

Karras passes away at 77

By Brendan Stiles

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Former Iowa defensive lineman Alex Karras passed away Wednesday morning at his home in Los Angeles. He was 77.

Reports circulated Oct. 8 that Karras had gone into hospice care after suffering from kidney failure. According to a statement released by his family, Karras had family members by his side when he died and was dealing with kidney disease, heart disease, dementia and stomach cancer prior to his death. The family statement in its entirety can be read [here](#).

During his collegiate career, Karras was a member of the 1956-57 squad that was the first in Iowa history to win the Rose Bowl, defeating Oregon State, 35-19. In 1957, Karras won the Outland Trophy, was a consensus All-American and was the first of four all-time Iowa runner-ups for the Heisman Trophy, being edged out by Texas A&M tailback John David Crow.

Following his career with the Hawkeyes, Karras was taken by the Detroit Lions with the 10th overall pick in the 1958 NFL Draft. He played 12 seasons in the NFL – all of which were with the Lions – and was named an all-Pro on four occasions. In 161 games with Detroit, he compiled 16 fumble recoveries and four interceptions – his number of career tackles is not documented. Karras was suspended for the entire 1963 NFL season in light of a gambling probe involving him and former Green Bay Packers running back Paul Hornung.

When his football playing days were over, Karras had a career as an actor. He starred in movies such as “Blazing Saddles,” “Porky’s,” and “Paper Lion,” which was based on a book written by George Plimpton that prominently featured Karras. He also had an acting role on the TV show, “Webster.” In addition to

acting, Karras had a three-year stint as a Monday Night Football analyst for ABC, working alongside Frank Gifford and the late Howard Cosell.

Karras never was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. He was enshrined into the Iowa Varsity Club Hall of Fame in 1989 and two years later was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame.

Prior to his death, Karras was among a litany of former NFL players suing the league for its lack of preventing head injuries when he and others from his era played.

Karras is survived by his second wife Susan Clark, six children (five from his first marriage, one from his marriage to Clark), four siblings and five grandchildren.

10/9/2012: Iowa football notebook



Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz discusses the Hawkeyes' upcoming game at Michigan State with the local media during his weekly press

conference held Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2012 at the Hayden Fry Football Complex in Iowa City.

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IOWA CITY, Iowa – It was a moment Micah Hyde was dreading Tuesday, but knew he had to tackle head on.

Three days following [his arrest on charges of interference with official acts and public intoxication](#), Hyde stood inside the Kenyon Practice Facility, faced the media, and said what he could say on the matter.

Some questions led to multiple replies of “I have a game I have to prepare for.” But to his credit, Hyde didn’t shy away from it all either.

“I just felt like I let a lot of people down,” Hyde said. “It definitely could have been avoided. I felt it just escalated to where it shouldn’t have. But it could have easily been resolved.”

Because it was a first time offense for Hyde, he won’t be suspended. In fact, head coach Kirk Ferentz made clear Tuesday that neither he nor sophomore tight end Ray Hamilton nor junior offensive lineman Drew Clark – both of whom also had separate run-ins with the law this past weekend – would face suspensions for Iowa’s game Oct. 13 against Michigan State because all three players were in good standing prior. [Hyde and Hamilton were both listed on the 2-deep released](#) by the team on Oct. 8.

“If they practice well this week, we expect them all to play,” Ferentz said.

In Hyde's case, one thing he did lose was his captaincy. Ferentz purposefully left Hyde off the ballot given to the team over the weekend and in his place – for now – as one of the Hawkeyes' team captains will be junior linebacker Christian Kirksey.

“Since I've been here, I've tried to lead my team, obviously, in the right direction,” Hyde said. “With this year being my senior year, I definitely wanted the captain name underneath my belt. It's unfortunate. It's my life and I've got to learn from it.”

Whether or not Hyde could be re-named a team captain later in the season remains to be seen (Ferentz didn't rule this out). Senior wide receiver Keenan Davis, one of Hyde's closest friends on the team, said the entire team still views Hyde as though he was a team captain, even if he isn't holding the actual title right now. When asked about the matter, Ferentz took the opportunity to speak highly of his three-year starting cornerback.

“I'm not minimizing what he did, but again, we're talking about three-and-a-half years of model behavior, model citizenship. Quality young guy,” Ferentz said. “I have no reason to believe there are going to be any problems moving down the road. That's kind of my attitude on this whole thing.”

Hyde pled guilty to the interference with official acts charge, and not guilty to the public intoxication charge.

Players react

The initial reaction from teammates was shock. Senior cornerback Greg Castillo said he found out about everything Saturday afternoon from his girlfriend after he had just spent his morning taking the LSAT exam.

“I texted them and let them know, ‘Hey, I'm here if you need

anything,'" Castillo said. "But I guess people forget we're all college students, too. We're all guilty of doing stupid stuff."

As a result of the three incidents to take place over the weekend, Ferentz said he made the decision to move the team's curfew up to a time he declined to publicly specify and made everyone aware of the decision after meeting with them Sunday.

"We're all going to pay attention and not relax so much now," Davis said. "It's going to be more of a wake-up call for us, and it's for the whole team, just to know that we can't relax. Anything can happen in Iowa City."

How the bye weekend was spent

With Iowa having a Saturday away from the gridiron, players used the opportunity to do other things. While Castillo was taking the LSAT, guys like offensive linemen Matt Tobin and Brandon Scherff used the off day to get some hunting in.

But for the most part, players spent their Saturday off watching college football. As one would expect, some players made the conscientious effort to watch Michigan State's game at Indiana last weekend, a game the Spartans won 31-27 after trailing 17-0 in the first quarter.

"I was watching the game," junior linebacker Anthony Hitchens said. "Me and a couple of buddies on the team were watching and making texts throughout the game. We were definitely trying to get better by watching the game and using the extra time to get our reads better than the week before."

That opportunity to just sit around and watch games was a rare one for defensive tackle Steve Bigach. As a fifth-year senior who has become so accustomed to religiously studying game film, Bigach said it felt different to simply watch Michigan State's game against Indiana and others throughout the day on TV like a fan.

"It's weird," Bigach said. "I still can't watch it like a fan. I kind of watch the offensive line and how they're moving with their hand placement and everything like that. I usually don't watch the ball very much.

"It was nice to just get a chance to relax and watch football. I haven't done that in a number of years, so it was nice."

Bullock "expected to play"

Perhaps the best news to come the Hawkeyes' way over the weekend was confirmation from Ferentz that sophomore running back Damon Bullock has been medically cleared to practice and is expected to play against Michigan State. Bullock suffered a concussion during the second quarter of Iowa's 27-16 win over Northern Iowa on Sept. 15 and has missed the past two games as a result.

What makes this intriguing is the success sophomore Mark Weisman has had since taking over running back duties in that same game for Bullock and freshman Greg Garmon (who has since returned from his injury). Playing at running back, Weisman has 70 carries to the tune of 505 yards rushing and five touchdowns.

"I don't know if it changes anything," Weisman said. "I'm just going to prepare the same way I have been, just prepare to play as much as I can. We'll see. That's the coaches' decision who's going to get all the reps."

Ferentz said he'll want to use packages that feature both Weisman and Bullock, whether it's with Weisman lined up as a fullback again, or if he's the feature back and Bullock is lined up as a receiver, which he played on and off last season.

"They're both guys who have promise and have potential to be good players," Ferentz said. "The biggest thing we don't want to do is screw one of them up and have them do too much. If

they can both focus on playing that running back position, I think if we can get that established, we'd be well ahead of the game from where we were six weeks ago."

Regardless of who's in the backfield when, Iowa's offense has a tall order facing Michigan State this weekend. The Spartans have the top rushing defense in the Big Ten, allowing a mere 86 yards per game on the ground. Michigan State also leads the conference in total defense. Its 272 yards per game allowed is almost 40 yards fewer than the second-best yards allowed average, which belongs to Michigan.

"They stop people from running the ball, from the very beginning," senior quarterback James Vandenberg said. "If you don't get a positive play on that first down, you're already behind the chains and they've got you where they want you."

Last weekend against Indiana, the Spartans found themselves spotting the Hoosiers 17 points before coming from behind to win. In the first quarter of that game, Indiana's success came mainly through using no-huddle and playing up-tempo, something Iowa offensive coordinator Greg Davis said last week he was hoping to implement more of in the Hawkeye offense going forward.

But Ferentz was quick to say that very little revisions (if any) were made to the game plan being assembled by the coaching staff last week.

"What Indiana has success with, we really don't do," Ferentz said. "So congratulations to them, but it didn't help us an awful lot. They're very different in terms of their structure, but they did a nice job.

"Bottom line is, if you execute well and play really well, you'll have a chance to be successful. But if you're not doing that, you're going to get the door shut on you."

Not wanting to get hurdled

The defensive players have watched both game film and highlight reels of Michigan State running back Le'Veon Bell. They're fully aware of Bell's knack for embarrassing guys trying to tackle him by hurdling over them en route to long runs.

Bell did it again last weekend against Indiana, the third time on record he has hurdled a defender this season. When asked what goes through his mind watching Bell's hops, Castillo quickly said, "I hope I'm not one of them."

Hitchens said one of the keys to tackling Bell and keeping him from attempting his signature hurdling is to simply put a body on him without ducking the head. But when Bell's not hurdling guys, he's bull-dozing defenders. Through six games, Bell has rushed for a league-high 776 yards and has seven touchdowns on the ground.

His 129.3 yards per game is second to Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson, and the Spartans' average time of possession is 34:17, which not only leads the Big Ten but is more than a full minute longer than Minnesota's second-longest league average of 33:08.

"If you always try to go for his legs, he will hurdle you," Kirksey said. "He's a big back, so sometimes he can run through you. You just got to make sure you run full speed and gang tackle."

10/9/2012: Iowa player audio

with photos (premium)

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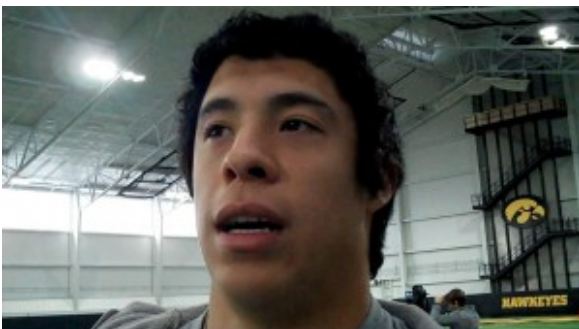
IOWA CITY, Iowa – On Tuesday, 10 members of the Iowa football team spoke with the media to discuss the Hawkeyes' upcoming game on Oct. 13 at Michigan State.

Below is audio from each of the following players – sophomore running back Mark Weisman, senior cornerback Greg Castillo, senior defensive tackle Steve Bigach, sophomore left tackle Brandon Scherff, senior quarterback James Vandenberg, senior left guard Matt Tobin, junior linebacker Anthony Hitchens, junior linebacker Christian Kirksey, senior cornerback Micah Hyde and senior wide receiver Keenan Davis:



Mark Weisman, Oct. 9, 2012

[Mark Weisman, sophomore running back](#)



Greg Castillo, Oct. 9, 2012

[Greg Castillo, senior cornerback](#)



Steve Bigach, Oct. 9, 2012

[Steve Bigach, senior defensive tackle](#)



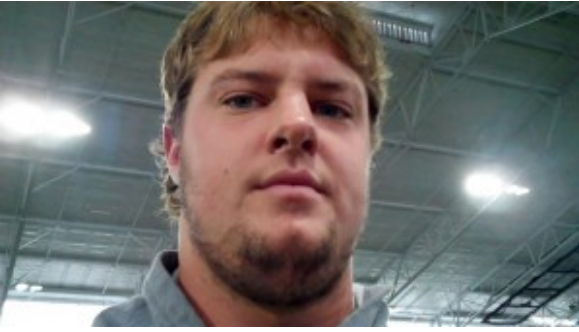
Brandon Scherff, Oct. 9,
2012

[Brandon Scherff, sophomore left tackle](#)



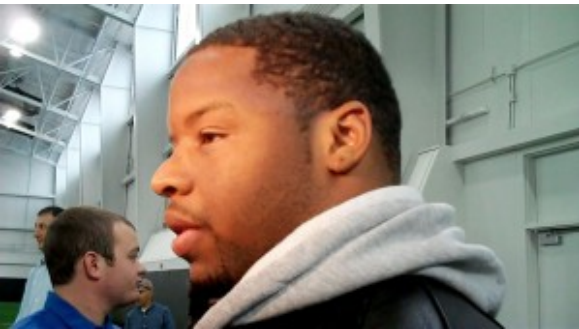
James Vandenberg, Oct. 9,
2012

[James Vandenberg, senior quarterback](#)



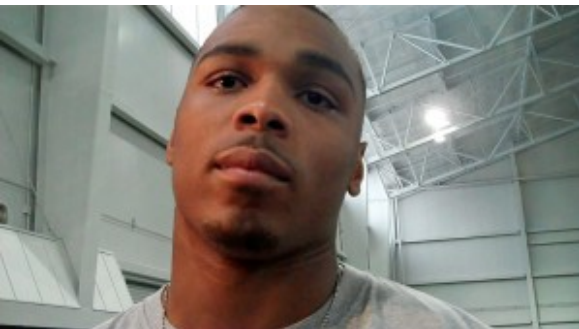
Matt Tobin, Oct. 9, 2012

[Matt Tobin, senior left guard](#)



Anthony Hitchens, Oct. 9, 2012

[Anthony Hitchens, junior linebacker](#)



Christian Kirksey, Oct. 9, 2012

[Christian Kirksey, junior linebacker](#)



Micah Hyde, Oct. 9, 2012

[Micah Hyde, senior cornerback](#)



Keenan Davis, Oct. 9, 2012

[Keenan Davis, senior wide receiver](#)

10/9/2012: Kirk Ferentz press conference transcript

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Below is a PDF from the Iowa sports information department featuring the complete transcript from Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz's press conference on Tuesday in Iowa City:

[Coach Ferentz – 10 09 12](#)

10/9/2012: Kirk Ferentz teleconference transcript (premium)

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Below is a written transcript of Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz's teleconference on Tuesday with the Big Ten media:

Ferentz's opening statement:

"We had an off week last week, which I think came at an opportune time for our football team probably. It was a good week for us to try to work on some things that we're not doing well and then hopefully grow a little bit. Starting today, we turn our sights to this weekend's game and we've got a big challenge traveling up to East Lansing to play an excellent Michigan State team."

On how the team has adjusted to the coordinator changes at this point in the season:

"I think fine. You know, it's a process and it began, really, back in February. Somewhere at the end of February, we got Greg [Davis] settled in and I think things have gone really well. There's a process to it, as I said. Certainly the first couple of weeks, there's a little bit of adjustment going on. But I think we're gaining ground and they're doing fine."

On being part of the recent documentary on NFL Network about the Cleveland Browns and if anything from that experience still sticks with him now:

"I'm still anxious to see it. I heard it was well done. I've been carrying it in my briefcase for about a week now, I guess six days, but haven't had I guess an interest in looking at it. I heard it was well done and it's like everything you do in life. All things that you do in life certainly help shape your good experiences. Experiences help shape what you are.

"I think it's just a great experience, a great opportunity to be around a lot of good people. Certainly the head coach will be a Hall of Fame football coach, but a lot of young people in the building, a lot of great assistants. It was a great learning experience. It was like a lot of things with every stop along the way. I've met a lot of great people and developed a lot of great friendships going back to Worcester Academy, so I've been really fortunate. I've been around a lot of good folks and made a lot of friends through the process."

On Mark Weisman, his background and what he has done the last few weeks as a running back:

"He played fullback in high school near the Chicagoland area. His high school coach is actually a guy I've known since probably the early '80s. Lester Erb recruited that area and his daughter actually worked in our offices so we had a pretty good relationship there. Mark played football. It's not a real sexy position.

"He ended up going to Air Force and enjoyed it. It's a great program, but I think some of the challenges with being there, the military life, I think it really came down to making a bed as much as anything. He decided that it wasn't for him and ended up on our campus. Last year, he was ineligible.

"We really didn't know much about him. He was on the scout team. In the spring, he left a really positive impression, continued that in August and then with our running back situation, it was just really fortunate that he found his way to the running back position.

"It's a neat story mainly because he just works so hard and he's such a model team guy. So it's really one of those things you like to see guys that have work hard and really do things the way they're supposed to be done have success and Mark has certainly done that."

On what he meant by "making a bed":

"The story, it may be a legend – I don't know – but the story was they bounce quarters off your bed. He got tired of doing that, so he finally made it perfect and slept on the floor so he wouldn't be harassed. Sleeping on the floor can get old, too. So at least that's the legend traveling around this area."

On in-season coaching changes being made and whether it's bad for the profession:

"Uh, you know, every situation is different, certainly, and for me to judge what goes on somewhere else would probably be wrong. My Kodak moment, I guess, would've been in the early '80s. In fact, it was in our conference, I remember a defensive coordinator being changed. I think it was in the early '80s at a pretty prominent school. The defensive coordinator walked the plank for whatever reason, I don't know. But that was like my first recollection of assistants kind of being rotated a little bit. It was almost 30 years ago now."

"You know, I guess it's just part of what we do. Certainly, things have changed in 30 years. There's a lot more exposure, a lot more TV revenue, a lot more pressure, and things happen. But for me to make any commentary on any of the three that you're referring to, I'm not really familiar with any of the situations so you'd probably have to talk to the folks involved there."

On how backs like Weisman and Michigan State's Le'Veon Bell can be effective for offenses and wear down defenses:

"You know, that's possible. But I'm looking at this week and we're playing a defense that's very veteran, very, very physical and very, very experienced. Very tough to run the football against. That's going to be a challenge. But I guess I would say that all good backs come in different shapes and sizes.

"The thing we've always felt like is if a guy's effective with his performance – be it a guy like Shonn Greene, who was on the big side, or a guy like Fred Russell back 10 years ago who was really, not real big, tall or big – to me, it's just about the effectiveness a back has. To me, good backs can cause problems for defenses regardless of their style.

"When you face a good back like Bell, certainly he'll have our full attention. He has to, and he has had success against us. We're very respectful of what he's capable of doing."

On the statuses of Micah Hyde, Ray Hamilton and Drew Clark:

"Yeah, I made a statement after the incidents that they'd be handled by the student code of conduct. Those three situations will be handled within the framework of the student code of conduct. It was a first violation for all three players, so we'll do that. We also have some in-house policies that are in place. We'll do additional things there, but I'm not going to make that public."

On how running back Damon Bullock has progressed and how much he'll be used vs. Michigan State:

"We expect him to play and the good news is a month ago, we didn't know if we had any running back that could play in this conference. We've only had one conference game, but I think both guys have demonstrated now that they're capable of playing well and we intend to play both of them on Saturday."

On other guys besides Bell emerging in Michigan State's offense, particularly the receiving corps:

"You know, I wouldn't suggest Bell's the full package. I think that's why they're a good football team. They've got talented receivers. I think everybody knows they graduated some outstanding players at the receiver position, so they're going through transition there. Basically every college team goes through transitions at certain spots and that's one of them. But both those guys are doing well and they're very talented. They're very big, they're very physical. I think it's just a matter of consistency with them and I think they certainly took a big step forward last week, particularly the freshman playing as well as he did. So they're very capable there."

"The quarterback is a first-year starter, but it's not like this is his first game of the year right now. He has played and he has always been in their system. He played behind arguably one of the best and one of the most productive quarterbacks in the history of their school, so it's not like he's just some guy walking off the street, either. They make you defend all 11 guys that they have and they're well-coached like they always are and they present a lot of problems and challenges for you, as your defense looks at their offense."

On the challenges of going against a defense coached by Mark Dantonio:

"I was going to say it seems like since Mark has gotten there, they've played great defense. I think part of that equation too is basically his entire staff came from Cincinnati, so when they hit the ground running, they knew who they were, what they were and what they wanted to do. They had a system, if you will, on both sides of the football and they incorporated that right away. I think the record speaks for itself. They have 22 wins the last two years, so they've just done a great job."

"The most important thing about systems are that your players understand the system and being able to play, using their abilities within that system and that's clearly what has taken"

place with the defense. They're a very aggressive group. They're very tough to throw against, very tough to run against and they can create problems for you schematically.

"And then they have great players on top of it that really play hard, so there are challenges everywhere you look. They pose a lot of problems for you and that's probably why they've won 22 games the past two years."

10/8/2012: State of the Big Ten, Volume 68 (premium)

Every Monday, we will be running a weekly series titled "State of the Big Ten," which will be made available to all members of HawkeyeDrive.com. This series of columns will focus on one major headline regarding the conference and go in-depth on the subject at hand.

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Less than a week after legendary Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne announced he was retiring as the school's athletics director, Nebraska hired Shawn Eichorst, who held a similar title for 18 months at Miami (Fla.).

There are a few layers to this hiring that are pretty significant – his Big Ten background, the salary Nebraska will be paying him, the potential ramifications this could have on Miami, and what this does for Nebraska going forward.

Let's start with Eichorst's Big Ten background. Prior to becoming the AD at Miami, Eichorst worked for Barry Alvarez in

the Wisconsin athletics department. One of the factors to consider here is that long before Alvarez became a Badger icon, he played at Nebraska. He's also one of the reasons Eichorst held that job he had at Miami. Alvarez has been at the forefront of things Big Ten-related since Nebraska joined the conference in 2010, so it's not hard to imagine he played a role in his alma mater landing a successor for Osborne that fits the mold of a Big Ten guy.

Next, let's move on to Eichorst's salary at Nebraska. According to multiple reports, Eichorst's starting salary is set at \$973,000. Why is this significant? Because it makes him the third-highest paid athletics director in the Big Ten behind only Alvarez and Ohio State's Gene Smith and he becomes the sixth-highest paid AD nationally. That's a lot of money to invest in someone who doesn't have any Nebraska ties and has less than two years experience in charge of an entire athletics department. From a Big Ten standpoint, there's no doubt there are other athletics directors who are going to see Eichorst's starting salary and think they're deserving of more than they're currently getting.

Before getting into how this could ultimately shape Nebraska's long-term future, let's also examine how this affects Miami for a second. This is a school marred by a scandal that came to light in August 2011. Not only were there issues in Miami's athletics department surrounding the football program, but the basketball program also had issues, too.

While the bulk of these alleged NCAA violations didn't happen on Eichorst's watch down at Miami, his departure from the school comes about a month before the NCAA is expected to announce its findings and whether Miami will face any heavy sanctions. Even if Eichorst is the guy Nebraska was targeting from the get-go, there's going to remain speculation whether he left Miami just to avoid the hard times that are likely ahead for its entire athletics department.

Finally, let's explore the potential ramifications this has on Nebraska. This is an athletics department that has started showing more of a commitment to its men's basketball program, hiring Tim Miles to replace Doc Sadler as its coach last spring and opening Pinnacle Bank Arena before the start of the 2013-14 season.

From a football perspective, this could get really interesting. If the Cornhuskers' recent 63-38 loss to Ohio State this past weekend is an indicator, the fan base is starting to get restless with Bo Pelini and the thought of a possible 7-5 season won't sit well in Lincoln. Keep in mind, Nebraska fired Frank Solich after a 9-3 campaign in 2003. The expectations around the football team are always sky high.

Should the day come where Eichorst decides to part ways with Pelini and begin pursuit of a new football coach, it's a hire that would define his tenure as Nebraska's AD, for better or worse. Steve Pederson, who is currently the AD at Pittsburgh, is the one who fired Solich and replaced him with Bill Callahan. That one disastrous hire cost Pederson his job at Nebraska, so there's no reason to think it couldn't happen to Eichorst either if he ends up making a hire that goes array.

Right now, it's too early to say whether this hire by Nebraska proves to be a good one or not. But this is a development that's worth keeping an eye on over the next few years because it could very easily define how much success Nebraska will have across the board in the Big Ten.

Iowa at Michigan State Game

Notes, 2-deep

OFFENSE:

WR 6 Davis, 81 Smith/17 Hillyer

LT 68 Scherff, 78 Donnal

LG 60 Tobin, 58 Simmons

C 53 Ferentz, 59 Bofelli

RG 78 Donnal, 65 Walsh

RT 70 Van Sloten, 76 MacMillan

TE 86 Fiedorowicz, 82 Hamilton

QB 16 Vandenberg, 15 Rudock

WR 11 Martin-Manley, 83 Staggs

RB 45 Weisman, 32 Bullock

FB 38 Rogers, 92 Gimm

DEFENSE:

DE 99 Gaglione, 94 McMin

DT 54 Bigach, 71 Davis

DT 90 Trinca-Pasat, 97 Cooper

DE 79 Alvis, 49 Spears

OLB 20 Kirksey, 39 Perry

MLB 44 Morris, 52 Alston

WLB 31 Hitchens, 36 Fisher

LCB 2 Castillo, 7 Draper

SS 13 Donatell, 21 Law

FS 5 Miller, 37 Lowdermilk

RCB 18 Hyde, 14 Buford

SPECIAL TEAMS:

P 98 Kornbrath, 14 Wienke

PK 96 Meyer, 1 Koehn

LS 61 Kreiter, 54 Bigach

HOLDER 14 Wienke

PR 18 Hyde

KR 6 Davis, 23 Cotton

[Iowa vs. Michigan State Game Notes](#)

2012 Big Ten football TV schedule: Week Seven

Every week, we will post the TV schedule for all games featuring Big Ten teams. Here is where and when you can watch them this week:

Oct. 13:

Iowa at Michigan State, 11 a.m., ESPN

Northwestern at Minnesota, 11 a.m., ESPN2

Wisconsin at Purdue, 11 a.m., BTN

Illinois at No. 25 Michigan, 2:30 p.m., ABC/ESPN

No. 8 Ohio State at Indiana, 7 p.m., BTN

***All times listed are Central Standard Time.**

Trio of Hawkeyes have run-ins with law

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Three members of the Iowa football team have found themselves in legal trouble this weekend, including senior cornerback and team captain Micah Hyde.

[According to a report in the Cedar Rapids Gazette](#), Hyde was arrested early Saturday morning on charges of public intoxication and interference with official acts. While Hyde wasn't listed in the [Iowa City police blotter](#), two people from his hometown of Fostoria, Ohio, are listed in the blotter on similar charges, with the arrests occurring at Old Capitol Brew Works on 525 S. Gilbert St.

According to the Iowa City police's daily activity log, there's a report of trespassing at 525 S. Gilbert St. at 1:39 a.m. – the time of the two arrests that are mentioned in the blotter – with the following description: [“Large group of subjs refusing to leave, 15 subjs.”](#)

In addition, junior offensive lineman Drew Clark was arrested on [public intoxication charges](#) Oct. 5, and sophomore tight end Ray Hamilton, 19, was given a citation early Saturday morning

on [charges of being present on the premises after hours](#) of the Iowa City bar, Pints.

UPDATE: Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz released the following statement Saturday evening: *"I was disappointed to learn of the events involving three team members, as all three of these student-athletes have been good citizens during their time in our program. We will follow protocol set by the UI student-athlete Code of Conduct, as well as taking additional measures within the program."*

10/4/2012: Talkin' Hawks podcast (Iowa bye week)

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Every Thursday during the 2012 football season, *HawkeyeDrive.com* will feature "Talkin' Hawks," a podcast to get you ready for the Hawkeyes' upcoming game and other college football action.

This week, we look back on Iowa's 31-13 win over Minnesota last weekend and discuss the Hawkeyes going through their bye week before resuming Big Ten play next week against Michigan State. Former Iowa defensive back [Chris Rowell](#) joins me to provide insight on the Hawkeyes and share his thoughts on all the games featured in this week's [HawkeyeDrive.com Pick 'Em](#). Rowell will be a part of the podcast every week all season long.

With this being Iowa's bye week, there's only one segment. We

plan to return to the normal format next week. This week's edition is approximately 75 minutes long, so enjoy:

[Talkin' Hawks podcast \(Iowa bye week\)](#)

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