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CROSS COUNTRY WEEKLY RELEASE

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2012 Cross Country Season Schedule

- 8/31 Western Illinois Early Bird Open (*M:1st*; *W:1st*)
- 9/7 Bradley Open (Peoria, Ill.)
- 9/21 Toledo Bubble Buster (*Toledo, Ohio*)
- 9/29 Greater Louisville CC Classic (Louisville, Ky.)
 Roy Griak Invite (Minneapolis)
- 10/12 Wisconsin Adidas Invite (Madison, Wis.)
- 10/13 Pre-National Invite (Louisville, Ky.)
- 10/28 Big Ten Championships (East Lansing, Mich.)
- 11/09 NCAA Midwest Regional (Springfield, Mo.)

2012 Cross Country Ouick Facts

General Information

Location:	.Iowa City, Iowa
Enrollment:	30,893
Conference:	Big Ten
Facility: Ashton Cross	S Country Course

Coaching Information

Head Men's Coach:	Larry Wieczorek
Year at Iowa:	26th
Alma Mater, Year:	Iowa, 1969
Head Women's Coach: Layne Anderson	
Year at Iowa:	10th
Alma Mater, Year:	.The Citadel, 1989

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THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's and women's cross country teams head to the Bradley Open on Friday. The event will be held at Detweiller Park in Peoria, Ill. The women's 3K is set to begin at 5:30 p.m. The men's 8K will follow at 6:15 p.m.

IN THE RANKINGS

Both the men's and women's cross country teams are ranked in the USTF-CCCA Regional rankings. The women's team is ranked fifth in the Midwest Region, while the men are ranked ninth. The women also received four votes in the national poll.

LAST TIME OUT

The men's and women's cross country teams each grabbed titles at the Western Illinois Early Bird Open on Aug. 31. The men tallied a team score of 18, while the women turned in a score of 21.

LEWIS TAKES TITLE

Sophomore Kevin Lewis won the Western Illinois Early Bird Open on Aug. 31. Lewis clocked a personal best 6,000 meter time of 18:35. The win marked Lewis' second individual title of his career. He won his first championship at the 2011 Iowa Invitational.

REHN EARNS FIRST TITLE

Junior Katherin Rehn took the women's title at the Western Illinois Early Bird Open. Rehn recorded a personal best 4,000 meter time of 14:51 to earn the first individual title of her career.

EXPERIENCE RETURNS

Graduate student Mareike Schrulle, seniors Nicole Benson and Kelsey Hart, junior Megan Ranegar, and sophomore Kayla Beattie all return to the course this Friday. Beattie received all-Region honors last year after her 17th place finish at the NCAA Midwest Regional (21:32). Beattie was also Iowa's top finisher at the 2011 Loyola Lakefront Invitational (17:29). Hart was Iowa's top finisher in both the Iowa Open (3rd) and Iowa Invitational (1st).

HAWKEYE DEBUTS

Four freshmen are expected to make their Hawkeye debut Friday. Lisa Gordon, Courtney Martin, Cynthia Saliba, and Lauren Scott will represent the black and gold for the first time.

UP NEXT

The Hawkeyes will return to action Sept. 21 at the Toledo Bubble Buster in Toledo, Ohio.