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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

TWO WINS, FIVE RECORDS HIGHLIGHT PENN RELAYS

UB's men's and women's track and field teams posted five new school records and picked up a pair of victories at the annual Penn Relays at Franklin Field in Philadelphia.

Senior **Bianca McFarland (Binghamton, NY/Binghamton)** won the women's Eastern triple jump for the second time in the last three years. McFarland took the event with a jump of 40-11.50 (12.48m). The school-record holder in the event, McFarland won the same event in the 2001 Penn Relays at 40-2 (12.24m).

The UB women also posted a victory with a record-setting performance in the ECAC 4x800 relay championships on Saturday. The foursome of **Christina Keck (Erie, PA/McDowell)**, **Allison Laske (Canandaigua, NY/Canandaigua Academy)**, **Jen Jezorski (Elmira, NY/Elmira Southside)** and **Kate Kohout (Clarence, NY/Clarence)** turned in a time of 8:51.81, slicing more than 10 seconds off the previous record set in 2000.

Two other women's relay teams also set records. The 4x400 squad also broke a school record in the event's preliminary heats. The foursome of **Jenelle Callender (Brooklyn, NY/Brooklyn Tech)**, Keck, **Krystal Seiling (Lewiston, NY/Lewiston-Porter)** and McFarland turned in a 3:46.60 clocking to break the previous mark by two seconds and move into the championship round. The team then finished eighth in the finals on Saturday with a time of 3:48.40. The 4x200 team of Callender, **Pauletta Dickerson (Wichita, KS/Northeast Magnet)**, Seiling and McFarland posted a 1:39.40 showing to finish fourth in its heat and 25th overall to break the mark set by the same foursome in March.

Women's pole vaulter **Laura Olson (Lyons, NY/Lyons)** again shattered her own mark in the event. Olson placed second overall with a vault of 13-1.50 (4.00m) to finish behind only Arkansas' April Steiner who vaulted 14-0 (4.27m). It was the fourth time this season that Olson had bettered her own record and improved on the 13-0.25 (3.97m) mark she had posted the week before in winning the UB Chancellor's Cup meet.

Men's distance specialist **Jerimie Slick (Rochester, NY/Greece-Olympia)** blazed to a new record in the 5,000-meter run. Slick sliced nearly 20 seconds off of **Todd Ludden's (Hornell, NY/Hornell)** mark of 2002 with his time of 14:14.54. It also qualified Slick for the NCAA Regional meet later this season.

Other individuals turning in impressive marks at the prestigious meet included men's weight thrower **Keith Gentes (Warwick, RI/Bishop Hendricken)**. Gentes placed fourth in the hammer throw with a toss of 185-1 (56.41m). Men's pole vaulter **Dan Simpson (Rochester, NY/Gates-Chili)** tied for fifth in his event with a leap of 15-1 (4.60m). **Faith Thompson (Niagara Falls, NY/Niagara Falls)** finished eighth in the Eastern shot put at 43-5 (13.23m).

The meet began with a pair of multi-athletes faring well in the men's decathlon and women's heptathlon events. **Carlos Williams (Jamestown, NY/Westfield Academy)** placed fifth in the 10-event decathlon with 6,337 points while **Katie Love (Hamburg, NY/Hamburg)** finished 10th in the seven-event heptathlon competition with a career-best 4,115 points.

Both squads are expected to see Mid-American Conference competition once again this season when they travel to this weekend's Akron Invitational.

2003 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

March

Thu.-Sun., 20-23	at Alabama Relays	M: 20th of 24 only relay events scored	W: (t) 10th of 23
Fri.-Sat., 28-29	at Raleigh Relays	No team scoring	

April

Sat., 5	at McDonald's Invite	M: 3rd of 8	W: 1st of 8
Fri.-Sat., 11-12	at Sea Ray Relays	No team scoring	
Sat., 19	CHANCELLOR'S CUP	M: 1st of 6	W: 1st of 6
Thu.-Sat., 24-26	at Penn Relays	No team scoring	

May

Fri.-Sat., 2-3	at Akron Invite	All Day	
Thu.-Sat., 15-17	at MAC Championships	All Day	
Fri.-Sat., 30-31	at NCAA East Regional	All Day	

June

Wed.-Sat., 11-14	at NCAA Championships	All Day	
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All times Eastern

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