

# IOWA HAWKEYES



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**DECEMBER 22, 2004**

## 2004-05 SEASON SCHEDULE & RESULTS

**2-1 Overall, 0-0 Big Ten**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
N 13	at Spartan Classic	10 champs
N 20	at Kauf.-Brand Open	2 champs
N 27	Arizona State	W, 29-10
D 4	at UNI Open	0 champs
D 5	Iowa State	L, 16-19
D 9	at Northern Iowa	W, 23-13
<b>D 29-30 at Midlands Champ's (Evanston, IL)</b>		
J 7	Virginia Tech (Iowa City, IA)	7 p.m.
J 9	at Fresno State (Fresno, CA)	2 p.m.
	at Cal-Davis (Davis, CA)	9 p.m.
J 16	Oklahoma State (Stillwater, OK)	1:30 p.m.
J 23	Wisconsin (Iowa City, IA)	2 p.m.
J 28	at Illinois (Champaign, IL)	7 p.m.
J 29	at Northwestern (Evanston, IL)	7 p.m.
F 4	at Penn State (University Park, PA)	6 p.m.
F 5	at Ohio State (Columbus, OH)	6:30 p.m.
F 11	Minnesota (Iowa City, IA)	7 p.m.
F 13	Michigan (Iowa City, IA)	6 p.m.
F 20	Indiana (Iowa City, IA)	2 p.m.
M 5-6	Big Ten Championships (Iowa City, IA)	
M 17-19	at NCAA Championships (St. Louis, MO)	

*All times are Central.*

### THIS WEEK

Iowa (2-1) will compete at the 42nd annual Midlands Championships Wednesday-Thursday December 29-30 in Evanston, IL. All matches will be held at Welsh-Ryan Arena on the Northwestern University campus. All-session passes are \$48 for reserved seats, \$36 for adult bleacher seating and \$30 student bleacher seating. Tickets can be purchased from the Northwestern Athletic Ticket Office at (847) 491-2287. Session start times and individual session ticket prices are as follows:

Session	Time	Day	Tickets (R/AB/SB)
Session I	9:30 a.m.	Wednesday	NA/\$8/\$6
Session II	7 p.m.	Wednesday	\$11/\$9/\$7
Session III	Noon	Thursday	\$13/\$10/\$8
Session IV	7 p.m.	Thursday	\$15/\$12/\$9

### 2004 MIDLANDS PREVIEW

In Iowa's quest to regain the Midlands team title, it will have to fight off over 60 teams, including second-ranked Iowa State and defending champion and third-ranked Illinois.

While no Hawkeyes are listed as individual title favorites, two are listed as strong contenders. Junior **Ty Eustice**, who placed sixth in 2003, could contend for the 149-pound title, while junior **Paul Bradley** (184) could challenge defending champion and top-ranked Greg Jones of West Virginia. The Hawkeyes have several newcomers that will be making their first Midlands appearance.

The 157-pound weight class look to be the most hotly contested. At 157, all eight 2003 Midlands placewinners are expected to return. Defending Midlands champion Alex Tirapelle of Illinois, defending NCAA Champion Matt Gentry of Stanford and NCAA runner-up Jake Percival of Oregon lead the field.

### LAST YEAR AT MIDLANDS

Coming off two straight Midlands wins, Iowa placed fifth with 79.5 points at the 2003 tournament. Illinois won with 102.5. Hawkeye seniors **Luke Eustice** (125) and **Tyler Nixt** (174) led the team with runner-up finishes. Senior **Cliff Moore** (141) placed third, sophomore **Ty Eustice** (149) placed sixth and senior **Ryan Fulsaa** (197) placed eighth. High school senior Alex Tsirtsis, who was competing unattached, went 2-2 at 141 pounds.

### MIDLANDS HISTORY AND HONORS

Iowa has won the most team titles (18) of any team in the Midlands 42-year history. The Hawkeyes won their first team title in 1974, and proceeded to win nine of the the next 11 tournaments. Iowa also won team titles in 1990, 1992, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001 and 2002. Other team winners include Iowa State (6), Michigan State (3), Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club (3), Michigan (2), Arizona State (1), Illinois (1), Minnesota (1), North Carolina (1) and Oklahoma State (1). Team scores were not kept at four tournaments (1991, 1993, 1994, 1995.)

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### 2004-05 INDIVIDUAL COLLEGIATE SEASON RECORDS

Name, Wt. ....	Record
Charlie Falck, 125 .....	7-4
Lucas Magnani, 125 .....	3-3
Matt Morkel, 125 .....	10-5
Jeff Pfaffinger, 125 .....	1-2
Mario Galanakis, 133 .....	3-0
Trent Goodale, 133 .....	4-4
Gabe Ruhkala, 133 .....	6-1
Derek Coorough, 141 .....	2-4
Alex Tsirtsis, 141 .....	7-1
Ned Shuck, 141 .....	2-2
Ty Eustice, 149 .....	7-1
Alex Grunder, 149 .....	4-1
Brad Medchill, 149 .....	3-3
Nate Nicholson, 149 .....	0-4
Brett Stedman, 149 .....	2-4
Joe Johnston, 157 .....	7-1
Oleg Polyatskiy, 157-165 .....	2-3
Joe Uker, 157 .....	0-2
Jacob Neuzil, 165 .....	0-2
Mark Perry, 165 .....	7-1
Adam Fellers, 174 .....	2-2
Luke Lofthouse, 174 .....	5-4
Ben Stedman, 174 .....	4-4
Paul Bradley, 184 .....	3-0
Michael Bucklin, 197 .....	3-4
Major Ennen, 197 .....	0-2
Dane Pape, 197 .....	0-3
Matt Fields, Hwt. ....	7-1
Ryan Fuller, Hwt. ....	1-2

Seven former Hawkeyes are enshrined in the Midlands Hall of Fame. **Ed Banach, Chris Campbell, Steve Combs, Tim Cysewski, Barry Davis, Randy Lewis and Chuck Yagla** are all members of the Midlands Hall of Fame.

Former Hawkeye **Joe Williams** holds the most individual titles in Midlands history, winning 10. Other former Hawkeyes to win at least three titles are **Tim Cysweski (5), Mark Ironside (4), Royce Alger (3), Ed Banach (3), Jim Heffernan (3), Randy Lewis (3) and Chuck Yagla (3)**.

Several Hawkeyes also hold Midlands weight class records. **Mark Ironside** has the most wins (27) at 141 pounds, and he and **Tim Cysewski** hold the most titles (4 each) at that weight. **Jim Heffernan** holds the most titles (3) at 157, while **Joe Williams** holds the most wins (35) and titles (6) at 174.

#### LAST MEET

The University of Iowa wrestling team improved to 2-1 with a 23-13 win over Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls December 9. The Hawkeyes won six matches, and had five true freshmen compete in the dual. The Panthers fell to 0-2 on the season. Iowa opened the dual with wins from freshman **Alex Tsirtsis (141)** and juniors **Ty Eustice (149)** and **Joe Johnston (157)**. The three Hawkeyes each improved to 7-1 on the season. Sophomore **Oleg Polyatskiy** filled in for redshirt freshman **Mark Perry** at 165, losing a 3-0 decision to Nick Baima. **Perry** did not compete due to academic responsibilities. Junior **Paul Bradley (184)** won his 40th career dual with a 16-6 major decision over Alex Dolly, improving to 3-0 on the season. Freshman **Matt Fields (Hwt)** scored a 10-1 major decision over Michael Shedek, improving to 7-1 on the season and junior **Mario Galanakis** closed the dual with a 10-4 win over Patrick Sharp at 133, improving to 3-0 on the season.

#### Iowa 23, Northern Iowa 13

- 141 **Alex Tsirtsis (I)** maj. dec. C.J. Ettleson (UNI), 17-7
- 149 **Ty Eustice (I)** dec. Jeff Harrison (UNI), 5-3
- 157 **Joe Johnston (I)** tech. fall Chris Bitetto (UNI), 23-6 in 6:31
- 165 Nick Baima (UNI) dec. **Oleg Polyatskiy (I)**, 3-0
- 174 Eric Hauan (UNI) dec. **Luke Lofthouse (I)**, 6-5
- 184 **Paul Bradley (I)** maj. dec. Alex Dolly (UNI), 16-6
- 197 Sean Stender (UNI) maj. dec. **Dane Pape (I)**, 13-5
- Hwt. **Matt Fields (I)** maj. dec. Michael Shedek (UNI), 10-1
- 125 Chris Helgeson (UNI) dec. **Charlie Falck (I)**, 3-1
- 133 **Mario Galanakis (I)** dec. Patrick Sharp (UNI), 10-4

#### HEAD COACH JIM ZALESKY

Jim Zalesky is in his eighth season as head coach at the University of Iowa. He has a school and career record of 108-23 (.824). Named National Coach of the Year in 1998 and 1999, and Big Ten Coach of the Year in 2004 and 2000, he has led the Hawkeyes to three NCAA (1998-00) and three Big Ten titles (1998, 2000, 2004). Zalesky has coached 10 NCAA Champions, 20 Big Ten Champions and 36 all-Americans at Iowa. He was inducted into the National

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Wrestling Hall of Fame in June 2004, the University of Iowa Letterman's Club Hall of Fame and the Iowa High School Athletic Association Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2002, and the Iowa Wrestling Hall of Fame in 1994.

A three-time national champion and one of Iowa's 15 four-time all-Americans, Zalesky was an assistant coach and head recruiter at Iowa under Dan Gable for seven seasons (1991-97). He was named Assistant Coach of the Year by the N.W.C.A. in 1992 and 1997. Undefeated as a junior and senior, Zalesky ended his career on an 89-match winning streak.

### IOWA WRESTLING HISTORY

Iowa's overall dual meet record is 776-198-30 (.788) in 93 seasons. The Hawkeyes have won 20 national titles, including nine of the last 14, and 31 Big Ten titles. Iowa's 47 NCAA Champions have won a total of 73 NCAA individual titles, crowning six three-time and 13 two-time champions. The Hawkeyes' 99 Big Ten Champions have won a total of 180 conference individual titles. There have been seven four-time, 18 three-time and 24 two-time Iowa winners. Iowa's 124 all-Americans have earned all-America status 254 times, including 16 four-time, 27 three-time and 28 two-time honorees.

### HAWK TALK WITH JIM ZALESKY

KXIC Radio (AM-800) will air nine Hawk Talk with Jim Zalesky radio shows this season. The show will be live from LaCasa Mexican Restaurant in Iowa City from 6-7 p.m. Here are the show dates:

January 4, 18, 25

February 1, 15

March 1, 15

### CHAMPIONSHIP EXPERIENCE

The Hawkeye wrestling staff of **Jim Zalesky**, **Troy Steiner**, **Tim Hartung**, **Cliff Moore** and **Mike Zadick** earned a total of seven NCAA titles, 12 Big Ten titles and 17 all-America honors. Their combined college career wrestling record is 619-88-1 (.875), including four undefeated seasons.

## TEAM RANKINGS

<i>USA Today/NWCA NCAA Coaches Poll (12/21/04)</i>	<i>W.I.N. Magazine Top 25 (12/14/04)</i>
1. Oklahoma State	1. Oklahoma State
2. Iowa State	2. Iowa State
3. Illinois	3. Michigan
4. Nebraska	4. Illinois
5. Michigan	5. Nebraska
6. Lehigh	6. Lehigh
7. Minnesota	7. Minnesota
8. Hofstra	8. Hofstra
<b>9. Iowa</b>	<b>9. Iowa</b>
10. Oklahoma	10. Oklahoma
11. Cornell	11. Cornell
12. West Virginia	12. Arizona State
13. Missouri	13. Missouri
14. Central Michigan	14. Central Michigan
15. Wisconsin	15. Wisconsin
16. Penn State	16. West Virginia
17. Northern Iowa	17. Northern Iowa
18. Arizona State	18. Penn State
19. Edinboro	19. Cal Bakersfield
20. U.S. Naval Academy	20. Indiana
21. Pennsylvania	21. Edinboro
22. Northwestern	22. U.S. Naval Academy
23. U.S. Military Academy	23. Cal Poly
24. Northern Illinois	24. Northwestern
25. Pittsburgh	25. U.S. Military Academy

## INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Here is how each Hawkeye wrestler is currently ranked in the most recent polls:

	<i>AWN</i>	<i>NWCA/Intermat</i>	<i>W.I.N.</i>
Alex Tsirtsis (141)	#7	#8	#7
Ty Eustice (149)	#6	#6	#5
Joe Johnston (157)	#6	#7	#7
Mark Perry (165)	#5	#7	#5
Paul Bradley (184)	#2	#2	#2
Matt Fields (Hwt.)	#5	#5	#5

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### 2004-05 INDIVIDUAL SEASON STATISTICS

Wrestler, Wt.	Overall Record	Collegiate Record	Dual Record	Big 10 Dual Record	Dual Pts. Scored	SV W-L	TB W-L	MD W-L	TF W-L	Pins W-L	Fastest Fall
Charlie Falck, 125	11-4	7-4	0-1	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	2-2	1:12
Lucas Magnani, 125	6-3	3-3	0-2	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	-----
Matt Morkel, 125	10-5	10-5	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	3-1	1:15
Jeff Pfaffinger, 125	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Ruben Chavez, 133	5-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Mario Galanakis, 133	8-0	3-0	3-0	0-0	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1:29
Trent Goodale, 133	4-4	4-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	2-1	4:10
Gabe Ruhkala, 133	10-4	6-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0	1:34
Derek Coorough, 141	6-6	2-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	-----
Alex Tsirtsis, 141	12-1	7-1	2-1	0-0	8	0-0	0-1	2-0	0-0	1-0	1:51
Ned Shuck, 141	7-3	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	-----
Ty Eustice, 149	11-1	7-1	3-0	0-0	10	0-0	0-0	2-0	1-0	0-0	-----
Alex Grunder, 149	4-1	4-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1:27
Brad Medchill, 149	4-3	3-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1:29
Nate Nicholson, 149	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	-----
Brett Stedman, 149	2-4	2-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	2:29
Joe Johnston, 157	11-1	7-1	2-1	0-0	8	0-0	0-0	2-0	1-0	2-0	0:58
Oleg Polyatskiy, 157-165	5-4	2-3	0-1	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Joe Uker, 157	4-3	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	-----
Jacob Neuzil, 165	0-4	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Mark Perry, 165	10-1	7-1	2-0	0-0	7	0-1	0-0	3-0	0-0	1-0	0:46
Adam Fellers, 174	2-2	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Luke Lofthouse, 174	9-4	5-4	1-2	0-0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	5:48
Ben Stedman, 174	7-5	4-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-2	2:13
Paul Bradley, 184	7-1	3-0	3-0	0-0	10	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Michael Bucklin, 197	3-6	3-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-2	2:36
Major Ennen, 197	3-3	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-----
Dane Pape, 197	4-3	0-3	0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0-3	0-0	0-1	-----
Matt Fields, Hwt.	11-1	7-1	3-0	0-0	10	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	2-0	1:42
Ryan Fuller, Hwt.	3-3	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	4:57
<b>Team Totals</b>	<b>180-85</b>	<b>102-68</b>	<b>19-11</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>0-3</b>	<b>15-7</b>	<b>3-1</b>	<b>22-15</b>	<b>0:46</b>

SV - sudden victory, TB - tiebreak, MD - major decision, TF - technical fall

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### DUAL TEAM POINTS SCORED BY WEIGHT

Opponent	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
Arizona State	0	6	4	3	3	4	3	3	0	3	29
Iowa State	0	3	0	4	0	3	0	3	0	3	16
Northern Iowa	0	3	4	3	5	0	0	4	0	4	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>68</b>

### INDIVIDUAL DUAL RECORD BY WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0-3	3-0	2-1	3-0	2-1	2-1	1-2	3-0	0-3	3-0	19-11

### DUAL FALLS BY WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0/1	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	1/2

### DUAL TECHNICAL FALLS BY WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0

### DUAL MAJOR DECISIONS BY WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0/1	0/0	2/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	0/2	1/0	6/3

### DUAL DECISIONS BY WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0/1	2/0	0/1	2/0	1/1	1/1	1/2	2/0	0/0	2/0	11/6

### DUAL FORFEITS/INJURY DEFAULTS BY WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

### TEAM RECORD AT DUAL STARTING WEIGHT

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-1

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## 2004-05 DUAL MEET RESULTS

### Iowa 29, Arizona State 10

*Iowa City, IA -- Saturday, November 27, 2004*

- 174 **Luke Lofthouse (I)** dec. Rick Renzi (ASU), 8-5
- 184 **Paul Bradley (I)** dec. C.B. Dollaway (ASU), 9-7 sv
- 197 Ryan Bader (ASU) pinned **Dane Pape (I)**, 2:23
- Hwt. **Matt Fields (I)** dec. Cain Velasquez (ASU), 4-3
- 125 J. Mendoza (ASU) maj. dec. **Lucas Magnani (I)**, 14-0
- 133 **Mario Galanakis (I)** pinned A. Hickey (ASU), 1:29
- 141 **Alex Tsirtsis (I)** maj. dec. Chris Frieje (ASU), 10-2
- 149 **Ty Eustice (I)** dec. Patrick Williams (ASU), 6-3
- 157 **Joe Johnston (I)** dec. Brian Stith (ASU), 8-5
- 165 **Mark Perry (I)** maj. dec. Pat Pitsch (ASU), 14-3

### Iowa State 19, Iowa 16

*Iowa City, IA -- Sunday, December 5, 2004*

- 174 N. Passolano (ISU) dec. **Luke Lofthouse (I)**, 12-8
- 184 **Paul Bradley (I)** dec. Kurt Backes (ISU), 7-6
- 197 Trevor Smith (ISU) maj. dec. **Dane Pape (I)**, 9-1
- Hwt. **Matt Fields (I)** dec. Scott Coleman (ISU), 4-2
- 125 G. Nakamura (ISU) pinned **Lucas Magnani (I)**, 6:37
- 133 **Mario Galanakis (I)** dec. Jesse Sundell (ISU), 6-3
- 141 Nate Gallick (ISU) dec. **Alex Tsirtsis (I)**, 2-1 tb
- 149 **Ty Eustice (I)** maj. dec. Aron Scott (ISU), 15-6
- 157 Trent Paulson (ISU) dec. **Joe Johnston (I)**, 10-8
- 165 **Mark Perry (I)** dec. Travis Paulson (ISU), 5-2

### Iowa 23, Northern Iowa 13

*Cedar Falls, IA -- Thursday, December 9, 2004*

- 141 **Alex Tsirtsis (I)** maj. dec. C.J. Ettleson (UNI), 17-7
- 149 **Ty Eustice (I)** dec. Jeff Harrison (UNI), 5-3
- 157 **Joe Johnston (I)** tech. fall C. Bitetto (UNI), 23-6 in 6:31
- 165 Nick Baima (UNI) dec. **Oleg Polyatskiy (I)**, 3-0
- 174 Eric Hauan (UNI) dec. **Luke Lofthouse (I)**, 6-5
- 184 **Paul Bradley (I)** maj. dec. Alex Dolly (UNI), 16-6
- 197 Sean Stender (UNI) maj. dec. **Dane Pape (I)**, 13-5
- Hwt. **Matt Fields (I)** maj. dec. M. Shedek (UNI), 10-1
- 125 Chris Helgeson (UNI) dec. **Charlie Falck (I)**, 3-1
- 133 **Mario Galanakis (I)** dec. Patrick Sharp (UNI), 10-4