

WASHINGTON STATE TRACK & FIELD RELEASE



@Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Championships Feb. 23-24, Dempsey Indoor, Seattle

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WSU TRACK & FIELD 2018 INDOOR SCHEDULE

JANUARY

12-13 @Ed Jacoby Invite/Multis,
Nampa

12-13 @UW Indoor Preview,
Seattle

19-20 WSU Open, Pullman

26-27 @UW Invitational, Seattle

27 @New Mexico Team Invite,
Albuquerque

FEBRUARY

2-3 Cougar Indoor, Pullman

9-10 @Don Kirby Elite Invite,
Albuquerque

@Husky Classic, Seattle

16 @NAU Tune-up, Flagstaff

23-24 @Mountain Pacific Sports
Fed. Championships,
Seattle

MARCH

9-10 @NCAA Indoor T&F
Championships,
College Station, Texas

MPSF INDOOR T&F CHAMPIONSHIPS NEXT STOP FOR COUGARS

The Washington State men's and women's track and field teams travel to Seattle for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Championships, Fri., Feb. 23 (Noon), and Sat., Feb. 24 (10:30 a.m.), at the Dempsey Indoor Facility...scoring is 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1...14 schools with both men's and women's teams: Arizona, Arizona State, BYU, California, Cal State Northridge, Colorado, Long Beach St., Oregon, Portland, Stanford, UCLA, USC, Washington and WSU...five schools have women's only teams: Cal State Fullerton, Hawai'i, Oregon St., UC Irvine, and Utah...Live results through wsucougars.com/Track&Field/Schedule/Results available Feb. 23.

WAYNE PHIPPS, DIR. OF WSU CROSS COUNTRY/TRACK & FIELD

Wayne Phipps (University of British Columbia '91) is in his fourth season with the Washington State track and field program...Phipps led the Cougar men's cross country program back-to-back-to-back NCAA Championships at-large berth appearances...Cougs finished 21st in 2017, 14th in 2016 - the highest in 32 years, and 26th in 2015....in track and field seasons, mentored student-athletes to WSU top-ten performances 24 times in the indoor season and 47 times in the outdoor season....there have also been conference all-academic honors awarded to WSU student-athletes 51 times in cross country, 88 times in indoor track and 86 times in outdoor track...Phipps became the 15th men's coach and the second coach for the combined men's and women's program at WSU on July 1, 2014, after 19 years at the University of Idaho...while at Idaho, Phipps was honored 14 times as a conference coach of the year and led the Vandals to a record 16 conference titles.

COUGAR TRACK & FIELD COACHING STAFF

WSU Track & Field coaching staff includes Associate Head Coaches Julie Taylor (throws), and Yogi Teevens (sprints, relays)...Assistant Coaches are Brad Walker (vertical jumps), Ryan Grinnell (multis, horizontal jumps) and Char-lee Linton (distance)...Kayla Warren is the Operations Coordinator...volunteers include: Tim Taylor and Katie Nageotte...student coach: CJ Allen.

2018 WSU TEAM CAPTAINS

Track - Abu Kamara (M), Regyn Gaffney (W)

Distance - Chandler Teigen and Nathan Wadhwani (M), Devon Bortfeld (W)

Field - Brock Eager (M), Alissa Brooks-Johnson (W)

COUGARS HIGHLIGHTS FROM KIRBY INVITE AND HUSKY CLASSIC MEETS (FEB. 9-10)

In Seattle Feb. 9, Vallery Korir won the top collegiate heat of the women's 5000m in a school record time of 16:07.72 replacing Devon Bortfeld's indoor record time of 16:16.42 (2017) and Ruby Robert's outdoor time of 16:09.02 (2014)...women's DMR of Zorana Grujic, Jelena Grujic, Marlow Schulz and Kaili Keefe won in 11:29.22 - third-best time in WSU history...men's DMR of Paul Ryan, Corey Allen, Justin Janke and Chandler Teigen won in a time of 9:49.26...Brock Eager was the runner-up in the 35-pound weight throw (20.17m/ 66-2 1/4) while teammate Amani Brown finished fourth with a PR and the eighth-best throw in WSU history of 19.09m/62-7 3/4...Sat., Feb. 10 in Seattle, Keefe and Korir clocked in PR times in the women's mile: Keefe's 4:47.37 won her heat, was 25th overall and is fourth-best in WSU all-time...Korir's 4:49.84 is fifth-best in WSU records...PRs in the men's mile came for Justin Janke (4:05.99) Paul Ryan (4:06.01)...PRs in the women's 800m were run by Schulz (2:10.13) and Zorana Grujic (2:10.77)...Colton Johnsen chopped off 10 seconds in his PR in the 3k with a time of 8:07.06...Peyton Fredrickson cleared a PR of 2.06m/6-9 in the high jump...in Albuquerque, Alissa Brooks-Johnson ran back-to-back PRs in the 60m hurdles: 8.55 in the semifinals and 8.50 in the final....Christapherson Grant ran a season-best time of 8.08 in the men's 60m hurdles...for the second consecutive week, Greer Alsop triple jumped a season-best distance of 12.28m/40-3 1/2.



NCAA DESCENDING ORDER LISTS

The NCAA uses national descending order lists to determine the competitors for the 2018 Indoor Championships... these lists can be viewed at the United States Track & Field/Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) Track & Field Results Reporting System website (www.tfrs.org)...the top 16 individuals and 12 relays will move on to compete at the NCAA Indoor Championships March 9-10 in College Station, Texas (Texas A&M host school)...best marks for the Cougars throughout the 2018 indoor season can be found at www.wsucougars.com.

WSU men in the TFRRS national top 50 list / MPSF top 8 scoring) this week:

Ja'Maun Charles, 60m - 6.79 (6th MPSF)

Zach Smith, 200m - 21.46 (5th MPSF)

Ja'Maun Charles, 200m - 21.72 (6th MPSF)

Nick Johnson, 60m Hurdles - 7.98 (5th MPSF)

Distance Medley Relay (Ryan, Allen, Janke, Teigen) - 9:49.26 (45th nationally, 5th MPSF)

Robby Flores, Triple Jump - 15.33m/50-3 1/2 (6th MPSF)

Brock Eager, Weight Throw - 20.74m/68-0 1/2 (27th nationally, 1st MPSF)

Amani Brown, Weight Throw - 18.84m/61-9 3/4 (4th MPSF)

WSU women in the TFRRS national top 50 list / MPSF top 8 scoring) this week:

Vallery Korir, 5000m - 16:07.72 (34th nationally)

Distance Medley Relay (Grujic, Grujic, Schulz, Keefe) - 11:29.22 (29th nationally, 5th MPSF)

Alissa Brooks-Johnson - 1.72m/5-7 3/4 (8th MPSF)

Molly Scharmann, Pole Vault - 4.05m/13-3 1/2 (48th nationally, 6th MPSF)

Greer Alsop, Triple Jump - 12.28m/40-3 1/2 (8th MPSF)

Alissa Brooks-Johnson, Pentathlon - 4190 points (7th nationally, 1st MPSF)



VOLUNTEER KATIE NAGEOTTE WINS USA INDOOR POLE VAULT

WSU volunteer coach Katie Nageotte claimed the USA Indoor Pole Vault title Feb. 18 in Albuquerque with a PR vault of 4.91m/ 16-1...she upset Olympic gold and silver medalists Jenn Suhr and Sandi Morris...Nageotte has been training with Cougars Assistant Coach Brad Walker for the past year...she reached a PR of 4.76m/15-7 1/4 at the WSU Indoor Open Jan. 19, 2018 (see photo with Brad Walker)...at the national championships, Nageotte, competing for adidas/NYAC, had no missed attempts until her three vaults at the world record height of 5.04m/16-6 1/2...Nageotte will compete for Team USA at the IAAF World Indoor Championships in Birmingham, England March 2-4.



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USTFCCCA NATIONAL TEAM RANKINGS

The United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) national rankings are a prediction of how teams and individuals will place at the 2018 NCAA Div. I Indoor Championships, March 9-10, in College Station, Texas.

USTFCCCA INDOOR TRACK & FIELD MEN'S TOP 25 TEAMS 2018 Rankings Week 5 Feb. 19, 2018

Rank	School	Total	Last Week
1.	Texas Tech	161.88	1
2.	Florida	118.14	2
3.	Arkansas	113.82	5
4.	USC	109.96	4
5.	Georgia	100.69	3
6.	Florida State	82.20	7
7.	Texas A&M	74.21	6
8.	Alabama	70.35	9
9.	Syracuse	60.82	12
10.	Houston	59.27	16
11.	Kentucky	58.51	10
12.	TCU	58.41	11
13.	Oregon	58.30	15
14.	Penn State	57.78	8
15.	Indiana	54.21	14
16.	Stanford	53.97	19
17.	Virginia Tech	52.25	24
18.	Texas	50.46	13
19.	Ohio State	45.17	20
20.	Southern Utah	42.22	21
21.	UTEP	41.02	23
22.	Michigan	40.87	17
	South Carolina	40.87	22
24.	Kansas	38.14	27
25.	Auburn	38.00	26
119.	Washington St.	0.13	99

Next ranking Feb. 26, 2018

COUGARS ENTERED IN MPSF CHAMPIONSHIPS, FEB. 23-24, SEATTLE: WOMEN

60m - Regyn Gaffney, Tierney Silliman, Jordyn Tucker
 200m - Tierney Silliman, Jordyn Tucker
 400m - Stephanie Cho
 800m - Natalie Ackerley, Jelena Grujic, Zorana Grujic, Marlow Schulz, Grace Victor
 Mile - Marie Gaudin, Kaili Keefe
 3000m - Devon Bortfeld, Josie Brown, Melissa Hruska, Vallery Korir
 5000m - Devon Bortfeld, Josie Brown, Melissa Hruska, Vallery Korir
 60m Hurdles - no entry
 4x400m Relay - Ackerley, Brooks-Johnson, Cho, J. Grujic, Z. Grujic, Schulz, Victor
 Distance Medley Relay - Ackerley, Cho, Keefe, J. Grujic, Z. Grujic, Keefe, Schulz, Victor
 High Jump - Alissa Brooks-Johnson
 Pole Vault - Emily Coombs, Macee Erickson, Katelyn Frost, Molly Scharmann
 Long Jump - Greer Alsop, Lauren Newman
 Triple Jump - Oyinlola Akinlosotu, Greer Alsop, Brittni Williams
 Shot Put - Chrishnay Brown
 Weight Throw - Aoife Martin
 Pentathlon - Alissa Brooks-Johnson, Lindsey Schauble

MEN

60m - Ja'Maun Charles, Ethan Gardner, Zach Smith
 200m - Ethan Gardner, Zach Smith
 400m - Corey Allen
 800m - Justin Janke, Reid Muller, Zach Stallings
 Mile - Paul Ryan
 3000m - Colton Johnsen, Chandler Teigen, John Whelan, Michael Williams
 5000m - Colton Johnsen, John Whelan, Michael Williams
 60m Hurdles - Christapherson Grant, Nick Johnson, Abu Kamara
 4x400m Relay - Allen, Charles, Grant, Littles
 Distance Medley Relay - Allen, Charles, Janke, Ryan, Teigen
 High Jump - Max English, Peyton Fredrickson, Keelan Halligan, Mitch Jacobson
 Pole Vault - Tucker Mjelde, Sander Moldau
 Long Jump - no entry
 Triple Jump - Robby Flores, Jeremiah Stone
 Shot Put - No entry
 Weight Throw - Amani Brown, Brock Eager
 Heptathlon - Martin Moldau, Sander Moldau



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Rank	School	Total	Last Week
1.	Arkansas	186.49	1
2.	USC	158.86	2
3.	Kentucky	153.13	3
4.	Georgia	135.37	4
5.	Oregon	120.38	5
6.	LSU	105.69	6
7.	Texas A&M	88.85	7
8.	Florida	86.99	8
9.	Stanford	80.41	9
10.	Minnesota	61.05	11
11.	New Mexico	59.24	10
12.	Missouri	54.54	13
13.	Kansas	49.81	23
14.	Tennessee	46.46	14
15.	Virginia Tech	46.01	22
16.	Purdue	43.21	15
17.	Alabama	41.93	16
18.	Colorado	41.28	17
19.	Kansas State	38.76	18
20.	Arizona State	38.24	19
21.	Iowa State	37.10	20
22.	Wisconsin	36.68	21
23.	Michigan	36.20	12
24.	Mississippi State	35.32	30
25.	Cincinnati	34.62	25
67.	Washington State	6.68	65

Next ranking Feb. 19, 2018

WEST REGIONAL INDOOR RANKINGS Week 5 Feb. 19, 2018

Men		Women	
Rank	School	Rank	School
1.	Oregon	1.	Oregon
2.	USC	2.	USC
3.	Stanford	3.	Stanford
4.	Washington	4.	California
5.	Washington State	5.	Arizona State
6.	Arizona	6.	Washington
7.	California	7.	Arizona
8.	Grand Canyon	8.	Washington St.
9.	Sacramento St.	9.	Boise State
10.	Arizona State	10.	San Diego St.
11.	E. Washington	11.	San Jose State
12.	Idaho	12.	UNLV
13.	Portland	13.	Fresno State
14.	Cal St. Northridge	14.	Sacramento St.
15.	Boise State	15.	Long Beach St.

2018 Washington State University Track & Field Top Returners

Returning Mountain Pacific Sports Fed. Indoor Championships Scorers: Men - 2017 Team Finish 10th (41 points)

Ja'Maun Charles, 60m: 2017 (4th), 2016 (6th) / 200m: 2016 (8th)
Brock Eager, Wt. Throw: 2017 (6th), 2016 (6th)
Robby Flores, Triple Jump: 2017 (4th)
Christapherson Grant, 60m Hurdles: 2017 (7th)
Abu Kamara, 60m Hurdles: 2017 (8th)
DMR: 2016 - Teigen, Littles, Muller, Tadesse (7th)

Women - 2017 Team Finish 8th (33.5 points)

Greer Alsop, Triple Jump: 2017 (5th)
Devon Bortfeld, 3000m: 2017 (6th) / 5000m 2017 (7th)
Alissa Brooks-Johnson, Pentathlon: 2016 (3rd)
Molly Scharmann, Pole Vault: 2017 (8th)

Returning Pac-12 Championships Women Scorers:

Greer Alsop, Triple Jump: 2015 (8th); 2016 (5th); 2017 (6th)
Devon Bortfeld, 3000m Steeplechase: 2017 (6th)
Alissa Brooks-Johnson, Heptathlon: 2014 (2nd); 2015 (1st); 2017 (1st) / 400m Hurdles: 2015 (7th)
Attina Kamasi, Javelin: 2017 (5th)
Kelsey Kehl, Javelin: 2017 (3rd)

Returning Pac-12 Championships Men Scorers:

Ja'Maun Charles, 100m: 2017 (3rd)
Brock Eager, Hammer: 2015 (8th); 2017 (1st)
Robby Flores, Triple Jump: 2017 (8th)
Peyton Fredrickson, High Jump: 2016 (t-7th); 2017 (6th)
Christapherson Grant, 110m Hurdles: 2017 (5th)
Keelan Halligan, High Jump: 2017 (5th)
Justin Janke, 800m: 2017 (8th)
Nick Johnson, 110m Hurdles: 2017 (7th)
Wyatt Meyring, Hammer: 2017 (4th)
Cole Smith, Javelin: 2017 (8th)
Brad Stevens, Javelin: 2015 (8th); 2016 (6th)
Michael Williams, 10,000m: 2017 (4th)

Returning NCAA Outdoor Women Participants:

Alissa Brooks-Johnson, Heptathlon: 2015 (18th); 2017 (6th) / 400m Hurdles: 2015 (23rd)

Returning NCAA Outdoor Championships Men Participants:

Brock Eager, Hammer: 2017 (14th)



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Feb. 23-24, 2018 Dempsey Indoor Facility, Seattle Tentative Event Time Schedule

Friday, February 23

12:00 p.m. Weight Throw (W)
12:15 p.m. 60m Hurdles (Pent)
1:00 p.m. High Jump (Pent)
2:00 p.m. Pole Vault (W)
60m Dash (Hept)
2:30 p.m. Shot Put (Pent)
2:45 p.m. Long Jump (Hept)
3:45 p.m. Shot Put (Hept)
Long Jump (Pent)
4:30 p.m. 60m Hurdles Prelims (W)
4:45 p.m. 60m Hurdles Prelims (M)
High Jump (Hept)
5:00 p.m. 60m Dash Prelims (W)
5:15 p.m. 60m Dash Prelims (M)
5:15 p.m. Long Jump (W)
Long Jump (M)
Weight Throw (M)
5:30 p.m. Pole Vault (M)
800m Run (Pent)
5:40 p.m. 5000m Run (W)
6:00 p.m. 5000m Run (M)
6:20 p.m. 200m Dash (W)
6:45 p.m. 200m Dash (M)
7:10 p.m. Distance Medley Relay (W)
7:25 p.m. Distance Medley Relay (M)

Saturday, February 24

10:30 a.m. 60m Hurdles (Hept)
10:30 a.m. Shot Put (W)
High Jump (W)
11:00 a.m. Triple Jump (W)
Mile (W)
11:15 a.m. Mile (M)
11:30 a.m. Pole Vault (Hept)
60m Hurdles Final (W)
60m Hurdles Final (M)
11:35 a.m. 400m Dash (W)
12:05 p.m. 400m Dash (M)
12:25 p.m. 60m Dash Final (W)
12:30 p.m. 60m Dash Final (M)
12:40 p.m. 800m Run (W)
12:45 p.m. Shot Put (M)
High Jump (M)
1:00 p.m. Triple Jump (M)
800m Run (M)
1:20 p.m. 3000m Run (W)
1:45 p.m. 3000m Run (M)
2:10 p.m. 1000m Run (Hept)
2:25 p.m. 4x400m Relay (W)
2:40 p.m. 4x400m Relay (M)

MARKS RECORDED IN THE WSU T&F RECORD BOOK BY CURRENT STUDENT-ATHLETES

Women's All-Time Marks (season achieved mark)

60m - t-1st. 7.45i Regyn Gaffney (2017)
100m - 3rd. 11.60 Regyn Gaffney (2017)
Mile - **4th. 4:47.37i Kaili Keefe (2018)**
5th. 4:49.84 Vallery Korir (2018)
7th. 4:50.96i Devon Bortfeld (2018)
3000m - 3rd. 9:22.54i Devon Bortfeld (2017),
7th. 9:30.98 Vallery Korir (2017)
5000m - 1st. (Indoor SR), 3rd (all-time) 16:16.42i Devon Bortfeld (2017),
10th 16:36.40 Vallery Korir (2017)
10,000m - 1st. 33:58.17 Vallery Korir (2017),
9th. 36:33.54 Katherine Dittmann (2016) FRESHMAN SR
60m Hurdles - t-5th. 8.45i Liz Harper (2016)
100m Hurdles - t-10th. 13.80 Liz Harper (2016)
400m Hurdles - 2nd. 57.31 Liz Harper (2015),
7th. 58.81 Alissa Brooks-Johnson (2015)
3000m Steeplechase - 4th. 10:23.28 Devon Bortfeld (2017),
Pole Vault - 4th. 4.05m / 13-3 1/2i Molly Scharmann (2018)
Triple Jump - 4th. 12.70m / 41-8 Greer Alsop (2017)
Weight Throw - 8th. 17.41m / 57-1 1/2i Aoife Martin (2018)
Hammer - 7th. 54.53m / 178-11 Aoife Martin (2017)
Javelin - 3rd. 52.32m / 171-8 Atina Kamasi (2017) FRESHMAN SR
9th. 48.76m / 160-0 Kelsey Kehl (2017)
Pentathlon - 3rd. 4,190i Alissa Brooks-Johnson (2018)
8th. 3,558i points Lindsey Schauble (2017)
Heptathlon - 4th. 5,803 points Alissa Brooks-Johnson (2015)

Men's All-Time Marks (season achieved mark)

Distance Medley Relay - 9:59.67 Paul Ryan, Ray Littles,
Reid Muller, Nathan Tadesse (2016) - FRESHMAN SR
60m Hurdles - 7.93i Sam Brixey (2017) - FRESHMAN SR
Weight Throw - 3rd. 20.74m / 68-01/2i Brock Eager (2018)
8th. 19.09m / 62-7 3/4i Amani Brown (2018)
Hammer - 4th. 68.66m / 225-3 Brock Eager (2017)
Javelin - 10th. 71.07m / 233-2 Brad Stevens (2015)

Molly Scharmann



Brock Eager

