



From the Cyclone

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CYCLONE GRIDIRON CLUB

Aer Lingus College Football Classic Awaits Cyclones Travel to Ireland to Face Rival Kansas State

Hello Cyclone fans! Over 4,700 seniors graduated in May, Memorial Day is behind us, and summer is here. Coming off a record-breaking 11-3 season, your Iowa State Cyclones will travel nearly 4,000 miles to Dublin, Ireland to meet rival Kansas State in the “Week 0” matchup on Saturday, August 23 at 11am CT on ESPN to kick off the 2025 football season in the Aer Lingus College Football Classic. If you aren’t making the trip, watch your email for a local gamewatch Event. Thank you for supporting the CGC and enjoy the summer newsletter!



Talking Football and Preparing for Ireland

by Lynn Marr-Moore Cyclone Gridiron Club Writer

Anyone ready for football? Tickets are purchased, parking options confirmed, and now the wait begins until kickoff in Dublin. Excited? I would hope so! Thanks to my visit with Ryan McGuire, Senior Assistant Iowa State Athletic Director, who recently returned from an advance trip over seas, he came back with some helpful information to make your journey to support the Cyclones memorable as one of those “once in a lifetime” trips.

“The game in Ireland is going to be a really unique experience for all Iowa State fans,” began McGuire. “Our interactions with the organizing team in Ireland have been first-rate. They want this to be a great experience for the team and also for the thousands of Cyclone fans that will travel to Dublin to see the game.”



“Spending time in and around Dublin for the game will be really special. The people of Dublin love American football and they also know how important this game is for tourism in the country,” McGuire added.

McGuire said that there will be lots of options for fans to experience Dublin on game day in a multitude of ways. He said that there are ticketed tailgate options in addition to pub activities arranged specifically for Cyclone fans.

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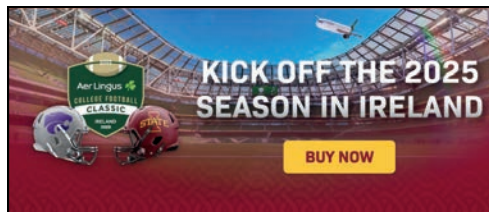
2025 Schedule

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| vs Kansas St... | ESPN | 11am | Aug 23 |
| South Dakota... | FOX | 2:30 pm | Aug 30 |
| Iowa..... | FOX | BIG NOON KICKOFF | 11 am Sept 6 |
| at Arkansas St | | | Sept 13 |
| Arizona | | | Sept 27 |
| at Cincinnati | | | Oct 4 |
| at Colorado | | | Oct 11 |
| BYU (Homecoming) | | | Oct 25 |
| Arizona St | | | Nov 1 |
| at TCU..... | | | Nov 8 |
| Kansas | | | Nov 22 |
| at Oklahoma St | | | Nov 29 |
| XII Championship | | | Dec 6 |

Did you know?

Over 10,000

If you are traveling to Dublin to support the Cyclones, you will not be alone. ISU Athletics reports that over 10,000 tickets have been sold to Cyclone fans, which is on par with sales from Kansas State. This balanced fan support is a welcomed change compared to the one-sided atmospheres of the 2023 Notre Dame / Navy and the 2024 Georgia Tech / Florida State match-ups. Officials from the Aer Lingus Football Classic are excited to host both fan bases, knowing it will significantly enhance the game day atmosphere!



20th Annual Mike Lacey Gridiron Golf Classic & Summer Social

Talons Golf - 1525 NE 36th St, Ankeny, IA 50021 - Thursday, July 10th

The annual Mike Lacey Cyclone Gridiron Golf Classic and Banquet Outing is held in memory of the late Mike Lacey, a 1966 ISU grad, whose tireless commitment to Cyclone athletics inspired him to become the founding president of the CGC. Mike passed Jan. 20, 2012, but his legacy lives on at this spirited event. Please join us for a great day of four-person best shot golf with Iowa State football coaches, alumni, fans, & CGC supporters in Ankeny. All proceeds benefit the Iowa State Football program. Co-sponsored with We Will.

Thursday, July 10

- 11 am - **Check in** for golf outing
- 12 noon - **Shotgun Start** and Lunch
- 4 pm - **Social Hour** for all registrants & **Silent Auction**
- 5 pm - **Dinner** and program emceed by John Walters

Join Coach Matt Campbell and other Cyclone guests!



"Voices of the Cyclones" Sponsorship Opportunity

Round out your golf threesome with John Walters or Eric Heft!

For \$2,100, your golf threesome can have a voice of the Cyclones join your group. This will go quickly, so act fast!



Thank you to our Primary Sponsors!

Golf Lunch sponsored and provided by **Chick-Fil-A of Ames**

Social Hour sponsored by **Top Level Suites**

Evening Dinner sponsored by **Absolute Group**

Evening Dinner provided by **Iowa Outlaws BBQ**

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Sponsorships still available...

\$3,000 - Presenting Sponsor: Special Event signage with company logo on all promotional materials, social media, and opportunity to include company tchotchke or handout at check-in. Includes 1 golf foursome and 4 additional tickets to dinner & social event.

\$2,000 - Golf Cart Sponsor: Business name and/or logo posted on all player carts and 2 tickets to post-golf social and dinner.

\$2,000 - Registration Table Gift Sponsor: Cash or supply a golf-related gift to each golfer with business name or logo on the item. Includes 2 golf tickets to post-golf events.

Many other sponsorships available - tee boxes, pin flag, Head Coach Cart, beverage carts, auction, and more!

Use phone or email below to inquire today!

Thank You, Sponsors!

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| The Other Place (Clive) | Barefoot (Ames) |
| Sweet Caroline's (Ames) | Raygun (Ames) |
| Destination Grille (Grimes) | Dublin Bay (Ames) |
| The Ducktail Lounge (Clive) | Gateway Hotel |
| Flat Tire Lounge (Madrid) | Hickory Park |
| Jay Chapman Golf Group | BrownWinick |
| Jethro's BBQ (Ames) | Northwest Bank |
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| Danielle Seifert Realty (Ankeny) | |

Member Benefit Spotlight *Lodging Discounts for Home Football Games*

As a member of the Cyclone Gridiron Club, you're entitled to a special perk when it comes to attending Iowa State's home football games — **a 15% lodging discount at the Gateway Hotel & Conference Center in Ames.**

Whether you're traveling from out of town or just want a convenient place to stay during game day, these discounts make it easier and more affordable to enjoy the game-day experience. With comfortable accommodations just minutes away from Jack Trice Stadium, you can focus on cheering on the Cyclones without worrying about long drives or finding a place to rest.



2100 Green Hills Drive
Ames, IA 50014
(515) 292-8600



The Gateway Hotel standard two-night stay requirement is waived for members!

Lodging is available for Friday & Saturday nights and you can reserve one room per active member of the Cyclone Gridiron Club. Simply verify your membership upon check-in with your membership card and photo ID.

Be sure to take advantage of this exclusive member benefit and book your stay early — spots fill up fast! Enjoy The Iowa Stater Restaurant and a dip in the pool. **Call the Gateway Hotel front desk at (515) 292-8600 today!**

2025 Home Football Schedule & Gateway Hotel Room Availability

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| August 30 | South Dakota | Rooms available for both nights. |
| September 6 | Iowa | SOLD OUT both nights. |
| September 27 | Arizona | Friday - Limited availability, Saturday - Rooms available |
| October 25 | BYU (Homecoming) | Friday - SOLD OUT , Saturday - Rooms available |
| November 1 | Arizona State | Rooms available for both nights. |
| November 22 | Kansas | Friday - SOLD OUT , Saturday - Rooms available |

Room availability not guaranteed.
Call today!

Official Gridiron Club Travel Packages *October 11, 2025 - At Colorado*

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JOIN THE
CYCLONE GRIDIRON CLUB
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AMTRAK TRAVEL PACKAGE - \$550 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
STANDARD SEAT OSCEOLA TO DEN THU OCT 9 @ 6:00 PM CT
TWO NIGHTS @HILTON GARDEN INN - UNION STATION
WELCOME RECEPTION
ROUND TRIP BUS FROM HOTEL TO FOLSOM FIELD
DOES NOT INCLUDE GAME TICKET
RETURN TO OSC SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE MON OCT 13 @ 8:00 AM CT
ROOMETTE OPTION AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL COST

LAND ONLY PACKAGE - \$300 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
TWO NIGHTS @HILTON GARDEN INN - UNION STATION
WELCOME RECEPTION
ROUND TRIP BUS FROM HOTEL TO FOLSOM FIELD
DOES NOT INCLUDE GAME TICKET

OPTIONAL PRE-GAME TAILGATE TO BE ADDED LATER

CONTACT US AT [JAY@CYCLONEGRIDIRONCLUB.COM](mailto:jay@cyclonegridironclub.com) OR
515-480-4638 TO REGISTER



Visit cyclonegridironclub.com/events
for more information.

Preparing for Ireland

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Making the trip? Find helpful and interesting things below.

Money Exchange: There is no need to exchange monies before you leave for Ireland. The airports have ATM available. Make sure to notify your bank or financial institution you will be traveling to Ireland. The exchange rate as of May 2025 is the US \$100 equivalent to \$69.99 in Ireland. Be sure to check exchange rate closer to your departure date.

What to wear: The temperature in Dublin shows daytime highs typically average around 68 degrees. Dublin's summer weather is refreshing, and in August you can see periods of rain. Most people wear jeans and a shirt or blouse when eating out in restaurants or heading to a pub. Prioritize packing waterproof clothing, comfortable shoes, and layers due to the unpredictable weather. A waterproof jacket is essential along with versatile clothing. Consider packing a sweater, hat, and scarf for cooler temperatures. Good walking shoes are crucial for exploring Ireland's landscapes.

Popular attractions: The most popular attraction in Dublin is the Guinness Storehouse. It is a popular and highly immersive experience, and often ranked among the top tourist attractions in Europe. Other popular attractions include Dublin Castle, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Trinity College, and the Temple Bar District.

Getting around Dublin: Uber operates in Ireland, primarily as a taxi-hauling service. While Uber is not a ride share service in the traditional sense, the app connects users with licensed taxi drivers and limousines. This means you can request a taxi using the Uber app, but you are not using private drivers like here in the USA. Dublin is a very walkable city and it's compact size and well-designed streets make it easy to explore on foot, especially within the city center.

What to eat: Ireland is famous for its hearty and flavorful cuisine, with Irish Stew being the national dish. Other notable dishes include:

Boxy: A dish made from grated raw potatoes and other ingredients like flour, eggs & milk which are then fried into patties.

Colcannon: A classic dish combining mashed potatoes with shredded cabbage and butter.

Bacon and Cabbage: Cooked bacon is served with shredded cabbage, onions, and potatoes.

Soda Bread: A yeasty-free bread made with buttermilk & baking soda.

Barmbrack: A spiced fruit cake, served with tea.

Black and White Pudding: A traditional breakfast sausage, with black pudding being a blood sausage with white pudding suet, onions, and other ingredients.

If you are going for the football game do not be surprised if pubs, food, and attractions find you along the way. **Travel safe, have fun, drink some great beer and cheer on the Cyclones!**



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- Standard Membership
- Includes invitation to exclusive Gridiron events

Point After

\$250

- All Pigskin benefits
- \$25 credit for Cyclone Gridiron Club apparel purchase

Field Goal

\$500

- All Pigskin benefits
- \$50 credit for Cyclone Gridiron Club apparel purchase

Touchdown

\$1,000

- All Pigskin benefits
- \$100 credit for Cyclone Gridiron Club apparel purchase
- Drawing entry for dinner with AD Jamie Pollard (2 winners drawn)

Victory

\$2,500

- All Pigskin benefits
- Gridiron Club Flag
- \$200 credit for Cyclone Gridiron Club apparel purchase
- Coach Campbell personalized autographed picture
- Drawing entry for dinner with AD Jamie Pollard (2 winners drawn)

Championship

\$5,000+

- All Pigskin benefits
- Gridiron Club Flag
- \$300 credit for Cyclone Gridiron Club apparel purchase
- Coach Campbell personalized autographed picture
- Invitation to group dinner with AD Jamie Pollard



Cyclones on NFL Rosters

Source: Ourlads.com



Malik Verdon
SS - 4th



Eyioma Uwazurike
RDE - 3rd



David Montgomery
RB - 2nd



Jalen Travis
RT - 2nd



Michael Jacobson
TE - 5th



Anthony Johnson, Jr.
FS - 2nd



Jake Hummel
MLB - 2nd



Julian Good-Jones
C - 3rd



Jarrod Hufford
C - 3rd



Stevio Klotz
TE - 5th



Jayden Higgins
RWR - 2nd



Breece Hall
RB - 1st

Charlie Kolar
TE - 3rd

Ben Nikkel
FS - 3rd

Darien Porter
RCB - 2nd

Myles Purchase
NB - 3rd

Xavier Hutchinson
LWR - 3rd

Allen Lazard
SWR - 1st

T.J. Tampa
LCB - 2nd

Jaylin Noel
SWR - 2nd

Will McDonald, IV
LDE - 1st



Brock Purdy
QB - 1st



J.R. Singleton
DE - 3rd

NIL Corner - Cyclone Media Highlights



Friday, May 16th

Iowa State Athletics Director Jaime Pollard joined **The Rush Radio Show** with Travis Justice and Ross Peterson.



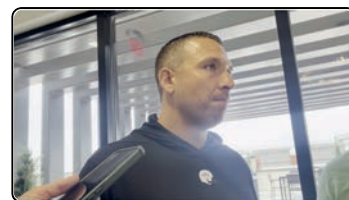
Thursday, April 25th

On the **"Spotlight with Elijah Moore"** podcast, Elijah interviews Athletics Director Jamie Pollard and discusses NIL and the latest in college athletics.



Wednesday, May 21st

Cyclone Fanatic hosts Chris Williams and Brent Blum dissect and discuss the latest NIL news and how it affects the Cyclones.



Monday, May 19th

"Power conferences working on contract to bind schools to new enforcement rules, with strict punishments." by Ross Dellenger, Yahoo Sports

Meet the Kahler Family

New members of the Cyclone Gridiron Club

When you are a third generation Iowa State Alumni you fall into the category, "Once a Cyclone, always a Cyclone." Such is the case of this new Cyclone Gridiron Club (CGC) family.

Jeremy is an ISU graduate, and he is a third generation ISU Alumni. "My grandfather taught in the Agriculture Department. My father told me about the Gridiron Club when I was a teenager. He told me about the many benefits that the club brings to our football program."

The entire Kahler family consider themselves to be born and raised a Cyclone right down to their sons, Sterling (8) and Tripp (4). The Kahler family are big supporters of both football and other Cyclone athletics as well.

Gina says that she hopes that they can offer support for the Cyclone football program and get others engaged with the Club as well. "We are very excited to be some of the most recent new members." When not cheering on the Cyclones, Jeremy works as a logistics broker and Gina is a well know watercolor artist specializing in home and pet portraits.

Travel for the family involves many trips to away football games and other Cyclone events. Jeremy collects Cyclone memorabilia and is always on the lookout for anything new, old, and interesting items focused on the Cyclones,

One main focus the couple has is in raising their two young sons. "Raising children forces growth in anyone. We help teach them just as much as they teach us. We try to teach them something that we love and enjoy and just to be passionate and put effort into what they do."

Sterling enjoys football so much that he works on kicking his footballs around their back yard. "Iowa State football has been a very positive thing for the boys," admitted Jeremy. "He wants to be a kicker someday."

Sterling and Tripp are on the right road to success. With parents who are teaching by showing how to be good people and pursue their dreams, I image someday we will see Sterling on the field at Jack Trice kicking field goals and points after. He has had the opportunity to watch the ISU special teams for at least the past several years.

Welcome aboard Kahler family. Enjoy the ride.

Thank you for reading!

By Lynn Marr Moore
Cyclone Gridiron Club Writerer



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IOWA STATE FOOTBALL

2025 SCHEDULE

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|---------|-----------------|---------|-------------------|
| AUG. 25 | KANSAS STATE | OCT. 11 | AT COLORADO |
| AUG. 30 | SOUTH DAKOTA | OCT. 26 | BYU |
| SEP. 6 | IOWA | NOV. 1 | ARIZONA STATE |
| SEP. 13 | AT KANSAS STATE | NOV. 8 | BYU |
| SEP. 27 | ARIZONA | NOV. 22 | KANSAS |
| OCT. 4 | AT CONCORDIA | NOV. 29 | AT OKLAHOMA STATE |

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