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BISHOFF, REISING, VANDY SHINE

Results Pour In

Hello Again....Men's combined events results continue to pour in for as another 140 USA collegians contested indoor heptathlons or pentathlons with the hopes of qualifying for one of 6 national championship meetings (USA: NCAA: I,II,III; NAIA; NJCAA) to be contested in the next month.

It paid to stay home as the weekend's top D-1 efforts were turned in by North Dakota State senior Matt Bishoff whose 5529 PR won the NDSU Open on his home track in Fargo, and by Nebraska senior Skyler Reising, who also PR'd with 5484 to win the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational on his home track in Lincoln. Ironically, both prepped down the street. Bishoff, 6-4, is product of Fargo's South High School. Reising, 6-2, comes from Lincoln's Northeast High. Both will have to wait to see if their scores hold up as a D-1 qualifier. Wichita State senior Chris Dickman managed a runner-up 5433 in Lincoln. Ben Jasinski, a South Dakota State junior from Rapid City, SD, conquered a 14 man field at the Hillenbrand Invitational in Vermillion, SD with a PR 5198 score..

At the D-II level France's 6-9 Abilene Christian senior Camille Vandendriessche, a two-time D-2 decathlon champ, opened at Texas tech with a fine 5453 to lead that division list. Four more D-3 pentathlons netted four more qualifiers with Ben Harmon of Washington U(MO) posting the top effort, 3597 in Bloomington, IL.

At the present time (see our 'Results Page' posted separately for details) we have 25 D-1 marks over 5300, 14 D-2 marks over 4500 and 9 3400+ scores for D-3, all of which are provisional marks.



Above: North Dakota State Matt Bishoff, Fargo, ND, posted a significant PR of 5529 to win the Bison Invt on Saturday in a NDSU 1-2-3 sweep.

Below: Nebraska's Skyler Reising posted a PR to win the Sevigne meet in Lincoln, 5485 score.



From earlier unreported affairs Oklahoma Baptist senior Jonathan Hilton netted the top NAIA seasonal effort of 5202



Top left: The world's tallest big-league decathlete, Abilene Christian's Camille Vandendriessche is 6-9 and his PR 5453 won at Texas Tech. Top right: \former triple jumper Ben Jasinski, Rapid City, SD, was a winner in Vermillion. Lower left: 6-4 Matt Bishoff of North Dakota State was a winner in Fargo with 5529 score. Lower right: Nebraska senior Skyler Reising used a 15.27m/50-1¼ shot to post a nifty 5485 score in Lincoln.

at Norman, OK on January. 22-23. At present there are 50 5000+ collegiate performers and the season is young! Next week the feature meets will be conducted at Boise State, Azusa, River Falls, Ames and a smattering of conference championship meets. Most of the major conference meetings begin in the 3rd week of February. Collegiate coaches are reminded that the USA national indoor heptathlon qualifying scores (Jan-2008 to March, 2009) are: 7700 dec, 5450 hept and 3850 pent.