

MAY 16, 2006



**ASU MEN'S GOLF
(Tourn.-Rds.-Avg.)**

Niklas Lemke
6-3/Jr./Linkoping, Sweden
11-34-71.74
4 top-10s in 2005-06
2006 First-Team
All-Pac-10

Alejandro Canizares
5-10/Sr./Manilva, Spain
11-34-71.41
6-time career medalist
Three-Time All-American
2003 NCAA Champion

Benjamin Alvarado Holley
6-0/Fr./Santiago, Chile
8-25-72.88

Phil Telliard
5-11/So./Riverside, Calif.
5-16-75.19

Lenny Park
5-7/Sr./Sochko, Korea.
9-28-74.25

ASU QUICK NOTES: ASU has finished in the top five at the NCAAAs in five of the past 11 years and has won the Pac-10 title six of the past 12 years. The Sun Devils also won national championships in 1990 and 1996. ASU is led by 14th-year head coach Randy Lein, the 1996 National Coach of the Year and a seven-time winner of Pac-10 Coach of the Year (five times at ASU and twice at USC).

NCAA NOTE: The Sun Devils averaged a 4.1 finish at the NCAA Championships in the 1990s, the best mark in the nation. Only Oklahoma State (4.5) averaged higher than an eighth-place finish in the 1990s.

**ARIZONA STATE MEN'S GOLF TRAVELS TO
NCAA WEST REGIONAL IN TUCSON MAY 18-20**

TOURNAMENT	DATE (SITE)	RESULT/NOTES
NCAA Preview	9/26-28 (Sunriver, Ore.)	11th/A. Canizares T-16th
Big Ten/Pac-10 Challenge	10/3-4 (Glenview, Ill.)	3rd/Niklas Lemke T-3rd
Isleworth/UCF Invitational	10/23-25 (Windmere, Fla.)	T-4th/B. Alvarado T-11th
NGCAA Match Play	11/10-13 (Orlando, Fla.)	1-2 match play record
Arizona/Ping Intercollegiate	1/30-31 (Tucson, Ariz.)	T-2nd/A. Canizares T-1st
UH-Hawaii Intercollegiate	2/8-10 (Kona, Hawaii)	8th/Canizares-Lemke T-23rd
Puerto Rico Classic	2/26-28 (San Juan, P.R.)	6th/A. Canizares T-5th
Southern Highlands Champ.	3/10-12 (Las Vegas, Nev.)	T-5th/Alvarado Holley T-7th
National Invitational Tourn.	3/26-28 (Tucson, Ariz.)	2nd/Canizares-Lemke T-2nd
ASU Thunderbird Invitational	4/8-9 (Tempe, Ariz.)	6th/Niklas Lemke T-6th
Pac-10 Championships	4/24-26 (Palm Desert, Calif.)	3rd/Niklas Lemke 2nd
NCAA West Regionals	5/18-20 (Tucson, Ariz.)	ASU 5-time champion
NCAA Championships	5/31-6/3 (Sunriver, Ore.)	ASU champs in '90 and '96

ASU HEADS SOUTH: The Arizona State University men's golf team travels south for the NCAA West Regional held May 18-20 at Omni Tucson National Golf Course (par-72, 7,200 yards). The 27 schools and six individuals will play 18 holes each day. The second-seeded Sun Devils will tee with top-seeded Florida and third-seeded Brigham Young beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday. Live scoring of the tournament will be available at www.golfstat.com. The top 10 teams and top two individuals not on those teams will advance to the 2006 NCAA Championships to be held at Crosswater Golf Club at Sunriver Resort in Sunriver, Ore., May 31- June 3 with the University of Portland serving as host.

ALEJANDRO NOTES: Junior Alejandro Canizares, a 2006 finalist for the Byrson Nelson Award, earned 2006 Co-Pac-10 Player of the Year honors and also earned the honor outright in 2005, joining an impressive list of Sun Devils who have won the honor including Scott Watkins (1979 co-player of the year), Dan Forsman (1981 co-player of the year), Billy Mayfair (1987), three-time NCAA champion Phil Mickelson (1990, 1991 and 1992), 1993 NCAA Champion Todd Demsey (1994), three-time Pac-10 champion Paul Casey (2000) and 2000 U.S. Amateur champion Jeff Quinney (2001 co-player of the year). Canizares is the first Pac-10 golfer to earn the honor in back-to-back seasons since Tiger Woods of Stanford in 1995-96. He also earned first-team All-Pac-10 for the third straight year after earning second-team honors and co-Freshman of the Year in his rookie season of 2002-2003. The native of Spain and three-time All-American also got it done in the classroom, as he graduated in 3 1/2 years summa cum laude with a 3.87 grade point average.

ASU HEAD COACH RANDY LEIN: Randy Lein has coached 60 tournament victories in his 24 seasons, tutored 50 All-Americans and added the top accolade in collegiate golf in 1995-96 - the NCAA title - to his collection as the Sun Devils won the title in Chattanooga, Tenn., with a three-stroke victory over UNLV at the Honors Course. In his 14th season as ASU's coach, Lein has guided ASU to 37 tournament victories (including a school record six in 1995-96), seven Pac-10 titles, four NCAA West Regional wins (three of the past eight) and eight top-10 finishes at the NCAAAs including the 1996 title. In addition, Lein has tutored NCAA medalists Todd Demsey and Alejandro Canizares and 13 All-Americans (29 occasions): Todd Demsey (3), Chris Hanell (3), Paul Casey (3), Cade Stone, Chris Stutts, Joey Snyder (2), Scott Johnson (2), Darren Angel (2), Jeff Quinney (3), Matt Jones (2), Chez Reavie (3), Alejandro Canizares (3) and Niklas Lemke (1). He has won Pac-10 Coach-of-the-Year five times (1993, 1995, 1996, 1999 and 2000) while at ASU and twice at USC (1980 and 1986). Lein (pronounced "Line") is a 1975 graduate of Cal State Northridge.

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ASU'S BEST: Senior Alejandro Canizares is looking to bump himself out of the ASU top-10 single-season stroke average list. After 11 tournaments this year, Canizares has a 71.41 stroke average, currently the eighth-best mark in ASU history. His 71.38 stroke average in 2003-2004 is seventh-best in ASU history, while his 71.65 marks in both 2002-03 and 2004-05 are currently tied for 11th-best.

**ASU MEN'S GOLF SCORING
AVERAGES (1987-2006)**

Rk.	Name, Events	Year	Stroke Average
1.	Paul Casey, 10	1999-2000	69.87
2.	Phil Mickelson, 12	1991-92	69.95
3.	Phil Mickelson, 11	1990-91	70.08
4.	Billy Mayfair, 13	1986-87	70.59
5.	Phil Mickelson, 14	1989-90	70.82
6.	Chez Reavie, 14	2003-04	71.05
7.	Alejandro Canizares, 14	2003-04	71.38
8.	Alejandro Canizares, 11	2005-06	71.41
9.	Chris Hanell, 13	1996-97	71.44
10.	Matt Jones, 12	2000-01	71.46
11.	Alejandro Canizares, 14	2004-05	71.65
11.	Alejandro Canizares, 8	2002-03	71.65

ASU IN THE WEST REGIONALS: ASU has won or tied for the title in the NCAA West Regional five times and has won the event in three of the past eight seasons.

NCAA WEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

Year	Champ	ASU Finish	Individual Champion
1989	Arizona	2nd	Robert Gamez (Arizona)
1990	UNLV	3rd*	Hub Goyen (UNLV)
1991	ASU/UA	T1st	*Warren Schutte (UNLV)
1992	Arizona*	2nd	Harry Rudolph (Arizona)
1993	Arizona	2nd	Manny Zerman (Arizona)
1994	UNLV	2nd	Edward Fryatt (UNLV)
1995	ASU	1st	Mike Sauer (New Mexico)
1996	Stanford	2nd*	*Tiger Woods (Stanford)
1997	UNLV	2nd	Aaron Oberholser (SJ St.)
1998	ASU/UNM	T1st	Paul Casey (ASU)
1999	ASU	1st	Jeff Quinney (ASU)
2000	Arizona	T6th	Michael Beard (Pepperdine)
2001	ASU	1st	Matt Jones (ASU)
			Kyle Thompson (South Carolina)
2002	UNM/UW	20th	Ricky Barnes (UA)
			Justin Smith (Minnesota)
2003	UCLA	5th	Michael Letzig (UNM)
2004	UCLA	4th	Travis Johnson (UCLA)
2005	UNLV	T4th	Rob Grube (Stanford)

*Eventual NCAA Champion

PAC-10 HONORS: Senior Alejandro Canizares (Manilva, Spain) and junior Niklas Lemke (Linkoping, Sweden) earned first-team All-Pac-10 honors this year, with Canizares taking home Co-Player of the Year with Stanford's Rob Grube. Benjamin Alvarado Holley was one of just two freshmen honored with first- or second-team honors, as the Santiago, Chile, native earned second-team accolades.

ON THE ASU CHARTS: Alejandro Canizares has captured six tournament championships in his 45-tournament career. Canizares won the 2003 National Invitational in Tucson, the 2003 NCAA Championship in Stillwater, Okla., the 2004 ASU Thunderbird Invitational, the 2005 Big/Ten Pac-10 Challenge at Bandon Dunes, Ore., the 2005 Arizona/Ping Intercollegiate in Tucson and the 2005 Puerto Rico Classic. A look at Canizares on the ASU career wins list:

Rk.	Name (Years)	Wins
1.	Phil Mickelson (1989-92)	16
2.	Billy Mayfair (1985-88)	8
3t.	Alejandro Canizares (2002-present)	6
3t.	Paul Casey (1997-2000)	6
3t.	Charlie Gibson (1972-75)	6
6.	Todd Demsey (1991-95)	5
7t.	Howard Twitty (1970-72)	4
7t.	Scott Watkins (1978-79)	4
7t.	Dan Croonquist (1976-79)	4
10t.	Jeff Quinney (1997-2001)	3
10t.	Jim Carter (1981-84)	3
10t.	Mark Mattingly (1977-78)	3

REGIONAL STREAK: Counting its appearance in the 18 years a NCAA Regional has been staged (1989-2006), ASU has made 23 straight NCAA Tournament appearances, the sixth-longest active streak in the nation. ASU has advanced to the NCAA Championships 21 of the past 22 seasons (1984-2005), missing only in 2002, and in 40 of the past 42 seasons (1964-2005), missing prior to 2002 in 1983.

Longest Active NCAA Tournament Appearance

School, Years	NCAA Streak
Oklahoma State, 1947-06	60
USC, 1971-06	36
Texas, 1978-06	29
Oklahoma, 1981-06	26
Clemson, 1982-06	25
Arizona State, 1984-06	23
Georgia Tech, 1985-06	22

**Note: List includes NCAA Championship prior to 1989 and reaching at least NCAA Regionals from 1989-present.*

ACADEMICALLY: Arizona State 2006 men's golf graduates Alejandro Canizares (B.I.S., Landscape Architecture/Sociology) and Charly Simon, (B.A., Psychology) became the 41st and 42nd Sun Devils to earn their undergraduate degrees under 14th-year head coach Randy Lein this spring. Canizares, the 2003 NCAA champion, joins top amateur tournament winners Todd Demsey (B.A., psychology in 1995 and 1993 NCAA Champion) and Jeff Quinney (B.S. Finance in 2002 and 2000 U.S. Amateur Champion) as the top names on the list.