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WOMEN'S ROWING WEEKLY RELEASE

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2/14	ODU & SMU Scrimmage	All Day
2/15	ODU & SMU Scrimmage	All Day
3/30	PAC 12 Invitational	All Day
3/31	PAC 12 Invitational	All Day
4/13	Minnesota / Wisconsin	All Day
4/19	Harvard / Brown	All Day
4/21	Harvard / Brown	All Day
4/27	Longhorn Invitational	All Day
5/19	Big Ten Championship	All Day
5/31	NCAA Championships	All Day
6/2	NCAA Championships	All Day
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	*Bloomington, Indiana	
	^Sarasota, Florida	

CRCA/US ROWING COACHES RANKINGS

Rank	Team (First Place Votes)	Points
1	Washington (2)	476
2	UC Berkeley (17)	473
3	Stanford (6)	457
4	Texas	420
5	Princeton	361
6	Michigan	355
7	Ohio State	333
8	Brown	325
9	Yale	324
10	Virginia	291
11	Wisconsin	245
12	Southern California	212
13	lowa	202
14	Harvard	134
15	Rutgers	122
16	Oregon State	103
17	Syracuse	86
18	Alabama	85
19	Indiana	73
20	Minnesota	63
*Last up	dated April 3, 2019	

Other receiving votes: Michigan State (45), Duke (23), Washington State (21), Pennsylvania (11), Louisville (4), UCLA (3), Gonzaga (1), Oklahoma (1).

THIS WEEK

The 13th-ranked University of Iowa women's rowing team will host their Ione home event of the season this weekend on Lake MacBride. The Hawkeyes will host No. 11 Wisconsin, No. 20 Minnesota, and No. 19 Indiana. This is the first time Iowa has raced at home since April 2016.

FOLLOW ALONG

Liveresults will be posted on Twitter @Iowarowing following each event. A livestream will be available at hawkeyesports.com.

PARKING

Parking directions will be available within range of the race location. Follow the directions below to the race venue.

From I-80, take Coralville Exit 242 North onto First Avenue. Continue right at the roundabout and follow First Avenue (becomes North Liberty Road) for 3.4 miles. Turn left on Dubuque Street to North Liberty, IA (1.6 miles). Then turn right on North Front Street. North Front Street becomes Mehaffey Bridge Road; continue for 4.8 miles. Immediately after the causeway, turn left on Cottage Reserve Road and follow signs to the right to the boat ramp for 0.7 miles. Parking directions will then be visible.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 12, 2019

1:00 p.m. Course available to teams for practice

6:00 p.m. Course closed

6:00 p.m. Pre-competition meeting

Saturday, April 13, 2019

7:30 a.m. Course available to teams for warm-ups

Morning Session	Afternoon Session
8:30 a.m. 2 Novice 8	1:00 p.m. 2 Novice 8
8:45 a.m. 3 Varsity 4	1:15 p.m. 3 Varsity 4
9:00 a.m. Novice 8	1:30 p.m. Novice 8
9:15 a.m. Novice 8	1:45 p.m. Novice 8
9:30 a.m. 2 Varsity 4	2:00 p.m. 2 Varsity 4
9:45 a.m. 2 Varsity 4	2:15 p.m. 2 Varsity 4
10:00 a.m. Varsity 4	2:30 p.m. Varsity 4
10:15 a.m. Varsity 4	2:45 p.m. Varsity 4
10:30 a.m. 2 Varsity 8	3:00 p.m. 2 Varsity 8
10:45 a.m. 2 Varsity 8	3:15 p.m. 2 Varsity 8
11:00 a.m. Varsity 8	3:30 p.m. Varsity 8
11:15 a.m. Varsity 8	3:45 p.m. Varsity 8

ВАСК НОМЕ

The last time the Hawkeyes competed at home was the spring of 2016. The team faced 12th-ranked Wisconsin and Minnesota for a doubleheader, earning a victory over the Gophers, but falling to the Badgers. The Hawkeyes, Badgers, Gophers, and Hoosiers return to Lake MacBride after three years for the B1G Double Dual.

Nine seniors return for the upcoming matchup on their home turf. Faith Weiland, Rachel Valentine, Andjela Milenkovic, Rachel Canon, Logan Jones, Carly Millerd, Allison Blevins, Paige Schlapkohl, and Elizabeth Pritchard are the only athletes on the current roster who have ever competed with home advantage. These distinguised leaders can help guide their boats to victory on Saturday.

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HEAD COACH ANDREW CARTER



Andrew Carter was named the third head coach in program history for the University of Iowa rowing program in July 2013.

Carter has led Iowa to the NCAA Championships in each of the last two seasons, securing just the second and third championship appearances in school history.

The Hawkeyes have improved one spot in the conference standings in each of Carter's five years at the Big Ten Championships.

The 2018 crews finished fourth with a school-record 111 points. This finish matches the best finish in program history.

In 2018, then sophomore Contessa Harold was named Big Ten Conference Co-Athlete of the Year. Harold is the first Hawkeye in program history to earn the conference honor. Harold was named to the All-Big Ten first team, and senior Kaelynn Heiberg and sophomore Hunter Koenigsfeld were named to the second team.

In 2017, Carter ended lowa's 16-year postseason drought by leading the Hawkeyes to the NCAA Championships for the first time since 2001. The Hawkeyes tied for fourth at the Big Ten Championship and scored 106 points at the conference meet, a thenprogram record. Cristy Hartman earned first team All-Big Ten honors and Ashley Duda earned second team All-Big Ten honors. Morgan Grastorf and Cristy Hartman were named All-Region athletes and Victoria Bricker, Kaelynn Heiberg, Gemma Kerr, and Rachel Canon were selected as CRCA Scholar Athletes. Carter led the Hawkeyes to their highest national ranking in program history, coming in at No. 7 in the April 18, 2018, CRCA/USRowing poll.

During his coaching career, Carter has earned more than 50 championship medals, and over the last 15 years, he has coached nine All-Americans and 41 National Scholar-Athletes. Before becoming a Hawkeye, he turned Miami into a nationally-ranked program, and led Clemson to its first-ever Atlantic Coast Conference title and NCAA Championship appearance.

The last home outing provided close racing in nearly every boat. The Hawkeyes emerged ahead of or fell behind by as little as 2.9 seconds in thier 2016 meetings to clinch wins. This time around, Iowa will have more on their plate when dealing with higher ranked Badger and Gopher squads.

LAST TIME OUT

The Hawkeyes faced then 11th-ranked USC, top-ranked Cal, and 3rd-ranked Stanford at the PAC-12 Invitational in Redwood Shores, California last weekend, earning a 1V8 upset victory over USC.

RECAP: I VARSITY EIGHT - The crew got out in front of the No. 11 USC in the early stages, inevitably finishing 9.5 seconds in front of the Trojans.

The crew lined up against No. 3 Stanford in the afternoon matchup, falling behind the Cardinals in the middle section of the course and handing the Hawkeyes their first loss of the season.

On Sunday, Iowa sprinted off the start line quickly against the Cal, leading for much of the first 500m of the course. The defending NCAA Champions led by the 1000m mark, establishing a one-boat-length lead and never faltering in the second half. The Hawkeyes posted their weekend-best time of 6:25.5.

RECAP: II VARSITY EIGHT - The II Varsity Eight crew got out early on No. 11 USC and led at the half-way point, but fell behind the Trojans at the 1,500-meter mark, crossing the line 4.8 seconds up on the Hawkeyes.

lowa fell to No. 3 Stanford, who maintained a strong lead throughout the race. The II Varsity Eight struggled to find their rhythm against Cal on Sunday, ultimately losing the Golden Bears for their final race of the weekend.

RECAP: I VARSITY FOUR - The I Varsity Four boat was the last event contested in both the morning and afternoon sessions of the invitational. Iowa fell to USC, Stanford, and Cal. The crew could not hold on against their quick and well-experienced opponents.

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

The 2018-19 roster is composed of athletes from eight different states and five different countries. Iowa leads the roster with 20 athletes from the home state, followed by border neighbors Illinois (6) and Minnesota (3).

Newcomers holding a promising future for the program include 19 freshman on the 2018-19 squad. The team retained nine sophomores, eight juniors, and has 10 seniors returning for their final season. In addition, the roster includes one athlete on their fifth year of eligibility.

The roster also includes several international athletes from Canada, Netherlands, Serbia, and England.

CRCA AWARD WINNERS

The Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association announced June 4, 2018 that University of Iowa head coach Andrew Carter was the CRCA Region 4 Coach of the Year, along with five Hawkeyes that earned CRCA National Scholar Athlete awards.

Carter's recognition marked the second year in a row for this honor, and listed him as a finalist for the CRCA Division I National Coach of the Year.

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