



IOWA FIELD HOCKEY

WEEK 10: BIG TEN TOURNAMENT | FIRST ROUND VS. PENN STATE (OCT. 28)

2018 SCHEDULE 12-5 (4-4)

8/25.....vs. #14 Wake Forest	W, 2-1
8/26.....at #2 North Carolina	L, 1-2 (OT)
8/31.....vs. Dartmouth #.....	W, 6-0
9/2.....vs. Ball State #.....	W, 7-1
9/8.....vs. Providence	W, 1-0
9/9.....at New Hampshire.....	W, 2-0
9/14.....vs. Penn #.....	W, 3-0
9/16.....vs. Indiana *!.....	W, 3-0
9/21.....at #14 Northwestern *	L, 0-2
9/22.....vs. #25 California.....	W, 4-1
9/28.....at Michigan State *!.....	W, 4-0
9/30.....at #23 Ohio State *	W, 2-1 (OT)
10/5.....vs. #6 Michigan **.....	L, 1-2.
10/7.....vs. #21 Stanford #.....	W, 3-0
10/12.....vs. #6 Penn State **.....	W, 3-2
10/14.....vs. #2 Maryland *!.....	L, 1-2
10/19.....at #13 Rutgers **	L, 0-1

Big Ten Tournament

10/28.....#7 Penn State !	11 a.m (CT)
11/2.....Semifinals !.....	TBA
11/4.....Final !.....	TBA

NCAA Tournament (Louisville, Kent.)

11/7.....Play-In Games.....	TBA
11/10.....Round One.....	TBA
11/11.....Quarterfinals.....	TBA
11/16.....Semifinals.....	TBA
11/18.....Championship.....	TBA

All game times listed are Central

Home games are bolded

* Big Ten Conference Games

! Televised by Big Ten Network

Streamed live on BTN2GO

PENN MONTO/NFCA RANKINGS

No.	Team	Points
1.	North Carolina (51)	1275
2.	Maryland	1173
3.	Duke	1132
4.	Connecticut	1080
5.	Princeton	1041
6.	Harvard	949
7.	Penn State	942
8.	Michigan	890
9.	IOWA	802
10.	Rutgers	786
11.	Louisville	694
12.	Saint Joseph's	671
13.	Boston College	577
14.	Syracuse	495
15.	Maine	455
16.	Deleware	445
17.	Albany	409
18.	Liberty	399
19.	Wake Forest	388
20.	Virginia	381
21.	Stanford	351
22.	Northwestern	287
23.	Ohio State	238
24.	Boston	159
25.	Old Dominion	131

THIS WEEK

The ninth-ranked University of Iowa field hockey team faces No. 7 Penn State in the quarterfinals of the Big Ten Tournament on Sunday, Oct. 28 at 11 a.m. (CT) in Univeristy Park, Pennsylvania.

FOLLOW ON THE WEB

Iowa field hockey fans can follow all contest via live stats on hawkeyesports.com. Click on the "Live Stats" link found on the field hockey schedule page to access the live stats feed. Fans can follow @IowaFieldHockey on Twitter for live in-game updates.

WATCH LIVE

Iowa's Sunday quarterfinal matchup against No. 7 Penn State will be televised on BTN.

HAWKEYE HIGHLIGHTS

- Iowa has controlled games and limited shots for most of the season. Iowa's 112 first-half shots and 57 first-half penalty corners are more than their opponents' total shots (99) and penalty corners (51).
- The Hawkeyes finished the regular season 6-2 at home, 8-1 against non-conference opponents, and 5-5 against top-25 opponents. All five of Iowa's losses this year came against top-25 opponents with four of the five coming by only one goal. Three losses were against top-10 opponents (No. 2 North Carolina, No. 6 Michigan, and No. 2 Maryland).
- The Hawkeyes are 8-0 when scoring at least three goals this season.
- Sophomore Maddy Murphy leads the team in goals (13), points (32), and game-winning goals (4). Murphy's 13 goals are second most in the Big Ten, while her 32 points are fourth most. Murphy's sophomore campaign has featured her first career hat trick against No. 6 Penn State, a seven-point game with three assists against Dartmouth, and two stretches where she scored a goal in three straight games.
- Katie Birch leads the team in assists (9), shots attempted (50), and is tied with Murphy for most shots on goal with 29.
- Sophie Sunderland is third on the team in goals (6) and points (16).

SCOUTING NO. 7 PENN STATE

- Penn State has won three straight games to finish the regular season 12-4 and 6-2 in conference play. On Oct. 12 at Grant Field, Iowa handed Penn State its second Big Ten loss behind Maddy Murphy's first career hat trick.
- Seeded third in the Big Ten Tournament, Penn State eliminated Iowa, 5-1, in the first round of the conference tournament last year. The Nittany Lions lost in the Big Ten Championship last season after claiming the tournament title in 2016.
- Head coach Charlene Morett-Curtiss is in her 32nd season at Penn State, owning a 483-188-8 record at the helm of the Nittany Lions. Morrett-Curtiss has led the Nittany Lions to eight straight NCAA Tournament appearances.
- Goalkeeper Jenny Rizzo has the third most saves in the Big Ten with 63, while Penn State's offense as recorded the most shots in the conference with 304. Led by Anna Simon's six goals, Penn State's offense features seven student-athletes who have scored at least five goals.

NATION'S BEST CONFERENCE

In a conference that features seven top-25 opponents, Iowa finished .500 (4-4) to tie for fourth with Rutgers and Ohio State. The Hawkeyes started the conference slate with a 3-0 win over Indiana, followed by wins over Michigan State, No. 23 Ohio State, and No. 6 Penn State. Iowa finished the season with six straight ranked opponents, winning three of them. Murphy's five goals and Birch's four assists lead the Hawkeyes in conference play. Iowa more than double their Big Ten opponents in shots (93-42) and penalty corners (47-23), but failed to capitalize at key moments.

2018 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Over.
#2 Maryland	7-1	16-2
#8 Michigan	7-1	12-5
#7 Penn State	6-2	12-4
#10 Rutgers	4-4	13-4
#9 IOWA	4-4	12-5
#23 Ohio State	4-4	11-7
#22 Northwestern	3-5	9-9
Indiana	1-7	4-12
Michigan State	0-8	4-14

2018 ROSTER

2 Emily Deuell	So.	D
4 Makenna Grewe	Sr.	MF
5 Meghan Conroy	Fr.	MF/F
6 Anthe Nijziel	Fr.	D
7 Ellie Holley	So.	MF
8 Nikki Freeman	So.	MF
10 Isabella Brown	Sr.	D
11 Katie Birch	Jr.	MF/D
13 Leah Zellner	Fr.	F
14 Lokke Stribos	Fr.	D/MF
15 Riley Kniptash	Sr.	D
16 Isabella Solaroli	Jr.	MF/F
17 Ciara Smith	Fr.	F
18 Mya Christopher	So.	MF/F
19 Ryley Miller	Jr.	MF
20 Sophie Sunderland	Jr.	MF
21 Makenna Maguire	Fr.	F/MF
24 Cat Nicholson	Fr.	D
26 Maddy Murphy	So.	F
62 Grace McGuire	Fr.	GK
96 Leslie Speight	Jr.	GK

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MEDIA INFORMATION

INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITY

Members of the University of Iowa field hockey team and coaching staff will be available for interviews each Tuesday before practice during the regular season.

To attend, please contact UI field hockey communications contact Shane Sturtz by phone (319-541-0119) or email (shane-sturtz@uiowa.edu). Be sure to include which coaches and student-athletes you would like to speak with to ensure availability.

LAST TIME OUT

Iowa dropped its regular season finale against Rutgers, 1-0, on Friday, Oct. 19. It was only the second time in 17 games Iowa's offense was shutout. The Hawkeyes had chances late in the second half, registering six straight penalty corners to no avail. Iowa outshot Rutgers 10-3 including six second-half shots.

HAWKEYES AT BIG TEN TOURNAMENT

Iowa has won five Big Ten Tournament titles (1981, 1994, 2006, 2007, and 2008) in program history, including a three-peat from 2006-08. Along with Penn State and Michigan, Iowa is one of three schools to win five or more tournament titles. Iowa is 29-20 all-time at the Big Ten Tournament, which are the most wins by any Big Ten school. The Hawkeyes fell to Penn State, 5-1, in the first round of last year's Big Ten Tournament. Iowa's last conference tournament win was in 2013 against Michigan.

SHARING THE WEALTH

Six Hawkeyes have scored at least three goals, while 11 different Hawkeyes have scored a goal this season. Of Iowa's 43 goals, 35 have been assisted on. Katie Birch leads the team with nine assists – tied for the fourth most in the Big Ten, while six other Hawkeyes have at least three assists.

DOMINANT DEFENSE

The Hawkeye defense has been outstanding all season long allowing just 0.86 goals per game, good for fourth in the nation and tops in the Big Ten. Iowa's defense has allowed only 99 shots and 51 penalty corners in 17 games this season. Iowa's offense has recorded 229 shots – the fifth most in the Big Ten – and 106 penalty corners. Junior goalkeeper Leslie Speight's seven shutouts are the most in the Big Ten and her .750 save percentage is third best in the conference.

NATIONALLY SPEAKING

Seven Big Ten schools -- No. 2 Maryland, No. 7 Penn State, No. 8 Michigan, **No. 9 IOWA**, No. 10 Rutgers, No. 22 Northwestern, and No. 23 Ohio State -- are ranked in the latest Penn Monto/NFHCA Division I National Coaches Poll. Iowa has moved up 11 spots since being ranked 20th in the preseason rankings on Aug. 20. The Hawkeyes finished the regular season facing 10 top-25 opponents and four top-10 opponents. Iowa is 5-5 against ranked opponents this season with wins over No. 14 Wake Forest, No. 25 California, No. 23 Ohio State, No. 21 Stanford, and No. 6 Penn State. All of Iowa's losses this season were from ranked opponents with four of them coming by only one goal.

FANTASTIC FRESHMEN

All seven freshman have seen the field this season. Freshmen Anthe Nijziel and Lokke Stribos have started all 17 games and have played a key part in the Hawkeye defense. Nijziel, who earned Big Ten Co-Freshman of the Week on Sept. 17, has 10 points on four goals and two assists this season. Stribos recorded her fourth assist in Iowa's 3-2 win over No. 6 Penn State. Freshmen have accounted for six goals and six assists this season.

BIG HONORS

Three Hawkeyes -- freshman Anthe Nijziel, junior Katie Birch, and most recently sophomore Maddy Murphy -- have earned Big Ten weekly honors this season. Murphy was named Big Ten Co-Offensive Player of the Week on Oct. 15. She recorded her first career hat trick in Iowa's 3-2 win against No. 6 Penn State. Murphy's trio of goals and seven-point weekend marked Iowa's first win over Penn State since 2014 and first victory over a top-10 opponent since 2016. In mid-September, Nijziel earned Co-Freshman of the Week and Birch earned Defensive Player of the Week for their efforts led that Hawkeyes to back-to-back shutout wins over Penn and Indiana.

ROZ ELLIS RETURNS

Former two-time first team All-Big Ten selection and three-time Big Ten Tournament Champion, Roz Ellis, is back with the Hawkeyes as an assistant coach. Ellis started all 83 games of her career, scored 14 goals, and recorded 11 assists from 2005-08. Ellis was an assistant coach at five different schools before returning to her alma mater. As a senior and team captain in 2008, Ellis anchored a Hawkeye defense that reached the Final Four, which was Iowa's first appearance since 1999.

LOOKING AHEAD

Following a win on Sunday, Iowa would face second-seeded Michigan or seventh-seeded Northwestern on Friday, Nov. 2 in the semifinals. The semifinals and the championship game of the Big Ten Tournament scheduled are hosted by Northwestern in Evanston, Illinois, at Lakeside Field on Friday, Nov. 2 and Sunday, Nov. 4.

LINK UP WITH THE HAWKEYES

For an inside look at the Iowa field hockey program, "like" The University of Iowa Field Hockey Team on Facebook and follow @IowaFieldHockey on Twitter and Instagram.



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2018 SEASON STATS

Iowa Field Hockey IOWA Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 19, 2018) All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	12-5	6-2	3-3	3-0
CONFERENCE	4-4	2-2	2-2	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	8-1	4-0	1-1	3-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.	#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gw	ps-att	dsv
Aug 25	vs #14 Wake Forest	w 2-1	205	11	Katie Birch	17	7	9	23	50	.140	29	.580	3	0-1	0
Aug 26	at #2 North Carolina	Lot 1-2	313	26	Maddy Murphy	17	13	6	32	43	.302	29	.674	4	0-0	0
Aug 31	DART	w 6-0	192	6	Anthe Nijziel	17	4	2	10	27	.148	15	.556	1	0-0	0
Sep 02	BSU	w 7-1	242	7	Ellie Holley	15	2	3	7	20	.100	9	.450	1	0-0	0
Sep 08	vs Providence	w 1-0	122	4	Makenna Grewe	17	4	3	11	18	.222	10	.556	1	0-0	0
Sep 09	at New Hampshire	w 2-0	179	13	Leah Zellner	17	1	0	2	15	.067	11	.733	0	0-0	0
Sep 14	PENN	w 3-0	303	20	Sophie Sunderland	17	6	4	16	13	.462	10	.769	1	0-0	0
* Sep 16	INDIANA	w 3-0	426	18	Mya Christopher	17	3	0	6	11	.273	9	.818	1	0-0	0
* Sep 21	at #14 Northwestern	L 0-2	187	8	Nikki Freeman	17	0	0	0	10	.000	3	.300	0	0-0	0
Sep 22	vs #25 California	w 4-1	80	5	Meghan Conroy	17	0	0	0	7	.000	1	.143	0	0-0	0
* Sep 28	at Michigan State	w 4-0	116	19	Ryley Miller	16	1	2	4	4	.250	2	.500	0	0-0	0
* Sep 30	at #23 Ohio State	wo2 2-1	256	21	Makenna Maguire	14	0	1	1	4	.000	2	.500	0	0-0	0
* Oct 05	#6 MICHIGAN	L 1-2	201	14	Lokke Stribos	17	1	4	6	3	.333	3	1.000	0	0-0	0
Oct 07	#21 STANFORD	w 3-0	183	16	Isabella Solaroli	15	1	1	3	3	.333	3	1.000	0	0-0	0
* Oct 12	#6 PENN STATE	w 3-2	283	15	Riley Knipdash	4	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
* Oct 14	#2 MARYLAND	L 1-2	335	17	Ciara Smith	7	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
* Oct 19	at #13 RU	L 0-1	362	2	Emily Deuell	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
				96	Leslie Speight	17	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
				24	Cat Nicholson	5	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
				10	Isabella Brown	17	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
					Total	17	43	35	121	229	.188	136	.594	12	0-1	0
					Opponents	17	15	12	42	99	.152	60	.606	5	1-1	3

TEAM STATISTICS	IOWA	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	43-229	15-99
Goals scored per game	2.53	0.88
Shot pct.	.188	.152
Shots on goal-Attempts	136-229	60-99
SOG pct.	.594	.606
Shots/Game	13.5	5.8
PENALTY CORNERS	106	51
PENALTY STROKES	0-1	1-1
PENALTIES		
Green cards	19	16
Yellow cards	5	3
Red cards	0	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	2165	1413
Dates/Avg Per Date	8/271	6/236
Neutral Site #/Avg	3/136	

#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Pct	W-L-T	Sho
96	Leslie Speight	17	1215:58	15	0.86	45	.750	12-5-0	7/0
	Total	17	1218:27	15	0.86	45	.750	12-5-0	7
	Opponents	17	1218:27	43	2.47	91	.679	5-12-0	2

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	20	22	0	1	43
Opponents	6	8	1	0	15

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	112	112	2	3	229
Opponents	38	54	7	0	99

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	18	24	3	0	45
Opponents	43	45	2	1	91

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	57	48	0	1	106
Opponents	25	24	2	0	51





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2018 CONFERENCE STATS

Iowa Field Hockey IOWA Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 19, 2018) Conference games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	4-4	2-2	2-2	0-0
CONFERENCE	4-4	2-2	2-2	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
* Sep 16	INDIANA	w 3-0	426
* Sep 21	at #14 Northwestern	L 0-2	187
* Sep 28	at Michigan State	w 4-0	116
* Sep 30	at #23 Ohio State	w _{o2} 2-1	256
* Oct 05	#6 MICHIGAN	L 1-2	201
* Oct 12	#6 PENN STATE	w 3-2	283
* Oct 14	#2 MARYLAND	L 1-2	335
* Oct 19	at #13 RU	L 0-1	362

TEAM STATISTICS	IOWA	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	14-93	10-42
Goals scored per game	1.75	1.25
Shot pct.	.151	.238
Shots on goal-Attempts	58-93	23-42
SOG pct.	.624	.548
Shots/Game	11.6	5.2
PENALTY CORNERS	47	23
PENALTY STROKES	0-1	0-0
PENALTIES		
Green cards	9	9
Yellow cards	3	0
Red cards	0	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1245	921
Dates/Avg Per Date	4/311	4/230
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gw	ps-att	dsv
11	Katie Birch	8	1	4	6	17	.059	11	.647	1	0-1	0
6	Anthe Nijziel	8	2	0	4	16	.125	8	.500	0	0-0	0
26	Maddy Murphy	8	5	2	12	15	.333	10	.667	1	0-0	0
7	Ellie Holley	8	2	0	4	11	.182	6	.545	1	0-0	0
18	Mya Christopher	8	2	0	4	6	.333	6	1.000	1	0-0	0
4	Makenna Grewe	8	0	2	2	6	.000	4	.667	0	0-0	0
8	Nikki Freeman	8	0	0	0	5	.000	2	.400	0	0-0	0
5	Meghan Conroy	8	0	0	0	5	.000	1	.200	0	0-0	0
13	Leah Zellner	8	0	0	0	3	.000	3	1.000	0	0-0	0
20	Sophie Sunderland	8	2	2	6	3	.667	3	1.000	0	0-0	0
16	Isabella Solaroli	7	0	1	1	2	.000	2	1.000	0	0-0	0
19	Ryley Miller	7	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	0	0-0	0
14	Lokke Stribos	8	0	2	2	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0	0
21	Makenna Maguire	5	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
96	Leslie Speight	8	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
17	Ciara Smith	4	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
10	Isabella Brown	8	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0
Total		8	14	13	41	93	.151	58	.624	4	0-1	0
Opponents		8	10	10	30	42	.238	23	.548	4	0-0	1

#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Pct	W-L-T	Sho
96	Leslie Speight	8	577:31	10	1.21	13	.565	4-4-0	2/0
Total		8	580:00	10	1.21	13	.565	4-4-0	2
Opponents		8	580:00	14	1.69	44	.759	4-4-0	2

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	4	9	0	1	14
Opponents	4	6	0	0	10

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	41	49	0	3	93
Opponents	15	23	4	0	42

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	6	6	1	0	13
Opponents	20	23	0	1	44

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
IOWA	24	22	0	1	47
Opponents	11	10	2	0	23

