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Indoor Track & Field



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Current records – Men: 3-1 Overall, 0-0 MAC; Women: 3-1 Overall, 0-0 MAC

THOMPSON EARNS PROVISIONAL MARK AT ECACs

The University at Buffalo participated at the ECAC/IC4A Indoor Track and Field Championships at Boston's Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center. The meet concluded Sunday with the UB women finishing 15th among 48 scoring schools with 19 points in the ECAC Championships.

UB's women were paced by junior **Faith Thompson (Niagara Falls, NY/Niagara Falls)** with a pair of school records and an NCAA provisional qualifying mark. Thompson finished second in the 20-pound weight throw with a toss of 60-8.75 (18.51m). The throw broke her week-old mark, set at the MAC Championships, by four and a quarter inches and provisionally qualified her for next week's NCAA Indoor Championships in Fayetteville, AR. Thompson also took seventh in the shot put at 45-2.25 (13.77m), bettering her previous record by three and a half inches.

Biaunca McFarland (Binghamton, NY/Binghamton) finished second in the triple jump at 41-0.25 (12.50m) and anchored UB's record-setting 4x400 relay team which placed 10th in the preliminaries in 3:48.40 to break the mark set last week at the MAC meet by more than a second. **Jennelle Callendar (Brooklyn, NY/Brooklyn Tech)**, **Christina Keck (Erie, PA/McDowell)** and **Krystal Seiling (Lewiston, NY/Lewiston-Porter)** preceded McFarland with the baton. Keck also broke her own school record in the mile with her preliminary time of 4:51.00 to place fourth. She shaved four seconds off the previous best.

Other highlights for the UB women included **Laura Olson (Lyons, NY/Lyons)** taking eighth in the pole vault at 11-11.75 (3.65m). **Allison Laske (Canandaigua, NY/Canandaigua Academy)** placed 16th in the 800-meter run in 2:15.02. The distance medley relay team of Laske, Seiling, Callender and **Kate Kohout (Clarence, NY/Clarence)** was 15th in 12:41.91.

UB's men, meanwhile finished 35th among the 48 scoring teams and nearly 80 overall team entries in the IC4A Championships. **Byron McKinney (Amherst, NY/Sweet Home)** scored all six of the Bulls' points in the meet with his third place finish in the shot put. McKinney broke his own school record with a toss of 56-6.50 (17.23m) to better his old mark, set last season by 8.25 inches. **Jerimie Slick (Rochester, NY/Greece-Athena)** finished 10th in the 5000-meters in 14:39.77 and **Joe Clark (Amherst, NY/Sweet Home)** took 11th in the 200-meter final in 22.18.

McFARLAND AND OLSON WITH SHOTS AT NCAA FIELD ALSO

Earlier in the season, UB provisionally qualified two other women's athletes for the upcoming NCAA meet. Senior **Biaunca McFarland (Binghamton, NY/Binghamton)** and junior **Laura Olson (Lyons, NY/Lyons)** have attained their standards in the triple jump and pole vault, respectively. McFarland currently holds the UB triple jump record at 41-10 (12.75m) while Olson has improved on her pole vault mark all season and holds the school record at 12-9.50 (3.90m).

2002 - 2003 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

December

Sat., 7 at Kent State Open No team scoring

January

Sat., 11 at Black Squirrel Inv. No team scoring

Sat., 25 at Cornell Five-Way M: 2nd of 5 W: 2nd of 5

February

Sat., 1 at Penn State National Open No team scoring

Sat., 8 at Colgate Class of '32 Inv. M: 1st of 9 W: 1st of 9

Fri.-Sat., 14-15 at Army Invitational No team scoring

Sat., 15 at Kane Invitational No team scoring

Fri.-Sat., 28-1 at MAC Championships M: 8th of 10 W: 9th of 12

March

Fri.-Sat., 7-8 at ECAC/IC4A Chmpnshps M: 35th of 48 W: 15th of 48

Fri.-Sat., 14-15 at NCAA Championships 10:00 am

All times local

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