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## BIG SCORES at USA NATIONALS

### Scantling 8867, Garland CR, 'ZZ' PR

**Hello Again...** After two weeks of relative inaction (just 17 meets and three 7k scores) the first week of May was filled with important news. A trio of stories stood out. First, the USA nationals, under perfect skies in Fayetteville, Arkansas, provided the world's three leading scores including an eye-opening 8867 from veteran Garrett Scantling making him #3 on US all-time list with # 6 all-time performance.

The second story was the number of USA decathlon as this was the first of two "Conference Championships weeks" in which many national qualifying lists gets rewritten. Most of the meets, 39 in all, involved D II, II, and NAIA league.

The third tale is a sad one as many of these meets were washed out by persistent and heavy rains up and down the East Coast. Most athletes were just trying to finish ten events upright. Rain was so heavy and track so slick at one D II affair that no one broke 17 seconds in the hurdles and the mean hurdle clocking was 18.5!!! Enough said. Some days it does not pay to get out of bed!

O.K....here is the first week of May.

### USA Nationals, Fayetteville, AR May 6-7, 2022

Garret Scantling caught red hot Kyle Garland late. Garland's 8720 total puts to rest any talk about who now holds the collegiate record. Interestingly, Scantling won only two events outright (110H, jav) but was so



28 year old Garrett Scantling won the USA nationals with the 6<sup>th</sup> highest American score ever.



Kyle Garland (left...8720) and Zach Ziemek (right...8573) completed an awesome 1-2-3 recital in Fayetteville.

consistent across the board that he was no worse than 4<sup>th</sup> in each of the first nine disciplines.

The top three achieved lifetime bests. As for Ziemek, disappointing marks in the 400, hurdles and vault (usually 3 or 4 bars higher) did not prevent a career best by 102 points. Almost unseen were Stephen Bastien's 8135 score for 4<sup>th</sup> and Hunter Price's 7897 comeback for 5<sup>th</sup>. The scores were not deep as but 7 exceeded 7750. As for Garland, the lone

collegian in the field, he's announced that he will contest the NCAA I meet in Eugene.

**Results**

**5/6-7 USATF National Champs, U of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR**



8867	Scantling, Garrett/NIKE	10.68+0.9	768+1.5	1612	204	48.38	13.59+1.0	5104	515	6716	4:46.37
8720	Garland, Kyle/Georgia	10.63+0.9	786+1.0	1644	207	49.04	13,71+1.0	4616	485	5637	4:43.21
8573	Ziemek, Zach/unat	10.56+0.9	762+1.7	1497	204	50.44	14.71-0.2	5164	515	5941	4:39.60
8135	Bastien, Steven/unat	10.76+0.9	767+2.0	1361	201	47.44	14.49-0.2	3741	495	5283	4:30.75
7897	Price, Hunter/FK Elite TC	10.81+0.9	743+1.9	1344	204	48.96	14.35+0.2	3740	445	5634	4:40.00
7876	Cooper, Dylan/unat	11.20+0.6	704+1.2	1429	198	51.40	14.43-0.2	4646	445	6132	4:31.71
7759	Flood, Jack/unat	11.00+0.6	690+1.3	1296	204	49.99	13.86+1/0	4028	465	5709	4:50.53
7295	Walker, Jackson/unat	11.34+0.6	631-0.1	1277	186	50.36	15.14+2.2	4260	455	5734	4:36.93
7039	Eggers, William/unat	11.06+0.6	677+1.8	1136	183	49.56	15.66+2.2	3907	415	5617	4:51.52
6684	Cogdill, Josh/unat	11.11+0.6	661+1.1	1316	192	50.10	14.85+0.2	3943	nh	5773	4:39.62
5984	Martin, Kyle/JacksonvilleAC	11.17+0.6	683+1.9	1321	186	51.14	14.31+0.2	nm	455	4858	dnf
5686	Delgado, Joe/unat	10.91+0.9	718+1.8	1363	192	48.88	14.88+0.2	4565	nh	nm	dnf
5413	Clark, Mat/unat	11.47+0.6	671+2.1	1331	183	51.99	16.04+2.2	3676	nh	4511	dnf
	dnf Williams, Devon/NYAC	10.76+0.9	773+1.2	1393	189	48.57	13.92+1.0	4822	nh	dns]	14s,13f.



**Dartmouth frosh Dartmouth's Karl-Oscar Pajus (left) and Eau Claire's Marcus Weaver (right) won conference meets with PR scores.....Heptagonals and Wisconsin Intercollegiates respectively**

NCAA indoor champ Marcus Weaver, the Eau Claire soph, handily captured the Wisconsin Intercollegiates in LaCrosse with a 7193 effort.

**NAIA meets**

Harding's Matt Hipshire provided to singular NAIA score, 6436, while winning the Great American Conf. in Shawnee, OK.

**NCAA D I meets**

Seven of the eleven D I conference meets were held on the East Coast where cold and rain prevailed. The top East Coast effort came from Dartmouth freshman Karl-Oscar Pajus-Estonia, who won the Ivy League crown with 7196 points. At the more weather pleasant Southland affair in Humble, Texas, Houston Baptist's Scott Boon was a winner with 7421. All of the major D-I leagues will conduct there meets in the coming week.

**NCAA D II meets**

Kingville senior Johnathon won the Lone Star Champs affair with a nice 7401. Trey Mooney/Pittsburg St's 7195 was good enough at the MIAA in Emporia and Noah Dooley, a junior at Davenport, was tops (7172) at the Great Lakes Intercollegiates in Allendale, MI.

**NCAA D III meets**