



# PAC-10 NEWS

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## GILES, TAYLOR AND MAIN TAKE PAC-10 MEN'S GOLF HONORS THURMOND NAMED COACH OF THE YEAR

**CO-GOLFERS OF THE YEAR:** MATT GILES, USC  
NICK TAYLOR, WASHINGTON  
**FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR:** GREGOR MAIN, UCLA  
**COACH OF THE YEAR:** MATT THURMOND, WASHINGTON

WALNUT CREEK, Calif.--**Matt Giles** of USC and **Nick Taylor** of Washington have been named Pac-10 Co-Golfers of the Year, **Gregor Main** of UCLA has been named Freshman of the Year and Washington coach **Matt Thurmond** has been named Pac-10 Coach of the Year in voting by the Pac-10 men's golf coaches. In addition, the 2009 All-Pac-10 Men's Golf Team selected by the coaches was announced.

**Giles**, a sophomore from Sydney, Australia, has had a sensational season and is currently the top-ranked collegiate player in the nation in the Golfweek/Sagarin ratings. Giles earned that top ranking by being a model of consistency for the Trojans all season. In 11 tournaments, Giles has posted top-5 finishes six times and has placed in the top 20 eight times. In 31 rounds of play, he has an average score of 71.4. Included was a low round of 63 in the U.S. Intercollegiate at Stanford.

**Taylor**, a junior from Abbotsford, British Columbia, becomes the first ever Washington player named Pac-10 Golfer of the Year. Taylor has had a remarkable season with four wins and two runnerup finishes in 11 tournaments this season. Taylor posted victories in the CordeValle Collegiate, the UH Hilo Intercollegiate, the Oregon Duck Invitational and the U.S. Intercollegiate. He finished second in the Pac-10 Championships to teammate Darren Wallace. In 34 rounds of play, he has an average score of 71.4, including a low round of 63 in the U.S. Intercollegiate at Stanford.

**Kim**, a freshman from Danville, Calif., has had a tremendous year in his initial collegiate season at UCLA, posting seven top 20 finishes in 10 tournaments this year, including a second at the Cal Poly Invitational and a third-place finish at the USC Invitational. He has had six rounds out of 30 in the 60s this season and has a stroke average of 72.7 for the year. He ranks as the number two player of the UCLA squad that is currently ranked No. 17 in the nation.

**Thurmond**, in his eighth year as head coach, has directed Washington to a stellar year that saw the Huskies win five of the 11 tournaments they entered this year, capped by a victory in the Pac-10 Championships. In addition to the win in the Pac-10 Championships, the Huskies came out on top in the Husky Invitational, the Fresno State Golf Classic, the Oregon Duck Invitational and the U.S. Intercollegiate. The Pac-10 title was just the fifth in Washington history and the second under Thurmond's watch. It marks the second Pac-10 Coach of the Year honor for Thurmond, who also earned the award in 2005.

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The Pac-10 golf awards and the All-Pac-10 Team are voted on by the Conference head golf coaches. Following is the complete list of honors:

**ALL-PAC-10 FIRST TEAM**

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
Erik Flores	UCLA	Sr.	Grass Valley, CA
Matt Giles	USC	So.	Sydney, Australia
Stephan Gross	Arizona State	So.	Leimen, Germany
Richard Lee	Washington	Jr.	Bellevue, WA
Jamie Lovemark	USC	Jr.	Rancho Santa Fe, CA
Tim Sluiter	USC	So.	Zwolle, The Netherlands
Nick Taylor	Washington	Jr.	Abbotsford, BC
Darren Wallace	Washington	Jr.	Langley, BC
Steve Ziegler	Stanford	So.	Broomfield, CO

**ALL-PAC-10 SECOND TEAM**

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
Knut Borsheim	Arizona State	Jr.	Bergen, Norway
David Chung	Stanford	Fr.	Fayetteville, NC
Tom Glissmeyer	USC	Sr.	Colorado Springs, CO
Gregor Main	UCLA	Fr.	Danville, CA
Tarquin MacManus	Arizona	So.	Cairns, Queensland, Australia
Daniel Miernicki	Oregon	Fr.	Santee, CA
Paul Peterson	Oregon State	Jr.	Salem, OR

**Honorable Mention:** Tze Huang Choo, So., WASH; George Gandranata, Sr., CAL; Michael Jensen, Sr., CAL; John Murphy, Jr., CAL; Richard Saferian, So., ARIZ; Isaiah Telles, So., ORE; Kevin Tucker, Jr., WSU; Diego Veleaquez, Jr., OSU; Eugene Wong, Fr., ORE.

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