

THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA



HAWKEYE MEN'S GOLF

News and Notes



Weekly Release

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Big Ten Championships

Pete Dye Course
French Lick, Ind.
May 2-4

2013-14 SCHEDULE

Fall Season

Sept. 15-17	Golfweek Conference Challenge	Spirit Hollow Golf Course	Burlington, Iowa	T-6th/15
Sept. 22-23	Windon Memorial Classic	The Knollwood Club	Lake Forest, Ill.	9th/16
Oct. 12-13	Rod Myers Invitational	Duke University Golf Club	Durham, N.C.	9th/11
Oct. 18-20	U.S. Collegiate Invitational	The Golf Club of Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	T-7th/15
Oct. 28-29	Royal Oaks Intercollegiate	Royal Oaks Country Club	Dallas, Texas	T-6th/12

Spring Season

Feb. 8	Black and Gold Alumni Match	Lakewood Ranch Country Club	Sarasota, Fla.	
Feb. 14-15	Big Ten Match Play Championships	The Concession Golf Club	Bradenton, Fla.	4th/12
March 1	Big Four Exhibition Match	Lone Tree Golf Club	Chandler, Ariz.	1st/4
March 21-23	ASU Thunderbird Invitational	Karsten Golf Course	Tempe, Ariz.	2nd/15
April 12-13	Hawkeye/GRE Invitational	Finkbine Golf Course	Iowa City, Iowa	1st/12
April 19-20	Boilermaker Invitational	Kampen Golf Course	W. Lafayette, Ind.	1st/12
May 2-4	Big Ten Championships	Pete Dye Course	French Lick, Ind.	
May 15-17	NCAA Regionals	TBA	TBA	
May 23-28	NCAA Championships	Prairie Dunes Country Club	Hutchinson, Kan.	

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's golf team travels to the Big Ten Championships at the Pete Dye Course in French Lick, Ind., on May 2-4. The nationally-renowned course plays host to the conference championship for the third consecutive year. The first round of play begins at 7 a.m. (CT) on May 2, which will be followed by the second round. The third round begins on Saturday at 8 a.m. (CT), while Sunday's final round will begin at 7 a.m. (CT).

THE FIELD

The Big Ten claims four of the top-49 spots in the Golfstat Rankings, led by Illinois (11), Iowa (35), Purdue (43), and Northwestern (49). The remaining eight Big Ten teams in the field are Ohio State (60), Minnesota (73), Michigan (80), Indiana (85), Michigan State (134), Nebraska (146), Penn State (151), and Wisconsin (165).

THE COURSE

The Pete Dye Course, named after the legendary golf course architect that designed it, plays as a par-72, 7,152 yard course from the championship tees. In 2009, Golf Digest named it the "Best New Course in America". The course, which is built into Indiana's Hoosier National Forest, has a course rating of 80.0 and a slope rating of 148.

HAWKEYE MEN'S GOLF NOTES

THE LINEUP

Steven Ihm, Brian Bullington, Ian Vandersee, Raymond Knoll and Carson Schaake make up Iowa's varsity lineup. This is Iowa's third straight week with the same lineup.

PREVIOUS APPEARANCES

In 2013, Iowa captured third place at the Big Ten Championships. The Hawkeyes never fell below third place in the three days of the tournament. Steven Ihm tied for 13th individually.

The Hawkeyes earned sixth place in the 2012 Big Ten Championships, led by Chris Brant, who tied for 10th individually.

In 2011, Iowa finished third, led by Chris Brant, who earned runner-up honors.

LAST EVENT

The Hawkeyes successfully defended their Boilermaker Invitational title, capturing their second tournament title in as many weeks. Steven Ihm also repeated as medalist at the tournament, earning his second straight tournament victory. Iowa mounted a 10-stroke comeback on the final day of play behind the second best 18-hole team score in school history with a 14-under-par 274.

Ihm began the final round in 10th place before posting an eight-under-par 64 in his final round to capture the individual title. The Iowa native birdied seven on his first eight holes on the final day en route to the best round of his career.

Freshman Raymond Knoll ended the tournament in a tie for sixth, the best finish of his career. Knoll's bogey-free final round, a six-under-par 66, was also the best of his career.

Junior Ian Vandersee finished in a tie for 11th after posting a two-over-par total score of 218. Vandersee birdied 11 holes over three rounds.

Junior Brian Bullington carded an eight-over par 224 in three rounds, finishing in a tie for 39th.

Freshman Carson Schaake finished 51st after firing an 11-over par 227.

IHM EARNS HONOR ... AGAIN

Steven Ihm was named Co-Big Ten Golfer of the Week on April 23 for the second week in a row after his championship performance at the Boilermaker Invitational. Ihm took home medalist honors at for the second consecutive year at Purdue's home tournament, propelling Iowa to its second consecutive win at the event. The win was the fourth of his Hawkeye career. This is the fifth time Ihm has received the honor.

NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED

The Hawkeyes were named the Golfweek Team of the Week after their team victory at the Boilermaker Invitational. Iowa finished with a total score of 865 (+1) to top conference foe Illinois by one stroke.

Golfweek also tabbed Steven Ihm as their Player of the Week, following his repeat championship at the Boilermaker Invitational.

FIVE STRAIGHT NCAA APPEARANCES

Since taking command of the University of Iowa men's golf program in 2007, head coach Mark Hankins has established the Hawkeyes as a competitive force in collegiate golf. Iowa has advanced to NCAA Regionals each of the past five seasons, and has advanced to the NCAA Finals three of the last five seasons.

SPRING ROLL

Iowa has recorded top finishes in all five of its events this spring. The Hawkeyes placed fourth at the Big Ten Match Play Championships, won the Big Four Championship, and finished runner-up at the Arizona State University Thunderbird Invitational before winning the Hawkeye-GRE and Boilermaker Invitational.

IHM WINS SUNNEHANNA AMATEUR

Senior Steven Ihm joined elite company as he won the 60th Annual Sunnehanna Amateur on June 16th. PGA TOUR professionals such as Rickie Fowler, Webb Simpson, and Lucas Glover won the same event early in their careers.

The Peosta, Iowa, native shot an eight-under par (272) for the four-round tournament, winning by two strokes over Cory Whitsett of Alabama.

A month later, Ihm earned a sponsor's exemption to the John Deere Classic, making his first career PGA TOUR appearance. The senior birdied his first hole of the tournament, and is believed to be the first UI golfer to earn a sponsor's exemption to the Silvis, Ill., tournament.

DEFENDING THE HARDWARE

Iowa captured two tournament championships in 2013, and has successfully defended both titles this spring. The Hawkeyes captured their third consecutive crown at the Big Four Championships on March 1 and mounted a comeback victory at the Boilermaker Invitational. Iowa also picked up a victory at its home tournament, the Hawkeye-GRE Invitational.

STARTING LINEUP

Player.....	Year
Steven Ihm	Sr
Brian Bullington	Jr.
Ian Vandersee	Jr.
Raymond Knoll	Fr.
Carson Schaake	Fr.

QUICK FACTS

Head Coach	Mark Hankins
Alma Mater/Yr.....	Iowa State, 1993
Asst. Coach.....	Dan Holterhaus
Alma Mater/Yr.....	Iowa, 2007
Letterwinners (return/lost)	7/1
Newcomers.....	2
Location	Iowa City, Iowa
Founded	1847
Enrollment	31,065
President.....	Sally Mason
Director of Athletics.....	Gary Barta
Golf Administrator	Mark Jennings
School Colors	Black and Gold
Nickname	Hawkeyes
Home Course	Finkbine

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A PROGRAM ON THE RISE

Iowa has won twelve tournaments since 2008, had thirteen individual medalists since 2009 and has had three All-Americans since 2008.

Last season, senior Steven Ihm and junior Joseph Winslow became the 11th and 12th Iowa players to be named to the all-regional team since 2009.

HEAD COACH MARK HANKINS

Head coach Mark Hankins is in his seventh season as head coach. He has guided the Hawkeyes to five straight NCAA Regional appearances, and to the NCAA Finals three times in the past five years. Iowa was ranked 155th when Hankins took over the program in 2008, yet the Hawkeyes have been consistently ranked within the top-60 for the past five years. Hankins is a native of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Iowa Hawkeye

Men's Golf