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2007-08 Baseball



GEORGE FOX
UNIVERSITY

**BRUIN
BASEBALL
WINNING
TRADITION**

2007-08



1994



Third baseman **Mike Nadeau**, NAIA District 2 Player of the Year, set a George Fox record with four stolen bases in one game. He went on to play in the Baltimore Orioles organization

1993



Infielder **Miguel Rivera** was named Honorable Mention NAIA All-American. He was the first baseball player elected to the George Fox University Sports Hall of Fame

Outfielder **Mike Thompson** earned All-Northwest Conference honors. He was named Honorable Mention All-American in 1994



1996

Designated hitter **Tony Robertson** was named Honorable Mention NAIA All-American



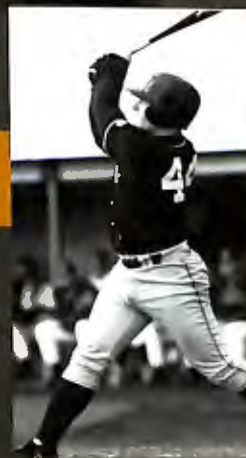
1996

1998



Infielder **Ryan LeBreton** hit a school-record three doubles in one game. He was named NAIA All-American Scholar-Athlete in 1998 and 1999

1999



NAIA First-Team All-American infielder **Nate Barnett** set or tied NAIA national records with four home runs, including two grand slams, and 13 RBIs in one game. He went on to play in the Seattle Mariners organization

1999



In 1997, catcher **Mark Tyler** hit 6-for-7 in one game. He set a school record with 21 doubles in 1999. He had 72 RBIs in 1999 and was named NW Conference MVP

2004



Pitcher **Scott Hyde**, 2004 NWC Player of the Year, was 14-1 with a 1.99 ERA and 191 strikeouts, leading the nation in wins and strikeouts, and was named First Team All-America, Co-National Pitcher of the Year, and the Most Outstanding Player in the Division III World Series.

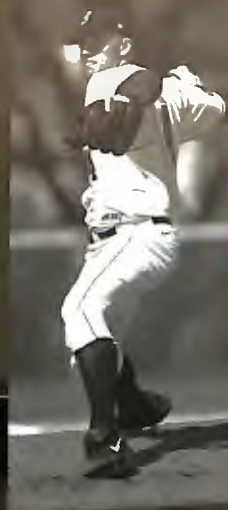
2000



Pitcher **Ryan Alvis**, NCAA 2000 Div. III Third Team All-American, led the Northwest Conference in ERA (1.87). He set George Fox season records for wins (11), strikeouts (93), innings (91.1), and complete games (9)

Derrick Jones earned First Team All-America and First Team All-West Region honors as a utility player in 2005, then was Northwest Conference Player of the Year and signed with the Texas Rangers in 2006.

2006



Since 1993, the Bruins have won five games against Div. I opponents (Univ. of Washington, Oregon State Univ., Portland State Univ., Univ. of Portland, twice)

The 1999 team hit 102 home runs and 118 doubles. Its .692 slugging percentage set a national NAIA record and is third best all-time at any collegiate level

George Fox has had three pitchers throw no-hitters: Dave Callahan in 1981, Troy Schrenk in 1997, and Scott Hyde in 2004

2003



Infielder **Eric Bell** hit .390 with 61 RBIs and 17 home runs. He earned First-Team All-American and First-Team Academic All-American honors. He was a two-time Northwest Conference first-team selection

Infielder **Derek Birley** earned Honorable Mention NCAA Div. III All-West Region honors. He tied an NCAA Div. III record with four home runs in one game

2000



In 2002, second baseman **Ryan Dearing** set an NCAA Div. III national record by getting hit by 33 pitches

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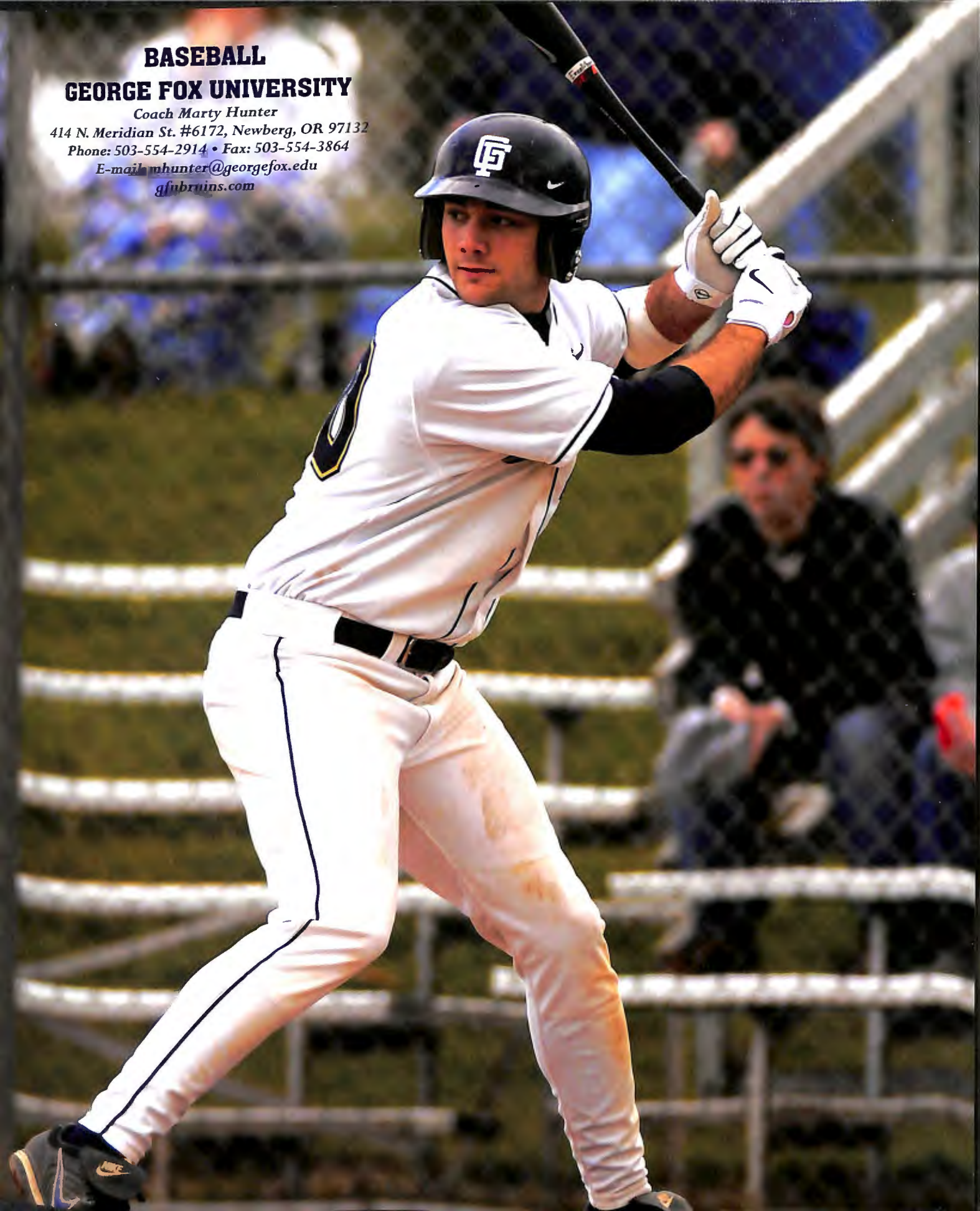
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The 2007 Season

Record-setting start propels Bruins to sixth postseason appearance in eight years

Posting their 12th straight winning season under head coach Pat Bailey, the George Fox Bruins wrapped up another record-setting season in 2007 with a 30-11 mark. The Bruins were 19-5 in Northwest Conference play, finishing second, and received an at-large bid to the NCAA Division III National Tournament, where the season ended with a pair of setbacks in the West Regional. It was the Bruins' sixth playoff appearance in eight years as members of the NCAA.

The season began with a 14-game winning streak, the best start in Bruin history. When their record

reached 19-1, the Bruins received a No. 5 national ranking in the ABCA / NCAA Division III poll, the highest a George Fox team has ever been

ranked during the regular season (the 2004 national championship team was No. 1 at the end of the playoffs). The Bruins also finished the year nationally ranked in batting (.346, 12th), scoring (8.5 runs per game, 22nd), doubles (2.51 per game, 9th), slugging (.472, 29th), stolen bases (2.07 per game, 44th),

pitching (3.65, 37th), and fielding (.970, 4th).

Right fielder Dan Wentzell (Sr., Tualatin, Ore.) was named D3baseball.com First Team All-America, ABCA First Team All-West Region, and NWC Player of the Year. He later signed a professional contract after being drafted in the 20th round by the Oakland Athletics. Second baseman Pat Bailey (So., Highland, Utah), who is unrelated to the coach, center fielder Drew Johnson (Sr., New Plymouth, Idaho), and starting pitcher Nick Bratney (So., Boise, Idaho) were Third Team All-West Region and First Team All-NWC. First baseman Bryan Donohue (Sr., Gresham, Ore.) was D3baseball.com Second Team All-America and Second Team All-NWC. Catcher Ryan Fobert (Jr., Dallas, Ore.) and shortstop-pitcher Josh Burch (So., Redding, Calif.) were First Team All-NWC. Left fielder Daniel Downs (Sr., Kirkland, Wash.), third baseman Bo Thunell (So., Canyon City, Ore.), and starting pitcher Preston Langeliers (Jr., Pleasant Hill, Ore.) were Second Team All-NWC, while starting pitcher Chris Albrecht (Sr., Woodinville, Ore.) and relief pitcher Nick Hedgecock (Jr., Portland, Ore.) were Honorable Mention All-NWC.

Wentzell led the NWC in RBI (55), total bases (102), and slugging

percentage (.658), and was 13th nationally in RBI per game (1.34). Donohue led the conference and ranked 36th nationally in batting (.432), 19th in walks per game (0.86), and 20th in sacrifices per game (0.29). Bailey was the conference leader in doubles (22) and triples, and was fifth nationally in doubles per game (0.54). Bailey and Thunell both tied the school record for doubles in a game (3), while Bailey set a new single-season record for doubles. Johnson, with 27 stolen bases, was 32nd nationally in steals per game (0.66). Bratney and Albrecht tied for 11th nationally in wins (9).

Donohue ended his two-year Bruin career with the highest batting average (.435) and on base percentage (.534) in team history, while Johnson finished his four-career as the Bruins' all-time leader in stolen bases (88).

Wentzell, Johnson, and Donohue were named to the ESPN The Magazine / CoSIDA Academic All-District VIII College Division Baseball First Team, Wentzell for the second year in a row. Wentzell went on to earn Academic All-America First Team honors as well.

Coach Bailey improved his 12-year coaching record to 353-157 (.692), ranking among the top 30 active Division III coaches in winning percentage.





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COACH
MARTY HUNTER

Marty Hunter

Head Coach

Marty Hunter, a veteran coach with experience at the high school, college, and professional levels, begins his first year as head coach of the George Fox University baseball

program this season after being promoted from his position as associate head coach.

Hunter joined the George Fox staff as an assistant baseball coach in

2003 and was named the Bruins' associate head coach in 2005. He replaces Pat Bailey, whose 12-year run at George Fox included an NCAA Division III national title in 2004, eight Northwest Conference championships, and a win-loss record of 353-158. Bailey was named assistant coach at two-time defending NCAA Division I national champion Oregon State University, where he joined another former George Fox baseball coach, Pat Casey.

At George Fox, Hunter's primary coaching focus has been with the infielders. In each of the past five seasons, the George Fox defense has ranked in the top six nationally in fielding average. The Bruins led the nation in both 2003 and 2005 and set a Division III record in 2005 with a .979 fielding mark.

Hunter arrived from Canby (Ore.) High School, where he went 132-63 from 1995 to 2002. His

teams made the state Class 4A playoffs every year and won Pacific-9 Conference titles in 1997, 1998, and 2002. He was the Conference Coach of the Year in '97, '98, '01, and '02.

Previously, Hunter coached Bend (Ore.) High School from 1991-94, going 68-40. Bend won the Intermountain Conference championship in 1991 and 1992, and he was named Coach of the Year in the conference both seasons. In 1990, he served as an assistant coach with the Bend Bucks, a team in the professional Class A Northwest League.

A graduate of Gresham (Ore.) High School, Hunter attended Linfield College, where he received two letters as a football cornerback and three as a second baseman and catcher on the baseball team. He earned both dual business and health degrees from Linfield in 1984, then worked at Gladstone, Gresham, and West Albany high schools before landing in Bend. He completed a master of education degree from Linfield in 1991.

In addition to his coaching duties, Hunter will serve as an instructor in the department of health and human performance at George Fox.

"From the day that I first started coaching at the high school level,

I've thought of coaching at the college level," Hunter said. "I believe the continuity we will have will be a great thing for the program. All our coaches are going in the same direction in terms of goals and philosophy."

The Bruins' other staff members – assistant coaches J.R. Reichenbach and Randy Rutschman and junior varsity coaches Brandon Rupp and Kevin Kopple – are expected to remain with the program.

"We are very excited and fortunate to have a coach of Marty's caliber accept our position," said director of athletics Craig Taylor. "Over five years, he has related well to the players and had strong support from

Marty Hunter's Coaching Ledger

Year	Team	W-L	Pct.
1991-94	Bend(Ore.) HS	68-40	.630
1995-2002	Canby (Ore.) HS	132-63	.677

Highlights at Bend

Intermountain Conference champions 1991-92;
Conference Coach of the Year 1991-92

Highlights at Canby

Pacific 9 Conference champions 1997-98, 2002;
Class 4A Playoffs 1995-2002;
Conference Coach of the Year 1997-98, 2001-02

HS Totals (12 yrs)200-103 ...660

both returning players and the current recruiting class."

Hunter and his wife of 22 years, Kim, have two sons: Taylor, 18, who will play baseball for the Bruins this year, and Tucker, 15. The Hunters reside in Canby.

Our Winning Philosophy

by *Marty Hunter*

The George Fox baseball program is a very successful program. But when we look at success, we are not only concerned about winning baseball games – we are concerned about winning in life. We are successful because Bruin baseball is able to look at the big picture of success and winning.

We truly believe that we have one of the best classrooms in the university. We are not only developing good baseball players, but we are also improving and enhancing who our players are as people. Our mission is to develop good husbands, good fathers, and all-around good citizens. The baseball field is an excellent place to learn the skills necessary for success in life.

Our players will learn a strong work ethic and accountability, which is the foundation for later success. We emphasize the value of preparation, with the planning and goal-setting necessary to achieve any endeavor in life. It is important for us all to be accountable to ourselves and each other, whether it be on the baseball field or in the classroom.

Nowhere else can young people learn the value of understanding rules, regulations, and laws, than by playing athletics. There are too many negative examples on the value of understanding rules and regulations for young people today. In our program, there are immediate consequences, and the players are constantly aware of where the boundaries are.

Bruin baseball is also built upon a strong commitment to the team. Players learn how to get along with others and how to solve conflicts. There is a strong sense of family present every day. One of our favorite quotes is, "It is amazing what you can achieve when no one cares who gets the credit." Our coaches are here to serve the players, and the players are here to make others more important than themselves.

Developing appropriate social skills and learning how to get along with others is such a key variable in succeeding in any vocation. It will also aid in the positive relationships one has with their family. Our family atmosphere promotes this positive characteristic.

Along those same lines, our players will learn how to deal with adversity and the tribulations that come with playing baseball. We are all forced to deal with adversity in our lives, and the baseball field is an excellent place to learn to handle those obstacles. The emotional growth is apparent in every player who buys into our program.

Our goal is to do the things necessary to give us the best chance for success on the field and in life. We want players in our program who are passionate about

baseball, learning, and life. This love of the game is important for our success.

Bruin baseball is devoted to a winning philosophy that may not always be exemplified by scores or by records, but by the character and attitude of every player in our program. The wins will take care of themselves, wherever they may be.





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BASEBALL ATHLETIC AFFILIATIONS

Excellence in Academics and Athletics

The Northwest Conference and NCAA Division III experience

National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III

Colleges and universities in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III place their highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs. Division III institutions seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletic activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience.

Division III consists of more than 400 institutions, making it the largest division in the NCAA. All

Division III institutions award no athletically related financial aid to any students. Division III sponsors 13 national championships in men's sports, 14 in women's, and eight national collegiate championships that are combined with other divisions.

George Fox University has been a member of the NCAA since 1995 when along with the other institutions in the Northwest Conference – it elected to transfer its membership from the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).



The Northwest Conference

The nine colleges and universities in the Northwest Conference are known for their academics and athletics.

The conference is building a reputation as one of the most competitive NCAA Division III alliances in the country. In the academic arena, every Northwest Conference institution has been ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* magazine as a top-tier school in its category.

Formed in 1926, the conference is one of the oldest athletic alliances in the western United States. Its nine members are all private colleges or universities located in Oregon or Washington.

George Fox left the Cascade Collegiate Conference to join the Northwest Conference in 1995, shortly before the Northwest

Conference shifted national affiliation from the NAIA to the NCAA. Leaving behind years of success at the NAIA level, the conference embraced the move as one that would foster equity, sportsmanship, and genuine concern for the student-athlete in all endeavors of competition.



George Fox University, Newberg, Ore.
Lewis & Clark College, Portland, Ore.
Linfield College, McMinnville, Ore.
Pacific University, Forest Grove, Ore.
Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Wash.
University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash.
Whitman College, Walla Walla, Wash.
Whitworth College, Spokane, Wash.
Willamette University, Salem, Ore.



CURTIS AND MARGARET MORSE COMPLEX

George Fox University soccer, baseball, and softball teams play home games on the Curtis and Margaret Morse Athletic Complex.

Located on the northeast section of the campus, the complex was renovated in 1989 using a major donation from Curtis and Margaret Morse, avid supporters of Bruin athletics. Four generations of the Morse family have attended George Fox.

All three Morse Fields are natural-grass surfaces. The soccer field, home to both the men's and women's soccer teams, has seating for 250 spectators.

The baseball field has seating for 250 spectators. Directly behind home plate is the concession stand and press box. After off-season renovations in 2004-05, the field dimensions now measure 330 feet down the lines, 365 in the left-center power alley, 370 to right-center, and 380 to straightaway center.

The softball field has an all-dirt infield and seating for 100 fans. The outfield fence is 200 feet down the lines, and 205 to straightaway center.

Fund-raising efforts are now under way for a new athletic field complex located on 24 acres of land donated to the university by Newberg business owners Ken and Joan Austin.

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location	Newberg, Ore. (20,565)
Mailing address	414 N. Meridian St. Newberg, OR 97132
Founded	1891
Denomination.....	Evangelical Friends (Quaker)
Enrollment	3,200
President.....	Dr. Robin Baker
Faculty athletic rep	Kerry Irish
Switchboard phone.....	503-538-8383
Website:	georgefox.edu

ATHLETIC INFORMATION

Nickname	Bruins
Colors	Navy Blue and Old Gold
Affiliation	NCAA Division III
Conference	Northwest Conference
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COACHING STAFF

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Alma mater.....	Linfield (B.S. '84, M. Ed. '91)
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Assistant coaches	Randy Rutschman, J.R. Reichenbach, Brandon Rupp, Kevin Kopple, Cheyenne Scrivner



INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

are an important part of George Fox University, home to one of the Northwest's most successful small-college sports programs. Winning programs, of course, are accompanied by a proper balance between academics and athletics. At George Fox University, student-athletes compete for conference and national titles at a Christ-centered university where professors and coaches help them grow in mind, body, and spirit. Intercollegiate athletics competition provides for practical application of what is learned in the classroom and at practice.



THE UNIVERSITY fields teams in 15 varsity sports, eight for women (golf, volleyball, soccer, cross country, basketball, softball, tennis, and track and field) and seven for men (soccer, cross country, basketball, baseball, golf, tennis, and track and field). More than 15 percent of George Fox's traditional undergraduate students participate in these sports. Their records over the years serve as shining testimonies to the administration's conviction that an institution can play for the glory of God, follow the rules and ethics of its governing organizations, and be successful on the fields and courts of competition at the same time.

At George Fox, the values of athletics are integrated with the goals of Christian higher education in a process that includes:

- Physical conditioning
- Managing emotions
- Courage
- Teamwork
- Cooperation
- Graciousness in winning and losing



Consider the growing legacy:

- George Fox has earned national, district, or conference titles 21 times during the last decade.
- George Fox athletes have earned more than 300 All-America and All-America Scholar-Athlete honors.
- Seven of the 13 coaches on staff have been named Coach of the Year at various levels a total of 27 times.
- George Fox coaches have held their positions for an average of 10 years, and together have accumulated more than 1,500 collegiate wins.