

# IOWA HAWKEYES

University of Iowa Athletic Communications – Seth Goodman, Men's Golf Contact



MEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

Sept. 12, 2018

## 2018-19 SCHEDULE

DATE	TOURNAMENT	START TIME/RESULTS
Sept. 9-10	Gopher Invitational	3rd/15
<b>Sept. 16</b>	<b>GolfWeek Conference Challenge</b>	<b>All Day</b>
<b>Sept. 17</b>	<b>GolfWeek Conference Challenge</b>	<b>All Day</b>
<b>Sept. 18</b>	<b>GolfWeek Conference Challenge</b>	<b>All Day</b>
Sept. 30	Erin Hills Intercollegiate	All Day
Oct. 1	Erin Hills Intercollegiate	All Day
Oct. 2	Erin Hills Intercollegiate	All Day
Oct. 7	Notre Dame Fighting Irish Classic	All Day
Oct. 8	Notre Dame Fighting Irish Classic	All Day
Oct. 22	Royal Oaks Intercollegiate	All Day
Oct. 23	Royal Oakes Intercollegiate	All Day
Jan. 26	Black and Gold Alumni Challenge	All Day
Feb. 8	Big Ten Match Play	All Day
Feb. 9	Big Ten Match Play	All Day
Feb. 24	Puerto Rico Classic	All Day
Feb. 25	Puerto Rico Classic	All Day
Feb. 26	Puerto Rico Classic	All Day
March 4	Colleton River Collegiate	All Day
March 5	Colleton River Collegiate	All Day
March 10	Dual in the Ozarks	All Day
April 20	Hawkeye Invitational	All Day
April 21	Hawkeye Invitational	All Day
April 26	Big Ten Championships	All Day
April 27	Big Ten Championships	All Day
April 28	Big Ten Championships	All Day

## 2018-19 ROSTER

Name	Year	Hometown
Tyler Bussert	Fr.	Port Byron, Ill.
Aaron DeNucci	Sr.	Clive, Iowa
Gonzalo Leal Montero	Fr.	Seville, Spain
Alex Moorman	Jr.	Centerville, Iowa
Jake Rowe	So.	Portadown, U.K.
Alex Schaake	Jr.	Omaha, Neb.
Jack Simpson	Jr.	Aurora, Ontario
Matthew Walker	Sr.	Ottumwa, Iowa
Benton Weinberg	Jr.	Potomac, Md.

## 2018-19 STATISTICS

Name	Rounds	Avg.	Low	Top-10
Matthew Walker	3	70.0	66	1
Alex Schaake	3	70.3	69	1
Alex Moorman	3	73.7	71	-----
Benton Weinberg	3	72.3	68	-----
Gonzalo Leal Montero	3	72.0	71	-----

## THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's golf team hosts the 10th annual Golfweek Conference Challenge, Sept. 16-18, at Cedar Rapids Country Club in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Admission is free to the public.

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Sunday -- 18 holes, tee times starting at 9:30 a.m. (CT) off holes 1 and 10  
 Monday -- 18 holes, tee time starting at 9:30 a.m. (CT) off holes 1 and 10  
 Tuesday -- 18 holes, shotgun start at 9 a.m. (CT)

## FOLLOW THE ACTION

Fans can follow this weekend's action by visiting [golfstat.com](http://golfstat.com) for live scoring. Links can be found on the men's golf schedule page on [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com)

## LINK UP WITH THE HAWKEYES

For an inside look at the Iowa men's golf program and to access exclusive coverage, "like" Hawkeye men's golf on Facebook and follow @IowaHawkeyeGolf on Twitter and Instagram.

## THE FIELD

Iowa is joined by a field of 15 other teams that include: Arkansas State, Ball State, Boston College, Campbell, Dayton, Furman, Jacksonville, Jacksonville State, Kansas State, Loyola Marymount, San Jose State, Southern Illinois, No. 24 UCLA, and UTEP. (*Golfstat Relative Rankings*)

## THE LINEUP

The lineup for the Golfweek Conference Challenge includes one senior (Matthew Walker), three juniors (Alex Moorman, Alex Schaake, and Benton Weinberg), and one freshman (Gonzalo Leal Montero).

## THE COURSE

Set up for the Golfweek Conference Challenge, playing as a par-72, stretching 7,112 yards, the Donald Ross Course at the Cedar Rapids Country Club is located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The course was created in 1904 and restored in 2015.

## LAST TIME OUT

Iowa opened the 2018-19 season at the Gopher Invitational, Sept. 9-10. The Hawkeyes finished third with a 54-hole score of 851 (-1) -- fifth best 54-hole score in tournament history. Senior Matthew Walker led the charge for Iowa, jumping 11 spots in the final round, to finish fifth with a three-round score of 210 (-3). Junior Alex Schaake three rounds at or below par to open the season with a three-round score of 210 (-3) to finish tied sixth.

## HISTORICALLY AT THE GOLFWEK CONFERENCE CHALLENGE

The Hawkeyes have posted top-10 team finishes in all eight of the previous years. Iowa captured the team title in 2010 with a 54-hole score of 833 (-31) and 2015 with a score of 842 (-22). Iowa has had three individual champions crowned with Vince India and Chris Brant in 2010 with a score of 206 (-10), while Raymond Knoll posted a score of 205 (-11) to win in 2015. Iowa finished second last year with three-round score of 849 (-15), while Schaake finished second on the individual leaderboard with a 54-hole total of 208 (-8).



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### QUICK FACTS

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Iowa City, Iowa  
Enrollment: 32,948  
Conference: Big Ten  
Home Course: Finkbine

#### COACHING INFORMATION

Head Coach: Tyler Stith  
Year at Iowa: 5th  
Alma Mater, Year: Iowa, 2002  
Assistant Coach: Charlie Hoyle  
Year at Iowa: 1st  
Alma Mater, Year: Lander University, 2010

#### MEDIA INFORMATION

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### CEDAR RAPIDS COUNTRY CLUB

HOLE	YARDS	PAR
1	357	4
2	364	4
3	407	4
4	475	4
5	160	3
6	497	5
7	426	4
8	200	3
9	559	5
<b>OUT</b>	<b>3,445</b>	<b>36</b>
10	395	4
11	437	4
12	222	3
13	422	4
14	360	4
15	627	5
16	406	4
17	445	4
18	353	4
<b>IN</b>	<b>3,667</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,112</b>	<b>72</b>

#### QUOTING COACH TYLER STITH

"We do not get to play in front of our family and friends often, so to be able to host this event at such a prestigious golf club is a privilege."

#### HAWKEYE DEBUT

Freshman Gonzalo Leal Montero made his Hawkeye debut this past weekend at the Gopher Invitational. The Seville, Spain, native posted his first career top-20 finish -- tying 18th -- with a 54-hole score of 216 (+3). He posted two rounds at or below par.

#### SHOOTING IN TO THE RECORD BOOKS

Iowa's 54-hole score of 851 (-1) was fifth best in Gopher Invitational history, while the team's final round 18-hole score of 277 (-7) ties for the fourth best score in tournament history and the second best since the it moved to Windsong Farm Golf Club in 2013. Walker's third round score of 66 (-5) ties the fourth lowest round in program history. His 66 (-5) also ties the fourth lowest round at the Gopher Invitational and ties for the second lowest since the tournament moved to Windsong Farm Golf Club.

#### SCHAAKE'S STRONG START

Schaake opened his junior season posting three straight rounds at or below par to finish the Gopher Invitational with three-round score of 211 (-2). His sixth place finish is his fifth top-10 finish over the last 12 tournaments dating back to last season.

#### 3 HAWKEYES EARN BIG PRESEASON HONORS

- Schaake competed in 13 events for the Hawkeyes last season. He finished 24th at NCAA Regionals with a three-round score of 220 (+7). The Omaha, Nebraska, native was named to the Division 1 Ping All-Midwest Regional Team and All-Big Ten Second Team as a sophomore.
- Walker competed in all 13 tournaments for the Hawkeyes as a junior. He earned the Iowa Men's Golf Big Ten Sportsmanship Award. Walker recorded four top-25 finishes and 10 rounds at or below par.
- Alex Moorman competed in seven tournaments for Iowa last season. He posted a career best finish (third) at the Hawkeye Invitational with a three-round score of 141 (-3). Moorman posted an 18-hole career low and Hawkeye best 66 in the second round of the Big Ten Championships, tying 15th.

#### VETERAN LEADERSHIP

The Hawkeyes are led by seniors Aaron DeNucci and Matthew Walker, along with four juniors. DeNucci competed at the Schenkel Invitational as an individual where he carded a 222 (+6) three-round score to tie for 59th. Walker finished 2017 with an 18-hole scoring average of 73.69, third best on the team. He finished with a 54-hole score of 220 (+10) at the Big Ten Championships to tie for 31st.

#### A PROGRAM ON THE RISE

Iowa has won 15 tournaments since 2008 and has had 15 individual medalists since 2009, including Carson Schaake, who was crowned individual co-champion at the 2015 Big Ten Championships and Raymond Knoll who won the 2015 Golfweek Conference Challenge.

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Iowa will travel to Erin, Wisconsin, for the Erin Hills Intercollegiate on Sept. 30 to Oct. 2.

