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## Outdoor Track & Field

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

### BUSY WEEK FOR UB TRACKSTERS

UB's women's track and field athletes won 10 events as the Bulls concluded the Bucknell Bison Open over the weekend. There was no team scoring in the meet that featured schools from throughout Pennsylvania and New York.

**Faith Thompson (Niagara Falls, NY/Niagara Falls)** won two events, setting school records in both competitions. Thompson broke her own mark in the shot put with a toss of 50-9.25 (15.47m), bettering the old distance by nearly two feet set last month. Thompson also shattered Sarah Fletcher's 2002 record in the hammer throw. Thompson won the event with a throw of 197-6 (60.21m), almost 10 feet better than Fletcher.

**Sarah Vance (Lockport, NY/Lockport)** set a season-best and personal record with her victory in the discus throw at 153-6 (46.79m). Vance also finished second to Thompson in the shot put, qualifying for the NCAA regional meet, at 49-7 (15.11m) and was fifth in the hammer at 168-0 (51.20m).

Sprinter **Stacy Downer (Philadelphia, PA/Dobbins Tech)** won two individual races and was part of UB's two relay winners. Downer set season-best times to win the 100-meters in 12.19 seconds and the 200-meters in 24.87 seconds. Downer anchored the 4x100-meter relay squad to a season-best time of 47.23 seconds. **Dana Ventrone (Pittsburgh, PA/Chartiers Valley)**, **Charisse Everett (Rochester, NY/Edison Tech)** and **Vashone Wallace (Lackawanna, NY/Lackawanna)** ran the first three legs of the relay. Downer opened the 4x400-meter relay as the Bulls finished in 3:51.13. Wallace, **Jen Jezorski (Elmira, NY/Elmira Southside)** and **Celestine Coney (Lyons, NY/Lyons)** made up the rest of the foursome.

Jezorski turned in a season-best and established a new personal record with her victory in the 1,500-meter run. Jezorski took the invitational flight of the event in 4:29.48, just missing the regional qualifying mark by a second and a half. Coney established season bests in both hurdles races, setting a school record in the 400-meter hurdles. She won the 400-meter hurdles in 1:01.27, breaking Katie Scott's 2000 mark of 1:01.84. She also finished third in the 100-meter distance in 14.91 seconds. Freshman distance specialist **Aleksandra Bykowska (Poznan, Poland/Third High School in Poznan)** won the 3,000-meter run in 10:12.69. **Jessica Lister (Rodman, NY/South Jefferson)** tied for first with three other entrants in the pole vault. Lister cleared 11-3.75 (3.45m).

Although the UB men did not post any winners, they did finish high with top five finishes in nine events.

Weight thrower **George Fetchko (Warren, OH/Howland)** posted a second-place finish in the shot put at 50-0 (15.24m). Fetchko also established a season-best distance for a third-place showing in the discus at 144-9 (44.12m). **Michael Giordano (Springville, NY/Springville)** was fourth in the shot put at 49-5.75 (15.08m).

**Gary Asbach (Grand Island, NY/Grand Island)** was third in the long jump at 22-9 (6.93m) and fifth in the triple jump at 44-11 (13.69m). **Brian Heim (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** set a season-best with a 52.77 clocking in the 400-meter hurdles.

Heim and Asbach were also part of UB's fourth-place 4x100-meter relay team. **Ryan Brennan (Rochester, NY/Aquinas)** and **Eric Bream (Lockport, NY/Lockport)** ran the first two legs with Heim and Asbach following as the foursome turned in a time of 43.06 seconds. Brennan, **Paul Riley (Buffalo, NY/Canisius)**, **Chris McClure (Trumansburg, NY/Trumansburg)** and Heim placed fourth in the 4x400-meter relay in 3:23.53.

### KOEPPEL SETS 10,000 RECORD

While the rest of the squad was at Bucknell, senior **Jenny Koepfel (Amherst, NY/Amherst)** was on the other side of the country, competing at the Mount SAC Relays at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut, CA. Against some of the country's best athletes, Koepfel broke her own school record in the 10,000-meters with a time of 35:32.65, breaking her old mark set last year. She finished 33rd in a field of 41 runners.

### MULTI-ATHLETES FARE WELL IN KNOXVILLE

At the University of Tennessee's Sea Ray Relays, multi-athletes **Todd Joki (Saratoga Springs, NY/Schuylerville)** and **Patrice Coney (Lyons, NY/Lyons)** put up impressive numbers. Joki finished seventh in the decathlon while Coney was eighth in the heptathlon. Joki finished the 10-event, two-day competition with 6,272 points. He finished second in the 400-meters in 49.35 seconds for his highest finish. Coney scored 4,627 total points in the seven women's events. Her best finish came in the meet's final competition, the 800-meters, as she took second in the 17-woman field in 2:20.65.

### 2005 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

#### March

Fri.-Sat., 18-19 at Seahawk Invitational M: 2nd of 8; W: 1st of 7  
Fri.-Sat., 25-26 at Raleigh Relays No team scoring

#### April

Sat., 2 at Ohio Invitational M: 4th of 9; W: 1st of 11  
Wed.-Thu., 13-14 at Sea Ray Relays (multis) No team scoring  
Fri., 15 at Mount SAC Relays (10,000) No team scoring  
Fri.-Sat., 15-16 at Bison Open No team scoring  
**Sat., 23 UB OPEN 11:00 am**  
Thu.-Sat., 28-30 at Gino Relays 11:00 am

#### May

Sat., 7 at Akron Open 11:00 am  
Thu.-Sat. 12-14 at MAC Championships 11:00 am  
Fri.-Sat., 27-28 at NCAA East Regionals TBA

#### June

Wed.-Sat., 8-11 at NCAA Championships TBA  
All times Eastern. Home meets in **BOLD** caps.

### WOMEN'S REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

Vanessa Roelefson (javelin) 161-9 (49.30m)  
Faith Thompson (hammer) 197-6 (60.21m)  
Faith Thompson (shot put) 50-9.25 (15.47m)  
Sarah Vance (shot put) 49-7 (15.11m)

### MEN'S REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

Todd Joki (110 hurdles) 14.31