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WOMEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

April 18, 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
Oct. 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
Oct. 29	Ladies Fall Collegiate	10/13
Feb. 25	Westbrook Spring Invitational	14/15
Feb. 26	Westbrook Spring Invitational	15/15
March 5	Arizona Wildcat Invitational	15/17
March 6	Arizona Wildcat Invitational	16/17
March 16	Hawkeye-El Tigre Invitational	11/12
March 17	Hawkeye-El Tigre Invitational	T-10/12
March 23	Arizona State Invitational	13/14
March 24	Arizona State Invitational	14/14
March 25	Arizona State Invitational	14/14
April 2	Bruzzy Challenge	13/15
April 3	Bruzzy Challenge	12/15
April 7	Bradley	Canceled
April 8	Bradley	Canceled
April 20	Big Ten Tournament	7:30 A.M.
April 21	Big Ten Tournament	7:30 A.M.
April 22	Big Ten Tournament	7:00 A.M.

^{*}All times central

2017-18 ROSTER

Name	Year	Hometown
Annalee Dannegger	Fr.	Wheaton, III.
Rachel Fujitani	Fr.	Phoenix, Ariz.
Kristin Glesne	Jr.	San Antonio, Texas
Stephanie Herzog	Fr.	Red Wing, Minn.
Jessica lp	Sr.	Richmond Hill, Canada
Anna Kim	Sr.	Tulsa, Okla.
Morgan Kukla	Sr.	Winthrop Harbor, III.
Sophie Liu	So.	Vancouver, Canada
Sarah Overton	So.	Iowa City, Iowa
Shawn Rennegarbe	Jr.	Addieville, III.
Elisa Suarez	Sr.	Oviedo, Spain

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 Cincinnati, Ohio, to compete in the Big Ten Championships on April 20-22.

THE SCHEDULE

- Friday, April 20 -- First Round -- 7:30 a.m. (CT)
- Saturday, April 21 -- Second Round -- 7:30 a.m. (CT)
- Sunday, April 22 -- Third Round -- 7:00 a.m. (CT)

FOLLOW ALONG

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

TELEVISION COVERAGE

The Big Ten Network will air coverage of the Big Ten Championships on April 30 at 4:00 p.m. (CT).

THE COMPETITION

The field includes all 14 Big Ten teams (Golfstat Relative Rankings): Illinois (26), Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, Michigan State (12), Nebraska, Northwestern (13), Ohio State (45), Penn State, Purdue (22), Rutgers, and Wisconsin (34).

LINEUP

Senior Jessica Ip will be in the number one spot for the Hawkeyes. She will be followed by freshman Rachel Fujitani, juniors Shawn Rennegarbe and Kristin Glesne, senior Morgan Kukla, and freshman Stephanie Herzog.

THE COURSE

- TPC River's Bend was designed by Arnold Palmer.
- This course features a stunning backdrop of winding playing routes, picturesque waterfalls, and gentle elevation changes.
- Palmer designed the course to meander through corridors of mature hardwoods and whispering creeks.

HISTORICALLY AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Last year, lowa finished 10th with a three-round total of 931 (+67).
- The Hawkeyes have 26 team top-10 finishes at Big Ten Championships over the past 28 years.
- Senior Jessica Ip had the best individual performance for the Hawkeyes in 2017, tying for 12th with a 54-hole score of 221 (+5). She carded a 70 (-2) in the third round.
- Senior Morgan Kukla and junior Shawn Rennegarbe each carded 10 holes at-orbelow par in the final round last year at TPC River's Bend.





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LAST	TIME	OUT	
Name	Place	To Par	Total
lowa	12	+85	949
Rachel Fujitani	T-13	+13	229
Jessica Ip	T-56	+24	240
Shawn Rennegarbe	T-61	+27	243
Kristin Glesne	T-64	+28	244
Elisa Suarez	79	+41	257
Morgan Kukla (I)	T-69	+30	246

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: Golfstat.com

	TPC RIVER'S BEND	
HOLE	YARDS	PAR
1	384	4
2	375	4
3	391	4
4	315	4
5	150	3
6	517	5
7	138	3
8	524	5
9	384	4
OUT	3178	36
10	369	4
11	457	5
12	145	3
13	363	4
14	410	4
15	378	4
16	170	3
17	410	4
18	477	5
IN	3179	36
TOTAL	6357	72
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LAST TIME OUT

The Hawkeyes competed in the Bruzzy Challenge on April 2-3, finishing 12th with a 54-hole score of 949 (+85)

- Freshman Rachel Fujitani carded the best individual finish for lowa, tying for 13th -- a career best -- with a three-round score of 229 (+13).
- Junior Kristin Glesne jumped 10 spots on the leaderboard in round three to tie for 64th with a 54-hole score of 244 (+28).

COMPETING WITH THE BEST

- Through nine tournaments, lowa has competed against 42 top-50 teams according to Golfstat Relative Rankings.
- Seven of those 42 opponents are ranked in the top-10, including No. 1 UCLA and No. 2 Alabama.
- lowa has faced 19 top-25 opponents this season.
- lowa opened the season at the Branch Law Firm Invitational, tying for seventh with No. 18 ranked lowa State and New Mexico.
- The Hawkeyes' field this week includes six top-50 ranked teams according to Golfstat Relative Rankings.

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

- The Symetra Tour, a qualifying tour of the LPGA Tour, will host the inaugural Prasco Charity Championship at TPC River's Bend on June 29-July 1.
- The 2018 Big Ten women's golf individual champion will recieve an exemption into the first-ever tournament.

FUJITANI'S FRESHMAN CAMPAIGN

- Freshman Rachel Fujitani has competed in five competitions for the Hawkeyes this season, earning a stroke average of 75.8 -- the second best on the team.
- Fujitani earned her first B1G Golfer of the Week award for her play at the Bruzzy Challenge. She finished the tournament with a 54-hole score of 229 (+13), tying for 13th -- a career-best finish.
- She carded the best individual finish for Iowa at the Arizona State Invitational (T29) and the Bruzzy Challenge (T13).

ETCHING INTO THE RECORD BOOKS

- The Hawkeyes opened the spring at the Westbrook Spring Invitational where they
 carded an 18-hole score of 286 (-2) -- tied for fourth in program history. Iowa
 carded a 36-hole score of 582 (+6) -- tying for third in program history -- at the
 Westbrook Spring Invitational.
- Ip's second round score of 67 (-5) at the Westbrook Spring Invitational is tied for first in program history and her 36-hole score of 142 (-2) to begin the spring is tied for fifth.



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BIG TEN PRESEASON HONOREES THIS SEASON

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 has competed in all nine tournaments for the Hawkeyes this season. She leads the team for stroke average (75), low round (67), rounds at-or-below par (5), top-10 finishes (1), and top-20 finishes (1).
- Liu made her season debut at the Westbrook Spring Invitational, where she fired a 54-hole score of 240 (+24).
- Kukla has appeared in seven tournaments for low this season. She has a stroke average of 77.8 and a low round of 73 (+1).



