

IOWA HAWKEYES



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Men's Tennis Weekly Release

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2006-07 Schedule

S 29-O 1	at Minnesota Invite	---
	at All-American Tourn.	---
O 6-8	at Louisville Invite	---
O 19-23	at ITA Regional	---
N 10-13	at Big Ten Singles	All Day
J 28	Northern Illinois	1:30 pm
F 2	Indiana State	1:30 pm
F 16	DePaul	12 pm
F 18	Toledo	10 am
F 23	SMU	10 am
F 24	Western Michigan	12 pm
F 28	Drake	6 pm
M 2	at Minnesota	6:30 pm
M 10-18	Spring Trip	TBA
M 24	at Ohio State	11 am
M 25	Indiana	TBA
M 30	Penn State	2 pm
A 1	Michigan	10 am
A 8	at Michigan State	11 am
A 14	Wisconsin	11 am
A 15	Northwestern	12 pm
A 21	at Purdue	11 am
A 22	at Illinois	12 pm
A 26-29	at Big Ten Tournament	TBA

2006 Fall Records

Singles	Dual/Tourn/Overall
C. Bierich	0-0/2-4/2-4
P. Dwyer	0-0/6-4/6-4
S. Elwell	0-0/8-2/8-2
W. Grimes	0-0/1-2/1-2
R. Haal	0-0/5-4/5-4
G. Holm	0-0/4-6/4-6
T. McGeorge	0-0/8-4/8-4
J.P Ritchie	0-0/5-3/5-3
Mat Sawin	0-0/0-2/0-2
B. van Monsjou	0-0/5-3/5-3

Doubles	Dual/Tourn/Overall
Bierich/McGeorge	0-0/0-1/0-1
Bierich/Elwell	0-0/0-1/0-1
Dwyer/Grimes	0-0/4-3/4-3
Dwyer/Holm	0-0/2-1/2-1
Elwell/Haal	0-0/7-0/7-0
Holm/McGeorge	0-0/3-4/3-4
Ritchie/van Monsjou	0-0/4-1/4-1

Hawkeye Quickfacts

2006 Record:.....	6-14
2006 Big Ten Record:.....	1-10
2006 Big Ten Finish:.....	T10

THIS WEEK -- The University of Iowa men's tennis team will travel to Ann Arbor, MI, this week to compete in the Big Ten Singles Championship.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION -- The University of Michigan will host the tournament. Play begins Friday with qualifying matches. For the Hawkeyes, sophomores **Christian Bierich** and **Greg Holm**, juniors **Bart van Monsjou** and **J.P. Ritchie**, and freshman **Tommy McGeorge** will compete in the qualifying rounds. Main draw competition will be held Saturday through Monday. Senior **Scott Elwell** and freshmen **Reinoud Haal**, **Patrick Dwyer** and **Walker Grimes** will represent the Hawkeyes in the main draw.

LAST TIME OUT -- The Hawkeyes competed in singles and doubles at the ITA Midwest Championships hosted by the University of Minnesota. Junior **J.P. Ritchie**, freshman **Tommy McGeorge** and senior **Scott Elwell** won qualifying matches on the first day of competition, but lost in the round of 32. In doubles competition, the Hawkeyes won two matches.

COMPETITION FROM THE BIG TEN -- Iowa has played 14 singles matches against Big Ten opponents so far in the 2006 fall season, with freshman **Tommy McGeorge's** win over Sion Wilkins of Minnesota being the only win. Seventeen Big Ten singles players were ranked in the pre-season ITA rankings.

HEAD COACH STEVE HOUGHTON -- Steve Houghton, the dean of Big Ten tennis coaches, is in his 26th season as head coach of the Hawkeyes. Houghton has a career record of 277-286 (.492). His best season came in 1984 when Iowa won a school record 21 matches and two Hawkeyes earned all-Big Ten honors. 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), the second best in Iowa History.

QUOTING COACH HOUGHTON -- "I was a little disappointed with our performance at the ITA regionals and so were the players. The team is fired up for this last event of the fall season. After a couple weeks of good practices, they are ready to finish the season right."

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