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George Fox College

BRUINS

1972-73
BASKETBALL
PRESS
GUIDE



FINGERTIP FACTS

College President	Dr. David Le Shana
College location	Newberg, Ore. (7,800 pop.)
Founded	1891
Denomination	Friends (Quaker)
Enrollment	475
Athletic Director	Lorin Miller
Sports Information Director	Barry Hubbell
Athletic affiliation	Independent—NAIA
Home Court	Hester Gymnasium
Seating capacity	1,000
Colors	Old Gold and Navy Blue
Nickname	Bruins
College switchboard	(503) 538-2101
Athletic staff:	
Basketball	Lorin Miller
Baseball	Bob Brown
Track	Rich Allen
Cross-country	Gayle (Buck) Buckley
Trainer	Frank Kyte
Manager	Howie Loewen
Statistics Assistant	Dave Morgan
Sports Information Assistant	Charlie Howard



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ABOUT GEORGE FOX COLLEGE

George Fox College is the outgrowth of a desire by early Willamette Valley Quaker settlers who established Pacific Academy in 1885 for the Christian education of their children. The college division was organized in 1891 to provide more advanced work for students. In 1949 because of the many colleges in the Northwest with "Pacific" in their name, the college was renamed George Fox in honor of the founder of the Friends Church.

Today the 90-acre campus boasts \$5 million in facilities including 19 buildings, of which 13 are new or remodeled in the last 11 years. Enrollment is currently at a record 472.

Accredited by the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools, the college offers 23 majors in six divisions of education, fine and applied arts, language arts, natural science, religion, and social science. GFC has a student-teacher ratio of 1:12 with 50 percent of faculty members having doctorates.

George Fox students come from 15 states, 9 foreign countries. Thirty-two religious denominations are represented on the Newberg campus. GFC this year has established a branch campus in Kotzebue, Alaska, with 72 students enrolled in one of the closest U.S. educational institutions to Russia. Alumni of GFC are primarily in service-oriented vocations of Christian ministries, education, social work, and medical fields. The college's most famous alumnus is former President Herbert Hoover.

GFC ATHLETICS

Intercollegiate athletics is an integral part of the overall educational program at George Fox College. Varsity athletic teams represent the college in baseball, basketball, track, soccer, and tennis. Women students compete in field hockey, volleyball, basketball, tennis, track, and softball. For those not participating in the varsity program, GFC has a complete intramural program including flag football, basketball, volleyball, and softball.

Athletic facilities include Hester Gym, which seats 1,000 and has facilities for wrestling and weight training; Colcord Field, which includes a football-soccer field and track; a baseball field; tennis courts; and nearby indoor swimming pool facilities of the Chehalem Park and Recreation District.

George Fox College competes as an independent on the varsity level. Its schedules are coordinated with both the Evergreen Conference and the Northwest Conference. GFC is a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

LORIN MILLER



LORIN MILLER, as George Fox College athletic director and head basketball coach, has twice in the last two years led Bruin basketball teams to post-season NAIA District II playoff spots as Oregon's top independent team. He has a 28-23 regular season record.

But more than that he has given GFC a winning atmosphere and recognition in Oregon sports for a remarkable change from doormat to title contender. "I came to George Fox with a clear picture of what I thought could happen, and now it is happening," Miller says. "We're in year number three of what we're trying to do. It's a great situation to be in, and it can get better yet."

At George Fox since August 1970, Miller, 37, previously coached at Seattle Pacific College, where he compiled a 45-22 record in guiding freshmen basketball teams over three years. His diamond teams compiled a 56-36 record over the same span.

Prior to his college career, Miller was a high school coach in Kansas for five years with his football teams running up a 36-9 record, including 18 consecutive wins, and track teams winning four straight conference titles.

A 1960 graduate of Sterling College in Kansas, Miller also holds a masters degree from the University of Washington.

RICH ALLEN

RICH ALLEN, assistant basketball coach, came to George Fox from Salem Academy in 1969 to assume duties as Bruin head track coach and to assist in the basketball program.

Since his arrival Allen has produced four national competitors in track—Dave McDonald, the nation's third best pole vaulter in 1971; Mark Halland, a current Bruin in the high jump ranks; and two distance runners

in Ken Bell, and Curt Ankeny, who was 17th out of 320 cross-country runners in the NAIA nationals this fall.

Allen's track squad, which had a 3-3 meet record last spring, was third in NAIA District II championships. In 1971 the Bruins had a 4-2 season mark and were fourth in the district.

Allen, defensive coach for the Bruins in the cage sport, is a vital element in the Bruin's improving basketball campaigns. He is a 1960 graduate of Seattle Pacific College and has a masters degree from the University of Oregon.



HOW IT LOOKS FOR 1972-73

Coach Lorin Miller begins his third year at the Bruin helm with a good start. Having reversed a GFC losing trend in the two years before his arrival (7 wins, 44 losses) to a winning atmosphere with 28-23 record in two years, Miller begins the 1972-73 campaign with five men returning who provided more than 60 percent of the starting action last year.

The building Bruin basketball efforts under Miller twice in two years have taken George Fox College to the NAIA District II playoffs as the district's top independent.

And Miller hopes to continue and improve that status, anchoring around five returning players—two guards and three forwards. But there will be holes to fill. Gone is the team's leading scorer a year ago, 6-5 Gary Berg, and the leading rebounder, 6-6 Gordy Loewen. Berg, with a year of eligibility remaining, decided to finish his career at California State College at Fullerton. Miller faces a major problem in finding a replacement for Loewen, who broke all individual and career rebounding records at GFC. In addition to Loewen, three others from last year were lost by graduation—Larry Herrick, Dave Morgan, and Roger Curtis. Morgan received district mention as a junior and started regularly during his junior and senior years. Herrick and Curtis were used mostly in reserve roles, although both started at various times.

The heir to Loewen's position in center is contested by two new Bruins, 6-7 Jim Blake, a transfer from Eastern Arizona Junior College, and Rob Wunder, 6-5, from Highline Community College in Seattle. Both are juniors.

Returning lettermen at the forward slots are seniors Eddie Fields, 6-4, and 6-6 Craig Taylor, and 6-5 sophomore Del Dittus. Fields, a co-captain this year with Taylor, claims the single season assist mark with 71 recorded last year. Taylor played more minutes than any other player during the 1971-72 season and was second in rebounding and third in scoring. Dittus is a fine rebounder and will provide depth at the post.

Sophomore transfer 6-5 Ray Willis from Kansas State Junior College can play guard or forward and joins 6-2 freshman Steve Strutz and seniors Ken Greenman, 6-1, and Sammy Ibarra, 5-10, to form a potent group of guards. Greenman and Ibarra are likely starters. Senior Phil Varce, a 5-11 Oregon City product, has returned to the squad after a year's absence and will offer depth at guard.

With this selection of players to utilize on the hard court, Miller says "for the first time in my 13 years of coaching I can honestly say I'm happy with every guy on the team. It's really a pleasure to coach these guys."

That rapport will be needed as the Bruins embark on perhaps the college's most ambitious schedule yet, and as an independent every game is a "league" game. The schedule includes two tournaments. The Bruins open with the NAIA District II Tip-off Tournament and join an eight-team holiday tournament in Los Angeles to add spice to the 28-game schedule the Bruins hope to master well enough for post season play.

During the season GFC will play eight games with Northwest Conference schools, four with Evergreen Conference teams, and six with other District II independents, in addition to seven with other teams from California to Idaho and to Victoria, B.C.

THE BRUINS—AS INDIVIDUALS



JIM BLAKE, a transfer from Eastern Arizona Junior College, at 6-7 is the tallest member on the squad and will add strength to the center position this year. Blake, a junior, is a product of Sahauro High School in Tucson, Ariz. His team was state AAA champion his senior year and Blake shot at a .760 field goal percentage and a .750 free throw level.



DEL DITTUS, a sophomore from Quincy, Wash., is starting his second season with the Bruins as a forward. He saw limited action last season on the varsity squad, but for the Bruin Jayvees he averaged 14.6 points a game. He also had an impressive 12.6 rebound average. Dittus in high school was named the Most Improved Player during his senior year and was selected to the honorable mention all-Washington team. Dittus, an honors student, also lettered in football and track while in high school.



ED FIELDS starts his third year of cage action with the Bruins and is a co-captain this year. Fields, playing the center and forward positions, last year was the top playmaker with 71 assists recorded. He swiped 140 rebounds from the opposition, and carried an 8.0 scoring average. Fields has proved a versatile asset to Bruin sports in both baseball and basketball. The Sunnyside, Wash., senior who now makes Newberg his home, received the college's Most Valuable Player Award for baseball, was selected as one of the winners of the Most Inspirational trophy in basketball, and was named honorary captain of the cage sport. A top baseball pitcher drafted out of high school by the Los Angeles Angels, Fields, having used up baseball eligibility, will serve as assistant baseball coach this year.



KEN GREENMAN brought with him a winning tradition last year, and it helped the Bruins to a winning season. In two years of high school ball (Mt. Miguel, San Diego) his teams won 64 out of 65, including all 32 played his senior year. He had a personal high of 40 points in a single game. Greenman, before becoming a Bruin, played for a Mesa Junior College team that won 22 while losing only 7. He

averaged 13.6 points a game while leading the team in assists. He set a school shooting percent record of .580. Last year Greenman, a guard for the Bruins, scored an average of 6.8 points a game with a .478 shooting average.



SAMMY IBARRA, a native of El Paso, Texas, and a transfer from Arizona Western, will be playing his third season for the Bruins. Short on height, Ibarra is long on point production, leading the team in scoring two years ago with an average of 14.7 points a game and finishing second in the scoring column last year with an 11.1 average. Ibarra, a guard, led the Bruins in ball interceptions last year with

39, shot at a .420 clip from the floor and .697 at the charity line. Ibarra, with a 3.30 grade average, was named to "Outstanding Athletes of America" last spring and also was named as an NAIA District II scholar-athlete.



STEVE STRUTZ is a freshman from Billings (Montana) Senior High School, where he was an all-city first team selection, picked to the all-conference team by opposing coaches, and was his team's Most Inspirational Player. Playing at the guard position, he averaged 7.0 points a game with a shooting percentage of .350. Strutz, expected to be a Bruin guard, was a member of his high school honor society

and president of the Montana Evangelical Church of North America youth group. He also lettered in football and track.



CRAIG TAYLOR, team co-captain, averaged 10.3 points a game for the Bruins last season and is back again at the forward position. A transfer a year ago from Big Bend Community College, where he carried a 16.8 scoring average and collected 10 rebounds a game, Taylor immediately went to work for the Bruins, bringing down 161 rebounds during the season and assisting on 48 buckets. He was

an all-conference choice and team captain at Big Bend. Taylor, from Caldwell, Idaho, also is a top baseball player, and the left-hander will be the team's top hope on the mound.



PHIL VARCE returns to the court after a year of resting a bad knee. He started the 1970-71 season on both the jayvee and varsity squads before his injury. Varce brings an impressive high school record from Oregon City High School. He was captain and leading scorer his senior year, averaging 14.0 points a game with a .500 shooting eye. His efforts earned him a slot on the all-league team.

Varce scored a personal high of 40 points in his first Bruin jayvee game of the 1970-71 season. A senior, Varce has been a shortstop for the Bruin baseball team for the past three seasons.



RAY WILLIS, a sophomore transfer from Kansas State Junior College, will add strength to both the forward and guard positions. Willis, a 6-5 native of Los Angeles, will provide some flashy ball handling and excellent outside shooting. As a senior at Fremont High School in Los Angeles, Willis carried a 16.2 per game scoring average along with 11 rebounds and won triple awards for his achievements:

Most Inspirational, Most Improved, and Most Valuable.



high school. He helped his West Seattle High School team amass a winning streak of 21 games while winning the league championship and placing fourth in the Washington state tournament.

ROB WUNDER, a transfer from Highline Community College in Seattle this year, brings with him a .520 field goal shooting percentage and a .730 charity stripe percentage. Wunder last season averaged 13.2 points a game and 8.0 rebounds at the center position. The Seattle junior was elected to the second team all-metro squad and was given honorable mention on the all-state tournament team in



Trainer for this year's Bruin squad is FRANK KYTE, a 1971 graduate of Highland High School in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Kyte, a sophomore, is a Bible-Christian Education major who spent the last summer learning his new duties, which include keeping the Bruins together physically with many hours and yards of taping.



Manager for the team is HOWIE LOEWEN, a native of Upland, Indiana. Loewen, a sophomore and a liberal arts major, played jayvee ball last year and is out this year with a knee injury. As an Air Force player, Loewen was selected in 1968-69 to the USAF all-star team, averaging 21 points and 16 rebounds a game. His duties include seeing that Bruin equipment arrives safely, intact, and on time for all games.

GEORGE FOX COLLEGE 1972-73 ROSTER

<i>Name</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>Away</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Height</i>	<i>Weight</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Experience</i>	<i>Home town</i>
Blake, Jim	50	51	C	6'7"	220	20	Jr.	2JC	Tucson, Ariz. (Sahuaro)
Dittus, Del	44	45	F	6'5"	200	19	So.	1V	Quincy, Wash. (Quincy)
Fields, Eddie	42	43	F	6'4"	205	23	Sr.	3V	Sunnyside, Wash.
Greenman, Ken	22	23	G	6'1"	180	22	Sr.	1JC 2V	San Diego, Calif. (Mt. Miguel)
Ibarra, Sammy	24	25	G	5'10"	150	22	Sr.	1JC 2V	El Paso, Texas (Burgis)
Strutz, Steve	20	21	G	6'2"	175	18	Fr.	HS	Billings, Mont. (Billings Senior)
Taylor, Craig	40	41	F	6'6"	190	21	Sr.	2JC 1V	Caldwell, Idaho
Varce, Phil	12	13	G	5'11"	165	21	Jr.	1V	Oregon City
Willis, Ray	30	31	G-F	6'5"	185	19	So.	1JC	Los Angeles, Calif. (Fremont)
Wunder, Rob	34	35	F	6'5"	210	20	Jr.	2JC	Seattle, Wash. (West Seattle)



Varce, Greenman, Fields, Blake, Taylor, Wunder, Willis, Dittus, Strutz, Ibarra. Coaches Allen and Miller

1971-72 ACCUMULATIVE STATISTICS

<i>Players</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>FG</i>	<i>FGA</i>	<i>PCT</i>	<i>FT</i>	<i>FTA</i>	<i>PCT</i>	<i>REB</i>	<i>PF</i>	<i>ASTS</i>	<i>TP</i>	<i>AVG</i>
Herrick	22	15	32	.469	26	37	.703	16	30	30	56	2.5
Loewen H.	2	2	3	.667	0	0		2	2	0	4	2.0
Greenman	25	55	115	.478	47	63	.746	39	32	46	157	6.8
Ibarra	25	108	257	.420	62	89	.697	45	66	46	278	11.1
Curtis	24	28	73	.384	29	31	.935	46	36	15	85	3.5
Morgan	25	83	216	.384	29	33	.879	84	60	61	195	7.5
Loewen G.	25	75	164	.457	55	92	.598	240	79	35	205	8.1
Taylor	25	117	264	.443	25	34	.735	161	80	48	259	10.3
Fields	25	77	152	.510	48	71	.676	140	42	71	202	8.0
Dittus	6	1	6	.167	1	3	.333	9	3	0	3	.5
Berg	25	140	262	.534	98	143	.685	190	88	56	378	15.1
OTHER	13	58	118	.492	23	30	.767	30	23	40	139	10.7
TEAM REBOUNDS								131				
GFC	25	759	1662	.457	443	626	.708	1133	541	448	1961	78.4
OPPONENTS	25	749	1829	.409	466	720	.647	1298	484		1964	78.4

1971-72 SEASON'S RESULTS

	<i>GFC</i>	<i>Opponent</i>
Whitman College	74	70
Whitman College	88	85
Western Baptist College	78	58
Alaska Methodist College	93	84
Alaska Methodist College	84	60
Eastern Oregon College	70	75
Azusa Pacific College	75	81
Simon Fraser University	53	60
Alaska Methodist College	70	69
Linfield College	84	80
Linfield College	87	110
Western Montana College	77	84
Western Montana College	77	98
Oregon Technical Institute	87	114
Southern Oregon College	80	92
Lewis and Clark State College	80	72
Warner Pacific College	82	77
Eastern Oregon College	91	83
Lewis and Clark State College	66	76
Northwest Nazarene College	76	95
Western Baptist College	93	61
Warner Pacific College	63	70
College of Great Falls	88	80
Northwest Nazarene College	72	61
Willamette University (District playoffs)	60	69



BRUIN OPPONENTS

EASTERN OREGON COLLEGE

Location: LaGrande, Ore.
Enrollment: 1,850
Colors: Royal blue and gold
Nickname: Mountaineers
Head Coach:
Ivan Harshbarger

LEWIS AND CLARK STATE COLLEGE

Location: Lewiston, Idaho
Enrollment: 1,250
Colors: Columbia blue and white
Nickname: Warriors
Coach: Lee Vickers

LINFIELD COLLEGE

Location: McMinnville, Ore.
Enrollment: 1,000
Colors: Cardinal and purple
Nickname: Wildcats
Head Coach: Ted Wilson

NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE

Location: Nampa, Idaho
Enrollment: 1,125
Colors: Orange and black
Nickname: Crusaders
Coach: Orrin E. Hills

OREGON TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Location: Klamath Falls, Ore.
Enrollment: 1,800
Colors: Blue and gold
Nickname: Owls
Coach: Dan Miles

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

Location: Forest Grove, Ore.
Enrollment: 1,170
Colors: Red, black, and white
Nickname: Boxers
Coach: Bob Allord

SOUTHERN OREGON COLLEGE

Location: Ashland, Ore.
Enrollment: 5,000
Colors: Red and black
Nickname: Red Raiders
Coach: Bill Holmes

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Location: Victoria, B.C.
Enrollment: 4,800
Colors: Blue and gold
Nickname: Vikings
Coach: Gary Taylor

WARNER PACIFIC COLLEGE

Location: Portland, Ore.
Enrollment: 400
Colors: Columbia blue and white
Nickname: Knights
Coach: Mike Blewett

WESTERN BAPTIST COLLEGE

Location: Salem, Ore.
Enrollment: 450
Colors: Blue and gold
Nickname: Warriors
Coach: Jack Thiessen

WHITMAN COLLEGE

Location: Walla Walla, Wash.
Enrollment: 1,150
Colors: Maize and blue
Nickname: Missionaries
Head Coach: John Wilcox

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY

Location: Salem, Ore.
Enrollment: 1,230
Colors: Cardinal red and old gold
Nickname: Bearcats
Coach: Jim Boutin

For the Press:

COVERING THE BRUINS

Facilities for the working press covering Bruin basketball are provided in the press section on the south side of Hester Gymnasium. Available for each game are team rosters, starting lineups, and pertinent pre-game information, including accumulative statistics for the Bruins up to each game. Press booth service for each home contest includes quick team and individual statistics at half time and complete statistics immediately following the game.

Working space and telephones for members of the press desiring them are available. Dressing rooms for both teams are located on each side of the playing floor, with the Bruins located on the north side, visitors on the south.

George Fox College appreciates the cooperation it has shared with the news media. This book has been prepared as a service for area newspapers, radio and television stations, and wire services.

All requests for information, statistics, photographs, and press passes should be directed to Barry Hubbell, Sports Information Director, George Fox College, Newberg, Oregon 97132. Office phone: (503) 538-2101, ext. 217. Home phone: (503) 538-4332. Athletic Department phone: (503) 538-2101, ext. 233.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY NEWS OUTLETS

NEWSPAPERS

Capital Journal, Salem
364-6813

Newberg Graphic, Newberg
538-2181

News Register, McMinnville
472-5114

Oregon Journal, Portland
222-5511

Oregon Statesman, Salem
364-6811

The Oregonian, Portland
226-2121

RADIO-TELEVISION

KATU-TV, Portland
235-8751

KGW-TV, Portland
244-8620

KOIN-TV, Portland
228-3333

KPTV, Portland
222-8921

KMCM Radio, McMinnville
472-2151

WIRE SERVICES

Associated Press, Portland
228-2169

United Press International
Portland, 226-2644



GEORGE FOX COLLEGE
"BRUIN" BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
1972-73

Nov. 30	Tip-off Tournament	McMinnville
Dec. 1	Tip-off Tournament	McMinnville
2	Tip-off Tournament	Monmouth
8	Pacific University	NEWBERG
9	Pacific University	Forest Grove
15	Willamette University	NEWBERG
16	Willamette University	Salem
18	Eastern Oregon College	NEWBERG
22	Linfield College	NEWBERG
23	Linfield College	McMinnville
29	Whitman College	NEWBERG
30	Whitman College	NEWBERG
Jan. 4-6	Pasadena Tournament	Pasadena
12	University of Victoria	Victoria, B.C.
13	University of Victoria	Victoria, B.C.
15	Western Baptist College	Salem
18	Oregon Technical Institute	NEWBERG
20	Southern Oregon College	NEWBERG
30	Eastern Oregon College	LaGrande
Feb. 8	Lewis and Clark State College	NEWBERG
10	Western Baptist College	NEWBERG (Homecoming, 8:00 p.m.)
15	Northwest Nazarene College	NEWBERG
17	Warner Pacific College	Portland
22	Lewis and Clark State College	Lewiston
24	Northwest Nazarene College	Nampa
27	Warner Pacific College	NEWBERG
March 3-7	N.A.I.A. District II	TBA
12-17	N.A.I.A. Nationals	Kansas City

Home Games: 7:30 p.m., Hester Gymnasium