

IOWA HAWKEYES

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MEN’S TENNIS WEEKLY RELEASE

April 7, 2021

SCHEDULE/RESULTS (4-10, 4-8)

Jan. 22	vs. #22 Virginia *	L, 0-4
Jan. 23	vs. Middle Tennessee St *	L, 0-4
Feb. 19	Indiana	W, 5-2
Feb. 21	Purdue	W, 4-0
Feb. 28	Nebraska	W, 5-2
March 5	at #9 Illinois	L, 0-7
March 7	at #29 Northwestern	L, 1-6
March 12	Wisconsin	W, 5-2
March 14	#48 Minnesota	L, 3-4
March 19	#8 Michigan	L, 2-5
March 21	Michigan State	L, 3-4
March 26	at Penn State	L, 0-7
March 28	at #16 Ohio State	L, 1-6
April 4	at Nebraska	L, 3-4
April 9	#14 Illinois	1 p.m.
April 11	#45 Northwestern	noon
April 16	at Wisconsin	3 p.m.
April 18	at Minnesota	noon
April 29-	at Big Ten Championships	
May 2	Lincoln, NE	

2021 Roster & Results (Singles/Doubles)

Peter Alam, Fr.....	0-7/5-4
Kareem Allaf, Sr.....	8-6/7-10
Matt Clegg, So	0-4/0-5
Will Davies, Sr.....	7-8/9-3
Rudra Dixit, Fr.....	0-5/1-2
Jason Kerst, Sr.....	3-11/0-3
Oliver Okonkwo, Jr.....	4-11/9-2
Nikita Snezhko, Jr.....	0-6/4-7
Joe Tyler, Sr.....	7-6/6-6

THIS WEEK:

The Iowa men’s tennis team (4-10, 4-8) returns to Iowa City for the program’s final two home matches. The Hawkeyes will entertain No. 14 Illinois on Friday (1 p.m.) and 45th-ranked Northwestern on Sunday (noon). Both matches will be contested at the Hawkeye Tennis & Recreation Complex.

FOLLOW THE ACTION LIVE:

Fans can follow the action from every home match this season with live scoring and/or live stream via PlaySight. Click on the live links on the Iowa Men’s Tennis Schedule webpage at hawkeyesports.com.

ALLAF BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD:

Redshirt senior Kareem Allaf has 161 combined wins in singles and doubles, surpassing the previous program record set by Tyler Cleveland (1998-2001). Allaf has amassed 93 career singles wins and 68 doubles victories, which both rank second in school history.

ON IOWA:

The Hawkeyes are a veteran squad featuring seven upperclassmen and two freshmen. Kareem Allaf is in his sixth year in the program; Jason Kerst is a fifth-year senior, while Will Davies and Joe Tyler are in their fourth year at Iowa.

#14 ILLINOIS BREAKDOWN:

- The Fighting Illini are 14-2 overall and 11-1 in Big Ten play. Illinois has won its last 10 matches, including victories over Wisconsin (6-1) and Minnesota (5-2) last weekend.
- Four Illini are nationally ranked in singles: Zeke Clark (39), Siphosothando Montsi (43), Aleksandar Kovacevic (44), and Alex Brown (120). The doubles team of Brown/Clark is ranked 14th nationally, while Montsi/Kenyatte are ranked 46th.
- Iowa is 21-67 all-time against Illinois. The Illini beat the Hawkeyes, 7-0, earlier this season on March 5, in Champaign.

#45 NORTHWESTERN BREAKDOWN:

- The Wildcats are 10-5 overall, including a 9-4 mark in conference play. Northwestern has won five of its last six matches, including both matches last weekend over Minnesota (5-2) and Wisconsin (7-0)
- The doubles team of Bratholm/Brookes, who are 11-5 this season, have risen from No. 57 to seventh nationally.
- Iowa is 26-68 all-time against Northwestern. The Wildcats beat the Hawkeyes, 6-1, earlier this season on March 7, in Evanston.

HAWKEYE NOTEABLES:

- The doubles team of Oliver Okonkwo and Will Davies are ranked No. 10 nationally in the latest ITA Rankings. The Hawkeye duo are 8-3 this season on court one.
- This weekend’s opponents will be the sixth and seventh ranked opponents that the Hawkeyes will have faced since March 5.

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