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Cross Country 2021 Notebook



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2021 IOWA CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Meet	Results
Sept. 3	Hawkeye Invite <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>	M: 1st / W: 3rd
Sept. 18	Dirksen-Greeno Invite <i>(Lincoln, Neb.)</i>	M: 3rd / W: 1st
Oct. 1	Gans Creek Classic <i>(Columbia, Mo.)</i>	M: 5th / W: 3rd
Oct. 15	Bradley Pink Classic <i>(Peoria, Ill.)</i>	M: 4th / W: 2nd
Oct. 29	Big Ten Championships (University Park, Pa.)	
Nov. 12	NCAA Midwest Regional <i>(Iowa City, Iowa)</i>	
Nov. 20	NCAA Championships <i>(Tallahassee, Fla.)</i>	

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HOW TO FOLLOW

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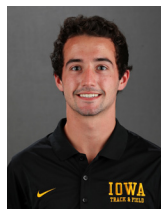
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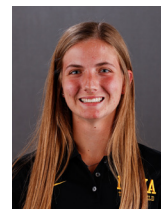
HAWKEYES TO WATCH



Nick Trattner
Four top-10 finishes
8K PR: 24:14.5



Noah Healy
Four top-20 finishes
8K PR: 24:08.4



Emma Gordon
Scored in all four races
6K PR: 21:36.2



Brooke McKee
Scored in all three races
6K PR: 21:26.5

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's and women's cross country teams return to action Friday at the 2021 Big Ten Championships at the Blue River Cross Country Course in University Park, Pennsylvania. The men's 5.2-mile race will take place at 9:45 a.m. (CT), followed by the women's 6K at 10:45 a.m.

IN THE RANKINGS

The University of Iowa men's cross country team is ranked No. 8 in the USTFCCA Midwest Region Week Five poll, and the Hawkeye women head into the weekend ranked ninth in the region. Wisconsin sits atop the Big Ten men's side as the nation's 10th-ranked squad, and is joined in the top 30 by No. 15 Michigan and No. 29 Minnesota. Five Big Ten women's teams occupy spots in the national top 30, led by Minnesota at No. 6.

LAST TIME OUT

Freshman Brooke McKee led the women to a runner-up finish, taking a 15th-place finish while setting a new PR (21:26.7). Junior Gabby Skopec (23rd; 21:34.9) and freshman Lauren McMahon (26th; 21:35.9) were next in for the Hawkeyes -- McMahon also ran a new personal-best 6K time. Skopec moved up 50 places from the first 2,000-meters to the finish. Senior Jessica McKee was fourth in for the Hawkeyes (35th; 21:44.7), setting a new PR -- and senior Emma Gordon rounded out Iowa's scoring (37th; 21:49.2). Freshman Miriam Sandeen and sophomore Kelli Tasic finished 40th and 49th as the sixth and seventh runners, and Sandeen recorded a new career best in her effort. Sophomore Nick Trattner was once again the leader for the men, finishing eighth in a time of 24:14.5 to guide Iowa to a fourth-place finish. Trattner has led the Hawkeyes in every race but one this season. Senior Noah Healy finished inside the top 20, placing 19th (24:33.5). Freshman Kal Lewis was third in for the Hawkeyes (29th), recording a career best of 24:49.3. Freshmen Jack Pendergast (32nd; 24:51.1) and Ian Geisler (62nd; 25:11.3) rounded out Iowa's scoring -- both recording career bests.

TRATTNER MAKING HISTORY

Nick Trattner became the first underclassmen in over a decade to lead the Hawkeye men for the first two races of the season (Jeff Thode in 2010). Thode is one of the most decorated Hawkeyes in history, recording two individual national championship appearances and one All-America honor in 2010, placing 30th. Trattner finished third at the Hawkeye Invite and sixth at the Dirksen-Greeno Invite. Trattner added a ninth-place finish on Oct. 1 at the Gans Creek Classic, finishing behind senior teammate Noah Healy. Trattner led the Hawkeyes for the third time this season in Iowa's last time out at the Bradley Pink Classic, finishing eighth to log his fourth top-10 finish in as many races.

MEN'S TOP RUNNERS



Senior Noah Healy is back for his fourth cross country season with the Hawkeyes. In 2019, Healy was Iowa's second finisher at the Midwest Regional, running a collegiate-best 10K in 31:58. Healy started his 2021 campaign with a pair of top-eight finishes at the Hawkeye Invite and Dirksen-Greeno Invite, and finished fifth at the Gans Creek Classic on Oct. 1, setting a new 8K PR (24:08.4). Sophomore Nick Trattner finished second at the 2021 Hawkeye Invite on Sept. 3 to lead Iowa to a team win in the season opener, and has led the Hawkeyes in every race but one thanks to top-10 finishes in every race this season.

WOMEN'S TOP RUNNERS

Junior Gabby Skopec returns for her third cross country season at Iowa. At the Big Ten Championships in 2020, Skopec was the top finisher for the Hawkeyes (50th). Sophomore Kelli Totic finished 61st in the same race in 22:06 -- a freshman at the time, it was the first race of Totic's career. Totic has been the team's top finisher in three of four races this season, and led the Hawkeyes to a team win in Lincoln at the Dirksen-Greeno Invite. Brooke McKee has had an excellent freshman campaign, scoring in all three races she has competed, including a 15th-place finish to lead Iowa to a runner-up finish at the Bradley Pink Classic on Oct. 15. Senior Emma Gordon has also scored in all four races this season, and senior Jessica McKee has scored in both of her races this year.

HAWKEYE NEWCOMERS

The University of Iowa cross country team added 16 student-athletes to its 2021 roster. Six men join the Hawkeyes: Will Arbanas, Jack Gschwendtner, Isaac Hartman, Blake Hayden, Colin Hill and Yohana Yual. On the women's side, the ten new Hawkeyes include Laney Fitzpatrick, Jaiden Itson, Kaitlin Knape, Lauren McMahan, Sarah Murphy, Miriam Sandeen, Lillian Schmidt, Chloe Skidmore, Sam Strauss, and Kathryn Vortherms.

HAWKEYE STATE

Of the 30 women on Iowa's roster, 21 hail from the Hawkeye State. Seven additional states, including Wisconsin (2), Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Kansas, and Texas are represented, as well as Japan. On the men's side, four of the 17 members are from Iowa. Illinois is represented by 7 student-athletes, while Wisconsin is the home of three Hawkeyes. Missouri, New York and New Jersey are each represented with one student-athlete.

NEXT UP FOR THE HAWKEYES

The Hawkeyes return home to Iowa City to host the NCAA Midwest Regional at the Ashton Cross Country Course on Friday, Nov. 12, with racing set to gun at 11 a.m. (CT).

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2021 ROSTER

Men

Will Arbanas.....	Fr.....	Kirkwood, Mo.
Ian Geisler.....	Fr.....	Lake in the Hills, Ill.
Jack Gschwendtner.....	Fr.....	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Isaac Hartman.....	Fr.....	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Blake Hayden.....	Fr.....	Minnetonka, Minn.
Noah Healy.....	Sr.....	Frankfort, Ill.
Colin Hill.....	Fr.....	Elmhurst, Ill.
Aidan King.....	So.....	St. Charles, Ill.
Daniel Klysh.....	So.....	Elmhurst, Ill.
Kal Lewis.....	Fr.....	Shelter Island, N.Y.
Max Murphy.....	So.....	Bettendorf, Iowa
Jack Pendergrast.....	Fr.....	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Jeff Roberts.....	Sr.....	River Vale, N.J.
Konnor Sommer.....	Sr.....	Bettendorf, Iowa
Nick Trattner.....	So.....	Naperville, Ill.
Eli Ward.....	So.....	Waterloo, Ill.
Yohana Yual.....	Fr.....	Des Moines, Iowa

Women

Amber Aeosoph.....	So.....	Sioux City, Iowa
Logan Akason.....	Sr.....	Waukee, Iowa
Maddie Block.....	Sr.....	Marion, Iowa
Alli Bookin-Nosbisch.....	So.....	Ottumwa, Iowa
Grace Bookin-Nosbisch.....	So.....	Ottumwa, Iowa
Claire Edmonson.....	So.....	Dubuque, Iowa
Laney Fitzpatrick.....	Fr.....	Davenport, Iowa
Bryce Gidel.....	So.....	Humboldt, Iowa
Emma Gordon.....	Sr.....	Ankeny, Iowa
Maggie Gutwein.....	Jr.....	Monticello, Ind.
Jaiden Itson.....	Fr.....	Houston, Texas
Mallory King.....	Sr.....	Davenport, Iowa
Kaitlin Knape.....	Fr.....	Tecumseh, Mich.
Leah Kralovetz.....	Jr.....	Denmark, Wis.
Brooke McKee.....	So.....	Johnston, Iowa
Jessica McKee.....	Sr.....	Johnston, Iowa
Lauren McMahan.....	Fr.....	Ankeny, Iowa
Katie Moore.....	So.....	Olathe, Kan.
Sarah Murphy.....	Fr.....	Marion, Iowa
Clare Pitcher.....	So.....	Franklin, Wis.
Wren Renquist.....	Sr.....	Okinawa City, Japan
Abby Ryan.....	So.....	Mount Pleasant, Iowa
Miriam Sandeen.....	Fr.....	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Lillian Schmidt.....	Fr.....	Dubuque, Iowa
Chloe Skidmore.....	Fr.....	Marion, Iowa
Gabby Skopec.....	Jr.....	Coralville, Iowa
Sam Strauss.....	Fr.....	Johnston, Iowa
Kelli Totic.....	So.....	Grayslake, Ill.
Ellie Twedt.....	So.....	Elkhart, Iowa.
Kathryn Vortherms.....	Fr.....	Ankeny, Iowa

Ashton Cross Country Course

The University of Iowa men's and women's cross country team's home for training and competition is the Ashton Cross Country Course. Located west of the Finkbine Golf Course, the course first opened in 2003 and has hosted the 2014 Big Ten Championships and 2016 NCAA Regional. The course boasts a rolling terrain with outstanding rhythm for running, and offers the ability to race from 3K to 10K around a layout that enables spectators to view the race from start to finish. The Ashton Cross Country Course will also play host to the NCAA Midwest Regional this fall.



Men's Top 10 All-Time Best Performers

6,000 Meters

1. Ian Eklin 18:10 2017 Hawkeye Invite
2. Michael Melchert 18:12 2016 Hawkeye Invite
3. Nathan Mylenek 18:16 2019 Hawkeye Invite
4. Eric MacTaggart 18:18 2005 Hawkeye Invite
5. Daniel Murphy 18:19 2019 Hawkeye Invite
6. Jeff Thode 18:21 2009 Hawkeye Invite
7. Luke Sampson 18:22 2019 Hawkeye Invite
- Nick Trattner 18:22 2021 Hawkeye Invite**
9. Dan Haut 18:24 2005 Hawkeye Invite
10. Spencer Smith 18:25 2019 Hawkeye Invite

8,000 Meters

1. Jesse Luciano 23:01 at 2008 Auburn Invite
2. Micah VanDenend 23:39 at 2006 Pre-Nationals
3. Eric MacTaggart 23:24 at 2008 Auburn Invite
4. Jeff Thode 23:27 at 2010 Bradley Classic
5. Sam Bailin 23:36 at 2008 Auburn Invite
6. Tommy Tate 23:46 at 2008 Auburn Invite
7. Mark Battista 23:48 at 2008 Auburn Invite
8. Kevin Lewis 23:52 at 2014 Big Ten Champ's
9. Nathan Mylenek 23:53 at 2019 NCAA Pre-Nationals
10. Andy Napier 23:56 at 2008 Auburn Invite

10,000 Meters

1. Nathan Mylenek 29:53 at 2017 NCAA Regional
2. Jeff Thode 29:55 at 2010 NCAA Regional
3. Daniel Soto 30:04 at 2017 NCAA Regional
4. Matt Esche 30:10 at 2002 NCAA Regional
5. Jesse Luciano 30:17 at 2008 NCAA Champ's
6. Micah VanDenend 30:26 at 2002 NCAA Regional
7. Kevin Herd 30:28 1993
8. Joe Welter 30:28 at 2002 NCAA Regional
9. Brandon Cooley 30:29 at 2017 NCAA Regional
10. Tony Rakaric 30:31 at 2002 NCAA Regional

Ashton Cross Country Course Records

Women's 3,000 Meters

Diane Nukuri, Iowa - Hawkeye Open - 9/9/06 9:47

Women's 4,000 Meters

Diane Nukuri, Iowa - Hawkeye Open - 9/15/07 13:14

Women's 6,000 Meters

Leah O'Connor, Michigan St. - Big Ten Champs. - 11/2/14 19:26

Men's 6,000 Meters

Festus Lagat, Iowa State - Hawkeye Invitational - 9/1/17 17:49

Men's 8,000 Meters

Malachy Schrobilgen, Wisconsin - Big Ten Champs. - 11/2/14 23:35

Men's 10,000 Meters

Antonio Vega, Minnesota - NCAA Regional - 11/12/05 30:52

Women's Top 10 All-Time Best Performers

3,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 9:47 2006 Hawkeye Open
2. Meghan Armstrong 10:01 2006 Hawkeye Open
3. Brooke Eilers 10:15 2010 Iowa Invite
4. Besty Flood 10:18 2010 Iowa Invite
5. Tess Wilberding 10:20 2016 Hawkeye Invite
6. Amanda Hardesty 10:21 2009 Hawkeye Invite
- Lauren Hardesty 10:21 2010 Hawkeye Invite
- Madison Waymire 10:21 2016 Hawkeye Invite
9. Kelsey Hart 10:22 2011 Iowa Invite
10. Shannon Stanley 10:25 2006 Hawkeye Open

4,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 13:14 2007 Hawkeye Open
2. Kayla Beattie 13:41 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
3. Megan Ranegar 13:45 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
4. Meghan Armstrong 13:47 2007 Hawkeye Open
- Mareike Schrulle 13:47 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
6. Nicole Benson 13:52 2012 Toledo Bubble Buster
7. Andrea Shine 13:58 2017 Hawkeye Invite
8. Jolly Burke 14:03 2007 Hawkeye Open
- Madison Waymire 14:03 2017 Hawkeye Invite
10. Nikki Chapple 14:09 2004 Hawkeye Triangular

5,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 15:55 at 2007 Auburn Invite
2. Racheal Marchand 16:15 at 2008 Auburn Invite
3. Meghan Armstrong 16:25 at 2007 Auburn Invite
4. Nan Doak 16:31 at 1983 Big Ten Champ's
5. Jolly Burke 16:33 at 2007 Auburn Invite
6. Jenny Spangler 16:34 at 1983 Big Ten Champ's
7. Renee Doyle 16:41 at 1986 Purdue Invite
8. Tracy Dahl 16:42 at 1991 Illinois St. Invite
9. Sarah Spencer Perry 16:50 at 2008 Auburn Invite
10. Brooke Eilers 16:53 at 2008 Auburn Invite

6,000 Meters

1. Diane Nukuri 19:37 at 2007 NCAA Regional
at 2007 Big Ten Champ's
2. Mareike Schrulle 19:43 at 2012 NCAA Champ's
3. Racheal Marchand 19:54 at 2008 NCAA Champ's
4. Meghan Armstrong 20:07 at 2007 NCAA Regional
5. Jolly Burke 20:20 at 2007 Big Ten Champ's
6. Betsy Flood 20:22 at 2010 NCAA Regional
7. McKenzie Melander 20:41 at 2011 Big Ten Champ's
8. Megan Ranegar 20:43 at 2012 NCAA Champ's
9. Andrea Shine 20:46 at 2017 NCAA Regional
10. Kayla Beattie 20:54 at 2011 Wisconsin Invite



2021 Men's Team Results & Scorers

Sept. 3 | Hawkeye Invite | 6K | 1st Place | 35 points

2.	Nick Trattner	18:22.1
4.	Noah Healy	18:26.1
5.	Jack Pendergast.....	18:46.7
10.	Ian Geisler	18:55.0
14.	Kal Lewis.....	19:07.4

Sept. 18 | Dirksen-Greeno Invite | 8K | 3rd Place | 87 points

6.	Nick Trattner	24:34.6
8.	Noah Healy	24:37.8
25.	Kal Lewis.....	25:34.1
26.	Ian Geisler	25:34.5
28.	Jeff Roberts	25:41.5

Oct. 1 | Gans Creek Classic | 8K | 5th Place | 138 points

5.	Noah Healy	24:08.4 (PR)
9.	Nick Trattner	24:14.6 (PR)
39.	Jack Pendergast.....	24:57.7 (PR)
44.	Kal Lewis.....	24:57.3 (PR)
46.	Jeff Roberts	24:59.4 (PR)

Oct. 15 | Bradley Pink Classic | 8K | 4th Place | 151 points

8.	Nick Trattner	24:14.5 (PR)
19.	Noah Healy	24:33.5
29.	Kal Lewis.....	24:49.3 (PR)
33.	Jack Pendergast.....	24:51.1 (PR)
62.	Ian Geisler	25:11.3 (PR)

2021 Women's Team Results & Scorers

Sept. 3 | Hawkeye Invite | 4K | 3rd Place | 81 points

11.	Kelli Totic	14:23.4
13.	Gabby Skopec.....	14:25.7
16.	Lauren McMahan.....	14:33.3
19.	Emma Gordon	14:35.7
22.	Miriam Sandeen.....	14:38.8

Sept. 18 | Dirksen-Greeno Invite | 5K | 1st Place | 38 points

6.	Kelli Totic.....	17:40.3
7.	Emma Gordon	17:40.8
8.	Brooke McKee	17:41.7
10.	Lauren McMahan.....	17:42.8
12.	Miriam Sandeen.....	17:54.2

Oct. 1 | Gans Creek Classic | 6K | 3rd Place | 101 points

12.	Kelli Totic.....	21:24.8 (PR)
20.	Gabby Skopec.....	21:34.0 (PR)
21.	Brooke McKee	21:35.6 (PR)
22.	Emma Gordon	21:36.2 (PR)
27.	Jessica McKee.....	21:45.9 (PR)

Oct. 15 | Bradley Pink Classic | 6K | 2nd Place | 136 points

15.	Brooke McKee	21:26.5 (PR)
23.	Gabby Skopec.....	21:34.9
26.	Lauren McMahan.....	21:35.9 (PR)
35.	Jessica McKee.....	21:44.7 (PR)
37.	Emma Gordon	21:49.2