TOWA HAWKEYES

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University of Iowa Athletic Communications - Seth Goodman Women's Golf Contact

WOMEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

February 23, 2018

2017-18 SCHEDULE

| DATE | TOURNAMENT START TIME | /RESULTS |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sept. 11 | Branch Law Firm Invitational | T-7/15 |
| Sept. 12 | Branch Law Firm Invitational | T-7/15 |
| Sept. 18 | Mercedes Benz Women's Collegiate | T-12/15 |
| Sept. 19 | Mercedes Benz Women's Collegiate | 12/15 |
| Oct. 13 | UNC Tar Heel Invitational | T-14/18 |
| 0ct. 14 | UNC Tar Heel Invitational | 16/18 |
| Oct. 15 | UNC Tar Heel Invitational | 18/18 |
| Oct. 27 | Ladies Fall Collegiate | 11/13 |
| Oct. 28 | Ladies Fall Collegiate | 10/13 |
| 0ct. 29 | Ladies Fall Collegiate | 10/13 |
| Feb. 25 | Westbrook Spring Invitational | 9:30 A.M. |
| Feb. 26 | Westbrook Spring Invitational | 9:30 A.M. |
| March 5 | Arizona Wildcat Invitational | TBD |
| March 6 | Arizona Wildcat Invitational | TBD |
| March 16 | Hawkeye-El Tigre Invitational | TBD |
| March 17 | Hawkeye-El Tigre Invitational | TBD |
| March 23 | Arizona State Invitational | TBD |
| March 24 | Arizona State Invitational | TBD |
| March 25 | Arizona State Invitational | TBD |
| April 1 | Bruzzy Challenge | TBD |
| April 2 | Bruzzy Challenge | TBD |
| April 3 | Bruzzy Challenge | TBD |
| April 20-22 | Big Ten Tournament | TBD |

*All times Central

2017-18 ROSTER

| Year | Hometown |
|------|---|
| Fr. | Wheaton, III. |
| Fr. | Phoenix, Ariz. |
| Jr. | San Antonio, Texas |
| Fr. | Red Wing, Minn. |
| Sr. | Richmond Hill, Canada |
| Sr. | Tulsa, Okla. |
| Sr. | Winthrop Harbor, III. |
| So. | Vancouver, Canada |
| So. | Iowa City, Iowa |
| Jr. | Addieville, III. |
| Sr. | Oviedo, Spain |
| | Fr. Fr. Jr. Fr. Sr. Sr. Sr. So. So. Jr. |

STAFF

| Megan Menzel | Head Coach | (7th Year) |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Michael Roters | Assistant Coach | (3rd Year) |
| Bill Maxwell | Strength & Conditioning | |
| Jennie Sertterh | Athletic Trainer | |

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa women's golf team travels to Peoria, Arizona, for the Westbrook Spring Invitational on Sunday and Monday.

THE SCHEDULE

- Sunday, Feb. 25 -- First and Second Round -- 9:30 a.m. (CT)
- Monday, Feb. 26 -- Final Round -- 9:30 a.m.

FOLLOW ALONG

Live scoring will be available throughout the tournament on <u>BirdieFire.com</u>. Links can be found on the lowa women's golf schedule page at **hawkeyesports.com**.

THE COMPETITION

The field includes 15 teams (Golfstat Relative Rankings): Wisconsin (30), Illinois (15), Indiana, Ohio State, Kansas, Oklahoma (17), Kansas State, Washington State, Oregon, Nebraska, Delaware, Oregon State, Notre Dame (39), UC Davis, and Iowa.

LINEUP

The Hawkeye lineup will include seniors Jessica Ip, Elisa Suarez, Morgan Kukla, juniors Shawn Rennegarbe and Kristin Glesne, and sophomore Sophie Liu. Freshman Rachel Fujitani will also be competing and making her Hawkeye debut.

THE COURSE

- The Vistas course was designed by Ken Kavanaugh and opened in 1990.
- This is a links-style course that has spacious fairways, larger greens, and few trees.

HISTORICALLY AT THE WESTBROOK SPRING INVITE

- lowa has had five top-10 team finishes at this tournament over the past six years.
- The Hawkeyes fired a three-round score of 873 (+9) last year to finish fifth, their best team finish at this tournament and the third best 54-hole score in program history.
- Last year, lowa carded a 36-hole score of 586 (+10), the sixth best 36-hole performance in program history.
- Sophomore Sophie Liu carded a 54-hole score of 215 (-1). Last year, she finished tied for 10th, the best individual finish at this tournament for lowa.
- Senior Jessica Ip finished with a three-round score of 216 (E) to tie for 16th last year.

LAST TIME OUT

lowa last competed at the Ladies Fall Collegiate in Atlanta, Georgia, on Oct. 27-29. The Hawkeyes finished tenth with a 36-hole score of 633 (+57).

- Senior Jessica Ip finished tied for 22nd with a two-round score of 155 (+11).
- Junior Kristin Glesne carded a 36-hole score of 156 (+12), tying for 28th.





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| TIME | OUT | |
|-------|---|--|
| Place | To Par | Total |
| 10 | +57 | 633 |
| T-22 | +11 | 155 |
| T-28 | +12 | 156 |
| T-47 | +16 | 160 |
| T-51 | +19 | 163 |
| 65 | +25 | 169 |
| | Place 10 T-22 T-28 T-47 T-51 | 10 +57 T-22 +11 T-28 +12 T-47 +16 T-51 +19 |

FOLLOW THE HAWKEYES

Web Address: <u>hawkeyesports.com</u> (check the schedule page for live stat links)

Facebook: facebook.com/iowawomensgolf

Twitter: @lowaWomensGolf

Live Scoring: BirdieFire.com

| | VISTAS COURSE | |
|-------|---------------|-----|
| HOLE | YARDS | PAR |
| 1 | 378 | 4 |
| 2 | 163 | 3 |
| 3 | 411 | 4 |
| 4 | 174 | 3 |
| 5 | 487 | 5 |
| 6 | 467 | 4 |
| 7 | 397 | 4 |
| 8 | 482 | 5 |
| 9 | 347 | 4 |
| OUT | 3,306 | 36 |
| 10 | 354 | 4 |
| 11 | 147 | 3 |
| 12 | 415 | 4 |
| 13 | 353 | 4 |
| 14 | 469 | 5 |
| 15 | 296 | 4 |
| 16 | 216 | 3 |
| 17 | 529 | 5 |
| 18 | 347 | 4 |
| IN | 3,126 | 36 |
| TOTAL | 6,432 | 72 |

COMPETING WITH THE BEST

- Through four tournaments, lowa has competed against 29 top-50 teams, according to Golfstat Relative Rankings.
- Six of those 29 opponents are ranked in the top-10, including No. 1 Stanford and No. 2 Alabama.
- lowa has faced 15 top-25 opponents this season.
- lowa opened the season at the Branch Law Firm Invitational, finishing tied for 7th with No. 18 ranked lowa State and New Mexico.
- The Hawkeyes have finished ahead of four top-50 ranked teams -- Pepperdine, Texas, UNLV, Arizona -- at the Branch Law Firm Invitational.

FALL RECAP

- The Hakweyes had two top-10 finishes, tying for 7th in the Branch Law Firm Invitational and placing 10th at the Ladies Fall Collegiate.
- lowa has a team total of ten rounds at-or-below par heading into the spring.
- The team stroke average for the fall was 75.2, the second best in program history.
- Jessica Ip finished tied for fifth -- the best individual finish of the fall. She also leads the team with a stroke average of 74.2.
- Kristin Glesne leads the team with four rounds at-or-below par.

THREE NAMED BIG TEN PRESEASON HONOREES

Three members of the University of Iowa women's golf team -- seniors Jessica Ip and Morgan Kukla, and sophomore Sophie Liu -- were named 2017-18 Big Ten Women's Golf Preseason Honorees.

- Ip competed in all six competitions in the spring, finishing with a 74.2 stroke average -- the best on the team.
- Liu competed in all six competitions, scoring a 77.0 stroke average -- the second best on the team.
- Kukla appeared in seven of lowa's 10 tournaments last season, carding a career-best 18-hole score of 71 (-1) at the Hawkeye El-Tigre Invitational.

HAWKEYE NEWCOMERS

This season, the Hawkeyes welcome three newcomers -- Annalee Dannegger, Rachel Fujitani, and Stephanie Herzog-- to the 2017-18 squad. Dannegger is from Wheaton, Illinois, Fujitani is from Phoenix, Arizona, and Herzog is from Red Wing, Minnesota.

ON THE HORIZON

The lowa women's golf team travels to Tucson, Arizona, to compete in the Arizona Wildcat Invitational on March 5-6.

