

CINCINNATI

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2005 CROSS COUNTRY

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STRONG FINISHES: The women's squad made one its strongest starts in history by winning its first three meets – the Dayton Flyer 5K, Miami Invitational, and the Queen City Invitational – and taking third place at the next two competitions – the Notre Dame Invitational and All-Ohio Championships. Senior Karen Berling led the Bearcats in each of these races, including posting a first-place finish overall at Dayton.

The men's top finish came at the Queen City Invite, where they retained the title for the fifth consecutive year. Other notable meets include the season-opening Dayton Flyer 5K, where the team took second place, and their sixth-place finish at the BIG EAST Championships.

Quick Facts CINCINNATI

Location: Cincinnati, Ohio
Founded: 1819
President: Dr. Nancy L. Zimpher
Athletic Director: Bob Goin
Enrollment: 34,000
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Bearcats
Colors: Red and Black
Home Course: Mount Airy Forest
Head Coach: Bill Schnier
Asst. Coach: Jim Schnur
Asst. Coach: Susan Seaton
Asst. Coach: Melody Royster

2005 Schedule/Results

Sept.

Sat. 3 Flyer 5K Challenge M: 2nd
 Kettering, Ohio W: 1st
Sat. 10 Miami Invitational M: 4th
 Oxford, Ohio W: 1st
Fri. 16 Queen City Invitational ... M: 1st
 Mount Airy Forest W: 1st
Fri. 30 Notre Dame Invite M: 18th
 South Bend, IN. W: 3rd

Oct.

Fri. 7 All-Ohio Championships. M: 4th
 Delaware, Ohio W: 3rd
Sat. 15 Pre-Nationals M: 32nd
 Terre Haute, IN. W: 29th
Fri. 28 BIG EAST Championships M: 6th
 Bronx, NY. W: t-10th

Nov.

Sat. 12 NCAA GL Regionals M: 19th
 Bloomington, IN. W: 23rd

MAKING IT A HABIT: By winning both the men and women's races, the Bearcats continued their dominance of the Queen City Invitational, but did so through a pair of firsts. Sophomore Nichole Leslie and junior Taylor Garvin earned their first career victories at the home meet. Leslie's win gave Cincinnati its second consecutive individual title, while Garvin's success was the fifth consecutive individual title on the men's side.

THE FIRST TIME: In their first BIG EAST Championships, the Bearcats made quite the impact. The men finished an impressive sixth place in a conference led by two of the nation's top-10 teams. Junior Kevin Schwarz, who had been held back by injury most of the season, returned to the top spot for the Bearcats. The Bearcat women tied for 10th in a race that featured five nationally ranked teams. Berling continued to lead the squad with a 29th place finish.

YOUTHFUL SUCCESS: Cincinnati's success in 2005 relied heavily on the strength of its youth. For the women, freshmen Ellen Knopf and Justine Yauch started strong. Knopf recorded three top-10 finishes to begin the season and Yauch finished in the top 25 each of her three races. When the duo fell to injuries and illness, freshman Megan Knapp picked up the pace. Knapp scored in all but two meets, and her 48th-place finish at the BIG EAST Championships put her among the top-10 freshmen in the conference.

Like the women, the men found success behind the leadership of sophomore John Dixon and freshman Rick King. Along with junior Taylor Garvin as the team's top veteran, the Bearcats relied on their youth throughout the season. Dixon earned three top-five finishes at the start of the year, but illness took him out of action at the end. Rick, who was joined by brother Randy as a top newcomer, scored in all eight meets.

2005 Bearcat Men Times (Finish)

Name	Class	Flyer 5K	Miami	Queen City	Notre Dame	All-Ohio	Pre-National	BIG EAST	GL Regional	NCAA
David Adams	Jr.	16:17 (26)	28:04 (49)	26:55 (7)	26:02 (141)	27:02 (39)	26:04 (182)	26:13 (47)	34:06 (103)	X
Brad Babiak	Fr.	X	27:33 (44)	27:51 (15)	27:30 (190)	X	28:15*	X	X	X
Evan DeHart	Fr.	17:12 (57)	X	28:20 (19)	X	29:00*	27:29*	X	X	X
John Dixon	So.	15:44 (4)	25:47 (3)	26:13 (2)	24:57 (55)	26:12 (7)	25:20 (134)	X	X	X
Kyle Dragan	So.	16:27 (34)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Taylor Garvin	Jr.	15:46 (5)	25:47 (4)	26:04 (1)	24:50 (48)	26:37 (17)	24:59 (92)	26:42 (56)	X	X
Soloman Kessio	Fr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Randy King	Fr.	16:12 (16)	27:48 (46)	28:03 (16)	26:47*	27:36*	26:57*	26:59 (61)	34:11 (105)	X
Rick King	Fr.	16:04 (13)	27:02 (30)	26:33 (4)	25:47 (122)	27:03 (41)	26:34 (202)	26:10 (44)	34:59 (130)	X
Eric Mayhaus	Jr.	15:57 (11)	26:38 (25)	26:50 (6)	26:43 (172)	27:25*	26:39 (203)	26:09 (43)	35:28 (147)	X
Scott Mindel	So.	16:24 (31)	27:06 (31)	26:57 (9)	26:36 (164)	27:47 (66)	26:34*	27:10	X	X
Brad Neumann	Jr.	16:13 (17)	27:32 (43)	27:48 (13)	25:46 (119)	27:23 (49)	X	25:57 (36)	35:55 (164)	X
Kevin Schwarz	Jr.	15:39 (3)	X	28:31 (22)	25:41 (113)	26:14 (8)	25:37 (153)	25:20 (24)	33:20 (75)	X
Matt Van Doren	Sr.	17:00 (53)	28:20 (53)	28:52 (23)	X	28:44*	27:23*	X	X	X

*Open Race

2005 Bearcat Women Times (Finish)

Name	Class	Flyer 5K	Miami	Queen City	Notre Dame	All-Ohio	Pre-National	BIG EAST	GL Regional	NCAA
Karen Berling	Sr.	18:58 (1)	18:49 (4)	19:21 (3)	18:40 (25)	18:56 (14)	22:08 (99)	22:23 (29)	23:03 (71)	X
Melissa Bubash	Jr.	21:48 (49)	21:06 (49)	21:45 (18)	21:05*	21:58*	25:20*	X	X	X
Emily Chewing	Fr.	25:14 (61)	25:25 (73)	24:26 (3)	X	23:53*	X	X	X	X
Cristy Doll	Jr.	19:26 (9)	19:20 (13)	19:39 (5)	18:48 (219)	19:15 (22)	22:23 (118)	23:42 (64)	23:07 (79)	X
Jocelyn Gibson	Sr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jennifer Hannen	So.	19:39 (13)	20:19 (37)	20:14 (8)	19:05 (54)	19:53 (64)	24:12 (215)	23:43 (65)	27:32 (208)	X
Julie Horn	Fr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Megan Knapp	Fr.	20:15 (25)	19:46 (26)	20:03 (6)	19:09 (61)	19:24 (33)	22:50 (155)	23:03 (48)	23:13 (85)	X
Ellen Knopf	Fr.	19:16 (6)	19:05 (7)	19:16 (2)	18:52 (35)	19:25 (35)	23:43 (199)	X	X	X
Nichole Leslie	So.	19:29 (10)	19:15 (11)	19:15 (1)	18:56 (38)	19:19 (25)	22:59 (170)	23:03 (49)	23:32 (102)	X
Lindsey Mackall	Jr.	22:43 (56)	22:15 (61)	22:20 (20)	X	21:49*	25:10*	X	X	X
Amy Schoenfeld	So.	21:24 (44)	21:09 (52)	21:27 (16)	20:42 (152)	21:27*	24:53*	25:36	X	X
Kris Schuerle	Fr.	20:52 (37)	20:39 (43)	20:39 (11)	20:35 (148)	20:40*	24:14*	24:06 (77)	25:30 (185)	X
Julia Strombotne	Fr.	22:37 (55)	X	23:53 (28)	X	23:13*	X	X	X	X
Sarah Veneman	Fr.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nicole Waldie	Fr.	21:09 (41)	20:56 (45)	20:36 (10)	20:09 (128)	20:28 (101)	24:36 (223)	25:00 (92)	27:07 (204)	X
Justine Yauch	Fr.	20:11 (23)	19:34 (19)	22:23 (21)	X	X	X	X	X	X

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