

IOWA HAWKEYES

University of Iowa Athletic Communications – Jack Bacon, Men's Golf Contact



MEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

April 15, 2022

2022 SCHEDULE

DATE	TOURNAMENT	START TIME (CT)/RESULTS
Feb. 4-5	Big Ten Match Play	3rd/11
Feb. 13-15	Puerto Rico Classic	10th/13
March 7-8	Wake Forest Invitational	7th/12
March 18-20	Schenkel Invitational	6th/15
April 3-5	Calusa Cup	T-8th/9
April 16-17	Hawkeye Invitational	8:30 a.m.
Apr. 29-May 1	Big Ten Championships	TBA
TBA	NCAA Regionals	TBA
TBA	NCAA Championships	TBA

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's golf team hosts the 28th annual Hawkeye Invitational, April 16-17, at Finkbine Golf Course in Iowa City, Iowa.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Rounds one and two tee off with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. (CT) on Saturday. The 54-hole event closes out on Sunday with another 8:30 a.m. shotgun start with the awards presentation to follow.

FOLLOW THE ACTION

You can follow this week's action by visiting golfstat.com for live scoring. Links can be found on the men's golf schedule page on hawkeyesports.com.

THE LINEUP

The Hawkeye lineup will feature junior **Mac McClear**, sophomore **Callum Macfie**, senior **Gonzalo Leal Montero**, junior **Garrett Tighe**, and junior **Ronan Kleu**.

THE FIELD

Iowa hosts a field of 14 of the Midwest's top programs, including No. 28 Kansas, Cincinnati, Creighton, Drake, Illinois State, Iowa State, James Madison, Kansas State, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northern Illinois, South Dakota State, and UMKC.

THE COURSE

Named after W.O. Finkbine, who donated the 200 acres of rolling terrain to the University of Iowa, Finkbine Golf Course was opened in 1955 and is the home of Hawkeye golf. Spanning 7,002 yards, the par 72 course consistently ranks among the top golf courses in the state of Iowa.

ON THE LINKS

- Last time out, the Hawkeyes hosted the Calusa Cup, welcoming seven of the nation's top 25 teams to prestigious Calusa Pines Golf Club.
- Iowa tied for eighth, as McClear and Leal Montero posted top 20 finishes on the stacked leaderboard. McClear tied Oklahoma's fourth-ranked Chris Gotterup for 16th at 220 (+4) on the week. Leal Montero tied for 19th with a 222 (+6) score after 54 holes.

2022 ROSTER

Name	Year	Hometown
Ronan Kleu	Jr.	Zollikerberg, Switzerland
Callum Macfie	So.	Yorkshire, England
Mac McClear	Jr.	Hinsdale, Ill.
Ian Meyer	Fr.	Deephaven, Minn.
Gonzalo Leal Montero	Sr.	Seville, Spain
Felipe Pedraza	So.	Lima, Peru
Carlos Roldos	Fr.	Palma de Mallorca, Spain
Garrett Tighe	So.	Algonquin, Ill.

SEASON STATISTICS

Name	Rounds	Avg.	Low	Top-25
Mac McClear	24	72.1	64	5
Ronan Kleu	21	72.6	66	4
Gonzalo Leal Montero	24	73.0	65	3
Garrett Tighe	12	75.0	69	--
Ian Meyer	21	75.1	71	1
Callum Macfie	15	75.8	70	--
Felipe Pedraza	3	77.7	76	--



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QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Iowa City, Iowa
Enrollment: 31,206
Conference: Big Ten
Home Course: Finkbine Golf Course

COACHING INFORMATION

Head Coach: Tyler Stith
Year at Iowa: Eighth
Alma Mater, Year: Iowa, 2002
Assistant Coach: Charlie Hoyle
Year at Iowa: Fourth
Alma Mater, Year: Lander University, 2010

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FINKBINE GOLF COURSE

HOLE	YARDS	PAR
1	375	4
2	511	5
3	418	4
4	206	3
5	524	5
6	382	4
7	382	4
8	207	3
9	428	4
OUT	3,455	36
10	410	4
11	577	5
12	392	4
13	205	3
14	428	4
15	486	5
16	405	4
17	195	3
18	449	4
IN	3,547	36
TOTAL	7,002	72

28TH ANNUAL HAWKEYE INVITATIONAL

2022 marks the 28th year of the Hawkeye Invitational, as the Hawkeyes look for their 17th championship in the tournament's history. Iowa won its second consecutive team title and individual medalist honors in 2021 (event was canceled in 2020).

Iowa has won 16 Hawkeye Invitational titles and has crowned 15 individual champions in the tournament's history, including the 2019 season when Matthew Walker and Alex Schaake claimed co-medalist honors. The duo each posted a program record, tournament record, and career-best 54-hole score of 199 (-14), topping the previous school mark by four strokes. Schaake defended his individual crown in 2021, finishing two strokes ahead of teammate Mac McClear, who was runner-up.

The tournament has hosted a number of different teams and has been played in a number of different formats, but two things have remained the same: Finkbine Golf Course has always been home to the invite and many of the Midwest's best teams have been showcased.

HEAR FROM HEAD COACH TYLER STITH

"We've been on the road a lot this spring. I think being able to sleep in your own bed and be able to go through your normal daily routine is a big advantage. Finkbine is somewhat unique. It's one of those places that, the first couple times you see it, it seems hard. The more you play it, the more you know where you can miss off the tee, you know how to play certain hole locations, and it becomes a lot easier and friendlier to the home team.

We've been out here playing a lot the last few weeks and we know what we have to do to be successful. Scoring conditions will be a real challenge this week. It is going to be fairly cold and windy, and potentially wet, so I think all of the grinding that we've done on here the last couple weeks will pay off."

HEAR FROM CALLUM MACFIE

"Playing at Finkbine does have an advantage. This golf course can be quite tricky. Conditions as of late have been quite difficult, so we've almost become weathered coming into this event. I feel like a win this weekend would certainly be absolutely possible, especially with how as a team we have been trending. Obviously, the goal is to win."

LOOKING AHEAD

The Big Ten Championships are scheduled for April 29-May 1 at French Lick Resort in French Lick, Indiana.

