IOWA FIELD HOCKEY



at Northwestern/vs. Louisville Evanston, IL/Iowa City, IA



2009 SCHEDULE (5-8, 2-3)

8/29#2 Wake Forest ^L, 2-3 8/30#4 North Carolina ^L, 0-5 9/5at #17 MassachusettsL, 3-4 9/7Boston (N)W, 3-1 9/11Virginia CommonwealthL, 2-3 9/13StanfordL, 2-3 (OT) 9/13Virginia CommonwealthL, 2-3 (OT) 9/13StanfordW, 12-0 9/25at Michigan*! 10/2Indiana*L, 1-2 10/4California W, 3-2 10/11at #20 Ohio State* 10/16#8 Michigan State* 10/18Penn State*! W, 1-0 10/23at #19 Northwestern*
10/25 #14 Louisville 1 pm
10/30 #9 James Madison (N)1 pm
10/31 at American Universitynoon
11/5-8 Big Ten Tournament (East Lansing)
11/14-15 at NCAA (1st & 2nd Rds.) 11/20-22 at NCAA (Final Four)

All games listed are central time N=Neutral

^ Big Ten/ACC Challenge

* Big Ten Conference Games

! Televised by Big Ten Network

NFHCA RANKINGS

No.	Team
1.	Maryland (55)
2.	North Carolina* (3)
3.	Virginia
4.	Princeton (1)
5.	Syracuse
6.	Wake Forest*
7.	Connecticut
8.	Michigan State*
9.	James Madison*
10.	Boston College
11.	Drexel
12.	Stanford*
13.	Duke
14.	Louisville*
15.	Ohio State*
16.	Massachusetts*
	Delaware
18.	Albany
	Northwestern*
	Indiana*
* - 20	09 Opponents

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	ROSTER						
No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown/High School			
1	Geena Lesiak	MF	Fr.	Voorhees, NJ/Eastern Regional			
4	Becca Spengler	F/MF	So.	Lititz, PA/Warwick			
5	Sarah Drake	MF	Fr.	Ann Arbor, MI/Pioneer			
8	Jessica Barnett	В	Fr.	North Vancouver, CN/Handsworth Secondary			
13	Jess Werley	MF/F	Sr.	Allentown, PA/Emmaus			
15	Meghan Beamesderfer	B/MF	Sr.	Lititz, PA/Warwick			
16	Sarah Pedrick	B/MF	Fr.	New Castle, DE/Archmere Academy			
19	Grace Dolfi	MF	Fr.	Chapel Hill, NC/East Chapel Hill			
20	Hailey Chadbourne	F	Fr.	Pittston, ME/Gardiner Area			
21	Tricia Dean	MF	Sr.	Bear, DE/William Penn			
22	Sarah Pergine	F	Jr.	Collegeville, PA/Perkiomen Valley			
24	Chelsea Miller	B/MF	Jr.	Dallas, TX/Hockaday School			
25	Leslie Pyle	В	So.	Lafayette Hill, PA/Plymouth Whitemarsh			
28	Kelsey Boyce	GK	Fr.	Califon, NJ/Voorhees			
31	Kathleen McGraw	GK	Fr.	Atherton, CA/Saint Francis			
32	Tori Garifo	GK	So.	Red Lion, PA/Red Lion			
Head Coach: Tracey Griesbaum Associate Head Coach: Lisa Cellucci Assistant Coach: Caroline Blaum Volunteer Assistant Coach: Lauren Pfeiffer							

THIS WEEK

Points

1176

1121

1051 978

926

863 809 772

608 587

554

408

362 334

313 306

285 223

195

91

The University of Iowa field hockey team faces two ranked teams this weekend. The Black and Gold will travel to No. 19 Northwestern Friday. The Hawkeyes will then face No. 14 Louis-ville Sunday at Grant Field. Admission is free.

Sunday's match against the Cardinals will be lowa's home finale. Iowa will honor seniors Meghan Beamesderfer, Tricia Dean and Jess Werley. The match will also be part of "Pink Weekend" to help raise awareness for breast cancer.

PINK WEEKEND

The University of Iowa field hockey, soccer and volleyball programs will host a "Pink Weekend" to help raise awareness for breast cancer this weekend. Fans are encouraged to attend all three weekend events for a chance to win great Hawkeye prizes. The first 300 fans at each event will receive an official Pink Weekend T-shirt.

ALL-TIME SERIES

The Black and Gold are 49-17-4 all-time (20-11-2 on the road) against Northwestern. Additionally, Iowa is 4-3 against Louisville and 1-1 against them in Iowa City.

IOWA HAWKEYE

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Over.
Michigan State	3-0	12-3
Ohio State	3-1	11-4
Indiana	2-2	9-5
Michigan	2-2	7-9
IOWA	2-3	5-8
Northwestern	1-3	12-5
Penn State	1-3	5-10

THIS WEEK IN BIG TEN

Friday	IOWA at Northwestern Ohio State at Michigan St. Penn State at Indiana
Saturday	Penn State vs. Pacific
Sunday	Pacific at Indiana Louisville at IOWA Michigan at Michigan St. Duke at Ohio State

SPORTS INFORMATION

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MEDIA INFORMATION

PRACTICE ATTENDANCE - All practices are open to the media, and interviews may be conducted 15 minutes prior to or at the completion of practice. However, media must inform Patrick Sojka of their intention to attend practice. The Hawkeyes practice daily from 2:30-5:00 p.m. at Grant Field.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS - All player interviews are coordinated through Patrick of the sports information office. Please contact Patrick (319-335-9411) so that he may set a time which does not interfere with the student-athlete's academic or practice schedules.

THE LAST TIME

The Hawkeyes defeated Northwestern in lowa City last season, 2-0.

lowa and Louisville met twice in 2008. The Hawkeyes defeated the Cardinals in Louisville, KY, during the regular season, 1-0.

The Black and Gold then defeated Louisville 1-0 again during the first round of the NCAA Tournament in East Lansing, MI. Both teams were ranked in each match.

SCOUTING THE WILDCATS

Northwestern is 12-5 overall and 1-3 in conference play. They own a 6-3 record at home. They are ranked 19th in the latest NFHCA rankings.

The Wildcats are coached by Tracey Fuchs. Fuchs is in her first season as head coach of the program.

SCOUTING THE CARDINALS

Louisville is 8-7 overall and 3-3 on the road this season. They are ranked 14th in the latest NFHCA rankings.

The Cardinals are coached by Pam Bustin. In 11 years at the helm of the program, she is 128-104.

THANKS SENIORS

Meghan Beamesderfer, Tricia Dean and Jess Werley will all be playing their final home match at Grant Field Sunday when the Hawkeyes host No. 14 Louisville.

The trio has been part of three-straight NCAA tournament teams and Big Ten Tournament championship teams.

Collectively, they have started 231 of 234 games played in their careers.

IN THE RANKINGS

The Hawkeyes are receiving votes in the latest NFHCA rankings. Iowa will play 11 of the current NFHCA top 20 this season. In addition, the Hawkeyes will play five of the teams receiving votes in the latest poll.

The Big Ten Conference currently has four teams ranked in the top 20. Michigan State sits at eighth in the latest rankings. Joining the Spartans is Ohio State (No. 15), Northwestern (No. 19) and Indiana (No. 20). All Big Ten teams are at least receiving votes as Penn State and Michigan are also receiving votes.

IOWA DOWNS PENN STATE

The Hawkeyes defeated Penn State Sunday at Grant Field, 1-0. Freshman Geena Lesiak recorded her third goal of the season off a great pass from senior Tricia Dean. In addition, Freshman goalkeeper Kathleen McGraw recorded her first career shutout and made three crucial saves in the final minutes to preserve the Hawkeye victory.

FRESHMEN SEE ACTION

All eight freshmen have seen action this season for the Hawkeyes. Geena Lesiak, Sarah Drake, Jess Barnett, Grace Dolfi, Hailey Chadbourne, Sarah Pedrick, Kelsey Boyce and Kathleen McGraw all have seen game action.

Lesiak recorded her first career goal Aug. 30 against Wake Forest. McGraw saw her first career game action in goal Aug. 31 against North Carolina, playing the second half. McGraw recorded her first career win at Boston Sept. 6.

Drake is tied for the team lead in goals scored with six. She recorded her first career goals with two Sept. 5 at UMass and added another Sept. 6 against the Terriers. She was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week for her efforts.

Dolfi recorded her first career goal against VCU Sept. 11. Boyce recorded her first career game action Sept. 19 against Saint Louis. She played the second half and recorded two saves.

HAWKEYES DOMINATE BILLIKENS

The Hawkeyes defeated Saint Louis at Grant Field, 12-0, on Sept. 19. The 12 goals are the most scored by Iowa since 1997 when the Hawkeyes defeated Saint Louis, 13-0.

lowa accumulated 26 total points in the contest, tied for second most in a game this season in the Big Ten. Additionally, the 12 goals are tied for the most scored this season by a Big Ten team.