

# IOWA HAWKEYES

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



## MEN'S GOLF WEEKLY RELEASE

Sept. 2, 2022

### 2022 FALL SCHEDULE

DATE	TOURNAMENT	START TIME (CT)/RESULTS
Sept. 4-5	Fighting Irish Classic	TBA
Sept. 26-27	Inverness Intercollegiate	TBA
Oct. 10-11	Purdue Fall Invitational	TBA
Oct. 16-17	Iowa Fall Classic	TBA
Oct. 21-23	Williams Cup	TBA

### THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's golf team tees off the 2022-23 season in South Bend, Indiana, at the Fighting Irish Classic. Play at Warren Golf Course takes place Sunday and Monday.

### TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The 54-hole tournament opens with two rounds on Sunday with the final 18 holes to be played on Monday. The Hawkeyes are paired alongside Virginia Tech and Georgia Southern for each round.

### FOLLOW THE ACTION

You can follow this week's action by visiting [golfstat.com](http://golfstat.com) for live scoring. Links can be found on the men's golf schedule page on [hawkeyesports.com](http://hawkeyesports.com).

### THE LINEUP

The Hawkeye lineup is headed by senior **Mac McClear**, followed by seniors **Garrett Tighe** and **Gonzalo Leal Montero**. Sophomore **Ian Meyer** and junior **Callum Macfie** round out the lineup for Iowa.

### THE FIELD

The field of 15 teams includes eight GolfStat top 50 teams. No. 16 Notre Dame hosts Iowa, Cal, Colorado, No. 9 Florida, No. 44 Georgia Southern, Indiana, Iowa State, No. 29 Kansas, Kent State, No. 22 LSU, No. 46 Michigan State, No. 5 UNC, No. 48 Utah, and Virginia Tech.

### THE COURSE

One of the premier collegiate courses, Warren Golf Course was rated the No. 70 public golf course in North America by *GOLF* in 2021. Spanning 7,020 yards, the par 71 course has hosted numerous prominent tournaments including multiple US Open qualifiers and the 2019 US Senior Open.

### HISTORY AT FIGHTING IRISH CLASSIC

The Hawkeyes won the 2010 Fighting Irish Classic with a team score of 853 (+13). Iowa placed fourth at the event in 2018, posting a combined score of 833 (-13) to mark the second-lowest team score in program history, and finished third 2019. Iowa placed 10th at the tournament last season.

### ON THE LINKS

Iowa returns seven golfers from last year's group that placed seventh at the Big Ten Championships.

- Two Hawkeyes, McClear and Kleu, competed individually at the NCAA Regional in Norman, Oklahoma. McClear tied for 14th at

### 2022-23 ROSTER

Name	Year	Hometown
Hogan Hansen	Fr.	Waverly, Iowa
Ronan Kleu	Sr.	Zollikoberg, Switzerland
Callum Macfie	Jr.	Yorkshire, England
Mac McClear	Sr.	Hinsdale, Ill.
Ian Meyer	So.	Deephaven, Minn.
Gonzalo Leal Montero	RS Sr.	Seville, Spain
Felipe Pedraza	Jr.	Lima, Peru
Garrett Tighe	Jr.	Algonquin, Ill.

### 2022 SPRING STATISTICS

Name	Rounds	Avg.	Low	Top-25
Mac McClear	33	72.2	64	8
Ronan Kleu	30	73.1	66	6
Gonzalo Leal Montero	30	73.3	65	5
Garrett Tighe	18	74.2	65	1
Ian Meyer	24	75.2	69	1
Callum Macfie	21	76.1	70	--
Carlos Roldos	3	78.0	75	--
Felipe Pedraza	6	78.5	76	--



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### QUICK FACTS

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Iowa City, Iowa  
Enrollment: 31,656  
Conference: Big Ten  
Home Course: Finkbine Golf Course

#### COACHING INFORMATION

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

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### WARREN GOLF COURSE

HOLE	YARDS	PAR
1	372	4
2	462	4
3	410	4
4	143	3
5	518	5
6	473	4
7	407	4
8	441	4
9	185	3
<b>OUT</b>	<b>3,411</b>	<b>35</b>
10	495	5
11	245	3
12	443	4
13	433	4
14	210	3
15	418	4
16	345	4
17	565	5
18	455	4
<b>IN</b>	<b>3,609</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,020</b>	<b>71</b>

214 (-2) through 54 hole to finish four strokes back from the lone individual bid to the 2022 NCAA Championships.

- McClear picked up hardware over the summer, finishing as medalist at the Joliet Amateur Championships at Wedgewood Golf Course and the Illinois State Amateur at Westmoreland Country Club; he was also co-medalist at the US Open local qualifier at Blue Top Ridge Golf Course, shooting 69 (-3) through 18 holes. McClear also competed at the 122nd US Amateur on Aug. 15 at the Ridge-wood Country Club

#### SENIOR LEADERS

Four seniors will provide leadership to the Hawkeye lineup this season. Leal Montero returns after competing as Iowa's lone senior last year. He is joined by a former Big Ten Champion in McClear, as well as Iowa's second-low scorer last season in Kleu and Tighe, a frequent starter for Iowa.

#### PRESEASON HONORS

McCclear, Kleu, and Leal Montero were named Big Ten Golfers to Watch this week. The recognition was the second conference preseason honor for each Hawkeye; McCclear and Kleu were both recognized last fall, while Leal Montero last earned preseason accolades in 2019.

#### COACH IHM RETURNS HOME

Steven Ihm ('14) returns to the Iowa men's golf program this season as a volunteer assistant coach. In three seasons as a Hawkeye golfer, Ihm was a four-time medalist, finishing atop the leaderboard at both the Hawkeye Invitational and Boilermaker Invitational in 2013 and 2014. Ihm's teams qualified for NCAA Regionals each year and placed 22nd at the NCAA Championships in 2012. His personal-best 18-hole round of 64 ties for third in the Iowa record books.

#### HEAR FROM HEAD COACH TYLER STITH

"We're excited to start the season. We've had two weeks of productive practice. The guys are engaged and working hard. Now, it's time to take what we've learned and apply it in a competitive environment."

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Iowa travels to Inverness Golf Club in Toledo, Ohio, on Sept. 26-27 for the Inverness Intercollegiate.

