

## **2004 Releases**

**June 18, 2004**

### **TRACK & FIELD STUDENT-ATHLETES NAMED BIG WEST ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- Fourteen UC Irvine track and field student-athletes have been named to the Big West Academic All-Conference team for spring sports.

To be eligible, the student-athletes had to maintain a 3.2 cumulative grade-point average, completed one full academic year at the member institution prior to the season for which the award was received (at least a sophomore academically) and competed in at least 50 percent of their team's contests.

Honorees from the UCI women's track and field team are Erin Curtis, Janelle Del Soldato, Kimberly Harper, Jenna Keith, Angela Lotito, Kim Ramirez, Annmarie Turpin and Kelli Vanderburg. Men's team selections are Mike Beerer, Michael Cao, Curtis Lehmann, J.J. Stein, Jon Stewart and Jeremy Torres.

**June 10, 2004**

### **TURPIN PULLS OUT OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH INJURY**

**AUSTIN, Tex.** --- UC Irvine senior Annmarie Turpin pulled out of the heptathlon due to injury with two events remaining in the NCAA Track & Field Championships at Austin, Tex., Thursday.

Turpin was in 25th place with 2,928 points after the first four events Wednesday. She recorded a mark of 15-6 1/4 in the long jump, which was Thursday's first event, before withdrawing with a pulled quadriceps in her right leg prior to the javelin throw and 800-meter run. She sustained a hamstring injury in that leg four weeks ago in the midst of the heptathlon at the Big West Conference Championships.

She ranks fourth all-time at UCI in the heptathlon with a total of 5,332 points recorded at the Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon in April. Turpin also ranks in the Anteaters' top 10 in three other events. She finished 21st in the heptathlon at the 2003 NCAA Championships and was 13th in the pentathlon at this year's NCAA Indoor Championships.

**June 10, 2004**

### **UCI'S TURPIN IN 25TH PLACE AFTER DAY ONE OF HEPTATHLON AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**AUSTIN, Tex.** --- Mike A. Myers Stadium at the University of Texas was deluged by severe storms and heavy rains Wednesday, but the first day of the heptathlon in the NCAA Track & Field Championships finally concluded at 12:45 (CDT) Thursday morning.

UC Irvine senior Annmarie Turpin is in 25th place with 2,928 points after recording marks of 14.87 in the 100-meter hurdles, 5-5 in the high jump, 36-10 1/4 in the shot put and 27.58 in the 200 meters.

The final three events of the heptathlon are scheduled for Thursday.

**Heptathlon schedule at NCAA Championships (PDT times listed with Annmarie's results):**

**Wednesday, June 9**

10:30 a.m. --- 100-Meter Hurdles (14.87, 859 points)

11:30 a.m. --- High Jump (5-5, 795 points)

1:45 p.m. --- Shot Put (36-10 1/4, 610 points)

3:30 p.m. --- 200 Meters (27.58, 664 points)

**First Day Total:** 2,928 points, 25th place overall

**Thursday, June 10**

12:00 p.m. --- Long Jump (15-6 1/4, 487 points)

1:30 p.m. --- Javelin (did not compete due to injury)

3:40 p.m. --- 800 Meters (did not compete due to injury)

**June 7, 2004**

**ERIN CURTIS, ANNMARIE TURPIN NAMED CoSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- UC Irvine track and field student-athletes Erin Curtis (Santa Cruz/Archbishop Mitty HS) and Annmarie Turpin (Simi Valley HS) have been named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-America District VIII second team.

To be considered for the award, the nominee must be a starter or important reserve, have at least a 3.20 cumulative grade-point average and must have reached sophomore athletic and academic standing at their respective institution.

Curtis is a junior majoring in biological sciences. She won the pole vault title at the Big West Conference Championships with a mark of 12-3 1/2 and qualified for the NCAA Western Regional last month. Curtis holds the UCI school record in the pole vault with a mark of 13-2 1/4 set in 2003.

Turpin, a graduate student majoring in demographic and social analysis, competes in the heptathlon at the NCAA Championships in Austin, Tex., this Wednesday and Thursday (June 9-10). The 2003 Big West champion in the heptathlon, she was on a school-record pace in this year's competition after three events but injured her hamstring in the 200 meters and was forced to pull out. Turpin ranks fourth all-time at UCI in the heptathlon with 5,332 points that she recorded in April. She was named UCI's female Big West Scholar-Athlete of the Year earlier this spring.

**May 29, 2004**

**NO ANTEATER STUDENT-ATHLETES ADVANCE FROM REGIONAL**

**NORTHRIDGE, Calif.** --- None of the nine UC Irvine student-athletes competing in the NCAA Track & Field Western Regional at Northridge qualified for the NCAA Championships in June. Regional action concluded Saturday with the top five finishers in each individual event advancing to the national meet.

In running events, junior Scott Jarvis and freshman Dayne Comrie had times of 52.54 and 53.15, respectively, in the 400-meter hurdles and did not advance from the preliminaries. Sophomore Tom Whelan recorded a time of 3:49.18 in the prelims of the 1,500 meters and did not reach the final.

In field events, senior Derek Kingrey finished 10th in the men's discus throw with a mark of 168-3 and sophomore Mike Beerer finished 20th in the men's hammer throw with a mark of 174-7. Junior Erin Curtis went 12-10 in the women's pole vault to finish 13th while freshman Kirsten Loftin was 14th at 12-4. Freshman Orlisha Henlon did not clear a height in the women's high jump and sophomore John Wratten had the same result in the men's high jump.

Senior Annmarie Turpin, who did not compete in the high jump at the Western Regional due to a hamstring injury sustained at the Big West Conference Championships May 12, has resumed workouts with hopes of competing in the heptathlon at the NCAA Championships in Austin, Tex., June 9-10. Turpin's total of 5,332 points ranks 11th in the nation.

**May 24, 2004**

### **ANTEATER CONTINGENT TRAVELS TO NORTHRIDGE FOR NCAA REGIONAL**

**REGIONAL QUALIFIERS JOURNEY TO CSUN:** Nine student-athletes will represent UC Irvine in the NCAA Track & Field Western Regional at Cal State Northridge Friday and Saturday (May 28-29).

Senior Annmarie Turpin, who was a regional qualifier in the high jump, will not compete this weekend as she is rehabbing her hamstring injury sustained in the Big West Conference Championships earlier this month. She hopes to be ready for the heptathlon competition in the NCAA Championships at Austin, Tex., June 9-10. She ranks 11th nationally with a total of 5,332 points that she recorded in the Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon April 14-15.

The Anteater competitors at the NCAA West Regional this weekend:

#### **Friday, May 28**

11:30 a.m.: Men's Hammer Throw --- **MIKE BEERER, So.** (He recorded a qualifying mark of 184-1 at San Luis Obispo April 3. That mark ranks fourth in UCI history)

12:00 p.m.: Men's High Jump --- **JOHN WRATTEN, So.** (His qualifying mark of 6-10  $\frac{3}{4}$  recorded at Irvine March 6 ranks sixth in UCI history)

2:00 p.m.: Women's Pole Vault --- **ERIN CURTIS, Jr. & KIRSTEN LOFTIN, Fr.** (Curtis has a season-best mark of 12-11  $\frac{1}{2}$  recorded at Northridge May 8; Loftin hit the qualifying mark of 12-3  $\frac{1}{2}$  at Irvine March 20)

3:45 p.m.: Men's 1,500 Meters Prelims; Final at 3:52 p.m. Saturday --- **TOM WHELAN, So.** (He notched a season-best time of 3:46.94 at the Oxy Invitational May 8)

6:20 p.m.: Men's 400-meter Hurdles Prelims; Final at 5:07 p.m. Saturday --- **SCOTT JARVIS, Jr. & DAYNE COMRIE, Fr.** (Jarvis has a season-best time of 52.26 achieved in the Steve Scott Invitational at Irvine May 2; Comrie recorded his qualifying time of 52.38 at the Pomona-Pitzer Invitational April 16)

#### **Saturday, May 29**

10:30 a.m.: Women's High Jump --- **ORLISHA HENLON, Fr.** (She achieved her qualifying mark of 5-8 at Irvine March 6. That mark ties her for No. 2 in UCI history)

4:00 p.m.: Men's Discus Throw --- **DEREK KINGREY, Sr.** (His mark of 177-6 ¼ at UCSB April 10 ranks No. 4 in Anteater history)

**May 18, 2004**

### **45 TRACK & FIELD/CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITORS HONORED AS BIG WEST SCHOLAR-ATHLETES**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- Forty-five participants from the UCI track and field, and cross-country teams, were among a school-record 176 student-athletes that were honored as 2003-04 Big West Conference Scholar-Athletes at the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics' annual banquet Monday night at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

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's Big West Scholar-Athletes of the Year were seniors Annmarie Turpin (indoor/outdoor track & field) and Jonathan Endrikat (tennis). Each conference school honors one male and one female athlete each year.

Turpin was on her way to her second consecutive Big West title in the heptathlon last weekend but suffered a hamstring injury in the 200 which took her out of the competition. She currently ranks 10th in NCAA Division I this season in the heptathlon with 5,332 points and hopes to compete at the NCAA Championships in Austin, Texas, June 9-10. She ranks second all-time at UCI in the high jump, fifth in the 100 hurdles and ninth in the javelin. She finished 13th in the pentathlon at the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships earlier this year, becoming the first Anteater athlete to compete in an indoor NCAA Championship. In outdoor track & field, she competed at the 2003 NCAA Championships, finishing 21st in the heptathlon. Turpin is a graduate student in Demographic and Social Analysis after graduating from UCI with degrees in Criminology, Law & Society and Psychology & Social Behavior last June. She is a three-time Big West Scholar-Athlete and a two-time Big West Spring All-Academic honoree. She earned Academic All-MPSF in indoor track & field and was presented with the first annual Robert and Phyllis Chichester Award last year.

Here is a list of the 2003-04 Big West Conference Scholar-Athletes from UCI track and field, and cross country:

**WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD:** Amanda Armstrong, Theresa Condon, Jessica Crow, Erin Curtis, Kimberly Harper, Randi Houston, Jennifer Lewis, Kirsten Loftin, Angela Lotito, Kimberly McAfee, Amber Nefas, Corica Rodgers, Kristen Silverman, Annmarie Turpin.

**MEN'S TRACK & FIELD:** Michael Beerer, Michael Cao, Ian Connell, Dan Driscoll, Tim Hearst, Steven Higa, Storm Huie, Robert Jeppson, Derek Kingrey, Fred Lee, Curtis Lehmann, Elias Moreno, Weston Motoyasu, Eric Nyberg, John Stein, Jon Stewart, Jeremy Torres.

**WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY:** Tessa Cendejas, Janelle Del Soldato, Melinda Fuller, Kimberly Handel, Veronica Herrera, Jenna Keith, Ashley Patteson, Karin Ragudo, Kim Ramirez, Natalie St. Andre, Kelli Vanderburg.

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY:** Andrew Garratt, Matthew Grilli, John Kluve.

**May 17, 2004**

## **ANTEATER CONTINGENT PREPARES FOR NCAA WEST REGIONAL**

**ELEVEN QUALIFIERS FOR REGIONAL:** UC Irvine has 11 student-athletes who have qualified in a total of 12 events for the NCAA Track & Field West Regional at Cal State Northridge May 28-29. The Anteater qualifiers are:

**MEN:** Mike Beerer (So.) – hammer throw; Dayne Comrie (Fr.) – 400-meter hurdles; Scott Jarvis (Jr.) – 400-meter hurdles; Derek Kingrey (Sr.) – discus, shot put; Tom Whelan (So.) – 1,500 meters; John Wratten (So.) – high jump

**WOMEN:** Erin Curtis (Jr.) – pole vault; Orlisha Henlon (Fr.) – high jump; Jenny Liou (Sr.) – 3,000-meter steeplechase; Kirsten Loftin (Fr.) – pole vault; Annmarie Turpin (Sr.) – high jump

**CURTIS WINS BIG WEST POLE VAULT TITLE:** Junior Erin Curtis won the pole vault at last weekend's Big West Conference Championships, going 12-3 ½ in the meet at UCI. Freshman teammate Kirsten Loftin was fifth at 11-9 ¾. Junior Kim Ramirez placed third in the 800 meters (2:13.62) and ninth in the 1,500 meters (4:33.90), while sophomore Randi Houston was fifth in the 100 meters in 12.07. Senior Jenna Keith was eighth in the 1,500 meters in 4:31.87. Senior Jenny Liou was sixth in the steeplechase (11:09.37), freshman Orlisha Henlon finished ninth in the high jump (5-6), while junior Kimberly Harper was 10th in the high jump (5-4 ¼) and long jump (17-10 ¾).

Senior Annmarie Turpin, the defending champion in the heptathlon, injured her right hamstring during the fourth event of the competition and had to withdraw. She was on school-record pace with 2,453 points after the first three events before sustaining the injury in the 200 meters. Turpin currently ranks 10th in NCAA Division I with 5,332 points recorded earlier this season. Her status in the high jump is questionable for the NCAA West Regional.

The Cal State Northridge women won their second team title in three years with 165 points, followed by Idaho (150.50), Cal Poly (132.50), UC Santa Barbara (118), Long Beach State (100), Utah State (67), UC Riverside (35), UC Irvine (33.50) and Cal State Fullerton (16.50).

The Northridge men won their first conference title with 157 points. Cal Poly (143) was second, followed by Idaho (116), UC Santa Barbara (109.33), Long Beach State (85), UC Irvine (83.83), Utah State (83.33), Cal State Fullerton (28) and UC Riverside (12.50).

UCI freshman Dayne Comrie finished second (52.59) in the 400-meter hurdles and junior Scott Jarvis was third (52.65). Sophomore Tom Whelan was third in the 1,500 meters in 3:49.76 with sophomore teammate Ricky Barnes finishing sixth (3:51.37). Junior Omar Lopez placed fifth in the 400 meters in 48.35 while senior Elias Moreno placed seventh in the 200 meters (22.03) and eighth in the 100 meters (10.90). Senior J.J. Stein was fourth in the javelin throw at 186-1. Senior Derek Kingrey was third in the discus throw with a mark of 167-4, senior Weston Motoyasu was sixth in the high jump at 6-6 ¾, and junior Joe Lourenco was sixth in the long jump at 22-11 ¾. Sophomore Brian Moon finished seventh in the discus throw with a mark of 160-5.

Senior Jon Stewart finished second in the decathlon with a career-high 6,658 points. His finish was UCI's highest in the decathlon since Gregor Neumann won the event in 1993. Stewart, who was fourth in the event a year ago, went a career-high 14-4 in the pole vault during the competition. UCI freshman Eric Nyberg finished sixth with a career-high 6,305 points.

***Big West Conference Track & Field Championships***  
**CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE WINS MEN'S, WOMEN'S TEAM TITLES**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- The Cal State Northridge women won their second team title in three years and the Matador men captured their first-ever conference crown as the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships concluded at UC Irvine's Anteater Stadium Saturday.

The Northridge women's team scored 165 points, followed by Idaho (150.50), Cal Poly (132.50), UC Santa Barbara (118), Long Beach State (100), Utah State (67), UC Riverside (35), UC Irvine (33.50) and Cal State Fullerton (16.50).

Two freshmen won the short sprints for the Matadors as Shauna Hackett won the 100 meters (11.67) and Deanna Goodwin the 200 (24.18). Northridge also won both relays with times of 45.80 in the 4x100 and 3:42.18 in the 4x400. Laura Sauao of the Matadors won the shot put with a mark of 51-7 1/4.

Idaho's Mary Kamau, who won the 800 meters (2:11.95) and the 1,500 meters (4:26.04), was named the Big West Track Athlete of the Year. Ami Goldhammer of Long Beach State, who won the heptathlon earlier in the week, won the javelin throw (154-0) Saturday and was chosen as Field Athlete of the Year. Don Strametz of Northridge was named Coach of the Year.

UC Irvine junior Erin Curtis won the pole vault at 12-3 1/2 and freshman teammate Kirsten Loftin was fifth at 11-9 3/4. Junior Kim Ramirez placed third in the 800 meters in 2:13.62 while sophomore Randi Houston was fifth in the 100 meters in 12.07.

The Northridge men's team totaled 157 points, followed by Cal Poly (143), Idaho (116), UC Santa Barbara (109.33), Long Beach State (85), UC Irvine (83.83), Utah State (83.33), Cal State Fullerton (28) and UC Riverside (12.50).

Hung Nguyen of Northridge won the 100 meters (10.61) and finished third in the 200 meters (21.44). The Matadors' Anthony Brown placed first in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 14.47. Northridge's Jason Romero, who won the long jump Friday, took first in the triple jump Saturday with a mark of 52-4 1/2 and was named the Big West Field Athlete of the Year. Cal Poly's Ryan Moorcroft was selected as Track Athlete of the Year after winning the 1,500 meters in 3:45.32 and finishing fourth in the 5,000 meters (14:44.32). Northridge's Strametz also received Coach of the Year honors on the men's side.

The UC Irvine men's best performance came in the 400-meter hurdles as freshman Dayne Comrie finished second (52.59) and junior Scott Jarvis was third (52.65). Sophomore Tom Whelan was third in the 1,500 meters in 3:49.76 and junior Omar Lopez placed fifth in the 400 meters in 48.35. Senior J.J. Stein was fourth in the javelin throw at 186-1.

**May 14, 2004**

***Big West Conference Track & Field Championships***  
**CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE MEN, IDAHO WOMEN LEAD AT BIG WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- Cal State Northridge leads the men's competition entering final action Saturday in the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships at UC Irvine's Anteater Stadium. The Matadors have 55 points after Friday's action, followed by Idaho with 45 and UC Santa Barbara with 37 1/3. For the local schools, Long Beach State is sixth with 27, UC Irvine is seventh with 25 1/3 and Cal State Fullerton is eighth with 20.

For the men Friday, Idaho senior Jan Eitel won his second straight and third career title in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 8:59.25. Cal Poly's Jeff Porto won the 10,000 meters in 30:36.48. Long Beach State's John Temidara won the high jump at 7-3, Giovanni Lanaro of Cal State Fullerton placed first in the pole vault (17-8 1/2), Jason Romero led a 1-2-3 finish by Cal State Northridge in the long jump with a leap of 24-6 1/2, and Tomas Fajardo of Northridge won the discus throw at 173-11.

UC Irvine senior Derek Kingrey was third in the discus throw with a mark of 167-4, senior Weston Motoyasu was sixth in the high jump at 6-6 3/4, and junior Joe Lourenco was sixth in the long jump at 22-11 3/4. Sophomore Brian Moon finished seventh in the discus throw with a mark of 160-5.

Defending champion Idaho leads the women's competition with 59 points, followed by Cal Poly with 48 and Long Beach State and Cal State Northridge with 47 each. UC Irvine is eighth with three points and Cal State Fullerton is scoreless. In women's finals conducted Friday, senior Letiwe Marakurwa of Idaho won her second consecutive 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:24.72 that set meet and stadium records. She went on to finish second in the 10,000 meters in 36:25.96 as UC Santa Barbara junior Cosette Smith won in 36:22.67. Kaylene Wagner of Cal Poly won the high jump with a conference and meet-record mark of 6-3 1/4, Cal State Northridge's Lashana Verdon captured the long jump with a mark of 19-6 3/4, and Stephanie Sampson from Long Beach State won the hammer throw with a toss of 193-5 to set a conference meet record. Ina Reiber of Idaho won the discus throw with a mark of 181-8.

UC Irvine senior Jenny Liou was sixth in the steeplechase (11:09.37), freshman Orlisha Henlon finished ninth in the high jump (5-6), while junior Kimberly Harper was 10th in the high jump (5-4 1/4) and long jump (17-10 3/4).

**May 13, 2004**

***Big West Conference Track & Field Championships***  
**LONG BEACH STATE'S GOLDHAMMER, IDAHO'S RICHARDSON WIN MULTI-EVENTS;  
JON STEWART OF UCI PLACES SECOND IN DECATHLON**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- Long Beach State junior Ami Goldhammer won the heptathlon and junior Jereme Richardson of Idaho captured the decathlon title as the multi-events concluded Thursday at UC Irvine's Anteater Stadium. The full meet begins Friday with field events starting at 1:00 p.m. and running events at 3:00 p.m. The meet finishes Saturday with the first field event at 11:00 a.m. and running events at 3:00 p.m.

Goldhammer finished with 4,838 points, Cal State Northridge sophomore Lashana Verdon was second with 4,759 and Utah State freshman Carrie Bitton placed third with 4,722. Long Beach State also picked up team points with fourth place (Jamie Cuthbert-Allen, 4,608) and fifth-place (Nina Grubbs, 4,568) finishes. Goldhammer recorded marks Thursday of 16-9 3/4 in the long jump, 139-7 in the javelin throw and 2:30.89 in the 800 meters. UCI senior Annmarie Turpin, the defending champion, did not compete Thursday due to the hamstring injury she sustained during the 200 meters Wednesday.

Richardson finished first in the decathlon with 7,168 points, UC Irvine senior Jon Stewart was second with a career-high 6,658 points and Idaho junior Ryan Lang was third with 6,544. The Vandals also picked up a fourth-place finish as Marcus Luckstead scored 6,457 points and Cal State Northridge's Justin Johnson placed fifth with 6,419 points. Richardson had marks Thursday of 15.10 in the 110-meter high hurdles, 125-1 in the discus throw, 13-8 1/4 in the pole vault, 166-10 in the javelin throw and 4:49.51 in the 1,500 meters.

Stewart's second-place finish is UCI's highest in the decathlon since Gregor Neumann won the event in 1993. Stewart, who was fourth in the event a year ago, went a career-high 14-4 in the pole vault Thursday, with other marks of 16.03 in the 110 hurdles, 137-2 in the discus throw, 172-9 in the javelin throw and 5:02.96 in the 1,500 meters. UCI freshman Eric Nyberg finished sixth with a career-high 6,305 points. He had Thursday marks of 16.61 in the 110 hurdles, 97-6 in the discus throw, 15-0 in the pole vault, 170-5 in the javelin throw and 4:54.45 in the 1,500 meters.

**May 12, 2004**

***Big West Conference Track & Field Championships***

**UTAH STATE'S BITTON, IDAHO'S RICHARDSON LEAD AFTER DAY ONE OF MULTI-EVENTS**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- Utah State freshman Carrie Bitton leads the heptathlon and Idaho junior Jereme Richardson tops the decathlon after the first day of competition in the Big West Conference Track & Field Championships at UC Irvine's Anteater Stadium.

Bitton scored 2,968 points after Wednesday's four events in the heptathlon. She ran the 100-meter hurdles in 14.96, went 5-7 in the high jump, recorded a mark of 33-4 in the shot put and finished the 200 meters in 26.83. Long Beach State junior Ami Goldhammer is in second place with 2,848 points and 49er senior Nina Grubbs is third with 2,780.

UC Irvine senior Annmarie Turpin, the defending champion, pulled up with a right hamstring injury 50 meters into the 200-meter dash, the day's last event. She did complete the event and is not expected to compete the remainder of the weekend. Turpin was on school-record pace with 2,453 points after the first three events, recording marks of 14.44 in the 100 hurdles, 5-8 in the high jump and 38-6 3/4 in the shot put. She entered the meet ranked 10th in the nation in the heptathlon.

Richardson, last year's runner-up, leads the decathlon with 3,816 points after five events. He posted marks of 11.19 in the 100 meters, 21-6 3/4 in the long jump, 45-5 1/4 in the shot put, 6-4 1/4 in the high jump and 49.97 in the 400 meters. Cal State Northridge freshman Justin Johnson is in second place with 3,520 points and Idaho junior Ryan Lang is third with 3,347.

UCI senior Jon Stewart is in fourth place with 3,334 points and freshman Eric Nyberg is in sixth place with 3,190 points. The multi-event competition concludes Thursday. The decathlon begins at 11:00 a.m. with the first heptathlon event at 1:00 p.m. Full competition in the Big West meet begins Friday at 1:00 p.m.

**May 10, 2004**

**BIG WEST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS AT UC IRVINE THIS WEEK**

**CONFERENCE MEET COMES TO ANTEATER STADIUM:** The 2004 Big West Conference Track & Field Championships will be conducted at Anteater Stadium Wednesday through Saturday (May 12-15). The multi-events (heptathlon, decathlon) will be held Wednesday and Thursday with the remainder of the meet Friday and Saturday (May 14-15). This is the eighth time since 1980 the meet has been at UCI. Utah State has won the last two men's conference titles and Idaho is the defending women's champion.

The decathlon starts at 12:00 p.m. Wednesday with the first event in the heptathlon at 12:30 p.m. On Thursday, the decathlon begins at 11:00 a.m. with the heptathlon starting at 1:00 p.m. Field

events begin at 1:00 p.m. Friday with the first running event at 3:00 p.m. On Saturday, the field events start at 11:00 a.m. with action on the track beginning at 3:00 p.m.

**TURPIN DEFENDS TITLE:** Senior Annmarie Turpin will defend her Big West title in the heptathlon this week. Turpin won last year's crown with a total of 5,228 points. She finished 21st in the NCAA Championships last year and was 13th in the pentathlon at the NCAA Indoor Championships in March. Turpin currently ranks ninth in NCAA Division I this season with 5,332 points that she recorded at the Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon April 14-15.

Senior Jon Stewart finished fourth in the Big West decathlon last year with a total of 6,443 points. He recorded 6,648 points this season at the California Invitational Decathlon at Azusa Pacific April 14-15.

**CONFERENCE LEADERS:** UCI senior Derek Kingrey leads the Big West this year in the shot put (57-9) and the discus throw (177-6 ½). Junior Scott Jarvis and freshman Dayne Comrie rank 1-2 in the 400-meter hurdles with respective times of 52.26 and 52.38. Sophomore Tom Whelan is second in the 1,500 meters (3:46.94) and Jon Stewart is second in the decathlon with 6,648 points. The men's 4x400-meter relay ranks first with a time of 3:10.97.

In women's competition, junior Erin Curtis and freshman Kirsten Loftin are 1-2 in the pole vault at 12-11 ½ and 12-3 ½, respectively. Annmarie Turpin is first in the heptathlon with her total of 5,332 points and she is fifth in the high jump, along with freshman teammate Orlisha Henlon, at 5-8.

**13 REGIONAL QUALIFIERS:** Sophomore Tom Whelan became UCI's 13th qualifier for the NCAA West Regional at Cal State Northridge May 28-29. Whelan qualified for the meet with a time of 3:46.79 in the 1,500 meters at the Oxy Invitational last Saturday.

**LAST YEAR'S TOP UCI PERFORMANCES:** Of the current Anteaters, Annmarie Turpin won the heptathlon and finished fifth in the 100-meter hurdles at last year's Big West meet. Erin Curtis was third in the pole vault and fifth in the 100 meters while Amber Nefas was sixth in the 400 meters and Kim Ramirez eighth in the 800 meters. Scott Jarvis placed third in the 400-meter hurdles in 2003 and he was sixth in the 110-meter high hurdles. Jon Stewart was fourth in the decathlon, Ricky Barnes was sixth in the 1,500 meters and John Wratten was sixth in the high jump. Jeremy Torres finished seventh in the pole vault and Kenny Vinh was eighth in the 110-meter high hurdles.

**May 9, 2004**

#### **UCI'S TOM WHELAN QUALIFIES FOR NCAA REGIONAL**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- UC Irvine sophomore Tom Whelan qualified for the NCAA Track & Field West Regional in the 1,500 meters with a fifth-place time of 3:46.94 at the Oxy Invitational in Eagle Rock Saturday night. Whelan had just missed the qualifying time of 3:48.21 at Mt. SAC three weeks earlier.

Sophomore Ricky Barnes came up just shy of a berth to the regional in the 1,500 meters as he ran 3:48.59 for seventh place at Oxy while sophomore Mike Beerer was second in the hammer throw at 179-0. Senior Tessa Cendejas recorded a season-best time of 4:32.79 in the 1,500 meters as she placed fourth Saturday.

In action at the Northridge Open meet Saturday, junior Kimberly Harper won the high jump at 5-6, junior Erin Curtis was victorious in the pole vault at 12-11 1/2, senior Lina Pimentel was third in the 400-meter hurdles (65.03) and junior Erin Hill placed fourth in the 400 meters (59.61).

For the Anteater men at Northridge, freshman Dayne Comrie won the 200 meters in 21.74 and senior Elias Moreno was fourth in 22.22. Junior Michael McEachron placed second in the 400 meters in 48.48 and freshman Storm Huie was fourth in 49.54. Junior Kenny Vinh finished second in the 400-meter hurdles in 57.07, senior Weston Motoyasu was third in the high jump (6-6 3/4), senior Derek Kingrey was fourth in the discus throw (154-0) and junior Joe Lourenco finished fifth in the long jump (23-4). UCI won the men's 4x100-meter relay with a season-best time of 41.17.

The Big West Conference Championships will be held at UCI's Anteater Stadium this week. The heptathlon and decathlon will be conducted Wednesday and Thursday with the remainder of the meet Friday and Saturday.

**May 3, 2004**

### **ANTEATERS AT OXY INVITATIONAL SATURDAY**

**NEXT STOP IS EAGLE ROCK:** The UC Irvine track and field teams travel to Eagle Rock Saturday (May 8) for the Oxy Invitational on the campus of Occidental College. Field events begin at 11:00 a.m. with the first running event at 3:00 p.m.

This is the final meet before the Big West Conference Championships come to UCI May 12-15. The multi-events (heptathlon, decathlon) will be conducted the first two days with the majority of the meet May 14-15.

**HEAT DOESN'T SLOW UCI:** The UCI track and field teams recorded 28 personal or season bests in the Steve Scott Invitational at heat-baked Anteater Stadium Sunday.

**12 REGIONAL QUALIFIERS:** Twelve UCI competitors have currently qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Cal State Northridge May 28-29.

**May 2, 2004**

### **ANTEATERS PERFORM WELL IN STEVE SCOTT INVITATIONAL**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- UC Irvine turned in some strong performances in the Steve Scott Track & Field Invitational at heat-baked Anteater Stadium Sunday.

Junior Scott Jarvis recorded a NCAA Regional qualifying time of 52.26 in the 400-meter hurdles and he finished eighth of 36 competitors. Freshman Dayne Comrie finished right behind him with a time of 53.02. The men's 4x400-meter relay of Jarvis, Curtis Lehmann, Comrie and Omar Lopez finished second in a season-best 3:10.97, just shy of the NCAA regional qualifying time of 3:10.84. Sophomores Tom Whelan and Ricky Barnes went 2-3 in the 800 meters with season-best times of 1:51.67 and 1:53.17, respectively. Senior Elias Moreno won his heat of the 200 meters in 21.74 and he placed ninth overall of the 38 runners. Lopez' time of 48.38 in the 400 meters ranked eighth of the 39 competitors in that event.

In the triple jump, junior Patrick Grogan finished third with a personal-best mark of 48-6. Senior Jon Stewart was fourth in the javelin with a season-best mark of 195-4, junior Joe Lourenco was fourth in the long jump at 23-9 and senior Weston Motoyasu was fifth in the high jump at 6-6 3/4. Senior Derek Kingrey placed fifth in the discus throw (160-5) and sophomore Brian Moon was seventh (156-7).

In women's action, freshman Orlisha Henlon finished fourth in the high jump at 5-6 as did junior Erin Curtis in the pole vault with a season-best mark of 12-9 1/2. Senior Jenny Liou was fourth in

the 3,000-meter steeplechase (11:31.18), freshman Kim Handel was fifth in the 5,000 meters (18:42.65) and senior Tessa Cendejas was sixth in the 1,500 meters (4:35.84).

The Anteater teams return to action in the Occidental Invitational Saturday (May 8).

**April 26, 2004**

### **ANTEATERS HOST STEVE SCOTT INVITATIONAL SUNDAY**

**COMPETITORS CONVERGE ON IRVINE:** The UC Irvine track and field teams host the Steve Scott Invitational at Anteater Stadium Sunday (May 2). Field events begin at 10:00 a.m. with the first running scheduled to start at 10:20 a.m.

Several hundred competitors are expected for the annual meet named for the three-time Olympian who was a six-time All-American in track and cross country at UCI. Ticket prices for Sunday's meet are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for senior citizens and youth ages 6-18. UCI students will be admitted free with I.D.

**BIG WEST AT UCI IN MID-MAY:** The Big West Conference Track & Field Championships will be held at UCI's Anteater Stadium May 12-15.

**12 REGIONAL QUALIFIERS:** Twelve UCI competitors have currently qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships at Cal State Northridge May 28-29.

**April 25, 2004**

### **ANTEATERS PERFORM WELL AT UC SAN DIEGO MEET**

**LA JOLLA, Calif. ---** The UC Irvine track and field teams performed well at UC San Diego's Triton Invitational in La Jolla Saturday.

In men's competition, sophomores Tom Whelan and Ricky Barnes finished second and third in the 1,500 meters with times of 3:51.79 and 3:52.08, respectively. Patrick Grogan placed second in the triple jump with a mark of 47-9 while Fred Lee was fifth at 45-1. Jon Wratten (6-9 3/4) and Weston Motoyasu (6-8) finished third and fifth, respectively, in the high jump. Scott Jarvis had a fourth-place time of 53.41 in the 400-meter hurdles and Kenny Vinh was seventh in 55.53. Joe Lourenco was fifth in the long jump with a mark of 22-8 1/2. Eric Nyberg recorded a season-best mark of 15-5 3/4 to place eighth in the pole vault.

Senior Tessa Cendejas led the UCI women's team with a second-place finish of 4:36.91 in the 1,500 meters while Kelli Vanderburg (4:49.02) and Jenny Liou (4:49.52) placed sixth and seventh. Erin Curtis finished fourth in the pole vault with a season-best mark of 12-7 1/4 and Kirsten Loftin was fifth at 12-1 1/4. Kimberly Harper was fourth in the high jump with a career-best mark of 5-7 and Orlisha Henlon finished eighth at 5-3. Janelle Del Soldato placed sixth in the 800 meters with a time of 2:14.68.

UCI hosts the Steve Scott Invitational at Anteater Track Stadium next Sunday. Field events are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. with the first running event at 10:20 a.m.

**April 18, 2004**

### **STEIN LEADS ANTEATER THROWERS AT LONG BEACH INVITATIONAL**

**LONG BEACH, Calif.** --- Senior J.J. Stein led a group of UC Irvine throwers who competed at the Long Beach State Track & Field Invitational Saturday with a fifth-place finish of 170' in the javelin.

Senior Derek Kingrey placed ninth in the shot put (53' 2 1/4") and 10th in the discus throw (159' 8"). Sophomore Brian Moon was 10th in the shot put at 51' 3 3/4" and sophomore Mike Beerer finished 11th in the hammer throw with a mark of 180' 6". Sophomore Ian Connell was 16th in the discus throw with a distance of 144' 7".

At the Mt. San Antonio College Relays late Saturday night, sophomore Tom Whelan finished 37th in a field of 117 competitors in the 1,500 meters with a career-best time of 3:48.60, just off the NCAA Regional qualifying mark of 3:48.21.

**April 17, 2004**

### **LIU WINS STEEPLECHASE AS UCI PERFORMS WELL AT POMONA-PITZER INVITATIONAL**

**CLAREMONT, Calif.** --- UC Irvine senior Jenny Liou won the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 11:02.43 at the Pomona-Pitzer Invitational at Strehle Track in Claremont Friday.

Junior Kelli Vanderburg finished second in the 5,000 meters with a time of 17:45.30 and freshman Chelsey Traylor was sixth in 18:19.73. Junior Kimberly Harper placed fifth in the high jump (5-5) and sophomore Randi Houston was ninth in the 100 meters with a time of 12.24.

In men's competition, freshman Dayne Comrie was fourth in the 400-meter hurdles in 52.38 for the No. 7 time on the school's career Top 10 list. Junior Omar Lopez placed fourth in the 400 meters in 47.70, the ninth-fastest time in Anteater history. Sophomore Brandon Lucero finished second in the 10,000 meters (32:37.54) and sophomore John Kluge picked up a fourth-place finish in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:42.15.

Freshmen Tim Hearst and Ryan Ketcham placed 7-8 in the 5,000 meters with respective times of 14:59.17 and 14:59.95, and junior Jeremy Torres finished 10th in the 200 meters in 21.69. The Anteaters' 4x400-meter relay placed second in 3:12.60.

**April 15, 2004**

### **UCI'S ANNMARIE TURPIN FINISHES 5TH AT MT. SAC RELAYS HEPTATHLON**

**AZUSA, Calif.** --- UC Irvine senior Annmarie Turpin finished fifth in the Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon that concluded at Azusa Pacific University Thursday.

Turpin was the top collegiate finisher in the field with a career-best 5,332 points as Kim Vanderhoek of the Calgary Spartans placed first with 5,793 points.

Turpin's total was just 35 points shy of the UCI school record of 5,367 set by Karin Grelsson in 1987. In Thursday's events, Turpin recorded marks of 18-1 in the long jump, 126-10 in the javelin throw and 2:21.39 in the 800 meters.

In the California Invitational Decathlon that ended at Azusa Pacific Thursday, UCI senior Jon Stewart finished ninth in Division "A" with 6,648 points and freshman Eric Nyberg was 10th in Division "B" with 6,112 points. Stewart had marks on Thursday of 16.11 in the 110-meter high hurdles, 132-10 in the discus throw, 13-9 1/4 in the pole vault, 171-7 in the javelin throw and

5:04.08 in the 1,500 meters. Nyberg recorded marks of 16.11 in the 110 hurdles, 85-3 in the discus throw, 14-9 in the pole vault, 125-5 in the javelin throw and 4:54.11 in the 1,500 meters.

**April 14, 2004**

### **UCI'S ANNMARIE TURPIN IN SIXTH PLACE AT MT. SAC RELAYS HEPTATHLON**

**AZUSA, Calif.** --- UC Irvine senior Annmarie Turpin is in sixth place after the first day of competition in the Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon at Azusa Pacific University Wednesday.

Turpin has 3,182 points after the first four events as Kim Vanderhoek of the Calgary Spartans is in first with 3,456. Turpin, who has the highest point total of the collegians in the field, had marks of 14.49 in the 100-meter hurdles, 5-7 1/4 in the high jump, 36-1 1/4 in the shot put and 25.85 in the 200 meters. The heptathlon concludes Thursday with competition in the long jump, javelin and 800 meters.

In the California Invitational Decathlon at Azusa Pacific, Anteater senior Jon Stewart is in 13th place in the "A" Division with 3,422 points after five events and freshman Eric Nyberg is 10th in Division "B" with 3,235 points. Competition concludes Thursday.

**April 12, 2004**

### **ANTEATERS FACE FLURRY OF ACTION THIS WEEK**

**HECTIC SCHEDULE AWAITS UCI:** The UC Irvine track and field teams scatter in various directions for separate competitions this week.

Seniors Annmarie Turpin and Jon Stewart along with freshman Eric Nyberg, compete in the Mt. SAC Relays/California Invitational multi-event meet at Azusa Pacific Wednesday and Thursday (April 14-15). This will be the first heptathlon of the season for Turpin, who finished 21st at last year's NCAA Championships. Stewart and Nyberg will be competing in their first decathlon of the season as well.

The majority of the Anteater teams will compete in the Pomona College Invitational Friday (April 16) with selected participants at the Mt. SAC Relays Friday through Sunday (April 16-18).

Some field-event athletes will compete in the Long Beach Invitational at Long Beach State Saturday (April 17).

**NEXT:** Following this week's activity, UCI travels to La Jolla for the UC San Diego Invitational April 24.

**April 10, 2004**

### **UC IRVINE MEN WIN BIG WEST CHALLENGE CUP FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY; ANTEATER WOMEN FINISH 3RD**

**SANTA BARBARA, Calif.** --- Senior Derek Kingrey won the shot put and discus throw in impressive fashion to lead the UC Irvine men's track and field team to the title of the Big West Challenge Cup at UC Santa Barbara Saturday. UCI compiled 201 points, Long Beach State was second with 176, UCSB third with 169 and Cal State Fullerton fourth with 126.

This was the first time in the 12-year history of the Challenge Cup that the Anteater men won the title. UCI has won three meet titles this season, the first for the men's program since 1992.

Kingrey, a transfer from Cornell, won the shot put with a mark of 57-8 3/4, which ranks No. 2 in Anteater history. He placed first in the discus throw with a toss of 177-6 1/4, the fourth-longest mark on UCI's all-time list. Sophomore Brian Moon finished second in both events with marks of 55-5 1/4 (No. 5 in UCI history) in the shot put and 158-6 1/4 in the discus throw.

Sophomore Tom Whelan won the 1,500 meters in 3:51.59 to set a meet record, senior Elias Moreno captured first in the 100 meters (10.82) and freshman Dayne Comrie won the 400-meter hurdles in a career-best 52.95. UCI also won both relays---41.20 in the 4x100-meter and 3:12.45 in the 4x400. Mike Beerer finished second in the hammer throw (176-9 1/4), Scott Jarvis was runner-up in the 400 hurdles (53.91), Kenny Vinh was second in the 110-meter hurdles (14.94) as was Ricky Barnes in the 3,000 meters (8:31.04).

The UCI women's team finished third in the meet with 155.50 points as UCSB won with 216, Long Beach State placed second with 188.50 and Cal State Fullerton was fourth with 113.

Junior Erin Curtis won the pole vault at 12-3 1/2, junior Kim Ramirez finished first in the 1,500 meters (4:34.50), senior Jenny Liou captured the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 10:58.01 and senior Annmarie Turpin was victorious in the 100-meter hurdles (14.60). Orlisha Henlon placed second in the high jump at 5-6 and Kirsten Loftin did likewise in the pole vault (11-9 1/2) while third-place finishes went to Randi Houston in the 100 meters (12.30) and Lina Pimentel in the 400-meter hurdles (63.77).

**April 5, 2004**

#### **ANTEATERS COMPETE IN BIG WEST CHALLENGE CUP SATURDAY**

**NEXT STOP IS SANTA BARBARA:** The UC Irvine track and field teams travel to Santa Barbara for the Big West Challenge Cup Saturday (April 10). UCI will be competing against host UCSB, Cal State Fullerton and Long Beach State. Field events begin at 9:30 a.m. with the first running event slated for 1:00 p.m.

**9 QUALIFIERS FOR NCAA REGIONAL:** UCI has nine individuals who have currently qualified for the NCAA West Regional Championship at Cal State Northridge May 28-29. On the men's side, UCI qualifiers are John Wratten (high jump), Brian Moon (shot put), Derek Kingrey (shot put) and Mike Beerer (hammer throw). Women's qualifiers are Jenny Liou (steeplechase), Erin Curtis (pole vault), Kirsten Loftin (pole vault), Annmarie Turpin (high jump) and Orlisha Henlon (high jump).

**April 4, 2004**

#### **UC IRVINE'S KINGREY, RAMIREZ GAIN TOP 5 FINISHES AT CAL-NEVADA CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.** --- UC Irvine senior Derek Kingrey and junior Kim Ramirez garnered top-five finishes in the California-Nevada Track & Field Championships that concluded at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Sunday.

Kingrey, a transfer from Cornell, finished fourth in the shot put with a mark of 54-1 (No. 7 in UCI history) and he placed fifth in the discus throw at 161-1. The men's 4x400-meter relay team of

Scott Jarvis, Curtis Lehmann, Dayne Comrie and Omar Lopez finished second with a time of 3:15.14.

Joe Lourenco finished eighth in the long jump (22-9 3/4), John Wratten was ninth in the high jump (6-7 1/2), Mike Beerer finished ninth in the hammer throw (184-1) and Brian Moon was 10th in the shot put (50-6 3/4).

Ramirez finished fifth in the 800 meters as she recorded a time of 2:13.95 while Jenna Keith was ninth in 2:17.29. Ramirez (2:12.75) and Keith (2:13.29) posted lifetime bests in the preliminaries.

Erin Curtis placed sixth in the pole vault at 12-3 1/2, Kat Dawkins was ninth in the long jump at 18-5 (No. 9 in Anteater history), Chelsey Traylor was 10th in the 3,000 meters (10:45.74) and Orlisha Henlon finished 11th in the high jump at 5-5.

The UCI men's team finished 12th with 23 points and the women's squad was 17th with 11.

UCI travels to Santa Barbara for the Big West Challenge Cup Saturday (April 10).

### **March 30, 2004**

#### **ANTEATERS AT CAL-NEVADA CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS WEEKEND**

**OFF TO SLO:** The UC Irvine track and field teams travel to San Luis Obispo for the California-Nevada Championships at Cal Poly this weekend. The hammer throw competition is Friday (April 2) with the remainder of the meet Saturday and Sunday.

**13 SEASON-BEST MARKS AT STANFORD:** The Anteater teams recorded 13 outdoor season-best marks at the Stanford Invitational last weekend with six from the men's squad and seven by the women's team. The men's top marks for the season came from Michael McEachron in the 400 meters (49.92), Curtis Lehmann in the 800 (1:54.26), Ricky Barnes (3:50.03) and Andrew Garratt (3:53.06) in the 1,500 meters, and Ryan Ketcham in the 5,000 meters (15:19.26). The men's 4x100 relay also recorded a season-best time of 41.98.

For the women at Stanford, the outdoor season-best marks were recorded by Annmarie Turpin in the high jump (5-8), Janelle Del Soldato in the 800 meters (2:14.87), Jenna Keith (4:33.07), Tessa Cendejas (4:34.58) and Kim Ramirez (4:34.99) in the 1,500 meters, Lina Pimentel in the 400 hurdles (64.32) and Kat Dawkins in the long jump (18-4 1/4).

UC Irvine junior Patrick Grogan placed seventh in the top section of the triple jump with a mark of 47-0 3/4 at the Stanford Invitational. Lehmann finished second in his section of the 800 meters (1:54.26), sophomore Tom Whelan was third in his section of the 1,500 meters (3:49.30), senior Derek Kingrey was fourth in the discus throw (166-1), sophomore Mike Beerer was sixth in the hammer throw (177-11) and sophomore Brian Moon was seventh in the shot put (53-7 3/4).

In women's action, Turpin placed seventh in the high jump at 5-8 and junior Erin Curtis finished eighth in the top section of the pole vault at 12-0 1/2. Junior Amber Nefas placed first in her section of the 400 meters (58.01), Ramirez was second in her section of the 1,500 meters (4:34.99), Pimentel was third in her section of the 400-meter hurdles (64.32) and Dawkins was fifth in her section of the long jump at 18-4 1/4.

**BIG WEST CHALLENGE NEXT:** Following this weekend's meet, UCI competes in the Big West Challenge Cup at Santa Barbara April 10.

**March 27, 2004**

**UC IRVINE'S GROGAN FINISHES 7TH IN TRIPLE JUMP AT STANFORD INVITATIONAL**

**STANFORD, Calif.** --- UC Irvine junior Patrick Grogan placed seventh in the top section of the triple jump with a mark of 47-0 3/4 at the Stanford University Track & Field Invitational that concluded Saturday.

In other men's competition, junior Curtis Lehmann finished second in his section of the 800 meters (1:54.26), sophomore Tom Whelan was third in his section of the 1,500 meters (3:49.30), senior Derek Kingrey was fourth in the discus throw (166-1), sophomore Mike Beerer was sixth in the hammer throw (177-11) and sophomore Brian Moon was seventh in the shot put (53-7 3/4).

In women's action, junior Erin Curtis finished eighth in the top section of the pole vault at 12-0 1/2. Junior Amber Nefas placed first in her section of the 400 meters (58.01), junior Kim Ramirez was second in her section of the 1,500 meters (4:34.99), senior Lina Pimentel was third in her section of the 400-meter hurdles (64.32) and freshman Kat Dawkins was fifth in her section of the long jump at 18-4 1/4.

**March 22, 2004**

**ANTEATERS AT STANFORD INVITATIONAL THIS WEEKEND ([Meet Information](#))**

**2-DAY MEET AT STANFORD:** The UC Irvine track and field teams compete in the Stanford Invitational Friday and Saturday (March 26-27). Friday's running events begin at 10:15 a.m. with the first field event at 11:00 a.m. On Saturday, the first field event is at 11:00 a.m. with running events beginning at 11:45 a.m. at Cobb Track and Angell Field.

**March 20, 2004**

**UC IRVINE MEN, CORNELL WOMEN WIN TITLES OF COLLEGIATE CLASSIC**

**IRVINE, Calif.** --- The UC Irvine men's track and field team won its second title of the season with a come-from-behind victory in the Collegiate Classic at Anteater Stadium Saturday.

UCI finished with 204 1/2 points, Air Force was second with 202, Cornell came in third with 170 and Yale was fourth with 83 1/2. The Anteaters won the last two events of the meet to move past the Falcons for the team title. Junior Patrick Grogan won the triple jump with a mark of 48-5 1/4, a career-best for him outdoors. UCI then won the 4x400-meter relay as anchor Omar Lopez surged on the final turn to carry the Anteaters home in 3:12.60.

Lopez, a junior, won the 400 meters in 48.55, senior Elias Moreno won the 100 meters (10.73), sophomore Ricky Barnes captured the 800 meters (1:55.01) and junior Scott Jarvis won the 400-meter hurdles in a season-best 53.03. Sophomore Brian Moon won the shot put with a mark of 54-3 1/4, the No. 5 mark in UCI history. Senior Derek Kingrey won the discus throw at 166-8 and he placed third in the shot put at 52-4 1/2, the ninth-best mark in Anteater history. Sophomore John Wratten won the high jump with a leap of 6-6 3/4.

Cornell won the women's title with 224 as the Big Red won 11 events. Air Force was second with 154 points, UCI third with 148 and Yale fourth with 122. UCI freshman Kirsten Loftin won the pole vault at 12-3 1/2 while junior Erin Curtis was third with the same mark. Freshman Kat Dawkins captured the long jump with a season-best mark of 18-3, freshman Orlisha Henlon was second in

the high jump (5-6), and freshman Adonica Shaw placed third in the triple jump with an outdoor season-best of 36-3.

Junior Kim Ramirez finished second in the 3,000 meters (10:18.99), Curtis was third in the 100 meters (12.35), senior Tessa Cendejas was third in the 1,500 meters (4:38.91), senior Annmarie Turpin placed third in the 100-meter hurdles (14.46) and high jump (5-4 1/4), and senior Jenny Liou was third in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 11:11.50.

The Anteater teams compete in the Stanford Invitational Friday and Saturday.

### **March 15, 2004**

#### **ANTEATERS HOST COLLEGIATE CLASSIC SATURDAY**

**4-WAY HOME MEET SATURDAY:** A quality field assembles at Anteater Stadium Saturday (March 20) as UCI hosts Air Force, Cornell and Yale. Field events start at 9:00 a.m. with the first running event at 12:00 p.m.

**WHELAN, BARNES GO 1-2 AT BEN BROWN INVITATIONAL:** Sophomores Tom Whelan and Ricky Barnes finished 1-2 in the 800 meters at Cal State Fullerton's Ben Brown Invitational Saturday. Whelan won the event with a time of 1:53.05 and Barnes followed in 1:53.97 as they recorded UCI's top two times this season. Junior Andrew Garratt finished sixth with a time of 1:55.47. Senior Derek Kingrey registered a season-best mark of 52-2 3/4 in the shot put. Senior J.J. Stein finished sixth in the javelin throw with a mark of 172-8.

In the women's 800 meters, seniors Tessa Cendejas (2:14.95) and Amanda Armstrong (2:16.05) recorded their season-best times. Senior Kim Ramirez finished fourth in the 1,500 meters with a season-best time of 4:36.11 and senior Jenny Liou was seventh in 4:42.55. Senior Lina Pimentel had a season-best time of 65.91 in the 400-meter hurdles while sophomore Kimberly McAfee recorded a season-best mark of 117-11 in the javelin throw.

**STANFORD NEXT:** Following Saturday's meet, the Anteaters journey north to compete in the Stanford Invitational March 26-27.

### **March 13, 2004**

#### **WHELAN, BARNES GO 1-2 AT BEN BROWN INVITATIONAL**

**FULLERTON, Calif. ---** Sophomores Tom Whelan and Ricky Barnes finished 1-2 in the 800 meters at Cal State Fullerton's Ben Brown Invitational Saturday.

Whelan won the event with a time of 1:53.05 and Barnes followed in 1:53.97.

UCI hosts the Collegiate Classic at Anteater Stadium this Saturday (March 20).

### **March 9, 2004**

#### **UCI AT BEN BROWN INVITATIONAL; ANNMARIE TURPIN QUALIFIES FOR NCAA INDOOR MEET**

**IN FULLERTON THIS WEEKEND:** The UC Irvine track and field teams compete in the Ben Brown Invitational at Cal State Fullerton this weekend. The men's and women's hammer throw

competition will be held Friday beginning at 11:30 a.m. with the remainder of the events starting at 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

**ANTEATER MEN WIN ALL-CAL CUP:** The UCI men's team won the title of the All-Cal Challenge Cup with 269 ½ points at Anteater Stadium last Saturday. UC Santa Barbara was second with 225 ½ points. UCI senior Elias Moreno won the 100 meters in 10.79 and finished second in the 200 meters with a time of 22.22. Junior Omar Lopez captured the 400 meters in 48.40 while sophomores Tom Whelan and Ricky Barnes went 1-2 in the 1,500 meters with respective times of 3:57.09 and 3:57.26. Junior Kenny Vinh won the 110-meter high hurdles in 14.78 and junior Scott Jarvis placed second in the 110 hurdles (14.95) and in the 400 hurdles (53.61).

Sophomore John Wratten won the high jump with a mark of 6-10 ¾, which ties him for sixth on the all-time UCI Top 10 list. Freshman Eric Nyberg finished second in the pole vault (15-3), junior Patrick Grogan was second in the triple jump (48-3 ¼) and senior Derek Kingrey placed second in the discus throw at 168-2. Seniors J.J. Stein and Jon Stewart finished 2-3 in the javelin throw with respective marks of 183-6 and 176-8.

The UCI women's team placed third with 190 points as UCSB won the title with 253 and UC San Diego was second with 199. Senior Jenna Keith won the 800 meters in 2:13.63 and placed second in the 1,500 meters with a time of 4:36.38. Senior Annmarie Turpin won the 100-meter hurdles in 14.51, senior Jenny Liou captured the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 10:56.08 and freshman Kirsten Loftin was first in the pole vault at 11-9 ¾. Freshman Orlisha Henlon finished third in the high jump at 5-8, which ties her for third place on UCI's Top 10 list.

### **March 6, 2004**

#### **ANTEATER MEN WIN ALL-CAL CUP; WOMEN FINISH THIRD**

**Irvine, Calif.** - The UC Irvine men's team won the All-Cal Challenge Cup at Anteater Stadium; while the women's team finished third.

The Anteater men's team compiled 269.5 points while winning six of the 19 events. UC Santa Barbara finished second with 225.5 points. UC San Diego was third with 197 points, followed by UC Davis with 156 points and UC Riverside with 99 points. On the women's side UC Santa Barbara won with 253 points; followed by UC San Diego with 199 points in second. The Anteaters in third with 190 points. UC Davis with a 154 points and UC Riverside with 146 points rounded out the field.

On the men's side, Elias Moreno won the 100 meters (10.79). Omar Lopez won the 400 meters (48.40). Tom Whelan won the 1500 meters (3:57.09). Kenny Vinh won the 110 meter hurdles with a time of 14.78. The 4x400 meter relay team won by over six seconds with a time of 3:14.05. John Wratten won the high jump with a height of 6-10 ¾.

On the women's side, Jenna Keith won the 800 meters with a time of 2:13.63. Annmarie Turpin won the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 14.51. Jenny Liou won the 3000 meter steeplechase in a time of 10:56.08. Kirsten Loftin won the pole vault with a height of 11-9 ¾.

The Anteaters return to action next week at the Ben Brown Invitational in Fullerton, Sat. March 13th.

### **March 2, 2004**

## **ANTEATERS HOST ALL-CAL CUP SATURDAY**

**HOME OPENER SATURDAY:** The UC Irvine track and field teams open their 2004 home schedule with the All-Cal Challenge Cup at Anteater Stadium Saturday (March 6). Field events begin at 9:15 a.m. with the first running event at 12:00 p.m.

**STRONG OUTDOOR PERFORMANCES AT CLAREMONT:** UC Irvine recorded several strong performances in the Rossi Relays at Claremont College last Saturday. Junior Kaleena Yee won the 3,000 meters in 10:26.94 followed by freshman Lauren Jerd with a time of 10:39.30. Sophomore Kim McAfee finished sixth in the javelin throw with a toss of 106-10.

In the men's competition, senior Elias Moreno won the 100 meters (10.72) and junior Jeremy Torres was sixth (11.19). Sophomore John Wratten claimed first place in the high jump at 6-8 and senior teammate Weston Motoyasu was second at 6-6. Junior Patrick Grogan won the triple jump with a mark of 47-1 ½. Junior Scott Jarvis picked up a pair of second-place finishes in the 110-meter high hurdles (14.74) and the 400-meter hurdles (53.61). Junior Kenny Vinh was third in the 110 hurdles (14.81) and fifth in the 400 hurdles (55.98). Freshman Eric Nyberg placed second in the pole vault at 15-5 and junior Joe Lourenco was second in the long jump at 23-0 ¾. Senior Derek Kingrey and sophomore Brian Moon went 4-5 in the discus throw with marks of 157-1 and 156-3, respectively. Sophomore Mike Beerer was fourth in the hammer throw with a mark of 182-1 and senior J.J. Stein finished fourth in the javelin throw at 182-0.