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**VICTOR WINS COMMONWEALTH
 TJ Lawson With Solid Effort**

Hello Again.....This week’s news (for the 2nd full week of April, 2018) comes from widely divergent sites: the Pacific coast of Australia and the Smokey Mountains of Tennessee. On Monday and Tuesday (9th and 10th) two time NCAA champ Lindon Victor, Texas A&M’17 and a native of Grenada won the 14th Commonwealth title with a 8303 effort. After coasting along with a comfortable 225 point lead with but three events remaining (and two of his better events ahead) favorite Damian Warner of Canada, vaulting in Group A and starting at 4.50m/14-9, did not clear his opener. The crown then belonged to the 23 year old Victor.

Victor becomes the first ex-NCAA champ to win the Commonwealth crown and only the 3rd to medal (Dave Steen-’82 & ’86, Claston Bernard ’02 and brother Kurt Felix ‘14 the others). Victor will return to the States and take up residence in Santa Barbara and, along with his brother, will represent to Santa Barbara Track Club for the foreseeable future.



Lindon Victor won the Commonwealth Games title in Gold Coast, Australia with a 8303 score.

On Thursday-Friday (12/13) Kent State soph TJ Lawson (21, Stow, OH) missed



Kent State soph TJ Lawson won the Tennessee Relays title with a 7724 score, a single point off his career best.

his career best by a single point while winning the University of Tennessee Relays in Knoxville. Lawson’s 7724 effort included career bests in the 100 meters and javelin and close calls in four other events.

There were 14 other mostly low key meets over the weekend. At Wichita State’s Woodman’s Classic Shocker Frosh Jake Horsch was a 7009 point winner in his first ever ten-eventer and the deep Wichita State Club now has 9 athletes in the books with scores ranging from 5934 to 8046.



4/9-10 Commonwealth Games, Gold Coast, AUS

8303	Victor, Lindon/GRN	10.70-0.1 724+0.2
	1579 201 49.48 14.87+0.3 5232 460 7110 5:04.75	
8171	Lepage, Pierce/CAN	10.62 0.0 744 0.0
	1398 207 47.81 14.71-0.8 4390 490 5824 4:58.00	

7983 Dubler, Cedric/AUS 10.69 0.0 759+0.5
 1234 201 48.39 14.24-0.8 4059 500 5463 4:57.03
 7756 Felix, Kurt/GRN 11.20-0.1 726-0.4
 1524 195 50.49 15.25+0.3 4804 420 6747 5:04.32
 7734 Cranston, Kyle/AUS 11.16-0.1 718 0.0
 1359 192 49.94 15.12-0.8 4319 440 6236 4:31.91
 7529 Lane, John/ENG 10.89 0.0 726+0.3
 1293 192 49.64 14.96-0.8 4379 480 4986 5:08.56
 7449 Gregory, Ben/WAL 11.60-0.1 694+0.7
 1280 189 50.51 15.16+0.3 3885 480 5730 4:30.57
 7009 Koech, Gilbert/KEN 11.38 0.0 659+0.9
 1321 183 49.28 15.63+0.3 4080 330 5827 4:31.82
 dnf: Warner, Damian/CAN 10.29 0.0 754+0.4
 1511 204 48.12 13.89-0.8 4655 nh withdrew
 dnf: Nyamadi, Atsu/GHA 11.27-0.1 725+0.5
 1449 201 50.45 14.82+0.3 4661 nh withdrew
 dnf: Matthews, Curtis/WAL 11.39-0.1 689+0.5
 nm 189 withdrew
 dnf: Stewart, Taylor/CAN 11.06 0.0 714-0.1
 1539 withdrew

Lam, Jeff UC Santa Barbara
 Landis, Kodiak Central Washington
 Lorbeck, Zachary Wisconsin
 Lundgren, Eric Colorado St.
 Mahler, Wolf Texas
 Maier, Braydon Central Washington
 Matzen, Jonas MSU-Moorhead
 Mechler, Nathaniel Houston-CAN
 Moldau, Martin Washington St.
 Muñoz, Zach Azusa Pacific
 Neururer, Matt North Dakota State
 Newberg, Dante Florida State
 Nytes, Trent Wisconsin
 Pillath, Josh North Dakota
 Ponciano, Chad Azusa Pacific
 Riley, Josh Montana
 Robinson, Donte Portland State
 Saluri, Karl Georgia-EST
 Simonsen, Hunter Utah State
 Smith, Sawyer Wisconsin
 Sobota, Jacob Duke
 Stephens, Barak Utah State
 Thomsen, Ryan Hillsdale
 Uchytel, John Minnesota
 Wasik, Steele Texas
 Whitcutt, Grant Montana
 Williams, Harrison Stanford
 Ziemek, Zachary Adidas

Twenty decathlons are on tap for the coming week and the feature meeting will be at Azusa Pacific U where the Bryan Clay Invitational replaces the annual Mount Sac Relays. The entry list reads like a phone book, from Affilito to Ziemek.

The Accepted Entries:

Afflitto, Paul Wisconsin
 Bahner, Austin Santa
 Barbara Track Club Bilderbeck, Samuel
 Adams State
 Butte, Davis Colorado
 Carmichael, Aaron Colorado
 Cheek, Aaron UCSB
 Christodoulou, Andreas Miami-CYP
 Clancy, Kyle UC Davis
 Dougherty, William Iowa
 Eggers, William Marquette
 Enerson, Ryan North Dakota State
 Erm, Johannes Georgia-EST
 Foote, Drake UC Davis
 Frid, Teddy Minnesota
 Friis, Christian Duke
 Fry, Josh Concordia (Cal.)
 Gaynes, Daniel Iowa
 Ghizzone, Andrew Colorado
 Golubovic, Daniel One-One-Five
 Gravelding, Nate Colorado
 Grossman, Thomas UC Davis
 Hieber, Evan South Dakota St.
 Holesinger, Bryce Lewis
 Holley, Marcus Lewis
 Huddleston, Preston St. Thomas (Minn.)
 Jahr, Spencer Colorado Mesa



[54 entries, including 23 >7k]