IOWA HAWKEYES

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SWIMMING & DIVING WEEKLY RELEASE

	2012-13 SEASON SCHEDULE	
Oct. 13	Black & Gold Intrasquad (Iowa City, Iowa)	11 a.m.
Oct. 19	at Michigan State* (East Lansing, Mich.)	3 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Minnesota* (Minneapolis)	5 p.m.
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	Hawkeye Invitational (Iowa, Denver, Milwaukee, Nebraska, Oregon State, Washington State)	10 a.m./ 6 p.m.
Dec. 17	at Colorado College/ vs. Austin College	6 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Illinois * (Champaign, IL)	11 a.m.
Jan. 26	vs. Northwestern * (Iowa City, Iowa)	11 a.m.
Feb. 1-2	Northwestern Invitational (Iowa, Nebraska, Northwestern) (Evanston, III.)	TBA
Feb. 8	Western Illinois/Northern Iowa (Iowa City, Iowa)	6 p.m.
Feb. 20- 24	Big Ten Championships (Minneapolis)	11 a.m./ 6:30 p.m.
March 21-23	NCAA Championships (Indianapolis)	11 am./ 6 p.m.
April 13	Alumni Meet (Iowa City, Iowa)	11 a.m.

All times are Central

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa women's swimming and diving team hosts its annual Black and Gold Intrasquad meet Saturday at the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center Pool. The competition is set to begin at 11 a.m.

LIVE STATS

For live results from your computer or smart phone, visit: http://stats.iowaswimming.com/. Free WiFi is available at the CRWC for all students and faculty.

EVENT PROMOTIONS

Fans can pick up 2012-13 swimming and diving posters, calendar cards, stickers and bumper stickers from the marketing table located in the pool gallery at the main entrance.

RETURNING ALL-AMERICAN

The women's squad returns sophomore All-American Becky Stoughton in 2012-13. The Peoria, Ill., native finished ninth in the 1,650 free (16:03.42) at the NCAA Champoionships last season — the highest Hawkeye NCAA swimming finisher since Jennifer Skolaski placed 14th in the 100 back at the 2005 NCAA Championships. The last swimmer to place higher than ninth place was Skolaski in 2003 when she placed eighth in the 100 back.

2011-2012 MVP

Becky Stoughton returns to lead the Hawkeyes after earning team most valuable player honors as a freshman. Stoughton is the first lowa swimmer to qualify for the NCAA Championships since Jennifer Skolaski in 2005, also the first Hawkeye freshman to qualify since Skolaski in 2001–2002 season. Stoughton was named 2012 Big Ten Freshman Swimmer of the Year, making her the first Hawkeye to earn the distinction.

HAWKEYE OLYMPIANS

lowa has two former Olympians on the 2012-13 roster in sophomore Heather Arseth and junior Lindsay Seemann. Arseth competed in the 2012 London Olympics in the 200 free, while Seemann swam for Canada in the 2008 Beijing Olympics at the age of 15, making her the youngest Olympian for Canada in the '08 games.

CAPTAINS COUNCIL

Four student-athletes have been named to the 2012-13 captains' council. April Allen, Abbey Tushscherer, Elaine Boosalis and Abby Grilli were named 2012-13 captains in a vote of peers and coaches.

^{* --} Conference Event

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NEWCOMERS

The women's team welcomes eight newcomers to the 2012-2013 season roster in Maddie Bro, Colleen Champa, Maggie Hofstadter, Ashley Horodyski, Olivia Kabacinski, Allie Orvis, Lindsay Seeman and Jennifer Weigand. The class was ranked in the top-30 nationally.

THIRD BEST GPA NATIONALLY

The Hawkeyes posted a 3.59 team grade point average during the 2011-12 season, which was tied for the third best mark in the country with fellow Big Ten foe Northwestern. The following swimmers earned CSCAA Scholar All-America honors: Becky Stoughton, Danielle Carty, Daniela Cubelic, Joelle Christy, Abby Grilli and Karolina Wartalowicz.

FAMILY TIES

While most programs cite family team atmospheres, it goes a little bit further for the University of Iowa swimming and diving team. Iowa has two sets of siblings on the 2012-13 roster. Former Hawkeye All-American Paul Gordon is serving as a student assistant coach, while his sister, Haley Gordon, and brother, Jack Gordon, are UI student-athletes. Iowa also has three Weigands on the current squad in senior Patrick Weigand along with sophomore Hillary Weigand and freshman Jennifer Weigand.

HEAD COACH MARC LONG

Marc Long is in his ninth season as head coach for the University of Iowa swimming team. It's his eighth as head coach of the combined program. During his tenure as head coach of both programs, 54 school records have fallen and 93 Hawkeyes have provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships.

COACHING ADDITIONS

Todd Waikel is in his first season as diving coach for the Hawkeyes. Waikel replaces long time UI diving coach Bob Rydze after serving as the assistant diving coach at Indiana for seven years. Kristy Brager joins program as an assistant coach, after coaching two seasons at George Mason University. She helped lead the men's team to a pair of runner-up finishes in the Colonial Athletic Association.

CAMPUS RECREATION AND WELLNESS CENTER

Ground was broken for the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center in October 2007. The facility opened in August 2010 and is home for the Hawkeyes. It is located at the corner of Burlington and Madison streets and cost approximately \$69 million. The facility includes a 50-meter competition pool, a separate diving well, a leisure pool with lap lanes and 24,000 square feet of fitness space.

IOWA SWIMMING AND DIVING TRADITION

lowa was one of the first schools in the nation to compete on a collegiate level and competed at the first NCAA Championship. From 1937 to 1960, lowa placed in the NCAA top 10 18 times, crowning nine NCAA and 22 Big Ten champions.

NEXT EVENT

lowa opens its regular season Oct. 19 when it travels to East Lansing, Mich., to take on Michigan State. The competition will begin at 3 p.m.

	2011-12 TOP TIMES	
50 Free	Danielle Carty	23.17
100 Free	Danielle Carty	50.26
	Becky Stoughton	
500 Free	Becky Stoughton	4:40.82(B)*
1,000 Free	Becky Stoughton	9:39.44*
1,650 Free	Becky Stoughton	. 16:03.42(B)*
100 Back	Daniela Cubelic	53.63(B)*
200 Back	Becky Stoughton	1:58.38(B)
100 Breast	Katarina Tour	1:02.91(B)
200 Breast	Karolina Wartalowicz	2:16.26
100 Fly	Abbey Tuchscherer	54.67
200 Fly	Abbey Tuchscherer	2:01.17
200 IM	Emily Hovren	2:01.57
400 IM	Becky Stoughton	4:12.34(B)*
200 Free Relay	Carty, Arseth, Cubelic, Hovern	1:31.68(B)*
400 Free Relay	Carty, Hovren, Cubelic, Stoughton	3:21.66 (B)
800 Free Relay	Stoughton, Hovren, Maher, Gubelic	720.29(B)
200 Medley Relay	Carty, Wartalowicz, Gordon, Arseth	1:41.41(B)
400 Medley Relay	Cubelic,Wartalowicz,Tuchscherer, Carty	3:40.33(B)*
One-Meter Diving	Veronica Rydze	325.28
Three-Meter Diving	Veronica Rydze	346.10
Platform Diving	Lauren Kelba	256.95
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(B) - NCAA B Cut, * -- school record, ** Pool Record