



2003 BAYLOR TRACK AND FIELD

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Sun Angel Classic

Joe Sellah Track at Sun Angel Stadium Tempe, Ariz Apr. 12, 2003

Field Events: 8 a.m.

Running Events: 4:30 p.m.

Invited Teams: Alabama, Arizona, Arizona State, Auburn, Baylor, Boise State, BYU, Colorado State, Florida, Northern Arizona, USC

THIS WEEK

The Bears will make their longest journey of the outdoor season so far when they travel to Tempe, Ariz. for the Sun Angel Classic at Arizona State's Joe Sellah Track at Sun Angel Stadium. Both the men and women will be up against tough competition. The list of invited teams on the men's side includes four teams ranked among the best in the nation in the *Trackwire* rankings. The top-ranked Auburn men have been invited as well as No. 5 USC, No. 17 Florida and No. 25 Boise State. For the women, USC is the highest-rated team at No. 4 followed by No. 6 Florida, No. 11 Auburn, No. 12 BYU and Arizona and Northern Arizona, who are tied at No. 23.

BEARS AMONG THE TRACKWIRE DANDY DOZEN

Four individuals and the men's 4x400 relay team are among those listed in the first outdoor installment of the *Trackwire* Dandy Dozen. The quartermilers lead the way for the men. Darold Williamson is 10th in the 400 followed by Jeremy Wariner in 12th. Both All-Americans run on the 4x400 relay, which also ranks 12th. On the women's side, Debbie Thornhill is listed as No. 10 in the 10,000-meters while Lakadron Ivery is 12th in the 100.

WILLMANN SHINES IN HEPTATHLON

After breaking the indoor school record in the pentathlon at the Big 12 Championships, junior Jordan Willmann has easily made the transition to the heptathlon for the outdoor campaign. At the College Station Multi Event Festival and Relays, Willmann took fourth with a provisional qualifying total of 5,102 points. In the process, she cleared a regional-qualifying height of 1.73m (5-8) in the high jump. She matched that high jump mark at the Texas relays en route to finishing second in the heptathlon, bettering her provisional mark to 5,152.

WOMEN MEET REGIONAL STANDARDS AT TEXAS RELAYS

Before the Texas Relays, five women had qualified for the NCAA Regional. While each of them tied or bettered their regional-qualifying marks at the Texas Relays, they were joined by four more individuals and two relays. Lakadron Ivery (100), Danielle Myricks (400 IH), Angela Marvin (Steeple), Jordan Willmann (high jump) and April Holliness (long jump) all qualified in the first two weeks of the season. The steeplechase was the best event for the women at the Relays as Leah Marbach won the race with a qualifying time of 10:50.34 followed by Stephanie Bennet in third with a 10:56.02. Senior Eboni Hammond finished fifth the discus with a toss of 46.43m to qualify while freshman Janelle Mulkey clocked a qualifying time of 14.04 in the 100 hurdles. The women's 4x100 and 4x400 relay teams also recorded qualifying times.

HART LEADS BAYLOR FOR 40TH SEASON

Clyde Hart begins his 40th season as the head coach of Baylor's track and field program this season. In his tenure at BU, Hart has firmly established the Bear program as one of the best in the nation. Hart has coached athletes to 24 national championships (11 individual/13 relay) and 446 All-America awards (148 individual/298 relay). Named the men's assistant coach for Team USA at the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, Hart has coached athletes to ten world record performances. In 1996, he was named the Coach of the Year by the United States Olympic Committee. That year he coached Michael Johnson to gold medals in the 200-meters and 400-meters at the Games of the 26th Olympiad in Atlanta, Ga. Hart also was named the NCAA Indoor Coach of the Year in 1996 after garnering such honors in 1989. A four-time Southwest Conference Indoor Coach of the Year, Hart has established Baylor as a quarter-mile powerhouse after producing 13 4x400 relay national champions and four individual 400-meter national champions.

2003 Schedule

INDOOR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Meet</u>	<u>Location</u>
JANUARY		
18	Houston Indoor Invitational	Houston, Texas
25	Red Raider Classic	Lubbock, Texas

FEBRUARY

8	Mountain T's Invitational	Flagstaff, Ariz.
14-15	Tyson Invitational	Fayetteville, Ark.
28-Mar. 1	Big 12 Indoor Championships	Lincoln, Neb.

MARCH

8	NCAA Qualifying	Ames, Iowa
14-15	NCAA Indoor Championships	Fayetteville, Ark.

OUTDOOR

22	Baylor Dr Pepper Invitational	Waco, Texas
29	Tom Tellez Invitational	Houston, Texas

APRIL

3-5	Texas Relays	Austin, Texas
12	Sun Devil Invitational	Tempe, Ariz.
18-19	Michael Johnson Classic	Waco, Texas
24-26	Drake Relays	Des Moines, Iowa

MAY

3	Texas Invitational	Austin, Texas
16-19	Big 12 Outdoor Championships	Austin, Texas
30-31	NCAA Regional Qualifying	Lincoln, Neb.

JUNE

11-14	NCAA Outdoor Championships	Sacramento, Calif.
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**Bears in the Big 12 Rankings
(as of 4/8)**

MEN			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Mark</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Wil Fitts	800	1:51.12	1st
Matt Chance	10,000	29:49.72	1st
Seth Billy	400IH	51.44	1st
4x800 Relay		7:27.01	1st
DMR		9:45.47	1st
Joel Martin	400	47.79	2nd
Brian McDonald	400IH	52.56	2nd
Nick Devenport	1,500	3:53.56	3rd
Jordan Lewis	400IH	52.77	3rd
4x400 Relay		3:10.43	3rd
Sam Bernal	10,000	32:42.17	5th
Robbie Quiroga	400	49.20	6th
Ryan Jeffrey	400	49.28	7th
Jamen Saziru	200	21.63	7th
Alex Altaffer	800	1:53.89	8th
Rob Morrow	5,000	15:04.82	8th
WOMEN			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Mark</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Debbie Thornhill	10,000	33:34.85	1st
April Holliness	LJ	20-6	1st
Leah Marbach	Steeple	10:50.34	1st
Lakadron Ivery	100	11:48	2nd
Angela Marvin	Steeple	10:53.17	2nd
4x100 Relay		45.23	2nd
4x400 Relay		3:37.12	2nd
Jordan Willmann	Hep	5,152	3rd
Elizabeth Wilson	200	25:04	3rd
Stephanie Bennett	Steeple	10:57.11	3rd
Anna Kaczmarek	10,000	38:03.88	4th
Danielle Myricks	400IH	59.04	4th
Jasmine Opusunju	400	56.84	5th
Janelle Mulkey	100HH	14.04	5th
Jordan Willmann	HJ	5-8	5th
Tiffany Wise	400	56.97	6th
Lindsey Ramey	200	25.45	6th
Lisa Cornelius	5,000	18:01.06	7th
Mary Pearce	800	2:18.02	7th
Elizabeth Wilson	100	11:85	7th
Jessa Vacek	Steeple	11:14.49	7th

THORNHILL RUNS STELLAR 10K AT STANFORD

Senior Debbie Thornhill traveled to Stanford's Cobb Track and Angell Field March 28 to compete in the 10,000-meter race at the Stanford Invitational. She had an incredible race clocking an automatic NCAA qualifying mark of 33:34.85. It was the second-fastest 10K time ever recorded by a Baylor female as well as being the fastest women's time clocked at a meet other than the national championships. Thornhill, who is the defending Big 12 champion in the event, ran the fastest time in the Big 12 so far this season to qualify for her first trip to the NCAA Outdoor Championships, which will be held in Sacramento, Calif. June 11-14.

DISTANCE RUNNERS OFF TO FAST START

After just three weeks of the outdoor season, the Baylor distance runners have already had success. Along with Debbie Thornhill, who has automatically qualified in the 10K, several runners have recorded top marks. Freshman Angela Marvin has done well. In the first 3,000 steeplechase of her career, she finished first at the Tom Tellez invitational with a regional-qualifying time of 10:53.17. She will be joined in the event at the regional meet by seniors Leah Marbach and Stephanie Bennett, who took first and third, respectively, in the event at the Texas Relays. Sophomore Anna Kaczmarek also ran well at the Relays, finishing seventh in the 10,000 meters while freshman Lisa Cornelius took 11th in the 5,000. On the men's side Junior Matt Chance ran the 10,000 at the Stanford Invitational. He narrowly missed the provisional mark, clocking a 29:49.72 to finish eighth in the second section of the race. At the Tellez Invitational, Bears finished 1-2 in the 3,000 with Rob Morrow crossing the finish line in 8:32.27 followed by Sam Bernal in 8:33.90 while Nick Devenport won the 1,500 with a time of 3:55.09. At the Texas Relays, Bernal took eighth in the 10K and Morrow finished 13th in the 5K. Overall the men's and women's distance runners' names appear 11 times in the current Big 12 rankings.

MEN'S RELAY TEAMS TAKE SECOND

The 4x400 relay has annually been the signature event for the Baylor men's track team, but the other relays ran well at the Texas Relays. Competing in the event for the first time this season, the 4x800 team of Jon Capron, Wil Fitts, Brian McDonald and Nick Devenport took second place finishing the race in 7:27.01. A day latter, running the race for the first time outdoors, Devenport and Fitts teamed with Joel Martin and Kyle King to take second in the distance medley relay with a time of 9:45.47.

WARINER AND WILLIAMSON RETURN TO ACTION

All-American quartermilers Jeremy Wariner and Darold Williamson returned to competition during the second week of the outdoor season at the Tom Tellez Invitational. Wariner experienced leg cramps in the open 400 at the NCAA Indoor Championships a few weeks ago. Williamson had been out since straining a hamstring while running the 400 at the Tyson Invitational on Feb. 14. Both athletes were part of the winning 4x400 relay team at Houston.

WARINER GARNERS ALL-AMERICA ACCOLADES

Freshman Jeremy Wariner clocked a season-best time of 46.12 to finish second in his heat and fourth in the prelims of the 400-meter dash at the NCAA Indoor Championships at the University of Arkansas' Randall Tyson Track Center. He proceeded to the finals where he finished seventh with a time of 46.21 to earn his first career All-America honor.

PETRAHN CONCLUDES CAREER AT BIG 12 INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Barbara Petrahn concluded her stellar Baylor career at the Big 12 Indoor Championships. She is tied for the women's record, earning nine All-America honors. During her time with the Green and Gold, Petrahn anchored six relays to the NCAA finals as well as running third on one relay and twice earning individual All-America honors in the 400. Petrahn also was a five-time Big 12 champion, which also ties her for the Baylor women's record. The Gyor, Hungary-native clocked a provisional time of 54.24 in the 400, but it was not fast enough to qualify for another shot at All-America honors.

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD CHANGES TO REGIONAL FORMAT

Instead of qualifying for the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships by the traditional method of automatic and provisional qualifying standards, the 2003 season will be the beginning of regional qualifying. Four two-day regionals will be held across the country with the top five individuals and the top three relays advancing to nationals. At large bids, expected to be around six for individual events and five for relays, will then be selected based on the descending order lists compiled throughout the season and the conference championships. The participants in the multi events, heptathlon and decathlon, and the 10,000-meter run will continue to be determined by the traditional format of automatic and provisional qualifying marks. The move to regional qualifying will increase the number of NCAA competitors to nearly 1,100 participants.

**Bears in the Trackwire Dandy Dozen
(as of 4/8)**

MEN

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Darold Williamson	400	10th
Jeremy Wariner	400	12th
4x400 Relay		12th

WOMEN

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Debbie Thornhill	10,000	10th
Lakadron Ivery	100	12th

**Baylor Regional Qualifiers
(as of 4/8)**

MEN

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Mark</u>
Seth Billy	400 IH	51.79
Brian McDonald	400 IH	52.56
Wil Fitts	800	1:51.12
4x400 Relay		3:10.43

WOMEN

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Mark</u>
Lakadron Ivery	100	11:48
Janelle Mulkey	100HH	14.04
Danielle Myricks	400IH	59.04
Leah Marbach	Steeple	10:50.34
Angela Marvin	Steeple	10:53.17
Stephanie Bennett	Steeple	10:56.02
4x100 Relay		45.23
4x400 Relay		3:37.12
Jordan Willmann	HJ	1.73m
April Holliness	LJ	6.25m
Eboni Hammond	Discus	46.43m

**Automatic and Provisional Qualifiers
(as of 4/8)**

WOMEN

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Mark</u>
Debbie Thornhill	10,000	33:34.85 (a)
Jordan Willmann	Hep	5,152 (p)

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Cl-Exp.</u>	<u>Event(s)</u>	<u>Hometown (High School/College)</u>
Amber Barnes	5-8	Jr.-SQ	Throws	Lake Jackson, Texas (Brazoswood)
Stephanie Bennett	5-4	Sr.-3L	Middle Distances	Richmond, B.C. (C.E. London Secondary)
Shanta Bibbs	5-10	Fr.-HS	400	San Antonio, Texas (Tom C. Clark)
Emily Bonilla	5-5	So.-SQ	Distances	Corpus Christi, Texas (Carroll)
Brandy Brewster	5-9	Fr.-HS	Shot, Discus	Arp, Texas (Arp)
Candace Carroll	5-9	Jr.-1L	Hurdles	Robinson, Texas (Robinson)
Lisa Cornelius	5-8	Fr.-HS	Distances	Little Elm, Texas (Little Elm)
Erin Dixon	5-8	Sr.-SQ	Distances	Kingwood, Texas (Kingwood)
Katherine Duncan	5-5	So.-1L	800, 1500	Roscoe, Texas (Roscoe)
Elizabeth Dunning	5-7	Fr.-HS	800	Clifton, Va. (Centreville)
Eboni Hammond	5-9	Sr.-3L	Discus	Waco, Texas (Midway)
April Holliness	5-8	So.-1L	100, LJ, TP	Duncanville, Texas (Greenhill)
Annie Housholder	5-6	Sr.-SQ	Heptathlon	Dallas, Texas (Lake Highlands)
Lakadron Ivery	5-7	So.-1L	100, Long Jump	Tyler, Texas (John Tyler)
Dana Johnson	5-6	So.-SQ	Thrower	Arlington, Texas (James Bowie)
Anna Kaczmarek	6-0	So.-SQ	Distances	Kingwood, Texas (Kingwood)
Leah Marbach	5-4	Sr.-3L	Distances	Kingwood, Texas (Kingwood)
Angela Marvin	5-4	Fr.-HS	Distances	Kingwood, Texas (Kingwood)
Megan McCain	5-5	Jr.-SQ	Distances	Houston, Texas (Tomball)
Rebecca McPherson	5-6	Sr.-1L	Pole Vault	Albuquerque, N.M. (Sandia)
Holly Moser	5-6	So.-SQ	Distances	Flower Mound, Texas (Lewisville)
Janelle Mulkey	5-9	Fr.-HS	Hurdles, 100	San Antonio, Texas (East Central)
Danielle Myricks	5-8	So.-1L	400 Hurdles	Willingboro, N.J. (Willingboro)
Jasmine Opusunju	5-6	So.-SQ	400	Strafford, Texas (Strafford)
Lisa Padon	5-3	So.-SQ	Pole Vault	Lindale, Texas (Lindale)
Jenna Payne	5-6	Fr.-HS	Distances	Floydada, Texas (Floydada)
Mary Pearce	5-6	Fr.-HS	800	Anchorage, Alaska (A. J. Dimond)
Barbara Petrahn	5-3	Sr.-3L	200, 400	Gyor, Hungary (Bercsenzi Miklos Gimnazium)
Lindsey Price	5-6	So.-SQ	Distances	Austin, Texas (Lake Travis)
Lindsey Ramey	5-6	So.-SQ	100, 200, LJ	Garland, Texas (Garland)
Rachal Roessler	5-8	Sr.-2L	Throws	Lorena, Texas (Lorena)
Marquisha Sefas	5-6	Fr.-HS	100, 200	Fort Worth, Texas (Trimble Tech)
Debbie Thornhill	5-5	Sr.-1L	Distances	Wichita Falls, Texas (Rider/North Texas)
Jessa Vacek	5-2	So.-1L	Distances	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)
Mercy Wagner	5-2	Fr.-HS	Pole Vault	Lorena, Texas (Robinson)
Jordan Willmann	5-10	Jr.-2L	Heptathlon	Llano, Texas (Llano)
Elizabeth Wilson	5-4	So.-SQ	Sprints	Duncanville, Texas (Duncanville)
Tiffany Wise	5-3	Jr.-2L	400, 800	Houston, Texas (James Madison)

NCAA Outdoor History

MEN		
Year	Place	Pts.
1983	.66th	5.5
1984	.19th	29
1985	.3rd	37
1986	.21st	13
1987	.10th	18
1988	.35th	8
1989	.13th	19
1990	.3rd	34
1991	.11th	18
1992	.20th	14
1993	.17th	15
1994	.9th	23
1995	.8th	26
1996	.21st	14
1997	.11th	18
1998	.119th	11
1999	.15th	19
2000	.9th	24
2001	.3rd	36.5
2002	.18th	16

WOMEN		
Year	Place	Pts.
1990	.25th	8
1991	.17th	12
1992	.43rd	4
1993	.DNP	—
1994	.29th	8
1995	.42nd	4
1996	.43rd	4
1997	.130th	8
1998	.10th	25
1999	.10th	20
2000	.15th	14
2001	.121st	13
2002	.141st	5

NCAA Outdoor Champions

MEN			
Year	Athlete(s)	Event	Time
1985	Willie Caldwell	500m	1:01.24
1989	Michael Johnson	200m	20.59
1990	Michael Johnson	200 m	20.72
1990	Tony Miller	4x400m	3:06.49
	Todd Thompson		
	Ethridge Green		
	Michael Johnson		
1991	Daniel Fredericks	4x400m	3:07.74
	Corey Williams		
	Ethridge Green		
	Tony Miller		
1992	Deon Minor	400m	46.15
1992	Daniel Fredericks	4x400m	3:04.89
	Ethridge Green		
	Deon Minor		
	Corey Williams		
1995	Deon Minor	400m	46.00
1998	Damian Davis	4x400m	3:04.53
	Bayano Kamani		
	Stephan Bragner		
	Brandon Coutts		
2000	Brandon Coutts	400m	45.79
2002	Zsolt Szeglet	4x400m	3:05.54
	Charles Sterling		
	Michael Smith		
	Darold Williamson		

WOMEN		
Year	Athlete(s)	Event
1999	Stacey Bowers	triple jump

Men's Roster

Name	Ht.	Cl-Exp.	Event(s)	Hometown (High School/College)
Alex Altaffer	5-9	So.-SQ	800	Garland, Texas (Jesuit College Prep)
Brandon Baker	6-0	Jr.-TR	Hurdles	DeMotte, Ind. (Kankakee Valley/Butler)
Jason Baker	6-0	So.-SQ	Distances	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Denver Christian)
Ron Beauford	6-1	Sr.-SQ	Javelin	Dripping Springs, Texas (Dripping Springs)
Sam Bernal	5-8	So.-SQ	Distances	Frisco, Texas (Plano West)
Seth Billy	5-9	Sr.-TR	400 Hurdles	Christ Church, Barbados (Combermere/Wyoming)
Chris Boley	5-9	So.-SQ	Distances	McKinney, Texas (McKinney)
Josh Buis	5-7	Fr.-HS	Pole Vault	Las Vegas, Nev. (Faith Lutheran)
Jon Capron	6-0	Sr.-3L	800, 1,500	Albuquerque, N.M. (Eldorado)
Peter Cavazos	6-3	Jr.-HS	High Jump	Dallas, Texas (Lake Highlands)
Matt Chance	6-0	Jr.-2L	Distances	Colleyville, Texas (Grapevine)
Jacob Combs	5-8	So.-HS	Pole Vault	Argyle, Texas (Liberty Christian)
Nick Devenport	5-9	So.-1L	Distances	Mesquite, Texas (North Mesquite)
Wil Fitts	6-2	Fr.-HS	400, 800	Desoto, Texas (Desoto)
Chris Gillis	6-0	So.-1L	Hurdles, sprints, LJ	Camden, N.J. (Pennsauken)
Joel Gittemeier	6-5	So.-SQ	400, 800	Dallas, Texas (Lake Highlands)
Robert Harris	5-8	So.-SQ	Distances	Cleburne, Texas (Cleburne)
Austin Heape	6-2	Fr.-HS	Shot, Discus	Dallas, Texas (Trinity Christian)
Mark Henkes	6-2	Sr.-SQ	Hurdles	Hurst, Texas (L.D. Bell)
Mike Hollar	5-11	So.-SQ	400	Pilot Point, Texas (Pilot Point)
Ryan Jeffrey	6-4	So.-SQ	400	Lorena, Texas (Lorena)
Kyle King	6-0	Jr.-1L	Distances	Sulphur Springs, Texas (Sulphur Springs/North Texas)
Jordan Lewis	6-0	Sr.-1L	Hurdles	Shafter, Calif. (Shafter/Bakersfield J.C.)
Matt Linn	5-10	So.-SQ	Long Jump	Kingwood, Texas (Kingwood)
Joel Martin	5-10	Jr.-2L	400	Stephenville, Texas (Stephenville)
Brian McDonald	6-0	Jr.-TR	400, Hurdles	Houston, Texas (Clear Creek/Kansas City College)
Rob Morrow	6-0	Fr.-HS	Distances	Grapevine, Texas (Grapevine)
Bo Price	6-0	Fr.-HS	Distances	Atlanta, Texas (Atlanta)
Robbie Quiroga	6-2	Jr.-2L	400	San Antonio, Texas (Holmes)
Brian Rahl	6-0	Fr.-HS	Pole Vault	Humble, Texas (Humble)
Jamen Saziru	5-9	Fr.-HS	100, 200	Waco, Texas (Waco)
Brad Settles	5-9	Fr.-HS	Pole Vault	San Antonio, Texas (Churchill)
Kyel Sletten	6-4	Fr.-HS	Long/Triple Jump	Pella, Iowa (Pella Christian)
Jeremy Wariner	6-0	Fr.-HS	200, 400	Grand Prairie, Texas (Lamar)
Cody Wells	5-9	Fr.-HS	Distances	Crawford, Texas (Crawford)
Darold Williamson	6-2	So.-1L	200, 400	San Antonio, Texas (Holmes)
Korey Wright	6-2	So.-1L	400, 800	Arlington, Texas (Lamar)

Quick Facts

General Information

Location: Waco, Texas
Founded: 1845
Enrollment: 14,159
Colors: Green and Gold
Nickname: Bears
Conference: Big 12
Home Facility: Hart/Patterson Complex

Team Information

Women's Team
2002 Big 12 Indoor / Outdoor: 4th/4th
2002 NCAA Indoor / Outdoor: t51st/t41st
Letterwinners Returning / Lost: 12/5

Men's Team

2002 Big 12 Indoor / Outdoor: 4th/10th
2002 NCAA Indoor / Outdoor: t15th/16th
Letterwinners Returning / Lost: 6/10

Coaching Staff and Support Staff

Asst. AD/Track & Field Head Coach:
 Clyde Hart (Baylor, 1956)
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