

81st IC4A XC Championships
Waveny Park, New Haven, CT
November 11, 1989

CHAMPIONSHIP

Top individual finishers:

1. Sammy Cheruiyot, Mt. St. Mary's, 29:13; 2. Peter Rono, Mt. St. Mary's, 29:13; 3. John Trautman, Georgetown, 29:14; 4. Peter Sherry, Georgetown, 29:32; 5. James Gibson, Yale, 29:23; 6. David Burke, Providence, 29:34; 7. Ketil Hansen, BU, 29:39; 8. Mike Pieroni, BC, 29:41; 9. Keith Dowling, Pittsburgh, 29:44; 10. Terry Stillman, Dartmouth, 29:45.

Other UConn finishers: 40. Chris Owens 30:31; 70. Mark Militello 31:11; 81. Mike Whittelsey 31:18; 82. Bob Speers 31:18; 93. Bill Gill 31:24.

Top Navy finishers: 15. D. Brown, 29:57; 16. C. Tipton, 29:58. 28. Keller, 30:18; 33. Flores, 30:21. 54. Conover, 30:47.

Team scores

1. Georgetown 112; 2. Dartmouth 120; 3. Navy 137; 4. BU 147; 5. Penn St. 151; 6. Providence 155; 7. Bucknell 208; 8. Yale 212; 9. Pittsburgh 277; 10. Brown 354; 11. UConn 365; 12. Harvard 423; 13. BC 425; 14. William & Mary 426; 15. UMass 432; 16. Princeton 452; 17. UNH 481; 18. Cornell 515; 19. St. John's 539; 20. W. Virginia 539; 21. Canisius 551; 22. La Salle 555; 23. Rider 562; 24. Columbia 579; 25. Mt. St. Mary's 591; 26. Penn 601; 27. St. Joseph's 605; 28. Fairleigh Dickinson 624; 29. Drexel 762; 30. Maine 835; 31. Fairfield 999.

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Top individual finishers:

1. Timothy Dunn, URI, 30:57; 2. Kevin Stovwer, Millersville, 30:59; 3. Kevin Mcowen, Rutgers, 31:07; 4. Joseph Galanes, Vermont, 31:08; 5. Tom Perry, Syracuse, 31:13; 6. Peter Ronchetti, Vermont, 31:16; 7. Michael Seegar, Villanova, 31:28; 8. Bill Frawley, Niagara, 31:30; 9. Joe Sluck, Lafayette, 31:31; 10. Kevin Roche, Manhattan,

31:32. 11. Paul Lobach (MB); 12. Steve Agar (Ma); 13. Tim Connely (Fo); 14. Peter Aquilone (Fo); 15. Gary Sluck (La); 22. Paul Vanwagenen (Le); 41. Peter Bennett (Le); 42. Gary Dennis (La); 55. Jim Gross (Le); 78. John Anestar (Le); 79. Brian Corcoran (La); 90. Jeff McCormick (La); 98. Josh Garber (La); 99. Andrew Vandenbrul (Le); 112. James Carty (Le).

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UMBC finishers: 51. Chris Burdette, 32:53; 61. Ron Kurz, 33:02; 73. Rob Megin, 33:24; 83. Rob Torres, 33:39.

Team scores

1. Fordham 83; 2. Vermont 94; 3. Syracuse 121; 4. James Madison 130; 5. Villanova 148; 6. URI 153; 7. Colgate 209; 8. Rutgers 218; 9. Lafayette 222; 10. Maryland-Baltimore County 263; 11. Lehigh 278; 12. Millersville 287; 13. Niagara 344; 14. Seton Hall 377; 15. C. Conn. St. 399; 16. Monmouth 442; 17. Long Island 446; 18. Philadelphia Textile 452; 19. Towson St. 502; 20. Siena 509; 21. Brooklyn 555.

Cats win at IC4As

By JAMES MESZAROS

Staff Reporter

Led by a strong performance from senior Mike Seeger, and supported by solid finishes from each of its runners, the Villanova men's cross-country team fought muddy course conditions to post its best team effort of the season at Saturday's Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America (IC4A) Championships.

Running in the University Division Championship race, their final cross-country race of the season, the Wildcats captured fifth place out of a field of 30 teams. 'Nova's team score was bettered only by Fordham, Vermont, Syracuse, and James Madison, while Rhode Island, Rutgers, Colgate and Lafayette placed behind the Cats in the standings.

The IC4A, which is composed of 93 Eastern schools and which is the oldest collegiate athletic association in the country (established in 1876), held its 81st cross-country championship this year. In past years, Villanova has won ten titles (most recently in 1983), including a record six straight from 1966-71.

Hosted by Yale University on the Waveny Park grounds in New Canaan, CT, this year's IC4A Championships featured a race course that was slightly shorter than the standard 10,000-meter length and was also in very poor condition.

Nevertheless, V.U. received some very determined efforts from both its individual runners

and the team as a whole. Seeger, whose normal race distance on the track is 800m — came through with an excellent race in his last a Wildcat uniform. His time of 31:28 was good enough to earn him seventh overall.

"Mike ran a very good race for us," said Head Coach Dr. Charles Jenkins.

Added Seeger, "This was my best cross-country race ever, and that made me especially happy since it was also my last cross country race in college."

Not to be overlooked Saturday was the performance of junior Chuck Van Horn, 'Nova's second finisher. Van Horn continued on his steady string of strong running that has made him a valuable scorer for V.U. this season, this time placing 23rd in 31:59.

Curt Koehler and Mike Strelleckis were two seniors who, in addition to Seeger, were also running their final cross-country races for Villanova. Koehler was third for V.U. and 33rd overall with a time of 32:21, while Strelleckis overcame a foot injury to finish seventh for the Wildcats and 65th overall (33:08).

Placing fourth through sixth for Villanova were: sophomore Tim Pollis (38th, 32:28), freshman Brad Sumner (56th, 32:58), and freshman Chris McDermott (58th, 33:00).

"All our finishers ran their best times of the year, even taking into account that the course was a bit shorter," said Assistant Coach Jack Pyrah. "Now that our distance runners have benefitted from the strength work of cross-country training, we are looking forward to their entering the indoor track season at distances more suited to their middle-distance talent."

Penn State harriers qualify for NCAA meet

The Penn State men's cross country team finished third in the NCAA Region II cross country meet at New Caanan, Conn., on Saturday, good enough to qualify for the NCAA championship race at Annapolis, Md., on Nov. 20.

The Nittany Lions finished with 84 points behind Georgetown (65) and Navy (77). Bucknell (115) and Pitt (152) rounded out the top five in the 19-team field.

Sam Cheruiyot and Peter Rono of Mount St. Mary's shared the individual honors, covering Yale's 10-kilometer layout in 29:13. John Trautman (29:14) and Peter Sherry (29:18) of Georgetown, and Yale's James Gibson (29:23) rounded out the top five.

Penn State's top finisher was **Doug Walter**, who placed 15th in 29:57. Other Nittany Lion runners included **Steve Brown** (18th, 29:58); **Ken Frazier** (32nd, 30:25); **Mike Castillo** (45th, 30:37); **Jeff Novak** (49th, 30:43); **Aidan O'Reilly** (81st, 31:15), and **Mike Crescenzi** (89th, 31:19).

"They came here to qualify for NCAAs, and they did it," Penn State Coach Harry Groves said. "It wasn't their best effort, but they did enough to get there."

Two other races were scored on Saturday, and Penn State finished

fifth in the 31-team IC4A field with 151 points, behind Georgetown (112), Dartmouth (120), Navy (137) and Boston University (147).

And Penn State finished first in the coaches' championship with 41 points, ahead of Bucknell (54), Dartmouth (76), Harvard (85) and Penn (157).

Lions Mark Anderson (30:53) and **Dave Heffner** (30:59.6) finished 1-2 and will represent Penn State in the NCAA meet. Other Lion finishers in that race included **Andy Scott** (seventh, 31:23.5), **Phil Mellott** (18th, 31:47.3) and **Steve Boyd** (31:50.1).

Navy qualifies for NCAA meet in cross country

NEW CANAAN, Conn. — Navy finished second at the National Collegiate Athletic Association District II qualifying meet yesterday, earning the Midshipmen the right to compete in the NCAA Division I cross country championships at the Naval Academy Nov. 20.

Mount St. Mary's had the top two finishers in the 10,000-meter race, with Kip Cheruiyot winning in 29 minutes, 13 seconds, and Peter Rono next, also at 29:13.

Navy scored 77 points, finishing behind **Georgetown** (65) in the District II competition. Three teams from District II earn berths in the championship. **Penn State** placed third with 84 points.

The meet included teams from District I. Navy finished third overall in the combined score, behind Georgetown and Region I power **Dartmouth**.

Don Brown, who finished 15th overall in 29:57, and Chris Tipton, 16th in 29:58, led the Midshipmen. Navy's other scoring runners included Greg Keller (28th in 30:18), Frank Flores (33rd in 30:21) and Mike Conover (54th in 30:47). Those place numbers represent the runners' overall finish in the combined District I/District II meet.

In the university race, Fordham won the team competition with 83 points. **The University of Maryland Baltimore County** placed 10th with 264 points, and **Towson State** finished 19th with 502.