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Bruins

GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY

1998 Men's and Women's Tennis



GEORGE FOX FACTS

University Location Newberg, Ore.
 Founded 1891
 Church Affiliation Evangelical Friends (Quaker)
 Enrollment 2,250
 Athletic Affiliation NAIA Div. II/NCAA Div. III
 Northwest Conference of Independent Colleges
 Women's Head Coach Bonnie Elliott
 Men's Head Coach Josh Schweitz
 Nickname Bruins/Lady Bruins
 Colors Old Gold and Navy Blue
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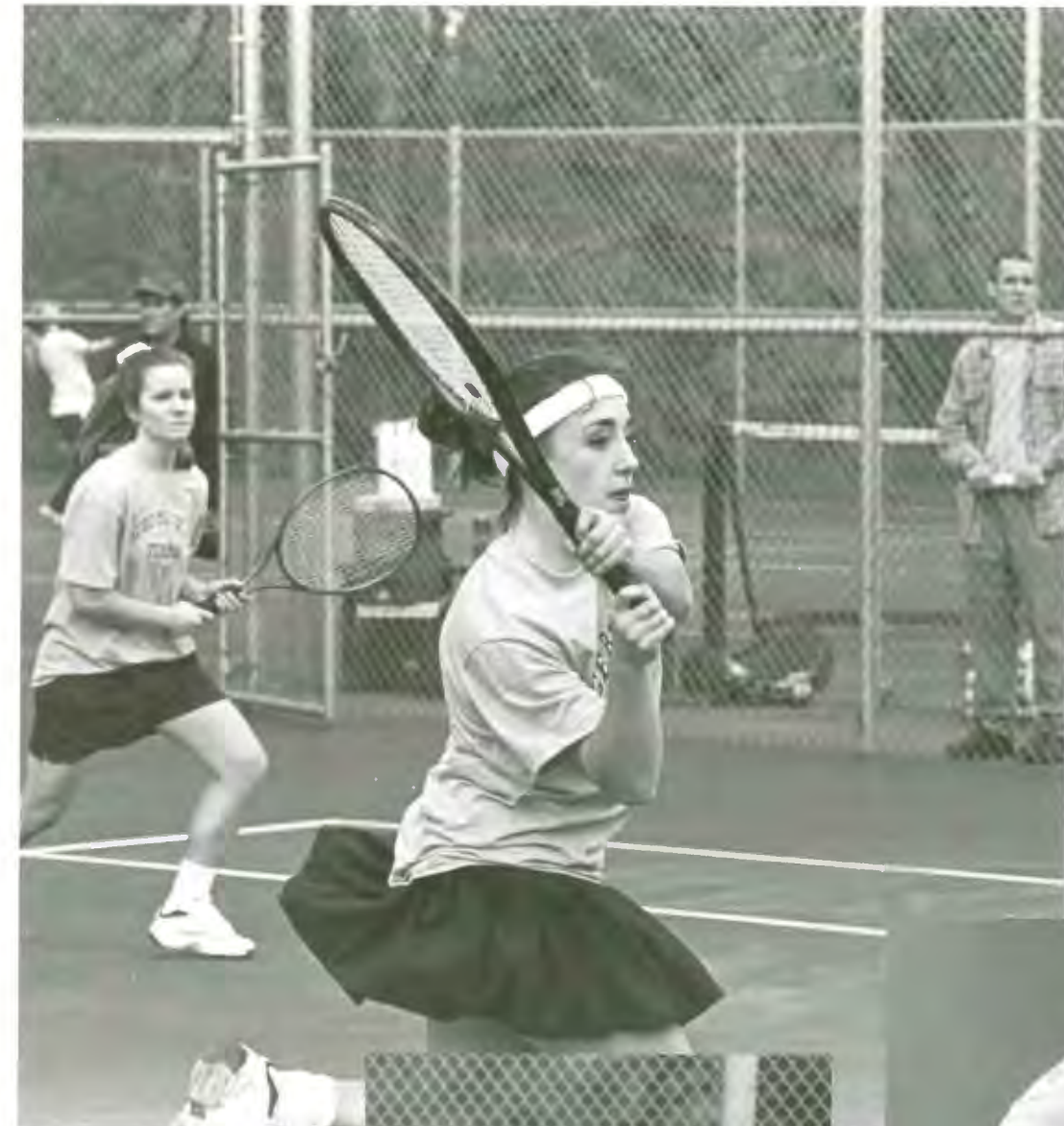
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*Junior Shawna Hughes (front)
 and senior Amy (Gault) Gillett
 (back)*



Senior Rick Cruz



Senior Rob Cruz

George Fox Men's Tennis 1998 Outlook



Sophomore Todd Hammans

After a rough first two seasons, George Fox's third-year men's tennis team has four returning veterans, three new faces, a new coach and a new attitude.

First-year coach Josh Schweitz brings high expectations for the Bruins.

"Last year the team went into matches hoping they would win, but this year we enter matches knowing we can win and wanting to win. If we play how we are capable of playing, we can finish in the top five of the conference."

Four of the top six will be veterans.

No. 1 singles player **Todd Hammans (So., Churchill HS, Eugene, Ore.)** was thrown to the wolves in his first season. He went 4-11 as a freshman playing against the best players in the conference.

"Todd is everything I hoped he would be," says Schweitz. He predicts Hammans' improved overall game and heightened confidence will result in more victories.

Schweitz is looking for leadership from twin brothers **Rick Cruz (Sr., Hillsboro HS, Ore.)** and **Rob Cruz (Sr., Hillsboro HS, Ore.)**. The two are the only seniors on the team and have been in the program since it began.

With a year's experience under his belt, an improved **Justin Ubel (So., Thurston HS, Springfield, Ore.)** should provide the Bruins with a strong No. 4 singles player.

The Bruins have an impact freshman in **Ryan Cruz (Fr., Hillsboro HS, Ore.)**, who joins his brothers on the team and could challenge for the No. 1 spot. He has already demonstrated his athletic ability as a reserve guard on George Fox's varsity basketball team. Two other freshmen, **Thong Nguyen (Fr., Parkrose HS, Portland, Ore.)** and **Josh Kaiser (Fr., Newport HS, Ore.)** should push for top-six spots.

George Fox Women's Tennis 1998 Outlook



Senior Amy (Gault) Gillett (front) and Jenny Hamm (back)

The George Fox women's tennis team returns five of its top eight players from last season and is hoping experience and two newcomers can help the squad improve on its seventh place Northwest Conference finish.

Coming back are the Lady Bruins' No. 1, 4, 6, 7 and 8 players.

"We have experienced players and some good freshmen," says second-year coach Bonnie Elliott. "The level of women's tennis is rising, but we are a growing program and will continue to get better and more competitive."

Shawna Hughes (Jr., Edmonds-Woodway HS, Edmonds, Wash.) is in her third year at the No. 1 singles spot.

"Shawna will be a lot more competitive at No. 1 after playing at that spot for two seasons," predicts Elliott.

The Lady Bruins also will look for leadership from co-captains **Amy (Gault) Gillett (Sr., Springfield HS, Ore.)** and **Sarah Johnson (Jr., The Mount School, Harrogate, England)**. Gillett will play at the No. 2 singles spot, and Johnson, who played No. 6 most of last year, will most likely occupy the No. 4 spot.

Moving into No. 3 is **Wendy Mueller (So., Sheldon HS, Eugene, Ore.)** who Elliott calls "mentally tough and much improved."

Rachel McComb (So., Shelton HS, Wash.) will get her first taste of varsity action at the No. 5 spot.

Kim Reimer (Fr., Dallas HS, Ore.) is the early favorite of the two freshmen for the No. 6 spot and could push some of the veterans. **Jill McCulloch (Fr., Dallas HS, Ore.)** also will vie for a position.

WOMEN'S TENNIS COACH



Bonnie Elliott

Second-year coach Bonnie Elliott will continue to build George Fox's third-year women's tennis program.

Elliott took over the program last year after moving from Arizona, where she was named Arizona

Tennis Association's 1996 "Tennis Pro of the Year."

From 1993 to 1995, she was an assistant tennis pro at Club Green Meadows in Vancouver, Wash. During the 1994-95 school year, she was head girls tennis coach at Mountain View High School (Vancouver, Wash.) guiding the boys team to a second-place finish in the state.

She is a member of the United States Tennis Association (USTA) and is certified by the United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA) with a top P-1 rating.

Elliott has a lifelong background in tennis. Her father is a tennis pro in Michigan where he was named 1996 National High School Tennis Coach of the Year. In 1986, she earned a bachelor of science degree from Eastern Michigan University.

In addition to coaching, Elliott is activities director at Clackamas River Racket Club and runs the summer tennis program for the city of Tualatin.

"While my role as tennis coach is primarily to strengthen the physical and mental skills needed in tennis competition," says Elliott, "I realize this role is a lot more complicated. Because I have learned over the years the importance of setting goals, challenging myself and always giving my best effort in whatever I do, offering those lessons to the women will be a part of what I hope to accomplish. I want to get to know each student, tap into what motivates them and challenge them to perform at their best."



1998 Women's Tennis Team: Left to Right (Front Row) Wendy Mueller, Shawna Hughes, Rachel McComb, (Back Row) Jill McCulloch, Kim Reimer, Head Coach Bonnie Elliott, Sarah Johnson, Amy (Gault) Gillett

Amy (Gault) Gillett



Senior, 5-4
Springfield, Ore.
Springfield HS

Rachel McComb



Sophomore, 5-1
Shelton, Wash.
Shelton HS

Shawna Hughes



Junior, 5-1
Edmonds, Wash.
Edmonds-Woodway HS

Jill McCulloch



Freshman, 5-7
Dallas, Ore.
Dallas HS

Sarah Johnson



Junior, 5-11
Harrogate, England
The Mount School,
York, England
West Valley College

Wendy Mueller



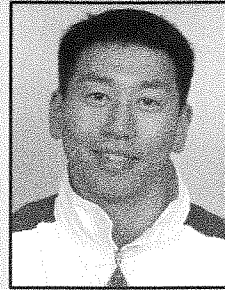
Sophomore, 5-3
Eugene, Ore.
Sheldon HS

Kim Reimer



Freshman, 5-10
Dallas, Ore.
Dallas HS

MEN'S TENNIS COACH



Josh Schweitz

Josh Schweitz takes over the two-year-old George Fox University men's tennis team one year after guiding Marist High School to an Oregon Class 3A state championship in girls tennis.

Schweitz coached at Marist for five years and served as assistant athletic director. He also spent two years as an assistant teaching professional at Eugene Swim and Tennis.

"My main goal is for everyone to play to their potential and compete," says Schweitz. "Everything else will fall into place. I believe a coach should teach not only on a tennis court, but should teach about the successes and failures in life off the tennis court as

well. In showing care for a student, I try to be a coach, a big brother and a parent to try and develop a great well-rounded person."

Schweitz, 26, is a 1995 graduate of University of Oregon with a degree in psychology. He was president of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and a Special Olympics volunteer. He graduated from Beaverton High School in 1990.

He was a member of the varsity tennis teams at Oregon and Beaverton. His Beaverton doubles team won the Metro League title in 1989.

In 1996, his doubles team was ranked No. 7 in the United States Tennis Association (USTA) Pacific Northwest region.

Schweitz also is teaching at Clackamas River Racquet Club.



1998 Men's Tennis Team: Left to Right (Front Row) Ryan Cruz, Josh Kaiser, Todd Hammans, (Back Row) Thong Nguyen, Rick Cruz, Head Coach Josh Schweitz, Justin Ubel, Rob Cruz

Rick Cruz



Senior, 5-8
Hillsboro, Ore.
Hillsboro HS

Rob Cruz



Senior, 5-8
Hillsboro, Ore.
Hillsboro HS

Ryan Cruz



Freshman, 6-0
Hillsboro, Ore.
Hillsboro HS

Todd Hammans



Sophomore, 6-2
Eugene, Ore.
Churchill HS

Josh Kaiser



Freshman, 6-4
Newport, Ore.
Newport HS

Thong Nguyen



Freshman, 5-3
Portland, Ore.
Parkrose HS

Justin Ubel



Sophomore, 5-10
Springfield, Ore.
Thurston HS

THE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1885 as Friends Pacific Academy, George Fox University is a Christian liberal arts university growing in size and reputation.

In the last 10 years enrollment has quadrupled to more than 2,200 students and *U.S. News and World Report* in 1997 ranked the school second in academic reputation in its western regional liberal arts colleges category.

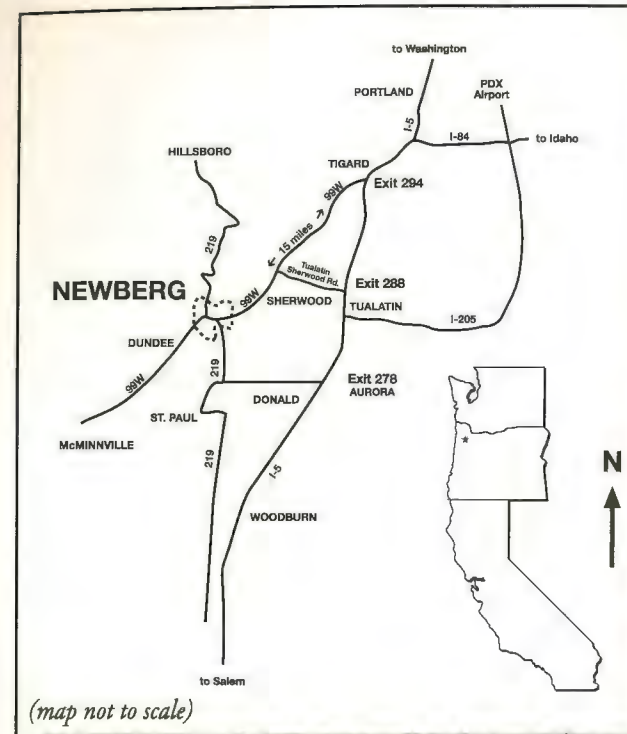
The magazine also has listed the university in its "Top Teaching Schools" and "Most Efficient" categories.

George Fox offers innovative programs. Each freshman undergraduate is provided a computer to use and keep upon graduating. Students reaching their junior year are eligible for an international study trip for which the university pays transportation costs.

George Fox offers 36 undergraduate and nine graduate degree programs, as well as a degree-completion program for working adults. Classes also are offered in Portland, Salem, Eugene and Boise, Idaho. George Fox became a university in 1996 when it merged with Western Evangelical Seminary in Portland.

The school is named in honor of the founder of the Friends (Quaker) Church.

The University's most prominent alumnus is the late President Herbert Hoover, who attended Friends Pacific Academy.



ROUTES TO THE CAMPUS

DIRECTIONS FROM I-5

From the south, take the Donald/Aurora exit (278) north of Salem. Follow the signs to Newberg.

From the north, take the Tigard/Newberg exit (294) shortly after leaving Portland city limits. Stay on 99W until reaching Newberg.

Follow 99W into Newberg, and turn north on Villa Road. Turn west on Fulton Street. Athletic offices are located in Wheeler Sports Center, adjacent to the track.



1998 TENNIS SCHEDULE

Men's Tennis

FEBRUARY

26	Thur.	Lewis & Clark*	Portland, Ore.	3:00
27-28	Fri.-Sat.	Puget Sound Tournament	Tacoma, Wash.	TBA

MARCH

3	Tue.	Linfield*	McMinnville, Ore.	3:30
8	Sun.	ALBERTSON	Newberg, Ore.	10:00
17	Tue.	LEWIS & CLARK*	Newberg, Ore.	3:00
24	Tue.	Dominican College	San Rafael, Calif.	2:00
28	Sat.	California Lutheran	Thousand Oaks, Calif.	TBA

APRIL

1	Wed.	PACIFIC*	Newberg, Ore.	3:00
3	Fri.	Whitman*	Walla Walla, Wash.	3:00
4	Sat.	Whitworth*	Spokane, Wash.	9:00
6	Mon.	WILLAMETTE*	Newberg, Ore.	3:00
7	Tue.	LINFIELD*	Newberg, Ore.	3:30
14	Tue.	Willamette*	Salem, Ore.	3:00
17	Fri.	SEATTLE*	Newberg, Ore.	3:00
18	Sat.	PACIFIC LUTHERAN*	Newberg, Ore.	9:00
18	Sat.	PUGET SOUND*	Newberg, Ore.	3:00
21	Tue.	Pacific*	Forest Grove, Ore.	3:00
24-26	Fri.-Sun.	Northwest Conference Tournament (Tacoma, Wash.)		

Women's Tennis

FEBRUARY

19	Thur.	Linfield*	McMinnville, Ore.	3:30
25	Wed.	Lewis & Clark*	Portland, Ore.	3:30
27	Fri.	PUGET SOUND*	Newberg, Ore.	3:00
28	Sat.	SEATTLE*	Newberg, Ore.	9:00
28	Sat.	PACIFIC LUTHERAN*	Newberg, Ore.	2:00

MARCH

4	Wed.	PACIFIC*	Newberg, Ore.	3:30
5	Thur.	LINFIELD*	Newberg, Ore.	3:30
11	Wed.	WILLAMETTE*	Newberg, Ore.	3:30
13	Fri.	Southern Oregon Tournament	Ashland, Ore.	12:00
14	Sat.	Southern Oregon Tournament	Ashland, Ore.	10:00
18	Wed.	LEWIS & CLARK*	Newberg, Ore.	3:30
24	Tue.	Dominican College	San Rafael, Calif.	2:00

APRIL

1	Wed.	Willamette*	Salem, Ore.	3:30
6	Mon.	Portland State	Portland, Ore.	3:30
15	Wed.	Pacific*	Forest Grove, Ore.	3:30
17	Fri.	Whitworth*	Spokane, Wash.	3:30
18	Sat.	Whitman*	Walla Walla, Wash.	10:00
24-26	Fri.-Sun.	Northwest Conference Tournament (Newberg, Ore.)		

Home matches are in bold caps. *Conference matches.
Home matches played on George Fox University Tennis Courts.