

# IOWA HAWKEYES

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## MEN’S TENNIS WEEKLY RELEASE

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### 2015-16 SCHEDULE (1-0, 0-0)

Sep. 25-26	at Western Michigan Invite	All Day
Oct. 3-4	at ITA All-American Pre-Qualifying	All Day
Oct. 5-7	at ITA All-American Qualifying	All Day
Oct. 8-12	at ITA All-American Main Draw	All Day
Oct. 15-19	at ITA Regionals	All Day
Nov. 6-9	Big Ten Singles & Doubles	All Day
Nov. 14-21	at Champaign 50K Challenger	All Day
Jan. 18	Utah State	W, 7-0
<b>Jan. 30</b>	<b>vs. Princeton</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
<b>Jan. 31</b>	<b>vs. Cornell</b>	<b>Noon</b>
Feb. 5	SIU-Edwardsville	10 a.m.
Feb. 5	Western Michigan	6 p.m.
Feb. 14	at Middle Tennessee State	1 p.m.
Feb. 21	at Wichita State	11 a.m.
Feb. 26	IUPUI	11 a.m.
Feb. 26	Denver	6 p.m.
March 4	at Drake	6 p.m.
March 11	Nebraska	6 p.m.
March 13	at Oklahoma State	11 a.m.
March 13	vs. Lamar	7 p.m.
March 19	at Cal Poly	Noon
March 25	at Wisconsin	6 p.m.
March 27	Minnesota	3 p.m.
April 1	vs. Dayton	11 a.m.
April 1	at Ohio State	6 p.m.
April 3	at Penn State	Noon
April 8	Creighton	11 a.m.
April 8	Illinois	6 p.m.
April 10	Northwestern	Noon
April 15	Purdue	6 p.m.
April 17	Indiana	Noon
April 17	Chicago State	5 p.m.
April 22	at Michigan	5 p.m.
April 24	at Michigan State	TBA

All times are local to site and subject to change

### 2015-16 Roster & Results (Singles/Doubles)

Kareem Allaf, Fr. ....	0-0/0-0
Robin Haden, Jr. ....	7-4/2-1
Nils Hallestrand, Jr. ....	3-3/4-2
Jake Jacoby, So. ....	4-3/1-1
Jonas Larsen, Fr. ....	5-3/3-2
Tony Leto, Fr. ....	3-3/0-0
Dominic Patrick, Sr. ....	3-3/2-1
Josh Silverstein, So. ....	1-0/1-0
Leteris Theodorou, So. ....	4-3/0-1

### THIS WEEK:

The University of Iowa men’s tennis team travels to the East Coast this weekend for the Big Ten-Ivy League Challenge. The Hawkeyes will start in Flushing, New York at the National Tennis Center against No. 34 Princeton on Saturday at 3 p.m. (EST). Iowa will have a quick turn-around as they are slated to take on No. 47 Cornell in Princeton, New Jersey at 12:30 pm (EST) at the Jadwin Gym on Sunday.

### HAWKEYES RISING:

The University of Iowa Hawkeyes opened their season ranked No. 71 nationally. Their first meet of the season took place at home at the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex on Jan. 18 and pitted them against then No. 70 Utah State. The Hawkeyes swept the Aggies, only dropping one set in singles play, in the first meeting between the teams.

In the latest ITA rankings, Iowa rose seven spots to No. 64. The Hawkeyes were unranked at this time last year but reached a ranking as high as No. 45.

### SCOUTING THE COMPETITION:

Iowa competed against the Cornell Bears last year during the Big Ten-Ivy League Challenge. The Bears dropped the Hawkeyes, 4-2.

The Bears are currently ranked No. 47 and return three of their top six from the squad that defeated the Hawkeyes last season: Bernardo Casares Rosa, Chris Vrabel, and Dylan Johnson. Vrabel is currently regionally ranked.

Last season, Iowa’s Jake Jacoby defeated Brown, 6-4, 7-6(3), for the only Hawkeye singles win of the meet.

Cornell defeated the University of Buffalo last Friday during their season opener, 4-3. They take on the University of North Florida on Thursday and face Michigan in their first match up of the Big Ten-Ivy League Challenge.

“Cornell is a team that makes a lot of balls. We just have to go out there and compete harder than we did last year,” said senior Dominic Patrick.

“We blew a match point on doubles and it’s just something that can’t happen again this year because we lost a close match. All of their players, one through six, make a lot of balls so I think if we go there and do the same thing then we’re going to have a good shot.”

The Hawkeyes will face Princeton for the first time since 1991. In their last meeting, Iowa fell to the Tigers, 6-3.

Princeton is ranked No. 34 nationally and junior Alex Day is ranked No. 98 regionally.

The Tigers open their season today in Madison, Wisconsin and pair up against the Michigan Wolverines to kick off the Big Ten-Ivy League Challenge.

### HEAD COACH ROSS WILSON ON WEEKEND ACTION:

“This will be a big weekend for us, a good test. Princeton made the NCAA Tournament last year and is coming in ranked No. 34 in the country and Cornell is top 50 and is almost always in the tournament. It’s going to be good to have our guys play against some top competition and see where we’re at.”

### FOLLOW THE HAWKEYES

Fans can follow the Hawkeyes all season long and receive live match updates on Facebook (facebook.com/IowaMensTennis) and on Twitter (@IowaMensTennis). Fans can also get a behind the scene look on Snapchat (uiowamenstennis).

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