

IOWA HAWKEYES



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CROSS COUNTRY WEEKLY RELEASE

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2015 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent (Location)	Time
9/4	Early Bird Invitational (Iowa City, Iowa)	6 p.m.
9/11	Illinois State Invitational (Normal, Illinois)	5 p.m.
10/2	Notre Dame Invitational (South Bend, Indiana)	1 p.m.
10/16	Bradley Pink Classic (Peoria, Illinois).4:25 p.m.	
11/1	Big Ten Championships (Evanston, Illinois)	TBA
11/13	NCAA Midwest Regional (Lawrence, Kansas)	TBA
11/21	NCAA Championships (Louisville, Kentucky)	TBA

All times are Central and subject to change.

2015 QUICK FACTS

General Information

Location: Iowa City, Iowa
Enrollment: 31,498
Conference: Big Ten
Facility: Ashton Cross Country Course

Coaching Information

Head Coach: Layne Anderson
Year at Iowa: 13th
Alma Mater, Year: The Citadel, 1989

Volunteer Assistant Coach: John Michael Brandt
Year at Iowa: 2nd
Alma Mater, Year: Iowa, 2013

Student-Assistant Coach: Kevin Lewis
Year at Iowa: 1st
Alma Mater, Year: Iowa, 2015

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THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's and women's cross country teams travel to Peoria, Illinois, for the Bradley Pink Classic on Friday. The men toe the 8,000-meter start line at 4:25 p.m. (CT), while the women's 6,000-meter race begins at 5:05 p.m. The event is hosted at the Newman Golf Course on the campus of Bradley University.

IN THE RANKINGS

The Hawkeye women are slotted at No. 15 in the United States Track & Field/Cross Country Coaches Association regional polls.

LAST TIME OUT

Three Hawkeyes — sophomores Madison Waymire (17:22.7) and Kelly Breen (18:19.4), and freshman Andrea Shine (18:21.2) — recorded personal bests in the women's 5,000-meter race at the Notre Dame Invitational on Oct. 2. Waymire was Iowa's leader, finishing 47th overall. Sophomore Michael Melchert was the top finisher of the men's team in the five-mile race (61st/24:46.8).

WAYMIRE CONTINUES TO PAVE THE WAY

Sophomore Madison Waymire is the first Hawkeye to lead the team in at least three races in a single season since All-American Mareike Schrulle in 2012. The Grimes, Iowa, native captured two top-five finishes in the first two outings this season and improved her 5,000-meter time by 30 seconds at the Notre Dame Invitational on Oct. 2.

NEW YEAR, NEW DYNAMICS

It still remains a race to the front for the Iowa men, who have had three different frontrunners in as many outings this season (Fr. Ian Eklin/Early Bird Invite; Sr. Anthony Gregorio/Illinois State Invite; So. Michael Melchert/Notre Dame Invite). Last year, the Hawkeyes were consistently led by All-Big Ten honoree Kevin Lewis.

CAPTAINS REMAIN CONSISTENT

Junior captains Ben Anderson and Tess Wilberding have been among Iowa's top three finishers in every race this season. The pair tallied two top-15 finishes at both the Early Bird Invitational and the Illinois State Invitational and finished second for Iowa at the Notre Dame Invitational on Oct. 2.

PREP FOR BIG CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Bradley Pink Classic is the second run-in for the men's team at the 8,000 meters prior to the Big Ten Championships on Nov. 1. Senior Anthony Gregorio holds the team's season-best time (25:07.3) at that distance following his ninth-place finish at the Illinois State Invitational on Sept. 11. Friday is the first encounter for the Iowa women at the 6,000-meter distance this season.

THOUGHTS FROM HEAD COACH LAYNE ANDERSON

"We are excited to compete and readily assess our fitness. Our focus is to run at a level reflective of our training and progress with positive momentum in preparation for the championship portion of the schedule."

UP NEXT: BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Hawkeyes head to the Big Ten Championships on Nov. 1 at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

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Men's Top 10 All-Time Best Performers

6,000 Meters

1. Eric MacTaggart 18:18 2005 Hawkeye Invite
2. Jeff Thode 18:21 2009 Hawkeye Invite
3. Dan Haut 18:24 2005 Hawkeye Invite
4. Jeff Kent 18:27 2005 Hawkeye Invite
5. Nick Holmes 18:30 2009 Hawkeye Invite
6. Adam Roche 18:33 2005 Hawkeye Invite
Sam Bailin 18:33 2009 Hawkeye Invite
Kevin Lewis 18:33 2013 Iowa Invite
9. Jesse Luciano 18:40 2008 Hawkeye Invite
10. Tommy Tate 18:41 at 2006 Early Bird Invite

8,000 Meters

1. Jesse Luciano 23:01 at 2008 Auburn Invite
2. Micah VanDenend 23:39 at 2006 Pre-Nationals
3. Eric MacTaggart 23:24 at 2008 Auburn Invite
4. Jeff Thode 23:27 at 2010 Bradley Classic
5. Sam Bailin 23:36 at 2008 Auburn Invite
6. Tommy Tate 23:46 at 2008 Auburn Invite
7. Mark Battista 23:48 at 2008 Auburn Invite
8. Kevin Lewis 23:52 at 2014 Big Ten Champ's
9. Andy Napier 23:56 at 2008 Auburn Invite
10. Brendan Camplin 24:01 at 2008 Auburn Invite

10,000 Meters

1. Jeff Thode 29:55 at 2010 NCAA Regional
2. Matt Esche 30:10 at 2002 NCAA Regional
3. Jesse Luciano 30:17 at 2008 NCAA Champ's
4. Micah VanDenend 30:26 at 2002 NCAA Regional
5. Kevin Herd 30:28 1993
6. Joe Welter 30:28 at 2002 NCAA Regional
7. Tony Rakaric 30:31 at 2002 NCAA Regional
8. Kevin Lewis 30:35 at 2014 NCAA Regional
9. Dan Haut 30:39 at 2002 NCAA Regional
10. Alex Webster 30:40 at 2006 NCAA Regional

Ashton Cross Country Course Records

Women's 3,000 Meters

Diane Nukuri, Iowa - Hawkeye Open - 9/9/06 9:47

Women's 4,000 Meters

Diane Nukuri, Iowa - Hawkeye Open - 9/15/07 13:14

Women's 6,000 Meters

Danette Doetzel, Michigan State - B1G Champ's - 10/31/04 20:33

Men's 6,000 Meters

Eric MacTaggart, Iowa - Hawkeye Invitational - 9/2/05 18:18

Men's 8,000 Meters

Simon Bairu, Wisconsin - Big Ten Champ's - 10/31/04 23:45

Men's 10,000 Meters

Antonio Vega, Minnesota - NCAA Regional - 11/12/05 30:52

Women's Top 10 All-Time Best Performers

3,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 9:47 2006 Hawkeye Open
2. Meghan Armstrong 10:01 2006 Hawkeye Open
3. Brooke Eilers 10:15 2010 Iowa Invite
4. Besty Flood 10:18 2010 Iowa Invite
5. Amanda Hardesty 10:21 2009 Hawkeye Invite
Lauren Hardesty 10:21 2010 Hawkeye Invite
7. Kelsey Hart 10:22 2011 Iowa Invite
8. Shannon Stanley 10:25 2006 Hawkeye Open
Krista Anderson 10:25 2006 Hawkeye Open
Racheal Marchand 10:25 2008 Hawkeye Invite

4,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 13:14 2007 Hawkeye Open
2. Kayla Beattie 13:41 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
3. Megan Ranegar 13:45 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
4. Meghan Armstrong 13:47 2007 Hawkeye Open
Mareike Schulle 13:47 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
6. Nicole Benson 13:52 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
7. Jolly Burke 14:03 2007 Hawkeye Open
8. Nikki Chapple 14:09 2004 Hawkeye Triangular
9. Krista Anderson 14:14 2007 Hawkeye Open
10. Lisa Gordon 14:17 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster

5,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 15:55 at 2007 Auburn Invite
2. Racheal Marchand 16:15 at 2008 Auburn Invite
3. Meghan Armstrong 16:25 at 2007 Auburn Invite
4. Nan Doak 16:31 at 1983 Big Ten Champ's
5. Jolly Burke 16:33 at 2007 Auburn Invite
6. Jenny Spangler 16:34 at 1983 Big Ten Champ's
7. Renee Doyle 16:41 at 1986 Purdue Invite
8. Tracy Dahl 16:42 at 1991 Illinois St. Invite
9. Sarah Spencer Perry 16:50 at 2008 Auburn Invite
10. Brooke Eilers 16:53 at 2008 Auburn Invite

6,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 19:37 at 2007 NCAA Regional
..... at 2007 Big Ten Champ's
2. Mareike Schulle 19:43 at 2012 NCAA Champ's
3. Racheal Marchand 19:54 at 2008 NCAA Champ's
4. Meghan Armstrong 20:07 at 2007 NCAA Regional
5. Jolly Burke 20:20 at 2007 Big Ten Champ's
6. Betsy Flood 20:22 at 2010 NCAA Regional
7. McKenzie Melander 20:41 at 2011 Big Ten Champ's
8. Megan Ranegar 20:43 at 2012 NCAA Champ's
9. Kayla Beattie 20:54 at 2011 Wisconsin Invite
10. Nikki Chapple 21:04 at 2004 NCAA Regional

* - This time is also the Big Ten Championships Record.