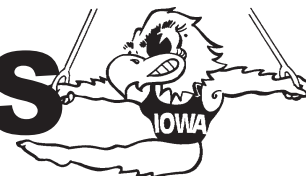


IOWA HAWKEYES

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MEN'S GYMNASTICS WEEKLY RELEASE

February 20, 2008

2008 Schedule

J 12	at Windy City Invite	7th, 331.750
J 26	Illinois-Chicago	W, 338.575-334.75
F 2	Michigan	L, 341.950-338.600
F 7-9	at Winter Cup	No Finalists
F 16	Oklahoma	L, 357.75-338.05
F 23	at Pacific Coast Classic	7:30 p.m.
	(Oakland, CA)	
M 1	Illinois	2 p.m.
	(Iowa City)	
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)	
A 17	at NCAA Qualifier	TBA
	(Stanford, CA)	
A 19	at NCAA Championships	TBA
	(Stanford, CA)	

All times are central and subject to change

2008 Individual Event Leaders

All-Around	82.450
Ben Ketelsen, at Windy City	
Floor Exercise	15.050
Geoff Reins, at Windy City	
Pommel Horse	14.250
Jacob Becker, vs. Michigan	
Rings	14.700
Reid Urbain, vs. Oklahoma	
Vault	16.200
Geoff Reins, at Windy City	
Parallel Bars	14.800
Dustin Cranmer vs. Oklahoma	
Horizontal Bar	14.350
Jon Buese, at Windy City	
Team Score	338.60
vs. Michigan	

* Denotes First Place Score

THIS WEEK

The Iowa men's gymnastics team will compete Feb. 23 in the fifth Annual Pacific Coast Classic. The Hawkeyes compete in session five at 2:45 p.m. Saturday.

LAST TIME OUT

The Hawkeyes were defeated by Oklahoma 338.05 to 357.75. Sophomore Reid Urbain scored a new event high on rings for the 2008 season with a 14.70, placing fourth. Dustin Cranmer also broke an event high on parallel bars, scoring 14.80, to place third.

THE PACIFIC COAST CLASSIC

The annual Pacific Coast Classic is held in recognition and in support of men's collegiate gymnastics programs nationwide. The aim of the benefit is to promote the preservation of men's athletic programs by increasing scholarship and competitive opportunities. Proceeds go directly to organizations that impact the expansion of men's sports.

LAST TIME AT THE PACIFIC COAST CLASSIC

The Hawkeyes competed in the Pacific Coast Classic in 2006, earning fifth place. Iowa had two third place finishes.

THE COMPETING TEAMS

The competing teams include Air Force, Oklahoma, Stanford, Michigan, Illinois, California-Berkeley, Iowa, Arizona State, and Washington. The competition will also feature the North Harbour Gymnastics Centre from New Zealand.

IOWA RANKING

The Hawkeyes are ranked No. 11 in the latest Gyminfo poll. Stanford currently holds the No.1 spot, with Big Ten opponent Penn State at No.2.

HEAD COACH TOM DUNN

In his 29th year at Iowa, Head Coach Tom Dunn has recorded a 210-107-2 record. 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 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

"The team is making good progress, but we haven't really put a whole meet together and that will be our goal this weekend. The grass always looks greener near the coast, and we look forward to having some western judges give us their opinion of Hawkeye gymnastics."

NEXT COMPETITION

The Hawkeyes host Illinois in Iowa City March 1 at the UI Field House. Competition begins at 2 p.m.