

Highlights

Sharks flash killer instinct: Death. Taxes. And Nova Southeastern.

Those appear to be the inevitabilities facing any challengers that set their sights on the NCAA Division II Women's Golf Championships in the near future.

Nova Southeastern waltzed to its second consecutive team title May 15 at Longbow Golf Club, crushing runner-up Rollins by 40 strokes. The Sharks finished at 44-over-par 1,180.

"We played solidly 1 through 5 all week," said coach Kevin Marsh, the national Division II coach of the year for two years running. "Each player made a major contribution.

"But I heard someone say that success isn't measured in one or two years; it's measured over 10 years. Rollins and Florida Southern have been doing it for a decade. That's what we aspire to."

The Sharks showed up at Longbow with a talented, experienced team - and played like it.

They were led by Sandra Changkija, national Division II player of the year for the third consecutive season. Changkija, who tied for second last year, won the individual championship by shooting even-par 284. She was 1 over in the final round.

"It's my biggest thrill in golf; that and being three-time player of the year," said Changkija, who won seven tournaments this season.

"My goal today was to shoot 67, because I had accepted the fact that if Maria (Luz Besio, who entered the day leading) shot even par, then I would tie her."

Changkija said she was unaware that she was actually leading most of the day, due to Besio's struggles.

"Our assistant coach kept telling me, 'Just trust me. Just keep making pars,'" Changkija said. "I actually didn't know I was going to win until the 18th."

Changkija said she plans to attend qualifying school in September. But if she does not finish in the top 30, she'll be back for another run with Nova Southeastern.

"It would be great to make it three in a row," she said.

Marsh called Changkija "by far the hardest worker I've ever seen in collegiate golf. Her focus is so intense, and her results reflect that."

All-American Maria Garcia Austt built on her strong seventh-place finish last year by tying for fourth at 15 over. The senior is the only player who won't be back next year.

"Maria is so talented," Marsh said. "She's so creative on the golf course. She was runner-up as a freshman. We're definitely going to miss her."

Nicole Whitmore, who had finished 14th in 2009, tied for seventh at 18 over. "She has really grown as a player and as a student-athlete," Marsh said. "Her top-10 finish just shows that."

National freshman of the year Abbey Gittings tied for 16th at 23 over. "Abbey had an amazing freshman year," Marsh said. "She was thrown into the fire right away, and she rose to the standard."

And All-American Taylor Collins duplicated last year's tie for 21st, carding a 25 over.

"Taylor took a huge step this year," Marsh said. "She won a Division I tournament and shot 6 under par. She doesn't even realize how good she can be."

The race for second place was as jumbled as Nova Southeastern's victory was foregone. Rollins came in second at 1,220, Florida Southern third at 1,221 and Tarleton State fourth at 1,222.

Nova Southeastern earned its first trip to the nationals in 2008 and finished second, seven strokes behind Sunshine State Conference rival Rollins.

2010 TEAM STANDINGS

(Par 284-1,136)

1. *Nova Southeastern.....	298-285-296-301.....	1,180
2. Rollins.....	306-306-302-306.....	1,220
3. Fla. Southern.....	317-302-303-299.....	1,221
4. Tarleton St.....	311-305-306-300.....	1,222
5. Sonoma St.....	313-305-305-313.....	1,236
6. Grand Valley St.....	315-312-319-303.....	1,249
7. Cal St. Monterey Bay.....	319-311-314-310.....	1,254
8. California (PA).....	317-321-320-310.....	1,268
9. Indianapolis.....	317-316-325-316.....	1,274
10. Augustana (SD).....	327-317-317-335.....	1,296
11. Minn. St. Mankato.....	325-323-327-332.....	1,307
12. Western N.M.....	349-344-335-324.....	1,352

* Team Scores: Sandra Changkija, 74-67-71-72—284; Maria Garcia Austt, 75-74-78-72—299; Nicole Whitmore, 75-75-73-79—302; Abbey Gittings, 74-80-74-79—307; Taylor Collins, 83-69-79-78—309.

2010 INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

(Par 71-284)

1. Sandra Changkija, Nova Southeastern.....	74-67-71-72.....	284
2. Maria Luz Besio, Newberry.....	71-68-69-82.....	290
3. Joanna Coe, Rollins.....	74-70-77-74.....	295
4. Melanie Audette, Fla. Southern.....	82-72-74-71.....	299
Maria Garcia Austt, Nova Southeastern.....	75-74-78-72.....	299
Ashley Smith, Grand Valley St.....	77-74-75-73.....	299
7. Carla Cooper, Tarleton St.....	79-76-73-74.....	302
Emily Kvidera, Augustana (SD).....	72-74-76-80.....	302

Nicole Whitmore, Nova Southeastern.....	75-75-73-79.....	302
10. Spencer Heller, Sonoma St.....	77-76-73-77.....	303
11. Cecilia Chudivan, Cal St. Monterey Bay.....	75-71-76-82.....	304
12. Dianne Luke, California (PA).....	78-81-76-70.....	305
13. Brittany Carrera, Sonoma St.....	79-76-77-74.....	306
Jacqueline Lau, Tarleton St.....	76-76-79-75.....	306
Andrea Lowe, Tarleton St.....	83-73-76-74.....	306
16. Silvie Dittertova, Fla. Southern.....	82-73-77-75.....	307
Abbey Gittings, Nova Southeastern.....	74-80-74-79.....	307
18. Lyndsey Beville, Northern Ky.....	81-73-78-76.....	308
Lyndsay McBride, Indianapolis.....	80-76-76-76.....	308
Raelyn Smith, Angelo St.....	80-78-77-73.....	308
21. Taylor Collins, Nova Southeastern.....	83-69-79-78.....	309
Sarah Hoffman, Grand Valley St.....	76-77-81-75.....	309
Kim Ulander, Fla. Southern.....	81-77-73-78.....	309
Daniela Vargas, Rollins.....	79-80-75-75.....	309
25. Marianne Andersson, Fla. Southern.....	76-80-79-75.....	310
Darcy Lake, Cal St. Monterey Bay.....	78-79-77-76.....	310
27. Shweta Galande, Mo.-St. Louis.....	80-80-77-74.....	311
Fabia Rothenfluh, Rollins.....	81-79-74-77.....	311
Katy Ward, Tarleton St.....	74-81-79-77.....	311
30. McKenzie Holthaus, Upper Iowa.....	78-82-76-76.....	312
Brianna Seo, Rollins.....	79-77-76-80.....	312
Courtney Soekland, Cal St. Monterey Bay.....	80-78-79-75.....	312
33. Caitlin Bennett, Grand Valley St.....	78-80-79-76.....	313
34. Georgina Dunn, Grand Canyon.....	77-76-83-78.....	314
Isadora Stapff, Barry.....	78-79-78-79.....	314
36. Chelsa Helget-Robinson, Sonoma St.....	78-79-79-81.....	317
Sarah Prascsak, Indianapolis.....	78-77-82-80.....	317

	Melanie Tham, Tarleton St.....	82-80-78-77.....	317	58.	Sara Wissing, Neb.-Kearney	82-85-84-81.....	332
39.	Maria Lopez, California (PA).....	82-82-79-76.....	319	59.	Megan Kiley, Indianapolis.....	83-85-81-85.....	334
	Jenna Rothermel, California (PA).....	79-76-79-85.....	319	60.	Kathleen Ritter, Minn. St. Mankato	90-79-86-80.....	335
	Kate Tobin, Augustana (SD).....	83-77-75-84.....	319		Katie Sharpe, Western Wash.	83-85-84-83.....	335
42.	Katrina Choate, Drury	83-74-83-80.....	320	62.	Allie Tyler, Grand Valley St.	89-87-84-79.....	339
	Emily Flanigan, Fla. Southern	78-81-79-82.....	320	63.	Lorena Aranda, California (PA)	85-82-92-82.....	341
	Carley Warrington, Belmont Abbey.....	81-79-80-80.....	320	64.	Jaymie Halvorson, Minn. St. Mankato	85-91-82-84.....	342
45.	Elin Marcsdottir, Rollins	74-81-83-84.....	322	65.	Faylyn Beyale, Western N.M.	89-85-89-81.....	344
	Jill Preeshl, Upper Iowa	85-79-79-79.....	322		Carissa Schwalm, Western N.M.	91-88-80-85.....	344
47.	Kassie Ellsworth, Minn. St. Mankato.....	75-79-83-86.....	323	67.	Haley Raymond, Western N.M.	91-92-89-80.....	352
	Tara Mortimeyer, Sonoma St.	84-77-76-86.....	323	68.	Jenny Benoy, Augustana (SD)	93-84-92-84.....	353
49.	Glynnis Price, Western N.M.	85-84-77-78.....	324		Megan Downey, Western N.M.	84-87-96-86.....	353
	Tess Russell, Sonoma St.	79-76-88-81.....	324	70.	Leticia Halas, Cal St. Monterey Bay.....	93-92-92-81.....	358
51.	Darin Pinnick, Indianapolis.....	79-80-87-79.....	325	71.	Kelli Lowry, Augustana (SD)	91-94-94-87.....	366
52.	Kelly Lauer, Augustana (SD)	81-82-74-90.....	327		DNF - Karina Palmberg, California (PA).....	78-X-86-82.....	
53.	Lisa Moline, Minn. St. Mankato.....	84-82-78-85.....	329				
	Gianna Waddy, Cal St. Monterey Bay	86-83-82-78.....	329				
55.	Allison Tyler, Indianapolis.....	80-83-86-81.....	330				
56.	Ashley Beard, Grand Valley St.....	84-81-84-82.....	331				
	Samantha Bergmann, Minn. St. Mankato	81-83-84-83.....	331				

History

Team Results

Year	Champion	Coach	Score	Runner-Up	Score	Host or Site
2000.....	Fla. Southern	Robbie Davis	1,259	Rollins	1,266	Lone Star Conference
2001.....	Fla. Southern	Robbie Davis	1,250	Rollins	1,266	Rock Hill, S.C.
2002.....	Fla. Southern	Robbie Davis	1,234	Barry	1,308	Grand Valley St.
2003.....	Rollins	Julie Garner	1,237	Fla. Southern	1,276	Howey-in-the Hills, Fla.
2004.....	Rollins	Julie Garner	1,196	Ferris St.	1,264	Orlando, Fla.
				Fla. Southern	1,264	
2005.....	Rollins	Julie Garner	1,185	Grand Valley St.	1,220	Western N.M.
2006.....	Rollins	Julie Garner	919	Ferris St.	925	Grand Valley St.
2007.....	Fla. Southern	Robbie Davis	1,188	Rollins	1,198	West Fla.
2008.....	Rollins	Julie Garner	1,181	Nova Southeastern	1,188	Houston
2009.....	Nova Southeastern	Kevin Marsh	1,230	Grand Valley St.	1,245	Findlay
2010.....	Nova Southeastern	Kevin Marsh	1,180	Rollins	1,220	Mesa, Ariz.

\$Tournament shortened to three rounds due to weather.
(From 1996-99, Divisions II and III competed in a combined championship. For results, see Discontinued Championships.)
(Note: Par-73 tournament held in 2002-03-05; par-71 tournament held in 2000-10; all other championships par-72 tournaments.)

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rollins 5, Fla. Southern 4, Nova Southeastern 2.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rollins 4, Fla. Southern 3, Florida Tech, Grand Valley St., Indianapolis, Nova Southeastern, 1 each.

Individual Records

BEST SCORE (IN RELATION TO PAR), ONE ROUND

- 69 (four under par)—Ashley Kelley, Central Okla., third round, 2005.
- 68 (four under par)—Joanna Coe, Rollins, third round, 2008.
- 67 (four under par)—Sandra Changkija, Nova Southeastern, second round, 2010.

BEST SCORE (IN RELATION TO PAR), AFTER TWO ROUNDS

- 145 (one under par)—Charlotte Campbell, Rollins, 2005.

- 141 (one under par)—Sandra Changkija, Nova Southeastern, second round, 2010.

BEST SCORE (IN RELATION TO PAR), AFTER THREE ROUNDS

- 212 (four under par)—Joanna Coe, Rollins, 2008.

BEST SCORE (IN RELATION TO PAR), AFTER FOUR ROUNDS

- 287 (one under par)—Joanna Coe, Rollins, 2008.

Team Records

(Note: Team score composed of low four individual scores each round.)

BEST SCORE (IN RELATION TO PAR), ONE ROUND

- 293 (one over par)—Rollins, third round, 2005.
- 285 (one over par)—Nova Southeastern, second round, 2010.

BEST SCORE (IN RELATION TO PAR), AFTER FOUR ROUNDS

- 1,185 (17 over par)—Rollins, 2005 (Mariana De Biase 296, Charlotte Campbell and Ulrika Ljungman 298, Marie-Pierre Bernier and Vanessa Vela, 302).

MARGIN OF VICTORY (STROKES)

- 74—Fla. Southern, 2002.

Individual Champions

- 2000 Lisa Cave, Fla. Southern, 310
- 2001 Jana Peterkova, Fla. Southern, 302
- 2002 Jana Peterkova, Fla. Southern, 306
- 2003 Charlotte Campbell, Rollins, 299
- 2004 Charlotte Campbell, Rollins, 299
- 2005 Melissa Sneller, Grand Valley St., 292
- 2006 Mariana De Biase, Rollins, 220
- 2007 Daniela Iacobelli, Florida Tech, 293
- 2008 Joanna Coe, Rollins, 287
- 2009 Lyndsay McBride, Indianapolis, 298
- 2010 Sandra Changkija, Nova Southeastern, 284

Team Finishes

Team (Years Participated)	Yrs.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Best Finish (Year[s])
Augustana (SD) (2008-09-10)	3	0	0	0	0	0	8th (2008)
Barry (2002)	1	0	1	0	0	0	2nd (2002)
California (PA) (2010)	1	0	0	0	0	0	8th (2010)
Cal St. Chico (2009)	1	0	0	0	0	0	12th (2009)
Cal St. Monterey Bay (2010)	1	0	0	0	0	0	7th (2010)
Concordia-St. Paul (2009)	1	0	0	0	0	0	9th (2009)
Drury (2005-07)	2	0	0	0	1	0	4th (2007)
Ferris St. (2001-04-05-06-07-08-09)	7	0	2	1	2	1	2nd (2004-06)
Fla. Southern (2000-01-02-03-04-05-07-09-10)	9	4	2	2	0	1	1st (2000-01-02-07)
Grand Valley St. (2000-02-03-04-05-06-08-09-10)	9	0	2	1	2	1	2nd (2005-09)
Indianapolis (2009-10)	2	0	0	1	0	0	3rd (2009)
Longwood (2000-01-03)	3	0	0	0	1	1	4th (2001)
Lynn (2006)	1	0	0	1	0	0	3rd (2006)
Minn. St. Mankato (2000-01-02-03-04-05-06-10)	8	0	0	0	0	1	5th (2000)
Neb.-Omaha (2002-05-06-08)	4	0	0	0	0	0	7th (2005-06-08)
North Dakota (2000-07)	2	0	0	0	0	0	6th (2007)
Northeastern St. (2000-01-02-03-04-07)	6	0	0	1	1	0	3rd (2000)
Northern Colo. (2001-03)	2	0	0	1	0	0	3rd (2003)
Northern Ky. (2002)	1	0	0	1	0	0	3rd (2002)
Nova Southeastern (2008-09-10)	3	2	1	0	0	0	1st (2009-10)
Rollins (2000-01-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10)	10	5	4	1	0	0	1st (2003-04-05-06-08)
St. Cloud St. (2004)	1	0	0	0	0	0	8th (2004)
St. Mary's (TX) (2003)	1	0	0	0	0	0	6th (2003)
Sonoma St. (2010)	1	0	0	0	0	1	5th (2010)
Tarleton St. (2007-08-09-10)	4	0	0	0	1	2	4th (2010)
Truman (2007)	1	0	0	0	0	0	8th (2007)
Upper Iowa (2009)	1	0	0	0	0	0	8th (2009)
West Tex. A&M (2009)	1	0	0	0	0	0	9th (2009)
Western N.M. (2000-01-02-06-10)	5	0	0	1	2	0	3rd (2001)
Western Wash. (2004-05-06-08)	4	0	0	0	0	3	5th (2004-05-06)

All-Time Team Results

2000: 1. Fla. Southern, 1,259; 2. Rollins, 1,266; 3. Northeastern St., 1,330; 4. Western N.M., 1,337; 5. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,374; 6. Grand Valley St., 1,381; 7. Longwood, 1,385; 8. North Dakota, 1,463.

2001: 1. Fla. Southern, 1,250; 2. Rollins, 1,266; 3. Western N.M., 1,313; 4. Longwood, 1,333; 5. Ferris St., 1,360; 6. Northern Colo., 1,368; 7. Northeastern St., 1,372; 8. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,421.

2002: 1. Fla. Southern, 1,234; 2. Barry, 1,308; 3. Northern Ky., 1,327; 4. Western N.M., 1,329; 5. Grand Valley St., 1,339; 6. Northeastern St., 1,341; 7. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,363; 8. Neb.-Omaha, 1,372.

2003: 1. Rollins, 1,237; 2. Fla. Southern, 1,276; 3. Northern Colo., 1,312; 4. Grand Valley St., 1,321; 5. Longwood, 1,324; 6. St. Mary's (TX), 1,335; 7. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,337; 8. Northeastern St., 1,377.

2004: 1. Rollins, 1,196; 2. (tie) Ferris St. and Fla. Southern, 1,264; 4. Northeastern St., 1,265; 5. Western Wash., 1,279; 6. Grand Valley St., 1,280; 7. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,289; 8. St. Cloud St., 1,305.

2005: 1. Rollins, 1,185; 2. Grand Valley St., 1,220; 3. Fla. Southern, 1,243; 4. Ferris St., 1,251; 5. Western Wash., 1,270; 6. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,292; 7. Neb.-Omaha, 1,302; 8. Drury, 1,305.

2006: 1. Rollins, 919; 2. Ferris St., 925; 3. Lynn, 952; 4. Grand Valley St., 963; 5. Western Wash., 967; 6. Western N.M., 970; 7. Neb.-Omaha, 977; 8. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,004.

Tournament shortened to three rounds due to weather.

2007: 1. Fla. Southern, 1,188; 2. Rollins, 1,198; 3. Ferris St., 1,228; 4. Drury, 1,237; 5. Tarleton St., 1,252; 6. North Dakota, 1,255; 7. Northeastern St., 1,276; 8. Truman, 1,295.

2008: 1. Rollins, 1,181; 2. Nova Southeastern, 1,188; 3. Grand Valley St., 1,221; 4. Ferris St., 1,239; 5. Tarleton St., 1,242; 6. Western Wash., 1,253; 7. Neb.-Omaha, 1,269; 8. Augustana (SD), 1,283.

2009: 1. Nova Southeastern, 1,230; 2. Grand Valley St., 1,245; 3. (tie) Indianapolis and Rollins, 1,248; 5. Fla. Southern, 1,258; 6. (tie) Ferris St. and Tarleton St., 1,275; 8. Upper Iowa, 1,303; 9. (tie) Concordia-St. Paul and West Tex. A&M, 1,318; 11. Augustana (SD), 1,354; 12. Cal St. Chico, 1,361.

2010: 1. Nova Southeastern, 1,180; 2. Rollins, 1,220; 3. Fla. Southern, 1,221; 4. Tarleton St., 1,222; 5. Sonoma St., 1,236; 6. Grand Valley St., 1,249; 7. Cal St. Monterey Bay, 1,254; 8. California (PA), 1,268; 9. Indianapolis, 1,274; 10. Augustana (SD), 1,296; 11. Minn. St. Mankato, 1,307; 12. Western N.M., 1,352.