



# LOUISVILLE

## 2007 Men's & Women's Cross Country

### Season Completed

- Team Finishes Ninth Nationally
- Two All-Americans
- First Ever BIG EAST Team Title

### University of Louisville

Location ..... Louisville, Ky. 40292  
 Founded ..... 1798  
 Enrollment ..... 22,000  
 Nickname ..... Cardinals  
 Colors ..... Red and Black  
 Affiliation ..... NCAA Division I  
 Conference ..... BIG EAST Conference  
 President ..... Dr. James Ramsey  
 Director of Athletics ..... Tom Jurich  
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### Cardinals Complete Record Setting Season in Style at NCAA's

The University of Louisville cross country program closed the best year in school history on Nov. 19 at the NCAA Championships with a pair of All-America performances and a ninth-place team finish, the best finish ever for the program. Overall, the Cardinals also finished 2007 with the program's first conference title at the BIG EAST Championships, six total All-BIG EAST performers (four men, two women) and six total All-Region performers (four men, two women) at the NCAA Southeast Regional.

### U of L Men Finish School Record Ninth at NCAA Championships

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. - Led by a pair of All-America performances from senior Wesley Korir and junior Cory Thorne, the No. 15 ranked University of Louisville men's cross country team earned a school record setting ninth-place team finish at Monday's NCAA Championships at the LaVern Gibson Championship Course.

The Cards, making the program's second straight appearance at the NCAA Championships, improved six spots from last year's 15th-place finish by scoring 324 points overall for their best national finish. With the finish, U of L closed the 2007 calendar year with top 10 team finishes in all three NCAA track & field and cross country events and completed the greatest track and field/cross country season in school history. The Cards opened 2007 with a 10th-place team finish and two event champions at the NCAA Indoor Championships and followed that with a school record seventh-place finish at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships.

"To complete this trio of events in 2007 with three top 10 team finishes, two event national titles and eight All-Americans is extremely special and I'm so happy for our athletes and our coaches," said Cards' head coach Ron Mann. "I can't thank (U of L athletics director) Tom Jurich and (U of L associate AD) Julie Hermann enough for all of their support and the amazing support of everyone within the University of Louisville family. They believed in this program and our athletes, and today, our guys stepped up one more time for a great finish."

### 2007 Men's Cross Country Roster

RUNNER	YR	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
Abraham Businei	FR	Eldoret, Kenya (Kipkabus Boys HS)
Michael Eaton	SO	Bowling Green, Ky. (Greenwood HS)
Soimo Kiplagat	SR	Kapsabet, Kenya (Lindenwood Univ./Kursung Boys HS)
Wesley Korir	SR	Eldoret, Kenya (Murray State/St. Joseph's HS)
Scott McClain	SO	Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier HS)
Ken Prater	FR	Crestwood, Ky. (Oldham County HS)
Thad Schroeder	SR	Lexington, Ky. (Paul Dunbar HS)
Matt Smith	SO	Oldham, Ky. (Oldham County HS)
Cory Thorne	JR	Portsmouth, N.H. (Portsmouth HS)
*Ryan Byrne	JR	Georgetown, Ind. (North Harrison HS)

\* = Redshirting in 2007 and will not race

### 2007 Women's Cross Country Roster

RUNNER	YR	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
Kat Alcorn	SO	Hebron, Ky. (Conner HS)
Emily Borsare	FR	Peachtree City, Ga. (McIntosh HS)
Kortni Dukes	SO	Ryland Heights, Ky. (Scott HS)
Taryn Gibson	SR	Canonsburg, Pa. (St. Francis, Pa./Canon McMillan HS)
Lotte Jacobs	FR	Helmond, The Netherlands (Carolus Borromeus College)
Kathryn Long	SO	Louisville, Ky. (Assumption HS)
Tarah McKay	SO	St. Clements, Ont. (Elmira District SS)
Kelsey Page	SO	Borden, Ind. (Silver Creek HS)
Sarah Weir	SR	Oshawa, Ont. (Lamar Univ./O'Neill CVI)

### 2007 Louisville Cross Country Schedule/Results

Date	Meet	Site	Result/Time
Sept. 1	Mid-America Opener	Evansville, Ind.	Men: 1st of 3 Women: 1st of 3
Sept. 15	Navy Invitational	Annapolis, Md.	Men: 1st of 12 Women: 1st of 10
Sept. 29	<b>GREATER LOUISVILLE CLASSIC</b>	<b>E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park</b>	Men: 1st of 36 Women: 2nd of 28
Oct. 13	Pre-Nationals	Terre Haute, Ind.	Men: 9th of 38 Women: 16th of 35
Oct. 27	<b>BIG EAST Championships</b>	<b>E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park</b>	Men: 1st of 14 Women: 8th of 16
Nov. 10	<b>NCAA SOUTHEAST REGIONAL</b>	<b>E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park</b>	Men: 2nd of 29 Women: 11th of 31
Nov. 19	NCAA Championships	Terre Haute, Ind.	Men: 9th in the nation



# 2007 University of Louisville

## Men's Cross Country Career Times/Finishes

(Season completed)

### Abraham Businei, Fr., Eldoret, Kenya

<u>UofL Career Bests</u>			
8K	27:56.15	Oct. 27, 2007	
10K	N/A	N/A	
Finish	109th	Oct. 27, 2007	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	277/310	8th	28:21.46
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	109/116	9th	27:56.15

### Michael Eaton, So., Bowling Green, Ky.

<u>Career Bests</u>			
8K	24:05.15	Oct. 27, 2007	
10K	30:24.10	Nov. 10, 2007	
Finish	5th	Sept. 1, 2007	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	5/49	4th	18:23.56
Navy Invitational (8K)	6/100	3rd	24:23.10
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	9/310	3rd	24:09.06
Pre-Nationals (8K)	79/261	4th	24:22.80
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	10/116	4th	24:05.15
NCAA Regional (10K)	13/200	4th	30:24.10
NCAA Champ. (10K)	71/250	4th	30:55.80

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
UT Invitational (8.4K)	34/102	7th	28:47.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	44/325	8th	25:26.13
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	32/119	6th	24:34.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	22/222	4th	31:31.15
NCAA Champ. (10K)	139/250	4th	32:57.90

### Soimo Kiplagat, Sr., Kapsabet, Kenya

<u>UofL Career Bests</u>			
8K	23:39.45	Oct. 27, 2007	
10K	29:57.25	Nov. 10, 2007	
Finish	1st	Sept. 1, 2006	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	2/49	2nd	18:02.71
Navy Invitational (8K)	2/100	2nd	24:00.30
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	3/310	2nd	23:40.97
Pre-Nationals (8K)	7/261	2nd	23:30.60
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	6/116	2nd	23:39.45
NCAA Regional (10K)	7/200	3rd	29:57.25
NCAA Champ. (10K)	65/250	3rd	30:49.40

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K	1/75	1st	16:01.00
UT Invitational (8.4K)	7/102	2nd	27:10.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	7/325	3rd	24:32.87
Pre-Nationals (8K)	55/243	3rd	24:31.50
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	24/119	4th	24:23.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	18/222	3rd	31:12.65
NCAA Champ. (10K)	112/250	3rd	32:42.10

### Wesley Korir, Sr., Eldoret, Kenya

<u>Career Bests</u>			
8K	23:18.60	Oct. 27, 2007	
10K	29:43.70	Nov. 10, 2007	
Finish	1st	8 Times	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	1/49	1st	17:37.48
Navy Invitational (8K)	1/100	1st	23:30.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	2/310	1st	23:20.46
Pre-Nationals (8K)	5/261	1st	23:28.30
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	2/116	1st	23:18.60
NCAA Regional (10K)	3/200	1st	29:43.70
NCAA Champ. (10K)	12/250	1st	29:58.30

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	4/325	1st	24:07.88
Pre-Nationals (8K)	11/243	1st	23:57.00
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	8/119	2nd	23:50.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	11/222	2nd	30:57.05
NCAA Champ. (10K)	93/250	2nd	32:31.60

2005	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Woodford Tr. (5K)	2/38	1st	15:24.00
Indiana State Invite (8K)	1/23	1st	24:41.37
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	1/306	1st	23:46.65
Notre Dame Invite (5 mi)	21/200	1st	24:18.00
Pre-Nationals (8K)	24/217	1st	24:14.80
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	11/109	2nd	24:53.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	16/207	1st	30:39.60

2004	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Woodford Tr. (5K)	1/28	1st	15:35.00
Commodore Classic (8K)	1/102	1st	24:50.77
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	1/397	1st	24:22.82
Cardinal Classic (8K)	1/95	1st	25:24.84
Pre-Nationals (8K)	142/256	2nd	25:41.20
C-USA Champ. (8K)	7/77	2nd	25:12.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	42/201	2nd	31:40.90

### Scott McClain, So., Louisville, Ky.

<u>Career Bests</u>			
8K	24:41.70	Oct. 27, 2007	
10K	32:10.85	Nov. 10, 2007	
Finish	4th	Sept. 6, 2006	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	8/49	6th	18:42.00
Navy Invitational (8K)	9/100	4th	24:54.90
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	44/310	6th	25:02.02
Pre-Nationals (8K)	134/261	5th	24:51.40
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	29/116	5th	24:41.70
NCAA Regional (10K)	83/200	7th	32:10.85
NCAA Champ. (10K)	217/250	5th	32:30.50

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K	4/75	4th	16:14.00
UT Invitational (8.4K)	10/102	4th	27:20.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	28/325	6th	25:05.75
Pre-Nationals (8K)	119/243	5th	24:58.20
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	46/119	7th	24:51.00
NCAA Champ. (10K)	222/250	7th	34:09.90

### Ken Prater, Fr., Louisville, Ky.

<u>UofL Career Bests</u>			
8K	26:06.10	Oct. 27, 2007	
10K	N/A	N/A	
Finish	73rd	Oct. 27, 2007	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	73/116	8th	26:06.10

### Thad Schroeder, Sr., Lexington, Ky.

<u>Career Bests</u>			
8K	25:02.30	Sept. 15, 2007	
10K	32:09.50	Nov. 12, 2005	
Finish	7th	3 Times	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	7/49	5th	18:40.95
Navy Invitational (8K)	16/100	5th	25:02.30
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	46/310	7th	25:05.09
Pre-Nationals (8K)	179/261	7th	25:15.90
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	58/116	7th	25:24.60
NCAA Regional (10K)	82/200	6th	32:10.65
NCAA Champ. (10K)	227/250	6th	32:41.70

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K	7/75	6th	16:28.00
UT Invitational (8.4K)	19/102	5th	26:58.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	59/325	9th	25:44.54

2005	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Woodford Tr. (5K)	12/38	6th	16:47.00
Indiana State Invite (8K)	12/23	5th	27:16.19
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	35/306	5th	25:36.45
Notre Dame Invite (5 mi)	129/200	5th	25:52.00
Pre-Nationals (8K)	186/217	6th	26:06.70
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	53/109	6th	26:14.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	74/207	5th	32:09.50

2004	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Woodford Tr. (5K)	7/28	4th	16:38.00
Commodore Classic (8K)	16/102	7th	26:45.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	54/397	7th	26:11.97
Pre-Nationals (8K)	239/256	5th	27:20.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	124/201	6th	33:07.90

### Matt Smith, So., Oldham, Ky.

<u>Career Bests</u>			
8K	24:54.83	Sept. 29, 2007	
10K	31:23.65	Nov. 10, 2007	
Finish	5th	Sept. 1, 2006	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	10/49	7th	19:25.96
Navy Invitational (8K)	51/100	6th	26:06.70
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	36/310	5th	24:54.83
Pre-Nationals (8K)	157/261	6th	25:04.90
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	48/116	6th	25:16.05
NCAA Regional (10K)	42/200	5th	31:23.65
NCAA Champ. (10K)	228/250	7th	32:43.40

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K	5/75	5th	16:20.00
UT Invitational (8.4K)	8/102	3rd	27:14.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	32/325	7th	25:08.45
Pre-Nationals (8K)	179/243	7th	25:25.40
NCAA Regional (10K)	36/222	7th	31:57.75

### Cory Thorne, Jr., Portsmouth, N.H.

<u>Career Bests</u>			
8K	23:42.00	Oct. 27, 2006	
10K	29:56.60	Nov. 10, 2007	
Finish	2nd	Sept. 1, 2006	

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (6K)	3/49	3rd	18:06.91
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	10/310	4th	24:15.07
Pre-Nationals (8K)	38/261	3rd	23:56.20
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	8/116	3rd	24:00.70
NCAA Regional (10K)	5/200	2nd	29:56.60
NCAA Champ. (10K)	35/250	2nd	30:34.70

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K	2/75	2nd	16:06.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	6/325	2nd	24:32.01
Pre-Nationals (8K)	46/243	2nd	24:26.40
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	6/119	1st	23:42.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	4/222	1st	30:31.00
NCAA Champ. (10K)	62/250	1st	32:10.00

2005	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Woodford Tr. (5K)	4/38	2nd	15:49.00
Indiana State Invite (8K)	5/23	2nd	26:09.07
Greater Louisville Cl. (8K)	10/306	2nd	24:50.55
Notre Dame Invite (5 mi)	36/200	2nd	24:35.00
Pre-Nationals (8K)	96/217	2nd	24:44.10
BIG EAST Champ. (8K)	10/109	1st	24:49.00
NCAA Regional (10K)	29/207	2nd	30:52.30



# 2007 University of Louisville Women's Cross Country Career Times/Finishes

(Season completed)

## Kat Alcorn, So., Hebron, Ky.

### Career Bests

5K .....	18:38.37	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	22:54.70	Oct. 27, 2007
Finish .....	7th	Sept. 1, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	7/45	7th	15:24.85
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	41/96	7th	24:23.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	48/239	6th	18:38.37
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	216/235	7th	24:05.50
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	79/132	7th	22:54.70
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	168/225	7th	23:45.80

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K .....	40/75	5th	20:34.00
UT Invitational (5K) .....	43/84	8th	20:56.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	137/273	7th	19:54.45
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	238/253	7th	23:38.10
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	90/131	6th	23:49.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	152/215	7th	23:58.00

## Emily Borsare, Fr., Peachtree City, Ga.

### Career Bests

5K .....	17:27.28	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	20:59.40	Oct. 13, 2007
Finish .....	2nd	2 Times

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	2/45	2nd	14:51.80
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	2/96	2nd	21:56.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	6/239	2nd	17:27.28
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	29/235	2nd	20:59.40
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	15/132	2nd	21:14.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	21/225	2nd	21:10.65

## Kortni Dukes, So., Ryland Heights, Ky.

### Career Bests

5K .....	18:39.90	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	22:29.00	Oct. 27, 2006
Finish .....	4th	Sept. 1, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	4/45	4th	15:14.24
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	17/96	5th	23:21.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	51/239	7th	18:39.90
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	189/235	6th	23:00.40
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	80/132	8th	22:55.90

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
UT Invitational (5K) .....	27/84	4th	19:55.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	37/273	3rd	18:46.49
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	189/253	3rd	22:33.80
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	47/131	3rd	22:29.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	79/215	3rd	22:29.95

## Taryn Gibson, Sr., Canonsburg, Pa.

### U of L Career Bests

5K .....	18:26.51	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	21:47.10	Oct. 13, 2007
Finish .....	6th	Sept. 1, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	6/45	6th	15:22.54
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	8/96	3rd	22:44.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	37/239	5th	18:26.51
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	101/235	3rd	21:47.10
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	51/132	4th	22:09.70
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	60/225	3rd	21:49.80

## Lotte Jacobs, Fr., Helmond, The Netherlands

### Career Bests

5K .....	18:21.28	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	22:08.30	Oct. 27, 2007
Finish .....	33rd	Sept. 29, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	33/239	4th	18:21.28
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	155/235	5th	22:26.00
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	50/132	3rd	22:08.30
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	103/225	5th	22:35.40

## Kathryn Long, So., Louisville, Ky.

### Career Bests

5K .....	19:23.08	Sept. 30, 2006
6K .....	23:18.80	Oct. 14, 2006
Finish .....	10th	Sept. 1, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	10/45	8th	16:10.79
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	143/239	9th	19:51.62
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	105/132	9th	24:07.60

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K .....	44/75	7th	20:42.00
UT Invitational (5K) .....	33/84	6th	20:15.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	82/273	6th	19:23.08
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	230/253	6th	23:18.80
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	115/131	7th	25:07.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	150/215	6th	23:52.05

## Tarah McKay, So., St. Clements, Ont.

### Career Bests

5K .....	17:13.44	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	20:52.20	Nov. 10, 2007
Finish .....	1st	3 Times

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	1/45	1st	14:29.80
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	1/96	1st	21:52.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	2/239	1st	17:13.44
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	27/235	1st	20:58.60
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	9/132	1st	21:00.70
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	11/225	1st	20:52.20

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K .....	22/75	1st	18:31.00
UT Invitational (5K) .....	2/84	1st	18:08.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	1/273	1st	17:26.50
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	31/253	1st	20:53.90
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	11/131	1st	21:20.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	15/215	1st	21:09.55
NCAA Champ. (6K) .....	106/253	1st	22:11.60

## Kelsey Page, So., Borden, Ind.

### Career Bests

5K .....	18:08.91	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	22:00.60	Oct. 13, 2007
Finish .....	3rd	Sept. 1, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	3/45	3rd	15:11.48
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	11/96	4th	22:59.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	29/239	3rd	18:08.91
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	121/235	4th	22:00.60
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	65/132	6th	22:33.35
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	90/225	4th	22:18.80

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K .....	29/75	2nd	19:21.00
UT Invitational (5K) .....	21/84	2nd	19:30.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	23/273	2nd	18:34.48
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	209/253	5th	22:49.60
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	53/131	4th	22:40.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	65/215	2nd	22:20.85

## Sarah Weir, Sr., Hebron, Ky.

### Career Bests

5K .....	18:55.35	Sept. 29, 2007
6K .....	22:18.00	Oct. 27, 2007
Finish .....	5th	Sept. 1, 2007

2007	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Mid-America Opener (4K) ..	5/45	5th	15:16.20
Navy Invitational (6K) .....	19/96	6th	23:30.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	64/239	8th	18:55.35
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	54/132	5th	22:18.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	133/225	6th	22:59.70

2006	Place	UofL Pos.	Time
Indiana Community 5K .....	33/75	3rd	19:48.00
UT Invitational (5K) .....	30/84	5th	20:02.00
Greater Louisville Cl. (5K) ..	53/273	5th	19:00.52
Pre-Nationals (6K) .....	196/253	4th	22:39.80
BIG EAST Champ. (6K) .....	43/131	2nd	22:24.00
NCAA Regional (6K) .....	107/215	4th	23:02.85

# 2007 University of Louisville Cross Country Recaps

## Mid-America Opener Evansville, Ind. • September 1 Men: 6 km / Women: 4 km

**EVANSVILLE, Ind.** – The University of Louisville men's and women's cross country teams opened 2007 by sweeping the team and individual titles Saturday morning at the Mid-America Opener at the University of Evansville Cross Country Course.

Leading the way for U of L was the Cards' women's team which swept the top seven positions in Saturday's 4-kilometer race. The Cards scored 15 points to dominate second-place Evansville with 52 points and third-place Marian College with 88 points. Sophomore Tarah McKay picked up where she left off in 2006 by earning first-place honors and her second career collegiate win. The native of St. Clements, Ont., finished with a time of 14 minutes, 29.80 seconds in her first cross country race since competing at last year's NCAA Championships.

Backing up McKay was freshman Emily Borsare in second place with a time of 14:51.80, while sophomore Kelsey Page was third with a time of 15:11.48. Sophomore Kortni Dukes was fourth at 15:14.24, while senior Sarah Weir closed the scoring for the Cards in fifth with a time of 15:16.20. Closing out the top-seven sweep for U of L was senior Taryn Gibson in sixth at 15:22.54 and sophomore Kat Alcorn in seventh at 15:24.85.

"The thing that surprised me the most today was that our women made it look very easy," said Cards' head coach Ron Mann. "We ran as a much tighter group today than at any point last season. Tarah did a nice job of leading us out and setting a perfect pace, and I was also impressed with Emily Borsare, who ran extremely easily. And we look to be seven-deep at the top right now and that'll really help us as the season moves forward."

It was also a dominating performance for the Cardinal men's team as U of L had the top six collegiate finishers to score 15 points and dominate the host Aces in second place with 52 points. Leading the way for the Cardinal men, which had a school record setting 15th-place finish at last year's NCAA Championships, was senior Wesley Korir who earned his seventh career win after covering the 6-kilometer course in a time of 17:37.48. The native of Eldoret, Kenya continued his momentum from the outdoor track season, where he earned NCAA All-America honors in the 5,000-meter run with a third-place finish at the NCAA Championships in June.

Finishing second overall in Saturday's race for the Cards was senior Soimo Kiplagat with a time of 18:02.71, while junior Cory Thorne was third with a time of 18:06.91. Sophomore Michael Eaton was the fourth highest finishing collegiate runner and fifth overall with a time of 18:23.56, while senior captain Thad Schroeder closed the scoring for U of L finishing seventh overall with a time of 18:40.95. Also competing for the Cards was sophomore Scott McClain in eighth at 18:42.00 and sophomore Matt Smith in 10th at 19:25.96.

"I was particularly pleased with Soimo, who ran a nice race today," Mann said. "This was a good, solid start to the season for us. It's really nice to have Michael Eaton healthy and he ran a solid No. 4 to give us a close spread between our top four runners. Once we get a No. 5 runner to come alive, we could have a very good men's team."

## Mid-America Opener Evansville, Ind. – Sept. 1, 2007 Men: 6 km / Women: 4 km

### MENS RACE RESULTS (3 Teams)

1.	LOUISVILLE	15 points
2.	Evansville	52 points
3.	Marian College	88 points

### U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 49)

1.	Wesley Korir	17:37.48
2.	Soimo Kiplagat	18:02.71
3.	Cory Thorne	18:06.91
5.	Michael Eaton	18:23.56
7.	Thad Schroeder	18:40.95
8.	Scott McClain	18:42.00
10.	Matt Smith	19:25.96

### WOMENS RACE RESULTS (3 Teams)

1.	LOUISVILLE	15 points
2.	Evansville	52 points
3.	Marian College	88 points

### U of L Women's Individual Finishers (Field of 45)

1.	Tarah McKay	14:29.80
2.	Emily Borsare	14:51.80
3.	Kelsey Page	15:11.48
4.	Kortni Dukes	15:14.24
5.	Sarah Weir	15:16.20
6.	Taryn Gibson	15:22.54
7.	Kat Alcorn	15:24.85
10.	Kathryn Long	16:10.79
14.	Shannon Walion	17:13.55
24.	Casey Keefer	17:59.73
31.	Heather Sole	19:44.39
32.	Christine Krellwitz	19:44.61
37.	Rachel Gehret	21:32.90
38.	Brittany Hotaling	21:34.56
42.	Karen Amundson	26:21.87
43.	Seidre Forde	27:45.06
44.	Amaka Omenyinma	27:51.20
45.	Danielle Hampton	28:09.15

## Navy Invitational Annapolis, Md. • September 15 Men: 8 km / Women: 6 km

**ANNAPOLIS, Md.** – The University of Louisville men's and women's cross country teams stayed unbeaten in 2007 after sweeping the team and individual titles and setting a new course record in front of more than 1,000 fans at Saturday's Navy/Salty Seadog Invitational at the USNA Cross Country Course.

Leading the way for the Cardinal men's team, ranked 15th in this week's USTFCCCA Top 30 poll, was senior Wesley Korir, who earned his eighth career title and the second this season with a course record setting time of 23 minutes, 30 seconds. The native of Eldoret, Kenya, shattered the previous record at the 8,000-meter course of 23:43.6 set by Jim O'Connell of Syracuse in 1982.

Overall, the Cardinal men scored 34 points to win their second straight team title in 2007. The host US Naval Academy was second with 57 points, followed by LaSalle in third with 95 points and American in fourth with 108 points.

Backing up Korir for the Cards was senior Soimo Kiplagat in second place with a time of 24:00.30, the eighth best time in course history, while sophomore Michael Eaton was sixth overall in the field of 100 runners with a time of 24:23.10. U of L sophomore Scott McClain was ninth with a time of 24:54.90, followed by senior captain Thad Schroeder in 16th at 25:02.30 and sophomore Matt Smith in 51st at 26:06.70.

"I'm really pleased with the entire men's team, but especially the performances of Wesley and Soimo," said Cards' head coach Ron Mann. "That was a pretty historic course record Wesley shattered today and I'm really happy with the way he's running right now. I also thought Scott McClain had a nice race for us."

On the women's side, sophomore Tarah McKay continued her early season success earning her third career title and the second this season after covering the 6,000-meter course in a time of 21:52.00, the third best time in course history. The native of St. Clements, Ont., also won the season-opening Mid-America Opener in Evansville, Ind.

Not to be outdone by the Cardinal men, the Cardinal women also swept the top two individual positions as freshman Emily Borsare was second overall with a time of 21:56.00, the fourth best time in course history, to lead the Cardinal women to their second straight team title this season. Overall, U of L scored 39 points to lead second place Richmond with 54 points and third place Navy with 79 points. LaSalle was fourth with 127 points, while American was fifth with 133 points.

Joining McKay and Borsare with strong performances on Saturday was senior Taryn Gibson in eighth place with a time of 22:44.00, while sophomore Kelsey Page was 11th in the field of 96 at 22:59.00. Sophomore Kortni Dukes closed out the scoring for U of L in 17th place with a time of 23:21.00, while senior Sarah Weir was 19th at 23:30.00 and sophomore Kat Alcorn was 41st at 24:23.00.

"Tarah continues to run very well and I thought Emily and Taryn really stepped up and had great races for our team," Mann said. "Overall, it was a very competitive event and I can't say enough about the great job that Navy does in hosting this meet on a very challenging course. I'm very pleased with both of our teams and it's the first time since I've been at U of L where I've seen a true team performance on both sides."

## Navy/Salty Seadog Invitational Annapolis, Md. – Sept. 15, 2007 Men: 8 km / Women: 6 km

### MENS RACE RESULTS (12 Teams)

1.	#15 LOUISVILLE	34 points
2.	Navy	57 points
3.	LaSalle	95 points
4.	American	108 points
5.	Richmond	115 points
6.	Maryland	125 points
7.	Loyola	175 points
8.	UMBC	235 points

### U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 100)

1.	Wesley Korir	* 23:30.00
2.	Soimo Kiplagat	24:00.30
6.	Michael Eaton	24:23.10
9.	Scott McClain	24:54.90
16.	Thad Schroeder	25:02.30
51.	Matt Smith	26:06.70

### WOMENS RACE RESULTS (10 Teams)

1.	LOUISVILLE	39 points
2.	Richmond	54 points
3.	Navy	79 points
4.	LaSalle	127 points
5.	American	133 points
6.	Maryland	150 points
7.	Loyola	184 points
8.	UMBC	208 points

### U of L Women's Individual Finishers (Field of 96)

1.	Tarah McKay	# 21:52.00
2.	Emily Borsare	21:56.00
8.	Taryn Gibson	22:44.00
11.	Kelsey Page	22:59.00
17.	Kortni Dukes	23:21.00
19.	Sarah Weir	23:30.00
41.	Kat Alcorn	24:23.00

\* = USNA Cross Country Course Record

# = Third best time in USNA Course History

# 2007 University of Louisville Cross Country Recaps

## Greater Louisville Classic E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park • September 29 Men: 8 km / Women: 5 km

LOUISVILLE, Ky. – The University of Louisville men's cross country team stayed unbeaten in 2007 as the No. 15 ranked Cardinals had four runners finish in the top 10 to dominate Saturday's Greater Louisville Classic (GLC) at E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park. With the win, the Cards successfully defended their 2006 GLC title and have now won three of the last four GLC titles overall. In the women's race, the Cardinals had two runners finish in the top six positions to earn second place overall for the program's best finish ever at the GLC eclipsing last year's third-place finish. Saturday's event was hosted by the Greater Louisville Sports Commission in conjunction with U of L.

Overall, the Cardinal men scored 58 points to lead the field of 36 teams. Rend Lake College was second with 146 points followed by Eastern Kentucky in third with 169 points, 2005 GLC champion Tennessee in fourth with 199 points and Kentucky in fifth with 210.

Leading the Cards' quartet of top 10 finishers were seniors Wesley Korir and Soimo Kiplagat in second and third place respectively. Korir, a native of Eldoret, Kenya and a two-time GLC champion, covered the 8-kilometer course in a time of 23 minutes, 20.46 seconds, the third fastest time in course history, while Kiplagat, from Kapsabet, Kenya, was third with a time of 23:40.97, the fifth fastest time in course history. Eastern Kentucky's Jacob Korir, who finished seventh in the nation in 2006, won the individual title with a course record setting time of 23:08.89.

"I felt pretty good today and I thought I ran pretty a solid race overall," the Cards' Korir said. "My legs tightened up a little bit at about three and a half miles and that's when Jacob made his move on me. By the time I relaxed again, I wasn't able to make up the difference, but it was still a great race for our team and that's important."

Finishing in the third position for the Cards and in ninth place overall in the standings was sophomore Michael Eaton with a time of 24:09.06, while junior Cory Thorne was 10th in the field of 310 with a time of 24:15.07. Sophomore Matt Smith closed out the scoring for the Cards with a time of 24:54.83 to finish 36th.

"This was a perfect day for racing and I thought our guys did a great job today," said Cards' head coach Ron Mann. "Wesley had a great head-to-head race with Jacob Korir, and I'm really proud of the effort from all of our guys, especially Soimo and Michael. And Matt Smith did a wonderful job of getting up to be our fifth guy today. This was a strong performance for our team in front of our home fans and we really appreciate them coming out and supporting us today."

Sophomore Tarah McKay and freshman Emily Borsare earned top six finishes to lead the Cardinal women to 103 points and second place overall. Kentucky led the way in the field of 29 teams with 55 points, while 2006 GLC champion Georgia Tech was third with 174 points. Eastern Kentucky was fourth with 175 points, while Tennessee-Chattanooga closed out the top five with 185 points.

"Tarah ran another great race and she continues to mature and improve with every event," Mann said. "I'm also very happy with how Emily is adjusting to racing at the collegiate level and the progress of our entire team. And even though we're not where we want to be just yet, we're making great strides and improving every day."

McKay, a native of St. Clements, Ont., and the 2006 GLC champion, covered the 5-kilometer course in a time of 17:13.44 for the fifth-best time in course history and second place overall. Borsare, a native of Peachtree City, Ga., finished sixth overall with a time of 17:27.28, while Rend Lake's Pasca Cheruiyot won the individual title with a time of 17:06.44, the third fastest time in course history.

"My focus was on running my race and not worry too much about what was going on around me," McKay said. "I wanted to start the race on my pace and keep the leaders in sight of me so that I could make a move later in the race and that worked out pretty well. Our team is definitely improving and today was a good day for us."

Also scoring for the Cardinal women was sophomore Kelsey Page, who finished 29th overall with a time of 18:07.91, while freshman Lotte Jacobs saw her first action of the season and finished 33rd overall with a time of 18:21.28. Senior Taryn Gibson closed the scoring for the Cards in 37th place with a time of 18:26.51.

"Hosting home meets and competing in front of the great Louisville fans is very important to our program," Mann said. "And the partnership we have with the Greater Louisville Sports Commission and the terrific people there is a great asset to our program. We truly appreciate the hard work they put forth in making this event a first-class meet in every way."

## Greater Louisville Classic E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park – Sept. 29, 2007 Men: 8 km / Women: 5 km

### MENS GOLD RACE RESULTS (36 Teams)

1.	LOUISVILLE	58 points
2.	Rend Lake College	146 points
3.	Eastern Kentucky	169 points
4.	Tennessee	199 points
5.	Kentucky	210 points
6.	Wake Forest	214 points
7.	East Tennessee	238 points
8.	Southern Indiana	250 points

### U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 310)

2.	Wesley Korir	# 23:20.46
3.	Soimo Kiplagat	\$ 23:40.97
9.	Michael Eaton	24:09.06
10.	Cory Thorne	24:15.07
36.	Matt Smith	24:54.83
44.	Scott McClain	25:02.02
46.	Thad Schroeder	25:05.09
277.	Abraham Businej	28:21.46

### WOMENS GOLD RACE RESULTS (28 Teams)

1.	Kentucky	55 points
2.	LOUISVILLE	103 points
3.	Georgia Tech	174 points
4.	Eastern Kentucky	175 points
5.	Tennessee-Chattanooga	185 points
6.	Western Kentucky	209 points
7.	Bowling Green	222 points
8.	Georgia State	273 points

### U of L Women's Individual Finishers (Field of 239)

2.	Tarah McKay	\$ 17:13.44
6.	Emily Borsare	17:27.28
29.	Kelsey Page	18:08.91
33.	Lotte Jacobs	18:21.28
37.	Taryn Gibson	18:26.51
48.	Kat Alcorn	18:38.37
51.	Kortni Dukes	18:39.90
64.	Sarah Weir	18:55.35
143.	Kathryn Long	19:51.62
196.	Shannon Walion	21:05.63
202.	Casey Keefer	21:13.43

# = Third fastest time in course history

\$ = Fifth fastest time in course history

## Pre-Nationals Terre Haute, Ind. • October 13 Men: 8 km / Women: 6 km

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. – Seniors Wesley Korir and Soimo Kiplagat each earned top 10 finishes to lead the 17th-ranked University of Louisville men's cross country team to a ninth-place finish in the Blue Race at Saturday's Indiana State Pre-Nationals at the LaVern Gibson Championship Course. Led by top 30 finishes by sophomore Tarah McKay and freshman Emily Borsare, the Louisville women's team improved 15 spots from last year's event to finish 16th overall in the White Race on Saturday afternoon.

Overall, the Cardinal men scored 263 points to finish ahead of pair of top 10 teams, including No. 6 Oklahoma State in 12th-place and No. 2 Wisconsin in 13th. No. 15 Northern Arizona earned a surprise win in the men's Blue Race with 124 points, followed by No. 4 Iowa in second with 136 points and California in third with 157 points. No. 29 Virginia was fourth with 203 points, while No. 8 Alabama closed out the top five with 207 points.

Leading the Cards was the senior duo of Korir and Kiplagat, becoming the Cards' highest finishers at the NCAA preview event. Korir, a native of Eldoret, Kenya, covered the 8-kilometer course in a time of 23 minutes, 28.3 seconds to finish fifth in the field of 261 runners, while Kiplagat, from Kapsabet, Kenya was seventh overall with a time of 23:30.6.

"It was a solid day for us, but not our best day," said Cards' head coach Ron Mann. "I'm really pleased with the way Wesley and Soimo ran today and they were one of the strongest duos out here. With our finish today, I think we've put ourselves in good position for an at-large bid to the NCAA Championships if needed and that was our main goal."

Also scoring points for the Cards, who finished seventh at last year's Pre-Nationals en route to earning an at-large bid to the NCAA Championships and a 15th-place finish in the nation, was junior Cory Thorne with a time of 23:56.2 and 38th-place overall. Sophomore Michael Eaton was 79th with a time of 24:22.8, while sophomore Scott McClain closed out the scoring for the Cards in 134th place with a time of 24:51.4.

On the women's side, McKay finished 27th overall and Borsare was 29th to lead the way for the Cards, who finished with 433 points and 16th in the field of 35 teams, 15 positions higher than last year's 31st-place team finish at the Pre-Nationals. No. 8 Princeton led the way in the women's White Race with 149 points, while No. 6 Arizona State was second with 171 points. No. 13 Michigan was third with 173 points, followed by No. 12 Washington in fourth with 187 points and No. 10 Illinois in fifth with 189 points.

"We had hoped for a little better finish as a team, but I'm very pleased with the way Tarah and Emily ran today," Mann said. "They ran together most of the day and had a great finish. As a team, we'll definitely need to continue to improve and have a pair of strong finishes at the BIG EAST Championships and the NCAA Southeast Regional to advance to the NCAA Championships."

McKay, a native of St. Clements, Ont., covered the 6-kilometer course in a time of 20:58.6, while Borsare, from Peachtree City, Ga., was less than a second behind with a time of 20:59.4. The Cards' third-place finisher was senior Taryn Gibson in 101st-place in the field of 235 runners with a time of 21:47.1, while sophomore Kelsey Page was 121st with a time of 22:00.6. Freshman Lotte Jacobs closed the scoring for the Louisville women with a time of 22:26.0.

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Indiana State Pre-Nationals  
Terre Haute, Ind. – Oct. 13, 2007  
Men: 8 km / Women: 6 km

## MENS BLUE RACE RESULTS (38 Teams)

1.	No. 15 Northern Arizona	124 points
2.	No. 4 Iona	136 points
3.	California	157 points
4.	No. 29 Virginia	203 points
5.	No. 8 Alabama	207 points
6.	Tulsa	240 points
7.	No. 13 Portland	250 points
8.	No. 19 UCLA	251 points
9.	No. 17 LOUISVILLE	263 points
10.	No. 23 Iowa State	270 points
11.	BYU	278 points
12.	No. 6 Oklahoma State	302 points
13.	No. 2 Wisconsin	347 points
14.	No. 25 Florida State	349 points

## U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 261)

5.	Wesley Korir	23:28.3
7.	Soimo Kiplagat	23:30.6
38.	Cory Thorne	23:56.2
79.	Michael Eaton	24:22.8
134.	Scott McClain	24:51.4
157.	Matt Smith	25:04.9
179.	Thad Schroeder	25:15.9

## WOMENS WHITE RACE RESULTS (35 Teams)

1.	No. 8 Princeton	149 points
2.	No. 6 Arizona State	171 points
3.	No. 13 Michigan	173 points
4.	No. 12 Washington	187 points
5.	No. 10 Illinois	189 points
6.	No. 2 Colorado	231 points
6.	No. 15 BYU	231 points
8.	No. 23 Iowa	261 points
9.	No. 18 Providence	287 points
10.	No. 20 Florida	322 points
16.	LOUISVILLE	433 points

## U of L Women's Individual Finishers (Field of 235)

27.	Tarah McKay	20:58.6
29.	Emily Borsare	20:59.4
101.	Taryn Gibson	21:47.1
121.	Kelsey Page	22:00.6
155.	Lotte Jacobs	22:26.0
189.	Kortni Dukes	23:00.4
216.	Kat Alcorn	24:05.5

## BIG EAST Championships E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park • October 27 Men: 8 km / Women: 6 km

LOUISVILLE, Ky. – Led by four All-BIG EAST performances, the University of Louisville men's cross country program continued its climb among the nation's top programs by winning the 2007 BIG EAST Championships Saturday at E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park. The BIG EAST title is the first cross country conference championship in school history for U of L, coming five months after the Cards won their first ever conference track and field title at the BIG EAST Outdoor Track & Field Championships.

The Cards, ranked 19th in this week's USTF-CCCA Top 30 poll, scored 55 points to edge No. 16 ranked Georgetown in second with 60 points. No. 23 Providence was third with 74 points followed by No. 13 Notre Dame in fourth with 93 points and Syracuse in fifth with 103 points at the event hosted by U of L and the Greater Louisville Sports Commission.

"This is a special day for Louisville cross country and I'm so happy for the guys on our team and all of our coaches," said Cards' head coach Mann. "The BIG EAST Conference is so competitive and so strong, and for our program to be where it's at right now says a lot about the hard work and the commitment from everyone. I have all the confidence in the world in our athletes and our coaches and we put it all together today."

Leading the way for the Cards was senior Wesley Korir's runner-up finish after the native of Eldoret, Kenya, covered the 8-kilometer course in a time of 23 minutes, 18.60 seconds for his best career finish at the BIG EAST meet.

"It feels really good to win this title," said Korir, who earned NCAA All-America honors in the 5,000-meter run at the 2007 NCAA Outdoor Championships in June and is now a three-time All-BIG EAST performer in cross country. "Before the race, we knew Georgetown was going to be very tough and I don't think a lot of people thought we could win this. I told our guys before we ever started to leave everything out there and it would all work out for us. We did that and God blessed us with a great day."

Joining Korir with All-BIG EAST performances on Saturday were senior Soimo Kiplagat from Kapsabet, Kenya, with a sixth-place finish and a time of 23:39.45, junior Cory Thorne from Portsmouth, N.H., in eighth with a time of 24:00.70 and sophomore Michael Eaton from Bowling Green, Ky., in 10th with a time of 24:05.15. Closing the scoring for the Cards was sophomore Scott McClain in 29th with a time of 24:41.70. Villanova senior and Louisville native Bobby Curtis won the individual title with a course record time of 23:08.85.

"To have four guys in the top 10 in this conference shows the team depth we have and that we're not built on having one individual runner," said Mann, who along with assistant coaches Brice Allen and Ben Chisman were named the BIG EAST Men's Coaching Staff of the Year. "This a great confidence builder for our team as we move forward from here to the NCAA Regional in two weeks and the NCAA Championships on Nov. 19."

Prior to Saturday's victory, the Cards' best ever finish at a conference cross country championship event was second at the 1987 Metro Conference Championships. Prior to last season, the Cards had never won a conference title in track & field or cross country, but U of L has now won the last two BIG EAST titles taking Mann's career total to 60 team conference championships over his 28 seasons as a collegiate head coach.

On the women's side, the Cards had All-BIG EAST performances from sophomore Tarah McKay and freshman Emily Borsare to earn eight-place overall. U of L finished eighth overall with 175 points, while No. 19 ranked West Virginia won the team title with 77 points. No. 22 Providence was second with 87 points followed

by No. 11 Georgetown in third with 92 points, Syracuse in fourth with 119 points and Villanova in fifth with 125 points.

For the Cards, McKay, a native of St. Clements, Ont., covered the 6-kilometer course in a time of 21:00.70 to finish ninth overall and her All-BIG EAST honors for the second straight year, while Borsare, from Peachtree City, Ga., was 15th overall with a time of 21:14.00.

Also scoring for the Cards on Saturday was freshman Lotte Jacobs in 50th at 22:08.30, senior Taryn Gibson in 51st at 22:09.70 and senior Sarah Weir in 54th at 22:18.00. Georgetown junior Melissa Grelli won the individual title with a course record time of 20:05.55.

"I really felt like we were going to finish higher on the women's side and improve upon last year's eighth-place finish," Mann said. "I'm proud of Tarah and Emily and I really think this is a good team. We have to get our ladies to believe what our coaches already know and if we do that, then we'll reach our goals."

## BIG EAST Championships E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park – Oct. 27, 2007 Men: 8 km / Women: 6 km

### MENS RACE RESULTS (14 Teams)

1.	No. 19 LOUISVILLE	55 points
2.	No. 16 Georgetown	60 points
3.	No. 23 Providence	74 points
4.	No. 13 Notre Dame	93 points
5.	Syracuse	103 points
6.	Villanova	124 points
7.	Marquette	190 points
8.	Cincinnati	237 points
9.	Connecticut	240 points
10.	Rutgers	319 points
11.	Pittsburgh	335 points
12.	DePaul	353 points
13.	Seton Hall	382 points
14.	USF	460 points

### U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 116)

2.	Wesley Korir	23:18.60
6.	Soimo Kiplagat	23:39.45
8.	Cory Thorne	24:00.70
10.	Michael Eaton	24:05.15
29.	Scott McClain	24:41.70
48.	Matt Smith	25:16.05
58.	Thad Schroeder	25:24.60
73.	Ken Prater	26:06.10
109.	Abraham Businei	27:56.15

### WOMENS WHITE RACE RESULTS (16 Teams)

1.	No. 19 West Virginia	77 points
2.	No. 22 Providence	87 points
3.	No. 11 Georgetown	92 points
4.	Syracuse	119 points
5.	Villanova	125 points
6.	Notre Dame	142 points
7.	Marquette	166 points
8.	LOUISVILLE	175 points
9.	Cincinnati	223 points
10.	DePaul	289 points
11.	Pittsburgh	321 points
12.	Rutgers	326 points
13.	Connecticut	376 points
14.	USF	428 points
15.	St. John's	453 points
16.	Seton Hall	459 points

### U of L Women's Individual Finishers (Field of 132)

9.	Tarah McKay	21:00.70
15.	Emily Borsare	21:14.00
50.	Lotte Jacobs	22:08.30
51.	Taryn Gibson	22:09.70
54.	Sarah Weir	22:18.00
65.	Kelsey Page	22:33.35
79.	Kat Alcorn	22:54.70
80.	Kortni Dukes	22:55.90
105.	Kathryn Long	24:07.60

# 2007 University of Louisville Cross Country Recaps

## NCAA Southeast Regional

E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park • November 10

Men: 10 km / Women: 6 km

LOUISVILLE, Ky. – Led by four All-Region performances, the 13th-ranked University of Louisville men's cross country team earned the program's first ever automatic bid to the NCAA Championships with a second-place finish overall at Saturday's NCAA Southeast Regional at E.P. "Tom" Sawyer Park. The men narrowly missed on a regional title falling one point short of No. 11-ranked North Carolina State, while the U of L women's team improved three positions from 2006 to finish 11th overall at the event, co-hosted by U of L and the Greater Louisville Sports Commission.

The Cardinal men, racing for the first time since winning the program's first ever conference title at the BIG EAST Championships on Oct. 27, had four runners finish in the top 13 positions to score 70 points overall, just one point shy of back-to-back Southeast Regional champion NC State with 69 points. The Cards, whose previous best finish at an NCAA Regional event was third-place in 2006, earned one of 18 automatic bids to the NCAA Championships, set for Monday, Nov. 19 in Terre Haute, Ind. Last year, U of L earned an at-large bid and finished 15th overall for the program's best ever national finish.

"It's a good feeling to know we're going to Terre Haute and the NCAA Championships," said head coach Ron Mann. "We had a chance today to win our first regional title and just missed on that, but we're very pleased with our finish and with where we're at going into the national championships. Today was another great day for our program and we expect to take the momentum we've gained from the last few weeks into next week's NCAA Championships."

Finishing close behind the Cards and just missing on an automatic bid was No. 25 William & Mary with 74 points, while No. 9-ranked Virginia was a distant fourth with 116 points. Liberty, led by 2007 and three-time NCAA Southeast Regional champion Josh McDougal, was fifth overall with 168 points.

Leading the way for the Cards was senior Wesley Korir with a career-best regional finish of third-place with a time of 29 minutes, 43.70 seconds across the 10-kilometer course. Korir, a native of Eldoret, Kenya, is now a three-time All-Region performer improving eight positions on his previous best finish of 11th at last year's event. In six events in 2007, Korir has two wins, two runner-up finishes, one third-place and one fifth.

"I can't say enough good things about the way Wesley has improved over the last three years and the way he's running right now," Mann said. "He's such a strong leader for this team and every guy on our squad has responded to that by continuing to improve to make us an even better team top to bottom."

Joining Korir with All-Region finishes on Saturday were junior Cory Thorne with a regional career-best finish of fifth in the field of 200 runners with a time of 29:56.60, while senior Soimo Kiplagat also earned a career-best finish at a regional with his seventh-best time of 29:57.25. Sophomore Michael Eaton was the fourth Cardinal earning All-Region honors with the 13th-place time of 30:24.10.

"To have three guys finish in the top 13 positions in this region is absolutely amazing and something our guys should gain confidence from," Mann said. "I think our guys realize what kind of opportunity is in front of them at the NCAA Championships and we're looking forward to building on last year's 15th-place finish."

Closing the scoring for the Cards was sophomore Matt Smith in 42nd-place with a time of 31:23.65. Also competing for U of L was senior captain Thad Schroeder in 82nd with a time of 32:10.65 and sophomore Scott McClain in 83rd at 32:10.85. Liberty's McDougal rebounded from last year's narrow defeat at the NCAA Regional by winning the 2007 edition with a course record time of 29:30.70, while Eastern Kentucky's Jacob Korir, the 2006 NCAA Southeast Regional champion, was second with a time of 29:36.10.

On the women's side, the Cards had two runners, sophomore Tarah McKay and freshman Emily Borsare, earn All-Region honors as U of L scored 278 points overall to finish in 11th-place. The Cards improved three positions from last year's 14th-place team finish and added a second All-Region performer, one more than last year.

Overall, No. 21 NC State and unranked Duke earned the automatic bids to the NCAA Championships finishing first and second respectively. The Wolfpack finished with 106 points, while the Blue Devils finished with 114 points. No. 26 North Carolina was third with 124 points, followed by Kentucky in fourth with 141 points and Virginia Tech in fifth with 155 points.

For the Cards, McKay, from St. Clements, Ont., finished 11th overall in the field of 225 runners with a time of 20:51.20 across the 6-kilometer course, while Borsare, from Peachtree City, Ga., was 21st with a time of 21:10.65. North Carolina's Brianna Felnagle won the women's title with a time of 19:52.25.

"Tarah and Emily did a nice job today and our women's team is continuing to improve each week," said Mann. "We've made up a lot of ground since last season and I know there's even more improvement there. We're not where we want to be, but we're putting the pieces in place for a very strong team in the very near future."

Also scoring points for the Cards on Saturday was senior Taryn Gibson in 60th-place with a time of 21:49.80, while sophomore Kelsey Page was 90th with a time of 22:18.80 and freshman Lotte Jacobs closed the scoring in 103rd with a time of 22:35.40. Also competing for U of L was senior Sarah Weir in 133rd with a time of 22:59.70 and sophomore Kat Alcorn in 168th at 23:45.80.

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### MENS RACE RESULTS (29 Teams)

1.	No. 11 NC State	69 points
2.	No. 13 LOUISVILLE	70 points
3.	No. 25 William & Mary	74 points
4.	No. 9 Virginia	116 points
5.	Liberty	168 points
6.	Clemson	188 points
7.	Virginia Tech	228 points
8.	Eastern Kentucky	231 points
9.	Wake Forest	282 points
10.	Appalachian State	284 points

### U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 200)

3.	Wesley Korir	29:43.70
5.	Cory Thorne	29:56.60
7.	Soimo Kiplagat	29:57.25
13.	Michael Eaton	30:24.10
42.	Matt Smith	31:23.65
82.	Thad Schroeder	32:10.65
83.	Scott McClain	32:10.85

### WOMENS RACE RESULTS (31 Teams)

1.	No. 21 NC State	106 points
2.	Duke	114 points
3.	No. 26 North Carolina	124 points
4.	Kentucky	141 points
5.	Virginia Tech	155 points
6.	Virginia	166 points
7.	Liberty	223 points
8.	Wake Forest	233 points
9.	Richmond	257 points
10.	William & Mary	269 points
11.	LOUISVILLE	278 points

### U of L Women's Individual Finishers (Field of 225)

11.	Tarah McKay	20:52.20
21.	Emily Borsare	21:10.65
60.	Taryn Gibson	21:49.80
90.	Kelsey Page	22:18.80
103.	Lotte Jacobs	22:35.40
133.	Sarah Weir	22:59.70
168.	Kat Alcorn	23:45.80

# 2007 University of Louisville Cross Country Recaps

## NCAA Championships Terre Haute, Ind. • November 19 Men: 10 km

LOUISVILLE, Ky. – Led by a pair of All-America performances from senior Wesley Korir and junior Cory Thorne, the No. 15 ranked University of Louisville men's cross country team earned a school record setting ninth-place team finish at Monday's NCAA Championships at the LaVern Gibson Championship Course in Terre Haute, Ind.

The Cards, making the program's second straight appearance at the NCAA Championships, improved six spots from last year's 15th-place finish by scoring 324 points overall for their best national finish. With the finish, U of L closed the 2007 calendar year with top 10 team finishes in all three NCAA track & field and cross country events and completed the greatest track and field/cross country season in school history. The Cards opened 2007 with a 10th-place team finish and two event champions at the NCAA Indoor Championships and followed that with a school record seventh-place finish at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships.

"To complete this trio of events in 2007 with three top 10 team finishes, two event national titles and eight All-Americans is extremely special and I'm so happy for our athletes and our coaches," said Cards' head coach Ron Mann, in his fourth season at the helm in Louisville. "I can't thank (U of L athletics director) Tom Jurich and (U of L associate AD) Julie Hermann enough for all of their support and the amazing support of everyone within the University of Louisville family. They believed in this program and our athletes, and today, our guys stepped up one more time for a great finish."

Leading the way for the Cards was Korir, a senior from Eldoret, Kenya, who finished 12th overall with a time of 29 minutes, 58.3 seconds across the 10-kilometer course to become the Cards' first ever cross country All-America performer. Korir has been the Cards' top runner throughout 2007 leading the Cards' to their first ever BIG EAST title on Oct. 27 with a second-place finish as well as earning All-Region honors to lead U of L to a school record second-place finish at the NCAA Southeast Regional on Nov. 10. A track All-American in 2007 with a third-place national finish in the 5,000m, Korir closes his collegiate career as a three-time All-BIG EAST performer and All-Region performer and with eight total cross country event titles.

"It's been a special honor to coach someone like Wesley and I can't even begin to tell you how much he's meant to the University of Louisville cross country and track and programs," said Mann. "To see him mature and grow as a person and as an athlete has been a joy for me and our entire coaching staff and I couldn't be happier with the he closed his collegiate career by leading our team to another top 10 national finish."

Joining Korir with an All-America performance on Monday was Thorne, a junior from Portsmouth, N.H., with a time of 30:34.7 and 35th-place overall. An All-BIG EAST and All-Region performer in 2007, Thorne closed the season in strong fashion as the Cards' No. 2 runner in the final two events. Finishing third for the Cards and 65th overall was senior Soimo Kiplagat with a time of 30:49.4. A native of Kapsabet, Kenya, Kiplagat overcame a fall during the second half of the race to finish strong and guarantee the top 10 finish for the Cards.

U of L's fourth runner was Michael Eaton, a sophomore from Bowling Green, Ky., with a time of 30:55.8 to finish 71st overall, while sophomore Scott McClain closed the scoring for the Cards finishing in 217th overall with a time of 32:30.5. Also competing for the Cards on Monday was senior captain Thad Schroeder in 227th with a time of 32:41.7, while sophomore Matt Smith was 228th with a time of 32:43.4.

"Our guys have been so focused all season long and they've taken every meet and every practice with a wonderful professionalism," said Mann. "They knew we had an opportunity to do some special things this season and to close it out with this kind of finish after winning our first ever BIG EAST title is something I'll remember for a long time. This has been a special group of guys and I hope we can continue to build this program with people like our senior group of Thad Schroeder, Wesley Korir and Soimo Kiplagat."

Leading the way in the men's team race was No. 1 ranked Oregon, which won its fifth NCAA championship overall and the first since 1977, with 85 points, while No. 3 ranked Iona was second with 113. No. 9 Oklahoma State was third with 180 points followed by No. 6 Northern Arizona in fourth with 190 points and No. 5 Wisconsin in fifth with 239 points. The back half of the top 10 included No. 12 Alabama in sixth, No. 2 Colorado in seventh, No. 17 Minnesota in eighth, the Cards in ninth and No. 4 UTEP in 10th in the field of 31 teams.

In the individual race, NCAA Southeast Regional champion Josh McDougal won his first career NCAA title to finish with a time of 29:22.4 to edge Oregon's Galen Rupp in second with a time of 29:23.4.

## NCAA Championships Terre Haute, Ind. – Nov. 19, 2007 Men: 10 km

### MENS RACE RESULTS (31 Teams)

1.	No. 1 Oregon	85 points
2.	No. 3 Iona	113 points
3.	No. 9 Oklahoma State	180 points
4.	No. 6 Northern Arizona	190 points
5.	No. 5 Wisconsin	239 points
6.	No. 12 Alabama	280 points
7.	No. 2 Colorado	287 points
8.	No. 17 Minnesota	322 points
9.	No. 15 LOUISVILLE	324 points
10.	No. 4 UTEP	331 points
11.	No. 22 Cal Poly	367 points
12.	No. 24 Virginia	374 points
13.	No. 14 Georgetown	398 points
14.	No. 8 Portland	424 points
15.	No. 21 William & Mary	432 points

### U of L Men's Individual Finishers (Field of 250)

12.	Wesley Korir	A 29:58.3
35.	Cory Thorne	A 30:34.7
65.	Soimo Kiplagat	30:49.4
71.	Michael Eaton	30:55.8
217.	Scott McClain	32:30.5
227.	Thad Schroeder	32:41.7
228.	Matt Smith	32:43.4

A = Earns NCAA All-America honors