCAA appearances (including a program best fifth place finish in 1998), a No. 1 ranking and nine tournament titles. Katy Wilkinson Harris ended the 1990s with bookend All-American performances in her freshman and senior year. The 2000s opened with Shreveport's Meredith Duncan bringing LSU more national recognition by winning the United States Women's Amateur title and helping her country keep the Curtis Cup in matches with Britain and Ireland.

In 2005, senior Brooke Shelton became the fourth LSU golfer to finish in the top 10 at the NCAA Championships, finishing a strong eighth in the individual competition.

Now, the Lady Tigers are beginning to roar again as a team. A team that was struggling to hang in the top 50, is

suddenly back in the mix, advancing to the 2006 NCAA Championships. LSU has won three times as a team in the last three seasons. In 2006-07, all five of the starters from last year's NCAA team are back with a lot of experience in their swings.

So Bahnsen takes the LSU program into its 28th season with the same dogged determination she has shown throughout her days as a player and through her years as head coach. The numbers show her success: 15 All-Americans, 32 All-SEC, 28 tournament titles, 28 individual tournament titles, 10 top-three finishes in the SEC

**Twice (1986 and 1997) Bahnsen was named the National Golf Coaches Association South Region Coach of the Year, while also being named the Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year in 1986 and 1995.**

**Bahnsen's Year-by-Year Coaching Record**

Year	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Team Titles
<b>1984-85</b>	60	80	1	.441	1
<b>1985-86</b>	131	15	0	.897	5 (9th in NCAA Championships)
<b>1986-87</b>	67	45	0	.598	1
<b>1987-88</b>	94	49	1	.653	1
<b>1988-89</b>	55	60	3	.479	0
<b>1989-90</b>	86	39	4	.682	1
<b>1990-91</b>	98	28	1	.772	2
<b>1991-92</b>	73	50	0	.593	2 (SEC Champions)
<b>1992-93</b>	55	80	0	.407	0 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>1993-94</b>	61	65	1	.480	1
<b>1994-95</b>	89	59	2	.593	2 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>1995-96</b>	138	33	1	.805	3 (8th in NCAA Championships)
<b>1996-97</b>	120	31	0	.795	3 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>1997-98</b>	137	34	3	.796	1 (5th in NCAA Championships)
<b>1998-99</b>	110	62	0	.639	0 (10th in NCAA Championships)
<b>1999-2000</b>	129	38	0	.772	1 (10th in NCAA Championships)
<b>2000-01</b>	110	50	4	.683	1 (12th in NCAA Championships)
<b>2001-02</b>	89	67	1	.587	0 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>2002-03</b>	24	95	3	.209	0
<b>2003-04</b>	98	37	2	.715	1 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>2004-05</b>	118	32	2	.776	2 (NCAA Regional Participant)
<b>2005-06</b>	91	77	0	.542	0 (23rd in NCAA Championships)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2,033</b>	<b>1,154</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>.637</b>	<b>28 (1 SEC title; 7 NCAA appearances)</b>



# Head Coach Karen Bahnsen

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championships, 12 appearances in the NCAA regionals, seven appearances in the NCAA Division I championships and five top-10 finishes in those seven events.

She has coached two winners of the prestigious LPGA Diana Shore Award (Lisette Lee in 2000 and Meredith Duncan in 2002) and the 1986 College Player of the Year (Jenny Lidback). But let's talk off the course as well. There have been 54 Academic All-SEC honorees, 16 National Golf Coaches Association Academic Scholars, and last year again, the women's golf team had one of the highest GPAs for an athletic team at the school.

Throughout her years as coach and player, Bahnsen has looked at the big picture of her involvement in women's collegiate golf and life as well.

She knows nothing on the LPGA or Futures tour is guaranteed for any golfer. She knows what it is like to have a husband, a family and the need to divide time between the coaching job and the family job. Her values on balancing both are what make her a special person and a coach players want to play for.

Every year has brought new challenges and each time Bahnsen has answered the call. Every year the desire to succeed is that much greater and that is what seems to continue to light the fire of the lady who knows LSU golf inside and outside, backwards and forwards.

Bahnsen's teams learn a lot about golf during their LSU days, but they also learn a lot about the ups and downs of sports. She doesn't just go through the motions of being a coach. Bahnsen knows what the girls are going through with each shot they take and she feels their excitement and disappointments. She is there to congratulate, offer a tip

when necessary and provide the consoling hand of sympathy when things don't go the right way.

It's that style which has earned her the respect of her peers throughout the league and country.

Bahnsen came to LSU with credentials that were excellent, lettering in golf at McGill Toolen High School in Mobile, Ala. She led McGill Toolen to two state titles and in 1979 won the state individual championship and the National High School Tournament.

It seems obvious this lady was meant to be a top golfer and later a great golf coach. Bahnsen's mother was an LPGA teaching professional, a four-time Alabama state women's champ, and a Mobile Sports Hall of Fame inductee.

Bahnsen graduated from LSU in 1984 and was named the head women's golf coach at LSU prior to the 1984-85 season.

These days Bahnsen is doing what needs to be done to keep her program in

the forefront of women's college golf. She has firmly established in Baton Rouge one of the few women's golf tournaments sponsored by a major club manufacturer in the country and while the program has a very recognized and successful past, she is working hard to add new memories to the history of the program.

Bahnsen is married to LSU Associate Athletic Director David "Bo" Bahnsen. They have two children: son, Darren, 17 (a golfer for the state champion University High team in Baton Rouge), and daughter, Devin, 15.

**Bahnsen has the intelligence  
and the knowledge of the game  
and her players to mold together a team that  
constantly competes at the highest levels of  
collegiate golf.**

Bahnsen (2nd from left) and her team last spring in Hawaii.



## Allison Akin Assistant Coach



Allison Akin, a former college golfer for the University of Alabama and past tournament director for the American Junior Golf Association, has joined the LSU women's golf program as assistant golf coach.

Akin moves into the position held by Shane Warren, who served as the assistant coach for both the men's and women's golf teams last season and will serve exclusively with the men's team this year.

Akin, a native of Hope, Ark., worked for the AJGA as tournament director for 2 1/2 years before coming to LSU. There she was in charge of planning, coordinating and conducting some 25 events as the AJGA representative with the local organizing committees, handling all tournament budgeting, contracts and purchasing. She was also responsible for all tournament marking and course setup and handled tournament fund raising events that supported local grass roots junior golf programs and the AJGA Foundation.

Prior to joining the AJGA, she served as assistant coach for the men and women's golf teams at Troy in the fall of 2003.

Akin received her Bachelor of Science in sports fitness management from the University of Alabama where she was a three-year-letterman on the Tide golf team. She was a three-time member of the Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll and a seven-time Alabama Dean's List honoree.

"We are very pleased to have Allison joining our women's golf program," said LSU Coach Karen Bahnsen. "She brings a wealth of experience from the AJGA and a vast knowledge of the game and today's players, not to mention having been involved in the college game during her playing days at Alabama."

### THE AKIN FILE

**Name:** Allison Akin  
**Hometown:** Hope, Ark.  
**Date of Birth:** Feb. 10, 1980  
**College:** Alabama, 2002, Sports and Fitness Management



# Melissa Eaton

Senior • 5-4  
 Kwazulu Natal, South Africa  
 Port Shepstone High School

2006 LSWA Louisiana Player of the Year  
 2006 LSWA First-Team All-Louisiana  
 2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll  
 2005 All-SEC First Team  
 2005 LSWA First-Team All-Louisiana  
 2004 Freshman SEC Academic Honor Roll

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- Led the team in stroke average at 75.00 for 37 rounds, ironically exactly the same stroke average as her sophomore season, but for 10 more rounds.
- Equals the seventh best single season stroke average at LSU.
- Having played in all 37 possible rounds for the season, becomes the fifth golfer at LSU to play that many in a single season, joining Michelle Louviere, Laura Moore, Katy Harris and Ashley Winn in the 1997-98 season.
- Career stroke average for 91 rounds in three seasons at LSU of 75.66 ranks her third all-time behind only U.S. Women's Amateur Champion Meredith Duncan (75.01, 1999-02) and All-American Katy Harris (75.48, 1998-01).
- Had three top-10 finishes to up her career total to eight -- fifth in the Central District Invitational (74-76-73 -- 223), second in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic (73-66-72, 211) and for the second straight year, a tie for fifth at SEC Women's Golf Championships (76-76-68 -- 220).
- Six-under 66 in the second round at the LSU University Club Course in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic marked the second lowest round in school history.
- Tied for 20th in the NCAA East Regional with a four-over 220 (70-76-74).
- Just three rounds in the 80s this season and 34 rounds counted towards the team score.
- Won the Collegiate Players Tour stop at Pelican Point in Gonzales with a dominating performance that included a women's competitive course record of 65 and a 54-hole total of 12-under 204.

## 2004-05 (SOPHOMORE SEASON)

- Second on the team in stroke average at 75.00 for 27 rounds, after averaging 73.75 for the 12 rounds in the fall.
- Dropped scoring average over two strokes from 77.26 in her freshman year to 75.00.
- Four top 10s -- tie 10th at Mercedes-Benz Championships (74-73-75 -- 222); tie 5th at SEC/ACC Challenge (73-69-73 -- 215); tie 9th at Lady Gamecock Classic (79-76-81 -- 236); and tie fifth at SEC Women's Championships (77-73-75 -- 225).
- 69 in second round at SEC/ACC Challenge.
- Team best 24.5 of 27 rounds counted for team score (90.7%) and 25 of 27 rounds in the 70s.

## 2003-04 (FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Played in nine tournaments, 27 rounds, averaging 77.26.
- Had one top ten, finishing in a tie for sixth in the Central District Tournament (75-75-75 - 225), helping LSU to a team victory.
- Had two other top-20 finishes, finishing 17th in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic and 20th in the Lady Gamecock Classic.
- Had low round of 71 in the middle round of the Furman Lady Paladin.

## PRIOR TO LSU

- Participated in hockey, swimming and tennis, besides golf at the Port Shepstone High School.
- Began playing golf at the age of 12.
- In December 2000, both Melissa and her sister were invited to join the Ernie Els Foundation, a non-profit organization started by the South African PGA star to help develop junior golfers through 2003.
- In 2001, Melissa was selected to represent the South African Golf Foundation in the Junior Dutch International event, placing sixth.
- Ranked 10th in the South African Ladies Order of Merit and second in the Kwazulu Natal order of merit in 2001 and 2002.
- Represented the Kwazulu Natal Ladies team in 2000-03. In 2002, won 72-hole team champs and South African Interprovincial.
- Tied with twin sister, Nicola, in the 2002 KZN junior championships at Royal Durban with a score of 147.
- Sportswoman of the Year in 2001 for Port Shepstone Country Club.
- Golf coach Derek James and mom, Colleen.

## PERSONAL

- Full name is Melissa Jane Eaton
- Born on Jan. 15, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are Terence and Colleen Eaton
- Major at LSU: Business Administration



## EATON'S COLLEGIATE FINISHES

### 2005-06

Cougar Classic	78-74-74 -- 226	t35th
Lady Tar Heel	80-74-75 -- 229	t32nd
Chrysler Challenge	81-75-73 -- 229	t17th
Auburn "The Derby"	79-79-77 -- 235	t57th
Central District Invitational	74-76-73 -- 223	5th
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	73-66-72 -- 211	2nd
Dr. Donniss Thompson Invitational	75-81-74 -- 230	t26th
Bryan National Collegiate	79-75-73 -- 227	t30th
SEC Women's Championships	76-76-68 -- 220	t5th
Lady Buckeye Spring Invite	71-75-76 -- 222	t17th
NCAA East Regional	70-76-74 -- 220	t20th
NCAA Division I Championships	75-78-76-73 -- 302	t53rd
<b>Totals</b>	<b>37 rounds -- 75.00 avg.</b>	

### 2004-05

Cougar Classic	74-74-75 -- 223	t6
Mason Rudolph Championships	72-81-72 -- 225	t33
Mercedes-Benz Championships	73-74-75 -- 222	t10
SEC/ACC Challenge	73-69-73 -- 215	t5
Lady Gamecock Challenge	79-76-81 -- 236	t9
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	78-73-72 -- 223	t13
Liz Murphey Collegiate	78-76-77 -- 231	t35
SEC Women's Championships	77-73-75 -- 225	t5
NCAA Central Regional	73-78-74 -- 225	t13
<b>Total</b>	<b>27 rounds -- 75.00 avg.</b>	

### 2003-04

Price's Give Em 5 Intercollegiate	82-73-72 - 227	t22
Mercedes-Benz Championships	75-78-84 - 237	t65
Furman Lady Paladin	82-71-79 - 232	t33
Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic	78-76-91 - 245	t28
Central District Tournament	75-75-75 - 225	t6
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	72-80-77 - 229	t17
Lady Gamecock Classic	79-75-80 - 234	20
SEC Women's Championships	76-75-78 - 229	t39
NCAA East Women's Regional	80-75-73 - 228	t24
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27 rounds - 77.26 avg.</b>	

### CAREER RECORDS

ROUNDS:	91
STROKES:	6,885
AVERAGE:	75.66
ROUNDS OF PAR OR UNDER:	13
LOW ROUND:	66, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, 2nd round
LOW TOURNAMENT (54 HOLES):	211, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic
TOP 10 FINISHES:	8
BEST FINISH:	2nd, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic





# Nicola Eaton

Senior • 5-4  
Kwazulu Natal, South Africa  
Port Shepstone High School

2005 SEC Academic Honor Roll  
2004 Freshman SEC Academic Honor Roll

## 2005-06 (JUNIOR SEASON)

- Played in four events, the Cougar Classic, Lady Tar Heel, Chrysler Challenge and the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic.
- Averaged 77.8 for the season.
- Career average for 36 rounds is 77.69.
- Best round of the year was a 75 in the final round of the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic and best tournament finish was a tie for 31st at the Chrysler Challenge.

## 2004-05 (SOPHOMORE SEASON)

- Saw action in three tournaments, averaging 77.44.
- Best finish was a tie for 19th in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club (74-77-74 -- 225).
- Also participated in the Mercedes-Benz Championship in the fall and on the team for the spring-opening Central District Invitational.
- Four of six rounds counted for team score and had 7 of 9 rounds in the 70s.

## 2003-04 (FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Made her debut, joining her twin sister in the spring portion of the season, helping the Tigers to a victory in the Central District Tournament, in her first start.
- Played in five of the six spring events, 15 rounds, averaging 77.73, fourth on the team.
- Best finish was the opening Central District event, finishing in a tie for 13th (73-77-78 - 228).
- Finished in a tie for 18th in SEC Women's Championships in Baton Rouge, closing with a season-best round of two-under 70.
- 10.7 of 15 rounds counted for team score (63.67%)

## PRIOR TO LSU

- Participated in hockey, swimming and tennis, besides golf at the Port Shepstone High School.
- Began playing golf at the age of 12.
- In December 2000, both Nicola and her sister were invited to join the Ernie Els Foundation, a non-profit organization started by the South African PGA star to help develop junior golfers through 2003.
- Third in the Kwazulu Ladies Amateur, 18th in the South African Ladies Order of Merit.
- Tied with sister, Melissa, in 2002 KZN junior championships at Royal Durban with a score of 147.
- \* Golf coach Derek James and mom, Colleen.

## PERSONAL

- Full name is Nicola Amy Eaton
- Born on Jan. 15, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are Terence and Colleen Eaton
- Major at LSU: Business Administration



**EATON'S COLLEGIATE FINISHES**

**2005-06**

Cougar Classic	78-80-70 -- 228	t42
Lady Tar Heel	76-76-80 -- 232	t41
Chrysler Challenge	82-77-81 -- 240	t31
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	80-79-75 -- 234	t61
<b>Total</b>	<b>12 rounds -- 77.80 avg.</b>	

**2004-05**

Mercedes-Benz Championship	77-77-75 -- 229	t39
Central District Invitational	83-84-76 -- 243	t67
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	74-77-74 -- 225	t19
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9 rounds -- 77.44 avg.</b>	

**2003-04**

Central District Tournament	73-77-78 - 228	t13
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	79-77-76 - 232	t23
Lady Gamecock Classic	79-86-82 - 247	t48
SEC Women's Championships	73-80-70 - 223	t18
NCAA East Women's Regional	80-75-81 - 236	t48
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15 rounds -- 77.73</b>	

**CAREER RECORDS**

ROUNDS:	36
STROKES:	2,797
AVERAGE:	77.69
ROUNDS OF PAR OR UNDER:	1
LOW ROUND:	70, 2004 SEC Women's Championships, 3rd round
LOW TOURNAMENT (54 HOLES):	223, 2004 SEC Women's Championships
TOP 10 FINISHES:	0
BEST FINISH:	t13, 2004 Central District Tournament



# Heather Hoffman

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# Heather Hoffman

Sophomore • 5-9  
 Kingwood, Texas  
 Kingwood High School

2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll

### 2005-06 (FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Made her collegiate debut in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic posting rounds of 86-87-92 -- 265.

### 2004-05 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Did not participate in any tournaments.

### PRIOR TO LSU

- Two-year MVP, 2001 District Champ, 2004 District Champion (71-71, career low), four-year all-region.
- National Honor Society
- Home Golf Course is Kingwood Country Club
- 4.00 GPA

### PERSONAL

- Born on Oct. 15, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are Lande and Jeanne Hoffman ... One sister, Elizabeth, who played golf at Ole Miss and two brothers, Jonathan and Justin.



### COLLEGIATE FINISHES

#### 2005-06

LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic      86-87-92 -- 265      98

#### CAREER RECORDS

ROUNDS:	3
STROKES:	265
AVERAGE:	88.30
LOW ROUND:	86, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, 1st round
LOW TOURNAMENT (54 HOLES):	265, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic
BEST FINISH:	98th, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic

# Caroline Martens

Sophomore • 5-10  
Oslo, Norway  
Norgos Toppidrelts Gymnas School



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2006 LSWA Freshman of the Year

### FRESHMAN SEASON (2005-06)

- Played in 28 rounds, averaging 76.10 strokes per round, second on the team in stroke average.
- Moved into the lineup after just one appearance in the fall and stepped up with some impressive first-year performances.
- Finished eighth with a two-over 218 (75-71-72) performance in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic and one week later was ninth in Honolulu at the Dr. Thompson Invitational with a 10-over 223 (73-78-72).
- Was instrumental in LSU's second-place finish in the NCAA East Regional, finishing in solo fifth at two-under 214 (73-68-73).
- Only five rounds in the 80s and only two in the last 22 rounds of the season.
- 22 of 28 rounds counted for team score.

### PRIOR TO LSU

- Golfer of the Year in Norway, 2003
- Won Norway's Junior Championship at the age of 12.
- At school, also was involved in ballet, snowboarding and swimming.

### PERSONAL

- Born on Dec. 27, 1986
- Right-handed
- Parents are Vidar and Ingrid Martens Larsen
- One younger brother: Casper
- Chose LSU, "because of the great facilities, team and coaches."
- Favorite professional golfers are Ernie Els and Tiger Woods.

### COLLEGIATE FINISHES

#### 2005-06

Lady Tar Heels	82-76-81 -- 239	t74
Central District Invitational	77-76-80 -- 233	t33
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	75-71-72 -- 218	8
Dr. Donnis Thompson Invitational	73-78-72 -- 223	9
Bryan National Collegiate	78-83-76 -- 237	t65
SEC Women's Championships	73-77-79 -- 228	t30
Lady Buckeye Spring Invite	75-77-73 - 225	t29
NCAA East Regional	73-68-73 -- 214	5
NCAA Division I Championships	75-78-84-78 -- 315	t98
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27 rounds -- 76.10 avg.</b>	



### CAREER RECORDS

ROUNDS:	28
STROKES:	2,132
AVERAGE:	76.10
ROUNDS OF PAR OR UNDER:	4
LOW ROUND:	71, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, 2nd round
LOW TOURNAMENT:	214, 2006 NCAA East Regional
TOP 10 FINISHES:	3
BEST FINISH:	5th, 2006 NCAA East Regional



## Rebecca Kuhn

Junior • 5-2  
Miami, Fla.  
Miami Palmetto High School

2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll  
2005 Second-Team All-SEC  
2005 Freshman SEC Academic Honor Roll

### 2005-06 (SOPHOMORE SEASON)

- Finished the year with a 76.20 stroke average, tied for third best on the team.
- Best finish was a tie for eighth at the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, finishing at two-over 218 (72-75-71), giving her three career top-10 finishes.
- Was seven-over (72-75-76 -- 223) at the Lady Buckeye Invitational (tied for 21st) and tied for 20th at the NCAA East Regional a with four-over 220 (71-71-78). Also tied for 21st at the Chrysler Challenge (74-77-81 -- 232) and Auburn "The Derby" (75-78-73 -- 226).
- Averaging 75.98 for her two-year career, 64 rounds.
- 29 rounds of 34 in the 70s, 28 rounds counting for team score.
- 34 rounds played equals 10th most by a player for LSU in a single season.

### 2004-05 (FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Third-best average of the season at 75.70, appearing in all 10 tournaments (30 rounds).
- Finished as the runner-up in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club, shooting rounds of 72-70-72 for a two-under 214.
- Other top-10 finish came in the Lady Gamecock Classic, in poor weather conditions, shooting 76-80-77 -- 233, to tie for fifth.
- Four other top-20 finishes.
- 26 of 30 rounds in the 70s -- 24.5 rounds counted towards the team score.

### PRIOR TO LSU

- Lettered for four years for coach Dan Pabalate at Miami Palmetto.
- Team won three District championships, three regionals.
- MVP of the team, 2000-04. Ranked 33rd nationally in GolfWeek in 2003.
- All-Dade Girl Player of the Year, 2002-04. 2002 All-American.
- Advanced to match play in the 2003 USGA Girls Juniors.
- Third in the 2002 FCWT National Championship, shooting 68 on the Doral Red Course.

### PERSONAL

- Full name is Rebecca Sara Kuhn.
- Born on Dec. 31, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are James and Rhonda Kuhn, one sister, Jamie
- Chose LSU because it "has everything I have ever looked for in a college."
- Favorite golfer is Annika Sorenstam.



## KUHN'S COLLEGIATE FINISHES

### 2005-06

Cougar Classic	77-77-75 -- 229	t48
Lady Tar Heel	78-72-78 -- 228	t28
Chrysler Challenge	74-77-81 -- 232	t21
Auburn "The Derby"	75-78-73 -- 226	t21
LSU/Cleveland Classic	72-75-71 -- 218	8th
Dr. Donnis Thompson Invitational	74-79-73 -- 226	t15th
Bryan National Collegiate	78-86-82 -- 246	t86th
SEC Women's Golf Championships	83-72-80 -- 235	t47th
Lady Buckeye Spring Invite	72-75-76 -- 223	t21st
NCAA East Regional	71-71-78 -- 220	t20th
NCAA Division I Championships	73-76-81-77 -- 307	t66
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34 rounds -- 76.20 avg.</b>	

### 2004-05

Cougar Classic	73-74-73 -- 220	t3
Mason Rudolph Championships	75-75-76 -- 226	t38
Mercedes-Benz Championships	78-78-75 -- 231	t43
SEC/ACC Challenge	74-76-74 -- 224	t28
Central District Tournament	76-75-74 -- 225	t19
Lady Gamecock Classic	76-80-77 -- 233	t5
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	72-70-72 -- 214	2
Liz Murphey Collegiate	74-72-82 -- 228	t20
SEC Women's Championships	78-71-80 -- 229	t19
NCAA Central Regional	77-86-78 -- 241	t91
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30 rounds -- 75.70 avg.</b>	

### CAREER RECORDS

ROUNDS:	64
STROKES:	4,861
AVERAGE:	75.97
ROUNDS OF PAR OR UNDER:	12
LOW ROUND:	70, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Challenge, 2nd round
LOW TOURNAMENT:	214, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Challenge
TOP 10 FINISHES:	3
BEST FINISH:	2nd, 2005 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic





## Kim Meck

Junior • 5-3  
Austin, Texas  
Westwood High School

2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll  
2005 Freshman SEC Academic Honor Roll

### 2005-06 (SOPHOMORE SEASON)

- Participated in 34 rounds this season, averaging 76.50 strokes per round.
- Best finish was as runner-up in the Chrysler Challenge at Sandestin, posting an eight-over 221 (74-74-73, par 71 course), second top-10 finish of her career.
- 15th in the opening Cougar Classic with a five-over 221 (73-73-75).
- Came up big in the NCAA East Regional final round with a team-best even par 72; Finished T26 with a five-over 221 (74-75-72).
- 27 of 34 rounds in the 70s, 25 rounds counted for the team score.
- Low round of 71 on final day of LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic.
- Career stroke average after two seasons is 76.61
- During the summer, won an Austin, Texas, stop on the Collegiate Players Tour and was fourth in the Texas Women's Open.

### 2004-05 (FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Participated in nine tournaments in her first year at LSU including all six events in the spring portion of the year.
- Averaged 76.78 for the 27 rounds.
- Had best tournament in first appearance in the SEC Championships, finishing in a tie for seventh at 10-over 226 (73-75-78) ... Next best finish was a tie for 13th at the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic at the University Club (73-74-76).
- Had four best rounds of 73 and 22 of 27 rounds in the 70s.
- 18 of 27 rounds counted for team score.
- Averaged a team best 75.11 in the first round of tournaments.

### PRIOR TO LSU

- Lettered four years for coach Brent Pool at Westwood High School.
- Four-year honor roll student at Westwood, 4.0 GPA for four years straight.
- Member of the school all-district team, the Texas Junior Golf Tour all-star team, the regional and all-state high school golf teams and a Callaway Junior All-Star team member.
- Won every regular season tournament as a senior, never posting a round over par. Won district with 71-67, lost in playoff for top class Texas state high school championship.
- Started college career at No. 29 in the GolfWeek Performance Rankings.
- Won a Collegiate Players Tour event in Austin with rounds of 72-74-70.
- Also played soccer, volleyball, and basketball.

### PERSONAL

- Born on July 10, 1986.
- Right-handed.
- Parents are Larry and Sheila Meck.
- Chose LSU because of "the coach and the location of the school."
- Favorite professional golfer: Annika Sorenstam.



## MECK'S COLLEGIATE FINISHES

### 2005-06

Cougar Classic	73-73-75 -- 221	t15
Lady Tar Heel	82-77-77 -- 236	t59
Chrysler Challenge	74-74-73 -- 221	2
Auburn "The Derby"	75-79-77 -- 231	t44
Central District Invitational	78-81-77 -- 236	t49
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	80-76-71 -- 227	t30
Bryan National Collegiate	79-84-76 -- 239	t73
SEC Women's Championships	82-79-73 -- 234	46
Lady Buckeye Spring Invite	75-73-80 -- 228	t43
NCAA East Regional	74-75-72 -- 221	t26
NCAA Division I Championships	75-75-78-78 -- 306	t64
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34 rounds -- 76.5 avg.</b>	

### 2004-05

Cougar Classic	73-79-80 -- 232	t48
Mason Rudolph Championship	76-83-80 -- 239	t83
SEC/ACC Challenge	74-75-74 -- 223	t23
Central District Invitational	76-73-76 -- 228	t19
Lady Gamecock Classic	76-80-87 -- 243	t27
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	73-74-76 -- 223	t13
Liz Murphey Collegiate	76-77-77 -- 230	t31
SEC Women's Championships	73-75-78 -- 226	t7
NCAA Central Regional	79-77-76 -- 232	t49
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27 rounds -- 76.78 avg.</b>	

### CAREER RECORDS

ROUNDS:	61
STROKES:	4,673
AVERAGE:	76.61
ROUNDS OF PAR OR UNDER:	2
LOW ROUND:	71, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, 3rd round
LOW TOURNAMENT (54 HOLES):	221, 2005 Cougar Classic 221, 2005 Chrysler Challenge 221, 2006 NCAA East Regional
TOP 10 FINISHES:	2
BEST FINISH:	2nd, 2005 Chrysler Challenge



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# Alexis Rather

Junior • 5-2  
Tupelo, Miss.  
Tupelo High School

2006 LSWA First-Team All-Louisiana  
2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll  
2005 SEC Academic Honor Roll  
2004 Freshman SEC Academic Honor Roll

## 2005-06 (SOPHOMORE SEASON)

- After sitting out a season, returned to play in all but one tournament, 33 rounds and averaged 76.20 strokes per round.
- Despite battling the effects of a sprained ankle during the latter part of the season, came up with some nice counting rounds for LSU, including an even par 72 in the first round of the SECs and rounds of 75-75-74 (seven over) in the NCAA East Regional that got LSU to the Division I Championships.
- Had another consistent tournament in the LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic, with a five-over (74-73-74) 221, good enough for 13th place.
- Was 10th at the Chrysler Challenge in the fall at 14-over 227 (77-73-77), the third top 10 of her career.
- 29 rounds in the 70s including a streak of 11 straight late in the season, and in the 70s in every first and final rounds of each tournament. Streak was stopped as she played sick in the second round of the NCAAs.
- Again did well in the Southern Amateur, winning the first flight championship bracket.

## 2004-05 (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE SEASON)

- Did not play any events during the season, but was redshirted leaving her with three years of eligibility.
- Did play in several of the summer tournaments, most notably making the semifinals of the championship flight in the Southern Amateur.

## 2003-04 (FRESHMAN SEASON)

- Played in all 10 events in her LSU debut season, 29 rounds, finishing with a stroke average of 77.93.
- Averaged 76.54 in the four fall tournaments, second best on the team behind Brooke Shelton.
- Had two eighth-place finishes during the year - a tie for eighth at the opening UA-Ann Rhoads Intercollegiate (77-77 - 154); and, a solo eighth at the Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic (76-78-79 -- 233).
- First round of 73 at Central District Tournament was her low for the season.
- 24.5 of 29 rounds counted for the LSU team score (84.48%).

## PRIOR TO LSU

- Also played one year of point guard for the high school basketball team.
- Four-year letter winner in golf for coach Bruce Pugh.
- All-District in 2001, All-Region in 2002 and 2003.
- Five Southeastern Junior Tour victories. Qualified for the 2003 U. S. Team for the Aaron Baddeley Junior World Championships in Fiji.
- Sixth in the Mississippi State Women's Amateur.
- Twice runner-up in the Mississippi State Tournament (boys and girls combined).
- Winner of the Southeastern Junior Golf Tour Sportsmanship Award.
- National Honor Society member, Rotary Leader, Rotary Scholarship winner.

## PERSONAL

- Full name is Alexis Jane Rather
- Born on March 2, 1985
- Right-handed
- Parents are David and Jane Rather. One sister: Kate
- Home course, Pontotoc Country Club and Golf Club of Big Oaks
- Major at LSU: Communications



## RATHER'S COLLEGIATE FINISHES

### 2005-06

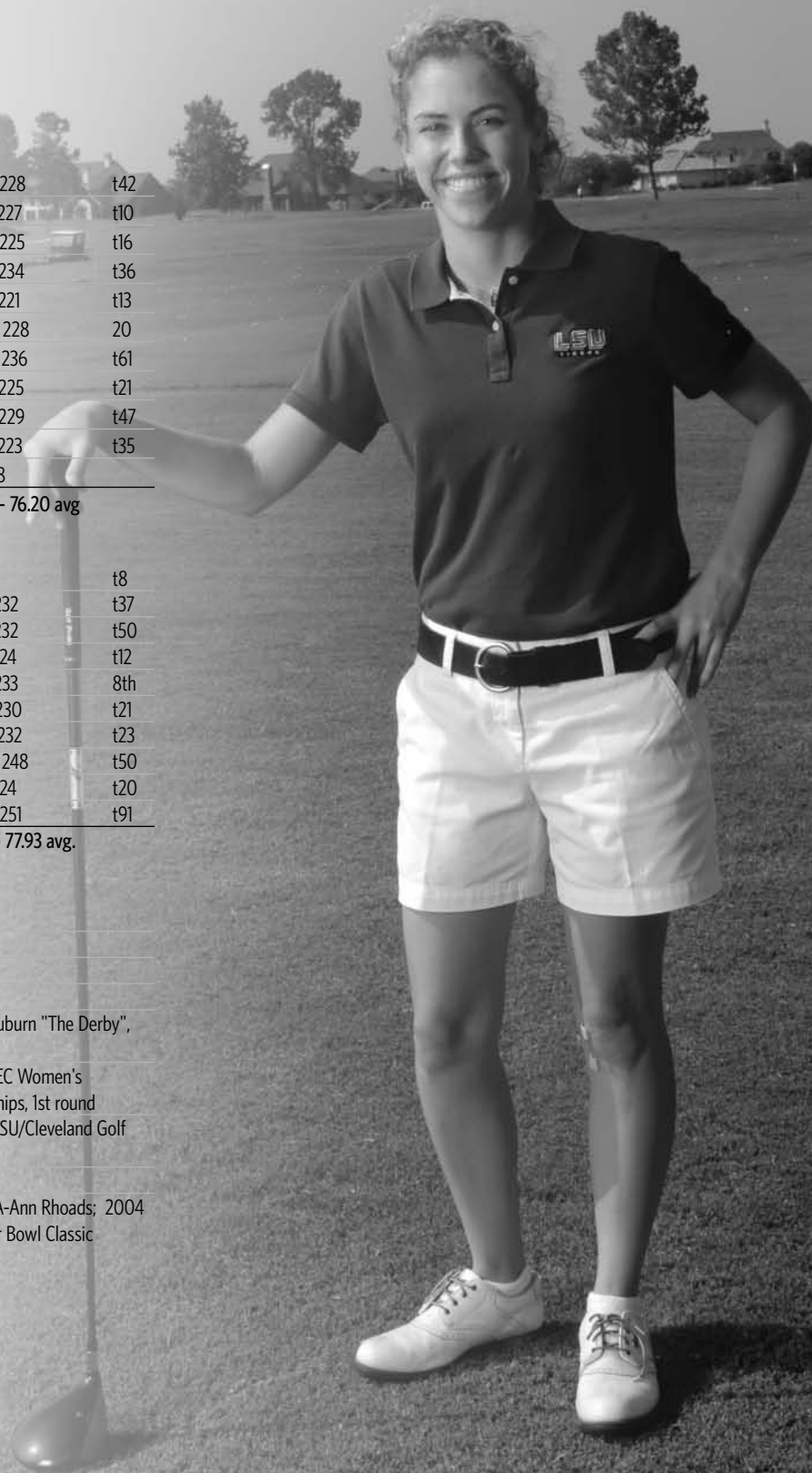
Cougar Classic	79-73-76 -- 228	t42
Chrysler Challenge	77-73-77 -- 227	t10
Auburn "The Derby"	79-74-72 -- 225	t16
Central District Invitational	75-81-78 -- 234	t36
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	74-73-74 -- 221	t13
Dr. Donnis Thompson Invitational	73-80-75 -- 228	20
Bryan National Collegiate	79-82-75 -- 236	t61
SEC Women's Championships	72-75-78 -- 225	t21
Lady Buckeye Spring Invite	75-78-76 -- 229	t47
NCAA East Regional	74-74-75 -- 223	t35
NCAA Division I Championships	78-81-wd-78	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>33 rounds -- 76.20 avg</b>	

### 2003-04

UA-Ann Rhoads Intercollegiate	77-77 - 154	t8
Price's Give Em 5 Intercollegiate	75-78-79 - 232	t37
Mercedes-Benz Championships	75-78-79 - 232	t50
Furman Lady Paladin	75-75-74 - 224	t12
Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic	76-78-79 - 233	8th
Central District Tournament	73-75-82 - 230	t21
LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic	76-80-76 - 232	t23
Lady Gamecock Classic	86-82-80 - 248	t50
SEC Women's Championships	75-75-74 - 224	t20
NCAA East Women's Regional	79-89-83 - 251	t91
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29 rounds - 77.93 avg.</b>	

### CAREER RECORDS

ROUNDS:	62
STROKES:	4,773
AVERAGE:	76.90
ROUNDS OF PAR OR UNDER:	2
LOW ROUND:	72, 2005 Auburn "The Derby", 3rd round 72, 2006 SEC Women's Championships, 1st round
LOW TOURNAMENT (54 HOLES):	221, 2006 LSU/Cleveland Golf Classic
TOP 10 FINISHES:	3
BEST FINISH:	t8, 2003 UA-Ann Rhoads; 2004 Nokia Sugar Bowl Classic



# Nicole Crochet

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## Nicole Crochet

Freshman • 5-2

Harahan, La.

Mount Carmel High School

### Prior to LSU

- Mount Carmel with Crochet on it has had great success in Louisiana High School Athletic Association competition
- Mt. Carmel won the state girls top division golf championship all four years (2003, 2004, 2005, 2006)
- In those four years, Crochet was the individual champion in 2003, 2004, and 2005 before finishing second in 2006
- Second in the 2006 Arrowhead Junior Golf Tour championship event, after winning in 2005
- Tour point leader
- Golf Team MVP three times
- Outstanding spring athlete in 2004 and 2005.

### Personal

- Born on Jan. 11, 1988 in Metairie
- Full name is Nicole Marie Crochet
- Parents are Lloyd and Marie Crochet
- Three older sisters -- Raquel, Michelle, Jeanne
- Father and two of her sisters have already graduated from LSU.

