



AIR FORCE GOLF

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AT TURTLE BAY RESORT COLLEGE INVITATIONAL

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TURTLE BAY RESORT (ARNOLD PALMER/GEORGE FAZIO COURSE) • KAHUKU, HAWAII

THIS WEEK...

The Air Force golf team wraps up its fall season at the Turtle Bay Resort College Invitational in Kahuku, Hawaii, Nov. 2-4. The first two rounds will be held at the par-72, 7,218-yard Arnold Palmer Course, while the final round will take place on the par-72, 6,535-yard George Fazio Course.

The 54-hole tournament will be spread out over three days, with one round played each day. Opening tee times will begin at 7:30 each morning. Live results for the tournament will be available at golfstats.com.

LAST TIME OUT...

The Air Force golf team placed 15th at the Herb Wimberly Intercollegiate Oct. 26-27, compiling a three-round score of 874.

Senior **Tom Whitney** led the way for the Falcons, tying for 24th overall with a three-round score of 213 (E). Meanwhile, freshman **Andrew Hoops** was next in the individual standings for the Falcons, tying for 34th place at 215 (+2).

AIR FORCE HEAD COACH GEORGE KOURY...

Air Force head coach George Koury is currently in his eighth season at the helm of the Falcons' golf program. After serving three seasons as an assistant under legendary coach Gene Miranda, Koury took over the program at the start of the 2002-03 season.

Koury, a 1993 Academy graduate and for-

mer team captain and MVP, has helped the Falcons continue their dominance at the Service Academy Golf Classic, winning 13 straight titles at the event. In addition, he helped lead Air Force to the team title at the 2005 Falcon Invitational, marking the first time since the inaugural event in 1969 that the team won its own tournament outright.

THE FIELD...

The field for this week's tournament includes 11 teams, including two foreign teams. The complete field, with *Golfweek*/Sagarin rankings in parentheses, follows:

- Air Force (137)**
- British Columbia [Canada]
- BYU-Hawaii
- Georgia State (120)
- Hawaii
- Illinois (3)
- Long Beach State (115)
- New Mexico State (102)
- Osaka Gakuin [Japan]
- San Diego State (31)
- Santa Clara (89)

IN THE RANKINGS...

According to the latest *Golfweek*/Sagarin ratings (updated Oct. 29), senior **Tom Whitney** ranks among the top 150 individuals in college golf, coming in at No. 139.

Meanwhile, his season stroke average of 70.83 is the best in the Mountain West Conference.

IN THE RECORD BOOKS...

With his performance in the first two tournaments of the season, senior **Tom Whitney** added a pair of entries into the Air Force record books. His score of 210 at the Tucker Invitational currently ranks tied for the 11th-lowest individual tournament score in school history, while his score of 211 at the Falcon Invitational is tied for 17th-lowest.

Whitney now owns 11 of the 28 lowest individual scores in Air Force history—the second-most represented name on the list is 2007 graduate Tyler Goulding with five. In addition, Whitney has fired a 214 or lower in a 54-hole tournament 17 times, surpassing Goulding's mark of 13.

In addition, following his performance at the Service Academy Golf Classic, Whitney also now posted a top-three finish eight times in his career, the second-most top-three finishes in school history. Ben Leestma, a 2002 graduate, holds the Academy record for most career top-three finishes with nine, including seven individual titles.

Meanwhile, junior **Kyle Bailey** added an entry to the Academy record books as well with his performance at the SAGC. His three-round total of 211 is tied for 17th-lowest in school history, while he also added the first tournament win of his career and second top-

2009-10 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Outcome	Date	Opponent	Time/Outcome
9/11-12	Tucker Invitational	14th/908	2/15-16	UTSA Oak Hills Invitational	All Day
9/19-20	Falcon Invitational	76th/866	2/22-23	Rebath Snowman Getaway	All Day
10/5-6	Service Academy Golf Classic	1st/1093	3/5-6	Border Olympics	All Day
10/26-27	Herb Wimberly Intercollegiate	15th/874	3/15-16	Triumph at Pauma Valley	All Day
11/2-4	Turtle Bay Resort College Invitational	All Day	3/25-26	Barona Collegiate Cup	All Day
			4/5-6	Cowboy Classic	All Day
			4/23-24	PING Cougar Classic	All Day
			5/6-8	MWC Championship	All Day

This week's tournament in **bold**
Home Tournaments in *italics*

three showing. In addition, sophomore **Robert Belz** finished in the top three of an event for the first time in his career, placing third at the SAGC with a score of 219.

As a team, Air Force shot 866 at the Falcon Invitational, a mark which ranks as the seventh-lowest team tournament score in school history. In addition, it is the team's second-lowest score ever at the event. The Falcons also fired an 874 at the Herb Wimberly Intercollegiate, a mark which ranks as the 15th-lowest team tournament score in school history.

FINISHING FIRST...

Junior **Kyle Bailey** captured the first medalist honors of his career at the Service Academy Golf Classic, winning the event with a three-round score of 211 (-5). Prior to the event, Bailey's best tournament finish was a tie for third place at the 2008 Ron Moore Fall Invitational.

AIR FORCE ATHLETE OF THE WEEK...

Junior **Kyle Bailey** was named the Air Force Athlete of the Week on Oct. 12 for his performance at the Service Academy Golf Classic, held Oct. 5-6. Bailey captured the first medalist honors of his career at the SAGC, winning the event with a three-round score of 211 (-5). His second-round 65 was a career low and the best by an Air Force golfer this season.

Paced by Bailey's victory, the Falcons, who took the top three spots in the individual standings, claimed their 13th-straight team victory in the 15-year history of the event, defeating Army, Navy and the Merchant Marines.

MWC GOLFER OF THE MONTH...

Senior **Tom Whitney** was named the MWC Men's Co-Golfer of the Month for his performance during the month of September.

Whitney recorded a pair of top-three finishes in his first two events of the season, tying for third at both the William H. Tucker Invitational and the Gene Miranda Falcon Invitational. He carded a 210 (-6) at the Tucker Invitational, followed by a 211 (-5) at the Falcon Invitational. Both scores rank among the lowest 25 individual tournament scores in school history.

In addition, Whitney shot at or below par in five of six rounds, and ranked second in the league with a 70.2 stroke average.

A BUSY SUMMER FOR WHITNEY...

Senior **Tom Whitney** had a rather busy summer, competing in numerous tournaments from June through August. In addition to participating in the Colorado Open, Whitney qualified for a pair of USGA championship events, competing in both the U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship and the U.S. Amateur. Whitney, who owns school records for lowest 18-hole, 36-hole and 54-hole tournament scores and represented the Falcons at the NCAA South Central Regional in May, advanced to the second round of match play at the U.S. Publincs during his first career USGA championship.

UP NEXT...

The Falcons will open up the spring season Feb. 15-16 at the UTSA Oak Hills Invitational, hosted by UT San Antonio.

2009-10 ROSTER

PLAYER	YR.	HOMETOWN
Kyle Bailey	Jr.	Austin, Texas (Westwood)
Robert Belz	So.	San Antonio, Texas (Health Careers)
Mark Boyer	So.	Hershey, Pa. (Hershey)
Travis Deckert	So.	Wichita, Kan. (Wichita Heights)
Wes Denny	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio (Sycamore)
Tyler Downing	Fr.	Sturgis, Mich. (Sturgis)
Peter Guzowski	Sr.	Tiffin, Ohio (Tiffin Columbian)
Andrew Hoops	Fr.	Highland, Calif. (Redlands East Valley)
Alex Horrell	Sr.	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Pinnacle)
Brian Hwang	Fr.	Irvine, Calif. (Northwood)
Daniel Katz	Fr.	Encino, Calif. (Westlake-Harvard)
Caleb Leestma	So.	Seabrook, Texas (Homeschooled)
Aaron White	Jr.	Hereford, Texas (Hereford)
Tom Whitney	Sr.	La Quinta, Calif. (La Quinta)

Coach: George Koury (Eighth season)

Asst. Coach: Capt. Daniel Visosky (Second season)

Student Coach: Josh McFarland

Team Results

Date	Tournament	Location	Finish	Scores
9/11-12	Tucker Invitational	Albuquerque, N.M. (par 72)	14th of 17	298+302+308=908(+44)
9/19-20	Falcon Invitational	USAFA, Colo. (par 72)	T6th of 19	290+284+292=866 (+2)
10/5-6	Service Academy Golf Classic	Andrews AFB, Md. (par 72)	1st of 4	370+361+362=1093 (+13)
10/26-27	Herb Wimberly Intercollegiate	Las Cruces, N.M. (par 71)	15th of 17	295+279+300=874 (+22)

Individual Results

Kyle Bailey (Jr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	79-74-73=226	+10	t71st/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	75-65-71=211	-5	1st/27
Herb Wimberly Inter.	10/26-27/2009	3	74-73-79=226	+13	t82nd/93
SEASON TOTALS		9	663 Avg. 73.7	+2	-

Robert Belz (So.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Tucker Invitational	9/11-12/2009	3	76-78-81=235	+19	t90th/104
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	70-70-79=219	+3	t29th/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	75-75-69=219	+3	3rd/27
Herb Wimberly Inter.	10/26-27/2009	3	76-70-75=221	+8	t59th/93
SEASON TOTALS		12	894 Avg. 74.5	+3	-

Mark Boyer (So.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	70-81-73=224	+8	t56th/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	79-72-80=231	+15	15th/27
SEASON TOTALS		6	455 Avg. 75.8	+4	-

Travis Deckert (So.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Tucker Invitational	9/11-12/2009	3	77-82-78=237	+21	t94th/104
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	72-72-73=217	+1	t20th/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	74-75-79=228	+12	t12th/27
Herb Wimberly Inter.	10/26-27/2009	3	77-74-78=229	+16	t88th/93
SEASON TOTALS		12	911 Avg. 75.9	+4	-

Wes Denny (Fr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Tucker Invitational	9/11-12/2009	3	76-83-83=242	+26	t102nd/104
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	75-73-79=227	+11	t74th/108
SEASON TOTALS		6	469 Avg. 78.2	+6	-

Tyler Downing (Fr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational (ind.)	9/19-20/2009	3	79-69-80=228	+12	t79th/108
SEASON TOTALS		3	240 Avg. 80.0	+8	-

Peter Guzowski (Sr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	80-76-84=240	+24	105th/108
Herb Wimberly Inter. (ind.)	10/26-27/2009	3	71-77-79=227	+14	86th/93
SEASON TOTALS		6	455 Avg. 75.8	+4	-

Andrew Hoops (Fr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Tucker Invitational	9/11-12/2009	3	83-76-74=233	+17	t85th/104
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	76-71-78=225	+9	t62nd/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	75-74-73=222	+6	t6th/27
Herb Wimberly Inter.	10/26-27/2009	3	70-69-76=215	+2	t34th/93
SEASON TOTALS		12	895 Avg. 74.6	+3	-

Alex Horrell (Sr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	82-77-82=241	+25	106th/108
SEASON TOTALS		3	241 Avg. 80.3	+8	-

Caleb Leestma (So.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	78-71-73=222	+6	t47th/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	81-86-81=248	+32	21st/27
SEASON TOTALS		6	470 Avg. 78.3	+6	-

Aaron White (Jr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	77-80-75=232	+16	t85th/108
SEASON TOTALS		3	232 Avg. 77.3	+5	-

Tom Whitney (Sr.)

Tournament	Date	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Tucker Invitational	9/11-12/2009	3	69-66-75=210	-6	t3rd/104
Falcon Invitational	9/19-20/2009	3	72-71-68=211	-5	t3rd/108
SAGC	10/5-6/2009	3	71-75-70=216	E	2nd/27
Herb Wimberly Inter.	10/26-27/2009	3	75-67-71=213	E	t24th/93
SEASON TOTALS		12	850 Avg. 70.8	-1	-