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SMALL COLLEGES REPORT Obst, Muellers, Top Top II, III, NAIA



Hello Again.....The nation's smaller (a relative term) institutions all conducted their 2018 nationals on Thursday-Friday, May 24-25 and each of the 3 national organizations produced significant results. Here's the summary reminding that later today another *Newsletter* will provide coverage of day # 1 of the 44th Hypo Bank Meeting from Götzis, Austria.

NCAA II- 5/24-25, Charlotte, NC



Irwin Belk Track, Charlotte, NC

Conditions were generally good at the D-II affair in Charlotte. With temps in the low 80s defending champ Florian Obst (25, Emmering, GER) led from the opening gun. The Texas A&M-Commerce soph won the 100m in a PR 10.73 and never looked back. His 4191 first day total was 372 points up on Kodiak Landis, a Central Washington senior.

The second day brought thunderstorms but nothing to stop Obst. By the time the final event rolled around he had won or tied for the win in 6 of three first nine event and piled up a 778 point lead. His total of 7366 put him within reach (4:47+) of 8000.



25 year old Florian Obst (left) of Emmering, Germany won the NCAA II crown in Charlotte, NC with an 8005 total.

Obst did just that, exceeding 8000 by a scant 5 points. His winning margin was nearly 700. Obst becomes the 72nd German over 8000

points. Three of the top 4 finishers were foreigners. Saginaw Valley junior Andrew Mudd was the top American finisher with a PR 7314. 3rd was Britain's Harry Maslen (Ilkley, West Yorkshire), an Angelo State junior.

The D-II field was top heavy with upper-classmen: 8 seniors, 6 juniors, 1 soph and 1 freshman in a 16 man field. Final qualifying mark was 6917.

Results:

5/24-25 NCAA II Champs, Irwin Belk Track, Charlotte, NC.....with seasonal best in [].

8005	Obst, Florian/TAMU-Commerce-GER'20 [7681] 10.73+1.0 723+0.5 1525 189 48.40 14.72-0.8 4408 475 5811 4:46.59
7314	Mudd, Andrew/Saginaw Valley St'18 [7118] 11.26+1.0 673-1.3 1263 195 49.25 15.05+0.9 3938 435 4878 4:32.80
7311	Maslen, Harry/Angelo St-GBR'19 [7496] 11.23-1.1 711+1.2 1181 189 49.53 15.09+0.8 3731 455 4881 4:32.28
7236	Pesic, Dragan/Angelo St-MTN'19 [7077] 11.88-1.1 664-0.5 1362 189 51.15 16.45+1.5 4258 425 6314 4:23.63

7207	Landis, Kodiak/C Washington'18	[7187]
	11.03+1.0 723+0.3 1188 174 47.78 15.40+1.3 3668	
	465 4234 4:35.44	
7051	Page, Jared/Pittsburg St'19	[7134]
	10.99+1.0 676-0.3 1200 180 48.71 15.12+0.8 2980	
	445 4916 4:36.14	
7044	Harper, Jonathan/TAMU-Kingsville'21	[6924]
	11.06+1.0 676-0.4 1265 183 48.94 15.57+1.3 3600	
	455 4381 4:46.91	
6943	Braga, John/Merrimack'18	[7064]
	11.21+1.0 684-0.2 1201 195 50.67 15.98+1.5 3994	
	415 5040 4:38.11	
6934	Andrews, Lane/Chico St'18	[6917]
	11.53-1.1 662-0.4 1080 183 49.72 15.81+0.9 3633	
	465 4587 4:25.82	
6925	Jahr, Spencer/Colo Mesa'19	[7145]
	11.15-1.1 656+1.9 1327 189 52.10 15.95+1.3 4017	
	425 4996 4:53.76	
6923	Schultz, Kevin/NW Missouri'19	[7050]
	11.86-1.1 671-0.8 1141 204 50.60 15.37+1.3 3516	
	425 4789 4:39.59	
6914	Holesinger, Bryce/Lewis'18	[7049]
	11.20-1.1 641+1.2 1095 174 49.12 15.35+0.8 3798	
	465 4824 4:45.66	
6158	Black, Sam/Saginaw Valley St'19	[6991]
	11.32-1.1 665-0.1 1294 198 49.67 15.73+1.5 3469	
	nh 4095 4:56.60	
6084	McNutt, Tanner/Pittsburg St'18	[6921]
	11.54+1.0 639+0.7 1179 183 52.33 17.71+0.9 3258	
	405 4002 4:58.08	
dnf	Everett, Trey/Findlay'18	[6980]
	11.42-1.1 709-0.4 1247 204 58.20 withdrew	
dnf:	Lahm, Derek/Wayne St(NE)'18	[6951]
	11.20+1.0 nm withdrew	

16s,14f.

NCAA III-



University of
Wisconsin-La
Crosse, La
Crosse, WI

After five events predictably Will Daniels a Central IA soph from Geneseo, IL held a commanding lead at the (10 lane !!) Veterans Memorial Complex in LaCrosse, WI. Daniels clocked a career best in the opening event, 11.32 seconds. Ironically it was into a 3.2 mps headwind. Almost every one of the other 19 competitors ran career worsts. Each (what are the chances of this?) of the three sprint

sections recorded a negative 3.2 wind reading. Daniels used a winning 2.11m/6-11 high jump to push his first day lead to 173 points over Williams senior Tobias Muellers, last year's runner-up with a PR 200 points higher than the Central soph. Seasonal leader Nate Newman/Ohio Wesleyan stood fourth.

When Daniels faltered in the opening event of day two, the highs (a PW 17.02) he opened the door. After the discus Mueller had cut the lead to a scant 21 points. Although



Central soph Will Daniels (left) and Tobias Mueller of Williams (MA) had a ding-dong battle at D-III.

Muellers (Burlington, VT) has significantly better vault skills, Daniels PR'd (4.30m/14-1¼) to match Muellers so the lead stayed at 21 points with two events remaining.

At this point, Muellers was in the drivers seat. After the javelin he found himself with a scant 6 point lead but had a 40 second 1500m advantage. His 4:29.86 clocking was 28 seconds better than Daniels (although a PR) and the Williams senior was the champion. Canchola, a George Fox senior, edged Daniels for second. 7 PR'd.

The D-III field (final qualifier was 6257) included 8 seniors, 5 juniors, 6 sophs and one freshman.

Results:

5/24-25 NCAA III Champs, U of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, La Crosse, WI

		seasonal best in []
6969	Muellers, Tobias/Williams'18	[6670]
	11.80-3.2 698+2.5 1198 184 48.57 15.70 0.0	
	3255 430 5056 4:29.86	
6821	Canchola, Alex/George Fox'18	[6752]
	12.12-3.2 711+3.4 1051 190 50.56 16.20+0.9	
	3603 390 5794 4:30.31	
6793	Daniels, Will/Central College(IA)'20	[6673]
	11.32-3.2 685+1.5 1226 211 52.16 17.02	
	0.0 3219 430 4873 4:57.23	

6708	Newman, Nate/Ohio Wesleyan'18	[6832]
	11.79-3.2 677+2.2 1155 193 52.33 15.29+0.9	
	3238 440 4817 4:51.91	
6664	McGill, Nicholas/Whitworth'20	[6415]
	11.83-3.2 655+3.4 1182 187 50.56	
	16.09+0.1 3582 380 5588 4:45.21	
6600	Van Grinsven, Leif/Wheaton (IL)'19	[6725]
	12.04-3.2 619+2.4 1230 187 51.98 15.69	
	0.0 3682 430 4248 4:30.25	
6596	Faust, Cody/Wisc-Platteville'19	[6496]
	12.01-3.2 651+2.3 1054 184 51.93 15.39	
	0.0 3476 450 4961 4:48.25	
6580	Spicer, Seth/Alfred'18	[6598]
	11.99-3.2 621+2.8 1327 187 50.57	
	15.85+0.1 3348 410 4112 4:29.28	
6572	Riley, Tommy/Williams'18	[6348]
	11.61-3.2 671+2.4 1219 181 51.84	
	15.56+0.9 3425 400 4773 4:52.15	
6474	Lee, Jeremy/Wisc-Stevens Pt'19	[6355]
	12.07-3.2 647+2.1 1090 184 53.32	
	17.08+0.7 3710 450 5086 4:37.80	
6402	Haskin, Zachary/Cobleskill'19	[6371]
	11.96-3.2 645+2.1 1095 187 52.25	
	15.72+0.9 3127 440 4482 4:50.49	
6278	Huddleston, Preston/St. Thomas(MN)'18	[6446]
	11.68-3.2 677+2.7 1135 178 51.40	
	16.45+0.7 3860 390 3402 4:51.51	
6250	Amerlan, Michael,Wisc-Eau Claire'18	[6396]
	11.49-3.2 602+2.2 1008 175 50.89	
	15.94+0.1 3292 420 4556 4:53.70	
6218	Canty, William/Westfield St'20	[6356]
	11.64-3.2 661+3.0 1066 166 49.73	
	16.37+0.1 2592 420 4687 4:50.36	
6212	Bye, Matt/Concordia-Moorhead'20	[6300]
	12.03-3.2 606+2.6 1172 187 54.60	
	15.27+0.9 3276 380 4826 4:50.57	
6162	Izenbart, Joshua/Hope'20	[6257]
	12.07-3.2 591+3.2 1163 202 52.23	
	15.85+0.9 3188 320 4946 4:53.38	
6128	Adams, Andrew/Augustana (IL)'18	[6305]
	12.28-3.2 615+2.5 1062 178 51.13	
	16.74+0.7 3069 360 4941 4:25.37	
6063	Meeteer, Noah/Wisc-La Crosse'19	[6394]
	11.50-3.2 608+1.0 1191 175 50.89	
	16.71+0.7 3356 390 4043 5:07.34	
dnf:	Wells, Matt/Puget Sound'20	[6263]
	11.74-3.2 638+2.9 1024 199 52.95	
	15.03+0.9 3709 nh withdrew	
dnf:	Wood, Keaton/Linfield'21	[6374]
	11.67-3.2 withdrew	
20s,18f,	final qualifier was 6257 20th	

NAIA – Gulf Shores, AL



Gulf Shores
SportsPlex, Gulf
Shores, AL

With temps in the mid 80's Westmont College soph Pieter Top (20, Wilsonville, OR) used running skills to pile up a healthy 52 point lead over Dickinson State's freshman football star Cleet Wrzesinski. Top was tops in the 100 (10.92) and 400m (48.48), the lone athlete to break 11 and 49 seconds. Seasonal leader Seth Gretz/Oregon Tech (senior, Rogue River, OR) was back in 8th at the break. This year's title appeared to be up for grabs.

Thunderstorms threatend the Gulf on



Westmont soph Pieter Top, left, (Wilsonville, OR) won the NAIA title at Gulf Shores, AL. Seasonal leader Seth Gretz (right), an Oregon Tech senior (TRogue River, OR) was 5th. Half the field == or bettered career best scores.

day 2. Wrzesinski won the hurdles in a nifty 14.81 and found himself tied with Top at the top of the leader board. Neither tossed the discus so they could write home about it And the vault was crucial. PRs: Pete (3.85m) Cleet (3.40m). Lurking was seasonal Gretz who has significant vault advantage (4.90m).

But the final three events were solid for Top (PRs in vault and 1500m-4:21.52!!) and he won by 157 over surprising Calvin

Korver, a soph at Northwestern, IA. Getz placed 5th and Wrzesinski 8th.

Results:

5/24-25 NAIA Champs, Gulf Shores, AL

.....seasonal best in [].

6833 Top, Pieter/Westmont'20 [6340] 10.92-1.2
681+0.7 1111 172 48.48 15.13+0.2 2922 405 4207 4:21.52
6676 Korver, Calvin/Northwestern(IA)'20 [6651]11.66-
0.8 646+1.7 1069 193 50.98 15.25+0.8 3598 405 4696 4:44.21
6649 Prevost, Arthur/Keiser'21 [6494] 11.43-0.8
659+1.5 1194 175 52.11 16.21+0.9 3250 445 5169 4:41.09
6636 Dotson, Joe/Sn Oregon'19 [6251] 11.59-0.8
645+0.8 1129 169 50.35 16.13+0.8 3328 425 5075 4:24.26
6625 Gretz, Seth/Oregon Tech'18 [6895] 11.55-1.2
655+1.6 1018 187 51.94 15.28+0.2 3246 465 4317 4:46.06
6612 Schmidt, Michael/Corban/'20 [6608] 11.31-0.8
591+1.5 1086 178 49.08 15.9+0.24 3513 415 4304 4:22.28
6521 Cota, Anthony/Westmont'18 [6592] 11.62-1.2
651+0.3 1106 190 51.67 15.61+0.5 3249 395 4748 4:45.51
6459 Wrzesinski, Cleet/Dickinson St'21[6393]11.27-1.2
679 0.0 1089 184 49.68 14.81+0.5 2771 345 4142 4:46.42
6357 Ney, Brooks, C of Idaho'18 [6357] 11.75-1.2
631+0.1 1216 169 52.23 15.72+0.5 3395 415 4289 4:39.61
6344 Williams,. Cody/Concordia(NE)'21[6317]11.73-0.8
646+1.7 1013 196 52.30 15.12+0.8 2753 465 3923 5:12.00
6160 Nemitz, Jackson/Westmont'19[6180] 11.79-0.8
597 0.0 1071 178 50.94 15.62+0.9 2923 395 4114 4:38.53
6010 Shira, Reagan/Corban'20 [6067] 12.17-0.8
640 0.0 1103 175 52.83 16.51+0.5 2858 385 3912 4:25.06
5957 Lanning, Owen/Lewis-Clark'19 [5996] 12.12-1.2
635+1.8 984 181 52.43 16.46+0.2 2706 365 4454 4:32.61
5946 Lucas,. Michael/Doane'18 [6262] 12.17-1.2
600+0.5 1276 175 54.12 16.58+0.8 3338 385 4334 4:52.96
5855 Bracken, Jason/Corban'18 [6475] 11.80-0.8
621+0.9 1284 184 52.93 19.65+0.9 4380 375 5140 4:48.29
5840 Becher, Blake/Concordia(NE)'21[6146] 11.28-1.2
601+0.7 1216 184 53.34 16.64+0.9 3613 375 3901 5:55.35
16s,16f. final qualifier was 5996 (16th)
