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Davis is NAIA Champ

Hello Again... This coming weekend features the annual NCAA indoor championship meets at all three levels. The 18th D-I affair will be hosted March 11-12 at the CrossPlex in Birmingham, AL. D-II will use the fast Robert Glasser Center on the Pittsburg State campus in Kansas while the D III champs are booked for the JDL FastTrack in Winston-Salem, NC. With D-III qualifying ending over the weekend all fields are set with high scoring

participants. Arkansas soph Ayden Owens leads the D I list at 6272. Four entrants have topped 6k. The final qualifying score was a whopping (and record!) 5734. As improbable as it may seem. three 5700+ scorers did not make the cut.

With a national leading 5614 score Pittsburg's Trey Mooney will feel right at home for the D-II champs. The 14th and final qualifying mark stood at 5275.

Soph Marcus Weaver, Wisconsin-Eau Claire, tops the D-III field at 5533. Teammate Casey Chadwick grabbed the final slot over the weekend winning the Wartburg qualifier in 4736. Three in the field will represent "Sawdust City."

Only nine meets were held nationally last weekend but two were national title affairs. Tall Eastern Oregon soph TJ Davis (Sandpoint, ID, by way of Spokane CC) added nearly 200 points to his career best in capturing the NAIA nationals (5439) in Brookings, SD. Early season leader Lee



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Walburn (a junior at Carroll (MT) and Doane (NE) soph David Arcos were 2nd and 3rd, both with PRs (5384 and 5076).

The NJCAA championship meet came off at the busy Pittsburg State, KS track with Pima's Reece Gardner pinching the title with a 5112 score, 47 up on Cloud County's Andrew Betton. Nicola Paletti, Iowa Central CC, was another four digits back.

On the east coast UConn senior Benjamin Grosse won the IC4A title at 5345 points even though the meet is held after the D-I qualifying window. Six last chance D-III heptathlons were also conducted with the aforementioned Wartburg meet significant.

We'll post media guides for the NCAA I meet for both men and women.

Results can be found at:

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<https://flashresults.com/>