



COACHES



ARDIE MCINELLY

HEAD COACH
SIXTH SEASON
(BOISE STATE '82)



Head coach Ardie McInelly enters her sixth season at the helm of the Air Force women's basketball program.

Since McInelly's arrival at the Academy, the Falcons have shown major improvement. In her first five years, she has become Air Force's winningest coach at the Division I level, helping lead the team to a 13-15 overall record in the 2005-06 season, marking the Falcons' highest win total since the team moved to Division I in 1996. In addition, six individuals—Amoy Jackson (twice), LaToya Howell, Shawna Neff, Letricia Castillo, Lauren Henderson and Alecia Steele (twice)—have received all-conference honors under McInelly's tutelage.

The Falcons' impressive turnaround last season came just two years after compiling a 3-25 mark and a 7-21 ledger in 2004-05. In addition to posting its best win total at the Division I level, last year's Air Force team also swept a pair of Mountain West Conference teams (Colorado State and San Diego State) for the first time ever, while recording a 9-2 non-conference mark. This vast improvement was accomplished with a young roster, which boasted 12 freshmen and sophomores and not a single senior.

Leading the way for Air Force in 2005-06 was sophomore Alecia Steele, a third-team All-Mountain West Conference performer, and the Falcons' leading scorer and rebounder for a second-straight season. Meanwhile, junior Letricia Castillo, poised to become the Falcons' first 1,000-point scorer at the Division I level, and sophomore Pamela Findlay, Air Force's top career three-point shooter, also paced the Falcons' offense.



Just as last year's team was young, this season's edition of the Air Force squad is characterized by its experience, with nine upperclassmen (including four seniors) on the roster. With such depth returning to anchor the Falcons' lineup, the team should continue to make strides, as it has in the past two seasons.

McInelly's success in building a winning program is well-documented. She came to Air Force in 2001 after spending five years as the head coach of Idaho State University, where she helped transform the Bengals from a struggling program to one that is respected and successful. When she first arrived at Idaho State in 1996, the team had just completed an 8-18 season and had only put together two winning seasons in the 17 previous years.

In each of her first two seasons at ISU, the team compiled records of 15-12. She took the team to the Big Sky Tournament four out of her five years, finishing third or higher in the conference in each of those four seasons.

Perhaps her greatest accomplishment came in her final season with the Bengals. That year, McInelly firmly established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches, leading her team to a 25-5 overall record and an

undefeated 18-0 conference record to capture the league title. The team rattled off 21 consecutive victories, including a victory over BYU, to start the streak, which was the longest winning streak in the nation. The team made an appearance in the NCAA Midwest Regional, eventually losing to 10th-ranked Vanderbilt.

THE MCINELLY FILE

HOMETOWN

Mackay, Idaho

CAREER RECORD

111-168 (10 years)

ACADEMY RECORD

34-106 (5 years)

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: *Boise State*, 1982
B.S. in Physical Education
Graduate: *Weber State*, 1995
M.Ed. in Education

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Boise State University
Four-year letterwinner (1977-81)

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Montana State
Assistant Coach (1988-91)
Pacific
Assistant Coach (1991-92)
Weber State
Assistant Coach (1992-96)
Idaho State
Head Coach (1996-2001)
Air Force
Head Coach (2001-present)

MISCELLANEOUS

- Big Sky Conference Coach of the Year, 1999-00 and 2000-01
- Tied for most wins in school history at Idaho State (77 wins in five seasons)
- NCAA Tournament appearance vs. Vanderbilt in 2000-01
- Served on WBCA Kodak All-America selection committee (2002-04)



Prior to her stint with Idaho State, McNelly spent five seasons (1992-96) as an assistant coach at Weber State. She has also been an assistant coach at Pacific (1991-92) and Montana State (1988-91).

McNelly graduated from Boise State in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in physical education. She went on to earn her master's degree in education from Weber State in 1995.

The coach enjoys waterskiing, golfing, working out, working in her yard and spending time with friends and family. She has two older brothers, Leon and Blaine, and an older sister, Suzette. She has 11 nieces and nephews, one grand nephew and two grand nieces.

McNelly's efforts were recognized by her peers, as she earned the Big Sky Conference Coach of the Year award her final two seasons. She also tallied 77 victories at Idaho State, tying Ted Anderson for the school's all-time win record, achieving the feat in only five years, compared to Anderson's eight. During her tenure at Idaho State, McNelly compiled a 6-10 ledger versus Mountain West Conference teams.

McNelly produced 14 all-conference athletic selections at Idaho State, with her players excelling academically as well. Her team GPA was 3.24, the highest cumulative GPA in Idaho State's athletic department. She coached 34 academic all-conference athletes during her tenure with the Bengals.

The coach is also making her mark as a noted clinician. McNelly was a featured speaker at the YES Clinic at the Women's Final Four in San Jose in 1999 and Philadelphia in 2000, as well as the West Regional in Missoula in 1997. She has been featured in BlueChip Illustrated, the web magazine Full Court Press and the Women's Basketball Journal.

One of McNelly's most prestigious honors was to serve two years (2002-2004) on the WBCA Kodak All-America selection committee, a program which recognizes the nation's top players.

IN HER WORDS...

"We're coming off our best year since we've been here, and I think that says a lot for this team. We have a lot of returners from last year's team, and we all believe that this year can be even better. Last year we showed we could compete; now our team just needs to remember what got them there. They need to work hard everyday to reach their expectations. That will set the tone for what we hope to accomplish this year."

~Air Force head coach Ardie McNelly

MCINELLY'S RECORDS

Year	School	Record
1996-97	Idaho State	15-12
1997-98	Idaho State	15-12
1998-99	Idaho State	8-18
1999-00	Idaho State	14-15
2000-01	Idaho State	25-5
2001-02	Air Force	4-24
2002-03	Air Force	7-21
2003-04	Air Force	3-25
2004-05	Air Force	7-21
2005-06	Air Force	13-15
	TOTAL	111-168





LISA ROBINSON

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH

FIFTH SEASON

(ILLINOIS STATE '83)

Lisa Robinson enters her fifth season as associate head coach of the Air Force women's basketball team. She is directly involved in all areas of the women's basketball program and holds the responsibility of coordinating all recruiting efforts.

Prior to arriving at the Academy in 2002, Robinson spent one season as an assistant coach for the University of Wyoming. Previous to her stint with the Cowgirls, she spent two seasons as the head women's basketball coach at Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill.

Robinson began her coaching career at Illinois State as an assistant coach from 1983 until 1995. She was elevated to Associate Head Coach in 1995 and held that position until 1998. While at Illinois State, she coordinated the recruiting efforts, as well as analyzed and prepared scouting reports. In 1998, Robinson was hired as the head coach at Normal Community High School, before moving onto Augustana College in 1999.

She began her college career as a student-athlete at the University



of Illinois in Champaign, and was a four-year letterwinner for the Fighting Illini in basketball. While at Illinois, Robinson was also a two-time Kodak Honorable Mention All-American in 1980 and 1981, and a Kodak Region Five All-America First Team selection in 1982. She was also a Wade Trophy finalist and a first-team GTE Academic All-American in 1982.

Robinson graduated from Illinois with a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1983, and completed her master's degree in special education from Illinois State (Normal) in 2000. In addition to her coaching duties, Robinson has been very active in public and community service in the basketball world. She has been a counselor and active speaker for several basketball camps, clinics and community functions.

Robinson is an avid runner and enjoys golfing. She is the daughter of Clarence and Priscilla Robinson. She has two sisters, LuAnn and Lynnette, her twin, and two brothers, Steve and Dave. She also has two nephews.

THE ROBINSON FILE

HOMETOWN

Annawan, Ill.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: *Illinois*, 1983
 B.S. in Physical Education
 Graduate: *Illinois State*, 2000
 M.Ed. in Special Education

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois
 Four-year letterwinner (1978-82)

HONORS

- First-team GTE Academic All-American (1982)
- Two-time Kodak Honorable Mention All-American
- Kodak Region V All-America first team selection (1982)
- Wade Trophy Finalist (1982)

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Illinois State
 Assistant Coach (1983-95)
 Associate Head Coach (1995-98)
Normal Community
 Head Coach (1998-99)
Augustana College
 Head Coach (1999-01)
Wyoming
 Assistant Coach (2001-02)
Air Force
 Associate Head Coach (2002-present)

QUOTING COACH McINNELLY:

"Lisa is relentless in her recruiting of quality student-athletes. Her efforts in recruiting, along with her experience and work ethic, will continue to elevate this program."



HOLLY TOGIAI

ASSISTANT COACH

SIXTH SEASON

(IDAHO STATE '99)

Holly Togiaï begins her sixth season as an assistant coach at Air Force. Her major responsibilities include team travel, film coordination and recruiting. On the court, she specializes in post player development. She also assists in practice planning and game strategizing.

"Getting to represent the Air Force Academy for the past five years has been a true privilege for me," said Togiaï. "Winning sure makes it nice—and a lot more enjoyable—but it is the players that really make this job worth it. I wouldn't trade this group of women for anything!"

Before joining the Air Force staff, Togiaï spent three years as a volunteer coach at Idaho State under Ardie McInelly. She also played for the coach for two seasons.

Togiaï was a four-year letterwinner at Idaho State. In her senior season, she was the Big Sky Conference's leading rebounder and second-leading scorer. During her four-year stint with the Bengals, she was a two-time first-team all-conference selection and also garnered Big Sky Co-Freshman of the Year honors in 1995. She became the third-leading scorer and second-leading rebounder in school history (now fifth and third, respectively), recording 20 double-doubles during her career.



Togiaï also ranks in the top 10 all-time in field goals made and attempted, field goal percentage, free throw percentage, three-point field goal percentage and games played. In addition to her accomplishments on the court, Togiaï was also a stand-out in the classroom, being named to the Big Sky's all-academic team three times. She graduated from Idaho State in 1999 with a degree in physical education.

The native of Kennewick, Wash., enjoys going out with friends and watching college sports. She is the daughter of Green and Linda Togiaï and Margaret and Bud Shaw. She has five siblings, John and Justin Togiaï, Lori Araujo, Crystal, married to Tony Kalmbach with a 4-year old daughter, Lily, and Heather, married to Danny Cuillier.

THE TOGIAI FILE

HOMETOWN

Kennewick, Wash.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: *Idaho State*, 1999
B.S. in Physical Education

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Idaho State University
Four-year letterwinner (1994-98)

HONORS

- Big Sky All-Academic (1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98)
- Big Sky Conference Freshman of the Year (1995)
- All-Big Sky Conference First Team (1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98)
Honorable Mention (1994-95)
- Big Sky Player of the Week (Three Times)
- Team MVP (1994-95, 1996-97, 1997-98)
- Team Most Inspirational (1995-96)

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Idaho State
Student Assistant Coach (1998-99)
Graduate Assistant Coach (1999-01)
Air Force
Assistant Coach (2001-present)

QUOTING COACH McINELLY:

"Holly is a tremendous coach. She works hard both on and off the court. She has been instrumental in developing the athletes' basketball skills and increasing their output on the court. She is determined to see this program be successful."

ANGELA MUNGER

ASSISTANT COACH

SIXTH SEASON

(IDAHO STATE '00)



Angela Munger begins her sixth year as an assistant coach at the Air Force Academy. Her primary responsibilities include scheduling, recruiting, scouting opponents, film breakdown and overseeing team equipment. She also assists in guard play, offensive and defensive strategies and in-season practice planning.

This is Munger's sixth year of coaching full-time at the collegiate ranks. Before coming to the Air Force Academy in 2001, she worked as a graduate assistant coach at Idaho State.

As a player, Munger had a standout career as a guard at Idaho State. In 1999-2000, she led the Big Sky in assists and steals. She finished her career with the second-best assist-to-turnover ratio in Bengal history. She ranked second in steals, fifth in assists and fourth in three pointers all-time. She became the first Bengal and only the fifth Big Sky player to ever amass 375 rebounds, 300 assists and 200 steals in a career.

The Hawthorne, Nev., native graduated from Idaho State in

2000 with a bachelor's degree in biology. In 2002, she received her master's degree in athletic administration from Idaho State.

In her spare time, Munger enjoys all the activities that Colorado has to offer, including winter sports, outdoor activities, concerts and athletic events. She is the daughter of Richard and Carol Munger. Her brother, Jonas, is a doctor in Moab, Utah, where he and his wife, Debbie, reside with their daughter, Madison, born on Oct. 31, 2003. Munger also has a sister, Jennifer, who is a nurse in Reno, Nev.



The Munger File

HOMETOWN

Hawthorne, Nev.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: *Idaho State*, 2000
 B.S. in Biology
 Graduate: *Idaho State*, 2002
 M.S. in Athletic Administration

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Idaho State University
 Four-year letterwinner (1996-00)

HONORS

- Big Sky All-Academic (1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-2000)
- Team MVP (1999-00)
- Team Most Inspirational (two times)
- All-Big Sky Conference First Team (1999-2000)

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Idaho State
 Graduate Assistant Coach (2000-01)
Air Force
 Assistant Coach (2001-present)

QUOTING COACH McINNELLY:

"Angela continues to grow and gain experience as a coach. She contributes in all areas and is becoming a solid recruiter. She has a strong rapport with the athletes which translates to increased productivity from the players."

CAPT. ALISON ANDERS

ASSISTANT COACH
SECOND SEASON
(USAFA '02)



Capt. Alison Anders enters her second season as an assistant coach at the Air Force Academy. She assists in all areas of the women's basketball program.

A native of Kewanee, Ill., Anders graduated with a degree in management from the Academy in 2002. As a cadet, she was a three-year letterwinner in basketball and a member of Ardie McNelly's first Air Force squad in the 2001-02 season. That year, Anders was named the team's defensive MVP.

Following her graduation, Anders was stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, where she served one year as a crew systems engineer at the Air Force Research Lab (AFRL). After her year in AFRL, she then moved to the Aeronautical Systems Center to work as the program manager for the C-17 Maintenance Trainers and finished up her last year as the Group Executive Officer. While at Wright-Patterson, Anders attended Wright State University in pursuit of her M.B.A., which she earned in 2005.

Anders (formerly Tomlinson) is married to Jace, a 2002 USAFA graduate and four-year hockey letterwinner. The couple resides in Colorado Springs.



SHERI LAMPIN

Athletic Trainer



Sheri Lampin enters her second season as the athletic trainer for the women's basketball program at Air Force.

Lampin is a 2002 graduate of the University of Southern Colorado, where she earned a bachelor's degree in exercise science/health promotion. She went on to receive her master's degree in health and kinesiology from the University of Texas at Tyler in 2004.

While working toward her bachelor's degree, Lampin worked at the Academy from 2000-2002, completing 1,500 athletic training internship hours. She later served as the athletic trainer at Whitehouse High School in Whitehouse, Texas, while pursuing her master's degree.

Before returning to the Academy last year, Lampin spent a year and a half at the University of Wyoming, where she worked as the athletic trainer for the volleyball and women's soccer teams. Lampin also worked extensively with the wrestling and swimming & diving teams at Wyoming and was a clinical instructor, teaching classes in the athletic training curriculum program.

Lampin, who volunteers as an athletic trainer for the Justin Sports Medicine Team at PRCA Rodeo events, also works with the Air Force fencing team.

A native of Glenrock, Wyo., Lampin and her husband, Jessie, live in Colorado Springs with their two children, Colton (11) and Rebecca (6).



BUCK BLACKWOOD

Strength & Conditioning
Coach

Buck Blackwood begins his third season as the strength and conditioning coach for the Air Force women's basketball program.

Blackwood arrived at the Academy in 2000, after earning his master's degree in exercise physiology from Montana State University in 1999. He served as a graduate assistant at Montana State from 1998-99. Blackwood spent his undergraduate years at Willamette University in Salem, Ore. There he received a bachelor's degree in history in 1997.

Blackwood is a certified strength and conditioning specialist (CSCS), receiving his certification from the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA). Blackwood is also a USA Weightlifting Club coach.



CAPT. MICAELA BRANCATO

Officer Representative

Capt. Micaela Brancato begins her second season as an officer representative for the women's basketball team. She is currently serving as the Executive Officer for the Director of Training Support, under the Commandant of Cadets, USAF Academy.

A 2000 graduate of the Air Force Academy, she was previously stationed as an aircraft maintenance officer for the 437th Airlift Wing at Charleston AFB, S.C. During that assignment, she deployed as the C-17 flight commander to Rhein Main, Germany, Iraq and Kuwait. In her first assignment, Brancato worked as an ROTC, USAFA, OTS and enlisted recruiter stationed at Cannon AFB, N.M., working out of Detachment 820 at Texas Tech University.

Brancato, a native of Fargo, N.D., is married to Capt. Matthew Brancato, a fellow Academy graduate. They live in Palmer Lake with their dog, Malley.



CAPT. SARA COOPER

Officer Representative

Capt. Sara (Fortna) Cooper enters her second season as an officer representative for the women's basketball team. She is currently a member of the curriculum division under the USAF Academy's Commandant of Cadets where she develops curriculum for Cadet Professional Military Education.

In 1999, Cooper graduated from the Academy, where she was a four-year letterwinner and team captain of the women's basketball team. Following graduation, she remained at the Academy Preparatory School as an assistant basketball coach and instructor. She then moved to Tinker AFB, Okla., where she was an AWACS squadron section commander and section chief in the Military Personnel Flight. Following three years at Tinker, Cooper moved to Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, where she was the chief of personnel readiness for Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command.

Cooper, a native of Littleton, Colo., is married to Capt. Cory Cooper, a systems engineering instructor at the Academy. They are the proud parents of twin girls, Kala and Hannah, born in May 2005.



CAPT. JADONNA BREWTON

Officer Representative

Capt. Jadonna Brewton enters her first season as an officer representative for the women's basketball team. She is currently an instructor in the department of mathematics.

A 1994 graduate of the University of Georgia, Brewton taught high school math for three and a half years before earning her master's degree in mathematics education in 2001. She attended Officer Training School at Maxwell AFB, Ala., in 2001, followed by a stint at Hanscom AFB, Mass. Brewton first served as deputy program manager for the Weather Data Analysis (WDA) Capabilities Program within the Air Force Weather Weapon System (AFWWS) before acting as a program manager within the Mobile Landing Systems Squadron of the Global Air Traffic Systems Group, Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom AFB, Mass. While stationed at Hanscom, Brewton was deployed to Al Udeid AB, Qatar, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Brewton, a native of Hinesville, Ga., also serves as a Cadet Character Development Program facilitator, trumpeter for the Dean's Faculty Brass Ensemble and cadet sponsor.



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