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MT SAC & OREGON RELAYS REPORT US Father-Son Record Survives Another Assault

HELLO AGAIN.....Sixteen meets doted the American landscape during the 2nd full week of April and most of the action was found on the west coast.

The Oregon Relays in Eugene netted a pair of 7400 pefrformances, likely NCAA qualifiers. Oregon junior Mitch Modin, 21, Bend, prevailed in cold, raw conditions with a 7468 score. Teammate Joe Delgado, 21, Ontario,OR, PR'd at 7402.

The combined Mount Sac Relays/Cal Invt at Azusa entertained 51 (!) starters and the week's highest score belonged to Ben Gregory/GBR at 7882, 106 better than defending champion, Canadian James Turner/Toronto. The top American score came from former Wichita State All-American Austin Bahner who recored a SB of 7672. Eastern Michigan senior Solomon Simmons(nee Ijah) was 4th with a likely NCAA I qualifier, 7537. Ex D-II champ Justin Balczak was 5th at 7276 as only 7 of 17 starters in the Mt Sac R division survived to complete all ten events. The 'dnf'ers' read like a who's who.

Section A of the accompanying Cal Invitational was captured by Frenchman Pierre-Louis Ricou, (7340) a junior at Grand Canyon U (Phoenix, AZ), the NCAA D I's only proprietary school. North Dakota State senior Brock Larson won the B section with 6816 points. Buried deep in the results of Section B was a 6th place (6415) finish by Colorado freshman Isaiah Oliver using international implements for the first time.



Oregon junior Mitch Modin won the Oregon Relays using this 1.97m/6-5 ½ high jump on the way to a 7468 winning score.

When coupled with his father's (Muhammad) 1992 8087 effort the Oliver's now stand 7th on the US father-son scoreboard. The accompanying box will see a lot of revisions.

In other meets, Wichita State soph Hunter Veith won at home (Woodman's Classic) with a nice 7300 score. Ashton Eaton ran 10.38(+0.5) at the Clay meet in Azusa and leaped 8.09m/26-6½ (+2.2) at Mount Sac Relays in Cerritos. Series: foul 791 809 799 801 pass !!

Current Top Ten US Father-Son Standings

As of 4/16/16:

Bastien	Gary7847/Steven7417	15,264
Culp	Greg7812/Brad7438	15,250
Gough	Steve 7948/Kyle7202	15,150
Richards	Bob7210/Tommy7704	14,914
Leutz	Tom7570/Wes7290	14,860
Herman	Paul7699/Andrew7007	14,706
Oliver	Muhammas8087/Isaiah6415	14,502
Mulkey	Phil8049/PhilJr6393	14,442
Mondschein	Irv6711/Brian7650	14,361
Schur	Barry6798/Sam7378	14,176