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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

BULLS PREPARE FOR MACs AT AKRON MEET

In the final tune up before the Mid-American Conference Championships, the University at Buffalo men's and women's track and field teams were victorious in two events apiece at the University of Akron's Campbell/Wright Open at Lee Jackson Track and Field Complex.

UB weight thrower **Faith Thompson (Niagara Falls, NY/Niagara Falls)** was again victorious in the hammer throw with a toss of 190-10 (58.17m). The hammer throw victory was Thompson's sixth in the seven meets that she has competed in during the season. Thompson also placed third in the shot put at 47-4.25 (14.43m).

For the UB men, distance specialist **Andy Wigton (Rochester, NY/Greece-Athena)** picked up a victory in the 3,000-meter run, an event not typically run in championship competition. Wigton clocked a time of 8:43.78 to lead three UB runners across the finish line. **Dan McKenna (Liverpool, NY/Liverpool)** was fourth in 8:53.17 and **Steve Strelick (Rochester, NY/Greece-Athena)** was sixth in 8:56.91.

Both of UB's 4x400-meter relay squads were victorious on Saturday. The women's team finished in 3:47.17. The men's team finished in 3:24.01.

Sarah Vance (Lockport, NY/Lockport) scored a second-place finish in the women's discus throw at 143-2 (43.64m). She also eclipsed her season best with a toss of 175-6 (53.50m) in the hammer throw to place third. **Megan Housel (Webster, NY/Webster Schroeder)** finished third in the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 11:50.4. **Jessica Lister (Rodman, NY/South Jefferson)** established a season best in the pole vault at 11-11.75 (3.65m) to also finish third. **Charrise Everett (Rochester, NY/Edison Tech)** also finished third in the long jump at 18-3.75 (5.58m) and clocked a season-best 12.04 in the 100-meters to finish fourth.

The UB men also picked up a pair of third-place finishes from **Brian Heim (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** and **Mike Giordano (Springville, NY/Springville)**. Heim clocked a 53.94 in the 400-meter hurdles while Giordano turned in a season-best performance in the shot put at 53-2.75 (16.22m).

The Bulls return to the Buckeye State for the MAC Championships at Ohio University starting on Thursday, May 12 with competition continuing through Saturday.

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 No team scoring
Thu.-Sat., 28-30 at Gina Relays No team scoring

May

Sat., 7 at Campbell/Wright Open No team scoring
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

Celestine Coney (400 hurdles) 1:00.63
Vanessa Roelofson (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)
Sarah Vance (discus) 157-4 (47.97m)

MEN'S REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

Todd Joki (110 hurdles) 14.31