

QUICK FACTS

Location	J.D. Morgan Center 325 Westwood Plaza Los Angeles, CA 90095-1639
Founded	1919
Colors	Blue and Gold
Nickname	Bruins
Enrollment	36,890
Conference	Pacific-10
National Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Athletics Phone	(310) 825-8699
Ticket Office	(310) UCLA-WIN
Bruins' website	uclabruins.com
Pac-10 website	pac-10.org
Athletics Hotline	(310) 825-8575

Tennis Information

2008 Record	25-2
2008 NCAA Finish	T-3rd
2008 Pac-10 Rec. (Finish)	7-0 (1st)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	7/2
Home Court	Los Angeles Tennis Center (LATC)
Capacity	5,800
Surface	Outdoor Hardcourt
Coach's Office Phone	(310) 206-6375
LATC Phone	(310) 208-3838

Key Personnel

Chancellor	Dr. Gene Block
Faculty Rep.	Donald Morrison
Athletic Director	Dan G. Guerrero
Assoc. A.D.	Glenn Toth
Event Manager	Paul Brown
Staff Athletic Trainer	Steve Agee
Student Trainers	Eric Chen
	Stacey Kim

Tennis Staff

Head Coach	Billy Martin
Alma Mater	Univ. of Redlands '89
Record at UCLA (Yrs)	347-65 (15)
Career Record (Yrs)	Same
Assistant Coach	Kris Kwinta
Tennis Operations	Paul Pantapalangkoor
Team Managers	Chris Conway, Barry Goldenberg, Daniel Vu

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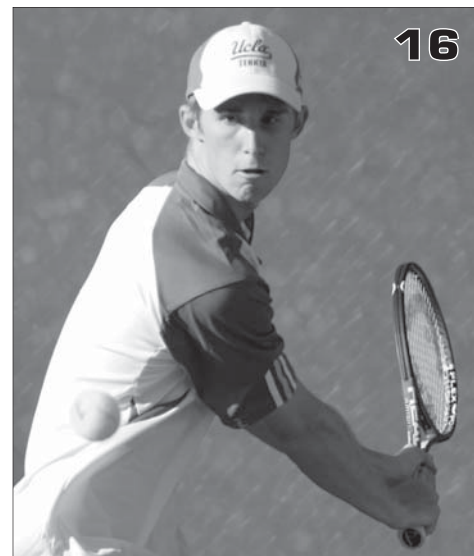
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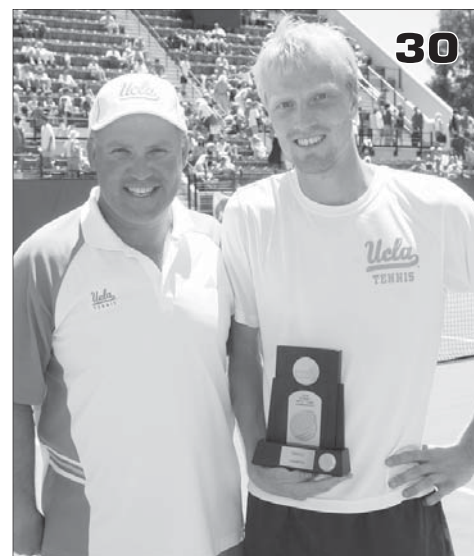
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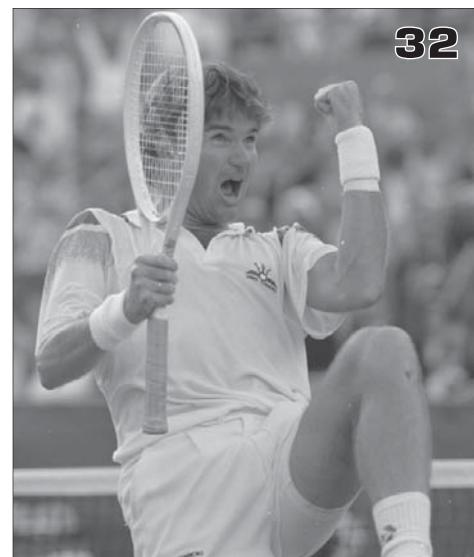
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Senior Michael Look



Head Coach Billy Martin and Benjamin Kohlhoefel



Former world No. 1 Jimmy Connors

Media Guidelines

General Information

The UCLA Sports Information Office handles all media requests for student-athletes and coaches. Media members wishing to speak to a member of the UCLA men's tennis team can call or e-mail Danny Harrington in the UCLA Sports Information Office at (310) 206-8075 / dannyh@ucla.edu. All requests should be submitted at least 24 hours in advance to assure availability.

Interview Policies/Availability

Players have been instructed not to grant any interview, in person or by telephone, not arranged by a member of UCLA's sports information staff. Player telephone numbers are private and will not be released. The UCLA team is scheduled to practice weekday afternoons at the Los Angeles Tennis Center. Players and coaches are available before or after practice. Arrangements for court access must be made in advance to the Sports Information Office. The best time to reach head coach Billy Martin is in his office from Noon - 2 p.m.

Travel Information

For security purposes, the UCLA Sports Information Office does not release to the general public any travel information for UCLA athletic teams. If you would like to reach a member of the UCLA men's tennis team on the road, please contact the Sports Information Office.



Nick Meister is interviewed following his singles win over USC at the 2008 NCAA Championships.

Head coach Billy Martin speaks with the media at the 2005 NCAA Championships



The Los Angeles Tennis Center

The Los Angeles Tennis Center is located on the UCLA campus next to Drake Stadium and Pauley Pavilion. From Los Angeles International Airport, take Century Blvd. east to the San Diego Freeway (405). Take the San Diego Freeway north to Wilshire Blvd. East. Turn left on Westwood Blvd. and stop at the parking kiosk. Parking is available in Lots 6 or 8, which are adjacent to the LATC.

NCAA Tournament Procedures

Members of the press looking to gain access to NCAA Regional matches at the Los Angeles Tennis Center must call the UCLA Sports Information Office at least 24 hours in advance of competition. Unlike regular-season matches where admission is free, the NCAA requires that all working press obtain a press pass to cover the event.

UCLA Website / FanFone

All results, weekly releases and statistics can be accessed via UCLA's official athletic website: www.uclabruins.com. If you would like to be included on the e-mail list for weekly releases, please contact Danny Harrington at (310) 206-8075. The number for the UCLA FanFone is (310) 825-8575. It is updated each evening following that day's competition.

Media Outlets

Los Angeles Times

(p) - 213-237-7145
(f) - 213-237-7876
(e) - sports.latimes.com

Orange County Register

(p) - 714-796-7817
(f) - 714-565-6765
(e) - sports@ocregister.com

Los Angeles Daily News

(p) - 818-713-3600
(f) - 818-713-3436
(e) - dnlasports@dailynews.com

Long Beach Press-Telegram

(p) - 562-499-1338
(f) - 562-437-8914
(e) - sports@presstelegram.com

Pasadena Star/SG Valley Tribune

(p) - 626-962-8811
(f) - 626-856-2758

South Bay Daily Breeze

(p) - 310-540-4201
(f) - 310-540-3067
(e) - sports@dailybreeze.com

Riverside Press-Enterprise

(p) - 951-782-7596
(f) - 951-782-6009
(e) - sports@pe.com

UCLA Daily Bruin

(p) - 310-825-2095
(f) - 310-206-0906
(e) - sports@media.ucla.edu

Inside Tennis

(p) - 510-836-4556
(f) - 510-836-4563
Bill Simmons - Editor

Tennis Magazine

(p) - 203-373-7278

Tennis Week

(p) - 212-808-4750
(f) - 212-983-6302

KCBS (Ch. 2)

(p) - 323-460-3252
(f) - 323-460-3337

KNBC (Ch. 4)

(p) - 818-840-4237
(f) - 818-840-3076

KABC (Ch. 7)

(p) - 818-863-7677
(f) - 818-863-7889

KTTLA (Ch. 5)

(p) - 323-460-5907

KCAL (Ch. 9)

(p) - 323-460-3252
(f) - 323-460-3337

KTTV (Ch. 11)

(p) - 310-584-2030
(f) - 310-584-2450

KCOP (Ch. 13)

(p) - 310-584-2030
(f) - 310-584-2450

Associated Press (LA)

(p) - 213-626-1200
(f) - 213-346-0200
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Sports Ticker

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Faculty, Students & Alumni

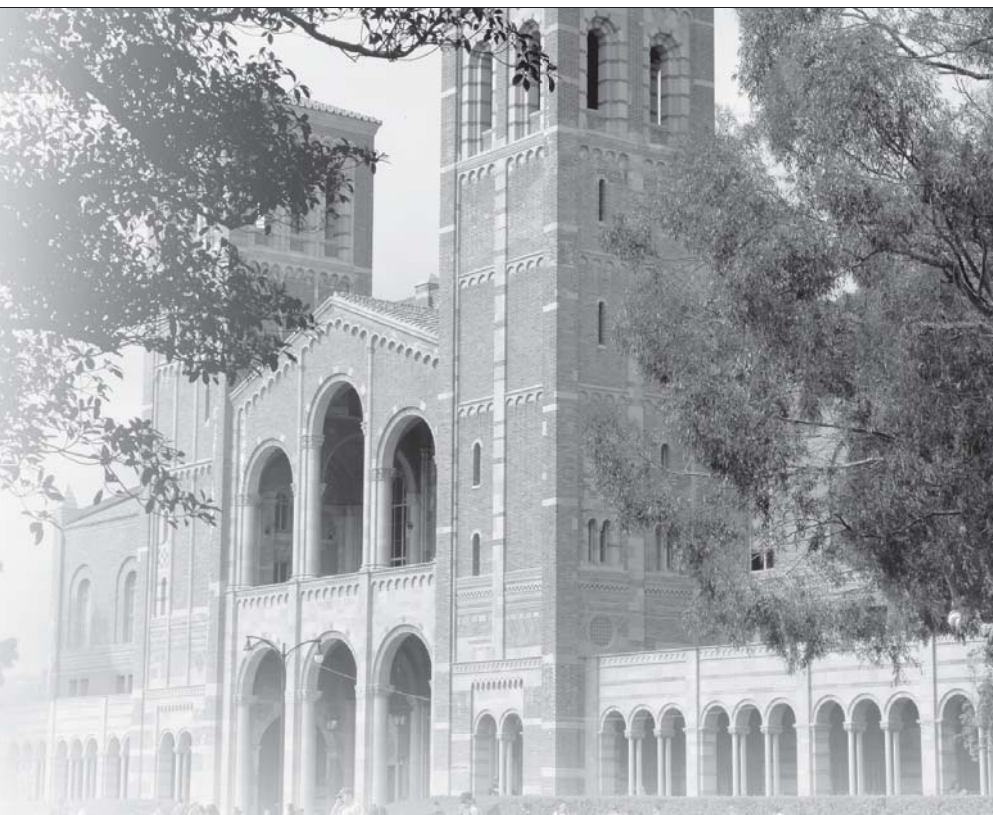
UCLA faculty have been awarded two Nobel Prizes in recent years: biochemist Paul Boyer in chemistry (1997) and pharmacologist Louis Ignarro in medicine (1998). Among faculty there have been three other Nobelists, nine National Medals of Science recipients and hundreds of Guggenheim Fellowships, Fulbright Awards and other academic distinctions. UCLA educates more students than any other university in California and was the most sought-after institution in the nation for this fall's freshman class. At UCLA, thousands of students extend their educations beyond the classroom by working directly with faculty on research projects. Many UCLA undergraduates participate in major research studies, working one-on-one with world-renowned scholars as they discover and create new knowledge. UCLA's alumni are bright stars on the world stage. They include leaders of industry and commerce — Oscar, Grammy, Tony, and Emmy winners; philanthropists and public servants; Olympians and professional athletes; educators, engineers, bankers, and astronauts.

Books & Technology

The UCLA Library is ranked among the top ten academic research libraries in North America with holdings of nearly 7.6 million volumes. From the birth of the Internet at UCLA in 1969, UCLA continues to be a leader in resources for learning. UCLA is nationally recognized for developing ground-breaking computer services for undergraduates and was the first university to have a website for every undergraduate student. The university provides an innovative, on-line tool called "My.ucla.edu," which provides a webpage tailored to each student's academic needs.

Health Care

Each year more than 300,000 patients from Southern California, the U.S. and around the globe come to the world-renowned UCLA Medical Center for treatment, while thousands more area residents receive care through Santa Monica-UCLA, primary care offices and community outreach health programs. The four schools in the medical enterprise are medicine, dentistry, nursing and public health. The medical center has been ranked as the best hospital in the West by U.S. News & World Report for 14 consecutive years. A new state-of-the-art medical center, which includes UCLA Medical Center, UCLA Neuropsychiatric Hospital and Mattel Children's Hospital at UCLA, is under construction and is scheduled to open in



2005. Santa Monica-UCLA renovations are scheduled for completion in 2006. Ground-breaking research is constantly taking place in the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Gonda (Goldschmied) Neuroscience and Genetics Research Center and in many other centers and laboratories on campus.

Outreach & Community Service

From its founding, UCLA has been an integral and contributing part of the greater Los Angeles community. Outreach programs and volunteerism are as much a part of UCLA as academics and research, with hundreds of UCLA-sponsored programs providing a wide range of opportunities. Nearly 30 percent of UCLA's undergraduates volunteer for these programs, including tutoring youths, adults and incarcerated youths; addressing health and educational needs of underserved communities; combating poverty and homelessness; aiding the elderly and disabled; and providing legal, social, medical and educational assistance to community residents.

Through academic outreach, UCLA works with K-12 schools throughout Los Angeles to help greater numbers of students prepare to compete successfully for college. UCLA also is partnering with community colleges to increase the number of underrepresented students transferring to the university. Additionally, UCLA faculty, researchers and students provide

leadership and public service in health care, law, economic development, social welfare, urban planning, public policy, arts and the environment. Most academic departments have research projects, field studies or student internships that affect people's lives in Los Angeles, the state and the nation.

The Arts

A diverse array of public arts programming makes UCLA the leading arts and cultural center of the West. More than 500,000 people annually attend arts events including theater, music, opera and dance performances, lectures, poetry readings, exhibitions, film screenings, and media arts that are presented by UCLA's two professional arts schools. Check the websites at www.arts.ucla.edu and www.tft.ucla.edu for more information.

Lifelong Learning

Another prime example of UCLA's connecting with the community is through UCLA Extension, one of the nation's largest divisions of continuing higher education, offering more than 4,500 courses each year in diverse fields of study. In addition, the university conducts guided walking tours and distributes self-guided tour maps. For further information, call (310) 825-8764 or check out UCLA on the Web at www.ucla.edu.

Head coach Billy Martin coaches Holden Seguso against Texas at last year's NCAA Championships in Tulsa, Okla.

Q&A With Head Coach Billy Martin

Q: Before we talk about this year, can you quickly wrap up last year? It turned out to be quite a season despite losing your top four players from the year before.

A: Last year was just a dream year. It was my favorite year of coaching without a doubt. I went into last season with the least amount of expectations that I've had in my prior 24 years of coaching. Last year really showed me just how much team camaraderie and team chemistry means, as it was by far our closest group of guys. Everyone got along so well and that really made a difference. It was also our most focused team in the sense that everyone had just one goal and that was to win every match we could. I had the least amount of problems with players being concerned about where they played in the lineup. If anyone would've told me at the beginning of the year that we would win the Pac-10, beat USC three times, finish the season with just two losses and make the semifinals of the NCAA Tournament I never would've believed them. So yes, it was just a dream season in many ways.

Q: From a coaching standpoint, did you learn anything from last year's team?

A: Absolutely. Last year really showed me that if you have the right attitude, meaning you are not fearing losing and everyone is fighting for the same thing, that great things are possible. I think if you looked up and down all six courts everyone was really fighting and trying to contribute to the team. We've been guilty in the past of having some players not really giving their all on certain days and that was something that rarely ever happened last year.

Q: Now, focusing on this year's team, it looks like to be one of your strongest teams in recent years. Would you agree?

A: Yes, it looks like we could have a very good team and I certainly feel that we have a very good team, but a lot of it is going to depend on getting that same chemistry and cohesiveness that we were able to attain last year. If everyone has the same mindset as last year and really goes out and gives it their all in every match, this team will be very good. We were the underdogs in so many matches last year and I think that kind of helped in a way because you can go out and play a little looser. It's one of my worries this year to be quite honest because now we are going to be the favorites in a lot of matches. We need to have an attitude in matches that we aren't playing to defend what we have, we're playing to prove ourselves. That's the attitude we had last year and that's why I feel we did so well.

Q: What would you say is the greatest strength of this year's team?

A: I would have to say depth. In my opinion we have seven or eight really good players for six spots. If for some reason we have an injury, and I really hope we don't, there is going to be a really good player ready to step in and play for us at No. 6. So I think that depth is definitely one of our strengths. I'd also say that we have a very mature team. Our returning players have been through a long season before and know what to expect. And then the transfers that are going to be playing for us, Matt Brooklyn [ASU] and Amit Inbar [Maryland], were both the top players at their schools last year. So college tennis isn't going to be anything new to these guys. We're not going to have to throw anyone to the wolves, so

to speak, and I think that's really important when it comes to playing in big matches like at the National Team Indoors and the NCAA Championships. The players we have aren't going to be in awe of any of those situations. And lastly, I'd say our final strength is going to be doubles. We have three solid teams that can all play at any spot in the lineup.

Q: Harel Srugo and Michael Look are the two senior captains this year. Is that where you expect the leadership to come from?

A: Without a doubt. Harel ended up being a very good leader for us last year, really showing great maturity at No. 1 singles and doubles. Michael is right up there too. And you can't forget [Haythem] Abid either. This would really be his senior year if he hadn't gotten hurt. But you know, we have a really great group of guys who are all very mature and extremely focused. I'm not as much worried about leadership this year as I have been in the past.

Q: You mentioned doubles being one of the strengths of the team this year. Who do you see playing together?

A: I just recently made up my mind which three teams that I see starting the year for us. And this is in no particular order because I really feel that we have three equally good teams. First off, I'm going to keep Nick [Meister] and Harel [Srugo] together. They are coming off a great year and really played some fantastic doubles towards the end of last year and into the NCAA Tournament. I think Holden [Seguso] and Matt [Brooklyn] will see a lot of time together, as will Amit Inbar and [Haythem] Abid. So those are the three teams that I see starting out the year for us. And this doesn't even include Michael Look, who was really solid for us in doubles

last year. He is coming off a wrist injury so I'd kind of like to utilize him in singles and not do too much with him right off the bat. He's a guy with a lot of experience that can step in and take up a doubles spot if someone can't play for any reason.

Q: And how do you see the singles lineup shaping up?

A: I would say that I see Abid and Srugo playing in the top two spots, and I will probably have both play No. 1 at some point during the year. I see Seguso and Brooklyn in the three and four slots similar to Abid and Srugo, where both are going to play No. 3 at some point. Rounding out the last two spots in the lineup are probably going to be Amit Inbar, Nick Meister and Michael Look. That's three very good players for only two spots so it's going to be interesting to see which two players decide that they want to really fight for that last spot in the lineup. You could even throw Ahmed Ismail in there. He came in and played a few matches at No. 6 for us last year and did well. This is why I say that depth is going to be one of our real strengths this year. We essentially have eight very good players for six positions in the lineup.



Harel Srugo played No. 1 singles and doubles for the Bruins in 2008, ending the year ranked No. 23 nationally in singles.

Q: Were you encouraged with what you saw in the fall?

A: I was not overly impressed with our results in the fall to be quite honest, but it's been my past experience that most of our players really look forward to the team part of the season and aren't too concerned with individual results - especially with the upperclassmen who have played all those tournaments a number of times. Don't get me wrong, I think the team worked hard, but I just didn't see the real competitiveness that tends to come out when you're playing for the team. And I actually respect that in the players because we as coaches always preach that the team results are

the most important. Where you are in the lineup and where you are ranked nationally is always secondary. I think the team has really bought into that mindset.

Q: What do you think are some of the keys to having a successful season again this year?

A: Our key is just to make sure we stay hungry and competitive. I think the coaches, the players, and even some of our opponents know we are going to be good, but that only takes you so far. What I don't know right now is just how hungry and how much

this team wants to win a championship. I think we could be our own worst enemy to be quite honest. We know that there are going to be some teams gunning for us - we're not going to be given a free ride anywhere. I think we are one of maybe eight teams that have a really good shot at winning a national championship with a little luck. My job as coach is just going to keep the team focused and make sure everyone works really hard. With that being said, I also think it's my job to keep it fun and relaxed. I think I've learned over the years that it also has to be fun. That's also what was so great last year was that we really did have a good time together. I want that to continue this year and I think it will because we have good players who will keep it that way.

Q: Who do you see as the toughest roadblock in the team's quest for a sixth straight Pac-10 title?

A: I think Stanford is an unbelievably great team this year. They added a few players who are really going to make them a special team. As usual USC is going to be good. But Stanford is going to be tough for us because we play the Pac-10 counting match up there this year. We're fortunate in that the counting match with USC is going to be at our place. You know, winning the Pac-10 is always one of our three goals, along with going undefeated at home and winning the NCAA Championship. The Pac-10 is never easy and we are going to have our work cut out for us as usual. I'm really proud that we've been able to win five Pac-10 titles in a row. I guess I'm greedy enough to want a sixth.

2009 Roster

Name	Ht.	Yr.	R/L	Hometown (Previous School)
Haythem Abid	6-2	RJr.	L	Tunis, Tunisia (Garbi School)
Eugen Brazdil	6-0	Fr.	L	Topolcany, Slovakia (Gymnazium Pierra de Coubertina)
Alex Brigham	6-0	Fr.	R	Culver City, Calif. (Pacifica Christian)
Matt Brooklyn	5-11	Jr.	R	Hillingdon, England (Arizona State)
Adam Draper	6-3	Sr.	R	Atherton, Calif. (Phillips Academy)
Jake Fleming	5-11	RFr.	R	Newport Beach, Calif. (Newport Harbor)
Jeff Gast	6-3	RFr.	R	Saratoga, Calif. (Saratoga)
Amit Inbar	6-0	So.	L	Tel Aviv, Israel (Maryland)
Ahmed Ismail	6-0	So.	R	Cairo, Egypt (Nordhoff)
Dathan Kupp	5-11	Fr.	R	Los Angeles, Calif. (Buckley)
Evan Lee	5-7	Fr.	R	Los Angeles, Calif. (Windward)
Michael Look	6-2	Sr.	R	Redcliffe, Australia (Grace Lutheran College)
Nick Meister	5-10	So.	R	Trabuco Canyon, Calif. (Tesoro)
Holden Seguso	6-2	So.	R	Bradenton, Fla. (Bradenton Academy)
Harel Srugo	5-9	Sr.	R	Kibbutz Gazit, Israel (Old Dominion)

Head Coach: Billy Martin (16th Season, Redlands '89)

Assistant Coach: Kris Kwinta (2nd Season, UCLA '07)

Director of Tennis Operations: Paul Pantapalangkoor (2nd Season, UC Riverside '04)

Team Managers: Chris Conway, Barry Goldenberg, Daniel Vu



Senior Michael Look won 23 singles matches a year ago, holding down the No. 4 spot in the lineup. He was also 2-3-4 at No. 3 doubles with partner Jeremy Drea.