

# IOWA HAWKEYES



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**WRESTLING WEEKLY RELEASE**

**NOVEMBER 7, 2007**

## 2007-08 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time (CT)
11/8-9	<b>Wrestle-Offs</b> <i>(Gable Wrestling Complex)</i>	3:30 p.m.
11/10	<b>Wrestle-Offs</b> <i>(Gable Wrestling Complex)</i>	9 a.m.
11/10	<b>at Nichols/Cyclone Open</b> <i>(Ames, IA)</i>	10 a.m.
11/17	<b>at Kaufman-Brand Open</b> <i>(Omaha, NE)</i>	All Day
11/24	<b>at St. Edward Duals</b> <i>(Lakewood, OH)</i>	
12/2	<b>at Northern Iowa Open</b> <i>(Cedar Falls, IA)</i>	9 a.m.
12/9	<b>at Iowa State</b> <i>(Ames, IA)</i>	2 p.m.
12/13	<b>Northern Iowa</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	6:30 p.m.
	<b>Cornell College</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	8 p.m.
12/28-29	<b>at Midlands Champ's</b> <i>(Evanston, IL)</i>	All Day
1/5	<b>Oklahoma State</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	7 p.m.
1/12-13	<b>at NWCA National Duals</b> <i>(Cedar Falls, IA)</i>	All Day
1/18	<b>at Ohio State</b> <i>(Columbus, OH)</i>	6 p.m.
1/20	<b>Penn State</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	2 p.m.
1/27	<b>Northwestern</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	7 p.m.
2/1	<b>at Minnesota</b> <i>(Minneapolis, MN)</i>	7 p.m.
2/3	<b>at Wisconsin</b> <i>(Madison, WI)</i>	1 p.m.
2/8	<b>at Arizona State</b> <i>(Tempe, AZ)</i>	8 p.m.
2/10	<b>at Boise State</b> <i>(Boise, ID)</i>	2 p.m.
2/15	<b>Indiana</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	7 p.m.
2/17	<b>Michigan</b> <i>(Iowa City, IA)</i>	TBA
2/24	<b>at Illinois</b> <i>(Champaign, IL)</i>	1 p.m.
3/8-9	<b>at Big Ten Champ's</b> <i>(Minneapolis, MN)</i>	All Day
3/20-22	<b>at NCAA Champ's</b> <i>(St. Louis, MO)</i>	All Day

## WRESTLE-OFFS ANNOUNCED

Iowa will hold its annual team wrestle-offs, to determine the 2007-08 lineup, over a three-day period this week. All matches will be held at the Dan Gable Wrestling Complex in Carver-Hawkeye Arena and are open to the public. Admission is free. The quarterfinal matches will be held Thursday at 3:30 p.m., semifinals will be Friday at 3:30 p.m. and finals will be Saturday at 9 a.m. Following are the scheduled matchups:

### Thursday's Quarterfinals

133 - Tyler Halverson vs. Tom Magnani  
165 - Ryan Kurovski vs. Weston Marling

### Friday's Semifinals

133 - Daniel Dennis vs. Winner Halverson/Magnani  
133 - Montel Marion vs. Joe Slaton  
141 - Alex Tsirtsis vs. Ethan Sebert  
141 - Derek Coorough vs. Dan LeClere  
149 - Brent Metcalf vs. Stew Gillmor  
149 - Nick LeClere vs. Matt Ballweg  
157 - T.H. Leet vs. Brooks Kopsa  
165 - Mark Perry vs. Winner Kurovski/Marling  
165 - Michael Fahrer vs. Jake Kerr  
184 - Vinnie Wagner vs. Rick Loera  
Hwt. - Blake Rasing vs. Jordan Johnson

### Saturday's Finals

125 - Charlie Falck vs. J.J. Krutsinger  
133 - Winner Dennis/Halverson/Magnani vs. Winner Marion/Slaton  
141 - Winner Tsirtsis/Sebert vs. Winner Coorough/ D. LeClere  
149 - Winner Metcalf/Gillmor vs. Winner N. LeClere/Ballweg  
157 - Ryan Morningstar vs. Winner Leet/Kopsa  
165 - Winner Perry/Kurovski/Marling vs. Winner Fahrer/Kerr  
184 - Phillip Keddy vs. Winner Wagner/Loera  
197 - Derrick Mehmen vs. Brodie Ambrose  
Hwt. - Matt Fields vs. Winner Rasing/Johnson

## IOWA TICKET INFORMATION

Season tickets and single meet tickets for Iowa's seven home duals are on sale at the University of Iowa Athletic Ticket Office or at 1-800-464-2957, 319-335-9327 or [www.hawkeyesports.com](http://www.hawkeyesports.com). University of Iowa students will be admitted free to all matches with a student ID. Following are the ticket prices:

**Season Tickets** - 48 - General Public, \$42 University Faculty & Staff  
**Single-Match Tickets Purchased in Advance** - \$8 - Adults, \$4 - Youth  
**Single-Match Tickets Purchased at the Door** - \$10 - Adults, \$5 - Youth

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### HEAD COACH TOM BRANDS



Former Hawkeye wrestler Tom Brands, a 1996 Olympic gold medalist and four-time all-American, is in his second season as Iowa's head wrestling coach. The three-time NCAA champion and member of wrestling's Hall of Fame is only the Hawkeyes' eighth wrestling coach.

In his first season at Iowa, Brands coached 165-pounder Mark Perry to Big Ten and NCAA titles. The Hawkeyes also crowned three all-Americans in 2007, going 14-5 overall and 5-3 in the Big Ten.

Brands served as head coach at Virginia Tech University for two seasons (2005-06), recording a 17-20 dual mark. In his first season with the Hokies, Brands led the team to the 2005 regular season Atlantic Coast Conference title, set a school record for dual meet wins (16) and had a school-record five wrestlers qualify for the NCAA Championships. During his tenure, Virginia Tech crowned five conference champions and two all-Americans. Senior heavyweight Mike Faust was named 2006 ACC Wrestler of the Year. Prior to taking the helm at Virginia Tech, Brands was an assistant coach at Iowa for 12 seasons (1993-2004). He helped the Hawkeyes to a 177-27 dual record, seven NCAA and eight Big Ten titles, while crowning 23 NCAA Champions, 73 all-Americans and 36 Big Ten Champions. He was named National Wrestling Coaches Association Assistant Coach of the Year in 2000.

As a competitor, Brands won the 1996 Olympic freestyle gold medal at 136.5 pounds in Atlanta, GA. He also won a gold medal at the 1993 World Freestyle Championships in Toronto, two World Cup gold medals (1994, 1995) and was the 1995 Pan American Games champion. He won four U.S. Nationals titles (1993-96) and made four straight U.S. World or Olympic teams (1993-96). Along with his twin brother, Terry, Tom was named 1993 USA Wrestling Athlete of the Year, the 1993 John Smith Outstanding Freestyle Wrestler and 1993 Amateur Wrestling News Man of the Year. He was inducted into wrestling's Hall of Fame in 2001. Brands was a four-time all-American at Iowa (1989-92). During his Hawkeye career, he won three NCAA titles and was named Outstanding Wrestler of the 1992 NCAA Championships. Also a three-time Big Ten champion, Brands won 95 percent of his matches at Iowa. His career mark of 158-7-2, included an undefeated season in 1991 (45-0).

### SEASON OPENER

The Hawkeyes will send a partial team to the Harold Nichols/Cyclone Open in Ames, IA. Competition is scheduled to start Saturday at 10 a.m. in Hilton Coliseum.

### ON THE AIR

**Radio** - Steven Grace and two-time Hawkeye NCAA champion and four-time all-American Mark Ironside will call the action live on AM-800, KXIC. All dual meets will be broadcast live, as will action from the Big Ten and NCAA tournaments. Live audio broadcasts from all competitions will also be available online at [www.hawkeyesports.com](http://www.hawkeyesports.com). To listen online, go to the wrestling schedule, click on the event and click on the Listen link. Broadcasts are available using the Hawkeye All-Access subscription (\$9.95 per month or \$79.95 per year) or the CSTV XXL Premium subscription (\$119.95 per year).

**Internet** - Press releases, meet results, audio broadcasts and dual livestats are available on the University of Iowa's website, [www.hawkeyesports.com](http://www.hawkeyesports.com). To access live dual scoring, go to the wrestling schedule page, select the event and click on the Livestats link. Current staff and student-athlete head shots can be found at [pics.hawkeyesports.com](http://pics.hawkeyesports.com).

### CARVER-HAWKEYE ARENA

Carver-Hawkeye Arena has been the home of Iowa wrestling since 1983. The Hawkeyes are 156-17 (.902) in the arena, which includes a record 10 victories during the 1986 season. Iowa has recorded 16 undefeated seasons in the arena, with the most recent (8-0) occurring in 2002-03. The dual wrestling attendance record for Carver-Hawkeye Arena is 15,291, set when Iowa defeated Iowa State on February 22, 1992. The arena seats 15,500 for a dual wrestling meet.

### IOWA WRESTLING HISTORY

Iowa's overall dual meet record is 809-214-30 (.783) in 95 seasons. The Hawkeyes have won 20 national titles and 31 Big Ten titles. Iowa's 48 NCAA champions have won a total of 74 NCAA individual titles, crowning six three-time and 13 two-time champions. The Hawkeyes' 100 Big Ten champions have won a total of 181 conference titles. There have been seven four-time, 18 three-time and 24 two-time Iowa winners. Iowa's 130 all-Americans have earned all-America status 266 times, including 16 four-time, 28 three-time and 32 two-time honorees.

### CHAMPIONSHIP EXPERIENCE

The Hawkeye wrestling staff of **Tom Brands**, **Wes Hand**, **Doug Schwab** and **Mike Zadick** earned a total of one Olympic gold medal, four NCAA titles, six conference titles and 12 all-America honors. Their combined college career wrestling record is 487-83-2 (.853).

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### GABLE STEPS DOWN, SCHWAB PROMOTED

Dan Gable, arguably the state of Iowa's most successful student-athlete and coach and the architect of one of college athletics' longest running dynasties, stepped down from the position of assistant wrestling coach. He returned to his role as special assistant to the director of athletic on Oct. 1. Three-time all-American and former Hawkeye wrestler Doug Schwab was promoted from volunteer assistant to interim assistant in his place.

Gable remains fully engaged in the day-to-day operations of Iowa's wrestling program, but without the title or on-the-mat responsibilities that come with the title of assistant coach.

"Dan has been my coach and my mentor," said Iowa Head Coach Tom Brands. "What's important to me is that he's going to remain involved in the Hawkeye wrestling program and will continue to play a significant role as we continue to make progress toward the goal of domination."

"My assistant coach's role was always temporary and I'm not going anywhere," explained Gable. "I'll be directly involved in our wrestling program as much as NCAA rules allow me to be. I'm very excited for everyone who loves the sport of wrestling and cares about wrestling at the University of Iowa and worldwide. I feel good about the direction of our program, the leadership and the young men who are involved. What isn't temporary, and what will never be temporary, is the respect and appreciation I have for Tom, his drive and determination, and the love he has for wrestling. We're

### TEAM RANKINGS

#### USA Today/NWCA/Intermat Top 25 Coaches Poll (10/23/07)

1. Minnesota
2. Oklahoma State
3. Iowa State
4. **Iowa**
5. Michigan
6. Northwestern
7. Missouri
8. Ohio State
9. Cornell
10. Central Michigan
11. Penn State
12. Wisconsin
13. Hofstra
14. Nebraska
15. Indiana
16. Edinboro
17. Illinois
18. Navy
19. Oklahoma
20. Pittsburgh
21. Tennessee-Chattanooga
22. Harvard
23. Pennsylvania
24. American
25. Oregon State

#### W.I.N. Magazine Top 25 (10/3/07)

1. Minnesota
2. Iowa State
3. **Iowa**
4. Cornell
5. Oklahoma State
6. Missouri
7. Nebraska
8. Ohio State
9. Michigan
10. Central Michigan
11. Northwestern
12. Penn State
13. Wisconsin
14. Illinois
15. Indiana
16. Edinboro
17. Oklahoma
18. Hofstra
19. Tennessee-Chattanooga  
Navy
21. Pennsylvania
22. Lehigh
23. Boise State
24. Arizona State
25. Oregon State

### 2006-07 STATISTICAL LEADERS

#### Collegiate Wins

1. Eric Luedke (174) \_\_\_\_ 33
2. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ 28
3. Ryan Morningstar (157) 26

#### Dual Wins

1. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ 16  
Eric Luedke (174) \_\_\_\_ 16
3. Charlie Falck (125) \_\_\_\_ 15

#### Collegiate Winning Pct.

1. Eric Luedke (174) \_\_\_\_ .892
2. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ .875
3. Alex Tsirtsis (141) \_\_\_\_ .714

#### Dual Winning Pct.

1. Eric Luedke (174) \_\_\_\_ .941
2. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ .842
3. Charlie Falck (125) \_\_\_\_ .789

#### Falls

1. Mario Galanakis (133) \_\_ 6  
Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ 6
3. Alex Tsirtsis (141) \_\_\_\_ 3  
Alex Grunder (149) \_\_\_\_ 3  
Eric Luedke (174) \_\_\_\_ 3  
Matt Fields (Hwt.) \_\_\_\_ 3

#### Fastest Fall

1. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ 0:38
2. Alex Tsirtsis (141) \_\_\_\_ 0:47
3. Phillip Keddy (184) \_\_\_\_ 0:48

#### Major Decisions

1. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ 7
2. Charlie Falck (125) \_\_\_\_ 6  
Mario Galanakis (133) \_\_ 6

#### Dual Meet Team Points

1. Mark Perry (165) \_\_\_\_ 68
2. Alex Tsirtsis (141) \_\_\_\_ 57
3. Eric Luedke (174) \_\_\_\_ 55

### INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Here is how each Hawkeye wrestler is currently ranked in the most recent polls:

	N.W.C.A./Intermat/		
	A.W.N.	N.W.M.A.	W.I.N.
Charile Falck (125)	#6	#6	#7
Dan Dennis (133)	#15	#17	---
Alex Tsirtsis (141)	#9	#10	#8
Brent Metcalf (149)	#7	#6	#9
Ryan Morningstar (157)	#13	#10	#12
Mark Perry (165)	#1	#1	#1
Jay Borschel (174)	---	#15	#18
Phillip Keddy (184)	---	#20	#19
Dan Erekson (197)	---	---	#19
Matt Fields (Hwt.)	#7	#11	#8

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### THE LAST TIME IOWA...

**Won a dual meet at home:**

Feb. 16, 2007 - 25-12 vs. Ohio State

**Lost a dual meet at home:**

Feb. 18, 2007 - 29-13 vs. Minnesota

**Won a dual meet on the road:**

Feb. 2, 2007 - 20-13 at Michigan

**Lost a dual meet on the road:**

Feb. 4, 2007 -- 24-13 at Penn State

**Tied a dual meet:**

Dec. 4, 1992 - 18-18 at Penn State

**Shut-out an opponent in a dual meet:**

Dec. 7, 2006 - 50-0 vs. Coe

**Was shut-out in a dual meet:**

1965-66 - 39-0 vs. Oklahoma

**Lost two consecutive dual meets:**

Feb. 5, 2006 - 19-17 at Michigan St.

Feb. 10, 2006 - 24-13 vs. Illinois

**Scored 50 or more team points:**

Dec. 7, 2006 - 50-0 vs. Coe

**Went undefeated for a season:**

1999-2000 - 18-0

**Went undefeated in Big Ten duals:**

1999-2000 - 8-0

**Had a losing season:**

1966-67 - 7-8

### HIGH/LOW FACTS

**Placing at NCAA Meet**

**High:** 1st - 20 times, last in 2000

**Low:** T32nd - 1971

**Team Score at NCAA Meet**

**High:** 170 points - 1997

**Low (since 1962):** 8 points - 1968

**Placing at Big Ten Meet**

**High:** 1st - 31 times, last in 2004

**Low:** 10th - 1929

**Individual NCAA Champs**

**High:** 5 - 1986 and 1997

**Low:** 0 - 40 times, last in 2006

**All-Americans**

**High:** 9 - 6 times, last in 1995

**Low:** 0 - 19 times, last in 1968

**Individual Big Ten Champs**

**High:** 9 - 1983

**Low:** 0 - 29 times, last in 2006

in very, very good hands and there is absolutely no doubt we're headed in the right direction."

Schwab served as Iowa's volunteer assistant coach last season and spent two seasons (2005-06) as an assistant coach at Virginia Tech University under Brands.

"We got the best young coach in the country whose role will now expand into off campus recruiting," said Brands. "He has been very valuable to the structure of this program. He knows how to make our student-athletes better people and better wrestlers."

Schwab was a three-time all-American and Big Ten champion for the Hawkeyes, lettering from 1998-2001. He won the 1999 NCAA title at 141 pounds and finished his collegiate career with 130 wins, which ranks 10th-best in school history.

The Osage, IA, native has remained active in international competition. He won the 2007 U.S. Senior Freestyle title, earned a bronze medal at the 2007 Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and placed fifth at the 2007 World Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan. Schwab's other post-college national wrestling accomplishments include winning the 145.5-pound title at the 2003 Sunkist Kids International Open and earning Outstanding Wrestler honors in the freestyle event. In 2005, Schwab won the 145-pound division of Real Pro Wrestling, earning Outstanding Wrestler honors as part of the champion Iowa Stalkers team.

### WHAT I DID THIS SUMMER

University of Iowa assistant wrestling coaches **Doug Schwab** and **Mike Zadick**, and Hawkeye redshirt freshman **Jake Kerr** all competed internationally last summer.

Schwab and Zadick earned spots on the 2007 United States World Freestyle Team and competed at the World Championships, September 17-23 in Baku, Azerbaijan. Both won titles at the Senior Freestyle World Team Trials in Las Vegas, NV, in June. Zadick had to post a win over 2007 U.S. National Champion Nate Gallick in a special best-of-three wrestle-off in Colorado Springs, CO, to earn his world team spot.

Zadick, won a silver medal at the 2007 Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro, while Schwab picked up a bronze medal.

At the world team trials, Schwab was the No. 6 seed at 66 kg entering the tournament, while Zadick was the top seed at 60 kg. Schwab upset the top three seeds during the challenge tournament, and beat defending U.S. National freestyle champion Chris Bono in the finals. He was named TheMat.com Wrestler of the Week for his performance. Zadick beat Zach Roberson of Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club in the finals.

Kerr, who wrestles at 165 pounds for the Hawkeyes, represented the United States at the FILA Junior World Championships in Beijing, China.

### NEXT COMPETITION

The Hawkeyes will compete at the annual Kaufman-Brand Open in Omaha, NE, Nov. 17. Competition starts at 9 a.m. at Lee & Helene Sapp Fieldhouse on the University of Nebraska at Omaha campus. A total of 42 teams and approximately 650 wrestlers will compete at the meet. It's easily the country's largest single-day collegiate meet. The tournament will be wrestled in two age-based divisions - an open division and a 20-and-under division.

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