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DARRELL TOZIER NAMED FIRST TEAM ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN IN TRACK & FIELD

IRVINE, Calif. --- UC Irvine middle-distance runner Darrell Tozier (Half Moon Bay HS/College of San Mateo) has been named to the 2003 Verizon Academic All-American first team for track and field.

He becomes the first UCI student-athlete selected to the first team since Omar Amr (water polo/swimming) in 1996-97. Nominees had to be a member of the Academic All-District first team, a starter or important reserve with legitimate athletic credentials, must have maintained at least a 3.20 cumulative grade-point average, and had to have attained sophomore athletic and academic standing at their respective universities. Voting is conducted by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Tozier, a first team Verizon Academic All-District VIII selection in May, graduated from UCI with degrees in English and history last Saturday.

Tozier, who won the 800 meters at the Big West Conference Championships in May for the second time in three years, finished sixth in the 800 at the NCAA West Regional Championships at Stanford. His top time of 1:49.27, which he ran at the Occidental College Invitational May 10, ranks No. 4 in UCI history. Tozier also won the 800 meters at the California/Nevada Championships and UCI's Spring Break Invitational this season.

He has earned Dean's List honors at UCI each quarter he has attended the university and he is a two-time Big West Scholar-Athlete.

June 14, 2003

UC IRVINE'S ANNMARIE TURPIN FINISHES 21ST IN NCAA HEPTATHLON

SACRAMENTO, Calif. --- UC Irvine junior Annmarie Turpin finished 21st of 27 competitors in the heptathlon at the NCAA Track & Field Championships that concluded Saturday on the Sacramento State campus.

Turpin had a total of 4,928 points over the seven events at the A.G. Spanos Sports Complex. Hyleas Fountain of Georgia won the competition with 5,999 points, Washington State's Ellannee Richardson was second with 5,839 and Idaho's Angela Whyte was third with 5,745.

In Saturday's three events, Turpin had marks of 17-2 1/4 in the long jump and 118-6 in the javelin throw, then she finished with a time of 2:24.53 in the 800 meters.

June 13, 2003

ANNMARIE TURPIN IN 24TH PLACE AFTER DAY ONE OF NCAA HEPTATHLON

SACRAMENTO, Calif. --- UC Irvine junior Annmarie Turpin is in 24th place of 27 competitors after the first day of the heptathlon competition at the NCAA Track & Field Championships in Sacramento.

Turpin had a total of 2,946 points Friday at the A.G. Spanos Sports Complex on the Sacramento State campus. Georgia's Hyleas Fountain is in first with 3,684 points, Idaho's Angela Whyte has 3,506 for second place and Ellannee Richardson of Washington State is third with 3,432.

In Friday's events, Turpin had times of 14.86 in the 100-meter hurdles and 26.51 in the 200 meters, and recorded marks of 5-3 3/4 in the high jump and 35-0 1/2 in the shot put. Action concludes Saturday with competition in the long jump, javelin throw and 800 meters.

June 9, 2003

ANNMARIE TURPIN COMPETES IN NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS WEEKEND

TURPIN COMPETES IN NCAA HEPTATHLON FRIDAY, SATURDAY: Junior Annmarie Turpin (Simi Valley HS) will be UC Irvine's one representative to the NCAA Track & Field Championships in Sacramento this weekend. Turpin will compete in the heptathlon at the A.G. Spanos Sports Complex on the Sacramento State campus Friday and Saturday (June 13-14).

Friday's heptathlon schedule features the 100-meter hurdles at 10:00 a.m., the high jump at 11:00 a.m., shot put at 1:30 p.m. and the 200 meters at 3:00 p.m. On Saturday, the long jump is at 10:00 a.m., the javelin throw at 11:40 a.m., and the heptathlon concludes with the 800 meters at 2:40 p.m.

Turpin's top marks in each running event are 14.40 in the 100-meter hurdles, 25.41 in the 200 meters and 2:22.90 in the 800 meters. For the field events, her best marks are 5-7 1/4 in the high jump, 18-2 1/2 in the long jump, 37-5 3/4 in the shot put and 119-7 in the javelin throw.

June 9, 2003

EIGHT UC IRVINE STUDENT-ATHLETES NAMED TO MPSF INDOOR TRACK & FIELD ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

IRVINE, Calif. -- Eight UC Irvine student-athletes have been named to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Indoor Track & Field Academic All-Conference team for the 2003 season. UCI's representatives are Lauren Adams, Amanda Armstrong, Wendy Chan, Erin Curtis, Angela Lotito, Cathy Picha, Lina Pimentel and Annmarie Turpin. The announcement was made by MPSF executive director Al Beard.

The honorees needed to meet the criteria of a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average, must be at least a sophomore academically, must have completed one full academic year at the member institution prior to the season for which the award is being received, and must have competed in fifty percent or more of the institution's competition in the student-athlete's respective sport.

June 5, 2003

TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES EARN BIG WEST ACADEMIC HONORS

IRVINE, CA -- 13 track and field athletes were among 22 UC Irvine student-athletes to earn Academic All-Big West Conference honors for the spring sports of men's and women's tennis, men's and women's golf, men's and women's track & field and baseball, the Big West Conference Office announced.

Brandon Bailey, Jules Castano, Viken Jermakian, William King-Lewis, John Stein, Jon Stewart, Santosh Swamidass, Jeremy Torres, Darrell Tozier, Erin Curtis, Angela Lotito, Cathy Picha and Annmarie Turpin received All-Academic recognition.

Each honoree maintained a 3.2 cumulative grade point average or better and participated in over 50 percent of the team's competition. Student-athletes must also reach sophomore standing.

The Anteaters were among 201 Big West Spring honorees, which also included the sport of softball.

June 3, 2003

TURPIN TO REPRESENT UC IRVINE AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

TURPIN TO CARRY UCI FLAG: Junior Annmarie Turpin (Simi Valley HS) will be UC Irvine's sole representative to the NCAA Track & Field Championships in Sacramento next week. Turpin will compete in the heptathlon at the A.G. Spanos Sports Complex on the Sacramento State campus June 13-14.

She recorded a qualifying total of 5,228 points in winning the Big West Conference title at Cal State Northridge May 14-15. That mark ranks No. 4 in UCI history and is 20th of the 27 competitors who qualified for the NCAA meet.

May 31, 2003

UCI'S DARRELL TOZIER FINISHES 6TH IN 800 AT NCAA TRACK & FIELD WEST REGIONAL

STANFORD, Calif. --- UC Irvine senior Darrell Tozier finished sixth with a time of 1:51.33 in the finals of the 800 meters at the NCAA Track & Field West Regional Championships at Stanford University Saturday. USC's Raphael Asafo-Agyei won the event in 1:50.05 to lead the five automatic qualifiers for the NCAA Championships at Sacramento June 11-14. Tozier still has a chance to also advance to the NCAA meet when at-large berths are awarded next week. Tozier won his preliminary heat in 1:49.72 Friday.

Also on Saturday, junior Annmarie Turpin placed 10th in the high jump with a mark of 5 feet, 7 1/4 inches, and junior Jenny Liou finished 20th overall in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:55.98.

In men's action Friday, senior Santosh Swamidass finished eighth in the high jump at 6 feet, 9 3/4 inches to tie his career best. Sophomore Scott Jarvis finished fourth in his heat of the 400-meter hurdles in 53.86, but did not qualify for the finals.

In women's competition Friday, sophomore Erin Curtis finished 16th in the pole vault at 12 feet, 6 1/4 inches and senior Jessica Stafford placed 19th in the javelin throw with a toss of 135 feet, 8 inches. Sophomore Suzanne Purmort finished fifth in her heat of the 400-meter hurdles in 1:03.78, and senior Wendy Chan placed eighth in her heat of the 800 meters with a time of 2:10.01. Neither Purmort or Chan advanced to the finals.

May 29, 2003

UC IRVINE'S DARRELL TOZIER NAMED TO ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT FIRST TEAM

IRVINE, Calif. --- UC Irvine senior Darrell Tozier (El Granada, Calif./College of San Mateo) has been named to the 2003 Verizon Academic All-District VIII first team for men's track and field.

Nominees had to be a starter or important reserve with legitimate athletic credentials, must have maintained at least a 3.20 cumulative grade-point average, and had to have attained sophomore athletic and academic standing at their respective universities. Tozier is majoring in English and history at UCI.

Tozier, who won the 800 meters at the Big West Conference Championships earlier this month and also in 2001, has the top time (1:49.27) entered in the NCAA West Regional Championships at Stanford this weekend (May 30-31). That time, which he ran at the Occidental College Invitational May 10, ranks No. 4 in UCI history. Tozier also won the 800 meters at the California/Nevada Championships and UCI's Spring Break Invitational this season.

He has earned Dean's List honors at UCI each of the eight quarters he has attended the university and he is a two-time Big West Scholar-Athlete.

May 27, 2003

ANTEATERS TRAVEL TO STANFORD FOR NCAA REGIONAL

NCAA WEST REGIONAL AT STANFORD: Nine UC Irvine student-athletes travel to Stanford this week for the NCAA Track & Field West Regional Championships Friday and Saturday (May 30-31). The top five finishers in each event will advance to the NCAA Championships in Sacramento June 11-14.

TOZIER SEEDED NO. 1: UCI senior Darrell Tozier (El Granada/College of San Mateo) has the top time (1:49.27) entered in the 800 meters for the West regional this weekend. He won the event in this year's Big West Conference Championships (and also in 2001). Sophomore Erin Curtis (Santa Cruz/Archbishop Mitty HS) has the No. 6 pole vault mark (13-2 ¼) in the West region.

The Anteater regional qualifiers, with their seeds, marks and event days/times, are:

WOMEN

- 12. Wendy Chan (Sr., 800 meters, 2:08.8, Fri., 7:00 pm prelims)
- 6. Erin Curtis (So., pole vault, 13-2 ¼, Fri., 3:00 pm)
- 21. Jenny Liou (Jr., 3,000-meter steeplechase, 10:47.01, Sat., 5:05 pm)
- 25. Suzanne Purmort (So., 400 hurdles, 61.27, Fri., 7:30 pm prelims)
- 22. Jessica Stafford (Sr., javelin throw, 141-9, Fri., 12:05 pm)
- 15. Annmarie Turpin (Jr., high jump, 5-7 ¼, Sat., 2:30 pm)

MEN

- 17. Scott Jarvis (So., 400-meter hurdles, 52.32, Fri., 7:45 pm prelims)
- 20. Santosh Swamidass (Sr., high jump, 6-9 ½, Sat., 5:50 pm)
- 1. Darrell Tozier (Sr., 800 meters, 1:49.27, Fri., 7:15 pm prelims)

SCHOOL RECORDS IN 2003: Two UCI records have been established during the 2003 outdoor season: junior Jenny Liou in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (10:47.01) and sophomore Erin Curtis in the pole vault (13-2 ¼).

OTHER TOP 10 RANKINGS: The UCI regional qualifiers in their respective events who rank on the university's all-time list top 10 list include Wendy Chan at No. 5 (2:08.8) in the 800 meters,

Suzanne Purmort at No. 6 (61.27) in the 400-meter hurdles, Jessica Stafford at No. 3 (141-9) in the javelin throw, Darrell Tozier at No. 4 (1:49.27) in the 800 meters, Scott Jarvis at No. 5 (52.32) in the 400-meter hurdles, and Santosh Swamidass at No. 9 (6-9 $\frac{3}{4}$ in 1999 and 2000) in the high jump.

May 20, 2003

**30 ATHLETES HONORED AT ANNUAL SCHOLAR-ATHLETE BANQUET;
WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY WINS FACULTY ATHLETIC REPRESENTATIVE AWARD**

Thirty UCI cross country and track & field athletes were among a school record 170 student-athletes honored as 2002-03 Big West Conference Scholar-Athletes at the program's annual banquet Monday night (May 19) at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Amanda Armstrong, Janelle Del Soldato, Melinda Fuller, Trisha Harris, Veronica Herrera, Jenna Keith, Jenny Liou, Julie Manson, Lisa Massoth, Karin Ragudo, Kaleena Yee, Erin Curtis, Angela Lotito, Catherine Picha, Lina Pimentel, Annmarie Turpin, Kim Ramirez, Kelli Vanderburg, Brandon Bailey, Aaron Corbett, Viken Jermakian, William King-Lewis, Travis Morisoli, John Stein, Jonathan Stewart, Santosh Swamidass, Jeremy Torres, Darrell Tozier, Jules Castano and Aaron Jacobsen were honored at the banquet.

Annmarie Turpin was presented with the first annual Robert and Phyllis Chichester Award, which recognizes a female athlete who will be completing her athletic career the following season and has excelled athletically, academically and as a leader.

The women's cross-country team accepted the Faculty Athletic Representative Award for the highest team GPA. It is the 11th time head coach Vince O' Boyle's team has won the award.

This year's list of scholar-athletes brings UCI's total to 2,221 since 1984. The 170 honorees best the old mark of 148 set in 1998-99. Requirements for this award include maintaining a 3.0 grade-point average (GPA) over three quarters or a 3.2 GPA over two quarters for freshmen. Student-athletes must also earn letters in their sports.

The Scholar-Athlete award was implemented by the Big West Conference to honor those student-athletes that have maintained a high level of scholastic excellence while participating in intercollegiate athletics. UCI expanded the award to include teams that do not participate in Big West-sponsored sports.

May 17, 2003

UC IRVINE'S DARRELL TOZIER WINS 800 METERS AT BIG WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

NORTHRIDGE, Calif. --- UC Irvine senior Darrell Tozier won the 800 meters in the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships that concluded Saturday at Cal State Northridge.

Tozier, who also won the event in 2001, finished with a time of 1:51.75. Sophomore Scott Jarvis finished third in the 400-meter hurdles in 52.32, the fifth-fastest time in UCI history, and qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31. Jarvis placed sixth in the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 14.60. Freshman Ricky Barnes finished sixth in the 1,500 meters (3:53.88), while freshman Jon Wratten was sixth and senior Santosh Swamidass seventh in the high jump as both cleared 6-5 $\frac{1}{2}$. Sophomore Jeremy Torres was seventh in the pole vault at 15-7 and freshman Aaron Corbett was eighth at 15-1. Sophomore Kenny Vinh finished eighth

in the 110-meter high hurdles in 15.11. The Anteater men finished eighth with 46 1/2 points as Utah State won the title with 152 1/2.

In women's competition Saturday, senior Jessica Stafford finished second in the javelin throw with a mark of 141-9 (No. 3 in UCI history) to qualify for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford. She finished seventh in the 100-meter hurdles in 14.73. Senior Wendy Chan finished third in the 800 meters (2:10.71) and fifth in the 1,500 meters (4:39.37). Junior Lauren Adams placed fourth in the 400 meters in 56.47 and sophomore Amber Nefas was sixth in 56.92. Sophomore Erin Curtis was fifth in the 100 meters (12.08), junior Annmarie Turpin placed fifth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 14.69 and sophomore Suzanne Purmort was fifth in the 400-meter hurdles (61.90). Senior Cathy Picha was sixth in the 800 meters (2:14.40) and junior Kim Ramirez was eighth in 2:18.58. The UCI women's team finished fourth with 77 points as Idaho won the meet with 213.

In Friday's action at the Big West Championships, Erin Curtis finished third in the pole vault with a mark of 12-4 and senior Lisa Massoth placed sixth in the 10,000 meters with a time of 39:04.72. In the men's 3,000-meter steeplechase, senior Travis Morisoli finished seventh with a time of 9:22.39 and junior J.J. Stein was seventh in the javelin throw with a mark of 181-3.

May 15, 2003

**UC IRVINE'S ANNMARIE TURPIN WINS BIG WEST CONFERENCE HEPTATHLON TITLE;
STEWART FINISHES FOURTH IN DECATHLON**

NORTHRIDGE, Calif. --- UC Irvine junior Annmarie Turpin won the heptathlon that concluded Thursday in the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships at Cal State Northridge.

Turpin finished with a career-best total of 5,228 points, the fourth-best score in UCI history. Idaho's Dacia Fernandez placed second with 5,189, Anteater senior Jessica Stafford was third with a career-best total of 5,093 points (No. 6 in UCI history) and defending champion Katie Farnier of Utah State finished fourth with 5,078 points. Turpin is the fourth UC Irvine athlete since 1985 to win the conference heptathlon title and the first since Michelle Merritt won in 1994.

In Thursday's events, Turpin went 16-10 3/4 in the long jump, threw the javelin 119-7 and ran the 800 meters in 2:22.90. Stafford long-jumped 17-6 1/4, had a mark of 127-0 in the javelin throw and she completed the 800 meters in 2:21.92.

In the decathlon that also ended Thursday, UCI juniors Jon Stewart and Aaron Lewis finished fourth and fifth. Cal Poly's John Takahashi was the champion with 7,307 points and Idaho's Jerome Richardson finished second with 7,292. Stewart scored 6,443 points and Lewis 6,102.

In Thursday's events, Stewart had marks of 16.60 in the 110-meter high hurdles, 134-8 in the discus throw, 12-11 in the pole vault, 157-11 in the javelin throw and 4:56.74 in the 1,500 meters. Lewis recorded marks of 17.42 in the 110 hurdles, 93-9 in the discus throw, 12-3 1/4 in the pole vault, 157-7 in the javelin throw and 5:01.01 in the 1,500 meters.

Individual events in the Big West Championships will be contested Friday and Saturday at Northridge. Field events begin at 11:00 a.m. Friday and the first running event is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. On Saturday, field events start at 9:30 a.m. with the first event on the track at 1:00 p.m.

May 14, 2003

UC IRVINE'S TURPIN LEADS HEPTATHLON AFTER FIRST DAY AT BIG WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

NORTHRIDGE, Calif. --- UC Irvine junior Annmarie Turpin is the first-day leader of the heptathlon after the first four events in the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships at Cal State Northridge Wednesday.

Turpin leads the 13-athlete field with 3,242 points, Idaho's Dacia Fernandez is second with 3,144, UCI senior Jessica Stafford is third with 2,998 points and defending champion Katie Farner of Utah State is fourth with 2,929.

Turpin had a career-best time of 14.55 in the 100-meter hurdles (No. 7 in UCI history), went 5-7 1/4 in the high jump, threw the shot put 37-5 3/4 and ran the 200 meters in 25.41. Stafford recorded a career-best time of 14.59 in the 100-meter hurdles (No. 9 in UCI history), had a mark of 5-5 in the high jump, threw the shot put 31-0 1/2 and ran 25.83 in the 200 meters. The heptathlon concludes with the final three events Thursday.

After the first day of the decathlon, Cal Poly's John Takahashi leads the field of nine with 3,732 points. Idaho's Jerome Richardson is second with 3,715, UCI junior Aaron Lewis is third with 3,425 and Anteater junior Jon Stewart is in fifth place with 3,349.

Lewis ran the 100 meters in 11.25, had a mark of 21-3 1/4 in the long jump, threw the shot put 38-11, high-jumped 6-1 1/4 and completed the 400 meters in 53.78. Stewart ran the 100 in 11.63, long-jumped 19-11 1/2, threw the shot put 38-5 1/2, had a mark of 6-2 1/4 in the high jump and ran the 400 in 51.96. The final five events in the decathlon are scheduled for Thursday.

May 12, 2003

ANTEATERS COMPETE AT BIG WEST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS WEEK

CONFERENCE MEET AT NORTHRIDGE: The UC Irvine track and field teams travel to Cal State Northridge for the 2003 Big West Conference Championships this week. The multi-events (decathlon and heptathlon) will take place Wednesday and Thursday, with the remainder of the meet contested Friday and Saturday. Field events begin at 11:00 a.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. Saturday. The running events start at 2:00 p.m. Friday and 1:00 p.m. Saturday.

POST-SEASON QUALIFIERS: Seventy-one UC Irvine individuals (37 women, 34 men) have qualified for the league meet.

Seven Anteater student-athletes have qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31: Wendy Chan (800 meters), Jenny Liou (3,000-meter steeplechase), Suzanne Purmort (400 hurdles), Annmarie Turpin (high jump), Erin Curtis (pole vault), Darrell Tozier (800 meters) and Santosh Swamidass (high jump).

SCHOOL RECORDS IN 2003: Two UCI records have been established during the 2003 outdoor season: junior Jenny Liou in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (10:47.01) and sophomore Erin Curtis in the pole vault (13-2 1/4).

TOP UCI RETURNEES FROM 2002 BIG WEST MEET:

.....Junior Jenny Liou (Moscow, ID) won the 3,000-meter steeplechase in last year's conference meet at UCI with a then-school record time of 10:57.00.

.....Junior Annmarie Turpin (Simi Valley HS) won the high jump last year at 5-7 and she was fifth in the 400-meter hurdles (63.51).

.....Senior Jessica Stafford (Aptos HS) was second in the heptathlon (5,067 points) and she was fourth in the high jump (5-5) and eighth in the javelin throw (128-4).

.....Sophomore Erin Curtis (Santa Cruz/Archbishop Mitty HS) placed second in the pole vault (12-1 ½) and she was eighth in the 100 meters (12.37).

.....Junior Jenna Keith (Bakersfield/Centennial HS) was third in the 1,500 meters (4:38.64).

.....Sophomore Patrick Grogan (San Jose/Piedmont Hills HS) was sixth in the triple jump at 48-3 ¼.

.....Sophomore Jeremy Torres (Temple City HS) finished sixth in the pole vault (15-7 ¾).

At the 2001 conference meet in Long Beach, current senior Darrell Tozier (El Granada/College of San Mateo) won the 800 meters with a time of 1:51.92.

May 10, 2003

UC IRVINE SPARKLES AT OXY INVITATIONAL; CHAN QUALIFIES FOR NCAA REGIONAL

EAGLE ROCK, Calif. --- UC Irvine turned in several strong performances at the Oxy Invitational, led by senior Wendy Chan's NCAA Regional qualifying mark in the 800 meters, at Occidental College Saturday night.

Chan finished third in the 800 with a time of 2:08.8 to become the seventh Anteater to qualify for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31. That time is the fifth-fastest in UCI history. Sophomore Erin Curtis finished second in the 200 meters with a time of 24.63, lowering her No. 8 mark in Anteater history. Curtis also placed second in the pole vault at 12-6.

In the men's competition, freshman Tom Whelan won the 1,500 meters in 3:50.95 as he just missed the NCAA Regional qualifying time of 3:50.00. Senior Darrell Tozier finished sixth in the 800 meters with a career-best time of 1:49.27 as he moves to No. 4 on the UCI all-time list. Freshman Aaron Corbett placed fourth in the pole vault at 15-1.

UCI competes in the Big West Conference Championships at Cal State Northridge this week. The multi-events (heptathlon and decathlon) will be Wednesday and Thursday, with the majority of the meet contested Friday and Saturday.

May 5, 2003

ANTEATERS AT OXY INVITATIONAL SATURDAY

1 MORE MEET BEFORE BIG WEST: The UC Irvine track and field teams travel to Eagle Rock for the Oxy Invitational at Occidental College Saturday (May 10). Field events begin at 11:00 a.m. with the first running event scheduled for 3:00 p.m.

POST-SEASON QUALIFIERS: Seventy-one UC Irvine individuals (37 women, 34 men) have qualified for the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships at Cal State Northridge May 14-17. Six Anteater student-athletes have qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at

Stanford May 30-31: Jenny Liou (3,000-meter steeplechase), Suzanne Purmort (400 hurdles), Annmarie Turpin (high jump), Erin Curtis (pole vault), Darrell Tozier (800 meters) and Santosh Swamidass (high jump).

May 3, 2003

STEVE SCOTT INVITATIONAL FEATURES FASTEST 110 HURDLES' MARK BY AN AMERICAN THIS SEASON; NEW STADIUM RECORD IN THE WOMEN'S HAMMER THROW

IRVINE, Calif. --- Larry Wade of HSI won the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 13.39, the fastest mark by an American this season, in the Steve Scott Track & Field Invitational at Anteater Stadium Saturday. In the women's hammer throw, Lisa Messepeka, competing unattached, set a stadium record with a mark of 223-11, breaking the previous mark of 217-9 by Kirsten Mucchow in 2000.

UC Irvine placed first in both 3,000-meter steeplechase events, as senior Travis Morisoli won with a career-best time of 9:17.37 and junior Jenny Liou won the women's race in 11:04.26. Senior Jessica Stafford won the high jump with a mark of 5-5. UCI sophomore Kaleena Yee finished second in the 5,000 meters with a time of 18:27.19 and senior teammate Lisa Massoth was fourth in 18:43.36. Sophomore Erin Curtis finished third in the pole vault at 12-0 and she was sixth in the 200 meters with a time of 24.97. Senior Wendy Chan was fourth in the 1,500 meters in 4:34.28 and sophomore Suzanne Purmort finished fifth in the 800 meters with a time of 2:13.45. Junior Lauren Adams placed fifth in the 400 meters (57.09) and sophomore Amber Nefas was eighth in 58.05. Anteater senior Lina Pimentel was fifth overall in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 62.76.

UCI junior Michael Wong finished third in the long jump at 22-5, junior J.J. Stein was fourth in the javelin throw with a mark of 189-4 and sophomore Patrick Grogan was fifth in the triple jump at 47-10. Sophomore Scott Jarvis was fourth overall in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 54.01 and sophomore Kenny Vinh was fifth in the 110-meter high hurdles in 15.05. Freshman Tom Whelan finished fifth in the 1,500 meters in 3:53.50.

Both Anteater teams compete in the Occidental College Invitational Saturday (May 10).

April 28, 2003

ANTEATERS HOST STEVE SCOTT INVITATIONAL SATURDAY

BIG DAY AT UCI: The UC Irvine track and field teams host the Steve Scott Invitational Saturday (May 3) at Anteater Stadium. Field events are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. with the first running event slated for 12:20 p.m. The meet is named in honor of UCI graduate Steve Scott, the American record-holder in the mile and a three-time Olympian. Currently the head track coach at Cal State San Marcos, Scott was a six-time All-American in track and cross-country at UCI.

GROGAN, JARVIS WIN EVENTS AT UCSD: Sophomore Patrick Grogan won the triple jump with a mark of 47-5 ¼ in the UCSD Triton Invitational at La Jolla Saturday and freshman teammate Peter Gonzalez was second at 46-4 ¾. Sophomore Scott Jarvis placed first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 53.13 and sophomore Kenny Vinh was fourth in the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 15.27. Senior Santosh Swamidass finished second in the high jump at 6-4, as did freshman Jon Wratten. In the men's 800 meters, freshman Tom Whelan was third in 1:53.60 and frosh teammate David Santos placed fourth in 1:53.83. Freshman Ricky Barnes finished eighth in 1:55.04 and sophomore Andrew Garratt was ninth in 1:55.28.

In the women's competition at UCSD, senior Wendy Chan finished third in the 800 meters in 2:11.55 and senior Amanda Armstrong was sixth in 2:13.26. Senior Cathy Picha was fourth in the 1,500 meters in 4:44.02 and junior Jenny Liou followed in fifth place at 4:44.08. Sophomore Amber Nefas placed seventh in the triple jump with a mark of 36-2.

POST-SEASON QUALIFIERS: Seventy UC Irvine individuals (36 women, 34 men) have qualified for the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships at Cal State Northridge May 14-17.

Six Anteater student-athletes have qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31: Jenny Liou (3,000-meter steeplechase), Suzanne Purmort (400 hurdles), Annmarie Turpin (high jump), Erin Curtis (pole vault), Darrell Tozier (800 meters) and Santosh Swamidass (high jump).

April 19, 2003

WEEKEND RESULTS FOR UC IRVINE TRACK & FIELD

At the Mt. SAC Relays, UCI senior Wendy Chan finished 14th in the 800 meters with a time of 2:11.09, while Amanda Armstrong had a season-best time of 4:35.99 in the 1,500 meters. Sophomore Erin Curtis placed seventh in the pole vault at 12-2. On the men's side, senior Darrell Tozier was 16th of 59 runners in the 800 meters with a time of 1:51.15.

UC Irvine sophomore Kaleena Yee ran a lifetime best of 17:32.50 to finish fifth in the 5,000 meters at the Pomona-Pitzer Invitational Friday. Suzanne Purmort placed seventh in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 62.22, while in the 400 meters, Amber Nefas recorded a lifetime best time of 56.81 to finish 13th and Lauren Adams immediately followed in 56.91.

In men's competition at Pomona-Pitzer, Patrick Grogan finished sixth in the triple jump with a mark of 47-7. Michael McEachron ran a lifetime best of 48.95 in the 400 meters and he had a time of 22.13 in the 200 meters. In the 1,500 meters, UCI received season bests from Tom Whelan (3:52.98), Ricky Barnes (3:53.72), David Santos (3:56.51) and Andrew Garratt (3:57.59). Scott Jarvis finished with a lifetime best of 53.41 in the 400-meter hurdles.

April 17, 2003

STAFFORD FINISHES 5TH, TURPIN 6TH AT CALIFORNIA INVITATIONAL HEPTATHLON

AZUSA, Calif. --- UC Irvine senior Jessica Stafford placed fifth and junior Annmarie Turpin finished sixth in the California Invitational Heptathlon that concluded Thursday at Azusa Pacific University. Stafford compiled a total of 4,915 points and Turpin had 4,904. Fionna Asigbee of Missouri finished first with 5,151 points.

In the three events Thursday, Stafford went 16-5 1/4 in the long jump, threw the javelin 127-8 and ran the 800 meters in 2:22.12. Turpin recorded marks of 17-6 1/4 in the long jump, 109-5 in the javelin throw and 2:37.75 in the 800.

At the Mt. SAC Relays Thursday, UCI's Jenny Liou finished eighth in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:59.90 and Travis Morisoli was 15th in the men's steeple in 9:28.63.

April 14, 2003

ANTEATERS COMPETE IN SERIES OF EVENTS THIS WEEK

HECTIC WEEK FOR UCI: The UC Irvine track and field teams compete in the 45th annual Mt. SAC Relays at Walnut Thursday through Saturday (April 17-19), plus will have representatives in the Pomona-Pitzer Invitational Friday (April 18).

MULTI-EVENTS AT AZUSA: UCI will have four student-athletes competing in the California Invitational Heptathlon/Decathlon at Azusa Pacific Wednesday and Thursday (April 16-17): Jessica Stafford and Annmarie Turpin in the heptathlon, and Jon Stewart and Aaron Lewis in the decathlon.

April 12, 2003

UC IRVINE'S TURPIN, TOZIER WIN TITLES AT CAL/NEVADA MEET

SAN DIEGO, Calif. --- UC Irvine claimed a pair of individual titles and both Anteater teams turned in solid performances at the California/Nevada Track & Field Championships that concluded at San Diego State Saturday.

The UCI women's squad finished fifth of 22 teams with 48 points as host SDSU won the title with 159. The Anteater men placed sixth of 23 teams with 46 points as UCLA ran away with the team title with 214 points.

UCI junior Annmarie Turpin won the high jump with a season-best mark of 5-7 1/4. Senior teammate Jessica Stafford finished second at 5-5 1/4. Stafford also finished ninth in the javelin throw with a mark of 128-0. Sophomore Kaleena Yee finished second in the 5,000 meters with a time of 17:46.46 and senior Wendy Chan was fifth in the 800 meters (2:11.47). Sophomore Suzanne Purmort finished fifth in the 400-meter hurdles in 61.27 for the sixth-fastest time in Anteater history and qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31. Senior Cathy Picha placed eighth in the 800 meters in 2:15.19 and senior Amanda Armstrong was eighth in the 1,500 meters (4:44.88).

In the men's competition, UCI senior Darrell Tozier won the 800 meters in 1:50.12 for the No. 8 time in UCI history and he also qualifies for the NCAA Regional meet. In other running events, UCI's Tom Whelan (3:56.48), Ricky Barnes (3:57.93), Andrew Garratt (3:58.13) and David Santos (3:58.41) finished 4-6-7-8, respectively in the 1,500 meters. Sophomore Kenny Vinh finished fifth in the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 15.12 and sophomore Scott Jarvis was fifth in the 400-meter hurdles in 53.93. In the field events, Anteater senior Santosh Swamidass placed fifth in the high jump at 6-8, junior Michael Nguyen was fifth in the long jump (21-11) and sophomore Patrick Grogan was eighth in the triple jump at 46-4 3/4.

Another busy week awaits UCI as the Anteaters compete in the Mt. SAC Relays Thursday through Saturday (April 17-19) and in the Pomona College Invitational Friday (April 18).

April 11, 2003

UCI'S JENNY LIU FINISHES 2ND IN STEEPLECHASE AT CAL/NEVADA MEET

SAN DIEGO, Calif. --- UC Irvine junior Jenny Liou placed second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:53.28 in the California/Nevada Championships at San Diego State

Friday. Fresno State's Kara June was the winner with a time of 10:36.46. In the men's steeplechase, Anteater senior Travis Morisoli placed 10th with a time of 9:31.23.

Finals in the majority of the events will be held Saturday.

April 7, 2003

ANTEATERS COMPETE AT CAL/NEVADA CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS WEEKEND

OFF TO SAN DIEGO: UC Irvine competes in the California/Nevada Championships at the SDSU Sports Deck in San Diego this Friday and Saturday (April 11-12). On Friday, field and running events begin at 11:00 a.m. On Saturday, field events start at 11:00 a.m. with the first running event at 1:00 p.m.

April 5, 2003

LONG BEACH STATE SWEEPS TEAM TITLES AT BIG WEST CHALLENGE CUP; UCI'S ERIN CURTIS SETS SCHOOL, MEET RECORDS IN POLE VAULT

IRVINE, Calif. --- Long Beach State successfully defended its team titles in the Big West Challenge Track & Field Cup at UC Irvine's Anteater Stadium Saturday. Seven meet records were set during the meet.

Long Beach State won the women's championship with 165 points, Cal State Fullerton was second with 161 ½, UCI was third with 160 and UC Santa Barbara fourth with 145 ½. The 49ers' Stephanie Sampson won the hammer throw with a mark of 180-2 to break her own meet record from last year, plus she also captured first in the discus throw at 151-0.

UCI sophomore Erin Curtis broke her own school record and set a meet record in winning the pole vault with a mark of 13-2 ¼ and she also won the 100 meters in 12.02, plus finished second in the 200 meters (24.66). Suzanne Purmort won the 400-meter hurdles in 1:02.65, while Annmarie Turpin won the high jump at 5-7 and Jessica Stafford was second at 5-5 ¾. Stafford won the javelin throw with a toss of 127-8. Other second-place finishes for the Anteaters included Lauren Adams in the 400 meters (57.80), Cathy Picha in the 800 meters (2:15.88), Wendy Chan in the 1,500 meters (4:36.73).

Gladys Iwuaba of Long Beach State broke her own meet record in the triple jump with a mark of 40-9 ½ and Amy Haapenen from UC Santa Barbara established a new meet record in the shot put at 46-0 ½. UCSB's Katie Appenrodt won the 1,500 meters in 4:35.88 and the 3,000 meters in 9:51.12.

The 49er men finished with 194 points, UCI and UC Santa Barbara tied for second with 147 points each and Cal State Fullerton was fourth with 146.

Long Beach State's Cory Loebel won three events: setting a meet record in the hammer throw with a mark of 199-2, plus finishing first in the shot put (55-7 3/5) and the discus throw (183-0). The 49ers' Ryan Kroll won the 200 meters (21.44), the 400 meters (48.44), plus anchored the winning 4x400-meter relay that recorded a time of 3:18.93. Other meet records established on the men's side were by Cal State Fullerton's Joe Thomas in the triple jump as he bettered his record from two years ago with a mark of 49-10 ½, and Long Beach State's Shingo Suzumura in the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 14.41.

UC Irvine picked up second-place finishes from Kenny Vinh in the 110-meter high hurdles (14.81), Scott Jarvis in the 400-meter hurdles (54.55), Santosh Swamidass in the high jump (6-8), Aaron Corbett in the pole vault (15-7) and Jon Stewart in the javelin throw (184-3).

All four teams compete in the California/Nevada Championships in San Diego Friday and Saturday (April 11-12).

March 31, 2003

ANTEATERS HOST BIG WEST CHALLENGE CUP SATURDAY

BIG WEST RIVALS AT UCI SATURDAY: UC Irvine hosts the Big West Challenge Cup at Anteater Stadium Saturday (April 5). Joining UCI will be Cal State Fullerton, Long Beach State and UC Santa Barbara. Field events begin at 10:30 a.m. with the first running event scheduled for 1:00 p.m.

March 29, 2003

ERIN CURTIS, JENNY LIOU SET SCHOOL RECORDS AT STANFORD INVITATIONAL

STANFORD, Calif. --- UC Irvine sophomore Erin Curtis and junior Jenny Liou set school records at the Stanford Track & Field Invitational over the weekend, breaking the previous marks that they each had established last season.

Curtis won the pole vault with a mark of 13-0 1/4 (3.97 meters), eclipsing her previous UCI record of 12-9 1/2 set last year. Liou completed the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 10:47.01 (ninth place) to break her previous record of 10:57.00 from last season. She also qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31. Curtis reached a qualifying mark in the pole vault earlier this season. Sophomore Suzanne Purmort recorded a time of 1:01.91 in the 400-meter hurdles to move into seventh place on UCI's all-time list.

In the men's competition, UCI senior Darrell Tozier ran a season-best 1:52.03 in the 800 meters and junior Travis Morisoli recorded a season-best time of 9:33.82 in the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

UCI hosts Cal State Fullerton, Long Beach State and UC Santa Barbara in the Big West Challenge Cup at Anteater Stadium Saturday (April 5). Field events begin at 10:30 a.m. with the first running event at 1:00 p.m.

March 27, 2003

ANTEATER RESULTS FROM UC DAVIS MULTI-MEET

DAVIS, Calif. --- UC Irvine's Jon Stewart finished third in his flight and 10th overall with 6,259 points in the decathlon that ended Thursday at the UC Davis Multi-Meet. Teammate Aaron Lewis was sixth in his flight and 14th overall with 5,726 points.

In the heptathlon, UCI's Jessica Stafford placed ninth overall with 4,759 points and Annmarie Turpin was first in her flight and 12th overall with 4,601 points.

March 24, 2003

ANTEATERS AT STANFORD INVITATIONAL THIS WEEKEND

BOUND FOR THE BAY AREA: The UC Irvine track and field teams compete in the Stanford University Invitational at Cobb Track and Angell Field Friday and Saturday (March 28-29). On Friday, the running events begin at 10:15 a.m. and the field events at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, the first running event is slated for 11:45 a.m. with field events beginning at 11:00 a.m.

MULTI EVENTS AT UC DAVIS: Four UCI student-athletes will participate in multi-event competition at UC Davis Wednesday and Thursday (March 26-27). Senior Jessica Stafford and junior Annmarie Turpin will compete in the heptathlon, with juniors John Stewart and Aaron Lewis participating in the decathlon.

March 22, 2003

ADAMS, SWAMIDASS WIN TITLES FOR UC IRVINE AT CAL POLY INVITATIONAL; PURMORT RECORDS 7TH-FASTEST TIME IN UCI HISTORY IN 400 HURDLES

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. --- Junior Lauren Adams and senior Santosh Swamidass won individual events in the Cal Poly Track & Field Invitational in San Luis Obispo Saturday. The meet was a non-scoring competition.

Adams won the 400 meters as she finished with a season-best time of 57.40 and almost a full second ahead of runner-up Alexis Hultine of Cal Poly. Swamidass placed first in the high jump as he cleared a season-best height of 6-9 ½, which is the qualifying mark for the NCAA Regional Championships at Stanford May 30-31. Freshman teammate Jon Wratten finished second Saturday with a mark of 6-7 ½.

Second-place finishes in women's competition included sophomore Suzanne Purmort in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 62.61 for the seventh-fastest time in UCI history, senior Wendy Chan in the 1,500 meters with a career-best time of 4:34.08, senior Cathy Picha in the 800 meters (2:16.85), and sophomore Erin Curtis in the pole vault at 12-0 to tie her outdoor best this season.

Anteater men placing second included junior Kenny Vinh with a time of 14.94 in the 110-meter high hurdles, sophomore Scott Jarvis in the 400-meter hurdles (54.54), senior Darrell Tozier in the 800 meters (1:53.85) and sophomore Patrick Grogan in the triple jump (47-6 ¼).

Both UCI teams return to action in the Stanford Invitational next Friday and Saturday (March 28-29).

March 19, 2003

UC IRVINE COMPETES AT CAL POLY INVITATIONAL

IRVINE, Calif. --- The UC Irvine track and field teams travel to San Luis Obispo to compete in the Cal Poly Invitational Saturday (March 22) at Cal Poly Track. Field events begin at 9:30 a.m. with the first running event scheduled for 11:15 a.m. Teams competing include UCI, the host Mustangs, Fresno State and UC Santa Barbara. The event is a non-scoring meet.

March 15, 2003

CORNELL WINS BOTH TEAM TITLES AT UCI'S SPRING BREAK INVITATIONAL

IRVINE, Calif. --- Cornell University captured the men's and women's team titles in the rain-plagued Spring Break Track & Field Invitational at UC Irvine's Anteater Stadium Saturday. Some field events and the hurdles races were scratched due to heavy rain.

The Big Red won the men's competition with 168 points, followed by UCI with 105 in the five-team field. Cornell won eight of the 12 events in the meet. Brett Coffing of Cornell was a double winner, placing first in the shot put (51-1) and the discus (134-7).

UCI's Darrell Tozier won the 800 meters in 1:55.66 and Ricky Barnes was first in the 1,500 meters with a time of 3:58.08. Second-place finishes from UCI included Michael McEachron in the 400 meters (49.39) and Michael Nguyen in the long jump (21-3 $\frac{3}{4}$).

The Cornell women's team finished first with 169 points and the host Anteaters were second with 108 in the five-team field. Cornell won eight of the 13 events conducted.

UCI sophomore Erin Curtis won the 100 meters with a season-best time of 12.24, Annmarie Turpin captured the long jump with a mark of 17-1 and Jessica Stafford won the javelin throw with a toss of 127-0. Julie Manson and Lisa Massoth finished 2-3 in the 5,000 meters with times of 17:45.63 and 18:07.36, respectively, while Jenny Liou placed second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 11:15.86.

Both UCI teams compete in the Mustang Invitational at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo next Saturday (March 22).

March 11, 2003

ANTEATERS HOST SPRING BREAK INVITATIONAL SATURDAY

HOME DEBUT: UC Irvine makes its 2003 home debut this Saturday (March 15) hosting the Spring Break Invitational at Anteater Stadium. Full teams joining UCI will be Cornell University, UC Riverside and Cal Poly Pomona, with partial teams fielded by Cal Poly SLO and Cal State San Marcos. Field events begin at 10:30 a.m. with the first running event scheduled for 12 noon.

March 8, 2003

UC IRVINE'S ERIN CURTIS QUALIFIES FOR NCAA REGIONAL IN POLE VAULT

IRVINE, Calif. --- UC Irvine sophomore Erin Curtis attained a qualifying mark for the NCAA Track & Field Regional Championships with a second-place height of 12-0 in the pole vault at Cal State Fullerton's Ben Brown Invitational Saturday. Her mark is right at the qualifying mark of 3.66 meters (12-0) for the regional championship at Stanford University May 30 and 31.

Anteater senior Wendy Chan came within .23 of qualifying for the regional in the 800 meters. She ran a career-best 2:10.53 (ninth-best in UCI history) to finish second in the race with the regional qualifying mark at 2:10.30. Junior Jenny Liou finished fourth in the 800 meters at 2:15.08 and senior Amanda Armstrong was fifth in 2:15.69 at Saturday's meet. In the 1,500 meters, junior Julie Manson placed third in 4:43.04 and sophomore Kelli Vanderburg was sixth in 4:46.45.

In the men's competition, senior Jules Castano finished fifth in the 800 meters with a time of 1:54.30, freshman Ricky Barnes was seventh (1:54.73) and sophomore Andrew Garratt was eighth (1:54.90). Junior Jon Stewart finished fourth in the javelin throw with a mark of 174-10.

UCI hosts the Spring Break Invitational this Saturday (March 15) at Anteater Stadium beginning at 10:00 a.m.

March 3, 2003

ANTEATERS AT BEN BROWN INVITATIONAL SATURDAY

UCI AT FULLERTON: The UC Irvine men and women's track/field teams compete in the Ben Brown Invitational at Cal State Fullerton Saturday (March 8). Field events begin at 10:00 a.m. with the first running event scheduled for 11:00 a.m. The hammer throw events will be conducted Friday, beginning at 11:00 a.m. with the women's competition.

HOME OPENER MARCH 15: Following Saturday's meet in Fullerton, UCI will host the Spring Break Invitational at Anteater Stadium March 15. Joining the Anteaters in the meet will be Cornell University, Cal Poly SLO, Cal Poly Pomona and UC Riverside. The first event is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. that day.

March 1, 2003

UC IRVINE WOMEN'S TEAM WINS ALL-CAL CUP; MEN'S TEAM PLACES SECOND

RIVERSIDE, Calif. --- The UC Irvine women's track and field team won the All-Cal Challenge Cup at UC Riverside Saturday, while the Anteater men's team placed second.

The Anteater women's team compiled 199 points in winning 11 of the 19 events. UC Santa Barbara was second with 159.5, UC Riverside scored 155 and UC San Diego 142.5. In the men's competition, UCSB was first with 195 points, UCI totaled 167, UC San Diego 158 and UC Riverside 116.

On the women's side, sophomore Erin Curtis was a triple winner, capturing the 100 meters (12.27), 200 meters (24.86) and the pole vault (11-7). Sophomore Suzanne Purmort won the 400 meters in 57.88 and also placed first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:03.44, which is the ninth-fastest in UCI history. Senior Wendy Chan won the 800 meters in 2:15.28 and the 1,500 meters (4:41.86), while junior Annmarie Turpin was first in the high jump (5-6) and the long jump (18-2 1/2). Junior Jenny Liou was victorious in the 3,000-meter steeplecase (11:20.79) and UCI won the 4x400-meter relay in 3:55.48.

In the men's competition, senior Darrell Tozier won the 800 meters in 1:53.00, freshman Ricky Barnes captured the 1,500 meters (3:56.38), sophomore Kenny Vinh won the 110-meter high hurdles (14.78), sophomore Scott Jarvis was first in the 400-meter hurdles (54.51), sophomore Patrick Grogan won the triple jump (45-6 1/2) and junior Jon Stewart placed first in the javelin throw (185-6).

The Anteater teams return to action Saturday (March 8) in the Ben Brown Invitational at Cal State Fullerton.

CARL ROSSI RELAYS - Saturday, Feb. 22

CLAREMONT, Calif. --- UC Irvine turned in numerous excellent performances at the Carl Rossi Relays in Claremont Saturday.

Sophomore Kenny Vinh finished second in the 110-meter high hurdles in 14.57 and sophomore Scott Jarvis placed second in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 54.17. In the 100 meters, sophomore Elias Moreno and freshman Aaron Corbett finished 3-4 with times of 11.14 and 11.15, respectively. Senior Santosh Swamidass and freshman Jon Wratten went 2-3 in the high jump, both at 6-6, while junior Michael Wong and freshman Mike Nguyen finished 2-3 in the long jump at 22-11 and 22-5 1/4, respectively. Sophomore Patrick Grogan earned second place in the triple jump with a mark of 46-7 1/4 and sophomore William King-Lewis finished third in the shot put at 47-0 1/4. UCI won the men's distance medley relay in 10:07.07 and finished second in the 4x100-meter relay in 42.55.

In the women's competition, UCI finished second in the distance medley relay with a time of 12:17.80. Freshman Lauren Willis was fifth in the 100 meters (12.71) and sophomore Angela Lotito was sixth in the 400-meter hurdles (1:12.44). Freshman Jessica Wisniewski was ninth in the pole vault at 9-10 and sophomore Kelli Vanderburg was 11th in the 3,000 meters (10:46.84).

UCI competes in the All-Cal Cup at UC Riverside this Saturday (March 1).

August 6, 2002

UC IRVINE NAMES KEVIN MCCARTHY ASSISTANT TRACK & FIELD COACH

IRVINE, Calif. --- Kevin McCarthy has been named an assistant track and field coach for the men's and women's teams at UC Irvine. The announcement was made by UCI Cross Country/Track & Field Director Vince O'Boyle, who indicated that McCarthy's primary concentration will be with the jumps events.

McCarthy is returning to UC Irvine, where he served as assistant track and field coach from 1986-91. Most recently he was director of men's cross country/track and field at Cal State Los Angeles from 1991-2002. He also was in the same position with the Golden Eagles' women's programs in 1996, and from 1998-2002.

During his tenure at Cal State L.A., his track and field programs recorded 14 top-10 finishes in NCAA Division II Outdoor and Indoor Championships. McCarthy led the Eagles to three California Collegiate Athletic Association titles in track and field.

He was named CCAA Coach of the Year three times and was selected as the U.S. Track Coaches Association West Region Coach of the Year on four occasions.

McCarthy received his bachelor's degree in kinesiology from UCLA in 1977 and his master's in physical education from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo in 1986. He served as assistant coach for the women's track and field program at Cal Poly from 1981-85.

During his coaching career spanning the three universities, McCarthy has coached 145 NCAA All-Americans and 20 NCAA individual national champions.