

# THE DECATHLON ASSOCIATION

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## RELAXED WEEK

### BYU's Walker With 7403 Effort

**HELLO AGAIN.....**there was a paucity of news on the national decathlon scene for the 3rd full week of April, 2016 in which only eleven meets were held.

BYU junior Jackson Walker, Idaho Falls, ID, PR'd (by 201 points) while winning the Robison Inv't in Provo. His 7403 total is the 15th collegiate score over 7400 in the young season. Vet Chase Dalton was runner-up with 7069.

Nebraska soph Cody Walton, 20, Forest Lake, MN, PR'd winning the Kansas Relays title with 7327. Husker red-shirting freshman Kale Wagner led at the break. A&M junior Lindor Victor did not start,

A stellar field was assembled in Charlottesville, VA for the UVa Challenge. But Kennesaw's Bilal Abdullah (Snellville, GA--4th and 6th at the last two NCAA I indoor title meets) did not start and redshirting Michigan State soph Tim Ehrhardt (5th at '15 NAAs outdoor) was cruising to a nice total (2 events PRs, close in 3 others) before no-marking in the discus. He still managed to score 6241 for just 8 events.

After nine events the meet was razor thin for a pair of Virginia teammates. Soph Cameron Collins (Calhoun, GA) used a 4:32.67 1500m clocking to edge senior Christian Lavorgna (Jefferson, NJ) by two seconds and 3 points as both PR'd, 7004 to 7001.

In other meets Rhode Island grad Trent Baltzell won the Holy Cross Multis in Worcester, MA with a 7153 score.



BYU junior Jackson Walker (left) posted the week's top score (7403), besting ex Cougar Chase Dalton. Nebraska soph Cody Walton (right) won the Kansas Relays with a PR 7327 effort.

A pair of small college conference title meets resulted in near identical scores. The NAIA Cascade Conference in Ashland, OR was won by soph Seth Getz of Oregon Tech with 6541 points. Devin Jones, an Alabama-Huntsville junior won the D-II Peach Belt Conference in Pembroke, NC with 2 points more.

Unreported last week was Ashton Eaton's seasonal opener highs at, Mount Sac, Cerritos, a 4th place 13.48!!

Next week's feature affair will be Drake Relays in Des Moines.



Tim Ehrhardt (left), the red-shirting Michigan State soph, lost a big score in Charlottesville.