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IOWA MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD**HAWKEYES IN 10TH AFTER DAY ONE OF BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

ANN ARBOR, MI -- The University of Iowa men's track and field team is in 10th place with five points after the first day of competition at the 2004 Big Ten Men's Indoor Track and Field Championships Saturday in Ann Arbor, MI. Wisconsin, looking for its fourth team title in five seasons, leads the team race with 68. Despite their team standing, the Hawkeyes recorded six personal-best and 11 season-best performances on the day.

Senior **Ken Kemeny** led the team with a sixth-place finish in the shot put. He bettered his previous NCAA provisional qualifying mark with a new personal-best of 60-0 1/2. Iowa's distance medley relay also placed seventh in 10:10.66. In the 3,000 meters, junior **Matt Esche** placed ninth with a season and personal best of 8:17.28 and junior **Tony Rakaric** placed 12th with a season-best 8:26.75.

Four Hawkeyes advanced to Sunday's finals in their individual events. Senior **Derrick Burks** qualified in the 60 meters with a personal-best 6.84, senior **Russell Peterson** qualified in the 60-meter hurdles with a personal-best 7.97, junior **Matt O'Hollearn** qualified in the 600 meters with a season-best 1:21.02 and senior **Zach Digney** qualified in the 200 meters with a season-best 21.77.

The second day of Big Ten competition begins Sunday at 8 a.m. at the University of Michigan Indoor Track Building.

TEAM STANDINGS (AFTER DAY ONE)

1. Wisconsin	68	6. Michigan State	15
2. Michigan	25	7. Penn State	11
3. Ohio State	18	8. Minnesota	10
Indiana	18	9. Illinois	9
5. Purdue	16	10. Iowa	5

SATURDAY'S EVENT RESULTS**60-Meters (Trials)****Heat 1**

1. Kenneth Baxter (PUR)	6.84
5. Derrick Burks (I)	7.06

Heat 2

1. Demi Omole (WIS)	6.81
6. Omar Isaacs (I)	7.05

Heat 3

1. Nathan Taylor (MICH)	6.82
3. Zach Digney (I)	6.97

60 Meters (Semis)**Heat 1**

1. Kenneth Baxter (PUR)	6.75
3. Derrick Burks (I)	6.84
5. Zach Digney (I)	6.90
8. Omar Isaacs (I)	6.99

60-Meter Hurdles (Trials)**Heat 2**

1. Travis Brandstatter (MN)	8.02
3. Russell Peterson (I)	8.18





60-Meter Hurdles (Semis)

Heat 1

1. Jeff Porter (MICH) 7.93
2. **Russell Peterson (I) 7.97**

400 Meters (Trials)

Heat 5

1. Mitch Potter (MN) 48.45
3. **Juan Coleman (I) 49.70**

800 Meters (Trials)

Heat 3

1. Nathan Brannen (MICH) 1:51.11
4. **Rob Long (I) 1:54.13**
5. **Josh Tweedy (I) 1:54.59**

600 Meters (Trials)

Heat 1

1. Seth Waits (MICH) 1:20.63
4. **Jason Wakenight (I) 1:22.24**

Heat 2

1. Adam Steele (MINN) 1:20.03
3. **Tony Leick (I) 1:22.07**

Heat 3

1. Trammel Smith (ILL) 1:19.47
2. **Matt O'Hollearn (I) 1:21.02**
3. **Jason Nolting (I) 1:22.00**

Shot Put (Finals)

1. Dan Taylor (OSU) 66-11 1/4
6. **Ken Kemeny (I) 60-0 1/2**
10. **Andy Banse (I) 54-4 1/2**

200 Meters (Trials)

Heat 1

1. Ernie Terrell (PSU) 21.60
4. **Russell Peterson (I) 22.09**

Heat 2

1. **Zach Digney (I) 21.77**
4. **Robert Beach (I) 22.66**

Heat 5

1. Robb Merritt (MN) 21.74
2. **Juan Coleman (I) 22.22**

3,000 Meters (Finals)

1. Nick Willis (MICH) 7:57.10
9. **Matt Esche (I) 8:17.28**
12. **Tony Rakaric (I) 8:26.75**

Distance Medley Relay (Finals)

1. Michigan 9:48.28
7. **Iowa 10:10.66**

