8/22/2013: Talkin' Hawks podcast (2013 Iowa season preview)

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The 2013 college football season is upon us, meaning it's time for the return of the "Talkin' Hawks" podcast for the fourth straight autumn here on *HawkeyeDrive.com*.

After recording the podcast solo in its inaugural season of 2010, the decision was made to have a former Hawkeye player become a regular fixture in 2011. I'm happy to report former Iowa defensive back Chris Rowell is back as my "Talkin' Hawks" co-host for what is now his third season as part of the podcast. Rowell spent five seasons as a member of the Hawkeyes, joining the program as part of its 2005 recruiting class and ending his playing career with a 24-14 victory over Georgia Tech in the 2010 FedEx Orange Bowl.

In the podcast's first two years of existence, the first one of the season came during the week of Iowa's season opener. Last year, our first edition of "Talkin' Hawks" came one week earlier and was in the form of a season preview where each position group on the Hawkeyes was discussed, as were each of the six BCS conferences. That format proved to be successful, which is why our first podcast of 2013 takes on a similar format.

In this two-hour plus edition, Rowell and I discuss the coaching changes made on Kirk Ferentz's staff since we recorded our most previous podcast last December. We also examine the Hawkeyes position by position and give our thoughts on each of the six BCS conferences, giving those who

subscribe to or visit this site a taste of what teams will be mentioned regularly in the *HawkeyeDrive.com* Pick 'Em, which has officially begun accepting entries for the season's first week. At the end, we both provide our Heisman Trophy and BCS National Championship predictions, as well as our final thoughts about the Hawkeyes prior to the season starting.

Our next edition of the "Talkin' Hawks" podcast will be posted Aug. 29, as Rowell and I preview Iowa's season opener against Northern Illinois at Kinnick Stadium and share our picks for each of the 10 games featured in the season's first <code>HawkeyeDrive.com</code> Pick 'Em. For now though, I hope you enjoy our 2013 season preview edition of the "Talkin' Hawks" podcast:

http://hawkeyedrive.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Talkin-Hawk
s-podcast-8222013-Iowa-season-preview.mp3

*Intro sound byte credit to my former Daily Iowan colleague Ryan Young for putting that together.

ADDITIONAL FOOTBALL COVERAGE:

*Below are links to the eight position breakdowns written earlier this month about the Iowa Hawkeyes: <u>Quarterbacks</u>, <u>Running Backs</u>, <u>Wide Receivers and Tight Ends</u>, <u>Offensive Line</u>, <u>Defensive Line</u>, <u>Linebackers</u>, <u>Secondary</u>, <u>Special Teams</u>

*Below are links to season previews of the other Big Ten teams, each of which include audio from players and coaches recorded from Big Ten Media Days last month in Chicago (please note you must have either a paid monthly or yearly subscription, or a three-day free trial, to HawkeyeDrive.com to access all of these): Penn State, Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio State, Minnesota, Michigan State, Northwestern, Michigan, Nebraska