NCAA DIVISION II WOMEN'S GOLF Annual Report

DECEMBER 2019

The NCAA Division II Women's Golf Committee is providing this information to outline key actions taken by the committee during the past year, as well as, future recommendations or information that will be helpful to you. In addition, if you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Brad Fleetwood, chair of the NCAA Division II Women's Golf Committee, and/or a member of the committee, or Jay Jay Rackley, NCAA Championships and Alliances.

1. 2019-20 Committee Members.

Sue Vail Term ends: Sept. 2020 Head Women's Golf Coach Wheeling Jesuit University Brad Fleetwood, chair Term ends: Sept. 2021 Head Men's and Women's Golf Coach Southwestern Oklahoma State University Sandee Mott. Term ends: Sept. 2021 Senior Associate Director/Senior Women's Administrator University of Colorado, Colorado Springs Randy Loggins Term ends: Sept. 2023 Associate Director of Athletics **Tusculum University**

1. 2019-20 Women's Golf Sponsorship.

The 2019-20 sponsorship lists are located on the ncaa.org member site.

 Division I
 266 (-1)

 Division II
 200 (+1)

 Division III
 243 (+9)

 Total
 709 (+9)

2. 2020 Championships Dates and Sites.

Selection Announcement: Monday, April 27, 2020

<u>Regionals</u>: May 4-6, 2020 (Monday – Wednesday)

- Mules National Golf Club University of Central Missouri
- Mission Inn Resort Rollins College and Central Florida Sports Commission
- The Club at La Costa Cal State San Marcos
- Panther Creek Country Club University of Illinois Springfield

National Championships:

May 12-16, 2020 The Country Club of St. Alban's – Hosted by Lindenwood University and St. Louis Sports Commission

3. Future Championships Dates and Sites.

Regionals

TBA

National Championships:

May 11-15, 2021

TPC Michigan – Hosted by Wayne State University and Detroit Sports Commission.

 <u>Annual Meetings</u>. The 2020 NCAA Division II Women's Golf Committee annual meeting will be June 15-17, 2020, in Indianapolis. Feel free to submit agenda items in writing to the NCAA championships administrator, Jay Jay Rackley.

5. 2019 Top Finishers – Schools.

- Florida Tech
- 2. Cal State San Marcos
- 3. UIndy
- 4. Barry
- 5. Southwestern Oklahoma State
- 6. Limestone
- 7. DBU
- 8. Findlay

2019 Top Finishers - Players.

1.	Jaime Jacob	Cal State San Marcos
2.	Gloria Choi	Southwestern Oklahoma State
3.	Lucy Eaton	Florida Tech
T4.	Noelle Beijer	Florida Tech
T4.	Anahi Servin	Academy of Art

6. Automatic Qualification.

The Division II Championships Committee approved 18 automatic qualification for Division II Women's Golf and will be implemented for the 2020 Championships.

Conference Carolinas Great American Conference Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Great Lakes Valley Conference Great Midwest Athletic Conference Great Northwest Athletic Conference Gulf South Conference Lone Star Conference Mid America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Mountain East Conference Northeast-10 Conference Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Pacific West Conference Peach Belt Conference Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference South Atlantic Conference Sunshine State Conference

7. <u>Championships format.</u>

• **Monday-Thursday**: 16 teams and 16 individuals play one practice round (Mon.) and three stroke play rounds (Tues.-Thurs.). Following the third round of stroke play

competition, 8 teams and 16 individuals will be eliminated. The remaining 8 teams will move into a bracketed team championship, using medal match format, to begin Friday morning.

- Friday: 8 teams compete in semifinal matches in the morning. 4 teams are eliminated following the morning matches. 4 teams compete in semifinal matches in the afternoon. 2 additional teams are eliminated following the afternoon matches. 2 teams remain for Friday competition.
- **Saturday**: 2 teams compete in the morning. Championship concludes by early afternoon.

8. Minimum yardage.

The committee approved that the minimum yardage be set relative to par.

- Par 70 5,600
- Par 71 5,700
- Par 72 5,800
- Par 73 5,900

9. 2019-20 ranking call dates.

The committee approved dates for ranking calls for 2019-20.

- Thursday, February 6 first ranking call
- Thursday, March 26 second ranking call
- Thursday, April 16 third ranking call
- Monday, April 27 selections

10. Selection Criteria.

- Head-to-head competition.
- Results vs. common opponents.
- Results vs. in-region opponents.
- Stroke differential
- Spring results compared to fall results
- Scoring average (adjusted scoring average and head-tohead-to-head grid vs. par.
- Strength of schedule (number of teams in tournaments, rounds of competition, and overall strength-of-tournament fields).
- Eligibility and availability of student-athletes.

11. Regional Pairings.

The committee will pair teams in groups of three according to seed for the first and second rounds. The committee will change starting tees for the second round. Third-round pairings will be by position according to score.

12. Finals Pairings.

Sixteen teams and sixteen individuals will compete for team and individual championships over 54 holes and

championship Head-to-Head Medal Play format. Following 54 holes of stroke play, an individual champion will be declared along with finishers 2-10. Ties to determine the top eight teams and NCAA individual champion will be broken by a sudden-death playoff or, if necessary, by the established non-sudden-death tiebreaking procedures. The top eight teams after 54 holes of play will be placed into a bracket and seeded based on 54-hole scores. The pairings for the quarterfinals will be Seed #1 versus Seed #8, Seed #2 versus Seed #7, Seed #3 versus Seed #6 and Seed #4 versus Seed #5 competing in Head-to-Head Medal Play(stroke play over 18 holes and low score wins).

Specific to Head-to-Head Medal Play: Each team match will consist of five points with one point being awarded for each individual match. Winning teams will advance to the semifinals and subsequently the finals. Each individual match will be played to its completion and the first team to win three points within the team match will advance, or in the case of the final match be declared the national champion. In the event that a team match is tied after all five individual matches, the total strokes of the five players from each team will be calculated with the winning team having the fewest strokes. If still tied, a sudden death playoff will occur with all five scores counting from each team to determine the advancing team.

Information about selection criteria, regional and finals pairings can be found in the 2019 annual meeting report at: Annual Meeting Report

13. Coaches Connection.

Division II has implemented a Coaches Connection program to better serve coaches throughout the division. One coach has been appointed from each conference for women's golf, and monthly conference calls are held with the coaches' connector, conference representatives, GCAA and NCAA staff. For more information about the program, contact Jimmy Wilson, former Head Golf Coach and current Associate Director of Athletics at Georgia College (jimmy.wilson@gcsu.edu).

14. <u>Rules.</u>

The 2019-20 Hard Card will be posted on the Division II Women's golf landing page on www.NCAA.org. in January.

 Pre-Championships Manual. The 2019-20 NCAA Division II Women's Golf manual will be available on <u>www.ncaa.org</u> no later than February 7, 2020.

16. NCAA Websites.

www.NCAA.org. and www.NCAA.com.

