## APRIL 1-2 | SARASOTA, FLORIDA



## IOWA HAWKEYES ROWING

### 2022 SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
March 26	vs. Harvard and Yale
	(Camden, N.J.)
April 1-2	at Sunshine State Invitational
	(Sarasota, Fla.)
April 9-10	at Pac 12 Invite
	(Las Vegas, Nev.)
April 15-16	at Big Ten Invitational
	(Sarasota, Fla.)
April 23	Michigan State and Tulsa
	(Iowa City, Iowa)
May 2	Minn., Oregon St., UCF, USC, Wisc.
	(Iowa City, Iowa)
May 15	Big Ten Championship
	(Indianapolis)

## HEAD COACH JEFF GARBUTT, SR.

Jeff Garbutt was named the fourth head coach in the history of the University of Iowa rowing program in October 2021.

Garbutt was an assistant coach on the Iowa staff for seven years from 2013-20. During that time, he helped Iowa reach heights the program had not seen before, qualifying for the NCAA Championships three consecutive years from 2017-19 and reaching No. 7 in the national rankings in 2018, the highest in program history. He returns to Iowa City from La Salle University, where he led the men's and women's rowing programs from 2020-21.

Garbutt was on staff in 2017 and 2018 when Iowa was named College Rowing Coaches Association Region 4 Staff of the Year. In 2017, Iowa broke a 16-year NCAA Championship drought and placed 12th nationally. The following year, the Hawkeyes placed a program-best fourth in the Big Ten and set a school scoring record at NCAA's, putting up 69 points and placing 11th.

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# IOWA HAWKEYES

HEAD COACH | JEFF GARBUTT, SR. (1ST YEAR)

#### THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa rowing team travels to Sarasota, Florida, to race at the Sunshine State Invitational at Nathan Benderson Park. Live results of the weekend's competition will be available at the Iowa rowing schedule page at hawkeyesports.com.

#### **EVENT SCHEDULE**

lowa begins event competition Friday at 3 p.m. (CT), leading off with two varsity four heats and three varsity eight heats to follow. Saturday's varsity eight petite and grand final will begin at 7 a.m. (CT), followed by the second and third varsity eight finals. Varsity four finals are set to start at 8:50 am (CT).

#### THE COMPETITION

lowa is competing with its first and second varsity eight crews, its first and second varsity four crews, and one novice eight crew. The top two boats, plus the next two of each heat will place in the grand final of Saturday's schedule. Boats that do not qualify for the grand final will be placed in Saturday's petite finals.

#### **BIG TEN HONORS**

The Hawkeyes first varsity eight was named Big Ten Boat of the Week following its performance at the lvy League-Big Ten Double Dual in Camden, New Jersey on March 26.

The Hawkeyes' first varsity eight crew picked up its first win of the season by pulling away from Harvard in the second half of the course and finishing in 6:34.3, more than four seconds in front of Harvard's top boat.

lowa's varsity eight included Ava Parris (coxswain), Mary Wright, Molly Rygh, Kasi McWhorter, Emma Dabinett, Abby Klosterman, Lisa Murphy, Hailey Mercuri and Emma Mask.

The weekly conference honor is the 13th in program history and first since 2019.

#### **ABOUT THE HAWKEYES**

• lowa captured two victories in its first regatta of the championship season. The Hawkeyes' varsity eight boat came in first after finishing four seconds prior to Harvard's boat. The second victory occurred in the second varsity four, which the Hawkeyes out-paced Harvard's by 28.8 seconds.

• The Hawkeyes are receiving votes in the latest Pocock CRCA Poll. Harvard University, who lowa beat twice during the lvy League-Big Ten Dual, is also receiving votes.

• Jeff Garbutt is in his first year as lowa's head coach for lowa. Garbutt was an assistant for the Hawkeyes from 2013-2020.

• lowa's new coaching staff includes associate head coach Megan Fitzpatrick, and assistant coaches Katie Thurstin and Lowell McNicholas.

#### QUOTING COACH GARBUTT

"I am looking for progress. We want to make sure that everybody, with the short week of practice we had this week, we want to see some progress and get more strokes in. It is warmer weather so we'll be able to get a practice row in before we race. I am just looking for improvement in all five boat classes."

#### FOLLOW THE HAWKEYES

Fans can follow the lowa rowing program on social media on Instagram (@iowa\_rowing) with live updates on Twitter (@iowarowing) and via Facebook (iowawomensrowing).



