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SCHEDULE/RESULTS (6-16)

2/27	at Centenary College	W, 11-4
2/28	at Centenary College	L, 3-7
2/28	at Centenary College	L, 8-13
3/6	at SMS	L, 5-8
3/6	at SMS	L, 5-17
3/7	at SMS	L, 2-13
3/13	*Maine	W, 5-3
3/14	*Maine	L, 2-3
3/16	*Stetson	W, 9-7
3/17	*Massachusetts	L, 2-4 (10 inn.)
3/18	*Bucknell	W, 9-3
3/18	*Miami (OH)	L, 5-6
3/19	*Dartmouth	W, 4-3
3/20	*Army	L, 2-6
3/23	Western Illinois	L, 2-4
3/26	^Northern Colorado	L, 0-5
3/27	^Minnesota	L, 7-19
3/28	^Northern Illinois	W, 4-2
4/2	at Michigan State	L, 0-1 (11 inn.)
4/3	at Michigan State	L 4-5 (9 inn..)
4/3	at Michigan State	L, 3-6
4/4	at Michigan State	L, 1-12
4/6	Illinois State	6 p.m.
4/7	Iowa Cubs (Exh.)	7:05 p.m.
4/9	Michigan	6 p.m.
4/10	Michigan (DH)	2 p.m.
4/11	Michigan	1 p.m.
4/14	Northern Iowa	6 p.m.
4/16	at Indiana	2 p.m.
4/17	at Indiana (DH)	12 p.m.
4/18	at Indiana	12 p.m.
4/20	&Northern Iowa	6:30 p.m.
4/23	at Penn State	2 p.m.
4/24	at Penn State (DH)	12 p.m.
4/25	at Penn State	10 p.m.
4/28	at Northern Iowa	6:30 p.m.
4/30	Northwestern	6 p.m.
5/1	Northwestern (DH)	2 p.m.
5/2	Northwestern	1 p.m.
5/7	at Minnesota	6:30 p.m.
5/8	at Minnesota (DH)	2 p.m.
5/9	at Minnesota	1 p.m.
5/14	Purdue	6 p.m.
5/15	Purdue (DH)	2 p.m.
5/16	Purdue	1 p.m.
5/19	at Illinois State	6 p.m.
5/21	Illinois	6 p.m.
5/22	Illinois (DH)	2 p.m.
5/23	Illinois	1 p.m.
5/26	Big Ten Tournament	
6/4	NCAA Regionals	
6/11	NCAA Super Regionals	
6/18	College World Series	

All times are central.

*Florida Spring Trip

^ at Iowa Cubs/Hawkeye Classic in
Des Moines, IA at Sec Taylor Stadium
& at Veterans Memorial in Cedar Rapids

*PROBABLE IOWA LINEUP FOR MIDWEEK GAMES

No.	Name	Pos.	B-T	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	GP	Avg.	HR	RBI
23	Jeff Gremley	SS	R-R	6-0	180	Jr.	22	.270	0	10
21	Kris Welker	C	R-R	5-11	200	Jr.	22	.220	0	6
7	Jesse Brownell	LF	R-R	6-1	195	Jr.	22	.312	2	10
34	Cole Grandfield	1B	R-R	6-3	230	Fr.	2	.250	0	0
18	Nate Yoho	RF	R-L	5-10	185	Jr.	22	.256	0	9
9	Andy Cox	3B	R-R	6-3	190	Jr.	19	.153	0	3
4	Mike Mogard	DH	R-R	5-9	185	#Fr.	14	.219	0	3
	(or)									
13	Justin Petty	DH	R-R	6-0	170	Jr.				
2	Jason White	2B	L-R	6-0	160	Fr.	16	.150	0	4

*PROBABLE STARTERS FOR MIDWEEK GAMES

No.	Name	Throws	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	W-L	ERA	IP
32	Casey O'Rourke	R-R	6-4	180	Fr.	0-2	5.40	11.2

vs. I-CUBS (TBA)

* Subject to change, no particular order

THIS WEEK -- The Iowa baseball team will play two mid-week contests before resuming Big Ten play at home against Michigan. On Tuesday, the Hawkeyes will host Illinois State at Duane Banks Field beginning at 6 p.m. On Wednesday, Iowa will venture into the world of professional baseball when they play an exhibition game against the Iowa Cubs at Sec Taylor Stadium in Des Moines. The contest is set to begin at 7:05 p.m.

Tickets for the game against Illinois State are available at the gate for \$3 and tickets for the exhibition are available through the Iowa Cubs Ticket Office or by calling 1-800-IA-CUBS.

JOIN COACH DAHM AT FLANIGAN'S -- Every Monday night from 6-7 p.m. during the Iowa baseball season Iowa Head Coach Jack Dahm will join KXIC's Brent Balbinot for a call-in show at Flanigan's for "Hawk Talk with Jack Dahm."

Fans can attend the show or call-in and talk Hawkeye baseball with Coach Dahm. Can't attend? Listen to the broadcast on the radio at KXIC (AM 800).

HAWKEYES FALL IN OPENING WEEKEND OF BIG TEN PLAY The Hawkeyes dropped four games to Michigan State at Kobs Field in East Lansing, MI, including two games in extra innings.

In the series opener, Iowa starter Nathan Johnson and Spartan starter Bryan Gale were engulfed in a pitching dual that ended up sending the game into extra frames. Johnson scattered six hits over eight innings and Gale pitched nine innings of five-hit ball, but neither were involved in the decision.

The Hawkeyes had numerous scoring

FOLLOW IOWA LIVE

ONLINE -- Fans can follow Iowa baseball team live via live stats on www.hawkeyesports.com.

ON THE AIR -- Fans wanting to listen to the live radio broadcast of Iowa baseball games can tune into KXIC (AM 800). Brent Balbinot will handle the play-by-play action for every game and various others will be the color commentators.

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opportunities on the day, but they couldn't get over the hump and come up with the clutch hit. The Spartans snuck away with the victory after sophomore Tim Gudex walked in the winning run with the bases loaded in the 11th inning.

Iowa played its second straight extra inning affair in Saturday's 5-4 loss in game one of the doubleheader.

The Hawkeyes battled back from a 4-1 deficit and tallied three runs in the top of the seventh to tie the game. L.J. Mims hit a game-tying triple with two outs to knock in Jeff Gremley.

The Spartans came out on top with a clutch base hit up the middle by catcher Erik Morris to plate Travis Gulick and the game-winning run.

In the final two games, the Spartans connected on four homeruns to come away with a pair of victories, 6-3 in game two on Saturday and 12-1 in the series finale. Over the final two games, Michigan State's starters held the Hawkeye bats in check, giving up nine hits and four runs in 16 innings.

A FAMILY AFFAIR -- Iowa Assistant Coach Ryan Brownlee will take on his father and mentor, Illinois State Head Coach Jim Brownlee, when the Hawkeyes host the Redbirds on Tuesday. The game will be the first time for the duo to be competing against each other in opposite dugouts.

Ryan coached under his father for two years at Evansville. Prior to joining the coaching ranks, Ryan was a four-year starter under his father for the Purple Aces.

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON FOR WELKER -- Iowa's Kris Welker tied an Iowa record for the third time this season in the series opener against the Spartans.

IOWA IN THE BIG TEN

Team Statistical Rankings

Team Pitching	8th	5.72 earned run average
Team Fielding	8th954 fielding percentage
Team Batting	10th239 batting average

Individual Statistical Rankings

Hit By Pitch	1st.....	12, Kris Welker
Saves	1st.....	4, Tim Gudex
Games Started	T1st	7, Nathan Johnson
Chances	2nd	163, Mike Best
Games Finished ..	T2nd	6, Chris Maliszewski
ER allowed	T2nd	2, Michael Washburn
Putouts	3rd	168, Mike Best
Assists	3rd	77, Jeff Gremley
SB Throw Outs ..	T3rd	10, Kris Welker
Chances	4th	184, Mike Best
Stolen Bases	T4th	8-of-12, Jeff Gremley
B. SO Looking	T7th	11, Nathan Johnson
Innings	9th	37 1/3, Nathan Johnson
ERA	10th	3.71, Austin Seward



Jack Dahm enters his first season as Iowa's head baseball coach and has a 283-276 career record. Prior to coming to Iowa, Dahm spent 10 years as the Head Coach at Creighton University, where he is the school's all-time winningest coach. Dahm also played for four years for the Bluejays under current Chicago Cubs General Manager Jim Hendry.

Assistant Coach **Nick Zumsande** is in his first season as Iowa's pitching coach after collecting 14 years of coaching experience throughout the Midwest. Prior to joining the Hawkeyes, Zumsande served as the pitching coach for Indiana State. Before joining the Sycamores, Zumsande coached for one year at Iowa State University where he helped lead the team to their first Big 12 Tournament appearance in school history.

Assistant Coach **Ryan Brownlee** is in his first season as Iowa's hitting/fielding instructor and recruiting coordinator. Prior to coming to Iowa, Brownlee was the hitting/fielding coach at James Madison University, where he led the Dukes to school records in fielding percentage. Before going to JMU, Brownlee served as an assistant at his alma mater, Evansville.

Volunteer Assistant Coach **Spencer Allen** is in his first season with the Hawkeyes. Allen will coach first base during game days and is responsible for outfield instruction. Allen earned his B.A. in 2001 from Iowa State, where he was a three-year starter at second base.

In his first two plate appearances, Welker was plunked by Michigan State starter Bryan Gale. Earlier this year on the Florida trip, the junior catcher was hit twice in games against Maine and Stetson.

Welker is leading the Big Ten with 12 HBP on the season through 22 games. He needs to be hit four more times this year to tie former Hawkeye Ian Mattice's record of 16 HBP in a single season that was set in 2002.

GETTING ON THE BOARD FIRST -- The Hawkeyes have a winning record of 5-4 this season when they score the game's first run. However, over the last nine contests Iowa has allowed its opposition to get on the board first. The last time the Hawkeyes took the lead to start the game was on March 19 in the 4-3 win over Dartmouth in Florida.

BROWNELL'S AVERAGE ON THE RISE -- Junior Jesse Brownell raised his batting average by .26 points over the weekend against Michigan State. The left fielder hit .429 (6-14) with two doubles and extended his season-high hitting streak to six games.

On the year, Brownell is leading the team with a .312 batting average and has 10 RBIs, four doubles, two triples and two homeruns. In addition, he has swiped 6-of-8

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bases, which is the second most on the Hawkeye squad.

JOHNSON, SEWARD - A FORMIDABLE 1-2 PUNCH -- Senior Nathan Johnson and sophomore Austin Seward are becoming solid anchors at the top of the Iowa rotation.

Johnson, the Hawkeye ace, has a 2-2 record on the season in a team-high seven starts. For the season, he is leading the team with 26 strikeouts in 37 1/3 innings and has a 4.58 ERA.

Seward is leading the Iowa starting rotation and is tenth in the Big Ten with a 3.71 ERA in six starts this season. He has allowed 14 earned runs over 34 innings and has struck out 22 batters.

AN INSIDE LOOK AT THE REDBIRDS -- Illinois State holds a 5-3 advantage over Iowa in the all-time series. Last season, the Redbirds beat the Hawkeyes 11-4 in Normal, IL.

Illinois State enters the contest with a 9-12 record after splitting a four-game series with Northern Iowa this past weekend.

The Redbirds have a .281 team batting average on the year with six players above the .300 mark. Brian Watkins is leading the team with a .361 average in only 36 at-bats. Center fielder Nate Whitney has played in every game and has a .353 mark with 14 RBIs and four stolen bases. Left fielder Jeremy Pickrel has provided the team with some pop in the middle of the order as he has connected on seven long balls, four doubles and two triples to go along with 17 RBIs.

Illinois State is active on the base paths as they have

STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Overall</u>
1. Mich. St. 4-0 1.000 13-10565		
2. Ohio St. 3-1750 10-11476		
3. Indiana 2-2500 18-9667		
Minnesota .. 2-2500 12-10545		
Penn St. 2-2500 12-11522		
Michigan.... 2-2500 11-11500		
N'western.. 2-2500 11-11-1 .500		
Purdue 2-2500 11-12478		
9. Illinois 1-3250 7-13350		
10. IOWA 0-4000 6-16273		

*As of 4/5/04

IOWA SCHEDULE SUMMARY

Home	0-1
Road	2-9
Neutral	4-6
Day Games	4-13
Night Games	2-3
1-Run Games	1-4
2-Run Games	3-2
5+ Run Games	2-6
Extra Innings	0-3
Monday	0-0
Tuesday	1-1
Wednesday	0-1
Thursday	1-1
Friday	2-2
Saturday	1-8
Sunday	1-3
When Scoring First.....	5-4
Longest Winning Streak	1
Longest Home Winning Streak	0
Longest Road Winning Streak	1
Longest Neutral Winning Streak	1
Longest Losing Streak	5
Longest Home Losing Streak	1
Longest Road Losing Streak	5
Longest Neutral Losing Streak	2

swipped 31 bases in 41 attempts (.756).

Taking the mound for the Redbirds will be true freshman Dan Frega. The righthander has pitched in only 4 1/3 innings this year in two appearances (one start) and has struck out five batters while walking four. He has compiled a 6.23 ERA, allowing three earned runs.

Illinois State is led by second-year Head Coach Jim Brownlee.

QUOTING COACH DAHM -- "This past weekend was a disappointing start to league play. We had an opportunity to win a couple of games, but we didn't execute offensively on our chances. We need to learn from these setbacks.

This team has a small margin for error, so we really need to execute in the key situations.

This week, we are looking forward to playing Illinois State and the experience of playing the Iowa Cubs. It will be positive for our program and it will be a good build-up to lead into this weekend's series against Michigan."

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2004 Hawkeye Starters

Opponent	P	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH
Centenary	Johnson	Welker	Best	White	Sunderman	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Cox
Centenary	Seward	Welker	Cox	Lytle	Sunderman	Gremley	Mogard	Mims	Yoho	Brownell
Centenary	Dupic	Bitting	Best	White	Sunderman	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Haugland
SMS	Johnson	Welker	Best	White	Sunderman	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Cox
SMS	Seward	Bitting	Cox	White	Sunderman	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
SMS	Dupic	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
Maine	Johnson	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
Maine	Seward	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
Stetson	Dupic	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Sunderman
UMASS	Hansen	Bitting	Best	Lytle	Andrulonis	Gremley	Reid	Mims	Yoho	Sunderman
Bucknell	Johnson	Welker	Best	Lytle	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
Miami (OH)	Brune	Bitting	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
Dartmouth	Seward	Welker	Best	Lytle	Sunderman	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Andrulonis
Army	O'Rourke	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Andrulonis
W. Illinois	Johnson	Welker	Best	Lytle	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Andrulonis
N. Colorado	Seward	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Sunderman
Minnesota	Johnson	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
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Mich. St.	Johnson	Welker	Best	White	Cox	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Mogard
Mich. St.	Seward	Welker	Cox	Lytle	Andrulonis	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Sunderman
Mich. St.	Dupic	Bitting	Best	Lytle	Andrulonis	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Welker
Mich. St.	Hansen	Welker	Cox	White	Andrulonis	Gremley	Brownell	Mims	Yoho	Sunderman

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Iowa Game-By-Game Batting Order

Opponent	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Centenary	Mims	Gremley	Yoho	Brownell	Cox	Welker	Best	Sunderman	White
Centenary	Mims	Gremley	Yoho	Brownell	Cox	Welker	Sunderman	Mogard	Lytle
Centenary	Mims	Gremley	Brownell	Sunderman	Yoho	Haugland	Best	Bitting	White
SMS	Mims	Gremley	Yoho	Brownell	Cox	Sunderman	Welker	Best	White
SMS	Mims	Gremley	Yoho	Brownell	Cox	Sunderman	Mogard	Bitting	White
SMS	Mims	Gremley	Brownell	Yoho	Welker	Cox	Best	Mogard	White
Maine	Gremley	Mims	Brownell	Cox	Welker	Best	Yoho	Mogard	White
Maine	Gremley	Mims	Brownell	Cox	Welker	Best	Yoho	Mogard	White
Stetson	Gremley	Welker	Brownell	Best	Yoho	Cox	Sunderman	Mims	White
UMASS	Gremley	Mims	Yoho	Best	Sunderman	Andrulonis	Bitting	Reid	Lytle
Bucknell	Gremley	Welker	Yoho	Best	Brownell	Cox	Mogard	Lytle	Mims
Miami (OH)	Gremley	Mims	Yoho	Best	Brownell	Cox	Mogard	Bitting	White
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Mich. St.	Gremley	Welker	Yoho	Brownell	Cox	Mogard	Best	Mims	White
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