

ANNE KELLY



It's no coincidence that Colorado's climb as one of the top programs in the region has coincided with the hiring of Anne Kelly as its second head coach in 1997.

Entering her 15th season as head coach of the Colorado women's golf team, Kelly and the Buffs enter a new era in the program with the move to the Pac-12, arguably the toughest conference for women's golf in the country. And the Buffs are entering the Pac-12 at the right time, on the heels of their most successful season in program history with things looking even brighter for the 2011-12 season.

Kelly returned to her native Colorado from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, where she filled head coaching duties for one-and-a-half years. Prior to her work at UNC Greensboro, she spent five years from 1991-96 as a teaching professional at Silverbell Golf Course in Tucson, Ariz., where she earned PGA Class A status, a position which followed a six-year stint from 1984-90 on the LPGA Tour.

During her six seasons on the women's tour, Kelly won a Women's Professional Golf Tour event in Phoenix in 1991. She fired a career low round of 69 at the 1989 McDonald's Championship and her career best finishes included several top-20 finishes. Her professional career culminated in a career low scoring average of 74.63 in 1990.

Kelly sparkled as a collegiate golfer, earning four letters for head coach Fred Warren and the Texas Christian University women's golf team. She was a member of the Horned Frogs' 1983 NCAA Championship team, and, all told, won 25 tournament team titles during her four-year career from 1979-83. She was named the team's most valuable player in 1980 and won TCU's Dutch Meyer Award, which recognizes the school's outstanding student-athletes, in 1983. She also tied for top individual honors in the San Jose State Lady Spartan Classic in 1982. Her 1983 NCAA Championship team was inducted into the TCU Hall of Fame in October 2000.

"I love coaching because it allows me to combine my competitive experience and professional golf experience into one job," Kelly says. "All of my different experiences in golf

help me to assist team members in whatever situation they might encounter."

THE KELLY FILE

Seasons:	15th
Alma Mater:	TCU
Hometown:	Aspen, Colo.

At UNC Greensboro, Kelly was named the 1997 Big South Conference Coach of the Year after the team won two tournaments. She coached UNCG's Becky Morgan to five individual tournament titles and second-team All-America standing on the year and, under Kelly's tutelage, Morgan finished 10th individually at the 1997 NCAA Championships and also earned GTE Academic All-America honors. Morgan is now in her fifth year as an LPGA and European tour member.

Since Kelly's arrive in 1997, the team has shown steady improvement and progress every year, culminating with the best season in program history last year. She has coached the Buffs to six tournament wins and 28 second or third place finishes. Last season, the Buffs finished in the top five in all 10 regular season events with two victories, one run-



ner up and one third place finish.

The program took a big step forward with its first appearance in the NCAA Regionals in 2009 after several seasons of being right on the edge of selection. The Buffs made their second ever appearance in 2011 and will host the NCAA West Regional at Colorado National Golf Course this coming season.

The program has seen individual players excel both on the course and in the classroom.

The Buffs have had 26 players earn 53 Academic All-Big 12 honors during Kelly's tenure and the Buffs time in that league, and seven Buffs have been named to the prestigious NCGA All-America Scholars team, including for the first time two players in 2011 with Taylor Doyle and Jessica Wallace. Former Buff Maria Persson-Gulda was named to that team three times and was also honored with an NCAA post-graduate scholarship. She was honored as CU's top female student athlete academically in 2006, an honor that current

Buff Jamie Befort has racked up twice. Additionally, an astonishing 47 CU players have earned mention on the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll (3.0 GPA or higher in a semester) a total of 205 times in Kelly's tenure.

DID YOU KNOW?

Kelly was a captain of the Texas Christian 1983 NCAA Championship team.

Erin Kerr was the first Buff to qualify for a NCAA Regional post season bid in 2001 and that was followed up with another invitation in 2002. Hannah Hoch became a two time tournament winner in 2004-05 and broke many school records. She also became the first player in Buff history to be named All Big 12 second team that year as well. Last season, Emily Talley and Jessica Wallace were both named first-team All-Big 12, the first two players to earn that honor, and each were named twice as the Big 12 Golfer of the Month over the past two seasons. Wallace won CU's only Big 12 individual honor, named the Newcomer of the Year last season, as well.

Born May 15, 1961, in Aspen, Colo., Kelly graduated from TCU in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in business communications. She prepped at Santa Rita High School in Tucson, Ariz.



KELLY'S CHECKLIST

- ✓ Two NCAA Regional Appearances (2009, 2011)
- ✓ One Conference Individual Award - Jessica Wallace, 2011 Big 12 Newcomer of the Year
- ✓ Four All-Conference Players, Three First-Team
- ✓ Five Conference Golfers of the Month, Three Earned Multiple Honors
- ✓ 26 Players Have Earned Academic All-Conference Honors 53 Times
- ✓ 47 Players Have Earned Conference Honor Roll Mention 205 Times
- ✓ Six Players Have Earned Conference All-Tournament Team Seven Times (Emily Talley Twice)
- ✓ Seven Players Have Earned NCGA All-America Scholar Honors Nine times (Maria Persson-Gulda Three Times)

BRENT FRANKLIN



Brent Franklin enters his 10th season working with the Buffaloes in 2011-12, including his eighth as the assistant coach. He began as a volunteer assistant coach for Anne Kelly's team in 2003, was promoted to assistant in 2005, trading roles with LindaSue Chenoweth, who was named Executive Director of the Colorado Opens in 2004.

"Having a professional golfer of Brent's caliber is a tremendous asset to this program," Kelly explains. "He comes to us with a wealth of playing and teaching experience as a highly successful amateur competitor and international touring professional. His enthusiasm, combined with his golf knowledge, communication skills, sense of humor, and incredible teaching experience, as well as his willingness to share his expertise, will help take this team to the next level."

Franklin was named to the 2010 class of the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame. He enjoyed a great deal of success as a junior golfer in Canada, winning both the Canadian Junior Boys Championship and the British Columbia Junior Boys Championships in both 1983 and '84 before embarking on a collegiate career at Brigham Young.

He went to college at Brigham Young, where he was a three-time All-American for the Cougars while also being named the 1986 Western Athletic Conference player of the year after winning medalists honors that season. During that time period, he also became the second person to win three straight Canadian Men's Amateur Championships from 1985-87 and in 1985 he also won the Alberta Amateur Championship.

He turned pro in 1988 and earned the Canadian Professional Golf Tour's Rookie of the Year after claiming six top 10 finishes in eight tour starts, including winning the Canadian

PGA Championship. He then moved to Japan to compete on the Japan Golf Tour from 1989-95, where he compiled 10 runner-up finishes in 112 starts. In 1993, he was selected to the Dunhill Cup Team for Canada.

A cycling accident in 1995 eventually curtailed his career but in a brief return to the pro ranks from 1998-2001, he had three second place finishes

Franklin is married to the former Kristine Hoos, who served as CU's Director of Men's Basketball Operations from 1998-99. They are the parents of 11-year-old Jaxon and Walker, 9. His brother-in-law, Eric Hoos, is the head men's golf coach at the University of Denver and former CU men's assistant from 1997-99.



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