

5th ECAC Championships
George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
May 14-15, 1988

Fairfax, Virginia, May 14-15 (5/14--5000, 10,000, HJ, LJ, SP, JT, heats)--

Teams: 1. George Mason 108; 2. Penn State 87; 3. Pitt 43; 4. Villanova 40; 5. Syracuse 32; 6. Boston U 28; 7. Seton Hall 27; 8. Temple 24 (35 scored).

100(0.1), Williams' (SH) 11.67; 2. Gage (GM) 11.72.

200(-0.4), Williams' 23.63; 2. Dendy (GM) 23.71; 3. Brant (FD) 24.11.

400, Dendy 52.24; 2. Smith (Brown) 53.15; 3. Demas' (Pitt) 53.50; 4. Rainey (Har) 53.6h. Heats: II-1. Dendy 53.30.

800, Lanctot (BosU) 2:06.09; 2. Bennett (Vill) 2:06.25; 3. Marshall (SH) 2:06.26.

1500, Huber (Vill) 4:09.15 (CL) (9, x C; 6, x AmC); 2. Halliday (Vill) 4:22.3h; 3. Franey (Vill) 4:23.39; 4. Cattivera (Prin) 4:23.47; 5. DiMuro (Vill) 4:24.01; 6. S.E. Smith (Yale) 4:27.0h.

Heats: I-1. Huber 4:20.78.

3000, Volpe (GM) 9:46.80; 2. Weekes (BosC) 9:49.6; 3. Prey (PennSt) 9:50.13.

5000, S.P. Smith (Yale) 16:34.99; 2. Petsovich (NEn) 16:43.49.

10,000, Wakem (Ct) 35:17.7; 2. O'Neill (GM) 35:33.4.

100H(1.2), Williams (Penn) 14.00; 2. Dudley (Pitt) 14.11; 3. Burke (Vill) 14.12.

400H, Bridgeforth (Temp) 56.68; 2. Ellerbe (WV) 56.96; 3. Knijn' (BosU) 57.32; 4. Marsh (PennSt) 60.0; 5. Allen (GM) 60.9.

Heats: I-1. Ellerbe 59.71. II-1. Bridgeforth 58.18; 2. Knijn' 58.83.

4 x 100, George Mason 45.61 (Gage, Comer, Allen, Dendy); 2. West Virginia 46.44; 3. Fairleigh Dickinson 46.44.

Heats: II-1. George Mason 45.52.

4 x 400, Pitt 3:41.26 (Dudley, Hope, Cupid, Demas'); 2. George Mason 3:41.43; 3. West Virginia 3:43.05; 4. Penn State 3:43.1h.

4 x 800, Penn State 8:40.13 (Daniely, O'Toole, Quinn, Moody); 2. George Mason 8:51.57; 3. Pitt 8:52.61.

HJ, Hodges (Temp) 6-0; 2. tie, Deffer (ct), Halpin (Ct) & Williams (PennSt) 5-8.

LJ, Gage 20-9 3/4; 2. Rottkamp (BosU) 20-5; 3. Mann (PennSt) 20-3.

TJ, Gage 41-5 1/4; 2. Wise (Buck) 41-3 1/4; 3. Mann 40-10 1/4; 3. Rottkamp 40-3 1/4.

SP, Thomas (Syr) 46-6.

DT, Thomas 141-11.; 2. Foster (HC) 140-3. HT, Lancel (RI) 156-0.

JT, Moyer (PennSt) 158-8; 2. Richter (NH) 157-5; 3. DeSantis (Mass) 153-9.

Hept, Connell (PennSt) 5097; 2. Bansemer (Rut) 4913; 3. Ford (PennSt) 4778.

**ECAC DIVISION I
WOMEN'S OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS
At Fairfax, Va.**

Events in meters

5,000—1, Sara Smith, Yale, 16:34.99;
2, Donna Petrsovich, Northeastern,
16:43.49; 3, Elizabeth Brenden,
Georgetown, 16:46.06.

10,000—1, Lisa Waken, U. Conn.,
35:17.70; 2, Cassie O'Neill, George
Mason, 35:33.40; 3, Romney Resney,
Harvard, 36:12.60.

Heptathlon—1, Pam Connel, Penn
State, 5097 points; 2, Anne Bansemer,
Rutgers, 4913; 3, Deb Ford, Penn
State, 4778.

Javelin—1, Melissa Moyer, Penn State,
158'8"; 2, Sandy Richter, New Hamp-
shire, 157'5"; 3, Carla DeSantis,
Mass., 153'9".

High jump—1, Felicia Hodges, Temple,
6'0"; 2 (tie) Ronna Deffer, U. Conn.,
Erin Halpin, U. Conn., and Jenny Wil-
liams, Penn State, 5'8".

Long jump—1, Nena Cage, George Ma-
son, 20'10"; 2, Margaret Rottkamp,
Boston U., 20'5"; 3, Carmen Mann,
Penn State, 20'3".

Shot Put—1, Patrina Thomas, Syracuse,
46'6"; 2, Lynn Laneel, Rhode Island,
45'4"; 3, Audra Corson, George Ma-
son, 43'11".

Team totals—1, Penn State, 42 points;
2, George Mason, 28; 3, U. Conn., 22;
4, Syracuse, 14; 5, Temple, 14; 6, Yale
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Mason ends Lady Lions' ECAC reign

Penn State's seven-year stranglehold on first place in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference women's track and field championships has been loosened.

George Mason, the host team, overtook the Lady Lions in the final day and went on to score 108 points yesterday in Fairfax, Va. Penn State finished with 87 points, and Pitt was third (43).

"We ran season bests in all the relays and had a school record and some season bests in other events," Penn State Coach Teri Jordan said. "But we just couldn't hold off Mason. As predicted, they swept the sprints. With so many of the top sprint schools not here to get some of those points, we just couldn't compete with their point total.

"I really can't be disappointed. I'm proud of them for working hard and setting some season bests. We also had a lot of people close to NCAA qualifying marks and if they can pick them up, it would be a great way to end the season."

Penn State's lone winner yesterday was the 4x800 relay team of Pam Daniely, Kiernan O'Toole, Julie Moody and Ann Marie Quinn. They combined for a meet record 8:40.13, which broke the mark of 8:48.27 set by Penn State in 1981.

Carmen Mann set a Lady Lions' record with a third-place finish in the triple jump in 40-feet-10 $\frac{1}{4}$, but just missed qualifying for NCAA's. Marsh finished fifth in the 100 hurdles in 14.18, which nearly missed a Penn State record.

Nena Gage of George Mason won the triple jump (41-5 $\frac{1}{4}$), and Penn's Christel Williams captured the 100 hurdles (14.0).

The 4x400 relay team of Ernestine Marsh, Teressa DiPerna, Ashley Williams and Janice Carter placed fourth with a season best of 3:43.10, and the 4x100 quartet of Lisa Chess, Janice Carter, Williams and Leslie Hummer finished fifth in a season best of 46.87.

George Mason won the 4x100 relay (45.61), and Pitt won the 4x400 (3:41.26).

Other top finishers for the Lady Lions were Stacy Prey, third in the 3,000 (9:50.13), Brenna O'Connor, fourth in the discus (135-3), Melissa Moyer, fourth in the hammer throw (146-10), Carter, fifth in the 400 (54.70), Marsh, fourth in the 400 hurdles (1:00.00) and Pam Connell, sixth in that event (1:01.70).

Other winners yesterday were Angela Williams of Seton Hall in the 100 (11.6) and 200 (23.63), Terri Dendy of George Mason in the 400 (meet record 52.54), Jennifer Lancot of Boston University in the 800 (2:06.09), Nadine Bridgeforth of Temple in the 400 hurdles (meet-record 56.68), Vicki Huber of Villanova in the 1,500 (meet record 4:09.15), Andrea Volpe of George Mason in the 3,000 (9:46.80), Lynn Lancel of Rhode Island in the hammer throw (meet record 156-feet) and Katrina Thomas of Syracuse in the discus (141-11).

PSU early leader in ECACs

Victories by Pam Connell in the heptathlon and Melissa Moyer in the javelin and thirds by Deb Ford (heptathlon) and Carmen Mann (long jump) and a tie for second by Jenny Williams in the high jump have powered Penn State to the early lead in Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Track and Field Championships at Fairfax, Va., yesterday.

The Lady Lions, seeking their eighth straight ECAC title, have 42 points going into today's final session. George Mason has 28 followed by Connecticut (22), Syracuse and Temple (14 each) and Yale (10).

Connell scored 5,097 points to defend her title in the heptathlon, which started Friday on the George Mason campus. Ford had 4,778 points for third.

Moyer, meanwhile, tossed the javelin 158-8 to win her specialty.

Williams cleared 5-8 in the high jump and shared second with two other jumpers. Felicia Hodges of Temple, the 1988 winner at the Penn Relays, won the event at 6-0, which meets the NCAA qualifying standard.

Nena Gage of George Mason won the long jump at 20-10. Mann's distance was 20-3 and teammate Stephanie Gurysh was sixth at 19-4.

In the shot put, Patrina Thomas of Syracuse was the winner at 46-6, with Penn State's Connie Sweet fifth at 43-2.

Sara Smith of Yale won the 5K in 16:34.99 and Lisa Walker of UConn won the 10K in 35:17.70, with Penn State's Emily Hass No. 6 at 39:07.20.

"We had our ups and downs," Coach Teri Jordan of Penn State said last night. "We don't have any finalists in the 100, 200, 800 and 1,500. Villanova stacked six girls in the 1,500 and all six advanced.

"Some of the top sprint schools — Delaware State and Morgan State — decided not to come to the meet. Plus, St. John's didn't get its entries in on time.

"Plus, some of the kids we were counting on didn't come through. We're certainly not going to go down without a fight, but I wish I could be optimistic. George Mason is going to be awfully tough with Teri Denby and Nena Gage. George Mason is strong in the sprints and the relays.

"We still have Janet Carter in the 400 finals, Ernestine Marsh and Connell in the 400 hurdles, Marsh in the 100 hurdles, plus we're still alive in all three relays.

"The 3,000 final, triple jump, discus and hammer are on Sunday's program, too."

Connell, in repeating as the heptathlon champion, ran a lifetime best in the 100 hurdles (14.75 seconds) and placed second. She tied for second in the high jump (5-6) and wound up fourth in the shot at 32-7. She won the 200 in 25.47, a lifetime best, and tied for first in the long jump (with Ford) with a leap of 18-5 $\frac{1}{4}$. She was fifth in the javelin (92-6) and first in the 800 with a season best of 2:17.54. She scored 5,116 points in winning the title a year ago.

"Ford's 4,778 is a lifetime best," Jordan said. "Moyer's throw also was a personal best, the same with Mann (in the long jump)."

Wakem wins 10,000: UConn's

Lisa Wakem won the 10,000-meter run in 35 minutes, 17 seconds at the ECAC Women's Track Championships at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. Erin Halpin and Ronna Deffer finished in a second-place tie in the high jump at 5 feet, 8 inches.

■ **Vicki Huber** led a Villanova 1-2-3 sweep in the 1,500 meters with a time of 4 minutes, 9.15 seconds in the ECAC Track and Field Championships in Fairfax, Va. **Celeste Halliday** was second and **Kathy Franey** third. Temple's **Naden Bridgeforth** qualified for the NCAA championships and the Olympic trials by setting a meet and site record in winning the 400-meter high hurdles in 56.68. Teammate **Felicia Hodges** also qualified for the high jump with a leap of 6-feet.

Vicki Huber clocked what was believed to be the second-fastest time in the world this year in the women's 1,500-meter run as she led a 1-2-3 Villanova sweep in the event at the ECAC Track and Field Championships in Fairfax, Va.

Huber was clocked in 4 minutes, 9.15 seconds, just a shade behind the 4:09.14 run on May 7 by **Mary Slaney** in Eugene, Ore.

The Wildcats' **Celeste Halliday** placed second in 4:22.30, and **Kathy Franey** was third in 4:23.39.

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Also at the ECAC meet, Temple's **Nadeen Bridgeforth** qualified for the Olympic trials and joined teammate **Felicia Hodges** in qualifying for the NCAA Championships.

Bridgeforth won the 400-meter hurdles in a meet-record time of 56.68, the year's second-fastest by a collegian. Hodges, who already has qualified for the Olympic trials, took the high jump with a leap of 6 feet.

PSU's Connell leader in NCAA qualifying event

Penn State sophomore Pam Connell has one more shot to qualify for the national championships in the heptathlon. Connell, the eastern champion in the event the past two years, needed 5,300 points to qualify, so a small meet was put together yesterday and today at Penn State's track.

Connell is the leader after the first day with 3,096 points. She won two of the four first-day events with a 14.7 in the 100-meter hurdles and 25.2 in the 200 dash. Connell needs 2,204 points today to qualify for the NCAA championships.

Jenny Williams, a Lady Lion teammate of Connell, won the high jump in 5-feet-9 $\frac{1}{4}$. Ann Bensemire of Rutgers captured the shot put in 35-8. The remaining competitors in the event are Penn State's Deb Ford, ex-Lady Lion Carla Criste, who is competing unattached and Penn State assistant coach Robyn Johnson, who also is unattached.

"It's not an impossible task for Pam to complete," Penn State Coach Teri Jordan said. "However, it's not in the bag either. She'll need strong efforts in each of the final events."

Today's events are the long jump, javelin and 800-meter run.

The W&M women concluded their season with a so-so performance in the ECAC championships last weekend at George Mason. Wendy Warren was the only scorer, placing fifth in the javelin.

Warren competed in her last meet for W&M, and placed fifth in the ECAC javelin with a best throw of 149-3. She had the second and third best throws of her career, and was third after the three trial throws. In the finals, she was bettered by two others to drop to fifth, scoring two points for W&M.

Kim Baumbach and Katie McCullough had the misfortune of competing in the two strongest events of the East Coast Athletic Conference meet, with competitors from all over the East, including George Mason, Penn State, and Villanova.

Baumbach ran 63.4 in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles trials to place 10th overall, but only the top eight made it to the finals. She was only two-tenths off her own school record. On Sunday, Baumbach scratched twice in the triple jump, then jumped only 35-10½ on her third try, and did not make the finals.

McCullough ran a PR 17:34.20 in the 5,000 meters, but it was only good for 14th place. She was in good position to score after a 5:29 opening mile, but dropped back. Last year W&M's Eleanor Carroll had placed fifth in the ECAC meet with a time one second slower than McCullough's Saturday time.