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<u>IOWA FIELD HOCKEY</u> HAWKEYES SHUT-OUT TEMPLE, 1-0

IOWA CITY – The No. 9 University of Iowa field hockey team picked up their thirdconsecutive shutout Sunday, defeating the Temple Owls 1-0 at Grant Field. The game was played in a harsh downpour, which caused a 45-minute delay at halftime.

The Hawkeye dominated the entire game, peppering the Temple defense with 33 shots. The Owls managed only one shot in response. Iowa also had a decisive advantage in penalty corners, 14-1.

Temple goalkeeper Erin Conroy played an outstanding game in limiting Iowa to only one goal. She made 16 saves on the day. Iowa also hit the post on two shots.

The Hawkeyes finally put one past Conroy with 13:30 left in the game. Senior **Pattie Gillern** entered the attack circle on the right of the goal and threaded a perfect crossing pass to sophomore **Debbie Birrell**, who knocked the ball to the back of the cage. The goal was Birrell's first of the season and first of her career.

Iowa goalkeeper **Barb Weinberg** didn't have to make a save, but picked up her third-straight shutout.

The Hawkeyes will return to action Thursday against the California Golden Bears. Gametime is set for 3 p.m. at Grant Field.

GAME SUMMARY

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IOWA Debbie Birrell (Pattie Gillern) 56:30/2nd

Shots on Goal: **IOWA 33**, TU 1 Penalty Corners: **IOWA 14**, TU 1 Goalkeeper Saves: **Weinberg (IOWA) 0**, Conroy (TU) 16

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