



2005 NEW MEXICO OUTDOOR TRACK and FIELD

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LOBO TRIO READY FOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DEBUT FELTMAN OPENS DECATHLON COMPETITION ON WEDNESDAY AT 12:15 P.M. (MST).

UPCOMING

For the first time in twenty years, three in-state products will represent the University of New Mexico at the highest level of collegiate track and field competition when they join the field of the 2005 NCAA Outdoor Championships this week in Sacramento, Calif. Senior Amanda Barnes (Carlsbad, N.M.) and juniors Dan Feltman (Deming, N.M.) and Matt Keeran (Albuquerque La Cueva) each will be making their national championships debut on Wednesday and Thursday, June 8-9, at the Hornet Stadium. The trio is New Mexico's largest contingent at the NCAA Championships since 1991.

Feltman opens the meet on Wednesday with five decathlon events (100 meters, long jump, shot put, high jump, 400 meters) from 2:30-9:05 p.m. (MST). Keeran, meanwhile, begins the qualifying round of the javelin on Wednesday at 4 p.m. Feltman wraps up the final five events of the decathlon (110-meter hurdles, discus, pole vault, javelin, 1,500 meters) from 12:15-9:20 p.m. on Thursday, followed by Barnes in the qualifying round of the shot put at 9:30.

Track and field is the oldest of the NCAA championships, going back to 1921. With the advent of regional qualifying in 2003, it's now the largest as well with a field of 1,100 athletes set to compete in Sacramento.

For the first time since World War II, the NCAA meet has a semi-permanent home. The NCAA track and field committee broke with tradition in awarding the 2005, 2006 and 2007 collegiate track championships to Sacramento. The NCAA meet hasn't been held at the same site in successive years since Marquette University in Milwaukee played host to the 1944-45 championships.

Sacramento State hosted the 2003 NCAA meet, attracting 31,900 fans over four days of competition at 21,000-seat Hornet Stadium in the A.G. Spanos Sports Complex. Sacramento averaged more than 20,000 spectators over 16 days of competition at the 2000 and 2004 U.S. Olympic Track & Field Trials.

The weather forecast in Sacramento calls for sunny skies and temperature highs in the low to mid-80s each day of the national championship meet.

MEET INFORMATION/RESULTS

Complete information and results from the 2005 NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships will be available on the official website of the host institution, California State University, Sacramento:

www.hornetsports.com

Information and results can also be found on the official website of the NCAA:

www.ncaasports.com

2005 SCHEDULE

INDOOR

Date	Meet (host)	Location	Time/Results
Jan. 15	Albuquerque All-Comers	ABQ Convention Center	Exhibition
Jan. 21-22	Air Force Invitational	Colorado Springs, Colo.	M: 5th/10 (59.5 pts.) W: 6th/12 (52 pts.)
Jan. 29	Wes Kitley Classic (Texas Tech)	Lubbock, Texas	non-scoring
Feb. 5	Mountain T's Invitational (Northern Arizona)	Flagstaff, Ariz.	non-scoring
Feb. 12	Powered By Tyson Invitational (Arkansas)	Fayetteville, Ark.	non-scoring
Feb. 24-26	MWC Championships (Air Force)	Colorado Springs, Colo.	M: 5th/6 (67 pts.) W: 7th/8 (31 pts.)
Mar. 11	NCAA Championships (Arkansas)	Fayetteville, Ark.	M: T34th (5 pts.) Matt Gonzales: 4th (5,000)

OUTDOOR

Date	Meet (host)	Location	Time/Results
Mar. 18-19	Willie Williams Classic (Arizona)	Tucson, Ariz.	non-scoring
Mar. 24	Wes Kitley Open (Texas Tech)	Lubbock, Texas	non-scoring
Mar. 25-26	Stanford Invitational	Stanford, Calif.	non-scoring
Apr. 2	UTEP Springtime Invitational	El Paso, Texas	M: 3rd/5 (111 pts.) W: 4th/5 (74 pts.)
Apr. 6-9	Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays	Austin, Texas	non-scoring
Apr. 13-16	Mt. SAC Relays	Walnut, Calif.	non-scoring
Apr. 15	Mesa Classic (Mesa CC)	Mesa, Ariz.	non-scoring
Apr. 22-23	Triton Invitational (UC San Diego)	San Diego, Calif.	non-scoring
Apr. 30	Don Kirby Memorial Invitational	G.F.O. UNM Track Stadium	non-scoring
May 11-14	MWC Championships (Colorado State)	Fort Collins, Colo.	M: 4th/6 (107.5 pts.) W: 6th/8 (64.5 pts.)
May 27-28	Midwest Regional Championships (Oklahoma)	Norman, Okla.	M: 31st/32 (2 pts.) W: T27th/32 (4 pts.)
Jun. 8-11	NCAA Championships (Sacramento State)	Sacramento, Calif.	All Day

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silver at the NCAA Championships. In 1985, Albuquerque natives Ted Crouch (hammer), Carole Roybal (3,000m) and Pam Posey (100m) were among the five UNM men and women to qualify for the national meet.

SCOUTING THE LOBOS

Amanda Barnes • 5-9 • Sr-3L • Carlsbad, N.M. • Shot Put
The Lobos' top-ranked competitor at the NCAA Championships, entering the shot put competition as the No. 15 seed...advanced to the national meet by earning the fifth automatic qualifying berth out of the Midwest Region with a mark of 51-11.25...scratched on her first two attempts at the regional meet before securing a spot in the finals on what could have been the final throw of her career...finished 13th as a sophomore and ninth as a junior at the Midwest Regionals before earning her long-awaited trip to the national meet...is the first UNM woman ever to compete in the shot put at the NCAA Championships...last Lobo shot putter to qualify for the national meet was former All-American Darren Crawford in 1990...recorded her top mark of 52-09.50 on April 23 in San Diego and also surpassed the 52-foot mark in the March 19 season-opener at Arizona...has gone over 51 feet in eight of nine meets this year and improved by over six feet since her rookie season...won five shot put competitions this spring...two-time MWC outdoor shot put champion and league runner-up in '05...holds UNM indoor/outdoor shot put records and the top discus mark as well...15 career outdoor victories including 13 in the shot put...exemplary student-athlete who will earn Academic All-MWC for a fourth-straight season after earning her degrees in both Applied Mathematics and Biology in May...NCAA Woman of the Year Nominee who has earned all her athletic and academic accolades while remarkably balancing her responsibilities as mother to her 6-year-old daughter Sable...flew to the Midwest Regional meet one day before competition after watching Sable graduate from kindergarten on May 26...two-time New Mexico state 5A champion in the shot put (2000-01) at Carlsbad High School...**Shot Put qualifying – Thurs., 9:30 p.m./finals – Sat., 7:30 p.m.**

Dan Feltman • 6-4 • Jr-2L • Deming, N.M. • Decathlon
2005 Mountain West Conference champion who could be one of the best kept secrets in the NCAA decathlon field...was selected out of the provisional qualifying pool and enters the meet ranked 18th after recording a career-best score of 7,278 in mid-April at the Mt. SAC Relays...Mt. SAC appearance was his first multi-event competition of the year after missing the entire indoor season with a severe quadriceps injury he suffered in his first race of 2005...coaches believe he would have scored at least 200 points higher at the MWC Championships if not for unseasonably cold temperatures, rain, lightning and wind in Fort Collins, Colo...still managed to dominate the field, earning a 534-point victory with a score of 7,250...a javelin specialist who is also a top threat in the shot put and 110-meter hurdles...has really improved his sprint speed this year, dropping his times in the 100 and improving his consistency in the 400...also upped his discus PR by over 20 feet and his pole vault height by over 18 inches...is the second straight Lobo decathlete to qualify for the NCAA Championships after UNM went 19 years without a representative in the two-day competition...former teammate Mark Johnson was the 22nd man added to the field last year, but went on to finish 15th in the field of 26...former U.S. Olympic team member Gary Kinder is the Lobos' most decorated decathlete, earning All-America honors with a second place finish in 1985...Kinder led the competition for nine events before being edged in the 1,500-meter run...was ranked 42nd in the country in 2004 after recording a provisional qualifying score of 7,022 en route to a

HEAD COACH

Matt Henry

In his fifth year as UNM head track & field/cross country coach, Matt Henry looks to continue the remarkable rejuvenation of his alma mater's program. Since Henry took over the track and field program in 2001, New Mexico's men and women have combined to capture 19 Mountain West Conference event titles, earn all-conference honors 82 times, garner 10 MWC Athlete of the Week awards and set 21 school records. Henry, the 2002 MWC Men's Outdoor Coach of the Year, has also sent a pair of athletes to the NCAA Outdoor Championships each of the past three years, qualified the first UNM woman to the national indoor meet in 2003 and helped Santa Fe native Matt Gonzales earn All-America honors in the 5,000 (4th) at the 2005 NCAA Indoor Championships.

In 2003, Henry's Lobo legacy came full circle as the former UNM All-American helped Gonzales finish third in the 10,000 at NCAA Championships, earning the 64th All-America award in New Mexico's proud track and field history. Gonzales earned All-America honors in the 10,000 again the following spring and went on to establish himself as perhaps the top American-born collegiate distance runner by finishing sixth in the 5,000-meter finals at the 2004 U.S. Olympic Trials. Fellow NCAA competitor Mark Johnson, meanwhile, secured the first Academic All-America award under Henry, earning first team honors in 2004.

In 2002, Henry became the first UNM coach ever to be named Mountain West Conference Men's Track and Field Coach of the Year after leading the New Mexico men to their second straight fourth place finish at the MWC Outdoor Championships. The men tallied 125.5 points, an improvement of 34.5 from 2001, and 11.5 more points than the men had scored combined (114) in the five years prior to Henry's arrival.

In his first season at New Mexico, Henry led both the men's and women's track teams to their most successful conference meet performances in 10 years as the women finished fourth at the 2001 Mountain West Indoor Championships, while the men placed fourth at the outdoor championships. Henry's athletes also captured five conference titles, the most since 1991, and earned all-MWC honors in 12 events at the indoor and outdoor championships.

Meanwhile, Henry has also returned New Mexico to its traditional place among the nation's top distance running schools. Last fall, he put together the finest cross country team in school history. Led by two All-Americans in senior Matt Gonzales (2nd) and true freshman Shadrack Kiptoo-Biwott (14th), the men of New Mexico placed ninth at the NCAA Championship meet. However, true to the hard-working character of Henry's program, it was a dramatic late surge by the team's fifth scoring runner, fifth-year walk-on Sean Flaherty, that pushed the Lobos into the top-10. The UNM women, meanwhile, were represented well by senior Jacquelyne Gallegos who placed a strong 69th, ahead of 181 other runners.

MATT HENRY QUICK FACTS

- Named 2002 Mountain West Conference Men's Outdoor Track & Field Coach of the Year.
- Named head coach on June 17, 2000 after spending 15 years as head track & field/cross country coach at La Cueva High School in Albuquerque. While at La Cueva, Henry led the Bears to four straight boys' state track titles ('97-00), three boys' state cross country championships ('95-96, '98), a pair of girls' state cross country titles ('94-95) and was named National High School Track Coach of the Year in 1999.
- A four-year letterman for the UNM track team from 1971-74...competed in the 440-yard dash and 880-yard run...part of the Lobos' WAC champion two-mile relay team that earned All-America honors at the 1972 NCAA Indoor Championships.
- Twin brother Mark Henry is UNM associate head track & field/cross country coach...older brother, Pat, now with Texas A&M, was previously the head track coach at LSU, a program that captured 27 NCAA titles in his 17-year tenure...father, Gwinn "Bub" Henry, spent 30 years at UNM, most of that time as the Director of the Alumni Association...Bub and all five of his sons attended the University of New Mexico...Bub's father, Gwinn, was declared the fastest man in the world in 1911 and later served as the Lobos' athletics director, head football coach and head track coach for three seasons from 1934-36

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fourth place finish at the MWC Championships...has competed in 122 individual events, 5 decathlons, 2 heptathlons and 1 pentathlon during his indoor/outdoor career...2002 Gatorade Track and Field Athlete of the Year of the state of New Mexico...captured 7 4A titles in his prep career at Deming High School, including all five events (100, 200, 400, L, T) he competed in at the '02 state meet...qualified for a stunning 12 events at the state meet, but rules limited his participation to five...was the nation's third-ranked prep decathlete as a senior...**Decathlon (Day 1) – Wed., 2:30 p.m./Day 2 – Thurs., 12:15 p.m.**

Matt Keeran • 6-2 • Jr-2L • Albuquerque, N.M. • Javelin

2005 Mountain West Conference javelin champion who has had a dramatic two-week surge to get into the NCAA Championship field...underwent elbow surgery in the spring of 2004 after earning all-MWC honors in 2002 and 2003...made gradual progress in his return to action this spring, but was considered a long shot to return to the MWC medals podium in 2005...shocked the MWC field, however, winning the conference title with a career-best throw of 211-05 on his final attempt...had competed just three times all year, notching a top mark of 191-04 before uncorking the winning throw at the MWC Championships...suffered a strained hamstring on the throw and pulled the muscle completely on his first attempt at the Midwest Regional Championships two weeks later...battled through the pain, however, and went on to finish seventh (197-04) at the regional meet...regional finish and his MWC-winning mark were good enough to earn an at-large bid to the NCAA meet as the 24th competitor selected to the 26-man field...came back from the Midwest Regional meet with his entire right hamstring a dark shade of purple and will not practice again until he arrives in Sacramento...a real student of the event inside the oval and standout in the classroom as well...earned his degree in Business Administration in just three years, graduating last spring with a 3.68 GPA...two-time MWC Scholar-Athlete Award winner...began his Lobo athletic career on the football field as a walk-on quarterback, the same position his dad, Bob, played for UNM in the early '70s...**Javelin qualifying - Wed., 4 p.m./finals - Fri., 6 p.m.**

BARNES SEASON SHOT PUT RESULTS

March 18	Willie Williams Classic	52-01.25	1st
March 24	Wes Kitley Open	47-11.25	1st
April 2	UTEP Springtime Invite	51-02.25	1st
April 9	Texas Relays (Section A)	51-01.50	5th
April 15	Mesa Classic	51-10.50	1st
April 23	UCSD Triton Invitational	52-09.50	3rd
April 30	Don Kirby Invitational	51-04.50	1st
May 14	MWC Championships	51-07.75	2nd
May 28	NCAA Midwest Regionals	51-11.25	5th

FELTMAN SEASON RESULTS

Pole Vault	Willie Williams Classic	NH	—
Discus	Willie Williams Classic	137-02	19th
Javelin	Willie Williams Classic	193-11	10th
400m	UTEP Springtime Invitational	51.20*	4th
110m Hurdles	UTEP Springtime Invitational	15.33*	5th
Pole Vault	UTEP Springtime Invitational	NH	—
Javelin	UTEP Springtime Invitational	193-01	2nd
Decathlon	Mt. SAC Relays	7,278 pts.	6th
100m	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	11.33	5th
Long Jump	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	22-05.75	T5th
Shot Put	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	45-10.50	2nd
High Jump	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	5-10.75	11th
400m	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	50.24	2nd
110m Hurdles	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	15.50	9th
Discus	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	125-04	8th
Pole Vault	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	15-01.00	T4th
Javelin	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	189-06	2nd
1,500m	Mt. SAC Relays (decathlon)	4:46.29	6th
400m	UCSD Triton Invitational	50.43	24th
High Jump	UCSD Triton Invitational	NH	—
Pole Vault	UCSD Triton Invitational	14-06.00	T15th
Javelin	UCSD Triton Invitational	198-07	2nd
400m	Don Kirby Invitational	50.68*	16th
Discus	Don Kirby Invitational	138-10	13th
Javelin	Don Kirby Invitational	187-07	2nd
Decathlon	MWC Championships	7,250 pts.	1st
100m	MWC Championships (decath.)	11.10*	2nd
Long Jump	MWC Championships (decath.)	21-05.50	2nd
Shot Put	MWC Championships (decath.)	44-01.25	1st
High Jump	MWC Championships (decath.)	6-00.50	6th
400m	MWC Championships (decath.)	50.05*	1st
110m Hurdles	MWC Championships (decath.)	15.34*	2nd
Discus	MWC Championships (decath.)	138-07	2nd
Pole Vault	MWC Championships (decath.)	14-09.00	2nd
Javelin	MWC Championships (decath.)	180-11	2nd
1,500m	MWC Championships (decath.)	4:51.81*	8th
110m Hurdles	MWC Championships (prelims)	DNF	—
Javelin	MWC Championships	197-08	4th

KEERAN SEASON JAVELIN RESULTS

March 19	Willie Williams Classic	187-00	11th
April 7	Texas Relays (Section B)	191-04	16th
April 23	UCSD Triton Invitational	181-06	3rd
May 14	MWC Championships	211-05	1st
May 27	NCAA Midwest Regionals	197-04	7th

