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SCANTLING WINS USATF Iosivas Ends Conference Week with Bang

Hello Again... With little fanfare the 37th USA nationals indoor heptathlon (The Podium, Spokane, WA, Feb 26-27) produced the world's top 2022 score and a meet record. 28 year old veteran Garrett Scantling (Jacksonville, FL) ran up a eye-popping 6382 PR total, erasing Jeremy Taiwo's 6273 score set in Roxbury, MA in 2015. He becomes the #3 performer with the # 7 performance all-time US. Consistent, at a high level across the board, he won by a whopping 516 points. Here are Scantling's marks:



Garrett Scantling/NIKE
6382 6.86 734 1616 205 7.81 520 2:43.04 pr

Detailed results available on our *Results Page*.

He was trailed by a new wave of American CEers, and in this case it was a trio with D-II and D-III roots. Sam Black (2nd at 5866) was last season's D-II outdoor champ while at Saginaw Valley St. 2017 D-III champ from Cortland State Jack Flood was 3rd at 5803. Dylan Cooper, the 2019 D-III outdoor runner-up from Wisconsin-Eau Claire, was 4th in Spokane at 5771. PR scores for all three.

Collegiate Conference Week

Virtually all of the week's 44 US heptathlons fell into the *Conference Week* category. While Scantling was running-up a big score on the west coast four college meets were being decided on the east. Princeton senior Andrei Iosivas (22, Honolulu) a wide



Garrett Scantling (l) and Andrei Iosivas/Princeton were the major stories in a week when an additional 109 5000+ scores went into the books.

receiver on the Princeton football team, won the Heptagonals at the NYC Armory at 6036 making him the fourth collegian entering the NCAAs with a 6k resume score. Six individual marks were career bests. Estonian freshman Karl-Oscar Pajus/ Dartmouth was runner-up.

Navy's Bayne Autrey won the Patriot League crown at 5510. Ty Kimberlin, a Samford U junior, won the Southern Conference crown (5395).

The final two D-I conference affairs concluded Monday (28th). Israeli born Ariel Atias, a freshman at Illinois State, used a 5352 score to win the Missouri Valley meet and Croatian Trpimir Siroki, a junior, won the Southland crown at 5604. His school, TAMU-Corpus Christi, move up to D-I this season.

D-II and D-III

Not surprisingly the MIAA title meet in Maryville, MO provided a plethora of significant D-II scores. Pittsburg State junior

Trey Mooney went to the top of the D-II list with a nice 5614 performance. Tyl Woelber/Augustana won the Northern Sun title at 5378 while Dawson Heide/Colo-Mesa won the RMAC at 5307 and Jason Goodman/Slippery Rock was the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate winner (5004).

Foreign athletes dominated two other D-II leagues. Elvis Kryukov of Cyprus, a junior at Angelo State, won the Lone Star champs in Lubbock (5356). Finally, the top *five* places at the South Atlantic meet in Winston-Salem, NC, went to foreign student athletes (GER-SWE-FRA-ITA-FRA) with Germany's Niklas Klei/Queens prevailing (5044).

The top D-III effort belonged to Maguire Petersen/St John's(MN), a 5118 total at the Minnesota Intercollegiates at Carleton College.

The NCAA national championships are booked for March 11-12, 2022.