

SDHSGCA HOF 2019: AWARDS PRESENTATION NARRATIVE

After graduating from Dakota State University, Daryl Fletcher started teaching and coaching at Elk Point in 1973, continued through their consolidation with Jefferson in 1994, and retired in 2007. During his thirty-four years, Daryl coached many different sports, but he always at the helm or both the boy's and the girl's programs.

Six state championships, four runner-up, and six individual titles are all attributed to Daryl plus over three hundred duels, fifteen region titles, numerous invitationals, and conference wins. Many of Coach Fletcher's players went on to play collegiately or coach and work in the sport of golf.

Coach Fletcher was selected three times as the SDHSCA Golf Coach of the Year and was nominated several other times. Daryl was also nominated four times as the National High School Golf Coach of the Year and was a finalist in 1999. He is already in the SDHSCA Hall of Fame and the Dakota State University Hall of Fame.

Daryl worked closely with the City of Elk Point where he ran and directed their summer recreating program and for twenty-eight years, he volunteered to coach junior golf. Daryl led fundraisers for his school's booster club, served twenty-five years on the Board of Directors for The Point Golf Club, and was instrumental in building their new Golf Center. He was also the men's leagues president for several years.

"Fletch" is also a lifetime member of the SDHSCA, attended decades worth of local conventions, and was President in '97-98. He was also a member of the SDHSGCA and was Executive Director in '96-97.

Put your hands together to congratulate Coach Daryl Fletcher in the 2019 Inaugural Class of the South Dakota High School Golf Coaches Hall of Fame.

PLAQUE NARRATIVE

Golf Coaching Experience: Elk Point HS, Head Boys and Girls, 1973-1993, Elk Point-Jefferson HS, Head Boys and Girls, 1994-2007.

Coaching Service: SDHSCA Life-Time Member, SDHSCA President 1997-1998, and SDHSGCA Executive Director 1996-1997.

Golf Contributions: Educator 34 years, Board of Directors The Pointe Golf Club 25 years, Junior Golf Volunteer 18 years, Men's League President, Booster, and Leader in Construction of The Pointe Golf Center.

Accolades: National Golf Coach of the Year Finalist; Three time South Dakota High School Coaches Association Golf Coach of the Year; South Dakota High School Coaches Hall of Fame; Dakota State University Hall of Fame
Six South Dakota State Championships; Four Runner Up Finishes

