

IOWA HAWKEYES



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CROSS COUNTRY WEEKLY RELEASE

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2011 Cross Country Season Schedule

- 9/2 Iowa Open (M/W)
Men: W, 18-39 Women: L, 23-32
- 9/16 Iowa Invite(M/W)
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 9/24 Roy Griak Invite (M)**
(Minneapolis, Minn.)
- 10/01 Loyola Lakefront Invite (W)
(Chicago, Ill.)
- 10/14 Panorama Farms Inivte (M)
(Charlottesville, Va.)
- 10/14 Wisconsin Inter-Regional (W)
(Madison, Wis.)
- 10/30 Big Ten Championships (M/W)
(Champaign, Ill.)
- 11/12 NCAA Mid-West Regional (M/W)
(DeKalb, Ill.)
- 11/19 NCAA Championship(M/W)
(Terre Haute, Ind.)

2011 Cross Country Quick Facts

General Information

Location:Iowa City, IA
Enrollment:..... 30,893
Conference:.....Big Ten
Facility: Ashton Cross Country Course

Coaching Information

Head Men's Coach:..... Larry Wiczorek
Year at Iowa: 25th
Alma Mater, Year:..... Iowa, 1969

Head Women's Coach:.....Layne Anderson
Year at Iowa:..... 9th
Alma Mater, Year:.....The Citadel, 1989

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THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's cross country team will compete at the Roy Griak Invitational Saturday in Minneapolis Minn. The Hawkeyes will compete against 25 other teams. The men's 8K event will begin at 12:20 p.m.

HEAVY COMPETITION

The Hawkeyes will face some tough competition at the Roy Griak Invitational. Four major conferences will be represented this Saturday. Competing for the Big Ten along with the Hawkeyes, will be Michigan State, Penn State and Minnesota. North Carolina State and Duke will represent the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Big 12 will be represented by Iowa State, Kansas and Kansas State, while Arizona, Arizona State, California and Washington will represent the Pac 12. Boise State, Butler, Cal Poly, Colorado State, Drake, Long Beach State, North Dakota State, Northern State, Portland, Regina, Sir Winston Churchill, South Dakota State and U.S. Naval Academy will also compete in the 2011 Roy Griak Invitational.

IN THE RANKINGS

The men's cross country team is ranked in the USTFCCCA week two Regional rankings. The Hawkeyes are ranked seventh in the Midwest Region. This Saturday the Hawkeyes will face six other teams that are ranked in the Midwest Region. Those teams include Minnesota (3), Iowa State (6), Kansas (8), Drake (9), South Dakota State (12), and North Dakota State (15). The Hawkeyes will also face nationally ranked Portland (10), North Carolina State (11) and Minnesota (24).

TWO-FOR-TWO

The men's cross country team defeated Northern Iowa at the Iowa Invitational last weekend. It was the Hawkeyes' second dual meet victory in as many weeks. The Hawkeyes opened the season with a victory over Illinois State (18-39) at the Iowa Open on Sept. 2.

LEWIS MAKES AN IMPACT

Iowa freshman Kevin Lewis won the Iowa Invitational with a time of 25:31.70. Lewis' victory ended Jeff Thode's streak of eight consecutive meets as Iowa's top finisher. Thode did not compete at the Iowa Invitational, so his personal streak of eight straight meets as Iowa's top finisher will continue Oct. 14 at the Panorama Farms Invite. Thode will not compete this weekend.

UP NEXT

The Hawkeyes will head to Charlottesville, Va, to compete in the Panorama Farms Invitational on Friday, Oct. 14.

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