

IOWA HAWKEYES

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MEN'S TENNIS WEEKLY RELEASE

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SCHEDULE/RESULTS (12-6, 3-2)

Sept. 20-23	at Milwaukee Tennis Claissic	All Day
Sept. 21-23	at Drake Invitational	All Day
Sept. 29- Oct. 8	at ITA All-American Championships	All Day
Oct. 5-7	at Bobby Bayliss Invitational	All Day
Oct. 13-14	at Champaign Challenger	All Day
Oct. 18-22	at ITA Central Regionals	All Day
Oct. 26-29	at Big Ten Indoor Championships	All Day
Nov. 7-11	at ITA Oracle National Fall Championships	All Day
Nov. 9-11	at Longhorn Invitational	All Day
Jan. 19	vs. Western Michigan	W, 6-1
	vs. Marquette	W, 7-0
Jan. 25	North Dakota	W, 7-0
	East Tennessee State	W, 4-3
Jan. 27	Butler	W, 5-2
Feb. 8	Miami	L, 1-4
Feb. 10	Utah	W, 5-2
Feb. 15	UMKC	W, 4-3
	Omaha	W, 5-2
Feb. 24	at Cornell	L, 2-5
March 3	at #38 Texas Tech	L, 2-5
March 8	Drake	W, 4-3
March 10	at Nebraska	W, 5-2
March 18	at #29 Arizona	L, 1-6
March 22	at #18 Minnesota	W, 4-3
March 24	Wisconsin	W, 4-3
March 30	at Northwestern	L, 1-6
March 31	at #14 Illinois	L, 1-5
April 5	#30 Penn State	6 p.m.
April 7	#1 Ohio State	11 a.m.
April 13	at Purdue	Noon (ET)
April 14	at Indiana	Noon (ET)
	at IUPUI	6 p.m.(ET)
April 19	Michigan State	6 p.m.
April 21	Michigan	Noon
	Illinois State	5 p.m.
April 25-28	Big Ten Championships	All Day
May 10-12	NCAA Tournament	Orlando, Fla.

| All times Central and subject to change |

2018-19 Roster & Results (Singles/Doubles)

Kareem Allaf, Jr.	7-10/10-6
Will Davies, So.....	14-4/12-4
Jason Kerst, Jr.....	3-2/0-1
Jonas Larsen, Sr.....	7-9/10-7
Morgan Lohan, So.....	0-1/0-0
Oliver Okonkwo, Fr.....	11-6/12-3
Piotr Smietana, So.....	7-8/3-4
Nikita Snezhko, Fr.....	0-0/3-4
Joe Tyler, So.....	7-9/6-7

THIS WEEK:

The 48th-ranked University of Iowa men's tennis team will host two nationally-ranked Big Ten opponents this weekend at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex. On Friday, the Hawkeyes will take on No. 30 Penn State at 6 p.m. (CT). Iowa will challenge top-ranked Ohio State on Sunday at 11 a.m. (CT). Admission is free to the public for both matches.

LAST WEEK:

- The Hawkeyes dropped two matches away from Iowa City, falling at Northwestern (6-1) and at No. 14 Illinois (5-1).

#30 PENN STATE BREAKDOWN:

- The Nittany Lions enter this matchup, 14-5 overall and 4-1 in the Big Ten.
- Penn State is riding a seven-match win streak that began on March 16, 2019, against Michigan State (W, 7-0).
- In doubles, the Nittany Lions boast the eighth-ranked team in country, De La Bastetiere/Nemeth followed by two singles players at No. 31 & No. 95.

#1 OHIO STATE BREAKDOWN:

- The Buckeyes sit atop the Big Ten standings 11-5-0 and a 20-2 overall record.
- Ohio State has won the doubles point in 21 of its 22 matches. The Buckeyes also boast two ranked doubles tandems in the top-20.
- In singles, the Buckeyes have four ranked players in their lineup, most notably the No. 1 player in the land, JJ Wolf.
- Head coach Ty Tucker has won 20 or matches for 19-straight seasons.

HAWKEYE NOTABLES:

- The Hawkeyes are 10-1 at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex.
- Will Davies and Oliver Okonkwo are ranked 74th nationally in doubles.
- Iowa swept No. 18 Minnesota (4-3) and Wisconsin (4-3) in the same season for the first time in 30 years. Iowa won its first three Big Ten matches to start 3-0 in league play for the first time since 1998.
- Kareem Allaf won 11 matches during competition, including seven in a row to capture the ITA Central Regional championship. He became the third Hawkeye to accomplish the feat in school history.
- Will Davies has won a team-best 14 singles matches this spring. The sophomore is 13-4, including a perfect 4-0 record on court four.
- Oliver Okonkwo has won 20 doubles matches (fall & spring), which ties for seventh most in a single-season in program history.

FOLLOW THE HAWKEYES:

Fans can follow the Hawkeyes all season long and receive live match updates on Facebook ([facebook.com/IowaMensTennis](https://www.facebook.com/IowaMensTennis)) and Twitter (@IowaMensTennis). Fans can also get a behind the scenes look on Instagram ([iowamenstennis](https://www.instagram.com/iowamenstennis)).

HEAD COACH ROSS WILSON:

Ross Wilson, a former two-time NCAA All-American and three-time ITA national doubles champion at Ohio State, is in his fifth season as head coach and sixth year with the Iowa men's tennis program.

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