



SOUTH CAROLINA

CROSS COUNTRY

2014 SCHEDULE

Date	Event	Location	Time/Result
8/30	Carolina Invitational	Columbia, S.C.	1st
9/13	USC Open #1	Columbia, S.C.	1st
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	Charlotte, N.C.	1st
10/4	Paul Short Run	Bethlehem, Pa.	19th
10/8	USC Open #2	Columbia, S.C.	1st
10/17	Crimson Classic	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	8th
10/31	SEC Championships	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	10 a.m.
11/14	NCAA Southeast Regional	Louisville, Ky.	1 p.m.
11/22	NCAA Championships	Terre Haute, Ind.	1 p.m.

Home Meets in **bold**
All Times Eastern

SOUTH CAROLINA QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Location..... Columbia, S.C.
 Enrollment..... 31,964
 Founded 1801
 Team NameGamecocks
 President..... Dr. Harris Pastides
 Athletics Director.....Ray Tanner
 Colors.....Garnet (PMS 202C), Black
 Conference Southeastern
 Facility..... Hilton Field on Fort Jackson

TEAM INFORMATION

Head Coach.....Curtis Frye (18th year)
 Asst. Coach for distance & cross countryAndrew Allden (2nd year)
 2013 SEC Finish..... 12th
 2013 NCAA Southeast Regional Finish 14th
 Returners 14
 Newcomers 13

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SEC CHAMPIONSHIP

Harry Pritchett Running Course

Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Fri., Oct. 31, 2014

Women's 6K : 10 a.m. ET

Live Results: <http://www.xpresstiming.com/Live/2014/XC/SEC/>



South Carolina is back in Tuscaloosa, Ala., on Oct. 31, for the 2014 SEC Championship, hosted by Alabama at the Harry Pritchett Running Course. Friday's women's 6K is slated to start at 10 a.m., ET.

The Gamecocks had a chance to run the championship course two weeks ago where they finished eighth at the Crimson Classic on Oct. 17. In the 5K race, junior Anna Todd recorded the eighth-fastest time in school history, clocking in at 17:44.99.

Running for Carolina on Friday at the championship will be juniors Stephanie Berger, Christine Kent and Anna Todd, redshirt sophomore Ashley Miller, sophomore Mary Reiser, redshirt freshman Meri Heneage, and freshmen Hannah Giangaspro, Regina Schreiber, Allie Sprague and Monica York.

The SEC features two teams ranked in the latest USTFCCCA National Coaches poll with Arkansas coming in at No. 5 and Vanderbilt at No. 23. Regionally, Missouri ranks sixth in the Midwest, Arkansas is first and Texas A&M is sixth the South Central and Kentucky is 11th in the Southeast. The South Region has seven SEC teams ranked; Vanderbilt (2nd), Alabama (3rd), Auburn (6th), Mississippi State (7th), Georgia (10th), Florida (11th) and Tennessee (14th).

REVISITING THE 2013 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP

The Gamecocks finished 12th at last season's SEC Championship behind a 15th-place finish from Meredith Mill, who ran the fourth-fastest 6K in school history. Then-freshman Mary Reiser earned SEC All-Freshman Team honors after placing 33rd.



**USTFCCGA WOMEN'S NATIONAL POLL
(WEEK 4)**

Rank	Team	Previous
1	Michigan State (10)	2
2	Georgetown (1)	4
3	Oregon (1)	3
4	Michigan	1
5	Arkansas	5
6	Iowa State	8
7	Colorado	7
8	Wisconsin	15
9	West Virginia	20
10	New Mexico	11
11	Stanford	6
12	Florida State	9
13	Virginia	10
14	Vanderbilt	27
15	North Carolina	13
16	Syracuse	12
17	Washington	14
18	NC State	29
19	Ohio State	RV
20	Minnesota	26
21	Oklahoma State	18
22	Arizona State	25
23	Boise State	16
24	Villanova	21
25	Princeton	NR
26	Dartmouth	24
27	Toledo	NR
28	Baylor	22
29	UCLA	RV
30	Boston College	17

Others Receiving Votes: Iona 23, Virginia Tech 8, Penn State 6, Providence 4, William and Mary 4, Northern Arizona 4, SMU 3, Portland 2

Dropped Out: No. 19 William and Mary, No. 23 Providence, No. 28 Notre Dame, No. 30 BYU

TODD AT THE FRONT OF THE PACK IN '14

In all four meets that Todd has competed in this season, the junior has led the Gamecocks, posting personal best times in each of her last three meets (Charlotte Invitational 6K, 21:58.9; Paul Short Run 6K, 21:02; Crimson Classic 5K, 17:44.9).

YORK EARNS FIRST COLLEGIATE WIN

Freshman Monica York claimed her first win at South Carolina on Oct. 8, finishing the two-mile race at the USC Open #2 in 11:53.95. On Oct. 14, she was named SEC Freshman Runner of the Week for the win. She led the Gamecocks to their fourth win of the season and third at home.

RESETTING PERSONAL RECORDS

On Oct. 4, South Carolina sent 12 athletes to the 41st Annual Paul Short Run in Bethlehem, Pa., with 10 of them returning home with a new personal record in the 6K. The Gold 6K featured more than 20 teams that were ranked in the Top 15 of their region, including three Top 15 teams nationally and the University of Guelph of Ontario, which won the competition.

CHASING HISTORY

For the third consecutive meet this season, Todd led the Gamecocks as the junior ran the fifth-fastest time in school history at 21:02 at the Paul Short Run. Her time was just over 21 seconds shy of teammate Kayla Lampe's school record, which was set in 2012. Only three Carolina runners have posted a faster time than Todd, with each earning All-SEC honors at one point during their careers.

SUCCESSFUL START

With South Carolina's win on Sept. 26 at the Charlotte Invitational, the Gamecocks won their third-straight meet for the first time during the 2000s.

TWICE IS NICE

With her individual win at the Charlotte Invitational, Todd grabbed her second win in as many meets after sitting out South Carolina's first meet of the season. In the process of the win, Todd set a then-personal best in the 6K with a time of 21:58.9, more than 21 seconds faster than her previous best from 2013.

EXPERIENCE RISING TO THE TOP

With 15 freshman, 13 being true freshmen, on this year's roster, several of the team's most experienced runners have been stepped up this season. Todd and Berger accounted for three of the team's four individual wins. The two, along with Kent and Reiser did not finish outside of the top eight in any of Carolina's first three meets of the season.

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Although Carolina has won its opening two meets several times

since 2000, one thing the team has not done until this season is score a perfect 15 points in each of its opening wins.

SEEING GARNET IN THE FRONT

In its opening two meets, South Carolina runners continuously finished one after another. At the Gamecock Invitational, Carolina went 1-9 and placed 13 runners in the top 15. Two weeks later, at the USC Open #1, the Gamecocks had 17 racers finish in the top 20.

BERGER GETS FIRST WIN

At the opening meet of the season, the Carolina Invitational, Berger earned the first win of her Gamecock career. The West Salem, Ohio, native clocked in at 19:00.65 (5K), to lead a pack of eight Gamecocks, as Carolina finished 1-9.

STARTING FAST

The win at the Carolina Invitational marked the third time in the last four years that South Carolina claimed a win in its season-opening meet.

FRESHMEN STEPPING UP

Of the eight freshmen that competed for the Gamecocks in the opening meet, six being true freshmen, all eight finished in the top 15. Sprague was the top finisher of the group, claiming second with a time of 19:14.26.

Two weeks later, the Gamecocks again placed eight freshmen in the top 15, with seven being true freshmen. Giangaspro led the group with a third-place finish with a time of 18:50.46. She was one of four runners with a sub-19-minute time.

Coach Allden has considered this year's freshman class "top-to-bottom to be one of the strongest recruiting classes [the program] has had." Leading the group of 13 are Florida natives Giangaspro, a top 3200-meter runner in the state, and Emily Harding, who posted a Top 30 nationally in the 1600 meters in 2013. Outside of Florida, the freshman class hails from the Carolinas, the Mid-Atlantic region and Illinois.

REISER LEADING THE WAY

Reiser was the team's top returner in 2014, after becoming the third freshman from South Carolina to be named to the conference's All-Freshman Team in the last six years, as she placed 33rd at the SEC Championships in 2013. Reiser set the fifth-fastest 5K time in school history at the Royal Cross Country Challenge at 17:39.0 and finished in the top 30 at the NCAA Southeast Regional.

SEC PRESEASON WATCH LIST

Joining Reiser on this year's SEC Cross Country Preseason Watch List was Lampe, who did not compete during the 2013

season due to injury, but returned to compete this season at the Paul Short Invitational, posting a 6K time of 22:24. The redshirt junior garnered SEC All-Freshman Team honors in 2012 and Second-Team All-SEC accolades with a 13th-place showing at the SEC Championships (21:02.30). Later that season, she earned All-Southeast Region honors, finishing eighth with a time of 20:40.43, which is the fastest 6K time in South Carolina history.

RETURNING EXPERIENCE

Despite losing their top runner from a season ago, the Gamecocks returned their next six runners in Reiser (sophomore), Todd (junior), Berger (junior), Kent (junior), Martha McCoy (sophomore), along with the possibility of Lampe (junior).

YOUTH MOVEMENT

With 27 athletes on the 2014 roster, the Gamecocks have 13 new faces on the team this fall that mix in with six others who joined the program last year, meaning 70 percent of the team has only been at South Carolina for a year or less.

LEARNING FROM EXPERIENCE

The Gamecocks are led by second-year coach Andrew Allden as assistant track coach in charge of distance and cross country, who reunited last year with head track and field coach Curtis Frye after 12 years away from Columbia. Allden brings 28 years of coaching experience to the Gamecocks in regards to training.

UP NEXT

The Gamecocks will take the two weeks to prepare for the NCAA Southeast Regional in Louisville, Ky., at E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park. The women's 6K will begin at 1 p.m., ET.

2014 SOUTH CAROLINA CROSS COUNTRY ROSTER

Name	Class	Hometown (High School)
Stephanie Berger	Jr.	West Salem, Ohio (Northwestern)
Sequoia Brown	Fr.	Greenville, S.C. (J.L. Mann)
Sarah Falta	So.	Seneca, S.C. (Seneca)
Hannah Frazier	Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va. (Bishop Sullivan)
Hannah Giangaspro	Fr.	St. Johns, Fla. (Bartram Trail)
Emily Harding	Fr.	Sarasota, Fla. (Sarasota)
Helena Harding	Fr.	Roanoke, Va. (Hidden Valley)
Meri Heneage	R-Fr.	Lexington, S.C. (Lexington)
Kaleigh Higgins	Jr.	Niskayuna, N.Y. (Niskayuna)
Ashley Hrubala	Fr.	Roebuck, S.C. (Dorman)
Christine Kent	Jr.	San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral)
Jill Lampe	R-Fr.	Downingtown, Pa. (Bishop Shanahan)
Kayla Lampe	R-Jr.	Downingtown, Pa. (Bishop Shanahan)
Martha McCoy	So.	Johnson City, Tenn. (Science Hill)
Anna McElrath	Fr.	Charlotte, N.C. (Independence)
Ashley Miller	R-So.	North Myrtle Beach, S.C. (North Myrtle Beach)
Melanie Ng	So.	Winterville, N.C. (Arendell Patriot Academy)
Caitlin Potter	Fr.	Lincolnton, N.C. (North Lincoln)
Mary Reiser	So.	Annapolis, Md. (St. Mary's)
Regina Schreiber	Fr.	Gaithersburg, Md. (Quince Orchard)
Allie Sprague	Fr.	Marengo, Ill. (Marengo Community)
Sarah Taylor	Fr.	Chester Springs, Pa. (Owen J. Roberts)
Anna Todd	Jr.	Spartanburg, S.C. (Spartanburg)
Kaylee Wessel	Fr.	St. Charles, Ill. (St. Charles North)
Allie Whitley	Jr.	Denver, N.C. (East Lincoln)
Brandy Wybersky	Jr.	Manassas, Va. (Osborn Park)
Monica York	Fr.	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)

Coaches

Head Track & Field Coach - Curtis Frye (18th year)

Assistant Track & Field Coach for Distance/Cross Country - Andrew Allden (2nd year)

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Stephanie Berger • Jr. • West Salem, Ohio

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	1st	19:00.65
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	4th	18:56.52
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	8th	22:36.5
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	121st	21:54
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	49th	18:24.04

Sequoia Brown • Fr. • Greenville, S.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	16th	13:27.36

Sarah Falta • So. • Seneca, S.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	5th	19:33.42
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	41st	23:56.3
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	14th	12:56.35
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	185th	20:23.69

Hannah Frazier • Fr. • Virginia Beach, Va.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	10th	12:28.44

Hannah Giangaspro • Fr. • St. Johns, Fla.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	3rd	18:50.46
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	18th	23:03.0
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	201st	22:29
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	102nd	19:08.06

Emily Harding • Fr. • Sarasota, Fla.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	6th	19:03.27
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	17th	23:00.9
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	218th	22:37
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	122nd	19:27.98

Helena Harding • Fr. • Roanoke, Va.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	20th	20:21.88
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	50th	24:11.9
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	5th	12:15.35
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	140th	19:40.92

Meri Heneage • R-Fr. • Lexington, S.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	9th	19:50.77
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	7th	19:11.04
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	38th	23:47.1
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	185th	22:29
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	116th	19:21.65

Kaleigh Higgins • Jr. • Niskayuna, N.Y.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	28th	21:26.67
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	24th	21:05.15
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	15th	13:01.35

Ashley Hrubala • Fr. • Roebuck, S.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	25th	21:39.16
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	18th	13:39.05

Christine Kent • Jr. • San Diego, Calif.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	3rd	19:17.77
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	5th	19:01.95
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	6th	22:30.7
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	165th	22:14
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	89th	18:55.90

Jill Lampe • R-Fr • Downington, Pa.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	8th	19:48.65

Kayla Lampe • R-Jr. • Downington, Pa.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Open)	6K	34th	22:24
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	61st	18:32.57

Martha McCoy • So. • Johnson City, Tenn.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
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Anna McElrath • Fr. • Charlotte, N.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	11th	19:55.07
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	14th	19:46.99
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	48th	24:09.3
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	13th	12:44.71
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	171st	20:13.02

Ashley Miller • Jr. • North Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	20th	23:07.4
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	247th	22:50
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	2nd	12:01.35
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	83rd	18:51.99

Melanie Ng • So. • Winterville, N.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	4th	19:27.29
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	10th	19:34.72

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9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	45th	24:02.0
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	6th	12:18.99
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	192nd	20:28.80

Caitlin Potter • Fr. • Lincolnton, N.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	6th	19:45.33
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	19th	20:11.81
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	33rd	23:35.0
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	276th	23:11
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	11th	12:31.76
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	200th	20:37.96

Mary Reiser • So. • Annapolis, Md.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	2nd	18:37.54
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	5th	22:29.5
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	110th	21:47
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	57th	18:28.66

Regina Schreiber • Fr. • Gaithersburg, Md.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	8th	19:25.39
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	44th	23:59.1
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	3rd	12:03.58
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	115th	19:21.00

Allie Sprague • Fr. • Marengo, Ill.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	2nd	19:14.26
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	43rd	23:57.5
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	217th	22:37
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	159th	19:55.91

Sarah Taylor • Fr. • Chester Springs, Pa.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	15th	20:17.49
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	12th	19:40.43
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	51st	24:12.5
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	4th	12:14.30
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	186th	20:24.35

Anna Todd • Jr. • Spartanburg, S.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	1st	18:32.11
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	1st	21:58.9
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Gold)	6K	35th	21:02
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	9th	17:44.99

Kaylee Wessel • Fr. • St. Charles, Ill.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	7th	19:39.56

9/13	USC Open #1	5K	12th	19:40.43
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	57th	24:30.9
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	9th	12:27.81
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	158th	19:55.23

Allie Whitley • Jr. • Stanley, N.C.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	46th	24:03.3
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	12th	12:39.25
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	165th	20:02.65

Brandy Wybersky • Jr. • Manassas, Va.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	13th	20:05.97
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	17th	20:04.47
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	59th	24:48.6
10/8	USC Open #2	2M	8th	12:24.42

Monica York • Fr. • DeKalb, Ill.

Date	Meet	Dis.	Finish	Time
8/30	Carolina Invitational	5K	14th	20:12.82
9/13	USC Open #1	5K	16th	19:59.62
9/26	Charlotte Invitational	6K	32nd	23:33.5
10/4	Paul Short Invitational (Open)	6K	54th	22:46
10/4	USC Open #2	2M	1st	11:53.95
10/17	Crimson Classic	5K	101st	19:03.39