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MEN'S GYMNASTICS WEEKLY RELEASE

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2008 Schedule

Michigan

at Windy City Invite 7th, 331.750

Illinois-Chicago W,338.575-334.75

THIS WEEK

The lowa men's gymnastics team will travel to Lincoln, NE, Friday to compete against Nebraska. Competition will begin at 7 p.m at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

LAST TIME OUT

The Hawkeyes fell to Illinois with a close final score of 349.400 - 349.800. Iowa posted their season high team score for 2008, and scored their highest yet on pommel horse. On senior day, Curtis Kleffman won the all-around with a season best of 86.45. Geoff Reins placed first on vault with a final score of 16.15.

LAST YEAR AGAINST NEBRASKA

The Hawkeyes defeated Nebraska 205.050 - 204.200. Geoff Reins finished first on floor exercise with a 9.3. Curtis Kleffman and Diego Mercado-Austin scored personal bests on the event, scoring second and fifth respectively. On pommel horse, Jacob Becker tied for first with a final score of 8.85.

SERIES RESULTS AGAINST NEBRASKA

The Hawkeyes are 26-12-1 all-time against Nebraska.

IOWA RANKING

The Hawkeyes moved into the top 10 in the latest Gyminfo poll, taking the No. 10 spot. Stanford is currently ranked No.1, with Big Ten opponent Penn State at No. 2.

HEAD COACH TOM DUNN 0

In his 29th year at Iowa, Head Coach Tom Dunn has recorded a 213-116-2 record. 0 In 1998 and 2006, Dunn was named Big Ten Coach of the Year and College Gymnastics Association Central Region Coach of the Year. He has led the Hawkeyes 0 to 17 top-10 finishes at the NCAA Championships. Iowa has competed at the NCAA meet 18 of the past 23 seasons. Dunn has also coached 33 individuals to earn 66 all-America honors and 21 gymnasts to 34 Big Ten titles.

QUOTING HEAD COACH TOM DUNN

"I expect a barn-burner. Nebraska is ranked No. 11 and we are ranked No. 10, but in Lincoln almost everything is Red or White. If we can be as consistent as we were in our last meet we will have an opportunity to be successful in one of the toughest arenas in the country to compete in."

NEXT COMPETITION

The Hawkeyes travel to Minneapolis, MN, to compete against Minnesota, March 21. Competetion is scheduled to being at 7 p.m at the Sports Pavilion.

F 7-9 at Winter Cup No Finalists F 16 Oklahoma L, 357.75-338.05 F 23 at Pacific Coast Classic 1st, 336.700 ΜI Illinois L.349.400-349.800 M 14 at Nebraska 7 p.m. (Lincoln, NE) M 21 at Minnesota 7 p.m. (Minneapolis, MN) A 4-5 at Big Ten Championships 7 p.m. (University Park, PA) TBA A 17 at NCAA Qualifier (Stanford, CA) A 19 at NCAA Championships TBA (Stanford, CA)

All times are central and subject to change

2008 Individual Event Leaders

* Denotes First Place Score

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