## **IOWA HAWKEYES**

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## Men's Tennis Weekly Release

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2010 Schedule/Results		
(9-4 Overall, 1-1 Big Ten)		
J 30	at #6 BaylorL, 0-7	
J 31	#66 Texas A&M-CCW, 4-2	
F 5	MemphisW, 6-1	
F 7	Northern IllinoisW, 7-0	
F 21	at Western MichiganW, 4-3	
F 24	at DrakeW, 4-3	
F 28	DePaulW, 7-0	
M 6	vs. Sacramento St No Contest	
M 7	at #32 DenverL, 1-6	
M 17	at #52 UNLVL, 2-5	
M 19	Wichita St. (at Palm Springs, CA) W, 5-2	
M 20	Pacific (at Palm Springs, CA)W, 4-3	
M 27	at Michigan StateW, 5-2	
M 28	at #28 MichiganL, 1-6	
A 2	#2 Ohio State 2 pm	
A 4	#58 Penn State 10 am	
A 10	at Indiananoon	
A 11	at Illinois noon	
A 16	Wisconsinnoon	
A 18	Northwestern noon	
A 23	at Purdue	
A 25	Minnesota	
A 29-	Big Ten Tournament	
M 2	(Bloomington, IN)	
	2010 Roster	
1	eYr.	
Mitch BeckertFr.		
Marc BrucheSo.		
Garret DunnFr.		
Patrick DwyerSr. Connor GilmoreFr.		
Reinoud Haal		
Austen Kauss Jr.		
Tommy McGeorge Sr.		
Tom MroziewiczSo.		

Nikita Zotov	Jr.	
Quick Facts		
Current National Ranking	73rd	
Overall Record	9-4	
Big Ten Record	1-1	
vs. Nationally Ranked	1-4	
Home Record	3-0	
Record Away From Iowa City	6-4	

Christopher Speer.....So.

Will Vasos ......So.

Joey White.....Fr.

**THIS WEEK** -- The 73rd-ranked University of Iowa men's tennis team opens its Big Ten home slate this weekend. Iowa, 9-4 overall, hosts No. 2 Ohio State Friday at 2 p.m. The Black and Gold will also host No. 58 Penn State Sunday at 10 a.m. Both matches will be held at the Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex. Admission is free.

**SCOUTING THE OPPONENTS** -- Ohio State (18-1 overall, 2-0 in Big Ten play) is ranked second, nationally. The Buckeyes are coached by Ty Tucker. He is in his 11th season. Penn State (12-4 overall, 1-1 in conference play) is ranked 58th, nationally. The Nittany Lions are led by fourth year Head Coach Todd Doebler. Penn State lost at Ohio State Sunday, 7-0.

<u>THE SERIES</u> -- Iowa is 24-27 all-time against Ohio State and 10-11 against Penn State. The Hawkeyes lost at Ohio State (7-0) and Penn State (4-3) last season.

<u>LAST TIME OUT</u> -- The Hawkeyes opened conference play on the road last weekend. Iowa won at Michigan State Saturday, 5-2. The Hawkeyes then lost at No. 28 Michigan Sunday, 6-1.

**BIG TEN TIME** -- Iowa finished the non-conference schedule with a record of 8-3. Iowa's remaining regular season matches will all be against conference opponents. The Hawkeyes went 1-1 on their trip to Michigan. Iowa now has eight more conference matches, five of which are at home.

<u>IN THE RANKINGS</u> -- Iowa is ranked No. 73 in the current ITA team rankings. Nine of the 11 Big Ten schools are nationally ranked. Iowa is ranked fourth in the latest central region rankings. In addition, sophomore Marc Bruche is ranked 15th in singles. Rankings can be found at itatennis.com.

HEAD COACH STEVE HOUGHTON -- Steve Houghton, the dean of Big Ten coaches, is in his 29th year as head coach of the Hawkeyes. He has compiled a career record of 319-323 (.498), recording the most wins of any coach in Iowa men's tennis history. Houghton recorded his 300th win at Indiana State Feb. 6, 2009. His best season came in 1984 when Iowa won a school record 21 matches and two Hawkeyes earned all-Big Ten honors. In 1989, Houghton was named NCAA Region IV Coach of the Year and picked up his 100th career dual win. Four of Houghton's athletes have also been selected Big Ten Sportsman of the Year. He became the winningest coach in Iowa tennis history in 1992 and is a member of the Iowa Tennis Hall of Fame. While playing at Iowa, Houghton had a career winning percentage of .727 (40-15), second best in Iowa history.

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