



WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

Women's Gymnastics Contact -- Nick Hegland

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2012 GYMHAWK SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

J 6	at Cancun Classic 4th, 193.875 <i>(Cancun, Mexico)</i>
J 13	vs. Michigan State W, 193.225 <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
J 21	vs. Illinois (Co-ed) T, 195.075 <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
J 27	at Iowa State L, 194.550 <i>(Ames, Iowa)</i>
F 3	vs. Penn State L, 195.150 <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
F 10	at Ohio State L, 194.425 <i>(Columbus, Ohio)</i>
F 17	vs. Iowa State W, 194.150 <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
F 24	vs. Minnesota <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
M 3	TWU, BYU & SEMO <i>(Denton, Texas)</i>
M 9	vs. Louisiana State <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
M 17	Denver, Minnesota & Arizona State <i>(Denver, Colo.)</i>
M 24	Big Ten Championships <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>
A 7	at NCAA Regionals <i>(TBD)</i>
A 20	at NCAA Championships <i>(Deluth, Ga.)</i>

2012 SEASON BESTS

Team Bests

Vault:	48.925 <i>at Iowa State (1/27)</i>
Uneven Bars:	49.175 <i>vs. Penn State (2/3)</i>
Balance Beam:	48.450 <i>vs. Illinois (1/21)</i>
Floor Exercise:	49.350 <i>vs. Penn State (2/3)</i>
Team Total:	195.150 <i>vs. Penn State (2/3)</i>

IOWA ON THE WEB



GymHawks to Host Minnesota

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa women's gymnastics team is set to host Big Ten rival Minnesota on Friday evening beginning at 7 p.m. (CT). The GymHawks look to make it two-straight home wins inside Carver-Hawkeye Arena, site of the 2012 Big Ten Women's Gymnastics Championships.

LIVE BLOG

Iowa team manager Nicole Pineau will offer interactive content live from Carver-Hawkeye Arena via the Official Iowa Gymnastics Blog. This feature gives Hawkeye fans the opportunity to voice their opinion by submitting questions and comments, while receiving up-to-the-minute play-by-play, notes and stats about the meet and the Hawkeyes. The live blog will begin at approximately 6:45 p.m. (CT) and run throughout the meet.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DAY

Friday's meet will celebrate Elementary School Day. A pre-meet face painter and clown will be on the concourse in Carver-Hawkeye Arena, along with the pre-meet Kids' Zone. Fans can also register to win a pair Big Ten Women's Gymnastics Championship tickets as the GymHawks sign autographs after the meet. Tickets are \$3 for adults and free to youth under 18 and UI students.

LAST TIME OUT

The Hawkeyes topped Iowa State, 194.150-192.750, on Feb. 17 as junior Emma Stevenson won a pair of event titles for the Black and Gold. After a first place finish on bars (9.825) for the second-consecutive meet, Stevenson posted a 9.850 on floor to bring home her third title in eight days. Senior Jessa Hansen won the all-around competition (39.025) after remaining out of the event since the first week in January.

HEAD COACH LARISSA LIBBY

In her eighth season at Iowa, Libby has a career record of 65-72-2. The Hawkeyes are searching for their fifth consecutive NCAA postseason appearance, the sixth in Libby's tenure. She coached the 2011 GymHawks to an 11-6 record and a sixth place finish at the Big Ten Championships, this coming after a third place finish in 2010, their best finish in six years. Libby coached three All-Big Ten selections in 2011 -- Rebecca Simbudas, Houry Gebeshian and Jessa Hansen. Libby was named North Central Region Coach of the Year in 2009 for her efforts after guiding the GymHawks to a 10-5 record and a sixth-place finish at the NCAA Regionals. She was also named co-Big Ten Coach of the Year in 2008. Libby served as associate head coach in 2004 and assistant coach from 2001-03 at Iowa before being named head coach in 2005.

UP NEXT

The GymHawks will return to the road for a four-team meet hosted by Texas Women's University on March 3 in Denton, Texas. Along with TWU, the GymHawk's will see Brigham Young and Southeast Missouri State. Action is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. (CT).