



BOB TURNER

For decades, Bob Turner, affectionately known as “Coach T”, has been a mainstay in the girls soccer coaching community in New Jersey. Holding multiple coaching and leadership roles over the years from youth soccer to the college sidelines, Bob’s indelible presence has influenced countless players who went on to experience success on the youth level from club soccer to the Olympic Developmental Program. A member of multiple halls of fame, we tonight welcome Bob Turner into the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame.

A graduate of the Pennington School and a member of the Red Raider’s Athletic Hall of Fame, Bob was a two sport star at the University of Miami, playing both soccer and basketball for the Hurricanes. After leaving Miami, Bob returned to Mercer County and fully immersed himself in the girls soccer scene. Coaching some of the preeminent girls teams over the years, Bob’s work with the Revere Travel side saw them progress to the National Club final in 1989 while also taking numerous titles in major club tournaments across the country. Assuming a role with the NJ ODP program, Bob spent 16 years leading the ODP program in the Garden State, helping to

guide players to participation on youth national teams and, on three occasions, NJ teams captured national ODP championships. His dedication to the girls soccer scene garnered him a place in the New Jersey Youth Soccer Hall of Fame in 2012.

In 1990, he joined forces with fellow hall member Joe Russo to get the TCNJ women's soccer program off of the ground, recording a 12-3-1 in their inaugural season, helping to turn it into one of the country's top Division III programs. Concentrating on recruiting for the Lions, Bob helped to guide the Pennington Road team to 31 straight NCAA appearances as well as 13 trips to the Final Four. Those successes included three national titles in 1993, 1994, and 2000 and national finalists in 1996 and 1998. After 32 years and over 500 victories with TCNJ, "Coach T" recently retired to enjoy time with his wife, current Monmouth University women's coach Krissy Turner. Between the two, they are represented in six different Hall of Fame rolls of honor! We welcome Bob Turner, "Coach T" into the 2022 class of inductees of the Mercer County Soccer Hall of Fame.