THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA



Women's Gymnastics

Women's Gymnastics Contact -- Janey Kiryluik

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2006 GYMHAWK SCHEDULE

J 13	Oregon St./BYU/Florida.	ТВА
	(Corvallis, OR)	
J 20	at LSU	7 p.m.
	(Baton Rouge, LA)	_
J 28	Iowa State*	7 p.m.
	(Iowa City, IA)	_
F 5	at West Virginia	1 p.m.
	(Morgantown, WV)	•
F 10	Denver*	7 p.m.
	(Iowa City, IA)	_
F 18	Illinois*	.7 p.m.
	(Iowa City, IA)	_
F 25	at Texas Woman's	7 p.m.
	(Denton, TX)	
M 5	Minnesota*	TBA
	(Iowa City, IA)	
M 11	Missouri*	7 p.m.
	(Iowa City, IA)	
M 17	Iowa State	7 p.m.
	(Ames, IA)	
M 24-25	at Big Ten Championships	6 p.m.
	(East Lansing, MI)	
* at Car	ver-Hawkeye Arena	
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2005 Individual/Team Bests

Individual Bests
Vault: 9.900
Kortny Williamson, twice
Uneven Bars: 9.850
Romina Mazzoni at Michigan (3/4)
Balance Beam: 9.875
Danielle Legeai at Hearts Invite (2/11)
Floor Exercise:9.850
Natalie Padilla, Kortny Williamson, Liz
Grajewski
All-Around:39.075
Liz Grajewski at Minnesota (2/26)
Team Bests
Team Bests Vault:48.875
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at Minnesota (2/26)



GymHawks To Compete At Oregon State

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa women's gymnastics team will compete at Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon Friday. Competition will take place at Gill Coliseum. Also competing will be Florida and Brigham Young.

SEASON PREVIEW

The Hawkeyes begin their season as the 35th ranked team in the country. Iowa is coming off a sixth place finish at the 2005 Big Ten Championships and a sixth place NCAA regional finish. In addition, the Hawkeyes produced one second team all-Big Ten competitor, Liz Grajewski.

SCOUTING THE HAWKEYES

Iowa returns 10 letterwinners from last year when it finished with an 8-14 overall record and a sixth-place finish at the BigTen Championships. Iowa adds three new members to the team for the 2006 season. Brandi Loffer, from Corona, CA, Kara Pinjuy, from Reno, NV, and Jennifer Simbhudas, from Markham, Ontario.

HEAD COACH LARISSA LIBBY

Iowa Head Coach Larissa Libby begins her second season as head coach for the Hawkeyes. In her first year, Libby recorded an 8-14 record in 2005. Before becoming head coach, Libby was Iowa's associate head coach for one year and an assistant coach for three seasons. While associate head coach, Libby led the GymHawks to a school record 49.425 beam performance in 2004. In addition, in 2004 the GymHawks recorded a 49.0 or higher seven times on beam under Libby's guidance.

OUOTING HEAD COACH LARISSA LIBBY

"We are very excited to get our season started. The team has worked extremely hard during the pre-season to prepare for this moment and are anxious to get going. Our focus for this competition will be on consistency of performance throughout each of our line-ups. With our new code changes we are attempting to concentrate less on score and more on hitting routines. We will rely heavily on the experience and leadership of our seniors to guide the team through the season opener."

NEXT COMPETITION

The Hawkeyes will travel to Baton Rouge, LA on January 20th to compete at LSU. Competition will begin at 7p.m.

GYMINFO TOP 25 POLL

Final 2005 Rankings by National Meet Finish, Regional Meet Finish

<u>Team</u>		RQS
I. Ge	eorgia	197.825
2. Ala		197.400
3. Ut	ah	197.275
4. UC	CLA	197.150
5. Mi	chigan	196.575
6. Ne	ebraska	196.425
7. Flo	orida*	196.225
8. lov	wa State*	195.975
9. LS	U*	195.800
IO. Pe	nn State	195.085
II. Br	igham Young*	195.075
12. O	dahoma	194.900
13. Or	egon State*	194.820
14. Mi	ssouri*	194.810
15. W	ashington	194.605
16. Au	ıburn	194.570
17. Sta	inford	194.270
18T. New Hampshire		194.115
18T. Arizona		194.060
20T. Arizona State		194.050
20T. Boise State		193.885
22. Central Michigan		193.685
23T.Denver*		193.680
23T. North Carolina		193.235
25. Mi	nnesota*	192.695

^{* -} GymHawks 2006 opponents

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GYMHAWKS INFORMATION

Head CoachLarissa Libby
Alma Mater/Year:LSU/1996
Record at Iowa/Years:8-14/1
Overall Record/Years:8-14/1
Assistant Coaches:Jeff Richards
Talya Vexler
Gymnastics Secretary:Irene Pearson
Office Phone:(319) 335-9741
2005 Record:8-14
2005 Conference Record: I-2
2005 Conference Finish: 6th
2005 Postseason:. NCAA Regionals/6th
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/2
Newcomers:3

Hawkeye Gymnastics Continued...

2006 Iowa Gymnastics Roster

Name	Height	Year	Hometown
Katie Burke	5-3	So.	Palatine, IL
Beth Dilick	5-3	Jr.	King George, VA
Liz Grajewski	5-4	Sr.	Covington, WA
Danielle Legeai	4-11	Jr.	New Orleans, LA
Brandi Loffer	5-2	Fr.	Corona, CA
Romina Mazzoni	5-5	Jr.	Buenos Aires, Argentina
Natalie Padilla	5-3	So.	Bonita, CA
Kara Pinjuv	5-2	Fr.	Reno, NV
Amanda Rudolph	5-4	So.	West Bend, WI
Jennifer Simbhudas	5-1	Fr.	Markham, Ontario, Canada
Kortny Williamson	5-4	Sr.	Manheim, PA
Bobbie Zimmerman	5-5	Jr.	Naperville, IL
Ally Zipse	5-5	So.	Fort Wayne, IN

Head Coach: Larissa Libby (second season)
Assistant Coaches: Jeff Richards (first season)
Talya Vexler (first season)