

# City's only hockey team could be good

Waterloo may have only one high school hockey team for the first time this season, but it looks to be a good one.

Columbus is gone from the Iowa High School Hockey League, disbanding its squad because of a steady decline in its number of players. But the loss of the Sailors is the defending state champion Warriors' gain.

Not only does Coach Dave Swick return six key players from last year's championship team, but the Warriors have picked up 11 players from a Columbus squad that was 20-3 a year ago.

In all, there are 16 lettermen in camp, including the top goaltender in the league last season and the state tournament MVP, K.C. Doland. Three of the league's top 20 scorers — Andy Gericke, Ben MacLennan and Quinn Ernster — are also back.

Doland saved 91.5 percent of the shots he faced with four shutouts as Waterloo went 13-6-1 during the regular season, and he was in the nets for all three state tournament victories, including the 3-1 triumph over Sioux City in the finals.

Gericke, a junior, scored 54 points last year and Ernster added 31. MacLennan, meanwhile, tallied 35 for Columbus.

David Lanigan (9-0-0, 89.2 save percentage for the Sailors) and Warrior veteran Jeff Glaspie add experienced depth in goal.

Jason Reiseck, Larry Heggebo and Chris McFarland were also regulars last season for the Warriors while Columbus sends over more experience in Jeremy Sullivan, Jason Rose, Jeff Chamberlin and Benji Buckley.

Swick got a look at his team a couple of weekends ago at the league's preseason jamboree in Mason City.

"I think we'll be pretty competitive," he says.

IHSHL Commissioner Gary Donaldson sees parity ahead.

"I think the league overall looks a lot more competitive," he explains. "Everybody looks pretty even as far as I can see."

"If you don't come to play, it looks like any team will be able to beat you," adds Swick.

The Warriors could be young on defense, depending on how Swick moves his personnel around.

McFarland may be the only senior on the blue line. Benji Buckley is just a sophomore, but he moved up to Columbus varsity as an 8th-grader. Freshman John Giordana is also bidding for time on defense and junior Jeff Chamberlin played that position for Columbus last year.

Up front, there should be plenty of scoring punch with Gericke, Ernster, MacLennan, Reiseck, and Rose leading the way. They combined for 69 goals and 90 assists in 1989-90.

Two new opponents will be on the IHSHL schedule for the coming season. Omaha's Lancers, who played a junior varsity schedule last year, will field a varsity team this season and St. Joseph, Mo., has joined the league.

That brings the total to 10 teams. They will be divided into East and West divisions with Waterloo, Dubuque, Mason City, Ames and Urbandale in the East and Valley-

## 1989-90 IHSHL Standings

### WEST DIVISION

Team	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Valley-Dowling	15	5	1	33	104	85
Sioux City	14	6	2	30	133	85
Omaha Glad.	9	11	2	20	94	84
Urbandale	8	15	1	13	71	145

### EAST DIVISION

Columbus	18	2	0	36	154	52
Wat. Warriors	13	6	1	27	102	47
Dubuque	7	12	1	16	74	105
Ames	7	13	0	14	64	125
Mason City	0	20	0	0	40	132

### State Tournament Results

PRELIMINARY ROUND - Urbandale 8, Mason City 6

FIRST ROUND - Sioux City 9, Dubuque 1; Valley-Dowling 8, Ames 2; Waterloo Warriors 7, Omaha Gladiators 3; Columbus 15, Urbandale 2.

CONSOLATION FIRST ROUND - Omaha 7, Mason City 4; Ames 4, Dubuque 3, OT.

CONSOLATION SECOND ROUND - Urbandale 5, Ames 2; Dubuque 6, Mason City 4.

SEMIFINALS - Waterloo Warriors 7, Columbus 5; Sioux City 4, Valley-Dowling 3.

7TH PLACE - Dubuque 3, Ames 2.

5TH PLACE - Omaha 8, Urbandale 2.

3RD PLACE - Columbus 11, Valley-Dowling 3.

CHAMPIONSHIP - Waterloo Warriors 3, Sioux City 1.

### Final Scoring Leaders

Player	GP	G	A	Pts.
Simon, Col.	20	37	36	73
Smith, Col.	20	34	39	73
Henn, Warriors	20	31	17	48
W.E. Ames	19	25	19	44
Stoip, Omaha	22	20	23	43
Gericke, Warriors	20	18	25	43
Krueger, Val-Dowling	22	25	17	42
Willund, Urbandale	22	21	20	41
Courtney, Dubuque	19	25	16	41
Weissenfelt, Col.	20	22	17	40

### Final Goaltending Leaders

Player	W	L	T	SOG	Svs	Pct
Doland, Wat.	13	6	1	544	498	91.5
J. Miller, V.D.	4	0	0	134	122	91.0
Moose, V.D.	4	1	0	109	98	89.9
Geiger, V.D.	6	4	1	408	366	89.7
Lanigan, Col.	9	0	0	212	189	89.2
Abbott, Col.	9	2	0	233	205	88.0
Smith, Dub.	8	11	1	721	634	87.9

### Final Team Statistics

Team	G	A	SH	PP	Pts	Modell	DG
Columbus	154	192	0	36	348	2	0
Valley-Dowling	104	123	3	30	227	2	0
Sioux City	133	153	12	22	286	11	5
Warriors	102	129	1	25	231	6	0
Omaha	94	111	6	17	205	5	3
Dubuque	74	104	2	23	178	23	7
Ames	64	68	1	16	132	12	2
Urbandale	71	99	2	17	170	11	2
Mason City	40	46	1	10	86	5	1

## Warriors Schedule

Head coach: Dave Swick, Sr.  
 1989-90 record: 16-6-1  
 Nov. 16 - at Omaha Lancers, 8 p.m.  
 Nov. 17 - at Sioux City, 3 p.m.  
 Nov. 23 - Dubuque, 7:30 p.m.  
 Nov. 24 - at Ames, 7:30 p.m.  
 Nov. 29 - Mason City, 8 p.m.  
 Dec. 1 - at Urbandale, 7 p.m.  
 Dec. 7 - Ames, 8 p.m.  
 Dec. 8-9 - at Pepsi Cup  
 Dec. 14 - at Mason City, 7:30 p.m.  
 Dec. 15 - at Omaha Gladiators, 7:30 p.m.  
 Dec. 16 - at St. Joseph, 11:15 a.m.  
 Dec. 21 - Valley-Dowling, 8 p.m.  
 Jan. 4 - Mason City, 8 p.m.  
 Jan. 5 - at Urbandale, 2 p.m.  
 Jan. 11 - Dubuque, 7:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 12 - Omaha Lancers, 8 p.m.  
 Jan. 18 - Urbandale, 8 p.m.  
 Jan. 19 - Omaha Gladiators, 8 p.m.  
 Jan. 25 - Sioux City, 10 p.m.  
 Jan. 26 - St. Joseph, 8 p.m.  
 Feb. 8 - Ames, 8 p.m.  
 Feb. 9 - at Valley-Dowling, 2 p.m.  
 Feb. 15 - at Dubuque, 6:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 16 - Urbandale, 8 p.m.  
 Feb. 22 - at Mason City, 7:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 23 - at Ames, 7:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 24 - at Dubuque, 4:30 p.m.  
 March 1-3 - at State Tournament  
 March 8-10 - at State Junior Varsity tournament

**RETURNING LETTERWINNERS (16)** — K.C. Doland, Larry Heggebo, Chris McFarland, Quinn Ernster, Jason Reiseck, Andy Bloom, Jeff Glaspie, Ben MacLennan, Jake Bloom, David Lanigan, Jeremy Sullivan, Jason Rose, Jeff Chamberlin, Benji Buckley, John Van Erem, Ross Barab.

Dowling, Sioux City, St. Joseph and the two Omaha teams in the West.

The schedule calls for 26 league games this year after the East played 20 each and the West 22 in 1989-90.

The state tournament championship the Warriors won in March was their fourth with the others coming in 1980, '83 and '85. Three other times, Waterloo has been the state tourney runner-up.