

# IOWA HAWKEYES



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## MEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

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### 2014-15 SCHEDULE

| Date           | Event /Location   | Result   |
|----------------|---|----------|
| 9/14 -16       | <b>Golfweek Conference Challenge<br/>(Burlington, Iowa)</b> | 3rd/12   |
| 9/21-22        | Windon Memorial<br>(Chicago, Ill.)                          | T-3rd/15 |
| 10/11 -12      | Rod Myers Invitational<br>(Durham, N.C.)                    | T-7th/12 |
| 10/17-19       | U.S. Collegiate Championship<br>(Atlanta, Ga.)              | 11th/15  |
| 10/27-28       | Royal Oaks Intercollegiate<br>(Dallas, Texas)               | 6th/12   |
| 2/7            | Black and Gold Challenge<br>(West Palm Beach, Fla.)         |          |
| 2/15 -16       | Big Ten Match Play Championship<br>(Palm Coast, Fla.)       | 3rd/14   |
| 3/20-22        | <i>Schenkel Invitational<br/>(Statesboro, Ga.)</i>          |          |
| 3/28           | Arizona Match<br>(Scottsdale, Ariz.)                        |          |
| 4/2 -4         | ASU Thunderbird Invitational<br>(Tempe, Ariz.)              |          |
| <b>4/18-19</b> | <b>Hawkeye Invitational<br/>(Iowa City, Iowa)</b>           |          |
| 4/24 -26       | Big Ten Championships<br>(Evansville, Ind.)                 |          |
| 5/14-16        | NCAA Regionals<br>(TBD)                                     |          |

All times are Central and subject to change.  
Home events in BOLD.

### 2014-2015 QUICK FACTS

#### General Information

Location: Iowa City, Iowa  
Enrollment: 31,387  
Conference: Big Ten  
Home Course: Finkbine

#### Coaching Information

Head Coach: Tyler Stith  
Year at Iowa: 1st  
Alma Mater, Year: Iowa, 2002  
Assistant Coach: Dan Holterhaus  
Year at Iowa: 4th  
Alma Mater, Year: Iowa, 2008

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### THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's golf team travels to Statesboro, Georgia this weekend to compete in the 36th annual Schenkel Invitational held at Forest Heights Country Club. The three-day tournament, hosted by Georgia Southern University, begins on Friday, March 20, and concludes on Sunday, March 22. Live scoring can be found here: <http://bit.ly/1Eob1ft>.

### THE FIELD

Of the 15 teams competing at the Schenkel Invitational, 10 teams are ranked inside the top 50 of the Golfstat Relative Rankings released on March 11. No. 42 Iowa, the lone representative of the Big Ten, is the seventh-highest ranked team in the field. Vanderbilt, ranked fifth in the country, is the highest-ranked team. In addition to Iowa and Vanderbilt, the 15-team field includes, UAB, Auburn, UCF, College of Charleston, Florida, Georgia Southern, Kentucky, Louisville, Mississippi, N.C. State, North Florida, South Alabama, and Wake Forest.

### THE COURSE

Playing as a par-72, 6,910 yard course, the Forest Heights Country Club Golf Course is recognized as one of the finest in the Southeast. Forest Heights is the site of the annual Southeastern Amateur Golf Tournament and has hosted the Southern Conference Tournament in addition to many other events.

### THE LINEUP

Sophomores Carson Schaake and Raymond Knoll, seniors Brian Bullington and Ian Vandersee, and junior Voramate Aussarassakorn are set to compete for the Hawkeyes at the Schenkel Invitational.

### TOURNAMENT HISTORY

This weekend marks only the second time the Hawkeyes will have competed at the Schenkel Invitational since it began in 1971. Iowa's only other appearance in the event came in 2009 when the Hawkeyes finished in 14th place. Brad Hopfinger fired a 216 to lead the way for the Hawkeyes, and finish tied for 11th on the individual leaderboard.

### LAST EVENT

For the second time in three years, the University of Iowa men's golf team earned a third place finish at the Big Ten Match Play Championships (Feb. 15-16). Held at the Hammock Beach Resort in Palm Coast, Florida, third-seeded and 42nd-ranked Iowa topped Nebraska and Minnesota in the first and second rounds before falling to Michigan in the semifinals, 4-1-0. The Hawkeyes knocked off fourth-seeded Maryland in a battle for third place via tiebreaker.

### HAWKEYES IN THE RANKINGS

The University of Iowa men's golf team is ranked 42nd out of 262 teams in the most recent Golfstat Relative Rankings, and are the second-highest ranked Big Ten team.

### 6-STRAIGHT NCAA APPEARANCES

Iowa has advanced to NCAA competition in each of the last six seasons, joining Illinois and Northwestern as the only Big Ten teams selected to NCAA Regional competition in each of the last six seasons. Iowa has advanced to the NCAA Championship finals three times in the last six years.

### NEW FACE AT THE HELM

Tyler Stith is in his first year as the head coach at the University of Iowa in 2014-15. Stith was named the UI head coach on Aug. 22, 2014. Stith, a former assistant coach and student-athlete at Iowa, served as assistant coach at Minnesota the last three years.

### LOOKING AHEAD

Iowa travels to Scottsdale, Arizona to compete at the Big Four Championships on Saturday, March 28. The Hawkeyes look to capture their fourth-straight title at the event.

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