

IOWA HAWKEYES

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



MEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

Feb. 11, 2022

2022 SCHEDULE

DATE	TOURNAMENT	START TIME (CT)/RESULTS
Feb. 4-5	Big Ten Match Play	3rd/11
Feb. 13-15	Puerto Rico Classic	TBA
March 7-8	Wake Forest Invitational	TBA
April 3-4	Calusa Cup	TBA
April 16-17	Hawkeye Invitational	TBA
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 heads to the Grand Reserve Golf Club for the Puerto Rico Classic in Canóvanas, Puerto Rico. Hosted by Purdue University, the event features top ranked teams from around the country.

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

Junior Mac McClear heads the Iowa lineup, followed by junior Garrett Tighe, junior Ronan Kleu, senior Gonzalo Leal Montero, and sophomore Callum Macfie.

THE FIELD

Eight ranked teams are featured in the field of 13, which includes Iowa, College of Charleston, No. 26 East Tennessee State, No. 15 Georgia, Marquette, Maryland, No. 31 Michigan State, No. 16 Ole Miss, No. 3 Oklahoma, No. 24 Purdue, No. 47 South Carolina, No. 10 Tennessee, and Wisconsin.

SCOUTING THE COMPETITION

No. 3 Oklahoma features a pair of top-15 ranked golfers in No. 3 Chris Gotterup and No. 13 Logan McAllister. Gotterup was the 2019-20 Big Ten Player of the Year at Rutgers before transferring to Oklahoma, while McAllister was named a third-team All-American last season. Both Sooners have been named to the Ben Hogan Award watchlist. Ole Miss senior Jackson Suber is ranked No. 1 in the nation; the field at the Puerto Rico Classic features 24 GolfStat top-250 golfers.

THE COURSE

The Puerto Rico Classic is hosted by Purdue University at the Grand Reserve Golf Club. The par 72 Championship Course spans 7,451 yards and is home to the PGA TOUR's Puerto Rico Open.

AT STAKE

The individual medalist at the Puerto Rico Classic will earn an invitation to the professional event, which takes place March 3-6.

2022 ROSTER

Name	Year	Hometown
Ronan Kleu	Jr.	Zollikoberg, 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.

FALL STATISTICS

Name	Rounds	Avg.	Low	Top-25
Ronan Kleu	9	71.1	67	3
Mac McClear	12	72.7	67	2
Gonzalo Leal Montero	12	72.7	65	1
Ian Meyer	12	75.2	71	--
Callum Macfie	3	75.7	74	--
Garrett Tighe	3	76.2	73	--
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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GRAND RESERVE

HOLE	YARDS	PAR
1	467	4
2	542	5
3	393	4
4	446	3
5	526	5
6	193	35
7	441	4
8	232	3
9	435	4
OUT	3,675	36
10	430	4
11	190	3
12	461	4
13	404	4
14	458	4
15	602	5
16	194	3
17	406	4
18	631	5
IN	3,776	36
TOTAL	7,451	72

LAST WEEK AT BIG TEN MATCH PLAY

Iowa finished third last week at the Big Ten Match Play Championships, marking the program's second straight top-three finish at the event. The Hawkeyes entered the field of 11 conference teams as the seven-seed, defeating 10-seed Minnesota (4-1), two-seed Northwestern (3-2), and one-seed Purdue on tie-breaking criteria (2.5-2.5). Juniors **Mac McClear** and **Garrett Tighe** marked team-best 3-1 individual records at the event, while all five Hawkeyes earned victories throughout the event.

HEAR FROM COACH STITH

"We have a great opportunity to measure ourselves against several top ranked teams. The golf course is in good shape, soft, and gettable. We played well last week at the Match Play and the guys gained confidence. This week will be another good test."

HEAR FROM GARRETT TIGHE

"When coming into an event like this with a strong field, I think it's important to approach it just like any other tournament. Our focus is on doing the things we need to do to go out there and play free. I don't think we should go out of our way to adjust our level of play or change the strategy. We have a solid strategy and a great group of talent. You can't control what other teams are going to shoot, so we just need to focus on the things we can control."

I felt like we had a great showing at Big Ten Match Play. Personally, I gained a lot of confidence and momentum going forward. As a team we all hit the ball really well and everyone should be very confident. Starting off strong in our first event has set us up for success in Puerto Rico and the rest of the spring season."

LOOKING AHEAD

The Hawkeyes travel to Pinehurst, North Carolina, March 7-8 for the Wake Forest Invitational at Pinehurst #2.

