

# TEXAS TECH GOLF

## 2010 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Honors Course • Chattanooga, Tenn.



### 2009-10 SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Result
9/11-13/09	Carpet Capital Collegiate	T-7th of 12
10/3-4/09	Gary Koch Intercollegiate	2nd of 15
10/25-27/09	Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	8th of 15
2/3-5/10	UH-Hilo Intercollegiate	7th of 22
2/15-16/10	UTSA Intercollegiate	1st of 15
3/12-14/10	Southern Highlands Invitational	5th of 15
3/17-18/10	National Invitational Tournament	10th of 14
3/21-23/10	Callaway Match Play Champ.	12th of 16
4/5-6/10	Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4th of 15
4/17-18/10	Aggie Invitational	3rd of 12
4/23-25/10	Big 12 Championships	4th of 12
5/20-22/10	NCAA South Central Regional	1st of 14
6/1-6/10	NCAA Championships	TBD

### PROBABLE LINEUP



#### FINLEY EWING IV

Redshirt Freshman  
Dallas, Texas/St. Marks

- ▶ Tied for 5th at South Central Regional



#### NILS FLOREN

Junior  
Ljungskile, Sweden/Ostraboskolan

- ▶ All-Big 12 honoree
- ▶ Ben Hogan Watch List
- ▶ Ranked No. 18 in country



#### MATT SMITH

Junior  
Canberra, Australia/Canberra Grammar School

- ▶ Tied for 20th at South Central Regional
- ▶ Finished 19th at Big 12 Championships



#### CHRIS WARD

Senior  
McKinney, Texas/McKinney/Oklahoma State

- ▶ 2010 Big 12 Individual Champion
- ▶ All-Big 12 honoree
- ▶ Ranked No. 34 in country



#### TYLER WEWORSKI

Sophomore  
Carlsbad, Calif./Carlsbad Christian

- ▶ Finished tied for 3rd at Aggie Invitational



### Red Raiders Open NCAA Championships

#### Texas Tech Returns to NCAA Championships

In the midst of a season of numerous firsts, one thing has remained consistent - the Texas Tech men's golf team is once again in the NCAA Championships for the fourth time in the last five seasons. After winning its first NCAA Regional title in school history, the Red Raiders embark on hopefully adding to their list of "firsts" at the 2010 NCAA Championships, held June 1-6 at The Honors Course in Chattanooga, Tenn.

#### Tournament Format

The entire field of 30 teams will participate in 54 holes of stroke play over the first three days to crown an individual champion, while the top eight teams advance to match play Friday through Sunday.

#### Live Coverage

Texas Tech fans can follow the hole-by-hole progression of the Red Raiders via [www.golfstat.com](http://www.golfstat.com).

#### The Field

The nation's top 30 teams and respective individual qualifiers will all hit the course at The Honors Course. Defending National Champion Texas A&M returns to defend its title as the No. 7 seed after the Aggies finished second in the South Central Regional on the Traditions Course in College Station, Texas.

#### Red Raiders Seeded Sixth

Following their first regional title in school history, the Red Raiders earned the No. 6 seed in the championship, following top-seed Oregon, and Stanford, Oklahoma State, Washington, and Texas. Tech entered the championships seeded 17th only a year ago.

#### The Honors Course

Since its opening in 1983, The Honors Course has hosted the Men's NCAA Division 1 National Championships once before in 1996, while also holding top amateur national tournaments. A 7,395 yard, 72-par course, The Honors Course is located just outside of Chattanooga, Tenn. in the suburb of Ooltewah.

#### A Season of Firsts

Despite making the NCAA Championships for yet another season under head coach Greg Sands, the Red Raiders have accomplished several program firsts, including Chris Ward's Big 12 Individual title, and the school's NCAA Regional win in College Station, Texas.

#### Tech Once Again in the NCAAs

After taking over a program not even ranked among the nation's top 100 upon his arrival in 2000, Greg Sands has consistently led the Red Raiders into the postseason as Tech qualified for the NCAA Regional round for the ninth time in Sands' 10-year tenure. Tech is also making its fifth trip to the NCAA Championships under Sands.

# 2010 Texas Tech Men's Golf

## Daily Tee Times

### Tuesday, June 1 - First Round

#### 1st Tee

7 a.m.....Kent State, TCU, San Diego  
 7:47 a.m..... North Florida, Duke, Tennessee  
 8:35 a.m..... Baylor, LSU, Georgia Southern  
 12:30 p.m.... Texas, Texas Tech, Washington  
 1:17 p.m.....Florida State, Clemson, UCLA  
 2:05 p.m..... Komsted, Henley, Delio

#### 10th Tee

7:20 a.m..... Cal, Arizona St., Oregon St.  
 8:07 a.m..... Penn State, Virginia, Illinois  
 8:55 a.m..... Enoch, Fillmore, Bailey  
 12:12 p.m.... Oregon, Stanford, Oklahoma St.  
 12:59 p.m. ....Texas A&M, USC, Augusta St.  
 1:47 p.m..... Florida, Georgia Tech, UNLV

### Wednesday, June 2 - Second Round

#### 1st Tee

7 a.m..... Oregon, Stanford, Oklahoma St.  
 7:47 a.m.....Texas A&M, USC, Augusta St.  
 8:44 a.m..... Florida, Georgia Tech, UNLV  
 12:30 p.m..... Cal, Arizona St., Oregon St.  
 1:17 p.m..... Penn State, Virginia, Illinois  
 2:05 p.m..... Enoch, Fillmore, Bailey

#### 10th Tee

7:20 a.m.....Washington, Texas, Texas Tech  
 8:07 a.m.....Florida St., Clemson, UCLA  
 8:55 a.m..... Kofstad, Henley, Delio  
 12:12 p.m.....Kent State, TCU, San Diego  
 12:59 p.m.... North Florida, Duke, Tennessee  
 1:47 p.m..... LSU, Baylor, Georgia Southern

### Thursday, June 3 - Third Round

To be announced...

### Friday, June 4 - Match Play

9 a.m.....Match #1 (No. 1 vs. No. 8)  
 9:45 a.m.....Match #2 (No. 4 vs. No. 5)  
 10:30 a.m.....Match #3 (No. 2 vs. No. 7)  
 11:15 a.m.....Match #4 (No. 3 vs. No. 6)

### Saturday, June 5 - Match Play

9 a.m..... Match #5 (Winner 1 vs. Winner 2)  
 9:45 a.m... Match #6 (Winner 3 vs. Winner 4)

### Sunday, June 6 - Match Play

Noon.....Championship Match

## National Seeds

1. Oregon
2. Stanford
3. Oklahoma State
4. Washington
5. Texas
6. Texas Tech
7. Texas A&M
8. USC
9. Augusta State
10. Florida State
11. Clemson
12. UCLA
13. Florida
14. Georgia Tech
15. UNLV

### Ward Wins Big 12 Individual title

Chris Ward brought Texas Tech its first individual Big 12 title in late April as the senior wrapped the tournament at 9-under-par, two strokes lower than Peter Uihlein of Oklahoma State. A Tech player had not won a conference title previously since Bryan Novoa claimed the Southwest Conference Championship in 1996.

### McCauley Semifinalist for Assistant Coach of Year award

Marty McCauley was honored as one of the top assistant coaches in the country earlier this season. The fifth-year assistant was named one of 10 semifinalists for the Jan Strickland Assistant Men's Golf Coach of the Year award, with the winner being crowned June 1.

### Floren On Ben Hogan Award Watch List

Nils Floren was named to the Ben Hogan Award Watch List early into the spring season as the junior entered the spring ranked 12th in the nation individually. Presented at the Colonial Club in Ft. Worth, Texas, Nick Taylor of Washington was honored as the 2010 recipient in the awards ceremony on May 24th.

### Tech No Stranger to Match Play

If the Red Raiders can advance all the way to match play on Friday, Tech might have a slight advantage over other teams in the field after competing in the Callaway Match Play Championship during late March. Tech finished 12th in the tournament after defeating then-No. 4 Washington, but lost matches to San Diego, Arizona, and No. 5 UCLA.

### Tech All-Time at NCAA Championships

The Red Raiders are making their ninth appearance all-time at the NCAA Championships. Here is a overview of Tech's history in the national tournament:

Year	Location	Finish/Score
1956	Columbus, Ohio	T-10th of 31/614
1959	Eugene, Ore.	T-7th of 20/586
1960	Colo. Springs, Colo.	28th of 34/644
1976	Albuquerque, N.M.	T-15th of 29/1203
2002	Columbus, Ohio	T-24th of 30/1169
2006	Sunriver, Ore.	Missed Cut
2007	Williamsburg, Va.	Missed Cut
2009	Toledo, Ohio	T-23rd of 30/900

### School Records Matched at Regionals

After setting the school record a year ago, Tech matched its lowest score at the regional round with a 6-under 282 in the first round of the NCAA South Central Regional. The Red Raiders eventually broke the school record for lowest 54-hole total score, snapping the previous mark (573 from 2006) by over 20 strokes as Tech finished with 551 strokes over three days. Chris Ward, Nils Floren, and Finley Ewing IV all matched the lowest 54-hole total for an individual with their 5-under 211, which put the trio in a tie for fifth place.

### Ewing Saves Top Outing For Regionals

Coming into the tournament as Tech's No. 5 player, Finley Ewing IV saved his best outing of the season for possibly the most important time. The redshirt freshman finished in a tie for fifth with teammates Nils Floren and Chris Ward after firing a 5-under 211, marking his best individual finish of the season.

### Floren Follows in Brother's Success

Besides being a potential All-American success, Nils Floren's family has had quite the success at Texas Tech with his brother, Oscar Floren, earning Ping All-American honors twice in his career, the first Tech player in school history to do so. Nils Floren, a native of Ljungskile, Sweden, entered the spring ranked seventh nationally and has been one of Tech's most consistent players.

### Big 12 Sends Five to Championships

The Big 12 has remained one of the strongest men's golf conferences in the nation with five schools advancing to the NCAA Championships, including four seeded with the field's top 10. Oklahoma State (No. 4), Texas (No. 5), Texas Tech (No. 6), and Texas A&M (No. 7) are all packed close together in the seedings, while Baylor is the No. 29 seed after topping Georgia for the fifth and final spot at the NCAA South Central Regional.

### Individuals

1. Espen Kofstad (Denver)
2. Russell Henley (Georgia)
3. Nick Delio (Cal State Northridge)
4. Rhys Enoch (East Tennessee State)
5. Robbie Fillmore (BYU)
6. Marshall Bailey (Virginia Tech)

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**HEAD COACH GREG SANDS**



**Greg Sands**

**Head Coach**  
**10th Season**  
**TCU '97**

**NCAA Regional Appearances: 9**  
**NCAA Championship Appearances: 5**

Of the nine-straight NCAA regional appearances, the West regional in 2002 ranks as the most dramatic. Then-senior Kyle Willmann stared down a 25-foot birdie putt on the final hole in the final hole of regulation play. In a must-make situation, Willmann drained the putt, sending the team to a playoff, and ending a 26-year hiatus for the program in championship competition.

The Red Raiders fell short in three other appearances, before dominating the field at the 2006 East regional in Orlando, Fla. With 10 spots up for grabs, Tech positioned itself on the first day as one of the tournament's top five teams and didn't waver during the three-round event. The Red Raiders shot 9-over par for the event to finish in third place.

In his 10 seasons as head coach, Sands has led the team to 11 tournament titles. Consistently, his players have broken records and established themselves on the Texas Tech charts.

A native of Jacksonville, Texas, Sands was a member of the back-to-back Western Athletic Conference championship teams in 1997 and 1998 at TCU. He also was named Academic All-WAC Scholar-Athlete during the 1995-96 seasons.

Sands graduated from TCU in 1997 with an undergraduate degree in communications, along with a history minor. Sands' playing resume includes winning the Texas Collegiate Championships (Waterwood National in 1997) and co-champion of the Crown Colony Intercollegiate in 1997.

Sands was an All-Region player at Jacksonville High School and led his team to a third-place finish at the 4A State Championships in 1992. Sands and his wife, Stephanie, have two sons, Caden and Hudson, and a daughter, Reese.

Greg Sands has established himself as one of the top young coaches in the country. In nine seasons as head coach of the Red Raider program, Sands has taken a good program and made it better.

There are nine NCAA regional and five NCAA Championships berths, a top ten national ranking in 2009 and the program's first PING All-America First Team honoree in 2006. Those are the most visible of the accomplishments Sands has been responsible for since taking over the program in 2001. What falls beneath the radar is Sands' ability to provide his student-athletes with an outstanding education, reflected in the program's 100 percent graduation rate during his tenure. The team consistently ranks among the top academic programs in the Big 12 Conference.

The 2008-09 campaign was another successful season in school history as Sands guided the team to two tournament wins and four top five finishes. Additionally, nine players posted top five finishes and two claimed medalist honors. The Red Raiders set the school scoring record for a 54-hole event with an 824 at the UTSA Invitational in the spring and shattered the school single-round record with a 266 in the same event - which Tech won by 20 strokes. All of these accomplishments came against one of the nation's top 20 schedules.

Texas Tech advanced to its fourth NCAA Championships appearance under Sands, following an impressive outing at the NCAA Southwest Regional in Austin. The Red Raiders carded a 2-under round and led by 10 strokes to position itself for an opportunity to advance.

The five NCAA Championship berths - 2002, 2006, 2007, 2009, and 2010 - mark the sixth through ninth times that a Tech team has advanced beyond the regional round and competed for a national championship. Prior to qualifying for the 2002 event in Columbus, Ohio, the last Red Raider team to compete at that level was the 1976 squad. Although the Red Raiders haven't won the coveted trophy, their path to these tournaments has been impressive.





## Marty McCauley

**Assistant Coach**  
**Fifth Season**  
**Wichita State '02**

**NCAA Regional Appearances: 5**  
**NCAA Championship Appearances: 4**

Assistant coach Marty McCauley has had an immediate positive impact on the program since arriving at Texas Tech in 2005. The Red Raiders have enjoyed some of the best seasons in school history, highlighted by the program's four trips to the NCAA Championships in his five seasons and five-straight NCAA regional appearances.

His influence also was witnessed in the individual successes of one of Tech's strongest lineups in school history in 2006-07. Oscar Floren earned PING All-America First Team honors, while Andrew Dresser picked up a third-team nod. Tech was one of only three schools to place multiple players on the three teams. Additionally, Tech's freshman trio were dominant late during that season and in the NCAA regionals.

McCauley arrived at Texas Tech after serving as the assistant coach for the Oklahoma City University's men's golf team during the previous two seasons. Highlighting his time with the Stars was the 2002 NAIA National Championship as well as a pair of Sooner Athletic Conference titles. During those two years, the Oklahoma City men's golf program produced eight All-Americans as well as two Academic All-Americans.

Prior to his coaching stint at Oklahoma City University, the Cushing, Okla., native played collegiate golf at Wichita State University from 1999-2002. McCauley helped the Shockers capture a pair of Missouri Valley Conference Championships prior to his graduation in December of 2002. Additionally, he received all-conference academic honors from the MVC during his career.

As a prep player at Cushing High School, McCauley finished his career with back-to-back state Class 3A individual titles in 1997 and 1998.

McCauley and his wife, Sara, were married in August 2008.



## Drew Dorsey

**Class: Freshman**  
**Hometown: Edmond, Okla.**  
**High School: Sante Fe**  
**Height: 5-8**  
**Experience: HS**

**SPRING 2010:** Has not competed.

**FALL 2009:** Played in first collegiate event at the formidable Isleworth Collegiate Invitational ... shot 80-79-85 to finish 71st.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Prepped at Santa Fe High School in Edmond, Okla. ... top finishes at third (junior) and fifth (sophomore) at the state tournament ... lists short game, accuracy and putting as his strengths ... 4.0 GPA during senior year ... High School Coach: Mike Stolz.

**PERSONAL:** Andrew Timothy Dorsey ... born March 2, 1991, in Edmond, Okla. ... son of Lisa Stephenson and Tim Dorsey ... enjoys fishing and hanging out with friends.



## Finley Ewing IV

**Class: Redshirt Freshman**  
**Hometown: Dallas, Texas**  
**High School: St. Marks**  
**Height: 5-10**  
**Experience: RS**

**SPRING 2010:** Saved his best performance of the spring for the NCAA South Central Regional where he shot a 5-under 211 to tie for fifth place ... matched teammates Chris Ward and Nils Floren in a five-way tie for fifth ... was the first time he finished under-par in his Tech career ... his 211 card matched the 54-hole low for a Tech player at an NCAA Regional ... began the tournament with a 3-under 69 ... followed with consecutive 1-under 71 rounds ... best finish previously was a tie for 11th at the UTSA Invitational ... also competed in four other tournaments in spring ... did not place in the top 30 in any of those tournaments ... stroke average of 74.4 is fifth on the team.

**FALL 2009:** Played in second collegiate tournament with the Red Raiders at the Isleworth Collegiate Invitational ... opened with a solid 72 and followed with rounds of 77 and 79 ... finished tied in 33rd place and among some of the nation's top golfers ... started his Red Raider career off strong ... following a win as an unattached player at the Lubbock Christian University tournament in September, was placed in the lineup for the Gary Koch Intercollegiate ... fired an opening round 68 and finished the 54-hole event in a 39th-place tie ... is averaging 74.3 strokes on the season.

**FALL 2008-SPRING 2009:** Redshirt season.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Prepped at St. Mark's School of Texas in Dallas ... three-time high school MVP and all-conference selection ... finished second at the 2006 SPC Championship ... lists his short game as his strength, along with putting ... four-year honor roll member ... High School Coach: David Baker.

**PERSONAL:** Samuel Finley Ewing IV ... born October 6, 1989, in Dallas ... son of Beth and Fin Ewing ... has two younger siblings, Charlie and Gail ... lists his grandmothers as his greatest influence outside of his parents ... also enjoys hunting and fishing.



## Nils Floren

**Class: Junior**  
**Hometown: Ljungskile, Sweden**  
**High School: Ostraboskolan**  
**Height: 6-2**  
**Experience: 2L**

**SPRING 2010:** Has been one of Tech's most consistent players throughout the season ... named to the Ben Hogan Award Watch List early into the spring season ... earned All-Big 12 honors ... best finish has been a tie for second at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate ... only finished outside the top 20 twice in eight tournaments ... began the spring by tying for 19th at the Mauna Lani Invitational ... followed by tying for fourth at the UTSA Invitational ... tied for the lead with Chris Ward at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate following an even-par 71 first round ... shot a four-over 75 and another even-par 71

over the final two rounds to tie for second ... finished the Aggie Invitational at 2-under-par and in a tie for 18th overall ... was the first time to finish under par this spring ... opened the Big 12 Championships with a 3-under 69, but followed with a 75 in the afternoon's second round ... finished in sixth place after two-straight 1-under 71s over the final two rounds ... recorded lowest 54-hole total at the NCAA South Central Regional ... shot a 5-under 211 to tie for fifth with teammates Chris Ward and Finley Ewing IV ... started the tournament with a 4-under 68 to sit in fifth place ... was 1-under over the final two rounds ... his 211 card matched the 54-hole low for a Tech player at an NCAA Regional ... lowest score of the season ... leads Tech with a 72.1 stroke average.

**FALL 2009:** Averaging 70.9 strokes per round and has shot par or better in five of nine rounds ... has a 196-15 head-to-head record ... continued his consistent play at the talent-laden Isleworth Collegiate Invitational ... finished tied for third with the nation's No. 2-ranked golfer ... opened with a 69 and added rounds of 74 and 73 to claim his second top three finish of the season ... leader through two rounds at the Gary Koch Intercollegiate, following rounds of 66-70 ... finished in a 14th-place tie ... named Golfweek National Player of the Week after winning his first collegiate tournament at the Carpet Capital Collegiate ... tied for first after carding 69-68 in rounds two and three, respectively.

**SPRING 2009:** Placed second as he helped the Red Raiders to a win at the UTSA Intercollegiate after firing rounds of 70-68-69 for an 8-under par total of 205 ... tied for fourth at the USF Invitational with a 4-under par total of 212 compiling rounds of 71-70-71 ... led the Red Raiders in the stroke play portion at the Callaway Golf Match Play Invitational with a two-round total of 145 which was good for a seventh-place tie ... tied for 24th at the UH-Hilo Intercollegiate as an individual with firing 73-75-73 for a three-day total of 5-over 221 ... competed in the Morris Williams Intercollegiate and the Aggie Invitational ... tied for 12th at the Big 12 Conference Championships and was named All-Big 12 Conference ... fired bookend rounds of 71 at the event in Hutchinson, Kan. ... placed in a fourth-place tie at the NCAA Southwest Regional in Austin, helping lead Tech to a second-place finish ... carded rounds of 70-73-73 ... shot 76-75-75 at the NCAA Championships.

**FALL 2008:** Did not compete.

**SPRING 2008:** Competed in the Linger Longer Invitational as his first spring tournament on the season ... carded in a second-straight 75 to mark at 150 while competing unattached.

**FALL 2007:** Competed in two events his first season as a Red Raider with an average score of 75.00 ... had his best finish at the Jerry Pate National where he tied for 54th in a strong field with a 223 ... shot his season low of 71 at that same tournament.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Graduated from Ostraboskolan High School in Ljungskile, Sweden ... finished second in the Italian Amateur Championship in 2006 ... member of the Swedish Junior National Team ... eighth ranked junior golfer in Sweden ... carried a 72.38 stroke average in 2006.

**PERSONAL:** Nils Floren ... a native of Ljungskile, Sweden ... born May 6, 1989 to parents Per-Erik and Catarina Floren ... has one sister, Anna and one brother, Oscar, who was an All-American golfer at Tech and is now a professional golfer ... career goal is to become the No. 1 ranked player in the world ... interested in a degree in the Arts and Sciences school ... hobbies include music, food, clothes and sports.



**Sergio Franky**

**Class:** Junior  
**Hometown:** Bogoto, Columbia  
**High School:** Heritage Academy  
**Height:** 6-5  
**Experience:** 2L

**SPRING 2010:** Has not competed.

**FALL 2009:** Has not competed.

**SPRING 2009:** Finished the UTSA Intercollegiate with a four-over 221 ... carded rounds of 72-74-75 which were good for 33rd ... shot a two-day total of 152 with rounds of 73-79 at the Aggie Invitational to finish in a tie for 43rd.

**FALL 2008:** In his only tournament of the season, fired a three-round total of 232 to finish tied in 44th place at the Shoal Creek Intercollegiate.

**SPRING 2008:** Carded a 29-over 317 and finished tied in 52nd place at the Big 12 Golf Championships ... carded an 8-over 217 at the Hawaii-Hilo Invitational with rounds of 73-72-72 and finished in a tie for 73rd ... after the final round, he had the lowest round for Tech of 74 at the UTSA Invitational ... where he tied in ninth place with solid rounds of 69-75-73 for a 217 ... competed at the Linger Longer Invitational where he had a 1-under 71 ... he birdied four of the first six holes to stand four under after nine holes and fired a 71-73 - 144 to sit him at an even-par 14th-place tie ... at the Western Intercollegiate he tied for the 41st position shooting a three-round total of 229 ... tied in 23rd place with a 9-over 222 and posted rounds of 72-74-76 at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate.

**FALL 2007:** In his first season as a Red Raider, Franky competed in five tournaments with a stroke average of 72.80 ... best finish came at the Herb Wimberly Intercollegiate where he placed first and shot his lowest round of 65 en route to winning the tournament with a score of 11 under-par 202, the lowest score in the event's history.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Graduated from The Heritage Academy in Hilton Head Island, S.C. ... No. 34 ranked junior golfer in world by Golfweek ... No. 2 ranked international player in 2007 recruiting class and second ranked South Carolina recruit in the class ... finished seventh at the highly prestigious Junior Orange Bowl Championship in 2006 ... took first at the 2006 Colombian Junior Amateur Match Play ... finished 14th at the Junior World Golf Championship (2006) ... competed in multiple AJGA events in 2006, finishing 17th at the Polo Junior Championship and 30th at the HP Boys junior championship ... took 15th place at the Junior World Team Championship (2006) ... won both the Colombian Amateur and Junior Championships in 2005 ... took eighth at the South American Junior Championship that same year.



**Will Griffin**

**Class:** Senior  
**Hometown:** San Antonio, Texas  
**High School:** Alamo Heights  
**Height:** 6-0  
**Experience:** 3L

**SPRING 2010:** Has not competed. Will likely redshirt.

**FALL 2009:** Has not competed.

**SPRING 2009:** Finished in an 11th-place tie at the UTSA Intercollegiate after carding rounds of 69-73-72 to finish at 1-over par ... fired consecutive rounds of 77 followed up by a 73 to finish in a tie for 27th with a tournament total of 227 ... finished with a three-day total of 222 at the UH-Hilo Intercollegiate which placed him in a tie for 30th ... finished the USF Invitational at 2-over par with rounds of 73-74-71 ... finished in a tie for 34th at the Aggie Invitational after posting 71-79 for a two-day total 150 ... competed in the Callway Golf Match Play Invitational with a win in the match play event over Texas A&M ... placed 59th at the Big 12 Conference Championships.

**FALL 2008:** Tied in 62nd place at the Carpet Capital Collegiate ... struggled during the first two rounds with a 76 and 78, but bounced back with an even-par 72 on the final day ... helped propel Tech into eighth-place tie ... helped Tech to a ninth-place finish carding a season-low total of 218 with a second-round 68 to finish third at the Shoal Creek Intercollegiate ... stumbled early at the Isleworth Collegiate Invitational in the first round with an 81 but grinded out the last two rounds with a 74 and 77 to finish with a total of 232 finishing in a tie for 57th place.

**SPRING 2008:** Tied in 31st place with a 14-over 302 at the Big 12 Golf Championships ... tied in 39th place at the Hawaii-Hilo Invitational ... he carded a 68-72-72 on the course ... finished in a 39th-place tie with a 225 at the UTSA Invitational ... recorded a 72-72 - 144 for an even par 14th-place tie at the Linger Longer Invitational ... fired a strong three-round 221 at the Western Intercollegiate where he finished in a 10th-place tie ... vaulted 15 spots in the final round with a 2-over 73 and finished in a 34th-place tie at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate and fired rounds of 76-77-73 for a 226.

**FALL 2007:** Competed in five events during the fall, leading the team with a scoring average of 71.47 per round...shot a low round of 68 at the Carpet Capital Collegiate, where he tied for sixth overall...finished second at the Oklahoma Intercollegiate with a three-over 216...his best finish came at the Shoal Creek Intercollegiate, where he tied for first by shooting three-under 213...named Big 12 Men's Golfer of the Month for October...also named Golf World College Player of the Week during October.

**SPRING 2007:** Followed up amazing fall campaign with a stellar spring... shot a low round of 67 in the National Invitational... Posted his best overall score of the spring in the same event by shooting a 4-under par ... after participating in eight events, Will finished third on the team in scoring average by carding an average of 73.87 per round... posted the second lowest average score of those players participating in more than two events ... best finish was a tie for seventh at the National Invitational.

**FALL 2006:** In his first year as a Red Raider, Griffin competed in five fall tournaments with a season stroke average of 74.00 ... in the fourth tournament of the season, he placed the highest for Tech in the Jerry Pate National tournament where he tied for second with a three-round combined score of 201, 12-under-par ... fired a 9-under 62 in the second round to break the school record by two shots ... 54-hole score of 201 also broke the school record, which was a 202 shot by Mark Allen in 1989... placed 30th at the International Collegiate Tournament turning in a scorecard of 222.

**BEFORE TECH:** Named a 2006 AJGA All-American ... tallied six AJGA Top 10s... finished first at the Valero Texas Open in 2006 ... finished second at the AHGA OSSO in 2005... finished third at the AJGA PING Harvey Penick in 2004... finished fourth at the 2005 AJGA PING Junior in 2005... four-time District 27-4A Individual medalist... shot 64 at high school regionals and won by 10 strokes... 2005 Texas State Junior Boys' champion and runner-up in 2006... finished fifth at the Texas State Amateur in 2005 and sixth in 2006



**Logan McCracken**

**Class:** Freshman  
**Hometown:** Oklahoma City, Okla.  
**High School:** Putnam City North  
**Height:** 5-9  
**Experience:** HS

**SPRING 2010:** Has not competed.

**FALL 2009:** Did not compete.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Prepped at Putnam City North High School in Oklahoma City, Okla. ... won Big "J" Junior Classic ... finished fourth at the adidas AJGA at Oak Tree ... lists putting and driving as his strengths ... High School Coach: Scott Berger.

**PERSONAL:** Logan Edward McCracken ... born June 21, 1991 in Oklahoma City ... son of Kathy and Greg McCracken ... has two older siblings, Caden and Erin.



**Chandler Rusk**

**Class:** Freshman  
**Hometown:** Edmond, Okla.  
**High School:** North  
**Height:** 6-1  
**Experience:** HS

**SPRING 2010:** Has not competed.

**FALL 2009:** Did not compete.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Prepped at North High School in Edmond, Okla. ... won the AJGA Valero Texas Open Junior Shootout ... posted six top tens in AJGA play ... tied first in the 2009 Oklahoma Class 6A Tournament ... lists accuracy as one of his strengths.

**PERSONAL:** Chandler Mitchell Rusk ... born July 30, 1991, in Wellington, Kan. ... son of Jennifer and Mitch Rusk ... has an older sister, Kelsey ... enjoys meeting new people and hanging out with friends.



**Brian Scherer**

**Class:** Sophomore  
**Hometown:** Midland, Texas  
**High School:** Midland Lee  
**Height:** 6-1  
**Experience:** 1L

**SPRING 2010:** Had solid outing at National Invitational Tournament as he tied for 24th overall following a 4-over 220 ... wrapped the tournament with a 1-under 71 card ... also competed in the UTSA Invitational (T-38th), the Morris Williams Intercollegiate (T-51st), The Aggie Invitational (T-34th), and the Big 12 Championships (T-47th) ... finished 3-over par at The Aggie Invitational after starting the tournament with a 4-under 68 first round ... averaging 74.7 strokes per round.

**FALL 2009:** Solid outing at the Isleworth Collegiate Invitational with a tie for 25th place ... carded rounds of 75-73-78 ... fired a personal best as a Red Raider at the Gary Koch Intercollegiate with a 3-under 213 ... tied in 17th place with rounds of 69-68-76 ... finished in a 50th-place tie at the Carpet Capital Collegiate ... shot 78-75-77 ... averaging 74.3 strokes per round.

**SPRING 2009:** Carded a three-day total of 235 at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate ... was a catalyst in Tech's second-place finish at the NCAA Southwest Regional ... had played in three tournaments prior to that ... placed in a 28th-place tie ... opened the event with a 70 ... helped lead Tech to the NCAA Championships ... shot 76-75-84.

**FALL 2008:** Overcame rough start in first collegiate tournament with back-to-back 72s in the Carpet Capital Collegiate ... finished in a 40th-place tie and was 6-over for the event.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Graduated from Lee High School in Midland, Texas ... team advanced to state in 2005 and placed third ... named to the All-District team three years.

**AMATEUR:** Won the Texas-Oklahoma Open at age 16 ... won the AJGA Fidelity Investment at age 17 ... advanced and competed in the U.S. Amateur at age 18.

**PERSONAL:** Born May 19, 1989 to parents Pete and Cindy Scherer ... Has on sister, Kimberly and one brother, Scott ... Career goal is to become a professional golfer ... Hobbies include watching TV, his truck and playing video games.



**Jacob Simon**

**Class:** Redshirt Freshman  
**Hometown:** Oklahoma City, Okla.  
**High School:** Putnam City North  
**Height:** 5-9  
**Experience:** RS

**SPRING 2010:** Competed in only one tournament, the Mauna Lani Invitational ... finished in a tie for 44th overall with a 7-over 223 ... scored a 1-over 73 in the final round.

**FALL 2009:** Did not compete.

**SUMMER 2009:** Was an alternate for the U.S. Amateur after shooting rounds of 71 & 69 in the Open Division of the Jerry Rawls Classic in Lubbock.

**FALL 2008-SPRING 2009:** Redshirt season.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Prepped at Putnam City North High School in Oklahoma City, Okla. ... two-time all-conference selection ... carded seven top 10 finishes during senior season ... lists strengths as driving and iron play ... High School Coach: Scott Berger.

**PERSONAL:** Jacob Simon ... born November 6, 1989, in Oklahoma City ... son of Tami and David Simon ... has an older sister, Kouri, and a younger sister, Rachel ... lists grandparents and great-grandmother as influences outside of his parents.



**Matt Smith**

**Class:** Junior  
**Hometown:** Canberra, Australia  
**High School:** Canberra Grammer School  
**Height:** 6-3  
**Experience:** 2L

**SPRING 2010:** Been a regular mainstay in the Tech lineup ... competed in every spring tournament ... best performance was a tie for eighth at The Aggie Invitational ... shot a 4-under 212 at the tournament, backed by a 5-under 67 final round ... also had strong outings at the UTSA Invitational (T-22nd) and Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters (T-21st) ... finished tied for 19th at the Big 12 Championships ... sandwiched two separate 2-under 70 rounds in between a 76 first round and 77 final round ... continued his strong performances at the NCAA South Central Regional where he fired a 2-over 218 to finish tied for 20th overall ... shot a 2-under 70 second round to help pull Tech to within a stroke of then-leader Texas A&M ... third on the team with a 74.0 stroke average.

**FALL 2009:** Tied in 39th place at the Gary Koch Intercollegiate ... opened with a 68, followed by rounds of 74-76 ... returned to the lineup at the Carpet Capital Collegiate and fired rounds of 75-72-75 to finish in a 33rd-place tie ... averaging 73.3 strokes per round.

**SUMMER 2009:** Won the Los Angeles City Championship, after entering at the last minute on a suggestion from friends ... advanced to the round of 32 at the U.S. Amateur.

**FALL 2008-SPRING 2009:** Redshirt season.

**SPRING 2008:** Played as an individual at the UTSA Invitational, where he tied in ninth place with solid rounds of 69-75-73 for a 217 ... he led a group of five others playing as individuals ... finished the round at the Linger Longer Invitational with another 76 to stand at 152 ... concluded his play at 233 at the Western Intercollegiate.

**FALL 2007:** Competed in four events this season with an average score of 75.00...He had his best finish at the Shoal Creek Intercollegiate where he tied for 10th with a four-over 220...Smith shot his season low of 70 at the Jerry Pate National tournament where he finished with a one-over 214.

**SPRING 2007:** After arriving at Tech in the spring, competed in seven events with an average score of 74.30... Had two top 20 finishes, including his personal best at the ASU Thunderbird Invitational where he shot a four-under 212 to tie for 11th place, the best finish on the team... Shot his lowest round at the same tournament by carding a score of 67... Smith's low round of five under in the ASU Thunderbird is tied for third best round for the year... Had the fifth-best average of any Tech golfer during the spring.

**BEFORE TECH:** Finished with a scoring average of 70.93 through 29 rounds... Was a member of the New South Wales National Golf Team, the Australia Golf Union Elite Squad and the Australian Institute of Sport Elite Golf Team... Awarded the 2006 Vardon Trophy which is given to the top amateur golfer in New South Wales... Took the title at three amateur tournaments in Australia: Yowani Open Amateur, Australian Capital Territory Open and the Cromer Bowl... Fired a final round of 67 to win the Australian Capital Territory Open... Carded a final round of 69 in the Tasmanian Open Championship to finish 22nd.



**Chris Ward**

**Class:** Senior  
**Hometown:** McKinney, Texas  
**High School:** McKinney  
**Last School:** Oklahoma State  
**Height:** 5-9  
**Experience:** 2L

**SPRING 2010:** Became the first Tech player in school history to win the Big 12 individual title ... finished 9-under for the tournament ... was helped by a 7-under 65 second round which was lowest round for a Tech player this spring ... earned All-Big 12 honors ... was also named the Big 12 Golfer of the Month ... also honored following the win as the Golfweek.com Player of the Week ... among the top 30 participants in every tournament this spring ... previous best finish this spring was fourth place at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate ... tied for fifth at the NCAA South Central Regional with teammates Nils Floren and Finley Ewing IV ... recorded a 4-under 68 final round that helped Tech pass Texas A&M for the team lead ... finished with a 5-under his 211 score ... card matched the 54-hole low for a Tech player at an NCAA Regional ... second on the team with a 72.5 stroke average.

**FALL 2009:** Averaging 72.7 strokes per round ... has shot par or better in six of nine rounds this season ... struggled at the Isleworth Collegiate Invitational ... opened with an 81 and followed with a 79, before rebounding with a 1-under 71 in the final round ... another top 20 finish at the Gary Koch Intercollegiate ... finished fifth with rounds of 69-67-72 ... was 8-under for the tournament to lead the Red Raiders ... opened the season with a tie in 11th place at the Carpet Capital Collegiate ... carded a 76 in the opening round and followed with under-par rounds of 68 and 71.

**SUMMER 2009:** Advanced to the round of 32 at the U.S. Amateur.

**SPRING 2009:** Claimed his first medalist honor as a Red Raider at the UTSA Intercollegiate firing an 11-under 202 to lead the Red Raiders to their first team victory of the semester ... led the Red Raiders to a sixth-place finish at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate where he finished in a tie for ninth after carding rounds of 70, 75, and 77 ... helped the Red Raiders capture their second win of the spring with a 5-over 222 ... led the Raiders with a tie for 21st at the Aggie Invitational carding rounds of 73-75 for 4-over total of 148 ... competed in the Callaway Golf Match Play Invitational with a win in the match play event over Texas A&M ... tied for 17th at the Big 12 Championships following rounds of 73-73-74-77 ... finished third at the NCAA South-west Regional and lead Tech with a three-round 215 (71-73-71) ... shot a 2-under 70 at the NCAA Championships in the second round and finished tied in 60th place.

**FALL 2008:** Rough start at the Carpet Capital Collegiate with a pair of 76s in the first two rounds ... carded an even-par 72 in the final round ... was 10-over for the tournament ... struggled early at the Shoal Creek Invitational with an opening round 80 followed by second and third rounds of 79-77 ... finished the event in a tie for 56th ... helped the Red Raiders to a fourth-place finish at the Isleworth Collegiate Invitational with consistent rounds of 74-75-75 ... totaled a 224 good for a 23rd-place tie.

**SPRING 2008:** Finished fourth at the Big 12 Golf Championships with a 3- and 1-under and final round at 75 ... he tied for 13th place at the UH Hilo Hawaii Invitational, shooting a 66-70-70 with a 206 ... tied for 43rd place at the UTSA Intercollegiate, where he carded a 77-74-75-226 in the tournament ... led the Red Raiders at the Morris Williams Intercollegiate where he tied in 17th place with a 7-over 220 ... his even par 71 in the final round improved him from a 28th-place tie in the second round.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Was named a two-time honorable mention AJGA All-American ... was named to the all-area squad three times by the Dallas Morning News ... advanced to the 2005 U.S. Amateur Championship after tying for second during local qualifying ... was a member of the West Team at the 2004 AJGA Canon Cup ... posted a 3-1-0 record in the event ... won the 2004 Junior Orange Bowl with rounds of 71, 70, 70 and 68 before winning in a sudden-death playoff ... claimed medalist honors at the AJGA Taylor-Adidas/Woodlands in 2004 before winning the 2004 Exxon-BFI Future Tour Championship ... won the McKinney City Championship in 2004 ... also won the Bart Granger Memorial Tournament with a 15-under total to set a new tournament and McKinney High School scoring records ... won the 2003 Exxon-BFI Future Champions event ... was a two-time district champion ... won the 2002 World Junior Cup Final Qualifier to earn a spot on the United States squad ... also won the Region II-5A Tournament in 2004 ... was a two-time runner-up at the Texas State High School Tournament ... finished fourth at the 2006 Texas Class 4A State Tournament ... transferred from Oklahoma State.

**PERSONAL:** Born June 30, 1987 ... son of Dwayne and Sharon Ward ... has one sister, Rachel, who played for Newman University ... also recruited by Texas, Georgia Tech, Auburn, Texas A&M, UNLV, Arizona State, New Mexico, University of Arizona, and Baylor ... and is majoring in business.



**Tyler Weworski**

**Class:** Sophomore  
**Hometown:** Carlsbad, Calif.  
**High School:** Carlsbad Christian  
**Height:** 6-1  
**Experience:** 1L

**SPRING 2010:** Played in every tournament this spring for the Red Raiders ... finished in the top 10 twice at the UTSA Invitational and The Aggie Invitational ... despite a 10-over 81 first round, followed with a 5-under 66 second round and 1-under 70 final round to tie for seventh at UTSA Invitational ... his second round total was the best of his Tech career ... recorded another strong performance at the National Invitational Tournament by finished in a tie for 24th ... saved his best outing of Tech career for The Aggie Invitational by finishing 6-under and tied for third ... was in Tech's lineup for both the Big 12 Championships and NCAA South Central Regional ... averaged 75.3 strokes per round.

**FALL 2009:** Finished in 58th place at the Carpet Capital Collegiate ... opened with a pair of 82s, but bounced back with a 76 in the final round.

**SPRING 2009:** Played in the spring's first event at the UH-Hilo Intercollegiate ... carded rounds of 75-77-78 to finish tied 65th.

**FALL 2008:** Did not compete.

**BEFORE TEXAS TECH:** Southern California Player of the Year (2007) ... won the California Interscholastic Federation title ... qualified for U.S. Juniors ... lists strengths as ball striking and putting ... prepped at Cathedral Catholic in Carlsbad, Calif.

**PERSONAL:** Tyler Weworski ... born May 24, 1990, in Carlsbad, Calif. ... son of Corey and Joe Weworski ... has a younger brother, Ryan ... mother, Corey, is a past U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur champion.

**2009-10 Texas Tech Men's Golf  
Texas Tech University Season Statistics (May 26, 2010)**

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low Par/-		# Finish Top			Rel.		Avg	Career		
			Rnd	Rnds	Evt	1	5	10	Par		Rounds	Strokes	Avg
Nils Floren	34	2451	66	19	11	1	5	6	E	72.1	-	-	-
Chris Ward	34	2465	65	17	11	1	4	4	+1	72.5	-	-	-
Matt Smith	31	2295	67	10	10	-	-	1	+2	74.0	-	-	-
Jacob Simon	3	223	73	-	1	-	-	-	+2	74.3	-	-	-
Finley Ewing	24	1785	68	7	8	-	1	1	+3	74.4	-	-	-
Brian Scherer	25	1868	68	5	8	-	-	-	+3	74.7	-	-	-
Tyler Weworski	28	2107	66	7	9	-	1	2	+3	75.3	-	-	-
Drew Dorsey	3	244	79	-	1	-	-	-	+9	81.3	-	-	-
Aaron Fitzpatrick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sergio Franky	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Will Griffin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Logan McCracken	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chandler Rusk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>FOUR-PLAYER TEAM</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10130</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>+4</b>	<b>297.9</b>			

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
Carpet Capital Collegiate	9/11-13/2009	3	8	12	60	+12	876
Gary Koch Intercollegiate	10/3-4/2009	3	2	14	81	-14	850
Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	10/25-27/2009	3	8	15	75	+36	900
Mauna Lani Invitational	2/3-5/2010	3	1	22	120	+17	881
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	1	15	81	+23	875
Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters	3/12-14/2010	3	5	15	79	+47	911
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	10	13	83	+19	883
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	4	15	84	+32	884
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	3	12	78	-13	1067
Big 12 Championships	4/23-25/2010	4	4	12	60	E	1152
NCAA South Central Regional	5/26/2010	3	1	0	75	-13	851

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## 2009-10 Texas Tech Men's Golf Texas Tech University Low Round Scores Summary (May 26, 2010)

### Team low rounds (best 10)

271 - Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (1st round)  
279 - Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (2nd round)  
282 - NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (1st round)  
283 - UTSA Invitational, 2/15-16/2010 (2nd round)  
284 - Carpet Capital Collegiate, 9/11-13/2009 (2nd round)  
284 - Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (3rd round)  
284 - NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (2nd round)  
285 - Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (2nd round)  
285 - NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (3rd round)  
286 - Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (1st round)

### Player low rounds (best 50)

65 - Chris Ward, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (2nd round)  
66 - Nils Floren, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (1st round)  
66 - Tyler Weworski, UTSA Invitational, 2/15-16/2010 (2nd round)  
67 - Chris Ward, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (2nd round)  
67 - Matt Smith, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (3rd round)  
68 - Chris Ward, Carpet Capital Collegiate, 9/11-13/2009 (2nd round)  
68 - Nils Floren, Carpet Capital Collegiate, 9/11-13/2009 (3rd round)  
68 - Finley Ewing, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (1st round)  
68 - Matt Smith, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (1st round)  
68 - Brian Scherer, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (2nd round)  
68 - Brian Scherer, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (1st round)  
68 - Nils Floren, NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (1st round)  
68 - Chris Ward, NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (3rd round)  
69 - Nils Floren, Carpet Capital Collegiate, 9/11-13/2009 (2nd round)  
69 - Brian Scherer, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (1st round)  
69 - Chris Ward, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (1st round)  
69 - Nils Floren, Isleworth Collegiate Invitational, 10/25-27/2009 (1st round)  
69 - Tyler Weworski, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (2nd round)  
69 - Chris Ward, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (1st round)  
69 - Nils Floren, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (1st round)  
69 - Finley Ewing, NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (1st round)  
70 - Nils Floren, Gary Koch Intercollegiate, 10/3-4/2009 (2nd round)  
70 - Nils Floren, Mauna Lani Invitational, 2/3-5/2010 (1st round)  
70 - Chris Ward, Mauna Lani Invitational, 2/3-5/2010 (3rd round)  
70 - Tyler Weworski, UTSA Invitational, 2/15-16/2010 (3rd round)  
70 - Matt Smith, Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters, 3/12-14/2010 (1st round)  
70 - Tyler Weworski, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (1st round)  
70 - Nils Floren, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (2nd round)  
70 - Matt Smith, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (2nd round)  
70 - Matt Smith, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (3rd round)  
70 - Matt Smith, NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (2nd round)  
71 - Chris Ward, Carpet Capital Collegiate, 9/11-13/2009 (3rd round)  
71 - Chris Ward, Isleworth Collegiate Invitational, 10/25-27/2009 (3rd round)  
71 - Nils Floren, UTSA Invitational, 2/15-16/2010 (2nd round)  
71 - Nils Floren, UTSA Invitational, 2/15-16/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Brian Scherer, National Invitational Tournament, 3/17-18/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Finley Ewing, National Invitational Tournament, 3/17-18/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Chris Ward, Morris Williams Intercollegiate, 4/5-6/2010 (1st round)  
71 - Nils Floren, Morris Williams Intercollegiate, 4/5-6/2010 (1st round)  
71 - Nils Floren, Morris Williams Intercollegiate, 4/5-6/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Chris Ward, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (1st round)  
71 - Nils Floren, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Tyler Weworski, The Aggie Invitational, 4/17-18/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Chris Ward, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Nils Floren, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (3rd round)  
71 - Nils Floren, Big 12 Championships, 4/23-25/2010 (4th round)  
71 - Chris Ward, NCAA South Central Regional, 5/26/2010 (2nd round)

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## 2009-10 Texas Tech Men's Golf Texas Tech University Individual Results (May 27, 2010)

### Drew Dorsey

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	10/25-27/2009	3	80-79-85=244	+28	71st/75
SEASON TOTALS		3	244 Avg. 81.3	+9	-

### Finley Ewing

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Gary Koch Intercollegiate	10/3-4/2009	3	68-74-76=218	+2	t 39th/81
Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	10/25-27/2009	3	72-77-79=228	+12	t 33rd/75
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	72-75-72=219	+6	t 11th/81
Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters	3/12-14/2010	3	82-76-78=236	+20	t 43rd/79
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	75-77-71=223	+7	t 70th/83
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	78-72-76=226	+13	t 32nd/84
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	78-74-72=224	+8	t 54th/78
NCAA South Central Regional	5/26/2010	3	69-71-71=211	-5	t 5th/75
SEASON TOTALS		24	1785 Avg. 74.4	+3	-

### Aaron Fitzpatrick (did not play)

### Nils Floren

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Carpet Capital Collegiate	9/11-13/2009	3	73-69-68=210	-6	t 1st/60
Gary Koch Intercollegiate	10/3-4/2009	3	66-70-76=212	-4	t 14th/81
Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	10/25-27/2009	3	69-74-73=216	E	t 3rd/75
Mauna Lani Invitational	2/3-5/2010	3	70-77-72=219	+3	t 19th/120
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	73-71-71=215	+2	t 4th/81
Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters	3/12-14/2010	3	78-76-75=229	+13	t 21st/79
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	74-74-74=222	+6	t 36th/83
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	71-75-71=217	+4	t 2nd/84
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	73-70-71=214	-2	t 18th/78
Big 12 Championships	4/23-25/2010	4	69-75-71-71=286	-2	6th/60
NCAA South Central Regional	5/26/2010	3	68-72-71=211	-5	t 5th/75
SEASON TOTALS		34	2451 Avg. 72.1	E	-

### Sergio Franky (did not play)

### Will Griffin (did not play)

### Logan McCracken (did not play)

### Chandler Rusk (did not play)

### Brian Scherer

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Carpet Capital Collegiate	9/11-13/2009	3	78-75-77=230	+14	t 50th/60
Gary Koch Intercollegiate	10/3-4/2009	3	69-68-76=213	-3	t 17th/81
Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	10/25-27/2009	3	75-73-78=226	+10	t 25th/75
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	72-74-79=225	+12	t 38th/81
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	74-75-71=220	+4	t 24th/83
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	73-80-77=230	+17	t 51st/84
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	68-77-74=219	+3	t 34th/78
Big 12 Championships	4/23-25/2010	4	72-80-78-75=305	+17	t 47th/60
SEASON TOTALS		25	1868 Avg. 74.7	+3	-

### Jacob Simon

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Mauna Lani Invitational	2/3-5/2010	3	76-74-73=223	+7	t 44th/120

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### Matt Smith

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Carpet Capital Collegiate	9/11-13/2009	3	75-72-75=222	+6	t 33rd/60
Gary Koch Intercollegiate	10/3-4/2009	3	68-74-76=218	+2	t 39th/81
Mauna Lani Invitational	2/3-5/2010	3	81-74-72=227	+11	t 54th/120
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	73-73-75=221	+8	t 22nd/81
Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters	3/12-14/2010	3	70-86-73=229	+13	t 21st/79
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	72-83-73=228	+12	t 61st/83
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	72-75-80=227	+14	t 37th/84
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	72-73-67=212	-4	t 8th/78
Big 12 Championships	4/23-25/2010	4	76-70-70-77=293	+5	t 19th/60
NCAA South Central Regional	5/26/2010	3	73-70-75=218	+2	t 20th/75
SEASON TOTALS		31	2295 Avg. 74.0	+2	-

### Chris Ward

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Carpet Capital Collegiate	9/11-13/2009	3	76-68-71=215	-1	t 11th/60
Gary Koch Intercollegiate	10/3-4/2009	3	69-67-72=208	-8	5th/81
Isleworth Collegiate Invitational	10/25-27/2009	3	81-79-71=231	+15	t 47th/75
Mauna Lani Invitational	2/3-5/2010	3	76-74-70=220	+4	t 21st/120
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	75-72-73=220	+7	t 16th/81
Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters	3/12-14/2010	3	75-75-77=227	+11	t 16th/79
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	75-72-72=219	+3	t 21st/83
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	71-72-75=218	+5	4th/84
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	71-73-73=217	+1	t 26th/78
Big 12 Championships	4/23-25/2010	4	69-65-71-74=279	-9	1st/60
NCAA South Central Regional	5/26/2010	3	72-71-68=211	-5	t 5th/75
SEASON TOTALS		34	2465 Avg. 72.5	+1	-

### Tyler Weworski

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Scores	Par	Rank
Carpet Capital Collegiate	9/11-13/2009	3	82-82-76=240	+24	58th/60
Mauna Lani Invitational	2/3-5/2010	3	74-76-79=229	+13	t 63rd/120
UTSA Invitational	2/15-16/2010	3	81-66-70=217	+4	t 7th/81
Southern Highlands Collegiate Masters	3/12-14/2010	3	81-77-80=238	+22	t 53rd/79
National Invitational Tournament	3/17-18/2010	3	73-75-72=220	+4	t 24th/83
Morris Williams Intercollegiate	4/5-6/2010	3	76-77-75=228	+15	t 44th/84
The Aggie Invitational	4/17-18/2010	3	70-69-71=210	-6	t 3rd/78
Big 12 Championships	4/23-25/2010	4	76-75-72-77=300	+12	t 36th/60
NCAA South Central Regional	5/26/2010	3	74-76-75=225	+9	t 43rd/75
SEASON TOTALS		28	2107 Avg. 75.3	+3	-

**Ward relives Big 12 individual title experience round by round**  
**By: Jose Rodriguez**  
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Going through the motions wasn't going to be enough for Texas Tech men's golfer Chris Ward to win a Big 12 Conference individual title.

Which is why on April 23 — the first day of the Big 12 Championships in Trinity — Ward arguably had the most efficient day of any player in the field, placing himself in front of the pack.

"Just that whole day I was feeling it," said Ward of his performance during the opening rounds. "I hit the ball — the round I shot 69 that morning — just as good as I did the 65 round. I just made a few more putts. That round when I shot 65, actually could've been better. I made some long putts but also I missed a few five- or 10-footers. I guess it kind of evens out.

"I hit the ball probably the best I've ever hit it."

For Ward, a senior out of McKinney, Day One was simply a product of practice and hard work.

His preparation extended beyond the fundamentals, though, focusing on aspects of golf such as weather adjustments and experimenting with different techniques on the short game.

"Just leading up to the tournament I was just trying to work on hitting my ball at different heights because I knew it was going to be windy there and I think that helped me a lot," Ward said. "Just working a lot on my speed on longer putts and just trying to make consistent strokes on shorter putts."

After shooting rounds of 69 and 65, Ward began Day Two with the lead.

With the individual lead, the attention probably was focused on Ward during the third round. However, Tech coach Greg Sands just happened to be one of the few who did not get to keep an eye on the leader.

Sands said he was aware of Ward's progress, receiving only good news.

"A lot of the time I was with another guy, coaching a specific player, so I didn't get to see a lot of it," Sands said. "The things that I heard him tell me when he was in the first 18 — he hit 17 greens. Then the next 18 holes he hit 16 greens. For him to hit that many greens in two rounds is just a testament to his ball striking."

The combination of having the lead and the absence of his head coach could have added some pressure on Ward.

Ward said he entered the third round with the mentality of trying to repeat his performance the day before in hopes of maintaining his one-shot lead. Ward was sitting at 1-under going into Round Three.

"I just kind of tried to stay as focused as possible," he said. "Don't worry about results and I didn't hit the ball as well as I did the first day. I made some putts right at the end that really helped. I think I got to 3-over through 11 holes and then I ended up playing my last seven holes 4-under par."

By day's end, Ward had extended his lead to two shots heading into the final round Sunday. However, he adjusted his game plan according to the play of the rest of the field to keep pace and maintain his lead.

"I was playing with the guy who was second, so my game plan was just to be aggressive depending on how he was playing," Ward said. "I think he shot a few over on the front (nine) by two or three, plus the two shots I had on him going into the round so I was like four or five up going into the back nine."

Ward's blueprint ultimately worked when Oklahoma State's Peter Uihlein's charge at the back nine wasn't enough to move him into first place. Uihlein finished at 7-under par, two strokes short of Ward's 9-under.

For starters, winning a conference championship probably is a big deal anywhere. But Ward became Texas Tech's first individual conference winner since 1996, when Bryan Novoa won the Southwest Conference Championship. Tech finished in fourth place as a team, with Oklahoma State winning it all.

On the other hand, Ward's win broke OSU's streak of three consecutive conference individual winners which, with a different turn of events, could've made it four consecutive for the Cowboys. Ward transferred to Tech from OSU after spending one year in Stillwater, Okla.

But Sands believes Ward's reached his potential as a Red Raider, not at OSU, where the Cowboys are a perennial power in the collegiate golf scene.

"He was always a good player, he was good in high school," Sands said. "We saw him growing up and he'd won several junior tournaments. He played some at OSU but not too great. But as time's gone by here at Texas Tech, he's gotten better and better. He's been kind of just a model of consistency."

It's that kind of improvement that can give a player the boost they need to consider going pro.

With his college career coming to a close, talks about turning pro have become more abundant for Ward. With a little experience testing the waters — Ward advanced to the round of 32 at the U.S. Amateur last summer — the possibility of becoming a professional may be in the works.

In fact, his teammates believe he can turn pro and eventually make an impact as a pro.

"I think he could definitely make it on the pro level," Junior Nils Floren said. "Of course like everybody else you have to mature and that kind of stuff. There aren't many players that can go from college to playing on the PGA Tour. So yes, I can definitely see him a few years from now being a solid player on the PGA Tour."

Whether Ward turns pro remains up in the air.

For now, he and the No. 10 Red Raiders await the announcement determining which regional they will participate in because of other conference tourneys that are still in progress. NCAA Regionals begin May 20 and end May 22.

But Ward's victory at the Big 12 Championships is a moment that probably hasn't sunk in yet.

"My mom and dad were there and coach (Sands)," said Ward of the moment he received the Big 12 individual title. "I just gave them all a hug and thanked them for their support. I don't I've ever been that excited in my life, I don't think I'll ever forget that moment."

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### **Ward, Floren earn All-Big 12 honors**

**By: Jose Rodriguez**

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The Big 12 Conference honored Tech men's golfers Chris Ward and Nils Floren Thursday, naming the pair to this year's All-Big 12 team.

But Tech men's golf coach Greg Sands believes the awards will not end there for both Ward and Floren.

"Both those guys are special, special players," Sands said. "They've both had great seasons; it's just nice for them to be recognized. To have two guys on the All-Big 12 team is real special, but I really, truly believe both of them will be All-Americans as well.

"I'm just excited about them reaching those goals, and they set those goals and worked hard to achieve."

This marks the second time the two have made All-Big 12. Floren made the group last year and Ward in 2008.

Additionally, Ward was named this week's Golfweek.com Collegiate Player of the Week after becoming Tech's first conference individual champion in 14 years Sunday at the Big 12 Championships in Trinity. Ward also is ranked 33rd nationally according to Golfweek.com.

In fact, Floren said Ward's finish to the season is only going to build momentum for the senior's prospects in the professional ranks.

"He's just a real solid guy," he said. "I'm happy for him. He could not have picked a better tournament to win, and he could not have picked a better time to win. This is his last year, and he's going to get lots of good promotion from winning this going into his professional career after college."

But Floren is arguably the best player on the squad.

Floren, who is No. 19 in the Golfweek.com rankings and No. 7, according to Golfstat.com, has been Tech's highest ranked player this season and holds a 623-109 head-to-head advantage. Floren and Ward's play has made its impact on the rest of the team as well.

There may be no better proof of that than the rankings, where the Red Raiders made their debut in the Top 10 this spring at No. 10, according to Golfstat.com.

"Nils is a great player, he definitely deserves that," Ward said. "We both have just played pretty consistent all year. I think that just reflects on how consistent the team's played all year because when we play good, I think that inspires the other players to just try that much harder."

But in the mean time, the Red Raiders await the conclusion of all the conference tournaments to get the announcement May 9 regarding which regional they will play.

NCAA Regionals take place May 20-22 at sites to be determined.

### **Ward wins first conference title for Tech men's golf since 1996**

**By: Jose Rodriguez**

**The Daily Toreador**

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Going into this weekend's Big 12 Championships in Trinity, Chris Ward probably had some lofty expectations for the team to perform well, or perhaps, win it all.

The team did not walk away with a Big 12 title, but Ward accomplished something that hasn't happened in Tech men's golf since 1996.

"Probably the biggest tournament I've ever won," Ward said. "It was a good experience to keep this lead throughout the whole tournament and just keeping my focus the whole time. Just not getting ahead of myself, keep playing my game and just don't do anything different."

Ward is Tech's first conference tournament champion since Bryan Novoa won the Southwest Conference Championship in 1996. Ward, a former member of the Oklahoma State golf team, finished the tourney at 9-under, just in front of OSU's own Peter Uihlein, who finished at 7-under.

Ward began the tournament by shooting rounds of 69 and 65, respectively, to jump out in front of the pack.

The senior followed that up with a 1-under, 71 round to take a two-shot lead into Sunday's final round action.

Despite Ward's play throughout the tourney, the team as a whole struggled to make a move up the leader board. Oklahoma State took home the team title with a final score of 19-under par. The Red Raiders finished fourth.

Junior Nils Floren was second on the team, finishing at 2-under and taking sixth place.

"We just didn't play very good (Sunday), kind of played bad," said Tech coach Greg Sands of his team's final round performance. "Chris played through the whole tournament, Nils played pretty good but we just didn't get the job done."

### **Big 12 tourney on tap for Tech golf**

**By: Jose Rodriguez**

**The Daily Toreador**

**April 23, 2010**

Every shot, stroke and putt for the Texas Tech men's and women's golf teams this spring has come in preparation for today's Big 12 Conference Championships.

Both teams go into their respective tourneys with solid play in recent weeks. However, Tech men's golf coach Greg Sands believes his team still has to work on finding a rhythm.

The Red Raiders tee off today in Trinity, with the tourney set to conclude Sunday.

"We'll have to play well — I just think the key will be consistency," he said. "We're going to have some good rounds, but we have to have some of the best rounds. We need to just have solid rounds and not bad rounds. We need to just have consistency throughout the lineup."

Considering the fact that Tech is ranked No. 12 in the nation, expectations for today may be high.

But with experience beating some conference opponents such as No. 7 Texas and No. 3 Oklahoma State, the team may be confident about its chances to come away with a high finish, or perhaps, a Big 12 title. Of the top teams in the conference, Tech has yet to defeat No. 5 Texas A&M.

"Top three is reasonable — my goal is to win," said Nils Floren, who is No. 9 in the individual rankings. "My goal is to win individually and my goal is to win as a team as well. I just expect that everyone is doing what they can control. If we do that and if we stay focused on what we

control, I think we can win, definitely.”

The women, despite being ranked No. 43, may also have a level of confidence similar to that of Tech's men.

With first-year head coach JoJo Robertson at the helm, the Lady Raiders have shown promise with results such as a first-place finish at the Heather Farr Memorial during the fall and a third-place finish last week at the Baylor Invitational. The strong play has come on the heels of solid performances from freshmen Gabby Dominguez and Kim Kaufman.

Robertson shares Sands' confidence, as well.

She said she believes her team will be in contention for a title if they can remain consistent throughout the entire tourney.

“I think they have a great chance,” Robertson said. “We haven't played too many tournaments where everybody played their best on the same day. So I'm excited about that, I'm sure the team is too — to just get this thing started, see where we end up.”

### **Performance at Invitational encouraging for Tech men's golf**

**By: Jose Rodriguez**  
**The Daily Toreador**  
**April 20, 2010**

After earning a third-place finish Sunday at the Aggie Invitational in Bryan, the Texas Tech men's golf team is finding its rhythm as the season comes to a close.

Junior Nils Floren isn't shocked by the team's recent performances, but believes Tech has not been able to get the job done when it matters most.

“We have a really good team so I'm not really surprised we've finally played good,” he said. “We just haven't really pulled it off when we need to. We play good at times, but just haven't played good throughout the whole tournament.”

The No. 14 Red Raiders were paced by sophomore Tyler Weworski, who finished in a tie for third individually. Weworski shot rounds of 2-, 3- and 1-under.

Weworski tied with Ignacio Elvira and Conrad Shindler of host Texas A&M, while Jordan Russell and Geoff Shaw — who also play for No. 6 A&M — finished first and second, respectively. Oklahoma State took second place in the team standings.

Tech head coach Greg Sands said the short game prevented Weworski from finishing any higher or, perhaps, winning the tourney.

“If he'd holed a few putts I think he would've won the tournament,” he said. “He putted solid, but to win he needs to putt a little better. Really, all fashions of his game are really good right now.”

Matt Smith also made an appearance in the top 10, finishing in a tie for eighth place after shooting a 5-under round Sunday.

Floren, the No. 8 player in the country, finished 15th. Chris Ward, Brian Scherer and Finley Ewing IV finished in 26th, 34th and 54th, respectively.

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### **Tech men's golf wants strong finish as Big 12 Championships approach**

**By: Jose Rodriguez**  
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Texas Tech men's golf has just one more tune up before perhaps the biggest tournament of the year: the Big 12 Conference Championships

Greg Sands and his Red Raiders might have the launching pad needed to finish strong after his team's fourth-place finish in the Morris Williams Intercollegiate earlier this week.

Despite finishing just six shots behind tourney winner No. 20 Georgia, five behind host No. 7 Texas and one shot behind No. 5 Texas A&M, Sands believes his team still has a lot to be proud of.

“With the way Texas played in the last day, we could've played better — we could've won the tournament,” Sands said. “But at the same time, we have so many positives that I don't want to dwell on what we didn't get done.”

Of the many positives for No. 20 Tech, Nils Floren and Chris Ward's finishes may stand out the most.

Floren, who is ranked No. 8 in the country individually, shot his second even par round of the tourney with a 71 to match his showing Monday. Ward followed closely behind, finishing in sole possession of fourth place.

But the team has moved on and is beginning its preparation for the Aggie Invitational.

Sands said he wants his players to place a strong focus on two areas: Taking things one shot at a time and executing in the short game despite any weather conditions.

“What we've got to do is do a good job of staying in the present — not

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remembering the shots we hit," he said. "Not thinking about the shots in the future, but really doing a good job with the shot at hand. We'll continue to work on that and also just work on short game. The great thing about Lubbock is we're able to work on a lot of wind shots."

The 2010 Aggie Invitational could serve as the perfect tune up before conference championships on April 23. Besides Tech and host Texas A&M, Texas, Baylor, Oklahoma State and Colorado have been invited to the tourney.

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### Men's golf impresses, women prep for Friday

**By: Jose Rodriguez**  
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With Big 12 Conference play less than a month away, Texas Tech men's golf coach Greg Sands may like to see some solid performances against top competition.

This week's Callaway Match Play Championship in Marana, Ariz., might be a good example of the things his team is capable of in that aspect. The No. 13 Red Raiders got wins from Chris Ward, Brian Scherer and Tyler Weworski in a 3-2 win against No. 4 Washington early Monday.

But the Red Raiders lost to UCLA in match play Tuesday, 3-2.

"I think that's what's neat about the head-to-head matches, you learn a lot about the guys and how they compete, if they can win their re-

spective matches," Sands said.

Tech dropped its opening match to San Diego and lost its second match Monday afternoon to Arizona.

Despite a few struggles in the tourney, Sands said he likes what he is seeing out of his top performers. When looking at the season to this point, he said Weworski may have a chance to be a dominant player if he stays on top of his game.

"When he plays well, it's as good as anyone in the country," he said. "We've just got to get him more consistent, because when he plays bad he gets down on himself and plays bad. He just doesn't realize how good he is yet and so I'm real excited about his potential and the upside."

### Floren named to watch list for top golfer in Division I

**By: Adam Coleman**  
**The Daily Toreador**  
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Nils Floren gave Texas Tech a little more recognition than the program already has Thursday.

The Golf Coaches Association of America announced the junior is on the Ben Hogan Award Watch List.

Along with Division II, Division III, NAIA and NJCAA, the award recognizes the top golfer in Division I.

"He deserves all the credit he gets, but he's one of our hardest workers," Tech coach Greg Sands said. "He's always out there trying to get better, analyzing the game. He's just so good mentally that it seems like no matter how he's playing, he's always going to be in contention, because he's just good mentally."

Floren is No. 12 among the Top 50 golfers, according to Golfweek's rankings. Floren shot the Red Raiders' lowest round of the year, with a 66 in the Gary Koch Intercollegiate in October.

Floren's selection leaves Tech and Oklahoma State as the only two Big 12 Conference teams to have a golfer on the list. But four Cowboys golfers were selected: Morgan Hoffmann, Kevin Tway, Peter Uihlein and Trent Whitekiller.

Past winners of the award include Clemson's Kyle Stanley last season and OSU's Rickie Fowler in 2008.

Being named to the watch list gives Floren something in common with a relative and former Tech standout.

Oscar Floren, Nils' brother, was named to the watch list in 2007.

Oscar was an All-American for the Red Raiders and played from 2003 to 2007. Oscar is regarded as one of the best golfers in the program's history.

Sands said some high expectations from Nils could have come from what Oscar did during his time at Tech.

He also said Nils has done well in making a name for himself.

"He's done a really good job of doing that," Sands said. "If Oscar was still here, it may be an issue, but he's not here."