

#10 IOWA FIELD HOCKEY



*Big Ten/ACC Challenge
#2 Wake Forest & #3 North Carolina
at Ann Arbor, MI*



2007 SCHEDULE

Big Ten/ACC Challenge at Ann Arbor, MI

8/25	vs. Wake Forest (N)	10 a.m.
8/26	vs. North Carolina (N)	10 a.m.
9/2	at Duke	12 p.m.
9/3	vs. William & Mary (N)	12 p.m.
9/7	Louisville	3 p.m.
9/9	Missouri State	1 p.m.
9/15	at Fairfield	2 p.m.
9/16	vs. Sacred Heart (N)	12 p.m.
9/21	at Michigan*	2 p.m.
9/23	at Central Michigan	11 a.m.
9/30	Indiana*	1 p.m.
10/5	at Northwestern*	3 p.m.
10/6	vs. Providence	2 p.m.
10/14	at Ohio State*	12 p.m.
10/20	Penn State*	4 p.m.
10/25	Northwestern	3 p.m.
10/27	Michigan State*	12 p.m.
11/1-4 Big Ten Tournament (Columbus, OH)		
11/10-11 at NCAA (1st & 2nd Rds.)		
11/16-18 at NCAA (Final Four)		

Home games in bold
* Big Ten Conference Games

WEEK 1 NFCHA RANKINGS

No.	Team	Rec.
1.	Maryland	0-0
2.	Wake Forest *	0-0
3.	North Carolina *	0-0
4.	Duke *	0-0
5.	Connecticut	0-0
6.	Old Dominion	0-0
7.	Penn State *	0-0
8.	Virginia	0-0
9.	Boston College	0-0
10.	IOWA	0-0
11.	James Madison	0-0
12.	Michigan *	0-0
13.	Ohio State *	0-0
14.	Louisville *	0-0
15.	Indiana *	0-0
16.	American	0-0
17.	Providence *	0-0
18.	Princeton	0-0
19.	Michigan State *	0-0
20.	Boston University	0-0

* - 2007 Opponents

2007 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Hometown/High School
0	Melissa Helsel	GK	Jr.	Elizabethtown, PA/Donegal
2	Roz Ellis	B/MF	Jr.	Lewisburg, PA/Lewisburg
5	Caitlin McCurdy	F/MF	Jr.	Mountain Top, PA/Crestwood
6	Lissa Munley	GK	Jr.	Mountain Top, PA/Crestwood
7	Katie Naughton	F/MF	Jr.	Goffstown, NH/Goffstown
9	Lindsey Duffy	F	Jr.	San Diego, CA/Scripps Ranch
10	Amy Baxter	B/MF	Fr.	Warrington, PA/Central Bucks HS South
13	Jess Werley	F/MF	So.	Allentown, PA/Emmaus
14	Paige Lowrey	B/MF	Fr.	Denver, CO/Colorado Academy
15	Meghan Beamesderfer	B/MF	So.	Lititz, PA/Warwick
16	Kadi Sickel	B	Sr.	Plaistow, NH/Timberlane
17	Lauren Pfeiffer	MF	Jr.	Mt. Laurel, NJ/Lenape
19	Adrienne Dybus	F	Sr.	St. Louis, MO/Ursuline Academy
20	Caroline Blaum	F/MF	Jr.	Wilkes-Barre, PA/Wyoming Seminary
21	Tricia Dean	MF	So.	Bear, DE/William Penn
22	Sarah Pergine	B/MF	Fr.	Collegeville, PA/Perkiomen Valley
23	Maggie Neill	B	Fr.	Ambler, PA/Hatboro-Horsham
24	Chelsea Miller	MF	Fr.	Dallas, TX/Hockaday School

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa field hockey team opens the 2007 season at the Big Ten/ACC Challenge in Ann Arbor, MI this weekend. On Saturday, the Hawkeyes will play 2006 national runner-up, No. 2 Wake Forest at 10 a.m. (CT) with No. 3 North Carolina following on Sunday at 10 a.m.

#2 WAKE FOREST

Wake Forest lost to Maryland last year in the national championship game. They tied Maryland for first place in the ACC and beat the Terrapins for the ACC Tournament championship. Wake Forest finished with an overall record of 22-2.

Returning for Wake Forest is first-team all-American midfielder/back Michelle Kasold. The Deamon Decons are led by three-time National Coach of the Year Jennifer Averill.

The Deamon Decons downed the Hawkeyes by a score of 6-0 in the 2006 season opener.

#3 NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina finished with an overall record of 14-8 last season. The Tar Heels fell to Penn State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Returning for North Carolina will be Rachel Dawson, sister of former Hawkeye Sarah Dawson, who redshirted last season while playing with the U.S. National team. Dawson is a two-time all-American.

Last season, the Hawkeyes were narrowly defeated by the Tar Heels 2-1.

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2006 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Over.
Ohio State	5-1	15-4
Michigan	4-2	11-9
Indiana	4-2	14-5
Penn State	4-2	16-6
IOWA	2-4	12-9
Northwestern	1-5	7-11
Michigan State	1-5	8-12

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IOWA ON THE WEB

The media and public can find a valuable and timely source of information about Iowa athletics at its world wide web site. The address for the site is:



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 Jake Holtorf 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 Jake Holtorf of the sports information office. Please contact Jake (319-335-9411) so that he may set a time for an interview which does not interfere with the student-athlete's academic or practice schedules.

PRESEASON TOP-TEN

The Hawkeyes are ranked No. 10 in the first NFCHA poll. Last season, the Hawkeyes were ranked No. 12 in the first poll.

NFCHA RANKINGS

Iowa will play ten of the top 20 teams during the season, including the second (Wake Forest), third (North Carolina) and fourth (Duke) ranked teams in its first three games.

LAST SEASON

The University of Iowa field hockey team fought through one of the nation's toughest schedules in 2006 to finish with a record of 12-9. The Hawkeyes shined at the end of the season by winning three games in three days (No. 15 Michigan, No. 5 Ohio State and No. 6 Penn State) on their way to winning the Big Ten Tournament and earning a trip to the NCAA Tournament.

ALL-AMERICAN SAYS GOODBYE

Heather Schnepf was a first-team all-American back last season. That marked the ninth all-American (fourth, first-team selection) under Head Coach **Tracey Griesbaum**.

Schnepf, a two-time all-American, is currently a student-assistant on Iowa's staff.

2006 REGIONAL ALL-AMERICANS

Last season, four Hawkeyes were named Midwest Region all-Americans in **Heather Schnepf, Kadi Sickel, Caitlin McCurdy** and **Lauren Pfeiffer**. The four student-athletes up Griesbaum's total of regional all-Americans to 26.

2006 BIG TEN HONOREES

Heather Schnepf joined an exclusive group within the Big Ten. She became only the third athlete in Big Ten history to earn consecutive Defensive Player of the Year awards. She was also a unanimous first-team all-Big Ten selection.

Kadi Sickel and **Caitlin McCurdy** were second all-Big Ten selections.

Meghan Beamesderfer was the second Hawkeye in as many years to earn the Big Ten Freshman of the Year award (McCurdy).

IT'S GREAT TO BE A HAWKEYE

The Hawkeyes welcome five freshmen to the team.

Amy Baxter is a back/midfielder from Warrington, PA. She played in the 2004 and 2005 Junior Olympics.

Paige Lowry is a back/midfielder from Denver, CO. She was a state finalist three years in a row and was voted the Most Valuable Player by her teammates.

Chelsea Miller is a midfielder from Dallas, TX. She was a Futures Elite selection in 2005-06.

Maggie Neill is a back from Ambler, PA. She was a first team all-state selection.

Sarah Pergine is a back/midfielder from Collegeville, PA. She was a second-team *Philadelphia Inquirer* all-southeastern in 2006.

WELCOME BACK CAROLINE!

Caroline Blaum returns to the field after sitting out last season with an injury. She was a team captain last season as well as her sophomore season.

Blaum was a second-team all-Big Ten selection during the 2005 season. She has started every game, scored nine goals along with five assists in her career.

HPTC... MEET THE HAWKEYES

The High Performance Training Center had a bit of an Iowa flavor. The Hawkeyes had six players in addition to one alternate selected to play for the Midwest Region team.

Kadi Sickel, Caroline Blaum, Roz Ellis, Caitlin McCurdy, Lauren Pfeiffer and **Meghan Beamesderfer** were each selected to the team. Goalkeeper **Lissa Munley** was selected as an alternate to the team.

In addition to the players, Assistant Coach **Lisa Cellucci** was a member of the Midwest's coaching staff.



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