

# VIRGINIA TECH

2002-2003  
**SWIMMING  
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Since its founding in 1872, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, popularly known as Virginia Tech, has grown from a small college of 132 students into Virginia's largest university and its top research institution. During its 130 years of existence, Virginia's premiere land-grant institution has evolved into a comprehensive university of national and international prominence.

Recognizing that higher education is a key force behind the quality of American life, our economic competitiveness, and our democratic form of government, President Charles W. Steger has challenged the university to become one of the country's top 30 research institutions by the end of the decade.

Virginia Tech is organized into eight colleges — Agriculture and Life Sciences, Architecture and Urban Studies, Arts and Sciences, Pamplin College of Business, Engineering, Human Resources and Education, Natural Resources, and Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Plans have been approved to restructure the university, which will result in the creation of a College of Biological, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences next year. Together, the colleges offer about 175 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs to approximately 26,000 undergraduate and graduate students.

Many of Virginia Tech's traditions and strengths are rooted in the university's motto, *Ut Prosim* ("That I May Serve") and its land-grant missions of instruction, research, and outreach. By generating new knowledge through research and through its outreach mandate, Virginia Tech disseminates practical knowledge both in and out of the classroom, reaching beyond its student body to affect society as a whole. Virginia Tech — a university that puts knowledge to work.



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## HOKIE QUICK FACTS

**Location:** Blacksburg, Va.  
**Founded:** 1872  
**Enrollment:** 26,000  
**Nickname:** Hokies  
**Colors:** Chicago maroon and burnt orange  
**Conference:** BIG EAST  
**President:** Dr. Charles W. Steger  
**Director of Athletics:** Jim Weaver  
**Senior Associate Athletics Directors:**  
 David Chambers & Sharon McCloskey  
**Head Coach:** Ned Skinner (Louisiana State, '89)  
**Record at VT:** (W) 31-11; (M) 19-21; (O) 50-32 (4 yrs)  
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**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (W) Fourth, (M) Third  
**Letterwinners Returning/Lost:** (M) 13/8, (W) 19/6  
**Home Facility:** War Memorial Pool (500)

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## 2002-2003 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
<b>Sept. 13</b>	<b>Virginia Tech 400</b>	<b>Blacksburg, Va.</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Oct. 4</b>	<b>Pentathlon</b>	<b>Blacksburg, Va.</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
	26 at Maryland w/Clemson	College Park, Md.	Noon
	30 at Richmond (Women)	Richmond, Va.	4 p.m.
Nov. 8	James Madison (Men)	Radford, Va.	4 p.m.
	James Madison w/ Radford (Women)	Radford, Va.	4 p.m.
	<b>9 North Carolina State</b>	<b>Blacksburg, Va.</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
	21-23 at Nike Cup	Chapel Hill, N.C.	All Day
<b>Dec. 12</b>	<b>Virginia Tech Sprint Championship</b>	<b>Blacksburg, Va.</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
Jan. 18	at East Carolina	Greenville, N.C.	1 p.m.
	<b>25 West Virginia w/American *</b>	<b>Blacksburg, Va.</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Feb. 2	at Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Noon
	20-22 at BIG EAST Championships	Long Island, N.Y.	All Day
Mar. 13-15	at NCAA Zone Diving Regionals	TBA	All Day
	20-22 at Women's NCAA Championships	Auburn, Ala.	All Day
	27-29 at Men's NCAA Championships	Austin, Texas	All Day
Apr. 1-5	at U.S. Nationals	Indianapolis, Ind.	All Day

Home matches in **bold**

\* denotes Senior's/Parent's Day



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# Hokies a Part of One of The Nation's Finest Conferences

As The BIG EAST Conference enters the 2002-03 season, only the 24th in its history, it takes pride in its long list of accomplishments.

Providing opportunities to excel amongst the nation's best, both athletically and academically, continues to be its mission.

There was plenty of evidence of that mission being accomplished during the 2001-02 season. The BIG EAST had undefeated national champions in football and women's basketball, 32 student-athletes who earned Academic All-America honors, and two student-athletes who were named the national player of the year in their sports.

Miami won the Rose Bowl to cap a perfect 12-0 season for its fifth national title and second for the league. The Connecticut women's basketball team garnered its third national title with a record-setting 39-0 mark.

That national championship gave the Conference a three-peat in women's basketball following the Huskies' second title in 2000 and Notre Dame's crown in 2001. BIG EAST teams have won 10 national championships since 1995 in six different sports.

UConn's Sue Bird was the consensus women's basketball player of the year and Erin Elbe of Georgetown was honored with the women's lacrosse player of the year award.

The Notre Dame baseball team became the first conference team to play in the College World Series. The BIG EAST was the only conference to have eight teams compete in the NCAA Women's Soccer Championship.

The BIG EAST has always been able to boast that some of its best students are also some of its best athletes. Notre Dame softball standout Jarrah Myers, the 2001-02 BIG EAST/Aéropostale Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year, was honored as the Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-American Team Member of the Year in addition to earning All-America honors for her accomplishments on the diamond.

For three of the last eight years, a BIG EAST student-athlete has won the Honda-Broderick Cup as Collegiate Woman of the Year. Notre Dame soccer player Cindy Daws won in 1997-98. She followed

Connecticut basketball players Rebecca Lobo ('94-95) and Jennifer Rizzotti ('95-96).

BIG EAST student-athletes have continued their success after leaving the classrooms and playing fields. Former Connecticut women's basketball standout Dr. Leigh Curl was inducted into the Verizon Academic All-America Hall of Fame in 1999. Former Georgetown men's basketball star Dikembe Mutumbo was named a winner of the President's Service Award, the highest honor in the U.S. for volunteer service.

Whether it's the student-athletes or the league as a whole, moving forward successfully and exploring new horizons have been the norm rather than

Boston College completed the original seven school alliance.

After one season, Villanova was added and began play in 1980-81. Two seasons later, Pittsburgh joined the group and started competition in '82-83.

Miami was admitted in 1990 and began BIG EAST competition in '91-92. Rutgers, West Virginia and Notre Dame joined in '94 in two separate expansions and began play in 1995-96.

While the membership has increased, the focus of the BIG EAST remains unchanged. It is a group that reflects a tradition of broad based programs, led by administrators and coaches who place a constant emphasis on academic integrity.

The BIG EAST Conference has enjoyed a leadership role nationally. Its student athletes own significantly high graduation rates and their record of scholastic achievement notably reflects a balance between intercollegiate athletics and academics.

Any successful league enjoys outstanding leadership. Michael Tranghese, the league's first full-time employee, took over the Commissioner's reins in June 1990.

The expansion in membership is only a portion of Tranghese's achievements. In his first year at the helm, he administered the formation of The BIG EAST Football Conference in addition to coordinating the four expansions.

BIG EAST sports attract the interest of followers in the nation's largest media markets including New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington, D.C., Miami, Pittsburgh and Hartford.

More than 475 BIG EAST athletes have earned All-America recognition and dozens have won individual NCAA national championships.

The BIG EAST Conference has been well represented in U.S. or foreign national and Olympic teams, with several athletes earning gold medals in the summer Olympics in Sydney in 2000, Atlanta in 1996, Barcelona in 1992, Seoul in 1988 and Los Angeles in 1984.

The BIG EAST Conference has its headquarters in Providence, R.I., where the conference administers to more than 5,000 student-athletes in 22 sports.



the exception for the conference that opened its doors in 1979.

Most recently the league welcomed Virginia Tech as its 14th full member in 2000-01. In the spring of 2001, the BIG EAST added women's lacrosse to its growing list of sports. This past fall, it was announced that women's golf will be added to the list of championship sports.

When the 1990s began, The BIG EAST Conference had just completed its eighth season with nine members. The league was arguably as healthy as a conference could be. The BIG EAST was a headline-grabber immediately, especially in men's basketball, its signature sport. The BIG EAST Football Conference did not exist.

The '90s was a decade of enormous change in college athletics with conferences adding new members and new leagues beginning. The BIG EAST was no different than most groups. The league has had four separate expansions in the past 11 years. The BIG EAST Football Conference, with eight members, became a major player in college football immediately after its inception in 1991.

The BIG EAST became a reality on May 31, 1979, following a meeting of athletic directors from Providence College, St. John's, Georgetown and Syracuse Universities. Seton Hall, Connecticut and

# 2002-2003 Rosters

## The Men's Team

Name	Event	Ht.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown
Tom Alberi	Sprint Free/Fly/Back	6-0	Fr.	HS	Cape Elizabeth, Maine
Chris Bassler	Free/IM/Back	6-3	Jr.	2L	McLean, Va.
Matt Bolen	Diver	6-0	Sr.	3L	Clifton, Va.
Matt Camden	Dist. Free/IM	5-9	Fr.	HS	Richmond, Va.
Mike Della Noce	Free/IM	5-11	Fr.	HS	Glen Allen, Va.
Anders Frahm	Fly/Back	6-3	Fr.	HS	Copenhagen, Denmark
Kevin Furlong	Breast	5-11	So.	1L	Springfield, Va.
Keith Gettys	Free	6-3	So.	1Y	Simpsonville, S.C.
Trevor Jamerson	Free/Fly/IM	5-11	Fr.	HS	Earlysville, Va.
Greg Kubovcik	Dist. Free/IM	6-1	Sr.	3L	Limekiln, Pa.
Felipe Leibholz	Fly	5-10	Sr.	3L	Piracicaba, Brazil
Matt Lewis	Breast	6-3	Sr.	2L	Lancaster, Pa.
Christian Lindberg	Free/Back	6-2	Jr.	2L	Woodbridge, Va.
David Litchfield	Breast/Free	6-1	Jr.	2L	Newark, Del.
Casey Moore	Sprint Free/Fly	6-2	Fr.	HS	Virginia Beach, Va.
Eric Pavlik	Fly/Free	5-11	So.	1Y	Chicago, Ill.
Brian Piantadosi	Sprint Free/Fly	5-11	Sr.	3L	Durham, N.C.
Joey Piekarski	Breast/IM	6-2	Jr.	2L	Mt. Airy, Md.
Doug Roper	Diver	5-10	So.	1L	Annandale, Va.
Marc Severin	Free/IM	6-2	Fr.	HS	Reston, Va.
Aaron Sherman	Free/Back	5-11	So.	1Y	Williamsburg, Va.
Phil Smith	Breast/IM	6-0	Fr.	HS	Richmond, Va.
David Szabo	Breast/IM	6-1	Jr.	2L	Roanoke, Va.
Steve Tozer	Fly/Back	6-0	Sr.	3L	Vienna, Va.

## The Women's Team

Name	Event	Ht.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown
Jeanette Batten	Fly/Free	5-10	So.	1Y	Grafton, Va.
Jen Brielmaier	Breast	5-11	Jr.	2L	Newark, Del.
Kelly Burke	Breast	5-8	So.	1L	Reston, Va.
Alyson Dabney	Breast/IM	5-8	Jr.	2L	Charlotte, N.C.
Juliana Daniell	Sprint Free/Fly	5-6	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga.
Meagan Drolet	Sprint Free	5-8	Sr.	3L	Charlotte, N.C.
Kelly Furlong	Back/Fly/IM	5-9	Sr.	3L	Springfield, Va.
Sarah Gardner	Free/Back	5-9	So.	1L	Matthews, N.C.
Emily Guschke	Sprint/Free	5-7	Fr.	HS	Colonial Heights, Va.
Katie Grossi	Diver	5-6	Jr.	2L	Rockville, Md.
Ally Hamilton	Dist. Free/IM/Fly	5-5	Sr.	2L	Springfield, Va.
Claire Jakabcin	Diver	5-8	Fr.	HS	Falls Church, Va.
Whitney Johnsen	Sprint Free	5-9	So.	1L	Fairfax, Va.
Jen McLaughlin	Fly/Free	5-7	Sr.	3L	Vienna, Va.
Katy Peterson	Back/Free/IM	6-1	So.	1L	Huntington Valley, Pa.
Paige Sample	Breast/Fly	5-7	Sr.	3L	Columbia, S.C.
Lindsey Saufley	Distance Free	5-10	Jr.	2L	Jamestown, N.C.
Katie Shipko	Distance Free	5-7	Fr.	HS	Manassas, Va.
Julie Siegel	Diver	5-2	So.	1Y	Midlothian, Va.
Jen Siegele	Fly/IM	5-5	Sr.	2L	Wexford, Pa.
Jamie Spradlin	Free/IM	5-3	Jr.	2L	Roanoke, Va.
Lauren Tower	Breast/IM	5-10	So.	1L	Pfafftown, N.C.
Jamie Trivett	Sprint Free/Fly	5-10	Jr.	2L	Roanoke, Va.
Jill Turner	Sprint Free/Back	5-6	Sr.	3L	Newark, Del.
Jen Urbach	Diver	5-6	Fr.	HS	Villanova, Pa.
Erin Veltman	Fly	5-6	So.	1L	Midlothian, Va.
Robin Wood	Diver	5-6	Sr.	1L	Jupiter, Fla.
Mandie Yothers	Fly/Back	5-7	Fr.	HS	Pittsburgh, Pa.

## TRAVEL PLANS

### Maryland w/ Clemson

Depart Oct. 25, return Oct. 26  
Quality Inn & Suites  
College Park, Md.  
(301) 864-5820

### Richmond (women)

Depart Oct. 30, return Oct. 30

### James Madison w/ Radford

Depart Nov. 8, return Nov. 8

### Nike Cup at UNC Chapel Hill

Depart Nov. 20, return Nov. 23  
Holiday Inn  
Chapel Hill, N.C.  
(919) 929-2171

### Participating Teams:

East Carolina, Kentucky,  
Louisiana State, Michigan (women),  
North Carolina, Syracuse,  
Tennessee (men), Virginia Tech

### Holiday Training Trip

Depart Dec. 30, return Jan. 8  
Anchor Court Apartments  
Indian Rock Beach, Fla.  
(727) 595-4449

### East Carolina

Depart Jan. 17, return Jan. 18  
Hampton Inn  
Greenville, N.C.  
(252) 355-2521

### Pittsburgh

Depart Feb. 1, return Feb. 2  
Omni Will Penn  
Pittsburgh, Pa.  
(412) 281-7100

### BIG EAST Championships

Depart Feb. 18, return Feb. 23  
Marriott  
Uniondale, NY  
(516) 229-5046

# Men's Outlook

## Hokies Hoping Balance Leads to Title

With the loss of so many great seniors across the conference, Virginia Tech expects its quality class of seniors, coupled with its best recruiting class ever, to be contenders for the BIG EAST Conference title.

The 2002-03 men's team shows its strongest balance, in every event, during head coach Ned Skinner's tenure.

"There really are no weaknesses in our program," Skinner explained. "Many of the swimmers have the tools and talent to contend for conference titles and advance to the NCAA Championships."

### SPRINTERS

Senior **Brian Piantadosi**, along with juniors **Christian Lindberg** and **David Litchfield**, will anchor the freestyle crew.

Piantadosi, a member of last year's school record-breaking 400 medley relay team, returns as the Hokies' top competitor in the 100 freestyle along with Lindberg, one of the conference's top performers last season in the sprint freestyle events.

Senior **Steve Tozer**, a sprint freestyler, will be a key component in all of the Hokies' relay events.

The addition of freshmen **Tom Alberi**, **Casey Moore** and **Marc Severin** to the mix gives Tech a strong group of sprinters this season. All three have the size, strength and success out of high school to help them become some of the finest swimmers the program has produced.

### DISTANCE FREESTYLE

**Greg Kubovcik** returns for his final season as a leader and a very talented distance swimmer. Kubovcik is coming off a season highlighted by a third-place finish in the 1,650 at the BIG EAST meet.

Junior **David Szabo** and sophomore **Keith Gettys** are expected to make an impact in Tech's distance freestyle events.

Newcomers **Matt Camden**, **Mike Della Noce** and **Phil Smith** will also lend support to an already talented distance crew.

### FREESTYLE

Junior **Chris Bassler** will see plenty of activity in the 200 freestyle events as will Tozer, junior **Joey Piekarski** and sophomore **Kevin Furlong**.

The men's team looks to have its finest crew of freestylers since the early 1990s, with as many as 12

different competitors seeing action in the freestyle events.

**Aaron Sherman** will see action in the sprint freestyle events (50 and 100) where he was a threat in relays last year.

Freshman **Trevor Jamerson** joins the team after capturing a YMCA national title last year and is a threat in every freestyle event from the 50 to the 1,650.

### BACKSTROKE

Lindberg and Tozer will anchor the Hokies' backstroke crew. Last season, the two combined to take home three top-10 finishes at the conference meet.

The addition of freshman **Anders Frahm** should give Tech three potential swimmers to score in the top eight at the BIG EAST meet.

The versatile Bassler will also see action in the backstroke events along with Sherman, Severin and Alberi.

### BREASTSTROKE

One of the premier specialists within the conference and nationally, Piekarski returns to the Hokies as an experienced competitor in the breaststroke. Last season, he claimed two second-place finishes at the BIG EAST Championships and holds the school record in the 200.

The Hokies will pose as viable contenders at the conference meet with Furlong in the 100, coupled with Litchfield and senior **Matt Lewis** in the sprint breaststroke events, and Szabo and Litchfield in the 200 events.

Smith, a freshman, will add versatility and depth in what is already a very deep breaststroke crew.

### BUTTERFLY

Coach Skinner knows the void left behind by school record-holder Rob Duffy will not be an easy one to fill. However,



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2002-03 Men's Qualifying Standards		
Event	A-Stand.	B-Stand.
50 Freestyle	19.74	20.33
100 Freestyle	43.64	44.94
200 Freestyle	1:36.39	1:39.28
500 Freestyle	4:19.72	4:27.51
1,650 Freestyle	15:01.39	15:28.43
100 Butterfly	47.34	48.76
200 Butterfly	1:44.93	1:48.07
100 Backstroke	47.72	49.15
200 Backstroke	1:44.02	1:47.14
100 Breaststroke	54.30	55.92
200 Breaststroke	1:57.68	2:01.21
200 Indiv. Medley	1:46.71	1:49.91
400 Indiv. Medley	3:47.29	3:54.10
200 Freestyle Relay	1:18.47	1:20.82
400 Freestyle Relay	2:55.06	3:00.31
800 Freestyle Relay	6:26.62	6:38.21
200 Medley Relay	1:27.21	1:29.82
400 Medley Relay	3:12.44	3:18.21
1-Meter Dive	290-Dual	465-Champ.
3-Meter Dive	310-Dual	480-Champ.

Skinner views Duffy's departure as clearing the way for Tozer to emerge as the top 200 and 100 butterfly contender.

Frahm, a native of Denmark, comes to Tech as a fly specialist and is expected to vie for a conference championship.

**Felipe Liebholz** and Piantadosi are 100 fly specialists who give Tech strong depth and front-end speed in the fly events.

Jamerson is also expected to factor in on the butterfly crew this season.

Sophomore **Eric Pavlik** returns to give the Hokies strength in the 200 butterfly and will be a factor in the 100 butterfly events.

### INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Piekarski and Szabo established themselves as two of the top BIG EAST IMers last season with two top-five and two top-10 finishes, respectively. The tandem, along with Smith, Severin and Bassler makes the team individual medley events a very strong component of Tech's program.

Kubovcik, a senior, will lend strength in the 400 IM event this season along with Furlong, Frahm and Della Noce.

### DIVING

This year's diving crew consists of senior captain **Matt Bolen** and sophomore **Doug Roper**.

Bolen will vie for conference titles in his final season as a Hokie and looks to build on a ninth-place finish in the three-meter diving event at the conference meet.

Roper continues to fine tune his diving ability and will contend for a top-eight spot at this year's BIG EAST meet.

# Women's Outlook

## Hokies on Strong Path for Success

With the departure of only two seniors from last year's women's team that posted a near-perfect dual meet record, the 2002-03 Hokies will rely on a gifted group of upperclassmen to pave the road to success.

"Strong leadership and another strong recruiting class puts the women in a strong path for another successful season," head coach Ned Skinner stated. "The women's team has enough talented swimmers to send multiple women to the NCAA Championships and vie for a BIG EAST title."

### SPRINTERS

Seniors **Jill Turner** and **Meagan Drolet** once again will anchor a very strong sprint crew for the Hokies.

Turner, the top proven sprinter in the 50, 100 and 200, cashed in with three top-10 finishes in freestyle events at the conference meet last year, highlighted by a third-place finish in the 50 freestyle.

Drolet, a member of the 400 freestyle relay team that captured the BIG EAST title in 2001, adds valuable conference meet experience after three top-15 finishes last year.

Newcomers **Juliana Daniell** and **Emily Guschke** will be called upon to make an immediate impact on the Hokie relays and individual swims.

Sophomore **Whitney Johnsen** and senior **Jen McLaughlin** will also be factors in this year's sprint events, while **Jamie Trivett** may see time in the 50 and 100 freestyle events.

### DISTANCE FREESTYLE

Juniors **Jamie Spradlin** and **Lindsey Saufley** will once again be factors at both individual meets the conference level.

Spradlin hopes to pick up where she left off last year after she closed out the season by setting three personal-bests at the conference meet in the 200, 500 and 1,650 freestyle.

**Katie Shipko** and sophomore **Sarah Gardner** will add strength to an already strong portion of the team.

### FREESTYLE

Across the board, Tech's freestyle events will be the staple of the 2002-03 squad. Similar to the men's team, the women will use as many as 12 different swimmers to assist in relays and individual events.



Spradlin and Turner are the most versatile swimmers and have proven to be among the top swimmers in the BIG EAST, thus having the ability to be a factor on any particular relay and at any event.

Drolet, **Kelly Furlong**, and **Katy Peterson** will also see a lot of freestyle work, including relays.

### INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Furlong returns for her fourth, and final, season and looks to build on an 11th-place finish at the BIG EAST Championships in which she swam a personal best.

**Kelly Burke**, **Paige Sample**, **Jen Brielmaier** and Peterson will compete in the 200 IM, while **Alyson Dabney**, Spradlin and Furlong will be factors in the 400 IM.

### BACKSTROKE

Peterson, a top-eight finisher in the 100 and 200 backstroke at the conference meet, and Furlong, who finished fifth in the 200 backstroke at the meet, return as the featured Hokies in the backstroke events.

Senior **Jen Siegele**, Johnsen, Guschke and freshman **Mandie Yothers** will add strength to the 100 backstroke, while Gardner, Peterson and Furlong will compete in the 200 backstroke along with Trivett.

### BUTTERFLY

McLaughlin, the school record-holder in the 200 butterfly, ends her brilliant career as the top threat in the 100 and 200 fly. She was the only Hokie to capture an individual title last year and will defend her Championship at this year's meet.

Daniell, Siegele, **Erin Veltman** and Yothers will add strength in 100 fly events.

**Jeanette Batten**, along with Dabney, Furlong and McLaughlin, will rank among the top Hokies for the 200 butterfly.

### BREASTSTROKE

Brielmaier, Burke and Sample continue their successful ways as a strong threesome in the breaststroke events.

Brielmaier earned two top-10 finishes at the BIG EAST Championships, including a seventh-place finish in the 200 breaststroke, while Burke set a school record with a sixth-place finish at the conference meet.

**Lauren Tower** adds strength to the Tech breaststroke crew and will compete in the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

### DIVING

Tech's diving crew is arguably one of the deepest and strongest in the program's recent history.

Senior **Robin Wood** and junior **Katie Grossi** lead the group of divers. Wood joined the Hokies last season after transferring from Indian River C.C., where she was an NJCAA national champion. She upheld her reputation as a talented diver by capturing first place in one-meter diving at the James Madison meet.

Grossi, coming off two top-10 finishes at the BIG EAST meet, will continue to fine-tune her technical skills and vie for a conference title.

Sophomore **Julie Siegel**, along with freshmen **Claire Jakabcin** and **Jen Urbach**, round out the Tech divers for the 2002-03 season.

NCAA MARKS		
2002-03 Women's Qualifying Standards		
Event	A-Stand.	B-Stand.
50 Freestyle	22.82	23.57
100 Freestyle	49.63	51.11
200 Freestyle	1:47.49	1:50.71
500 Freestyle	4:45.71	4:54.28
1,650 Freestyle	16:27.53	16:57.15
100 Butterfly	54.14	55.76
200 Butterfly	1:58.98	2:02.54
100 Backstroke	55.15	56.80
200 Backstroke	1:57.70	2:01.23
100 Breaststroke	1:02.07	1:03.93
200 Breaststroke	2:14.23	2:18.25
200 Indiv. Medley	2:00.76	2:04.38
400 Indiv. Medley	4:15.12	4:22.77
200 Freestyle Relay	1:31.03	1:33.76
400 Freestyle Relay	3:20.26	3:26.26
800 Freestyle Relay	7:11.65	7:24.59
200 Medley Relay	1:40.46	1:43.47
400 Medley Relay	3:39.12	3:45.69
1-Meter Dive	255-Dual	375-Champ.
3-Meter Dive	270-Dual	425-Champ.

# Coach Ned Skinner



Ned Skinner, who has led the Hokies to the upper echelon of the BIG EAST, opens his fifth year at the helm of the Virginia Tech men's and women's swimming and diving teams.

In his first year in the BIG EAST, he led the women to a second-place finish while the men placed third. Last season,

the men duplicated their finish while the women went 9-1 in dual meets and placed fourth in the conference.

In his first two years as head coach of the Hokie swimming and diving squads, Skinner was named the Atlantic 10 Women's Coach of the Year twice and led the women's team to two Atlantic 10 Championships, while the men won their first conference title ever.

He has also founded the Fighting Gobbler Swim Camp, a one-week swim camp held at Virginia Tech.

Skinner came to the Hokies after serving four years as the director of competitive swimming at William & Mary. In his last season at W&M, he coached the Tribe women to a second place finish at the ECAC's while the men were fourth of 40 teams. The women's team finished in the top 12 at the ECAC event during each of Skinner's four seasons.

The W&M men's team posted a fourth-place showing at the '98 ECAC Championships and finished seventh in 1997. During Skinner's tenure, both the men's and women's squads were named Academic All-America Teams four straight years.

Skinner also coached Kristen Schnittger to four consecutive ECAC titles in the 100 breaststroke at the College of William & Mary.

Before his stint at William & Mary, Skinner was the head coach and aquatics director at Central Connecticut State University for four seasons.

A 1989 graduate of Louisiana State University, Skinner was captain of the 1988 squad that captured the SEC Championship. He graduated from LSU with a bachelor of arts in advertising and a split minor in marketing and economics. His fifth year he served as an assistant to the associate athletics director. Skinner earned his masters of science at Ohio University in athletic administration while serving the swim team as a graduate assistant. While at Ohio University, he helped coach the women's team to the 1990 MAC Championship.

On the non-collegiate level, Skinner founded, directed and coached the Central Connecticut Aquatics team, a 75-member team of children from ages 7 to 17. He also served as the head swim coach for the Kingsmill swim team in Williamsburg.

While in Williamsburg, Skinner conducted Team Williamsburg Swim Camps which provided the community with clinics and camps year round.

Skinner is married to the former Allison Cox, who is an attorney for the honorable David Faber in Bluefield, W.Va. A native of Worthington, Ohio, Skinner is working on his doctorate in health promotions.

## THE NED SKINNER FILE

### PERSONAL

Full name: Ned Thomas Skinner  
 Birth Date: May 3, 1966  
 Hometown: Worthington, Ohio

### EDUCATION

High School: Worthington H.S.  
 College: Louisiana State, 1989  
 Graduate: Ohio University, 1990

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1998- Head Coach, Virginia Tech  
 1994-98 Head Coach, William & Mary  
 1990-94 Head Coach, Central Connecticut

### RECORDS

Overall: 137-132-2 (12 years)  
 Virginia Tech: 50-32 (4 years overall)  
 Women: 31-11; Men: 19-21

### HIGHLIGHTS

- 1998-99 and 1999-00 Atlantic 10 Women's Coach of the Year
- Led the Virginia Tech men's and women's teams to conference titles in 1999-00
- 1998 ECAC Women's Coach of the Year (William & Mary)
- Coached Kristen Schnittger to four consecutive ECAC titles in the 100 breast (W&M)
- 1994 East Coast Conference Women's Coach of the Year (Central Connecticut)





# The Coaching Staff

## BERT LOCKLIN • Diving Coach



Bert Locklin, A former collegiate All-American, joins the Virginia Tech swimming and diving program in 2002 as the Hokies' diving coach.

Locklin comes to Tech after serving as the head diving coach at New Mexico State from 2001-02 and at Western Illinois in 2001. In his positions, he assisted with all administrative duties for the respective programs, including NCAA compliance, travel coordinating, recruiting and scheduling of events.

Locklin graduated in 2001 and earned a bachelor of arts degree in political science from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

An accomplished diver for the Cornhuskers, Locklin was elected team captain as a junior and senior and achieved All-America status in 1998 after being named his team's most improved diver.

As a student-athlete at Nebraska, Locklin's leadership skills earned him a spot on the Student-Athlete Advisory Board and he was nominated to participate in the 2000 NCAA Leadership Conference. In addition, he is still an active member of the United States Diving

Board of Governors, a role he has had since 1996.

While attending Nebraska, Locklin began his coaching career as a volunteer coach for the Nebraska diving club based in Lincoln, Neb. Locklin is a native of Edmond, Okla.



## LIZ KLINK • Assistant Swimming Coach



Also joining the Hokies in her first season with the Virginia Tech swimming and diving program is Liz Klink.

Klink, a 2001 summa cum laude graduate of the University of Connecticut, earned her degree in elementary education and recently completed work for her master's degree in elementary education from the University of Connecticut.

As a member of the Connecticut swimming and diving team from 1997-2001, Klink was a two-time BIG EAST finalist in both the 200 and 500 freestyle events.

She currently holds the Huskies' record in the 500 freestyle and is part of the record-holding 400 and 800 freestyle relay teams.

Klink served as a volunteer assistant coach at her alma mater this past year while working on her postgraduate work. She has also coached the Shongum Lake Swim Team in Randolph, N.J., for four years.

Klink also participated in the 1998 Y.E.S. (Youth Education through Sports) Clinic, as well as the 2000 NCAA Leadership Conference. She won the John Squires Most Improved Award three times while at UConn and capped off her career by earning the 2001 UConn Club Outstanding Senior Student-Athlete Award.

Klink also won the 2001 UConn Counseling Program for Intercollegiate Athlete Award for academic excellence and was an active member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

She is a native of Mt. Arlington, N.J.

## EDDIE LOVELL • Graduate Assistant



Eddie Lovell joins the Virginia Tech swimming and diving program for the 2002-03 season as a graduate assistant.

Lovell comes to Blacksburg after

graduating from the University of Hawaii in 2002 with a degree in communications. While attending Hawaii, Lovell earned All-American status while swimming for head coach, Dr. Samuel James Freas, the same coach who instructed Coach Ned Skinner at Louisiana State.

Lovell earned individual accolades such as Western Athletic Conference and

Pacific Coast Swim Conference champion, in addition to helping Hawaii capture the PCSC Championships two times.

As a member of the 4x50 meters short course relay team, he, along with his teammates, set a U.S. Open record.

Lovell is a native of Lighthouse Point, Fla.

## SWIMMING SUPPORT STAFF



**Sam Butcher**  
Technical Consultant



**Lisa Maddox**  
Swimming Secretary



**Jennifer Martschenko**  
Student Assistant



**Yari Roman**  
Graduate Assistant Trainer

# Meet The Hokies



*First row (l-r): Student Assistant Jenn Martschenko, Eric Pitts, Kevin Furlong, Doug Roper, Matt Camden, Felipe Leibholz, Jamie Spradlin, Paige Sample, Jen Siegele, Julie Siegel, Erin Veltman; Second row (l-r): Diving Coach Bert Locklin, Mike Della Noce, Phil Smith, Steve Tozer, Brian Piantadosi, Jill Turner, Robin Wood, Katie Shipko, Juliana Daniell, Katie Grossi; Third row (l-r): Graduate Assistant Eddie Lovell, Matt Bolen, Trevor Jamerson, Aaron Sherman, Tom Alberi, Dave Litchfield, Jamie Trivett, Lindsey Saufley, Jen McLaughlin, Kelly Burke, Jen Urbach, Emily Guschke, Fourth row (l-r): Head Assistant Coach Liz Klink, technical consultant Sam Butcher, Marc Severin, Chris Bassler, David Szabo, Keith Gettys, Casey Moore, Alyson Dabney, Jeanette Batten, Sarah Gardner, Meagan Drolet, Mandie Yothers; Back row (l-r): Head Coach Ned Skinner, Christian Lindberg, Greg Kubovcik, Matt Lewis, Joey Piekarski, Anders Frahm, Kelly Furlong, Katy Peterson, Jen Brielmaier, Lauren Tower, Whitney Johnsen, Claire Jakabcin.*



## 2002-03 Captains

*Felipe Leibholz, Matt Lewis, Jen Siegele, Matt Bolen, Paige Sample, Jill Turner*

# Men's Profiles



## Chris Bassler

6-3 • JR.  
FREE/IM/BACK • 2L  
McLEAN, VA.

**SKINNER ON BASSLER:** "Chris is one of the hardest workers on our team. He can swim in any event from the 400 IM on down. He is coming off a great summer of work."

**2001-02:** Placed 19th in the 200 freestyle at the BIG EAST Championships ... Came in 25th in the 200 backstroke in the tournament ... Finished 26th in the 200 IM at the conference meet ...

**2000-01:** Placed 15th in the 100 backstroke at the conference meet ... Member of the 800 freestyle relay team that finished seventh at the conference

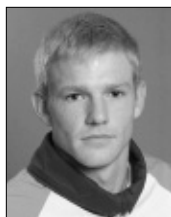
### BASSLER'S BESTS

200 Free	1:42.94
100 Back	52.89
200 IM	1:53.68

meet ... Finished 28th in the 100 freestyle at that same meet ... Also finished 19th in the 200 IM ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered four times at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology ... Was an eight-time state qualifier and a three-time All-American ... Was a first-team All-Met selection by *The Washington Post* his senior year ... Was a four-time all-district and all-region selection and three-time all-state selection ... Was a five-time Junior National qualifier ...

**PERSONAL:** Christopher Colby Bassler was born April 12, 1982, in Georgetown ... The son of John and Sally Bassler ... Majoring in ocean and aerospace engineering.



## Matt Bolen

6-0 • SR.  
DIVER • 3L  
CLIFTON, VA.

**LOCKLIN ON BOLEN:** "One of the finest captains in our program's history, Matt will finish on both boards, once again, improving his position in the BIG EAST. He also has the ability to advance to the NCAA Championships as he closes out his career."

**2001-02:** Came in ninth in the three-meter diving event at the conference meet ... Placed 11th in the one-meter diving event at that same tournament ...

**2000-01:** Placed 16th in the three-meter diving at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Placed 19th in the one-meter diving at that same meet ...

**1999-00:** Placed sixth in the one-meter diving at the A-10 meet ... Finished seventh in the three-meter event ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Dove at Centreville High for Coach Bob Ketrick ... Finished fourth at the Virginia state meet in the one-meter dive his senior year ... Was named to *The Washington Post* All-Met honorable mention team his junior year ... Was team captain his senior year and MVP his junior year ... Was a zone qualifier and finalist in July, 1999 ...

**PERSONAL:** Matthew Scott Bolen was born on December 22, 1980, in Arlington, TX ... The son of Zane and Teresa Bolen ... Is majoring in chemical engineering.



## Kevin Furlong

5-11 • SO.  
BREAST • 1L  
SPRINGFIELD, VA.

**SKINNER ON FURLONG:** "Kevin has as much given talent in breast stroke as any swimmer that I have ever coached. Once again he will challenge for BIG EAST titles and a trip to the NCAA championship meet."

**2001-02:** Had an outstanding showing at the BIG EAST Championships ... Broke a school record and placed third with a time of

### FURLONG'S BESTS

200 Free	1:45.64
100 Breast	55.74
200 Breast	2:03.58

100 breaststroke ... Was also a member of the record-breaking 400 medley relay at that same tournament ... Posted a personal-best time, taking eighth in the 200 breaststroke at the conference meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Paul VI High for Coach Joe Geskar ... Was a two-time All-American, earning the honor in both 2000 and 2001 ... Named to *The Washington Post's* All-Met team in both 2000 and 2001 ...

**PERSONAL:** Kevin John Furlong was born May 26, 1983, in Morristown, NJ ... The son of Nancy and Jim Furlong ... Sister, Kelly, is a member of the women's swim team ... Enrolled in university studies.



## Keith Gettys

FREE • SO.  
6-3 • 1Y  
SIMPSONVILLE, S.C.

**SKINNER ON GETTYS:** "Keith is a fantastic leader both in and out of the pool. His work ethic is incredible and he should once again be a factor at the BIG EAST Championships."

### GETTYS'S BESTS

500 Free	4:40.61
1,000 Free	9:39.97
1,650 Free	16:12.09

**2001-02:** Set two personal-best marks at the conference meet ... Came in

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Kevin Furlong

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18th in the 1,650 freestyle with a time of 16:12.09 ... Placed 26th with a time of 4:40.61 in the 500 freestyle ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered six times at Mauldin High for Coach Patricia Gettys ... Was a four-time all-region and all-state selection ... Won 10 regional championships and holds four region records ... Swam five years for Team Greenville ... Won three state championships ... Won the 10K Open Water National Championship ... Was a Wendy's High School Heisman winner ...

**PERSONAL:** Franklin Keith Gettys was born February 23, 1983, in Greenville, SC ... The son of Terry and Patricia Gettys ... Majoring in biochemistry.



## Greg Kubovcik

**6-1 1/2 SR.**  
**DIST. FREE/IM • 3L**  
**LIMEKILN, PA.**

**SKINNER ON KUBOVCIK:** "Greg is one of the most prolific distance free stylers in our program's history. He finds a way to win both in dual meets and at the conference level. He is afraid of no one."

**2001-02:** Took third place in the 1,650 freestyle at the BIG EAST Championships ... Swam a personal-best 4:00.91

in the 400 IM at that tournament ... Also set a personal

### KUBOVCIK'S BESTS

500 Free	4:31.61
1,650 Free	15:30.79
400 IM	4:00.91

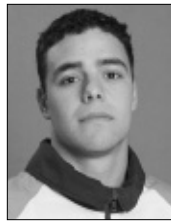
record in the 500 freestyle at the conference meet ...

**2000-01:** Finished third in the 1,650 freestyle at the conference meet ... Placed 12th in the 400 IM at the BIG EAST meet ... Finished 18th in the 500 freestyle at that meet ...

**1999-00:** Placed fourth in the 1,650 freestyle at the A-10 Championships ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Exeter Township Senior High ... Finished third in the 500 free at the Pennsylvania state meet as a senior ... Was named all-state his junior and senior years ... Named first-team All-Berks as a senior ... Competed at three spring national meets and two summer long course national meets ...

**PERSONAL:** Gregory Bryan Kubovcik was born May 30, 1981, in Reading, PA ... The son of George and Debby Kubovcik ... Majoring in computer engineering.



## Felipe Leibholz

**5-10 • SR.**  
**FLY • 3L**  
**PIRACICABA, BRAZIL**

### SKINNER ON LEIBHOLZ:

"Felipe is a great captain for our team. He has excellent speed in the butterfly event. We look for his 200 butterfly to end on a great note this season."

**2001-02:** Came in 13th at the conference meet in the 100 butterfly with a personal-best time of 50.22 ...

**2000-01:** Placed 14th in the 100 butterfly at the BIG EAST Championships ... Finished 26th in the 200

butterfly at that same meet ... Earned a 38th-place

### LEIBHOLZ' BESTS

100 Fly	50.22
200 Fly	1:55.66
100 Breast	1:01.39

finish in the 50 freestyle at the conference meet ...

**1999-00:** Was on the fifth-place 400 medley relay team at the conference meet ... Was a conference finalist ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Colegio Luiz de Queiroz for Coach Reinaldo Rosa ... Was a state and region champion ... Was also a Brazilian finalist in the 100 fly ... Earned all-state honors at the American Language Program ...

**PERSONAL:** Felipe Leibholz was born April 5, 1979, in Brazil ... The son of Rodolfo and Eleusa M.S. Leibholz ... Majoring in mechanical engineering.



## Matt Lewis

**6-3 • SR.**  
**BREAST • 2L**  
**LANCASTER, PA.**

**SKINNER ON LEWIS:** "Matt is one of our few two-year captains, which shows his great leadership. He had a great breaststroke at the conference meet last year. We expect him to put together a fine 200 breaststroke to help us at the meet this year."

**2001-02:** Set a personal-best time at the BIG EAST Championships in the 100

breaststroke with a time of 57.69 ...

Placed 20th in the 200 breaststroke in that same tournament ...

**2000-01:** Finished in 19th place in the preliminaries of the 100 breaststroke at the BIG EAST Championships ...

**1999-00:** Placed 11th in the 100 breaststroke at the conference meet ... Finished 17th in the 200 breaststroke at the A-10 Championships ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Earned four letters at Manheim Township High ... Holds the school record in the 100 breaststroke ... Was team captain his senior year ... Was named all-district and all-state ... Also played football, earning four letters ...

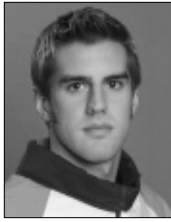
**PERSONAL:** Matthew Todd Lewis was born June 16, 1981, in Lancaster, PA ... The son of Martha and Todd Lewis ... Majoring in management.

### LEWIS' BESTS

100 Breast	57.69
200 Breast	2:13.68



Felipe Leibholz



## Christian Lindberg

**6-2 • JR.  
FREE/BACK • 2L  
WOODBIDGE, VA.**

**SKINNER ON LINDBERG:** "Christian has as much raw speed in the freestyle event as anyone on our team. He had an excellent

summer in training once again. He comes back looking for a BIG EAST title."

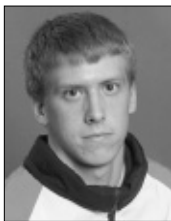
LINDBERG'S BESTS	
50 Free	20.81
100 Back	50.79
200 Back	1:49.09

**2001-02:** Set two career-best records at the conference meet ... Took fourth place in the 100 backstroke with a time of 51.07 ... Placed ninth in the 200 backstroke with a time of 1:50.96 ... At that same meet, took 11th in the 50 freestyle ...

**2000-01:** Member of the 200 freestyle relay which finished sixth at the BIG EAST meet ... Placed ninth in the 100 back at that meet ... Finished ninth in the 200 back at the BIG EAST meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Earned four letters at Woodbridge High ... Placed third in the 100 back and fifth in the 50 free at the state meet ... Was a high school All-American ... Made the Junior National cuts in the 100 and 200 back and in the 50 free ...

**PERSONAL:** Christian John Lindberg was born June 8, 1982, in Fairfax, VA ... The son of Robert and Nancy Lindberg ... Majoring in education and physical education.



## David Litchfield

**6-1 • JR.  
BREAST/FREE • 2L  
NEWARK, DEL.**

**SKINNER ON LITCHFIELD:** "David is one of our finest relay swimmers. He is a team player who also has an excellent breaststroke.

We may move him to the 200 breaststroke to give us even more fire power in that event."

**2001-02:** Swam a personal-best 56.65 in the 100 breaststroke at the BIG EAST meet ... Came in 21st in the 50 freestyle at that meet ... Finished 28th in the 100 freestyle at the tournament ...

LITCHFIELD'S BESTS	
100 Breast	56.65
200 Breast	2:07.51

**2000-01:** Placed 16th in the 200 breaststroke at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Also finished 35th in the 50 free at that meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Earned four letters at Archmere Academy ... Won both the 100 breast and 200 free at the state championships ... Was the 2000 Delaware State Swimmer of the Year ... Finished fifth in the 100 breast at the Junior Nationals ...

**PERSONAL:** David William Litchfield was born January 24, 1982, in Wilmington, DE ... The son of Bill and Marilyn Litchfield ... Majoring in chemical engineering.



## Brian Piantadosi

**5-11 • SR.  
SPRINT FREE/FLY • 3L  
DURHAM, N.C.**

**SKINNER ON PIANTADOSI:** "Brian had a breakthrough year as a junior in the butterfly events. He is a fine leader on our team who can score in all three of his events at the BIG EAST meet."

**2001-02:** Was a member of the 400 medley relay that broke a school record at the BIG EAST meet ... Took sixth in the 100 butterfly at the meet ... Placed 19th in the 50 freestyle ... Finished 23rd in the 100 freestyle at the tournament ...

**2000-01:** Member of 200 freestyle relay team which finished sixth at the BIG EAST Championships ... Placed 17th in the 100 free at that meet ... Also part of the 400 freestyle relay team that finished sixth at the conference meet ... Finished 20th in the 50 free at that same meet ...

**1999-00:** Placed seventh in the 100 freestyle at the A-10 Championships ... Was on the 400 freestyle relay team which finished fifth ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Riverside High for Coach Dustin McDaniels ... Was on the winning 1998 and 1999 North Carolina state championship 200 freestyle relay teams ...

Was also a part of the 400 freestyle relay team which won the

1999 state championship ... Was a four-time all-conference selection ... Was his high school's MVP in 1998 and '99 ...

**PERSONAL:** Brian Claude Piantadosi was born October 17, 1981, in Durham, NC ... The son of Claude and Esther Piantadosi ... Majoring in industrial systems engineering.

PIANTADOSI'S BESTS	
50 Free	21.25
100 Free	46.31
100 Fly	49.80



## Joey Piekarski

**6-2 • JR.  
BREAST/IM • 2L  
MT. AIRY, MD.**

**SKINNER ON PIEKARSKI:** "Joey had the best BIG EAST Championship of any of our swimmers on the men's team last year with two second place finishes. He is the most ferocious competitor that our men's team has."

**2001-02:** Turned in Tech's strongest performance at the BIG EAST meet ... Took second and broke a school record in the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:01.23 ...

Took second and tied a school record in the 200 IM with a time of

PIEKARSKI'S BESTS	
100 Breast	57.52
200 Breast	2:01.23
200 IM	1:50.58

1:50.58 ... Placed fifth in the 400 IM and had a personal-best time of 3:59 ...

**2000-01:** Placed sixth in the 200 breast at the BIG EAST Championships ... Placed fifth in the 200 IM ... Finished 12th in the 100 breaststroke at the conference meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Graduated from Glenely High ... Swam five years on RMSC, a club team ... Was a Scholastic All-American ... Finished in the top 16 at the 13-14 200 breast ... Was a zone champion and a Junior Nationalist ...

**PERSONAL:** Joseph Matthew Piekarski was born October 8, 1982, in Columbia, MD ... The son of Joseph and Christina Piekarski ... Majoring in chemical engineering.



## Doug Roper

**DIVER • SO.  
5-10 • 1L  
ANNANDALE, VA.**

**LOCKLIN ON ROPER:** "Doug has a very spirited attitude for the sport. Once again, he looks to be one of the strongest divers at the BIG EAST level."

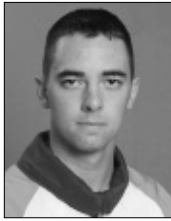
**2001-02:** Came in 14th place in three-meter diving at the BIG EAST conference meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered four times at W.T. Woodson High ...

**PERSONAL:** Douglas Charles Roper was born July 22, 1983, in California ... The son of Jane and Chuck Roper ... Enrolled in university studies.

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## Aaron Sherman

5-11 • SO.  
FREE/BACK • 1Y  
WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

**SKINNER ON SHERMAN:** "Aaron has excellent speed in the freestyle and backstroke events. He put on good size over the summer and comes back excited for another year of significant contributions."

**2001-02:** Finished in 26th place in the 100

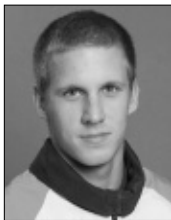
backstroke at the BIG EAST Championships ... Came in 29th in the 50

SHERMAN'S BESTS	
50 Free	21.68
100 Free	47.69
100 Back	53.37

freestyle at that tournament ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Was home schooled ... Attended Tidewater C.C. and Thomas Nelson C.C. before coming to Blacksburg ...

**PERSONAL:** Aaron D. Sherman was born December 7, 1982, in Washington, D.C. ... Majoring in history ... Member of Tech's Corps of Cadets.



## David Szabo

6-1 • JR.  
BREAST/IM • 2L  
ROANOKE, VA.

**SKINNER ON SZABO:** "David has four weapons in butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle. Once he puts all four strokes together he will have the type of IM that can make the NCAA Championships."

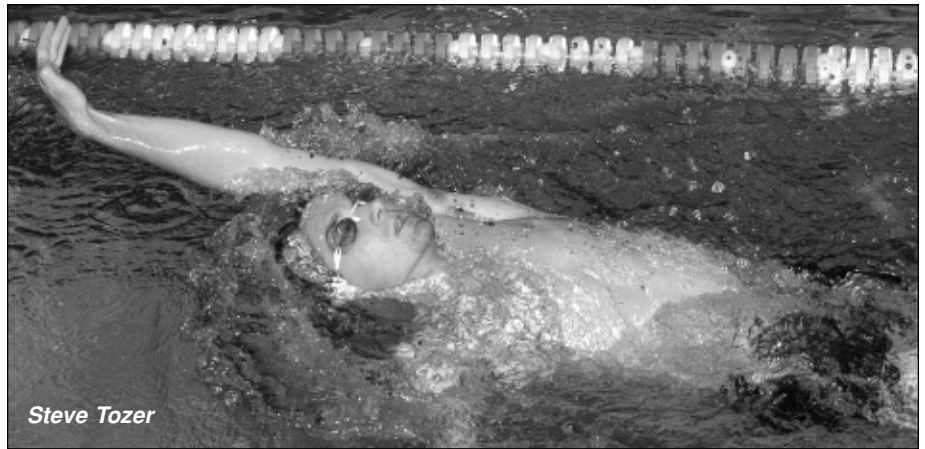
**2001-02:** Set a personal-best time at the conference meet, swimming a time of 1:51.66 in the

200 IM and took sixth place ... Placed ninth in the 200 breaststroke ...

SZABO'S BESTS	
200 Breast	2:02.43
200 IM	1:51.66
400 IM	3:58.20

Finished 10th in the 400 IM at that same tournament ...

**2000-01:** Finished second in the 200 breast at the conference meet ... Placed fifth in the 400 IM at the BIG EAST meet ... Finished 15th in the 500 freestyle at that same meet ... Member of the 800 freestyle relay team that finished seventh at the conference meet ...



Steve Tozer

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Graduated from Cave Spring High ... Participated for three years on the Gators, a club team ... Was the 2000 national champion in the winter and summer meets in the 200 breast ...

**PERSONAL:** David Csaba Szabo was born December 25, 1981, in Budapest, Hungary ... The son of Anna Balog and Csaba Szabo ... Majoring in international studies.



## Steve Tozer

6-0 • SR.  
FLY/BACK • 3L  
VIENNA, VA.

**SKINNER ON TOZER:** "Steve is probably our fastest swimmer in three events: butterfly, backstroke and freestyle. He has incredible leg strength and finds a way to win for the team."

**2001-02:** Was a member of the 400 medley relay team that broke a school record at the BIG EAST

Championships ... Placed fifth in the 100 butterfly and swam a

TOZER'S BESTS	
100 Back	50.40
200 Back	1:52.16
100 Fly	49.44
200 Fly	1:50.74

personal-best 49.44 ... Also set a career best time of 50.89 in the 100 backstroke and took seventh in that meet ... Finished 16th in the 200 backstroke ...

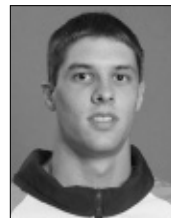
**2000-01:** Member of 200 freestyle relay team which finished sixth at the BIG EAST Championships ... Placed 16th in the 50 freestyle at the conference meet ... Part of the 400 medley relay team that finished fifth at the BIG EAST meet ... Member of the 200 medley relay team that finished fourth at the BIG EAST meet ... Placed seventh in the 100 butterfly at the conference meet ... Finished 10th in the 200 butterfly at the meet ...

**1999-00:** Was on the 200 freestyle relay team which finished third at the A-10 Championships ... Placed seventh in the 100 butterfly at the conference meet ... Finished fourth in the 100 backstroke ... Finished eighth in the 200 butterfly ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at James Madison High for Coach Lynn Amroso ... An All-American in the 100 fly ... Was a district champion both his junior and senior years ... Named all-region, All-Met honorable mention and all-district ... Also lettered in track ...

**PERSONAL:** Steven Tozer was born November 14, 1980, in Fairfax, VA ... The son of Jeff and Kathy Tozer ... Majoring in industrial systems engineering.

## THE 2002 NEWCOMERS



## Tom Alberi

6-0 • FR.  
SPRINT FREE/FLY/BACK • HS  
CAPE ELIZABETH, MAINE

**SKINNER ON ALBERI:** "Tom is an excellent student-athlete from Maine. He combines high-level academics along with great size and talent. He will contribute on relays and individually."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Earned four letters at Cape Elizabeth High for Coach Kerry Kertes ... Was a 2002 state champion in 200 and 500 freestyle, as well as the 400 freestyle relay ... Was a 2001 state champion in the 100 and 200 freestyle and the 200 and 400 freestyle relay teams ... A two-time recipient of Southern Maine Male Swimmer of the Year ...

**PERSONAL:** Thomas Alberi was born August 28, 1983, in Billings, MT ... Son of Mike and Lori Alberi ... Sister, Kristin (21), swims at MIT and was named 2001 Female Athlete of the Year ... Majoring in general engineering.



**Matt  
Camden**

**5-9 • FR.  
DISTANCE FREE/IM • HS  
RICHMOND, VA.**

**SKINNER ON CAMDEN:** "A tenacious racer, Matt will provide strength in the distance freestyle and 400 IM events for us this year."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended Monacan High School ... Swam for the Poseidon club team coached by Ted Salidae for eight years ... Honored as a scholastic All-American ...

**PERSONAL:** Matt Camden was born November 10, 1983, in Richmond, VA ... Son of Randy and Becky Camden ... Majoring in general engineering.



**Mike  
Della Noce**

**5-11 • FR.  
FREE/IM • HS  
GLEN ALLEN, VA.**

**SKINNER ON DELLA NOCE:** "Mike continues to grow and has excellent stroke mechanics. He will be a threat in the BIG EAST in the distance freestyle and 400 IM events."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam for Coach Jack Weaver at Cumberland Valley High School in Mechanicsburg, PA ... Captured the 500 freestyle championship at Mid-Penn championships ...

**PERSONAL:** Michael Della Noce was born August 3, 1984 ... Son of Joseph and Dorothy Della Noce ... Majoring in computer science.



**Anders  
Frahm**

**6-3 • FR.  
FLY/BACK • HS  
COPENHAGEN, DENMARK**

**SKINNER ON FRAHM:** "Anders Frahm has great size and used to swim for my former teammate in Denmark, who is a well-known coach. Anders, once he learns short course swimming, could be one of the finest swimmers Virginia Tech has ever had."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended Falkonergaardens Gymnasium & HF ... Swam for the HERMES Swimming Club in 1999, where he was coached by Mick Steen Nielsen & Peter Nielsen ... Won the Danish championship for

youngsters (oldest category) in the 200 backstroke in 1999 ... Qualified for the Senior National team ... In 2000, won the Danish Junior Championship in the 200 butterfly and 100 backstroke ... Won the Nordic Junior Championship in the 200 butterfly and placed second in the 200 backstroke ... In 2001, swam for Lyngby, coached by Mick Steen Nielsen & John Mogensen ... Won the Danish Junior Championships in both the 50 backstroke and 100 butterfly ... In 2002, swam again for Lyngby, where he was coached by Mick Steen Nielsen, John Mogensen and Martin Utiger Sorensen ... Won the Danish Senior title in the 200 butterfly and 100 backstroke ... Finished second at the Danish Senior Championships in the 50 butterfly, 100 butterfly, 50 backstroke and 200 backstroke ...

**PERSONAL:** Anders Frahm was born March 3, 1983, in Denmark ... Son of Peter and Helle Frahm ... Majoring in biology.



**Trevor  
Jamerson**

**5-11 • FR.  
FREE/FLY/IM • HS  
EARLYSVILLE, VA.**

**SKINNER ON JAMERSON:** "Trevor tied for a YMCA national title this summer and comes to the Hokies in incredible shape. He is very versatile. He could score in six events at the BIG EAST Championships if that was possible."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Joined the swim team as a senior at Albermarle High School under Coach Tom Migliozi ... Holds the regional record for 200 freestyle (1:43) ... Also swam for CYAC club team ... Received YMCA All-America and Scholastic All-America honors ... Was the co-national champion at 2002 YMCA National Championships ...

**PERSONAL:** William Trevor Jamerson was born September 8, 1983 ... Son of Phillip Jamerson and Colette Migliozi ... Majoring in sociology.



**Casey  
Moore**

**6-2 • FR.  
SPRINT FREE/FLY • HS  
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.**

**SKINNER ON MOORE:** "Casey has great strength and size for a freshman. We feel like he could be a key factor in our sprint freestyle and relay events."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Received four varsity letters while swimming at Great Bridge High School for Coach Mannon Romash ... Was a state champion in the 50 freestyle ... Named an All-American ...

**PERSONAL:** Richard Casey Moore was born January 13, 1984 ... Son of Rick and Karen Moore ... His mother, Karen, played basketball at Old Dominion ... Majoring in business.



**Marc  
Severin**

**6-2 • FR.  
FREE/IM • HS  
RESTON, VA.**

**SKINNER ON SEVERIN:** "Marc returns to the Hokies after a two-year absence. Marc has the ability to finish in the top eight in any of his six events at the BIG EAST Championships."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam four years at South Lakes High School for Coach Scott Brown ... Was a three-year individual state champion ... Earned all-state, all-region, and all-Met honors ... Also played varsity baseball and was named 1999 player of the year ...

**PERSONAL:** Marc Severin was born October 22, 1980, in Salt Lake City, UT ... Son of Mark and Kerstin Severin ... Majoring in general electrical engineering.



**Phil  
Smith**

**6-0 • FR.  
BREAST/IM • HS  
RICHMOND, VA.**

**SKINNER ON SMITH:** "Phil had an excellent summer of competing. He adds to our team strong breaststroke and IM experience, which could make our program as strong as any other conference team."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended Monacan High School ... Swam for the Poseidon club team for Coach Ted Salidae for eight years ... Earned scholastic All-America honors ...

**PERSONAL:** Phillip Smith was born June 18, 1984, in Fort Worth, TX ... Son of Robert and Anne Smith ... Majoring in computer science.

# Women's Profiles



## Jeanette Batten

5-10 • SO.  
FLY/FREE • 1Y  
GRAFTON, VA.

**SKINNER ON BATTEN:** "Jeanette had an excellent spring of training, coupled with a summer where she got a lot stronger. We know her butterfly events will challenge for the top eight spots in the BIG EAST meet."

**2001-02:** Placed 18th in the 200 butterfly at the conference meet with a personal-best time of 2:07.15 ...

BATTEN'S BESTS	
200 Fly	2:07.15
100 Fly	59.97

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered three years at Grafton High ...

**PERSONAL:** Jeanette Batten was born March 7, 1983 ... The daughter of John and Lynn Batten ... Majoring in human resources.



## Jen Brielmaier

5-11 • JR.  
BREAST • 2L  
NEWARK, DEL.

**SKINNER ON BRIELMAIER:** "Jen has been our top breaststroker for two years now. She can also put together a great 100 butterfly or 200 IM which makes her a threat to score in three events in the BIG EAST Championships."

**2001-02:** Took seventh place at the BIG EAST Conference in the 200 breaststroke ... Placed ninth in the 100 breaststroke at the tournament ... Finished in 28th place in the 200 IM at the meet ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Member of the 400 medley relay team that took second at the conference meet ... Also on the 200 medley relay team that finished third ... Placed ninth in both the 100 and

BRIELMAIERS'S BESTS	
100 Breast	1:04.57
200 Breast	2:19.94
200 IM	2:09.32

200 breaststroke events at the BIG EAST meet ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended St. Mark's High, where she swam and played field hockey ... Earned four letters in swimming for Coach Robert Magerle ... Was second-team all-state her freshman, junior and senior years ... Finished third in the state in the 100 breast as a freshman and then placed fifth in the 200 and 500 free as a senior ... Was a Junior National qualifier in the 100 and 200 breast for Team Delaware ... Placed fourth at the 2000 Summer Junior Nationals in the 100 breast ...

**PERSONAL:** Jennifer Michelle Brielmaier was born December 31, 1982, in Wilmington, DE ... The daughter of Robert and Marjorie Brielmaier ... Majoring in psychology.



## Kelly Burke

5-8 • SO.  
BREAST • 1L  
RESTON, VA.

**SKINNER ON BURKE:** "Kelly had a breakthrough year as a freshman. She is now our top 200 breaststroker and also looks to combine a strong 100 breast and 200 IM which will make her a factor in three events at the BIG EAST meet."

**2001-02:** Broke a school record and took sixth place in the 200 breaststroke at the conference meet with a time of 2:18.73 ... Finished in 19th place in the 100 breaststroke at that meet ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam for Coach Evan Stiles at Bishop O'Connell High School ... Was

an All-American on the 200 medley relay team and honorable mention All-American in the 100 breast her sophomore year ... Club team was Curl-Burke ... A junior national qualifier ...

**PERSONAL:** Kelly Adelle Burke was born August 20, 1983, in Fairfax, VA ... The daughter of Nancy and Peter Burke ... Enrolled in university studies.

BURKE'S BESTS	
100 Breast	1:06.45
200 Breast	2:18.73

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## Alyson Dabney

5-8 • JR.  
BREAST/IM • 2L  
CHARLOTTE, N.C.

**SKINNER ON DABNEY:** "Allison has an incredible work ethic with excellent spirit. She has all four strokes that could put her in the upper echelon of the BIG EAST Conference."

DABNEY'S BESTS	
200 Breast	2:21.97
200 IM	2:07.30
400 IM	4:29.70

**2001-02:** Finished in 23rd place in the 200 breaststroke at the BIG EAST Championships ... Took 25th place in the 400 IM at that meet ... Placed 35th in the 200 IM at the tournament ...

**2000-01:** Placed 22nd in the 200 breaststroke at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Placed fourth in the 1,000 freestyle in a dual meet against James Madison ... Took fifth in the 200 breaststroke against West Virginia ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Graduated from Providence High, where she swam for Coach Sandy Martin ... Earned four letters ... Won the state championship three consecutive years ...

**PERSONAL:** Alyson Leigh Dabney was born August 23, 1982, in Charlotte, NC ... The daughter of Jack and Lynne Dabney ... Majoring is clothing and textiles.



## Meagan Drolet

5-8 • SR.  
SPRINT FREE • 3L  
CHARLOTTE, N.C.

**SKINNER ON DROLET:** "Meagan has had an excellent career at Virginia Tech. She has as much speed in the 50, 100 and 200 freestyle as anyone in our conference. She has excellent mechanics with her starts, turns and finishes."

**2001-02:** Took 12th place in the 100 freestyle at the conference meet ... Came in 15th place in both the 50 and 200 freestyle at that meet ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Was part of the 400 freestyle relay team which took the championship at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... On the 200 freestyle relay team that placed



second at that meet ... Finished 10th in the 50, 100 and 200 freestyle events at the conference meet ... Was on the 800 freestyle relay team that placed third at that same meet ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**1999-00:** Part of the A-10 champion 200 freestyle relay team ... Finished fourth in the 200 freestyle at the A-10 meet ...

Was on the winning 800 freestyle relay team ...

**DROLET'S BEST**

50 Free	23.84
100 Free	51.61
200 Free	1:51.74

Finished fourth in the 100 freestyle ... On the winning 400 freestyle relay team ... Named to the all-championship team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at East Gaston High for Coach Meredith Scruggs ... Was a five-time North Carolina state champion ... Selected to the all-conference team four times ... Was named the 1997 MVP of North Carolina swimming ... A NCHSAA Scholarship winner ... Was named a USS Academic All-American three times ... Is the state record-holder in the 100 freestyle ... Also played softball and ran track ... Named the 1999 Female Athlete of the Year ...

**PERSONAL:** Meagan Lindsay Drolet was born March 30, 1981, in Charlotte, NC ... The daughter of Shannon and John Drolet ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.



**Kelly Furlong**

**5-9 • SR.  
BACK/FLY/IM • 3L  
SPRINGFIELD, VA.**

**SKINNER ON FURLONG:** "Kelly is the strongest kicker of any woman that I have ever coached. With her four stroke weapons, she can score in up to six different events individually at the BIG EAST meet."

**2001-02:** Took 12th place in the 100 freestyle at the conference meet ... Came in 15th place in both the 50 and 200 freestyle at that meet ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Member of the 400 medley relay team that took second at the conference meet ... Also on the 200 medley relay team that finished third ...

**FURLONG'S BESTS**

100 Back	57.51
200 Back	2:02.13
100 Fly	57.77
200 IM	2:05.41

... Finished fourth in the 200 back ... Took sixth in the 200 IM event at the BIG EAST meet ...

Placed ninth in the 100 backstroke ...

**1999-00:** Won the 200 IM at the A-10 Championships ... Was on the A-10 Championship 400 medley relay team ... Was part of the championship 200 medley relay team at the A-10 Championships ... Placed second in the 100 and 200 backstroke ... Named to the all-championship team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Paul VI High for Coach Jeff P. King, lettering four times ... Won the Maryland State High Point Award ... Also won the Sportsmanship Award ... Finished in the top 16 in the 200 backstroke ... Qualified for Junior Nationals ...

**PERSONAL:** Kelly Lynn Furlong was born September 10, 1981, in New Jersey ... The daughter of James and Nancy Furlong ... Brother, Kevin, is a member of the men's swim team ... Majoring in economics.



**Sarah Gardner**

**5-9 • SO.  
FREE/BACK • 1L  
MATTHEWS, N.C.**

**SKINNER ON GARDNER:** "Sarah had a breakthrough year her freshman year. Most likely, she will continue developing in the middle distance freestyle events for us and could be a threat to score in the top three in the mile."

**2001-02:** Set a personal-best at the conference meet in the 500 freestyle ... Took 15th place in that event ... Placed 10th in the 1,650 freestyle ... Finished in 17th place in the 200 freestyle ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered four years at Butler High

for Coach Brian Driscoll ... Was named MVP of her team all four years ...

**GARDNER'S BESTS**

200 Free	1:52.43
500 Free	4:57.52
1,650 Free	17:03.39

Was also a captain ...

**PERSONAL:** Sarah Michelle Gardner was born April 15, 1983, in Fort Collins, CO ... The daughter of Bill and Debbie Gardner ... Majoring in human development.



**Katie Grossi**

**5-6 • JR.  
DIVER • 2L  
ROCKVILLE, MD.**

**LOCKLIN ON GROSSI:** "Katie will be a strong contributor for Virginia Tech in dual meets, and brings experience as a

scorer at the BIG EAST level to a fairly young women's diving team."

**2001-02:** Finished in ninth place in the one-meter diving event at the 2002 BIG EAST Championships ... Took 10th place in the three-meter diving event at that same tournament ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Placed 16th in the 3-meter diving event at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Took first in the 1-meter against both JMU and Maryland ... Took second in the 3-meter diving event against JMU and Maryland ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Dove at Colonel Zadok Magruder High for Coach Dave Kraft ... Lettered four years ... Was an honorable mention All-America selection ... Finished second at the metropolitan championships and first at the county meet ... Also dove for the Montgomery Dive Club ... Coached by John Walsh and John Ames ...

**PERSONAL:** Kathryn M. Grossi was born October 20, 1982, in Novato, CA ... The daughter of Ralph and Judy Grossi ... Majoring in human development.



**Ally Hamilton**

**5-5 • SR.  
DIST. FREE/IM/FLY • 2L  
SPRINGFIELD, VA.**

**SKINNER ON HAMILTON:** "Allyson has as strong of a work ethic of anyone I have ever coached. She is fighting an injury and once it is put aside, she will regain her form that has allowed her to score in the BIG EAST Championships every year."

**2001-02:** Came in 14th place in the 1,650 freestyle at the conference meet ... Took 20th in the 400 IM ...

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*Meagan Drolet*



Paige Sample

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Finished in 34th place in the 200 freestyle ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Placed sixth in the 400 IM at the BIG EAST Championships ... Also took eighth in the 1,650 freestyle ... Finished 13th in the 200 butterfly ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**U. OF SOUTH CAROLINA:** Led the team in the 400 IM with a time of 4:25.81 and in the 200 fly with a time of 2:09.79 ... Was second on the team in the 1,000 free with a time of 10:12.00 and in the 1,650 free with a time of 17:02.76 ... Finished 15th at the SEC Championships in the 400 IM and 19th in the mile ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Graduated from West Springfield High ... Is the Virginia state record-holder in the 200 freestyle ... Honorable mention All-

HAMILTON'S BESTS	
1,650 Free	16:50.53
400 IM	4:26.84

Metro Washington D.C. in 1997 ... Was selected as *The Washington Post* Athlete of the Week in February 1998 ... Led West Springfield to three straight district championships and two straight regional championships ... Ended her prep career with two straight Virginia state titles ...

**PERSONAL:** Allyson Virginia Hamilton was born August 10, 1981 ... The daughter of David and Patti Hamilton ... Majoring in interior design.



## Whitney Johnson

5-9 • SO.  
SPRINT FREE • 1L  
FAIRFAX, VA.

**SKINNER ON JOHNSON:** "Whitney has excellent natural ability. Once we fine tune her starts, turns and finishes, she will

contend at the BIG EAST Championship level."

**2001-02:** Placed 28th in the 50 freestyle at the BIG EAST Championships ... Finished 35th in the 100 freestyle at that meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Robinson High for Coach Traci Blaine ... Lettered four times ... Was all-district, all-region ... Was an All-American in the 50 free and 200 free relay in both 2000 and 2001 ... Club team was Curl-Burke ...

**PERSONAL:** Claire Whitney Johnsen was born November 9, 1982, in Atlanta, GA ... The daughter of Pamela and Bruce Johnsen ... Enrolled in university studies.

JOHNSON'S BESTS	
50 Free	24.35
100 Free	53.31
100 Back	1:00.86



## Jen McLaughlin

5-7 • SR.  
FLY/FREE • 3L  
VIENNA, VA.

**SKINNER ON McLAUGHLIN:** "Jen was our only individual to capture a conference title last year. We see Jen making a strong push to repeat at the BIG EAST Championships and end her career at the NCAA Championships."

**2001-02:** Broke a school record in the prelims of the 200 butterfly and then broke it again in the finals with a time of 2:01.07 while capturing the Hokies' only first place finish at the BIG EAST Championships ... Took 11th in the 100 butterfly at that same meet ... Finished 33rd in the 50 freestyle ...

**2000-01:** Member of the 400 medley relay team that took second at the

McLAUGHLIN'S BESTS	
50 Free	24.57
100 Fly	55.52
200 Fly	2:01.07

conference meet ... Also on the 200 medley relay team that finished third ... Placed fifth in the 200 butterfly at the BIG EAST Championships ... Finished sixth in the 100 butterfly at that same meet ... Placed 26th in the prelims in the 500 freestyle ...

**1999-00:** Placed third in the 500 freestyle and the 100 butterfly at the Atlantic 10 Championships ... Was on the winning 800 freestyle relay team ... Placed second to former Tech teammate Lindsey Tew in the 200 butterfly ... Named to the all-championship team ... Won the national championship in the 100 butterfly at the 2000 Southeast Juniors Championships ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at George C. Marshall High for Coach Michael White, breaking four school records ... Was a state qualifier all four years ... Finished in the top three all four years in the district ... Was the district champ in 1999 in the 100 butterfly ...

**PERSONAL:** Jennifer Lynn McLaughlin was born August 27, 1980, in Fairfax, VA ... The daughter of Dennis and Catherine McLaughlin ... Majoring in near environment residential management.



## Katy Peterson

6-1 • SO.  
BACK/FREE/IM • 1L  
HUNTINGTON VALLEY, PA.

**SKINNER ON PETERSON:** "Katy has all the speed and tools necessary to have swims that could go to the NCAA Championships and also vie for conference titles in the BIG EAST."

**2001-02:** Placed fifth in the 200 backstroke at the BIG EAST Conference meet ... Came in sixth in the 100 backstroke at that meet ... Finished 25th in the 200 IM ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered four times for Coach Christian Gamble at Lower Moreland High ... Was all-state all four years ... Was a senior national qualifier in the 100 and 200 back ...

Holds 16 pool or team records ... Was all-state twice in the javelin ... Club team was GAAC ... Was a senior national qualifier ...

**PERSONAL:** Kathryn Peterson was born May 15, 1983, in Trenton, NJ ... The daughter of Jane and Steve Peterson ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

PETERSON'S BEST	
100 Back	56.87
200 Back	2:01.83
200 IM	2:08.08
600 IM	6:23.63



**Paige Sample**

**5-7 • SR.  
BREAST/FLY • 3L  
COLUMBIA, S.C.**

**SKINNER ON SAMPLE:** "An excellent team leader, Paige has great strength in her breaststroke and butterfly events. She could also have a strong 200 IM for us."

**2001-02:** Came in 17th in the 100 breaststroke at the BIG EAST Championships ... Finished in 28th place in the 200 breaststroke ... Placed 39th in the 200 IM at that meet ...

**2000-01:** Placed 20th in the 200 breaststroke at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Also finished 36th in the preliminaries in the 200 IM at that same meet ...

**1999-00:** Was on the Atlantic 10 Championship 400 medley relay team ... Was part of the championship 200 medley relay team at the A-10 Championships ... Finished second in the 100 breaststroke ... Placed sixth in the 200 breaststroke ... Named to the all-championship team ...

**SAMPLE'S BESTS**

100 Breast	1:04.84
200 Breast	2:19.49
200 IM	2:10.99

... Won the gold medal and set a pool record in the 100 butterfly at that meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at Irmo High for Coach Louis Biles, lettering four times ... Is a four-time South Carolina state high school champion in the 100 butterfly and two-time champ in the 100 breaststroke ... Qualified for five events at the Junior National Swimming Championships ... Holds five South Carolina state records ... Was a member of the World Sports Team in 1997-98, swimming at Sydney, Australia ...

**PERSONAL:** Paige Hamlin Sample was born May 4, 1981, in Columbia, SC ... The daughter of Michael H. and Mary Kay Sample ... Majoring in graphic design.



Jamie Spradlin



**Lindsey Saufley**

**5-10 • JR.  
DIST. FREE • 2L  
JAMESTOWN, N.C.**

**SKINNER ON SAUFLEY:** "Lindsey works as hard as any swimmer at the pool every day and does so with a smile on her face. With her distance freestyle events at the BIG EAST level last year, we know that she has a great shot at the school-record in the mile."

**2001-02:** Swam a personal-best time of 16:53.01 in the 1,650 freestyle at the conference meet ... Also finished in 23rd place in the 500 freestyle ...

**2000-01:** Placed 18th in the 1,650 freestyle at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Took second in the 500 freestyle and third in the 1,000 freestyle in a dual meet against WVU ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Was a three-time 3-A state champion in the 500 free and was the 2000 state 3-A MVP ... Swam at Southwest Guilford ...

**SAUFLEY'S BESTS**

500 Free	5:04.59
1,000 Free	10:12.20
1,650 Free	16:53.01

Was a Junior National qualifier in the 500, 1,000 and 1,650 free ...

... Was a member of the 800 freestyle relay team that won the 2000 YMCA National Championship ...

**PERSONAL:** Lindsey Patrice Saufley was born May 30, 1982 ... The daughter of Ed and Brenda Saufley ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.



**Julie Siegel**

**5-2 • SO.  
DIVER • 1Y  
MIDLOTHIAN, VA.**

**LOCKLIN ON SIEGEL:** "Our most improved diver from last year, Julie works very hard to be the best she can be. She is an inspiration to the rest of the divers."

**2001-02:** Scored points for the Hokies at the Nike Cup Invitational ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Went to Midlothian High ... Dove for Coach Dave Fafara ... Qualified for the 1999 zone meet ...

**PERSONAL:** Julie Anne Siegel was born December 6, 1983, in New Haven, CT ... The daughter of Diane and Steven Siegel ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.



**Jen Siegele**

**5-5 • SR.  
FLY/IM • 2L  
WEXFORD, PA.**

**SKINNER ON SIEGELE:** "Our strongest female swimmer, Jen will be an excellent leader for us this year as a co-captain. She has the tools necessary to be strong in the butterfly and back stroke events at the BIG EAST level."

**2001-02:** Came in 30th in the 100 butterfly at the BIG EAST Conference tournament ... Placed 31st in the 100 backstroke at that meet ...

**2000-01:** Won the 200 IM in a dual meet against North Carolina ... Placed second in the same event against West Virginia ... Took third in the 200 IM against James Madison ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**1999-00:** Finished eighth in the 400 IM at the 2000 Atlantic 10 Conference Championships ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at North Allegheny High for Coach Kirk Semier ... Was named

**SIEGELE'S BESTS**

100 Back	1:00.81
100 Fly	59.00
200 IM	2:09.85

All-America 11 times ... Was also all-state in high school ... A four-time

WPIAL qualifier in all events ... Won the gold medal at PIAA for relays five times ... Is the WPIAL and PIAA record-holder for relays ... Participated in Junior Nationals six times ... Also lettered in track & field ...

**PERSONAL:** Jennifer Leigh Siegele was born January 26, 1981 in Columbus, OH ... The daughter of Tom and Dana Siegele ... Majoring in marketing.



**Jamie Spradlin**

**5-3 • JR.  
FREE/IM • 2L  
ROANOKE, VA.**

**SKINNER ON SPRADLIN:** "Jamie will anchor our distance freestyle crew in both practice and at swim meets. She has the raw ability to go as far as any distance freestyler at Virginia Tech."

**2001-02:** Set three personal-best times in the 200, 500 and 1,650 freestyle events at the BIG EAST Championships ... Took sixth in the 1,650 freestyle ... Placed 10th in the 500 freestyle ... Came in 16th in the 200 freestyle ...

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**2000-01:** Took sixth in the 500 freestyle at the BIG EAST Championships ... Was on the 800 freestyle relay team that placed third at that same meet ... Also took ninth in the 1,650 freestyle and 15th in the 200 freestyle ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended William Byrd High School ... Was a national champion in the 200 and 400 free at the YMCA Summer Nationals ... Was part of the 200 free relay team that won the national title ...

**PERSONAL:** Jamie Lynn Spradlin was born October 23, 1981, in Roanoke, VA ... The daughter of Kathy and Eddie Spradlin ... Majoring in sociology.

SPRADLIN'S BESTS	
200 Fly	2:07.26
200 Free	1:51.92
500 Free	4:55.76
1,650 Free	16:52.74



**Lauren Tower**

**5-10 • SO.  
BREAST/IM • 1L  
PFAFFTOWN, N.C.**

**SKINNER ON TOWER:** "Lauren comes off a fine summer of training here in Blacksburg where she committed herself to getting stronger both in and out of the pool. She will be a factor at the conference level."

TOWER'S BESTS	
100 Breast	1:07.63
200 Breast	2:24.52

**2001-02:** Finished in 19th place in the 200 breaststroke at the conference meet ... Placed 26th in the 100 breaststroke at that meet ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Lettered four times at Salem Academy ... Was an All-American, all-state and all-conference ...

**PERSONAL:** Lauren Tower was born June 19, 1983 ... The daughter of Robin and Ralph Tower ... Majoring in clothing and textiles.



**Jamie Trivett**

**5-10 • JR.  
SPRINT FREE/FLY • 2L  
ROANOKE, VA.**

**SKINNER ON TRIVETT:** "Jamie had breakthrough performances at the BIG EAST meet last year, which coupled with a strong summer of training, puts her in excellent position to make relays for

Tech and be an individual finalist at the conference level."

**2001-02:** Came in 16th at the BIG EAST Championships in the 50 freestyle ... Placed 21st in the 200 backstroke ... Finished in 22nd place in the 100 backstroke ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Placed 27th in the preliminaries in the 200 backstroke at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Placed sixth in the 200 IM in a dual meet against James Madison ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam for Cave Spring High School, where she was the MVP ... Made three Junior National cuts and was MVP of the squad ...

**PERSONAL:** Jamie Leigh Trivett was born December 17, 1982, in Roanoke, VA ... The daughter of Kay and David Trivett ... Majoring in wildlife sciences.

TRIVETT'S BESTS	
50 Free	24.05
100 Back	59.10
200 Back	2:07.63



**Jill Turner**

**5-6 • SR.  
SPRINT FREE/BACK • 3L  
NEWARK, DEL.**

**SKINNER ON TURNER:** "One of the most prolific student-athletes in Virginia Tech history, Jill combines both talent and work ethic. She has the ability to finish her career at the NCAA Championships."

**2001-02:** Scored big points for Tech in three freestyle events at the BIG EAST Championships ... Took third place in the 50 freestyle ... Placed fifth in the 200 freestyle ... Came in seventh in the 100 freestyle ... Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**2000-01:** Was part of the 400 freestyle relay team which took the title at the 2001 BIG EAST Championships ... Placed third in the 50 freestyle ... Took fifth in the 100 freestyle and 11th in the 100 backstroke ... Was on the 200 freestyle relay team that placed second at that meet ... Was on the 800 freestyle relay team that placed third at that same meet ... Named to the 2000-01 BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ...

**1999-00:** Was named the A-10 Rookie of the Year ... Part of the A-10 champion 200 freestyle relay team ... Won the 50 freestyle at the A-10 meet ... Was part of the championship 200 medley relay team at the A-10 Championships ... Won the

TURNER'S BESTS	
50 Free	23.45
100 Free	50.69
100 Back	58.44
200 Free	1:49.94

100 freestyle and took third in the 200 free ... Was on the winning 800 freestyle relay team ... On the winning 400 freestyle relay team ... Named to the all-championship team ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at St. Mark's High for Coach Rob Maegerle ... Lettered four times ... Was named first-team All Catholic four times ... Selected to the second-team all-state team three times ... Was named honorable mention all-state her senior year ...

**PERSONAL:** Jill Allison Turner was born September 8, 1980, in Wilmington, DE ... The daughter of Bob and Donna Turner ... Majoring in marketing management.



**Erin Veltman**

**5-6 • SO.  
FLY • 1L  
MIDLOTHIAN, VA.**

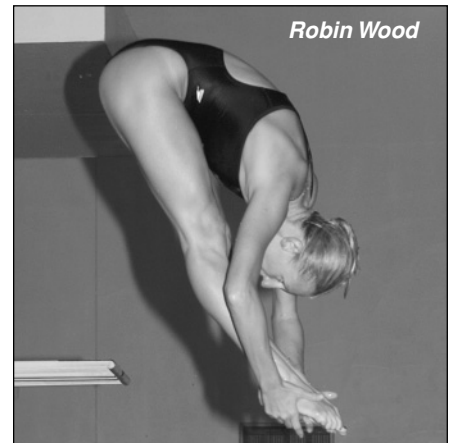
**SKINNER ON VELTMAN:** "A very strong person, Erin can be a top eight swimmer in the 100 butterfly for us. Her 200 butterfly could also be a factor at the BIG EAST Conference level."

**2001-02:** Took 15th place in the 100 butterfly at the conference tournament ... In the 200 fly time-trial, improved her personal-best by over two seconds ...

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended The Governor's School for Government and International Studies ... Swam nine years for the Poseidon Club ... Was a scholastic All-American ... Was also a junior national qualifier ... Finished third in the 100 fly her senior year at the state meet ...

**PERSONAL:** Erin Elizabeth Veltman was born August 20, 1983, in Harrisonburg, VA ... The daughter of Patrick and Elizabeth Veltman ... Majoring in industrial systems engineering.

VELTMAN'S BESTS	
100 Fly	57.13
200 Fly	2:09.34



Robin Wood



**Robin Wood**

**5-6 • SR.  
DIVER • 1L  
JUPITER, FLA.**

**LOCKLIN ON WOOD:** "Robin looks to close out a strong career making a statement at the BIG EAST Championships. She has a very strong personality which adds pizzazz to our program."

**2001-02:** Took first in three-meter diving at JMU ... Took second in both the one-meter and three-meter diving events at WVU ... Scored points for the Hokies at the Nike Cup Invitational ...

**INDIAN RIVER CC:** Dove two years for Coach Mike Tober ... Was a NJCAA national champion.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Dove for Coach Dave Goodwin at Jupiter High ... Lettered four times ... Finished 10th in the state one year and 11th another ... Finished first in her conference and third in her district ...

**PERSONAL:** Robin Wood was born July 28, 1981, in Palm Beach Gardens, FL ... The daughter of Schelle and Craig Wood ... Majoring in communications.

**THE 2002 NEWCOMERS**



**Juliana Daniell**

**5-6 • FR.  
SPRINT FREE/FLY • HS  
ATLANTA, GA.**

**SKINNER ON DANIELL:** "Juliana comes to Virginia Tech very strong, with a powerful will to succeed. We feel that she could be the future of sprint freestyle for our program."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Was the recipient of four varsity letters while swimming at St. Pius X Catholic High School for Coaches Scott Carter and Margaret Guilbert ... Placed in the top six at the state finals in the 50 freestyle and was named MVP all four years ... A member of the 1998 junior national championship Dynamo Swim Club ... Also lettered in track & field as a pole vaulter and sprinter ...

**PERSONAL:** Juliana Daniell was born November 12, 1983 ... Daughter of Bob and Carolyn Daniell ... Enrolled in university studies.



**Emily Guschke**

**5-7 • FR.  
SPRINT/FREE • HS  
COLONIAL HEIGHTS, VA.**

**SKINNER ON GUSCHKE:** "Along with Juliana Daniell, Emily is a significant threat in sprint freestyle. We feel that she can also make relay teams for our squad and be a strong factor at the BIG EAST Championships."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended Colonial Heights High School ... Swam for the Poseidon club team under Coach Ted Sallade for two years ... A two-time first team all-Metro member for the 50, 100 and freestyle ...

**PERSONAL:** Emily Guschke was born October 11, 1983, in Richmond, VA ... Daughter of Mike and Lois Ann Guschke ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.



**Claire Jakabcin**

**5-8 • FR.  
DIVER • HS  
FALLS CHURCH, VA.**

**LOCKLIN ON JAKABCIN:** "We are excited to have Claire join us this year at Virginia Tech. She comes to us from an excellent club diving background and has been brought along such that she understands what it takes to be a great diver."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Dove at Paul VI High School for Coach Joe Gesker and Coach Valerie Taylor ... Earned four varsity letters and served as a captain in 2001-02 ... Two-time All-American and three-time all-state recipient ...

**PERSONAL:** Claire Jakabcin was born August 29, 1984 ... Daughter of George and Ann Jakabcin ... Majoring in biology.



**Katie Shipko**

**5-7 • FR.  
DISTANCE FREE • HS  
MANASSAS, VA.**

**SKINNER ON SHIPKO:** "Katie will provide depth in the distance freestyle events for the Hokies. Just a freshman, she has excellent stroke mechanics and comes to us off a very strong summer of work."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Earned four letters at Seton High School for Coach Theresa Shipko, her mother ... Voted MVP for the Virginia Independent States School in 2000 ... Elected most valuable player four years at districts for that state meet ...

**PERSONAL:** Katherine Shipko was born March 29, 1983 ... Daughter of Daniel and Theresa Shipko ... Enrolled in university studies.



**Jen Urbach**

**5-6 • FR.  
DIVER • HS  
VILLANOVA, PA.**

**LOCKLIN ON URBACH:** "Jen has had much success in age group diving and will add depth to an already impressive group of divers."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Received four letters while diving at Harriton High for Coach Carol Gibbone ... Crowned league champion four years ... Captured the district title as a freshman ... Also lettered in field hockey and was elected defensive MVP back-to-back seasons ...

**PERSONAL:** Jennifer Urbach was born December 5, 1983, in Norristown, PA ... Daughter of Erich and Susan Urbach ... Majoring in psychology.



**Mandie Yothers**

**5-7 • FR.  
FLY/BACK  
PITTSBURGH, PA.**

**SKINNER ON YOTHERS:** "Mandie comes to our team with raw speed in the butterfly and back stroke events. She will be a factor at the BIG EAST level in multiple events."

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Swam at West Allegheny High School for coach Bob Miller ... Captured WPIAL regional championship twice ... Named to the all-state team and served as a team captain ... Was the valedictorian of her class ...

**PERSONAL:** Amanda Yothers was born December 12, 1983, in Pittsburgh, PA ... Daughter of Herb and Linda Yothers ... Enrolled in university studies.

# Opponents



**AMERICAN (w/ West Virginia)**  
*Jan. 25, 2003 – 1 p.m.*  
*Blacksburg, Va.*

**Location:** Washington, D.C.  
**Enrollment:** 5,249  
**Conference:** Patriot  
**Nickname:** Eagles  
**Facility:** Reeves Aquatic Center  
**Head Coach:** Mark Davin  
**School Record:** N/A  
**Diving Coach:** Petar Trifonov  
**Assistant Coaches:** Julie Bober,  
 Beth O'Connor Baker, Will Maher,  
 Junkal Irgoien  
**Office Phone:** (202) 885-3080  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M) 11/15,  
 (W) 12/21  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 2-2, (W) 3-2  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 2nd,  
 (W) 3rd  
**Swimming SID:** Kathleen Ralls  
**Office Phone:** (202) 885-3030  
**Office Fax:** (202) 885-3033



**CLEMSON (w/Maryland)**  
*Oct. 26, 2002 - Noon*  
*College Park, Md.*

**Location:** Clemson, S.C.  
**Enrollment:** 17,101  
**Conference:** Atlantic Coast (ACC)  
**Nickname:** Tigers  
**Facility:** McHugh Natatorium  
**Head Coach:** Christopher Ip  
**School Record:** First Season  
**Diving Coach:** Leslie Hasselbach  
**Assistant Coaches:** Rachael Amman,  
 Sean Weddell  
**Office Phone:** (864) 656-2215  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M) 19/5,  
 (W) 17/8  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 4-2, (W) 4-4  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 5th,  
 (W) 3rd

**Swimming SID:** Libby Kehn  
**Office Phone:** (864) 656-1985  
**Office Fax:** (864) 656-0299



**EAST CAROLINA**  
*Jan. 18, 2003 – 1 p.m.*  
*Greenville, N.C.*

**Location:** Greenville, N.C.  
**Enrollment:** 20, 615  
**Conference:** Conference USA  
**Nickname:** Pirates  
**Facility:** Minges Aquatic Center  
**Head Coach:** Rick Kobe  
**School Record:** 319-124  
**Diving Coach:** Rich McDonald  
**Assistant Coaches:** Chris Feaster,  
 Matthew Jabs  
**Office Phone:** (252) 328-4608  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M) 20/2,  
 (W) 13/8  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 6-4, (W) 10-1  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 2nd,  
 (W) 2nd  
**Swimming SID:** Julia Swee  
**Office Phone:** (252) 328-4522  
**Office Fax:** (252) 328-4528



**JAMES MADISON (w/Radford)**  
*Nov. 8, 2002 – 4 p.m.*  
*Radford, Va.*

**Location:** Harrisonburg, Va.  
**Enrollment:** 15,200  
**Conference:** Colonial (CAA)  
**Nickname:** Dukes  
**Facility:** Savage Natatorium  
**Head Coach:** (M) Matt Barney,  
 (W) Nancy Bercau  
**School Record:** (M) 7-2, (W) First Season  
**Diving Coach:** Rhonda Kaletz  
**Assistant Coaches:** N/A  
**Office Phone:** (540) 568-6528  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 7-2, (W) 7-4  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 2nd,  
 (W) 2nd

**Swimming SID:** Curt Dudley  
**Office Phone:** (540) 568-6154  
**Office Fax:** (540) 568-3703



**MARYLAND (w/Clemson)**  
*Oct. 26, 2002 - Noon*  
*College Park, Md.*

**Location:** College Park, Md.  
**Enrollment:** 33,006  
**Conference:** Atlantic Coast (ACC)  
**Nicknames:** Terrapins, Terps  
**Facility:** Campus Rec. Center Natatorium  
**Head Coach:** Jim Wenhold  
**Diving Coach:** Mark Murray  
**Assistant Coaches:** John Wolsh  
**Office Phone:** (301) 314-7031  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M), 20/3,  
 (W) 23/8  
**2001-02 Record:** (M), 4-8, (W) 10-2  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 6th,  
 (W) 5th  
**Swimming SID:** Amy Lynne Mulligan  
**Office Phone:** (301) 314-7064  
**Office Fax:** (301) 314-9094



**NORTH CAROLINA STATE**  
*Nov. 9, 2002 – 1 p.m.*  
*Blacksburg, Va.*

**Location:** Raleigh, N.C.  
**Enrollment:** 29,286  
**Conference:** Atlantic Coast (ACC)  
**Nickname:** Wolfpack  
**Facility:** William Casey Aquatics Center  
**Head Coach:** Brooks Teal  
**School Record:** (M) 6-15, (W) 10-9  
**Diving Coach:** John Candler  
**Assistant Coaches:** Chad Onken,  
 Alexis Keto  
**Office Phone:** (919) 515-2849  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M) 17/5,  
 (W) 16/11  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 3-5, (W) 4-4  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 7th,  
 (W) 6th  
**Swimming SID:** Tonia Jackson

Office Phone: (919) 515-1180  
Office Fax: (919) 515-2898



**PITTSBURGH**  
Feb. 2, 2002 – Noon  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Location:** Pittsburgh, Pa.  
**Enrollment:** 33,544  
**Conference:** BIG EAST  
**Nickname:** Panthers  
**Facility:** Trees Pool  
**Head Coach:** Chuck Knoles  
**School Record:** (M) 94-33,  
(W) First Season  
**Diving Coach:** Julian Krug  
**Assistant Coaches:** Bill Weaver,  
Marian Cassidy Keen, Jeff Berghoff  
**Office Phone:** (412) 383-9078  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M) 16/11,  
(W) 20/5  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 7-1, (W) 3-7  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 1st,  
(W) 5th  
**Swimming SID:** Brad Cuprik  
**Office Phone:** (412) 648-8240  
**Office Fax:** (412) 648-8248



**RICHMOND (women)**  
Oct. 30, 2002 – 4 p.m.  
Richmond, Va.

**Location:** Richmond, Va.  
**Enrollment:** 2,950  
**Conference:** Atlantic 10  
**Nickname:** Spiders  
**Facility:** Robins Center Natatorium  
**Head Coach:** Matthew Kredich  
**School Record:** 11-2  
**Diving Coach:** Eliot Clark  
**Assistant Coach:** Mark Sowa  
**Office Phone:** (804) 289-8750  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** 16/15  
**2001-02 Record:** 5-5  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** 3rd  
**Swimming SID:** Jennifer Arnette  
**Office Phone:** (804) 287-6313  
**Office Fax:** (804) 289-8820



**WEST VIRGINIA (w/American)**  
Jan. 25, 2003 – 1 p.m.  
Blacksburg, Va.

**Location:** Morgantown, W.Va.  
**Enrollment:** 22,300  
**Conference:** BIG EAST  
**Nickname:** Mountaineers  
**Facility:** WVU Natatorium  
**Head Coach:** Eric McIlquham  
**School Record:** 25-37  
**Diving Coach:** Greg Brandes  
**Assistant Coaches:** Steve Phillips,  
Emily Trakas  
**Office Phone:** (304) 293-2300  
**Letterwinners Ret/Lost:** (M) 10/6, (W) 7/7  
**2001-02 Record:** (M) 6-4, (W) 3-7  
**2001-02 Conference Finish:** (M) 6th,  
(W) 9th  
**Swimming SID:** Brady Smith  
**Office Phone:** (304) 293-2821  
**Office Fax:** (304) 293-4105

**BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS**

February 20-22, 2002 • Long Island, N.Y.

**Facility:** Goodwill Games Swimming Center  
**Field:** Boston College, Connecticut,  
Georgetown, Miami, Notre Dame, Pittsburgh,

Providence, Rutgers, St. John's, Seton Hall,  
Syracuse, Villanova, West Virginia and Virginia  
Tech

**HOKIES' RECORD VS. ALL OPPONENTS**

OPPONENT	Men			Women			OPPONENT	Men			Women		
	W	L	First	W	L	First		W	L	First	W	L	First
Air Force	—	—	—	1	0	1977	North Carolina	0	2	1999	0	2	1999
Appalachian State	1	0	1978	1	0	1978	North Carolina State	0	7	1981	2	4	1981
Auburn	0	1	1984	0	1	1984	Northeast Louisiana	0	1	1992	1	0	1992
Charleston	5	0	1991	5	0	1991	Notre Dame	1	0	2000	—	—	—
Cincinnati	1	1	1990	0	2	1990	Old Dominion	15	3	1979	18	0	1976
Connecticut	1	0	2001	1	0	2001	Ohio State	0	1	2001	1	0	2001
Clemson	1	7	1984	0	8	1984	Pittsburgh	0	3	1982	2	1	1992
Davidson	10	0	1991	10	0	1991	Radford	—	—	—	1	0	2001
Duke	4	3	1977	2	5	1977	Randolph-Macon	—	—	—	3	0	1976
Duquesne	1	1	1995	2	0	1995	Rhode Island	1	0	1998	1	0	1998
East Carolina	3	2	1981	2	3	1981	Richmond	8	2	1976	9	0	1979
Emory	1	0	1992	1	0	1992	Roanoke College	—	—	—	2	0	1978
Evansville	2	0	1994	2	0	1994	South Carolina	2	9	1982	2	9	1982
Fairmont State	3	0	1980	3	0	1980	Sweet Briar	—	—	—	4	0	1977
Florida Atlantic	2	0	1992	1	1	1992	Tampa	1	0	1997	1	0	1997
Florida State	0	1	1984	0	1	1984	Tennessee	0	3	1981	0	5	1977
Furman	1	0	1989	1	0	1989	UMBC	2	1	1995	2	1	1995
George Washington	3	3	1995	4	2	1995	UNC Charlotte	3	0	1989	3	0	1989
Georgia	0	1	1980	—	—	—	Villanova	1	0	1999	1	0	1999
Georgia Southern	0	1	1997	2	0	1997	VCU	6	1	1976	5	2	1976
Georgia Tech	0	2	1999	—	—	—	Virginia	1	19	1976	1	18	1977
Hollins	—	—	—	2	0	1977	Virginia Military	8	0	1976	—	—	—
Howard	2	0	1993	2	0	1993	Wake Forest	1	2	1976	—	—	—
James Madison	4	4	1985	13	2	1976	Washington & Lee	3	1	1976	—	—	—
La Salle	1	2	1987	3	0	1988	West Virginia	7	13	1979	11	11	1977
Louisville	1	1	1990	2	0	1990	William & Mary	7	1	1976	15	1	1976
Marshall	1	1	1977	—	—	—	West Virginia Wesleyan	2	0	1984	2	0	1994
Mary Washington	—	—	—	1	0	1976	Wright State	1	0	2001	1	0	2001
Maryland	1	7	1982	2	7	1977	Xavier	3	0	1995	2	0	1995
Morris Harvey	3	0	1976	—	—	—							
Navy	—	—	—	0	1	1992							
							<b>Total</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>—</b>

# Season In Review

## Women Post Near-Perfect Dual Meet Record; Men Take Third at Conference

After losing a group of 12 student-athletes who helped to give the Virginia Tech swimming and diving program a smooth transition into the BIG EAST conference, many may have expected the 2001-2002 season to be a rebuilding year for the Hokies.

Instead, Tech showed its resilience with the women losing only one dual meet and the men taking a third place finish in the conference championship.

The women, who went 9-1 in dual meet action, started the season strong with three home wins versus the University of Connecticut, Richmond and Radford.

First, Tech edged UConn, 169-135, then the women cruised to two victories, downing Radford, 206-79, and Richmond, 163.5-130.5.

The Hokies stumbled in their first road trip, splitting a pair of dual meets at The Ohio State University. At the meet, the women dropped Ohio State, 152-91 and then were handed their only loss by Maryland, 136-107.

Remaining on the road, the women returned to their winning ways, beating Wright State, 135-87. The team then headed to Chapel Hill, N.C., for the Nike Cup Invitational and placed second in the field of eight for the second year in a row.

Tech returned home for the final meet before winter break and downed UMBC, 182-92. At that meet, Jill Turner broke the pool record with a victory in the 100 freestyle with a time of 51.59.

In their first meet following the break, the women had their best performance of the season, as they swept all 13 events and beat the host James Madison Dukes, 138-96. Next, in their final dual meet, the women took first place in 10 events to beat Pittsburgh, 143-85.

After a slow start at the three-day BIG EAST tournament, the women used depth, balance and perseverance to capture a come-from-behind fourth-place finish. Tech finished the meet with 405 points and several strong individual performances.

Jen McLaughlin put in Tech's best individual performance, giving the Hokies their only first place finish with a win in

the championship race of the 200 butterfly. After breaking the school record in the morning prelims, McLaughlin broke the record again with a time of 2:01.07 in the finals. A school record also fell in the championship race of the 200 breaststroke as Kelly Burke posted a time of 2:18.73.

The men, who finished the season 5-3 in dual meet action, defeated UConn to start the season, 176.5-115.5.

The team set two pool records at that meet as Rob Duffy posted a time of 1:51.23 in the 200 butterfly and the 800 freestyle relay team of Joel Cross, Michael Peterson, Duffy and Chris Bassler set the pool mark with a time of 7:04.70.

On their first road trip, the men split, beating Maryland, 136-105, and falling to Ohio State, 130-109.

The men remained on the road and moved to 3-1 on the season, downing Wright State, 130-113.

Returning to War Memorial Pool, the men captured a 162-136 victory over UMBC by taking first place in six individual races and one relay race.

The men had their best performance of the season, beating JMU, 142-94 and taking first place in 11 of 13 events.

Next, the men placed first in six events but came up short, losing to West Virginia, 116-121, to fall to 5-2 on the season.

In the final dual meet of the season, the men fell to No. 6 Pittsburgh, 64-179. In that meet, Joey Piekarski was the lone Hokie to take first place as he broke a pool record with a time of 1:54.26 in the 200 IM.

Like the women, the men also started slowly at the BIG EAST Tournament, but a stellar performance on the second day propelled the Hokies to a third place finish. In total, the men's team tied or broke five school records at the championships.

Piekarski was Tech's top male performer, tying one school record in the 200 IM with a time of 1:50.58 and breaking another, swimming a 2:01.23 in the 200 breaststroke.

Individual school records also fell in the 100 breaststroke and 100 butterfly. Kevin Furlong swam the 100 breast in a time of 55.74 and Duffy swam the 100 butterfly in a time of 48.61.

The 400 medley relay team of Steve Tozer, Furlong, Duffy and Brian Piantadosi placed third in the championship and shattered the school record with a time of 3:18.65.

In all, the 2001-2002 season proved to be more than a rebuilding year for both squads.

It was a season that saw 12 school records fall, a conference champion in the 200 butterfly, a near perfect season for the women and a third-place conference finish for the men.

### 2001-2002 RESULTS

#### Women (9-1), Men (5-3)

Date	Opponent	Site	Women	Men
Oct. 20	Connecticut	Blacksburg, Va.	W, 169-135	W, 176 <sup>5</sup> -115 <sup>5</sup>
Oct. 31	Richmond	Blacksburg, Va.	W, 163 <sup>5</sup> -130 <sup>5</sup>	—
Oct. 31	Radford	Blacksburg, Va.	W, 206-79	—
Nov. 3	Ohio State	Columbus, Ohio	W, 152-91	L, 109-130
Nov. 3	Maryland	Columbus, Ohio	L, 107-136	W, 136-105
Nov. 4	Wright State	Dayton, Ohio	W, 135-87	W, 130-112
Nov. 15-17	at Nike Cup	Chapel Hill, N.C.	2nd	3rd
Dec. 8	Maryland-Baltimore County	Blacksburg, Va.	W, 182-92	W, 162-136
Jan. 11	James Madison	Harrisonburg, Va.	W, 138-96	W, 142-94
Jan. 26	West Virginia	Morgantown, W.Va.	W, 158-83	L, 116-121
Feb. 2	Pittsburgh	Blacksburg, Va.	W, 143-85	L, 64-179
Feb. 15-17	BIG EAST Championships	Uniondale, N.Y.	4th/13	3rd/13



# The Record Book



David Szabo holds the school record in the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:02.43, set in 2001.

## Men's Records

Event	Holder(s)	Time	Year
50 Freestyle	Charlie Cline	20:56	1991
100 Freestyle	Charlie Cline	45.03	1991
200 Freestyle	Mike Peterson	1:40.01	2001
500 Freestyle	Rob Duffy	4:31.29	1999
<b>1,000 Freestyle</b>	<b>Greg Kubovcik</b>	<b>9:23.75</b>	<b>2002</b>
1,650 Freestyle	Todd Sturgeon	15:28.41	1986
<b>100 Butterfly</b>	<b>Rob Duffy</b>	<b>48.61</b>	<b>2002</b>
200 Butterfly	Troy Hoff	1:47.91	2000
100 Backstroke	Brett Saum	49.87	2001
200 Backstroke	Ray Hrabe	1:48.99	1998
<b>100 Breaststroke</b>	<b>Kevin Furlong</b>	<b>55.74</b>	<b>2002</b>
200 Breaststroke	David Szabo	2:02.43	2001
200 Ind. Medley	Collins Trimble	1:50.58	1995
	<b>Joey Piekarski</b>	<b>1:50.58</b>	<b>2002</b>
400 Ind. Medley	Collins Trimble	3:57.19	1995
<b>200 Medley Relay</b>	<b>Tozer, Furlong, Duffy, Lindberg</b>	<b>1:30.67</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>400 Medley Relay</b>	<b>Tozer, Furlong, Duffy, Piantadosi</b>	<b>3:18.65</b>	<b>2002</b>
200 Freestyle Relay	Murray, Flanders, Willis, Cline	1:22.27	1991
400 Freestyle Relay	Murray, Cline, Willis, Flanders	3:01.49	1991
800 Freestyle Relay	Cline, Willis, Murray, Flanders	6:43.86	1991
1-Meter Diving			
6 Dives	Artie Waters	313.05	1983
11 Dives	Artie Waters	490.55	1983
3-Meter Diving			
6 Dives	Artie Waters	333.50	1985
11 Dives	Shawn Reed	494.95	1991

## Women's Records

Event	Holder(s)	Time	Year
50 Freestyle	Lindsey Tew	23.16	2001
100 Freestyle	Lindsey Tew	50.37	2001
200 Freestyle	Erin Milfeit	1:49.39	2001
500 Freestyle	Erin Milfeit	4:49.36	2000
<b>1,000 Freestyle</b>	<b>Jamie Spradlin</b>	<b>10:11.24</b>	<b>2002</b>
1,650 Freestyle	Carolyn Anderson	16:50.49	1986
<b>50 Backstroke</b>	<b>Kelly Furlong</b>	<b>26.41</b>	<b>2002</b>
100 Backstroke	Katy Peterson	56.87	2001
200 Backstroke	Erin Milfeit	2:00.37	2001
50 Breaststroke	Terri Estes	31.01	1979
100 Breaststroke	Kate Keeton	1:04.42	1999
<b>200 Breaststroke</b>	<b>Kelly Burke</b>	<b>2:18.73</b>	<b>2002</b>
50 Butterfly	Linda Krumwiede	26.01	1983
100 Butterfly	Lindsey Tew	55.34	2001
<b>200 Butterfly</b>	<b>Jen McLaughlin</b>	<b>2:01.07</b>	<b>2002</b>
100 Ind. Medley	Dianne Benedictis	59.58	1983
200 Ind. Medley	Kelly Furlong	2:04.52	2000
400 Ind. Medley	Jordan Huegerich	4:25.40	1999
200 Medley Relay	Turner, Drolet, Freese, Tew	1:43.53	2001
<b>400 Medley Relay</b>	<b>Peterson, Sample, McLaughlin, Turner</b>	<b>3:46.98</b>	<b>2002</b>
200 Free Relay	Turner, Drolet, Freese, Tew	1:32.58	2001
400 Free Relay	Turner, Drolet, Freese, Tew	3:23.38	2001
800 Free Relay	Tew, Most, Freese, Norton	7:32.58	1998
1-Meter Diving			
6 Dives	Jackie Davoud	312.68	1998
10 Dives	Jackie Davoud	408.00	1996
11 Dives	Jackie Davoud	439.05	1998
3-Meter Diving			
6 Dives	Jackie Davoud	294.08	1998
11 Dives	Jackie Davoud	483.85	1998

Records broken in the 2001-02 season are in **bold**



Erin Milfeit holds the school record in the 200 backstroke, as well as both the 200 and 500 freestyle events.

# Men's All-Time Best Performers

## 50 FREESTYLE

Charlie Cline	20.56	1991
Jeff Murray	20.66	1991
Rune Brath	20.74	1996
Tom Pollock	20.75	1988
<b>Chris Lindberg</b>	<b>20.81</b>	<b>2002</b>

## 100 FREESTYLE

Charlie Cline	45.03	1991
Tom Pollock	45.72	1988
Jeff Murray	45.96	1991
Glenn Johnson	46.26	1980
<b>Brian Piantadosi</b>	<b>46.31</b>	<b>2001</b>

## 200 FREESTYLE

Mike Peterson	1:40.01	2001
Charlie Cline	1:40.14	1991
Jeff Murray	1:41.12	1988
Terry Richardson	1:41.46	1981
Gregg Doulé	1:41.58	2001

## 500 FREESTYLE

Rob Duffy	4:31.29	1999
Mike Peterson	4:31.56	2001
<b>Greg Kubovcik</b>	<b>4:31.61</b>	<b>2002</b>
Troy Hoff	4:32.65	1999
Gregg Doulé	4:33.92	2001

## 1,000 FREESTYLE

<b>Greg Kubovcik</b>	<b>9:23.75</b>	<b>2002</b>
Todd Sturgeon	9:26.54	1985
Brian Russ	9:29.56	2000
Gregg Doulé	9:34.42	1999
Troy Hoff	9:35.23	2000

## 1,650 FREESTYLE

Todd Sturgeon	15:28.41	1986
<b>Greg Kubovcik</b>	<b>15:30.79</b>	<b>2002</b>
Sky King	15:44.36	1999
Steve Cromer	15:44.37	1998
Troy Hoff	15:47.09	1999

## 100 BUTTERFLY

Rob Duffy	48.61	2002
<b>Steve Tozer</b>	<b>49.44</b>	<b>2002</b>
Jonathan Wong	49.63	1996
Jeff Murray	49.65	1988
Scott Santucci	49.80	1990

## 200 BUTTERFLY

Troy Hoff	1:47.91	2000
Rob Duffy	1:49.67	2000
Collins Trimble	1:50.10	1995
Chris Turman	1:50.37	1986
Chuck Braaten	1:50.80	1984

## 100 BACKSTROKE

Brett Saum	49.87	2001
<b>Steve Tozer</b>	<b>50.82</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Chris Lindberg</b>	<b>50.79</b>	<b>2002</b>
Ray Hrabe	50.82	2001
Andy Pulsifer	51.50	1988

## 200 BACKSTROKE

Ray Hrabe	1:48.99	1998
<b>Chris Lindberg</b>	<b>1:49.09</b>	<b>2002</b>
Brett Saum	1:50.66	1999
Andy Pulsifer	1:51.50	1988
Kurt Gavalier	1:52.28	1998



*Ray Hrabe holds the school record in the 200 backstroke, set in 1998.*

## 100 BREASTSTROKE

<b>Kevin Furlong</b>	<b>55.74</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>David Litchfield</b>	<b>56.65</b>	<b>2002</b>
Drew Killian	56.95	2001
Eric Thompson	56.98	1992
Rune Brath	57.45	1997

## 200 BREASTSTROKE

<b>Joey Piekarski</b>	<b>2:01.23</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>David Szabo</b>	<b>2:02.43</b>	<b>2001</b>
Eric Thompson	2:03.36	1990
<b>Kevin Furlong</b>	<b>2:03.58</b>	<b>2002</b>
Joe Chiaccio	2:06.68	1998

## 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Collins Trimble	1:50.58	1995
<b>Joey Piekarski</b>	<b>1:50.58</b>	<b>2002</b>
Rob Duffy	1:50.62	2002
Ray Hrabe	1:51.02	1999
Chris Turman	1:51.55	1986

## 400 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Collins Trimble	3:57.19	1995
Chris Turman	3:57.36	1986
Ray Hrabe	3:57.39	2000
<b>David Szabo</b>	<b>3:58.20</b>	<b>2002</b>
Todd Sturgeon	3:58.58	1989

*Current team members are in bold*



*Rob Duffy has Virginia Tech's second-best 200 butterfly time and is the school 500 freestyle record-holder.*

**200 MEDLEY RELAY**

1. <b>Tozer, Furlong, Duffy, Lindberg</b>	<b>1:30.67</b>	<b>2002</b>
2. Saum, Killian, Tozer, Hrabe	1:31.84	2001
3. Saum, Killian, Stella, Frost	1:32.80	2000
4. <b>Tozer, Furlong, Duffy, Cross</b>	<b>1:32.44</b>	<b>2002</b>
5. McElvain, Brath, Wong, Dalton	1:33.59	1996
6. <b>Tozer, Litchfield, Duffy, Lindberg</b>	<b>1:33.63</b>	<b>2002</b>
7. Horning, <b>Litchfield, Piantadosi, Lindberg</b>	<b>1:33.73</b>	<b>2002</b>
8. Riccoboni, Thompson, Santucci, Flanders	1:33.92	1991
9. Riccoboni, Thompson, Santucci, Willis	1:34.08	1990
10. Hrabe, Killian, Stella, Frost	1:34.16	1999

**400 MEDLEY RELAY**

1. <b>Tozer, Furlong, Duffy, Piantadosi</b>	<b>3:18.65</b>	<b>2002</b>
2. Saum, Killian, Tozer, Hrabe	3:22.26	2001
3. <b>Lindberg, Furlong, Duffy, Cross</b>	<b>3:23.59</b>	<b>2002</b>
4. Riccoboni, Thompson, Santucci, Murray	3:23.64	1990
5. Riccoboni, Murray, Thompson, Cline	3:24.51	1991
6. McElvain, Trimble, Wong, Brath	3:24.83	1995
7. Saum, Hrabe, <b>Leibholz, Stella</b>	<b>3:25.26</b>	<b>2000</b>
8. Saum, Ellingson, <b>Duffy, Stella</b>	<b>3:25.68</b>	<b>1999</b>
9. McElvain, Brath, Wong, Smith	3:26.04	1996
10. 1989 Team	3:26.04	1989

**200 FREESTYLE RELAY**

1. Murray, Flanders, Willis, Cline	1:22.27	1991
2. <b>Lindberg, Tozer, Litchfield, Piantadosi</b>	<b>1:22.73</b>	<b>2002</b>
3. Stella, Hrabe, Tozer, Frost	1:23.56	2000
4. <b>Tozer, Lindberg, Piantadosi, Hrabe</b>	<b>1:23.65</b>	<b>2001</b>
5. Murray, Flanders, Riccoboni, Willis	1:23.81	1990
6. Murray, Flanders, Willis, Breitenbach	1:24.06	1989
7. Hrabe, Frost, Turner, Stella	1:24.07	1999
8. Brath, McElvain, Smith, Dalton	1:24.25	1996
9. Cross, <b>Tozer, Litchfield, Lindberg</b>	<b>1:24.26</b>	<b>2002</b>
10. Brath, McElvain, Wong, Smith	1:24.48	1995

**400 FREESTYLE RELAY**

1. Murray, Cline, Willis, Flanders	3:01.49	1991
2. Murray, Riccoboni, Flanders, Willis	3:03.40	1990
3. Gilbert, Duncan, Pulsifer, Pollock	3:04.43	1987
4. Turman, Gilbert, Duncan, Pollock	3:04.76	1986
5. Johnson, Gougher, Hulub, Albert	3:05.98	1980
6. Cline, Willis, Flanders, Murray	3:05.88	1991
7. <b>Piekarski, Tozer, Piantadosi, Litchfield</b>	<b>3:06.19</b>	<b>2002</b>
8. <b>Piantadosi, Tozer, Doulé, Hrabe</b>	<b>3:06.44</b>	<b>2001</b>
9. Cline, Willis, Lacy, Murray	3:06.72	1991
10. 1989 Team	3:06.83	1989

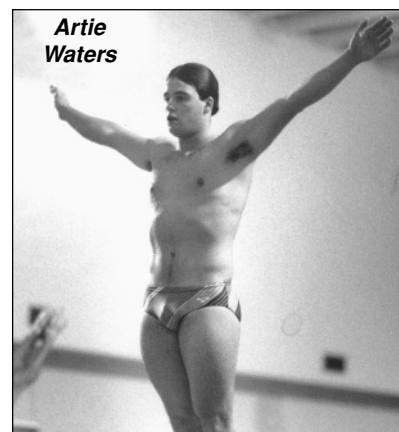
**800 FREESTYLE RELAY**

1. Cline, Willis, Murray, Flanders	6:43.86	1991
2. Murray, Santucci, Willis, Flanders	6:46.13	1990
3. Sturgeon, Hutcheson, Flanders, Murray	6:48.54	1989
4. Marshall, Duffy, Fenix, Doulé	6:48.67	1999
5. <b>Szabo, Bassler, Kubovcik, Duffy</b>	<b>6:48.72</b>	<b>2002</b>
6. Saathoff, Brath, Potterton, Trimble	6:50.44	1995
7. Peterson, <b>Bassler, Szabo, Doulé</b>	<b>6:51.07</b>	<b>2001</b>
8. Pollock, Sturgeon, Pulsifer, Murray	6:51.22	1988
9. Eick, Sommerlad, Hudson, Braaten	6:51.43	1983
10. 1989 Team	6:51.44	1989



*Brett Saum was on the school-record holding 200 and 400 medley relay teams.*

**DIVING BESTS**



**1-METER BOARD**

(6 Dives)

Artie Waters	313.05	1983
Shawn Lewis	288.26	2000
Shawn Reed	277.80	1991
<b>Matt Bolen</b>	<b>276.00</b>	<b>2002</b>
Jeff Bresnei	275.48	2000

(11 Dives)

Artie Waters	490.55	1983
Shawn Reed	434.05	1991
Shawn Lewis	407.85	1998
Butch King	393.00	1980
Eliot Clark	389.40	1998

**3-METER BOARD**

(6 Dives)

Artie Waters	333.50	1985
<b>Matt Bolen</b>	<b>302.70</b>	<b>2002</b>
Shawn Lewis	291.60	1998
<b>Doug Roper</b>	<b>287.02</b>	<b>2002</b>
Dave Fichman	286.25	1986

(11 Dives)

Shawn Reed	494.95	1991
Artie Waters	492.95	1984
Ken McDonnell	488.75	1983
Shawn Lewis	467.05	1999
<b>Matt Bolen</b>	<b>425.30</b>	<b>2002</b>

# Women's All-Time Best Performers

## 50 FREESTYLE

Lindsey Tew	23.16	2001
<b>Jill Turner</b>	<b>23.45</b>	<b>2001</b>
Linda Krumwiede	23.70	1981
Dianne Benedictis	23.90	1981
Stacy Moore	23.91	1993

## 100 FREESTYLE

Lindsey Tew	50.37	2001
<b>Jill Turner</b>	<b>50.69</b>	<b>2002</b>
Linda Krumwiede	51.53	1984
<b>Meagan Drolet</b>	<b>51.61</b>	<b>2001</b>
Karen Most	52.06	1998

## 200 FREESTYLE

Erin Milfeit	1:49.39	2001
<b>Jill Turner</b>	<b>1:49.94</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Meagan Drolet</b>	<b>1:51.74</b>	<b>2001</b>
Karen Most	1:52.01	1998
Kara Boyer	1:52.01	1990

## 500 FREESTYLE

Erin Milfeit	4:49.36	2000
<b>Jamie Spradlin</b>	<b>4:55.02</b>	<b>2002</b>
Carolyn Anderson	4:55.28	1986
Kara Boyer	4:56.96	1990
Sheryl Love	4:58.04	1981

## 1,000 FREESTYLE

<b>Jamie Spradlin</b>	<b>10:11.24</b>	<b>2002</b>
Sheryl Love	10:12.05	1982
<b>Lindsey Saufley</b>	<b>10:12.20</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Ally Hamilton</b>	<b>10:13.23</b>	<b>2001</b>
Erin Milfeit	10:13.81	2000



*Lindsey Tew holds both the 50 and 100 freestyle records, along with the 100 butterfly mark.*

## 1,650 FREESTYLE

Carolyn Anderson	16:50.49	1986
<b>Ally Hamilton</b>	<b>16:50.53</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Jamie Spradlin</b>	<b>16:52.74</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Lindsey Saufley</b>	<b>16:53.01</b>	<b>2002</b>
Sheryl Love	17:00.76	1982

## 50 BACKSTROKE

<b>Kelly Furlong</b>	<b>26.41</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Katy Peterson</b>	<b>27.08</b>	<b>2002</b>
Margaret Soulen	27.15	1988
Cheryl Levandoski	27.80	1981
Linda Gilbert	28.40	1980

## 100 BACKSTROKE

<b>Katy Peterson</b>	<b>56.87</b>	<b>2002</b>
Margaret Soulen	57.21	1989
<b>Kelly Furlong</b>	<b>57.51</b>	<b>2001</b>
Buffy Marshall	58.36	2001
Jordan Huegerich	58.43	1998

## 200 BACKSTROKE

Erin Milfeit	2:00.37	2001
<b>Katy Peterson</b>	<b>2:01.83</b>	<b>2002</b>
Margaret Soulen	2:02.12	1989
<b>Kelly Furlong</b>	<b>2:02.13</b>	<b>2002</b>
Jennifer Finotti	2:04.46	1997

## 100 BREASTSTROKE

Kate Keeton	1:04.42	1999
<b>Jen Brielmaier</b>	<b>1:04.57</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Paige Sample</b>	<b>1:04.84</b>	<b>2002</b>
Jessica Riston	1:05.74	1998
Jenny Grizzard	1:05.74	1994

## 200 BREASTSTROKE

<b>Kelly Burke</b>	<b>2:18.73</b>	<b>2002</b>
Kate Keeton	2:18.86	1999
<b>Paige Sample</b>	<b>2:19.48</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Jen Brielmaier</b>	<b>2:19.94</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Alyson Dabney</b>	<b>2:21.97</b>	<b>2002</b>

## 100 BUTTERFLY

Lindsey Tew	55.34	2001
<b>Jen McLaughlin</b>	<b>55.52</b>	<b>2002</b>
Karen Most	56.45	2000
Dianne Benedictis	57.00	1982
Angel Muncaster	57.27	1995

## 200 BUTTERFLY

<b>Jen McLaughlin</b>	<b>2:01.07</b>	<b>2002</b>
Lindsey Tew	2:03.35	2000
Angel Muncaster	2:04.20	1995
Carolyn Anderson	2:04.90	1988
Karen Most	2:04.27	2000

## 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

<b>Kelly Furlong</b>	<b>2:04.52</b>	<b>2000</b>
Margaret Soulen	2:04.78	1989
Lexie White	2:05.21	1999
Kate Keeton	2:05.45	1999
Jordan Huegerich	2:06.18	1999

## 400 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Jordan Huegerich	4:25.40	1999
Lexie White	4:26.76	1998
<b>Ally Hamilton</b>	<b>4:26.84</b>	<b>2001</b>
Margaret Soulen	4:28.42	1989
<b>Alyson Dabney</b>	<b>4:29.70</b>	<b>2002</b>



*Jordan Huegerich holds the school record in the 400 IM, set in 1999.*



Senior Jill Turner is a member of four school-record relay teams — the 400 medley, 200 freestyle, 400 freestyle and 800 freestyle.

**200 MEDLEY RELAY**

1. **Furlong, Brielmaier, McLaughlin, Tew** 1:43.54 2001
2. **Furlong, Brielmaier, McLaughlin, Turner** 1:44.24 2002
3. **Furlong, Sample, McLaughlin, Turner** 1:44.73 2002
4. **Furlong, Sample, Most, Turner** 1:45.46 2000
5. **Zadell, Keeton, Most, White** 1:46.37 1999
6. **Peterson, Brielmaier, Veltman, Drolet** 1:44.77 2002
7. **Myers, Benedictis, Bass, Krumwiede** 1:47.88 1984
8. **Furlong, Sample, McLaughlin, Drolet** 1:49.03 2002
9. **Levandroski, Bass, Benedictis, Krumwiede** 1:49.14 1983
10. **Soulen, Fisher, Krumwiede, Maxwell** 1:49.20 1986

**400 MEDLEY RELAY**

1. **Peterson, Sample, McLaughlin, Turner** 3:46.98 2002
2. **Furlong, Brielmaier, McLaughlin, Tew** 3:47.02 2001
3. **Peterson, Brielmaier, McLaughlin, Turner** 3:47.35 2002
4. **Huegerich, Keeton, Tew, Most** 3:50.73 1999
5. **Furlong, Sample, Most, Tew** 3:51.12 2000
6. **Huegerich, Riston, Tew, Most** 3:51.13 1998
7. **Furlong, Brielmaier, Veltman, Drolet** 3:55.04 2002
8. **Nelson, Marteney, Soulen, Gross** 3:55.33 1989
9. **Peterson, Brielmaier, Furlong, Sample** 3:55.37 2002
10. **Nelson, Grizzard, Boyer, Gross** 3:55.58 1991

**200 FREESTYLE RELAY**

1. **Turner, Drolet, Freese, Tew** 1:32.58 2001
2. **Turner, Drolet, White, Tew** 1:34.69 2000
3. **Trivett, Furlong, Peterson, Drolet** 1:35.78 2002
4. **Most, White, Sylvanus, Tew** 1:35.80 1999
5. **Drolet, Furlong, Johnsen, Turner** 1:36.12 2002
6. **Myers, Benedictis, Cotton, Krumwiede** 1:36.36 1984
7. **Most, Tew, Huegerich, White** 1:36.44 1998
8. **Moore, Gross, Marteney, Boyle** 1:36.83 1990
9. **Gross, Marteney, Boyle, Soulen** 1:36.87 1989
10. **Grizzard, Boyle, Marteney, Gross** 1:37.45 1991

**400 FREESTYLE RELAY**

1. **Turner, Drolet, Freese, Tew** 3:23.28 2001
2. **Drolet, Furlong, Milfeit, Turner** 3:25.20 2002
3. **Turner, Drolet, Most, Tew** 3:28.33 2000
4. **Tew, Most, Norton, White** 3:28.37 1998
5. **Gross, Boyle, Marteney, Soulen** 3:28.48 1989
6. **Tew, Most, Norton, White** 3:29.39 1999
7. **Moore, Gross, Boyle, Boyle** 3:29.45 1990
8. **Krumwiede, Soulen, Anderson, Maxwell** 3:31.02 1987
9. **1993 Team** 3:31.47 1993
10. **Currier, Stuart, Muncaster, Brehl** 3:32.28 1995

**DIVING BESTS**

**1-METER BOARD**

- (6 Dives)
- |                 |        |      |
|-----------------|--------|------|
| Jackie Davoud   | 312.68 | 1998 |
| Martha Peck     | 277.10 | 1996 |
| Kelly-Ayn McKay | 260.10 | 1990 |
| Debbie Williams | 259.57 | 1983 |
| Martha Lavelly  | 258.83 | 1987 |
- (10 Dives)
- |                   |        |      |
|-------------------|--------|------|
| Jackie Davoud     | 412.95 | 1999 |
| Dana Nagle        | 385.45 | 1998 |
| Kelly-Ayn McKay   | 369.15 | 1990 |
| Martha Peck       | 368.80 | 1995 |
| Stephanie Peppard | 261.15 | 1996 |
- (11 Dives)
- |                 |        |      |
|-----------------|--------|------|
| Jackie Davoud   | 439.05 | 1998 |
| Debbie Williams | 435.00 | 1982 |
| Kelly-Ayn McKay | 385.90 | 1989 |
| Martha Peck     | 367.35 | 1997 |
| Kelly Roszak    | 328.50 | 1998 |

**3-METER BOARD**

- (6 Dives)
- |                 |        |      |
|-----------------|--------|------|
| Jackie Davoud   | 294.08 | 1998 |
| Kelly-Ayn McKay | 276.35 | 1989 |
| Martha Peck     | 274.00 | 1997 |
| Debbie Williams | 272.55 | 1983 |
| Katie Grossi    | 263.25 | 2000 |
- (11 Dives)
- |                 |        |      |
|-----------------|--------|------|
| Jackie Davoud   | 483.85 | 1997 |
| Debbie Williams | 435.00 | 1982 |
| Kelly-Ayn McKay | 431.70 | 1990 |
| Martha Peck     | 315.20 | 1995 |



**800 FREESTYLE RELAY**

1. **Turner, Spradlin, Drolet, Milfeit** 7:26.34 2001
2. **Tew, Most, Freese, Norton** 7:32.58 1998
3. **Milfeit, Tew, McLaughlin, Drolet** 7:35.21 2000
4. **Anderson, Boyer, Boyle, Soulen** 7:36.88 1988
5. **Maxwell, Anderson, Frederick, Soulen** 7:37.77 1987
6. **Boyer, Gross, Moore, Boyle** 7:37.84 1990
7. **Milfeit, Freese, Norton, Tew** 7:38.34 1999
8. **Boyer, Boyle, Nelson, Soulen** 7:38.37 1989
9. **Tew, Most, Freese, Norton** 7:42.60 1997
10. **Finotti, Norton, Della, Most** 7:42.71 1997

# War Memorial Pool

War Memorial Pool, located just off the campus Drill Field in War Memorial Gym, is Virginia Tech's swimming and diving facility. The complex includes a 25-yard pool with eight lanes and a diving well. The movable bulkhead which separates the pool from

the diving well can be adjusted to lengthen the pool to 25 meters.

Complete with underwater windows and sound system, the facility is also equipped with the Colorado Electronic Timing System and scoreboard. Two years

ago, a 12-line readout scoreboard was installed for swimming, as well as a three-line scoreboard for diving.

The diving well is made up of two one-meter boards, a three-meter board and a five-meter platform.

The pool has served as the site for two Virginia State Championship meets and one Metro Conference Championship.

War Memorial Gym itself houses numerous other facilities including saunas, weight rooms, racquetball courts and six basketball courts. The Hokies also have the use of other equipment such as power-racks for strength swimming and VASA trainers, VASA climbers and bicycles for dry land.

VT SWIMMING & DIVING		LN	PL	TIME
HOME	WOMEN	GUEST	1	5:19.
			2	5:19.
HOME	MEN	GUEST	3	5:19.
			4	5:19.
	EVENT	HEAT	5	5:19.
			6	5:19.
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*A 12-line readout scoreboard is used with the Colorado Electronic Timing System at the War Memorial Pool.*

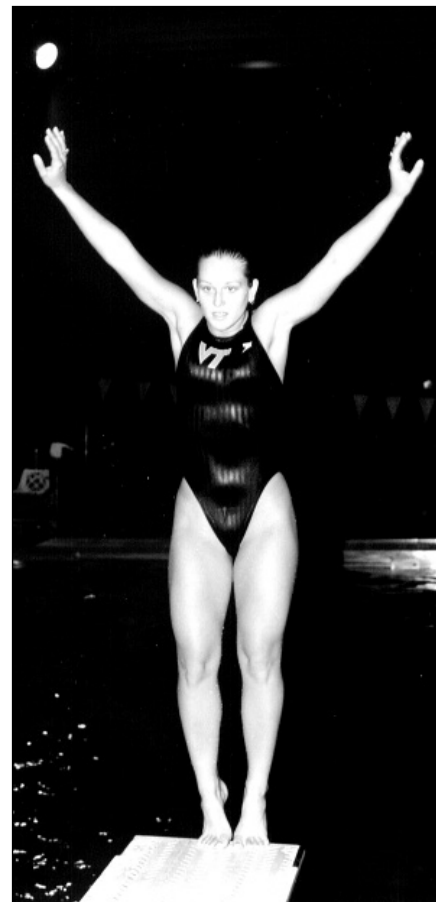


*Located in War Memorial Hall, Virginia Tech's swimming pool and diving area provide an outstanding venue for competition.*

# Pool Records

## Women's Records at War Memorial Pool

Event	Record	Record Holder	School	Date
50 Free	23.61	P. Adamkova	Maryland	10/14/00
100 Free	51.59	Jill Turner	Virginia Tech	12/08/01
200 Free	1:51.33	K. Bowman	Maryland	10/14/00
500 Free	4:58.44	Erin Milfeit	Virginia Tech	11/6/99
1,000 Free	10:15.23	Erin Milfeit	Virginia Tech	11/21/98
1,650 Free	17:27.33	Karen Most	Virginia Tech	10/27/99
200 IM	2:07.14	Ginny Kirouac	Clemson	10/27/00
400 IM	4:24.13	Cami Sink	Clemson	11/1/98
200 MR	1:45.54	Cutterson, Whitcomb, Mallon, Adamkova	Maryland	10/14/00
400 MR	3:52.63	Furlong, Sample, Most, White	Virginia Tech	1/22/00
100 Fly	56.18	B. Mallon	Maryland	10/14/00
200 Fly	2:02.77	M. Freedman	N. Carolina	12/2/00
100 Back	57.70	Kelly Furlong	Virginia Tech	1/22/00
200 Back	2:03.52	Annamaria Gazda	N.C. State	1/22/00
100 Breast	1:04.92	Kate Larson	Connecticut	10/20/01
200 Breast	2:19.70	Kate Larson	Connecticut	10/20/01
200 Fr-R	1:36.29	Arnold, Turner, Drolet, Tew	Virginia Tech	12/2/00
400 Fr-R	3:30.40	Blaney, Douglas, Hider, Peterson	Clemson	10/27/00
800 Fr-R	7:44.39	Turner, Drolet, Spradlin, Milfeit	Virginia Tech	10/20/01
1M Dive	312.68	Jackie Davoud	Virginia Tech	1/31/98
3M Dive	294.08	Jackie Davoud	Virginia Tech	1/31/98



**Jackie Davoud holds both the one-meter and three-meter diving records at War Memorial Pool.**

War Memorial Pool, home of the Hokie swim team, was originally built in the early 1920s, but was renovated and moved in March of 1975.

Since then, numerous records at the pool have come and gone, but some have lasted longer than others. Tech's 400 freestyle relay team set the mark on Jan. 16, 1991 and it remains the oldest record on the books.

Last year, four women's pool records were broken, two of which were broken by Hokies (Jill Turner & 800 freestyle relay). The men had eight War Memorial Pool records broken, four of which were by members of the Tech team. Greg Kubovcik, Joey Piekarski, Rob Duffy and the 800 freestyle relay team set those records.



**Joey Piekarski set a new pool record in the 200 IM on Feb. 2, 2002 with a time of 1:54.26.**

## Men's Records at War Memorial Pool

Event	Record	Record Holder	School	Date
50 Free	20.57	Kevin Erndl	N. Carolina	12/2/00
100 Free	45.50	Mike Grube	Pittsburgh	2/2/02
200 Free	1:40.35	Carlos Santander	N.C. State	12/6/97
500 Free	4:36.76	Wright	Virginia	11/6/94
1,000 Free	9:26.01	Eric Limkemann	Pittsburgh	2/2/02
1,650 Free	16:07.71	Greg Kubovcik	Virginia Tech	12/8/01
200 IM	1:54.26	Joey Piekarski	Virginia Tech	2/2/02
400 IM	4:04.85	Smith	Virginia	11/3/96
200 MR	1:32.01	Johnson, Helin, Moity, Erndl	N. Carolina	12/2/00
400 MR	3:27.31	Henly, Norman, Kummer, Rogers	Clemson	10/27/00
100 Fly	49.99	S. Moity	N. Carolina	12/2/00
200 Fly	1:51.23	Rob Duffy	Virginia Tech	10/20/01
100 Back	50.51	Steve Siler	Pittsburgh	2/2/02
200 Back	1:50.34	Chris Helin	N. Carolina	12/2/00
100 Breast	56.91	Chris Helin	N. Carolina	12/2/00
200 Breast	2:05.50	D. Slawinski	N. Carolina	12/2/00
200 Fr-R	1:23.48	Chenier, Vick, Erndl, Johnson	N. Carolina	12/2/00
400 Fr-R	3:06.72	Cline, Collins, Lacy, Murray	Virginia Tech	1/6/91
800 Fr-R	7:04.70	Cross, Peterson, Duffy, Bassler	Virginia Tech	10/20/01
1M Dive	330.225	Matt Borman	S. Carolina	1/23/93
3M Dive	355.27	Michael Wells	Pittsburgh	2/2/02

# Year-By-Year

## Tech's All-Time Results

Virginia Tech has fielded a men's team since 1933. Women began varsity swimming at Tech in 1976.

Year	Conference	Rec.	Conf. Finish
1933-34	-	4-0	-
1934-35	Southern	2-3	Fifth
1935-36	-	0-4	-
1936-37	Southern	2-5	Last
1937-38	Southern	1-6	Sixth
1938-39	Southern	3-7	Eighth
1939-40	-	1-7	-
1940-41	Southern	1-7	Seventh
1941-42	-	3-4	-
1942-43	-	4-2	-
1946-47	State Meet	2-5	Second
1947-48	State Meet	4-6	Third
1948-49	Southern	4-4	Fifth
1949-50	Southern	2-5	Fifth
1950-51	State Meet	3-5	Third
1951-52	Southern	2-5	-
1952-53	Southern	2-4	Fifth
1953-54	-	1-2	-
1954-55	-	2-1	-
1955-56	State Meet	5-1	Second
1956-57	Southern	5-2	First
1957-58	Southern	4-1	Second
1958-59	Southern	2-4	Fifth
1959-60	-	3-1	-
1960-61	Southern	4-1	Second
1961-62	Southern	4-3	Second
1962-63	Southern	2-5	Second
1963-64	Southern	6-3	First
1964-65	Southern	5-3	Second
1965-66	-	3-3	-
1966-67	-	4-6	-
1967-68	-	5-3	-
1968-69	-	2-4-1	-
1969-70	-	3-4	-
1970-71	State Meet	2-3	Third
1971-72	-	6-2	-
1972-73	State Meet	4-4	Fifth
1975-76	State Meet	4-5	Third

\* 1943-46 — no team competition

\*\* 1973-75 — no team competition

## COACHING HISTORY

Coach	Tenure	No. Years	Record	Pct.
Philip C. Sherer	1933-47	14 yrs.*	23-51	.311
Louis A. Onesty	1947-53	6 yrs.	17-29	.367
Dick Redding	1954-71	18 yrs.	60-51-1	.553
Fred Robinson	1971-72	1 yr.	6-2	.750
Bob Kirchner	1972-74	2 yrs.*	4-4	.500
Ted Manley	1974-76	2 yrs.*	4-5	.444
Bill Beecher	1976-78	2 yrs.	20-16	.556
Greg Spradling	1978-80	2 yrs.	28-13	.683
Scott Morris	1980-83	3 yrs.	31-21	.596
Richard Bader	1983-86	3 yrs.	25-28	.472
Wayne Norris	1986-1996	10 yrs.	92-69	.571
Chris Hansen	1996-1998	2 yrs.	36-16	.692
Ned Skinner	1998-present	4 yrs.	50-32	.610

\* No team competition through the years of 1943-1946 and 1973-75.

Year	Conference	Men's Record	Conf. Finish	Women's Record	Conf. Finish
1976-77	State Meet	6-2	-	5-1	-
1977-78	State Meet	2-7	Second	7-6	First
1978-79	State Meet	6-3	Second	8-4	First
1979-80	Metro	7-2	Second	7-4	Second
1980-81	Independent †	6-3	Seventh	6-2	First
1981-82	Independent †	6-3	-	8-2	Sixth
1982-83	-	2-6	-	3-5	-
1983-84	Metro	4-6	Fifth	5-4	Fourth
1984-85	Metro	3-6	Third	3-7	Fourth
1985-86	Metro	5-2	Third	5-3	Fourth
1986-87	Metro	2-0	Fourth	2-0	Fourth
1987-88	Metro	0-5	-	3-2	-
1988-89	Metro	2-0	Fourth	2-0	Fourth
1989-90	Metro	4-4	Third	6-3	Fourth
1990-91	Metro	6-3	Third	5-2	Third
1991-92	Independent †	6-4	Second	4-6	Third
1992-93	Independent †	7-6	Fourth	7-7	Third
1993-94	-	8-4	-	7-4	-
1994-95	Independent †	7-3	Fifth	5-4	Sixth
1995-96	Atlantic 10	3-7	Sixth	5-4	Fourth
1996-97	Atlantic 10	6-7	Sixth	8-5	Second
1997-98	Atlantic 10	10-3	Fifth	12-1	Second
1998-99	Atlantic 10	4-7	Second	5-5	First
1999-00	Atlantic 10	5-6	First	11-1	First
2000-01	BIG EAST	5-5	Third	6-4	Second
2001-02	BIG EAST	5-3	Third	9-1	Fourth

† Conference finishes are from the National Independent Championships or the Eastern Intercollegiate Championships





# Administration



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## Athletic Training

The Virginia Tech Sports Medicine Department is an ever-changing and developing unit that strives to provide the most current and comprehensive care to all student-athletes.

The department, under the leadership of Gunnar Brolinson, D.O., Delmas Bolin, M.D., and Mike Goforth, director of athletic training, is constantly evolving to incorporate new ideas and state-of-the-art resources for the betterment of student-athletes.

A professional staff — including primary care physicians who are Board certified in family medicine and sports medicine, orthopaedic surgeons, certified athletic trainers, physical therapists, chiropractors, massage therapists, sports psychologists, nutritionists and orthotists — is available to manage the health care of athletes.

As part of the evolution, Tech recently completed the Eddie Ferrell Memorial Training Room. This 4,300-square-foot

area consolidated the training rooms that existed in the Merryman Center and Cassell Coliseum. The new facility gives the training staff a centralized area to care for the needs of all Virginia Tech student-athletes. There is state-of-the-art equipment and a unique style of architecture in the facility.

The new room, which nearly doubles the size of the former Merryman Center facility, also allows the staff to utilize that room for physical therapy, chiropractic care and massage therapy. Virginia Tech now has more than 10,000 square feet dedicated to sports medicine, placing Tech in the top five percent nationally.

In addition, the \$10 million Merryman Center, a state-of-the-art facility which includes 2,400 square feet of medical space, will supplement the new training room.

This treatment room has numerous treatment modalities including electric stimulation, ultrasound, hot packs and interferential current. It also has

an office for the staff, dozens of training tables, whirlpools, rehabilitation equipment and two cold tubs. In addition, a new training room has been constructed in Rector Field House and serves the teams when they practice there.

The training, medical and strength and conditioning staffs each have a role in bringing the athlete back quickly and ready to play. After an injury, an athlete will go through rehabilitation and physical therapy. Athletes are then moved to weight training as they become able. The strength and conditioning staff uses specific programs for each injury in an effort to get the athlete back quickly.

The range of benefits athletes have access to include custom orthotics, custom mouth guards, specialized prophylactic bracing and many other options to help prevent or protect them from injuries.

A vital part of student-athletes services is the access to the Schiffert Student Health

Center in McComas Hall. A health center and counseling services are available on one side of McComas Hall, while recreation sports and fitness programs are available on the other. The center also has a fully-operational diagnostic laboratory, X-ray facilities and eight full-time physicians.

Student-athletes can also go to Schiffert Student Health Center to be seen by a practitioner or see an orthopaedic surgeon, if necessary. If physical therapy is needed, student-athletes can rehab at the Merryman Center.

Staff psychologists, located in the Cook Counseling Center, are also available to all student-athletes for personal and performance issues.

There are five Certified Athletic Trainers assisted by a staff of seven graduate assistants and 15 student trainers in caring for Tech's 21 varsity sports.

Yaritza Roman, begins her first year with the Hokie swimming & diving team.

# Student-Athlete Academic Support Services

The success of Virginia Tech's athletic program rests largely on the academic progress of each student-athlete. The academic performance of Tech student-athletes has improved each year due in part to the Student-Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS).

Chris Helms, in his fourth year at Tech, is responsible for the development and leadership of the SAASS office. Helms oversees an office comprised of associate directors Lois Berg and Colin Howlett, assistant directors Katie Ammons, Renia Edwards, Becky Kolenbrander and Drew Scales, and secretary Terrie Repass. Berg oversees the academic progress of the swimming and diving teams.

Student-athletes devote many hours to practice, conditioning and training that are not required of all students. Due to their time commitment and their high visibility, it is an obligation and in the best interest of

the university to supply these students with services which will allow them to maximize their academic potential.

SAASS provides programming for all student-athletes from their freshman year through graduation. This includes a comprehensive orientation to Tech, study hall, mentoring, tutoring, academic monitoring, academic recognition and eligibility education. Additionally, student-athletes are referred to and encouraged to take advantage of other campus agencies charged with helping students in their academic pursuits.

Academic facilities for student-athletes include the Monogram Room, a large room used as a study hall adjacent to the SAASS office in Cassell Coliseum. The HEAT Lab (Hokies Engaging in Advanced Technology) houses over 26 computers on the second floor of Cassell Coliseum and laptop computers are also available for Tech

athletes to use when traveling to away contests.

The athletic department also provides areas for private, quiet study for the athletes' convenience.



**Lois Berg**

Additionally, student-athletes can use the Center for Academic Enrichment and Excellence site offices, located in Hillcrest and Femoyer Halls.

With the help of these resources, the Virginia Tech graduation rate for student-athletes has risen significantly in recent years and reached 71 percent in 2002 as compared to the national average of 58 percent. The 71 percent student-athlete graduation rate marks the fourth time in nine years that Tech has reached that level.

## Athletic Performance

Thanks to the direction of Assistant Athletics Director for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry, the Virginia Tech strength and conditioning program is among the best in the nation.

Gentry is in his 15th year as the Hokies' director of strength and conditioning. His duties include overseeing the strength and conditioning training of athletes in all 21 varsity sports at Virginia Tech. A native of Durham, N.C., Gentry received a bachelor's degree in physical education from Western Carolina University in 1979 and a master's from the



**Emily Chones**

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1981. He received his doctorate in curriculum and instruction, with an emphasis in motor behavior, from Virginia Tech in 1999. In 1995 and 1996, Gentry was recognized by the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a finalist for the National Strength and Conditioning Professional of the Year.

The swimming and diving team trains in the Jim "Bulldog" Haren Weight Room. Located in Jamerson Athletic Center, the Haren Weight Room is a 5,000-square foot weight room officially dedicated in September 1985 to Haren, a former Hokie player and long-time supporter of the Virginia Tech Athletics Department.

Assisting Gentry in the weight room this year are three full-time assistant strength

and conditioning coaches: Jay Johnson, assistant director of strength and conditioning, Terry Mitchell, strength and conditioning coordinator of men's Olympic sports, and Emily Chones, strength and conditioning coordinator for women's Olympic sports. Gentry will also have the services of five graduate assistants — Erin O'Neil, Lisa Guarneri, Keith Short, Gabe Teeple and Ken Oxendine.

### Sports Nutrition

A new program was added to the athletics department in July 2000 — sports nutrition. The department is continually evolving to best serve the student-athlete.

In July 2002, Amy Freel, former coordinator of student life, became the full-time sports nutritionist in the Athletics Department.

Freel works one-on-one with student-athletes to provide them with information that they need on their diets. She also provides individual players with diet counseling on issues such as gaining lean muscle mass, losing body fat, and how to eat to improve performance.

### Sports Psychology

Another addition to the athletics department as of August 2000 is sports psychology. The licensed psychologists,

Dr. Gary Bennett and Dr. Robert Miller, associate director of the Thomas E. Cook Counseling Center, counsel student-athletes either individually or as a team.

The psychologists meet with student-athletes on an individual basis for personal counseling, performance enhancement and to discuss the mental aspects of the game. As a team, the sports psychologists work on team building, communication and performance enhancement.

The psychologists also offer an injury group to afford injured athletes the opportunity to meet with other injured athletes and talk about their recovery process.

Injured athletes may also meet individually with the sports psychologists if they do not feel comfortable in the group or cannot make the sessions. On average, the psychologists conduct 20 individual sessions per week.



**The Jim "Bulldog" Haren Weight Room.**

# Blacksburg Virginia College Town U.S.A.



One of America's classic college towns, Blacksburg is a perfect setting for Virginia Tech.

Located in Southwest Virginia on a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, Blacksburg combines the laid-back lifestyle of a small town with the amenities one would expect to find around a major center of higher education. Together, the town and university have worked hard to create a progressive community that ranks among the nation's elite living environments. Blacksburg was recently named one of the Top 10 places to live by *Outside* magazine.

Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg gained national and international attention by creating the world's first "electronic village." Businesses and industries have been drawn by the quaint town's potential.

Established in 1798 by John and William Black, the town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that accentuate the area. The nearly 40,000 residents (including students) enjoy a close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail, Claytor Lake and the New River.



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