

# Boilermaker

## Cross Country & Track and Field

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### Upcoming

### Meets

**Adidas Elite Invitational**  
Oct. 14 - Madison, WI

**Pre-National Race**  
Oct. 16 - Terre Haute, IN

**Big Ten Cross Country  
Championships**  
Oct. 30 - Champaign, IL

**NCAA Great Lakes  
Regional Meet**  
Nov. 12 - Toledo, OH

**NCAA Cross Country  
Championships**  
Nov. 21 - Terre Haute, IN

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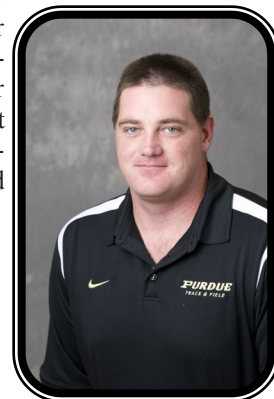
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## Meet the New Staff!

**Toyinda Wilson-Long** is the new supervisor of track and field operations. She is making the move back to the athletics department after serving as a higher education administrator at Purdue for more than 11 years. Wilson-Long was a Boilermaker student from 1995-99. During her time as a student athlete, Wilson-Long was an NCAA Champion, and a eight time Big Ten Championship medalist.



**Keith McBride** spent seven years coaching throws at Marshall University and is in his first season at Purdue. McBride was a standout for the Old Gold and Black from 2001-04. He garnered many honors including a 2002 Big Ten Championship runner up title in the Hammer Throw a 2004 Big Ten Championship Title in Hammer throw and indoor All-American honors after finishing runner-up at the NCAA Championships in the 35-pound weight throw.



**Jake Stewart** is in his first season at Purdue. He oversees the men's distance group and comes to Purdue from Lamar University where he spent three seasons as the distance coach for the track and field teams and two as the assistant cross country coach. In his first season as assistant cross country coach at Lamar, Stewart was named the Southland Conference Coach of the Year after the men won four of their five invitationals. He also led the Cardinals to a third place finish at the regional meet last year.



**Sarah Haveman (Klaczynski)** is in charge of the women's distance group and is in her first season as an assistant coach with the Purdue Cross Country teams and second with the Track and Field teams. Haveman competed from 2006 to 2010. As a senior she qualified for the 2010 NCAA Outdoor Championships in the 3,000-meter steeplechase; took third place at the Big Ten Outdoor Championships; placed fifth at the NCAA Championship East Preliminary Rounds and broke the Purdue record to qualify for finals at the national championship meet where she placed 12th.



## Men Champions Again, Women Fourth

10/1/11



The Purdue cross country teams were back in action on Saturday and it was the men who claimed their third straight meet victory after taking the top spot at the prestigious Greater Louisville Cross Country Classic.

Senior [Cale Allen](#) was the top finisher for the Boilermakers after he took 12th place overall with a career-best time of 24:18.86. His previous best was 24:25.00 at last year's Wisconsin Adidas Invitational.

Classmate [Charles White](#) finished second on the team and 14th overall in the 8K after posting a 24:20.55, just 11 seconds off his career best.

In the women's 5K race, Purdue claimed a fourth place finish overall. [Dana Payonk](#) was the top Boilermaker finisher for the third consecutive race. The redshirt freshman posted a time of 17:36.34, good for 20th place. Teammate [Stephanie Bonk](#) finished at nearly the same time as the

senior took 21st with a time of 17:36.61. [Kelly McCurdy](#) earned 28th place points after posting a 17:44.25.

The men and women will be back in action next Saturday as they travel to Richmond, Ind., to take part in the IU East Invitational. Start times for the races will be announced in the days preceding the meet. [Link to article](#)

## Meet Results

9/02/2011- Illinois Invitational – Champaign, IL

**Men 3<sup>rd</sup>/Women 2<sup>nd</sup>**

9/10/2011- IPFW Invitational – Fort Wayne, IN

**Men 1<sup>st</sup>/Women 1<sup>st</sup>**

9/16/2011- Indiana Intercollegiates – Bloomington, IN

**Men 1<sup>st</sup>/Women 3<sup>rd</sup>**

10/01/2011- Greater Louisville Cross Country Classic – Louisville, KY

**Men 1<sup>st</sup>/Women 4<sup>th</sup>**

10/08/2011—IU East Invitational—Bloomington, IN

**Men 1<sup>st</sup>/Women 1<sup>st</sup>**

Click [here](#) to see full meet results!

**If you have changed your contact information please let us know by filling out an Alumni Update Form [here](#).**

## Men Champions, Women Take Third

9/16/11



The men are state champions and the women took third after an exciting day for Purdue cross country wrapped up at the Indiana Intercollegiates on Friday. For just the second time since 2001, the Boilermaker

men took top spot in the state after posting a team score of 35, five better than the hosting Hoosiers of Indiana University. On the women's side, redshirt

freshman [Dana Payonk](#) was again the top finisher for Purdue as she posted an 18:08 ninth place finish. [Stephanie Bonk](#) and [Kelly McCurdy](#) were not far behind as they finished 11th and 12th with times of 18:11 and 18:14, respectively. Senior [Kara Conflenti](#) rounded out the top 20 as she posted a 5K time of 18:40.

The women took third place with an overall team score of 78. The Indiana Hoosiers won the women's race for the third consecutive year with a team score of 19. Butler was second with 63 points.

In the open race, [Linsey Daluga](#) took third place with a time

of 18:59 in the women's 5K. [Marie Lorentz](#) finished in fifth place after posting a time of 19:13. [Kayla McCurdy](#) was the third Boilermaker to cross the finish line and took seventh overall with a 5K time of 19:18. [Kristin Fritts](#) made it four Purdue harriers in the top 10 as she took ninth after running the race in 19:39. [Maria Paolillo](#) was the Boilermakers' fifth finisher as she finished in 21:21. [Link to article](#)

## Stay Connected!

The mission of the **Varsity P Club** is to unite former Boilermaker varsity letter winners, student-athletes, managers, trainers, and cheerleaders into a passionate community with a life-long commitment to each other and Purdue Athletics.

Earmarking your support for Cross Country and Track and Field is invaluable to us and creates a positive impact and continual programmatic possibilities.

To join please follow the link: [link to application](#)

## Save the Date!

Varsity P Club Cross Country & Track and Field

**Alumni Reunion—Saturday, April 21, 2012**

More information will be sent your way shortly! Stay tuned!

## New Initiative

Do you want to further your involvement with the team by adding inspiration, strength, advice, and influence to the program?

### Purdue Cross Country and Track and Field Leadership Board

This board is being put in place to:

- Foster the connection between XC/Track alumni and the current program,
- Increase collaboration efforts amongst alumni and
- Provide recommendations and guidance on areas that influence the current program and alumni interactions

If you are interested in serving on the leadership board please fill out the brief questionnaire [here](#).

## Returning Coaches



**Myron McClure** heads into his second full season with the Purdue track and field team after starting in January 2011, assisting the Boilermakers in the horizontal jumps and short hurdle areas. In his first season, McClure guided standout Leah Eber to a sweep of the Big Ten long jump titles, winning the indoor crown with a Purdue and Lambert Fieldhouse Record and taking the outdoor crown. Eber went on to advance all the way to the NCAA Outdoor Championships. A former Boilermaker from 1994-1998, McClure was an All-American triple jumper as well as a top five all-time indoor triple jumper and 55m hurdler for Purdue.



**Mike Stevenson** heads into his third season with the Purdue track and field team and is responsible for the Boilermakers in the sprints and long hurdle areas. He came to Purdue from Western Illinois University, where he served as the men's and women's head track and field and cross country coach for nine seasons. In his first season with the Old Gold and Black, Stevenson guided standout Shane Crawford to the first Big Ten sprints championship for the Boilermakers since 2003, as Crawford won the 60-meter dash at the 2010 indoor conference meet; qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships and broke the school record in the event. Crawford won the 2011 Big Ten Title in the 100 meter dash smashing the school record.



## Head Coaches Corner

**Jack Warner** is in his eighth year at the helm of the Purdue University Track & Field and Cross Country programs. Warner has overseen a national champion, 16 All-Americans, 66 NCAA Championship qualifiers and 35 Big Ten Champions in track and field. His athletes have also made their marks in the Purdue record books, tying or breaking 30 school records. Most recently Warner and his staff led the 2009 Boilermaker men's cross country team to earn its first NCAA qualifier since 1987. The men's team has made its way into the upper echelon of the conference standings, including just the third second-place showing in school history at the 2008 Big Ten Indoor Championship and back-to-back fourth-place efforts at the 2008 and 2009 Big Ten Outdoor Championships, while the women boasted their first NCAA Champion since 2002, flaunted seven All-Americans and a pair of Big Ten individual champions in 2010.

Social Media!

