

# Sailor skaters after 2nd state title in row

Five out of seven and two straight—that's what Columbus of Waterloo has going for it when it opens defense of its back-to-back Iowa High School Hockey League championships this season.

The Sailors have won the state high school championship five out of the seven times it has been held, including the past two years and, while it appears chances are good the trophy will remain in Waterloo, it may not necessarily rest in the Sailors' hands.

Columbus opens its season Nov. 19 against Lourdes in a non-league game and doesn't swing into IHSHL action until Nov. 26 when the Sailors host Dowling of West Des Moines.

**TEN PLAYERS** are gone from last year's championship team, including goaltender Scott Boice, while 12 return, including all-stars Mark Lanigan and Scott Dolan. Lanigan is a four-time first team all-star while Dolan has received that honor three times. He was selected to the second team another year when he was injured for part of the season.

Hob Leskun, also a returnee from last season, is out with torn knee ligaments and won't see any action for at least two or three weeks.

Public, with eight returning seniors, will offer a stiff challenge to the Sailors.

"Public should be tougher than the dickens," said Columbus Coach Duke Dutkowski

FINAL '82 STANDINGS		
Columbus	15	1
Valley	11	1
West Public	10	4
Hoover-Roosevelt	9	8
Urbandale	8	0
Mason City	7	1
Dwelling	7	12
Ames	7	12
Sioux City	2	14
St. Annes	2	0

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"They've got basically an all-senior team.

Coach Dave Swick has experience and talent and he lost just three players from last year's team. Leading the way are last year's leading scorers and all-state selections Gary Wilson and Jim Tyler.

**BRANT GAEDE** will return to mind the goal, as will Doug Dietz and Darrell Neelans in defense. Other returning seniors are John Jackson, Brett Thompson and Mark Stevens.

Swick, in his sixth year with the Warriors, had some 40 players trying out for the team, but can dress only 20 on the varsity roster. The others will play on a junior varsity team.

Public opens its season Friday, Nov. 12 when it entertains Hoover-Roosevelt at McElroy Auditorium. The Warriors have one state championship to their credit and finished second to Dowling the other year. Columbus didn't win the title.

The Warriors finished 16th in league play and fourth in the state tournament last spring. The Sailors went 15-1 during the regular season and capped it all with a 6-4 come-from-behind win over Valley of West Des Moines in the title game.



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These 12 hockey players, along with Coach Duke Dutkowski, return from the 1981-82 Columbus High team that won its fifth state championship and second straight in seven years. Front row, left to right, are Grant Weidner, Tom Lanigan, Tony Fis-

cher, Joel Jasper, Sean Hedican and Rob Leskun. In back, left to right, are Tim Martin, Mark Lanigan, Scott Dolan, Dutkowski, Fred Charles, Dick Long and Jeff Rink. The Sailors open their season Nov. 19 against Lourdes.

**WATERLOO COLUMBUS**  
Head coach: Duke Dutkowski  
Nov. 19—at Lourdes  
Nov. 26—at Mayo (Rochester, Minn.)  
Nov. 28—Dwelling  
Nov. 28—at Hoover-Roosevelt  
Dec. 6—at Ames  
Dec. 7—at Waterloo Public  
Dec. 18—Hoover-Roosevelt  
Dec. 17—Sioux City  
Dec. 29-30—at Wisconsin four-nation

**WATERLOO PUBLIC**  
Head coach: Dave Swick  
Nov. 17—Hoover-Roosevelt  
Nov. 19—at Sioux City  
Nov. 19—Urbandale  
Nov. 27—at Dowling  
Dec. 3—Mason City  
Dec. 4—at Dowling  
Dec. 7—Waterloo Columbus  
Dec. 18—at Valley  
Dec. 18—Sioux City  
Jan. 8—at Urbandale  
Jan. 14—Sharkuck  
Jan. 15—St. Annes  
Jan. 21—at Ames  
Jan. 21—at Valley  
Jan. 28—at Mason City  
Feb. 1—at Waterloo Columbus  
Feb. 4—Valley  
Feb. 11—at Hoover-Roosevelt  
Feb. 18—Dwelling  
Feb. 18—Ames  
Feb. 26—Ames

**RETURNING LETTERMEN**  
[13]—Brant Gaede, John Jackson, Darrell Neelans, Doug Dietz, Brad Thompson, Gary Wright, Brian Cook, Mark Stevens, Jim Hayes, Jim Tyler, Matt Malott, Ed Jensen, V.J. Jant, Trevor Jacoby, Bill Volkamer.

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