THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA



Women's Gymnastics Contact -- Janey Kiryluik

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2008 GymHawk Schedule And

RESULTS J 1-6 Cancun Classic.....2nd, 192.875 (Cancun, Mexico) J 11 at L.S.U. L, 191.525-195.550 (Baton Rouge, LA) J 18 at CMU...... ...W, 193.625-189.650 (Mount Pleasant, MI) J 25 IllinoisL, 192.975-193.650 (Iowa City, IA) F 2 at SEMOW, 194.550-193.650 (*Cape Girardeau*, *MO*) F 9 Ohio State......T, 195.400 (Iowa City, IA) F 22 at Iowa State.....7 p.m. (Ames, IA) F 24 Michigan State 2 p.m. (Iowa Citv, IA) Minnesota.....7 p.m. F 29 (Iowa Citv, IA) M 2 (Denton, TX) Μ7 Iowa State.....7 p.m. (Iowa City, IA) M 14 at Southern Utah.....7 p.m. (Cedar City, UT) Big Ten Championships2 p.m. M 29 (Ann Arbor, MI) A 12 NCAA Regionals..... TBA (Minneapolis, MN) A 26-28 NCAA Championships..... TBA (Athens, GA) * Times are local to site and subject to change.

2008 TEAM BESTS

Team Bests

Vault:	48.800
at SEMO (2/2)	
Uneven Bars:	48.850
vs. Ohio State (2/9)	
Balance Beam:	48.950
vs. Ohio State (2/9)	
Floor Exercise:	49.100
vs. Ohio State (2/9)	
Team Total:	195.400
vs. Ohio State (2/9)	

IOWA ON THE WEB

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Hawkeyes Compete At Iowa State Friday And Host Michigan State Sunday

This Week

The 24th-ranked University of Iowa women's gymnastics team will compete at Iowa State Friday and return home to host 19th-ranked Michigan State Sunday. Friday's competition will take place at Hilton Coliseum at 7 p.m. The Hawkeyes will face Michigan State in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, Sunday at 2 p.m. in a meet honoring Girl Scouts of America.

LAST COMPETITION

Iowa tied Ohio State, 195.4 earning its best team score since 2005. The Hawkeyes had event winners on vault, floor and in the all-around. Junior Jenifer Simbhudas earned a career-high 39.3 in the all-around. Simbhudas placed first on vault (9.825) and floor (9.875), and tied for second on bars (9.825). Her performance was good enough to earn her Big Ten Gymnast of the Week honors.

Other top scores for Iowa included freshman **Houry Gebeshian** on beam, earning a 9.9 to finish first. She tied for second on floor with **Katie Burke** (9.850). **Kara Pinjuv** placed second in the all-around with a 39.175 while Burke placed fourth with a 38.875.

The Hawkeyes

Iowa is ranked 24th nationally with a 4-3-1 record, while Simbhudas is sixth in the Big Ten vault rankings with an average 9.8 and fifth in conference beam rankings with a 9.7 average.

HEAD COACH LARISSA LIBBY

In four years as Iowa Head Coach, **Larissa Libby** has recorded a 24-45-1 record. Before becoming head coach, Libby was Iowa's associate head coach for one year and an assistant coach the previous three seasons. While associate head coach, Libby helped lead the GymHawks to a school record 49.425 beam performance in 2004. In addition to the record breaking performance, the 2004 GymHawks recorded a 49.0 or higher seven times on beam under Libby's guidance.

NEXT COMPETITION

The Hawkeyes will host Minnesota, February 29th. Competition will take place at the UI Fieldhouse at 7 p.m.

